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SYMPOSIUM: LIVING PERCEPTIONS OF THE PAST

10th–12th APRIL 2001

The Trust is once again holding a Symposium Living Perceptions of the Past for friends and supporters from 10th to 12th April. The emphasis this year will be on an integrated approach to understanding the cultures of the past. The main speakers will be Dr Armin Schmidt who will give an illustrated presentation on Cultural Heritage Under Threat at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday 11th April and Dr Vivek Nanda who will give an illustrated presentation on Kumbakonam a Traditional City/Ritual Centre of the Chola Period (c.10th–13th century) in Eastern South India at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 12th April. For further details see page 4 for programme summary.

HERITAGE OPEN DAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2000

Instead of opening both Saturday and Sunday it was decided this year to open only on Sunday—this proved the most popular day last year. Approximately 100 people visited the Trust and its Library during the day, and many showed interest in the work it is doing and in the life of Sir Harold Bailey, whose extensive collection of books form the basis of the present library.

CHARLES WALLACE VISITING SCHOLAR 2000/2001

Dr Shanti Pappu. See page 5 for report

ALLCHINS' VISIT TO U.S.A.

The Chairman and Secretary, Raymond and Bridget Allchin, visited the States between 30th October and 18th November 2000 and attended Conferences in Cleveland and Kansas City, and the opening of the Exhibition Circles of Reflection, celebrating the Carters' donation of their Chinese Mirror collection to the Cleveland Museum of Art, where a meeting of the American Friends Committee was also held.

TRUSTEES' ACTIVITIES

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Update of the current situation of the Ancient India and Iran Trust, the progress of on-going projects and needs for future development March/April 2001

THE PRESENT SITUATION

Introduction

The Ancient India and Iran Trust is an independent institution and a registered Charity. It owns Brooklands House and the land that goes with it, and a unique and valuable library, and it has sufficient income from its capital endowment to meet running expenses and salaries for the custodian, part time secretary and book-keeper. A number of its activities such as visiting fellowships, exhibitions, larger conferences, etc. and the purchase of books for the library are funded by outside sources, either on a regular basis or as individual initiatives. In recent years, thanks to a number of donations from private Trusts and individuals and to grants from the National Lottery Foundation and the British Library, it has been possible to initiate a number of projects including major improvements to the house, cataloguing and conserving the library, digitizing the photographic archive, etc. These have all been outlined in our brochures, and also in earlier numbers of the Newsletter.

In recent years the Trust has been offered a number of distinguished personal libraries by scholars in the fields it covers, as gifts or bequests. So far six which are relevant to the remit of the Trust have been accepted, and there are others in the offing. These will make the Trust's library one of unique and outstanding interest, but it will take up considerable space, and will need cataloguing, conservation and other servicing. Further space for readers will also be required. Therefore it will be necessary to build. We have had a plan drawn up for a new Resource Centre with a fully equipped lecture room, conservation laboratory, photo-archive and work room, extensive book storage and reading room. This will be a separate new wing, connected to the present house and forming a third side of the partially enclosed courtyard. Further information about this will be found below. The financial development of the Trust may be categorised as follows:

1. Projects Completed
2. Projects Underway for which some further funding is needed
3. Capital Projects for which funding is being sought

PROJECTS COMPLETED

Cataloguing the Bailey and van Lohuizen Libraries

A notable project that has been completed is the cataloguing of the Bailey and van Lohuizen libraries to the full MARC level. This was achieved with the combined aid of private funding and a grant from the National Heritage Lottery Foundation, and was finished in December 2000.

The Transformation of the Basement

Another major project, the conversion and upgrading of the basement to make it a functioning part of the library and a place for reading and study, was completed in late autumn 1999 with the aid of a major private donation. Its character has been so changed that it has been suggested that we should rename it the lower ground floor. This operation included major internal structural alterations and the installation of a book lift and a strong room, and equipping the main rooms with adjustable wall shelving and facilities for using computers, etc.

