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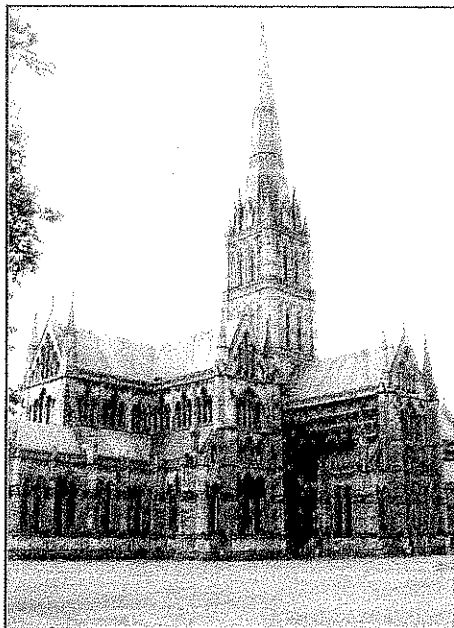
to have some Civil War era artifacts there in the form of swords and whatever else participants might bring.

Sara Cheves Fair, who is very actively involved in preparing for the reunion, would like to prepare some suggestions of things to be brought to the reunion for sharing. E.g., please start looking for historical photos in your collections and bring copies. Are there any family stories that should be shared? In particular for this reunion what are your family's historical stories centered around Charleston, South Carolina, and the South? Some of you might even have some information that should go into the next newsletter.

Letters will be sent to the HFA members that outline events and registration details in greater detail – expected mailing before Thanksgiving. If you know non-members, who should receive letters, please let me know their names and addresses.

Back from England

Several HFA members were among the 30 North Americans who responded to the invitation to attend the IHFS reunion in England which lasted from June 16th through the 19th. The tours were marvelous, the hospitality was wonderful, and the memories will last a lifetime. Having the opportunity to see Salisbury Cathedral, Old Sarum, Stonehenge, Gold Hill, the churches and villages frequented by Haskells such as St. Stephen's Church in Charlton Musgrove, the Morris Dancers, Old Wardour Castle, and Cranborne Manor all confirmed that the trip was worthwhile.



In my thank you note to the IHFS Journal I wrote, "Visiting England itself was special, but adding even more to the experience were the opportunities to meet and speak with those who share the family experience of being a Haskell. We saw some of the breadth of that experience when we heard of Pat and Alan Haskell's

Salisbury Cathedral