Refurbishment and Installation of Moveable Book Stacks in the van Lohuizen Library

The complete refurbishment of the van Lohuizen library in the back wing of Brooklands House, including levelling the floor and damp proofing the walls, and the installation of moveable book stacks has just been completed with the aid of the same major donation as above plus a smaller one from another source, thus increasing the capacity of this section by almost 100%. In view of the number of distinguished personal libraries promised to the Trust as gifts and bequests, this additional space is much needed.

The Bailey Off-print Cataloguing Project

Cataloguing of the Bailey Off-print Collection by Mr James Rankin, a voluntary helper, started in March 1999 and is now complete, more than 7,500 off-prints having been catalogued. He is now helping Mrs Pat Flett with the Bailey Archive Collection, dealing with the many letters written to and by Sir Harold Bailey during his lifetime.

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THE ANCIENT INDIA

The aim of this Newsletter is to keep Friends of the Trust
and others interested in the realisation of its aims and



IRAN TRUST

PROJECTS UNDERWAY FOR WHICH FURTHER FUNDING IS NEEDED

As our friends know, funding has been raised to initiate a number of projects concerned with the conservation and preservation of various sections of the library, the Photographic Archive, the Bailey Archive, etc., and these are all underway. Further funding is still needed to carry them forward and bring them to completion. There are also three major projects for which funding has yet to be raised. Each group of projects is listed below.

The Bailey Archive Project

This project is going well. Mrs Pat Flett has been working on the classification and ordering of the Bailey Archive since October 1999, and more recently with the help of Mr James Rankin, largely funded by donations from members of the American Friends Committee. It is estimated that it will take at least one more year to complete, at a cost of c.£5,000. The Trustees much appreciate the generosity of the American Friends, and sincerely hope they will continue to support the project and see it through to completion. When complete it will provide the material for a biography of Sir Harold. We believe there is a distinguished former student of his who is planning to write one, and other scholars will want to make use of the archive.

Library Conservation Projects

Sir Harold Bailey's library includes many old and rare books which at the time of his death in 1996 were in poor condition, as were many of the manuscripts in his collection. For the purpose of preservation and conservation his library can be considered in three groups, Manuscripts, Rare Printed Books and the Main Reference Collection. The objective is to bring all three groups to a condition where, when handled with care, they can safely be consulted, read and studied. The Manuscripts and Rare Printed Books will of course be made available only in the presence of the librarian or a responsible person associated with the Trust.

a. Manuscript Preservation and Conservation

To date eight of the more important/more fragile manuscripts, one Armenian and seven Persian, including the most important one, an early seventeenth century Shahnamah, have been successfully conserved by Dr Nicholas Hadgraft. Dr Cheryl Porter, an expert on pigments has worked on those with illuminations, painted borders, etc. analysing and fixing the pigments. The amount spent so far is c.£11,240.

The amount of work remaining to be done ranges from major conservation work on some volumes, to relatively minor work on others. It is difficult to assess precisely what remains to be done as the collection includes manuscripts of several kinds, in a number of languages, including Indian palm leaf manuscripts. Therefore a further three year programme is proposed. The cost of this is estimated at c.£15,000.

b. Rare Book Preservation and Conservation

Little work has been done on this so far. Early Zoroastrian printed works and other irreplaceable books are in urgent need of attention, as some of them are in such a bad state of repair that they cannot be handled or read without causing further damage. As we have recently had a number of requests from Zoroastrians and others to read them, we feel their conservation is now a matter of some urgency. The total cost of conserving the group is also estimated at c.£15,000.

c. Main Bailey Reference Collection

Thanks to a donation of £10,600 from Mr Nigel Chancellor, in October 1999 we were able to make a start on the conservation and repair of books and monographs in the India Room. The work has been done by a conservator working part-time under the direction of our Conservation Advisor Dr Nicholas Hadgraft. Due to force of circumstances this arrangement has come to an end. We still have £4,400 of the Chancellor gift and, in order to speed up the work, we have decided to try to raise further funding and employ a full time conservator for six months, or longer if funds allow. Currently we have an application in to a local Trust for £10,000 (the maximum grant they can make). If we are successful this will enable us to carry the work forward. It is estimated that to complete the repair and conservation of the main Bailey library, and whatever work is needed on other collections, will cost a further £25,000. New sources of funding are being sought for this project, and any help or suggestions from our friends will be welcome.

The Photo-Archive Project

The first part of the project is now well underway. Mrs Marti Wilson has purchased state of the art equipment for digitization of photographic collections and has organized its use. She is now starting on both aspects of the task of preserving the images made by her late husband and herself in Sri Lanka and elsewhere. This means first of all cross-checking records made by her husband, thereby making sure each image is correctly identified. The next steps involve scanning and sharpening each slide to achieve maximum clarity for monitor resolution. This process will provide the most accurate presentation for researchers. Mrs Wilson will see this section of the project through to completion and then the equipment already installed will be used for the Trust's other valuable photographic collections. To further these projects we hope to be able to enlist the assistance of a trained technician. To employ such a person would cost c.£30,000 p.a. including insurance and incidental expenses, plus some additional costs for sending out routine work. The Trust is therefore seeking a sum of c.£100,000 to finance the whole project for three years in the first instance.

Further House and Library Improvements

In order to complete the interior renovation and upgrading of Brooklands House further work is planned to refurbish and maximise the usefulness of the first floor of the front part of the house. This does not involve any structural changes. It includes creating a self-contained flat for the Custodian on the north side of the front part of the house, with a large living room, bedroom, kitchenette and bathroom. The three rooms on the South side will be equipped as a guest bedroom with its own toilet and shower room, an office, and a further room with wall shelves and standing book stacks for use as part of the Library. The estimated cost of the work involved is between £16,000 and £20,000 depending upon the extent of the work undertaken.

These improvements would considerably increase the scope of the Trust's activities, and would provide further much needed space for quality book storage and reader usability. The Trustees are currently seeking sources of funding to enable this work to be carried out so that the House and Library Programme can be completed, and would welcome any help or advice.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR WHICH FUNDING IS BEING SOUGHT

Endowment for the Librarian's Post

For the first five years of his employment with the Trust, from late 1995 to January 1st 2001, our librarian Mr Wieslaw Mical was paid by a grant from the Heritage Lottery Foundation, and another from a private donor. Fortunately, the private donor's grant continues for the time being, and the balance has been made up for this year and next year by the sale of a number of objects belonging to the Trust which have no relevance to its main purposes. The Trustees are urgently seeking an increased capital endowment of at least £600,000 to provide a salary plus insurance etc. in perpetuity. We are planning to approach one or more major Grant Making Foundations very shortly, and would much appreciate the help and advice of our friends in this matter.

New Resource Centre and Administrator's Salary

The projected Resource Centre will be needed to accommodate the personal scholarly libraries promised to the Trust. So far six have been accepted as gifts or bequests, and others are under consideration. The first library, that of Professor Charles Bawden, is arriving imminently, and can be accommodated within the existing library space in Brooklands House without difficulty. One or two more are expected within the next year or two, some of which we can probably also accommodate, and others will arrive in course of time. It seems highly probable that yet more may be offered. The acceptance of these libraries together with our active accessions policy means that further library accommodations will be needed within a very few years. As the library grows it will become increasingly necessary to have modern facilities in house for book and manuscript conservation, and for general servicing of the library on the premises. The same applies to our growing photographic archive, which will need increasing space and equipment both for storage, and for working on the collections. In addition we increasingly feel the need for a lecture room with up to date projection arrangements, large enough to accommodate seminars and small conferences, and a comfortable well equipped library reading room.

The increasing size of the library, and the generally increasing activities of the Trust already demand considerable time to administer. This is possible for the present because the Chairman and Secretary are both retired and can give their time to it. In future, especially with the increasing size of the library and the Trust as a whole, it will probably be necessary to employ a full or part time manager to look after the day to day running of the Trust, who will be responsible to the Trustees, perhaps via a Committee of Management formed of those locally available. These are matters that will require discussion and careful consideration over the coming months and years, and no precise plan can be put forward at present, but it is clear that the capital endowment for a full time salary must be included in any realistic plan for extending the buildings. Therefore the Trust is aiming to raise the sum of £1,400,000 to build and staff a new Resource Centre, linked to the present building. Should a major donor be forthcoming the Trustees would be happy to name the Centre after them.

A preliminary plan has been drawn up, and is on view for anyone interested to inspect.

SYMPOSIUM: LIVING PERCEPTIONS OF THE PAST, 10th–12th APRIL 2001

The Symposium will be held
at Brooklands House.

Tuesday April 10th

Welcome Reception at 6.00 p.m. followed by
an Informal Buffet Supper at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday April 11th

10.00 a.m. Illustrated presentation entitled
Cultural Heritage Under Threat by Dr Armin
Schmidt who has recently been engaged in a
survey of the conservation of monuments in
South Asia and Iran for UNESCO.

11.15 a.m. The Character and Importance
of the AIIT's Unique Library, and the
Distinguished Libraries Donated and Promised
by Dr Martha Carter, Chair of the American
Friends Committee of the AIIT.

12.00 noon Report on improvements made
in the course of the year and the general
situation of the Trust by the Chairman
and Secretary of the AIIT.

12.30 p.m. Buffet Lunch

Exhibition of books and manuscripts and the
digitization of photographic records from
6.00 p.m. Drinks at 7.00 p.m. followed by
a buffet supper.

Thursday April 12th

10.00 a.m. Illustrated presentation by
Dr Vivek Nanda entitled Kumbakonam a
Traditional City/Ritual Centre of the Chola
Period (c.10th–13th Century) in Eastern
South India.

11.15 a.m. Illustrated presentation by
Mr Nigel Chancellor entitled A Picture of
Health: Changing Perceptions in British India
between 1800 and 1830.

12.30 p.m. Buffet Lunch

6.00 p.m. At Madingley Hall Presentation by
Dr Carolyn Woodford-Schmidt, Making from
Heaven to Earth: Chinese Jade in Context,
followed by Dinner by invitation of
Drs F. R. and B. Allchin.

On both days in the afternoon visits to
Ely Cathedral/Cambridge Colleges have
been arranged.

CHARLES WALLACE VISITING FELLOW

Dr Shanti Pappu, Deccan College, Pune, held the
Charles Wallace Fellowship from September 18th
2000 to January 8th 2001. Whilst here she
consulted libraries, met a number of scholars in
her own and related fields in Cambridge,
Southampton, Oxford and Sheffield Universities.
She studied collections of stone artefacts from
India in museums in Cambridge and elsewhere
in Britain and attended a course on Lithic
Technology at the Ecole Thematique, Valbonne,
France. She is planning a book on the History of
Prehistoric Research in India and whilst here
consulted a number of 19th century books,
journals, and manuscripts and unpublished
material complete two articles for professional
journals.

Reports on the Activities (Appointments, Conferences, Lectures, Publications, etc.) of the Trustees 1999–2000

Drs Bridget and Raymond Allchin

Most of the available time of the Secretary has
been spent on fund raising and supervising the
various improvements being carried out at
Brooklands House, such as the renovation of the
van Lohuizen Library and the installation of
moving bookshelves, and the moving of the oak
bookshelves from there to the Iranian Room, etc.
The Chairman's activities have been restricted by
various ailments. He has however been active on
the management committee of the Wallace
Pakistan Trust of which he is Chairman, and in
writing numerous testimonials and references for
former pupils and examining a PhD thesis, etc.,
and has taken part in a number of the activities of
the Trust.

Together the Allchins went to the States once
again on October 30th, for two and a half weeks.
They first visited Prof. Gregory Possehl, one of
the American Friends Committee, in
Philadelphia. They then flew to Cleveland, Ohio,
where they attended a Conference at the
Cleveland Museum of Art, celebrating the
presentation by Dr Martha and Dr Tom Carter of
their large and fine collection of Chinese Mirrors
to the Museum. On this occasion Dr Martha
Carter convened a meeting of the American
Friends of the AIIT at the Museum, where a
number of members of the Committee were
present. The meeting was positive and cordial,
and the continuing support of the Committee as
a whole and of individual members was
confirmed, and there was some useful discussion
about future plans. The Allchins would like to
express their gratitude to the Curator, Dr Stan
Czuma, for his kindness and hospitality.

Following the meeting the Allchins were the
guests of the Carters at their home on the banks
of the lake at Madison, Wisconsin. They then
flew on together to Kansas City, to attend another
conference, this time on early Kushan Art,
entitled On the Cusp of an Era, at the Nelson
Atkins Museum, organized by the Curator, Dr
Doris Srinivasan. They briefly visited Columbus,
Missouri, and then returned home via
Philadelphia, once again enjoying the hospitality
of Prof. Possehl.

Sir Nicholas Barrington

Sir Nicholas Barrington was responsible for the
concept, and has been involved in the execution,
of an exhibition of 50 years of painting in
Pakistan, entitled "Pakistan: Another Vision",
that took place in the School of Oriental and
African Studies in London and then in
Huddersfield, Oldham and bath, from April until
October 2000. The exhibition was organised by
Asia House, London, assisted by the publication
"Arts and Islamic World" and was opened by
HRH Princess Alexandra.

He was re-elected a member of the Council of
the British Institute of Persian Studies, linked
with the British Academy, which has continued
to be active in mounting seminars and sponsoring
collaborative research on all aspects of Persian
Studies. Progress has been made in opening to the
public the library in the Institute Building
in Tehran, which provides reasonably priced
accommodation for visiting scholars.

Sir Nicholas has helped revive the Pakistan
Society in London, for which he has organised a
monthly series of nine lectures beginning in
October 2000, and edited a recruitment

brochure. He has been active as Trustee, and
President of the Friends of the new British
Empire and Commonwealth Museum in the
Brunel building in Bristol. He remains a Council
member of the widely supported BACSA (British
Association for Cemeteries in South Asia) but has
relinquished membership of the Executive
Committee of Asia House and the Council of the
Royal Society of Asian Affairs in order to spend
more time in Cambridge, and start writing.

Dr Robin A E Coningham

Activities

September 1999 Leader of UNESCO World
Heritage listing mission to Pakistan.

September 1999 Archaeology Section
International Hindu Kush Expedition 2000,
Chitral, Pakistan

September–October 1999 Leader of
UNESCO mission to Tilaurakot-Kapilavastu,
Nepal and Co-director of Excavations at
Tilaurakot-Kapilavastu

April 2000 Leader of UNESCO reactive
Mission to Lumbini, Nepal

August 2000 British Academy grant to complete
post-excavation analysis and photography of
excavated artefacts from the Bala Hisar of
Charsadda, Timargarba and Balambat, Pakistan.

Publications

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British–Sri Lankan excavations at Anuradhapura
Salgaha Watta 2, Volume I: the site, Society for
South Asian Studies Monograph no. 3,
Archaeopress, Oxford

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2000, Archaeology and identity in South Asia,
Antiquity 74, 664–712

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The archaeology of caste, in Insoll, T. A. (ed.),
Case studies in archaeology and world religions,
British Archaeological Reports, Oxford: 84–93

Coningham, R. A. E. and Lewer, N., 1999,
Paradise lost: the bombing of the Temple of the
Tooth—a UNESCO World Heritage site in
Sri Lanka, Antiquity, 73: 857–866

Coningham, R. A. E., 1999, Six articles on
important Asian monuments, all in C. J. Scarre
(ed.), The seventy wonders of the ancient world,
Thames & Hudson, London, 227–229

Dr Almut Hintze

Appointments and Activities

Appointed "Zartoshty Lecturer in Zoroastrianism
in the Ancient and Modern Worlds" at SOAS;
Organized funding for the Festschrift for Johanna
Narten (DM 6,000.00)

Paper and Lectures

July 1999 Cambridge Faculty of Divinity,
"asa and dharma: related concepts in India and
Iran"

September 1999 Conference "Indogermanische
Syntax" at Würzburg, "Konditional-
gefüge im Avestischen"

October 1999 Erlangen, "Rätselhafte
Bildungen auf-se im Vedischen: stusé und
Genossen"

Books

LOHN im Indoiranischen, eine semantische
Studie des Rigveda und Avesta, 370pp.

Wiesbaden: Reichert, 2000 (Beiträge zur Iranistik)

Ancient Indo-Iranian Language and Cultural History. People – Language – Thought. Three lectures given at City College, New York. New York [2001] forthcoming

Book Chapter

"Avestan Literature". In: R. E. Emmerick (ed.) *Iranian, Pre-Islamic Literature*, Costa Mesa, California and New York: Mazda Publishers, ca.52pp., [2001] (in press)

Articles and Review Articles

"Zur Überlieferung der ältesten Zeugnisse indoiranischer Sprachen". In: Y. Nishina (ed.) *Europa et Asia Polyglotta. Sprachen und Kulturen. Festschrift für Robert Schmitt-Brandt zum 70. Geburtstag*. Dettelbach: Röhl, 2000, 67-85

"The Saviour and the Dragon in Iranian and Jewish/Christian Eschatology". In: Sh. Shaked/A. Netzer (eds.), *Irano-Judaica IV. Studies Relating to Jewish Contacts with Persian Culture Throughout the Ages*. Jerusalem: Ben-Zvi Institute, 1999, 72-90. [=Proceedings of the Third International Conference on Jewish Contacts with Persian Culture, Jerusalem, July 4-6, 1994]

"Die avestische Wurzel mad 'zumessen'". In: B. Forssman/R. Plath (eds.), *Indoiranisch, Iranisch und die Indogermanistik. Arbeitstagung der Indogermanischen Gesellschaft vom 2. bis 5. Oktober 1997 in Erlangen*. Wiesbaden: Reichert, 2000, 163-175

"Fraso,kerati". In: E. Yarshater (ed.), *Encyclopaedia Iranica*, vol. X, 2000, 190-192. Review of Helmut Humbach/Pallin R. Ichaporia: *Zamyad Yasht. Yasht 19 of the Younger Avesta*. Text, Translation, Commentary, Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag, 1998, 194 pp. In: *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* 2000, 244-247

Editorial Work

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Projects

The Avesta- and Pahlavi-Versions of the Videvdat. Edition of both versions of book XIX. Joint project with Prof. Maria Macuch (Berlin).

Professor Nicholas Sims-Williams

Appointments and Activities

Organized symposium on "Indo-European Languages and Peoples" at the AIIT to mark the centenary of the birth of Sir Harold Bailey, December 1999; Awarded grant of £500,000 from the Arts and Humanities Research Board for a five-year research project "A Dictionary of Manichaean Texts" starting in January 2000, Elected Correspondant Étranger of the Académie des Inscriptions et Belles Lettres, Institut du

France, 2000; Gave series of "Ehsan Yarshater Distinguished Lectures on Iranian Studies", Harvard University 2000; Invited to University of Rome "La Sapienza" as Visiting Professor, March–April 2001.

Conferences and Lectures

Gave paper at Symposium "Treasures Preserved", AIIT 5th–7th April 2000; Gave invited paper at Oxford University, April 2000 Gave paper at Symposium "Kings and Things", New York, July 2000; Acted as external examiner for a thesis and gave a paper at the University of Leiden, September 2000.

Publications

From the Kushan-shahs to the Arabs. New Bactrian documents date in the era of the Tochi inscriptions. M. Alam & D. E. Klimburg-Salter (eds.) *Coins, Art and Chronology. Essays on the pre-Islamic history of the Indo-Iranian borderlands (Denkschriften der Österreichischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, Philosophisch-historische Klasse 280)*, Wien 1999, 245-258. *Wissenschaften, Philosophisch-historische Klasse 280*, Wien 1999, 245-258.

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Dr Giles Tillotson

Appointments and Activities

Continued as Chairman of the Society for South Asian Studies, and as Director of the Royal Asiatic Society.

January 2000 Delivered a series of eight lectures, entitled "Imperial Designs", at the National Centre for the Performing Arts, Mumbai.

Publications

"Grammar and Ornament: Routes to the Past", *Architecture and Design*, vol. XVI, no. 5, pp.103-105

"Beyond Stately Pleasure: the Iconography of the Dome in India". *Domes: Papers read at the Annual Symposium of the Society of Architectural Historians of Great Britain*, pp.43-56.

The Artifician Empire: The Indian Landscapes of Williams Hodges, Curzon Press, Richmond, 2000.

Dr Andrew Topsfield

Publication

Topsfield, A. (ed.), 2000, *Court painting in Rajasthan*, Bombay, Marg Publications

FORTHCOMINGEVENTS.....

The Trust will be holding an Open Day on Sunday, 9th September 2001. There will be an exhibition of books, and conducted tours of the library. The help of local Friends in supervising different rooms will be much appreciated.

LECTURES

The Trust Lectures continue to attract an appreciative audience. They are held in the India Room in Brooklands House on Friday evenings at 5.30 p.m. every second week during term. The subjects are all within the range of ancient Indian and Iranian studies, varying from social and political history, to art history, archaeology, literature, and philology. They are usually of general interest and often illustrated by slides. Wine is served both before and after the lectures, and guests are encouraged to mix. For more information contact the organiser, James Cormick, on 01223-353178.

CHARLES WALLACE VISITING FELLOWSHIP

Our next Charles Wallace Visiting Fellow, Dr Pramod Dandwate, of Deccan College, Pune, is due to arrive in October. He has been Curator of the Archaeology Museum at Pune for the last eighteen years and has a programme of visiting museums in Cambridge, London, Oxford and elsewhere to study the collections and also their methods of display. He is in the process of re-organising galleries in the Archaeology Museum in Pune and this will give him an opportunity to gain new ideas.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS

The Trustees would like to take this opportunity of thanking all who have supported us, made covenants, or gifts in money or in kind to the Trust. This is very much appreciated and all gifts are being put to good use. Please do continue to support us.

DONATIONS AND COVENANTS

Drs F R and B Allchin	£ 5,000.00
Mr Neil Kreitman	
For purchase of books	£ 5,000.00
Contribution to Librarian's salary	£ 5,000.00
Drs Martha and Tom Carter	£ 623.34
Dr Carolyn Woodford-Schmidt	
and Mr Ted Schmidt	£ 634.64
Mr Syed Wasiqullah	£ 311.62

Donations and Covenants have been received from:

Mr Scot P Wilson, Betzel & Kauffman, Dr K Kennedy, Mr and Mrs J Kinnear-Wilson, Mr A Seymour, Mrs J McGregor, M E Tucker, Dr C M Kessler, Dr and Mrs J C Harle., Drs FR and B Allchin, Dr D K Chakrabarti, Dr L E R Picken, Mrs M Rycroft, Mr R Baluyzi, Prof A D H Bivar, Mr J D P Cormick, Mr R Skelton and Dr C J Scarre

Totalling £ 2,910.25

Total £19,479.85

FRIENDS OF THE AIIT

All those in Britain who regularly give us £100 or more p.a. we automatically regard as "Friends of the Ancient India and Iran Trust", and they receive our Newsletter, our lecture programmes, invitations to our annual garden party and notification of other events.

Members of the Committee of American Friends of the Ancient India and Iran Trust receive our Newsletter and if they wish can receive lecture programmes, invitations and notifications of events, all of which they are most welcome to attend when in Britain.

We also have a number of Friends in Europe and India, and would like to have a further category, to include all friends in Europe who help us in various ways, and Friends in India.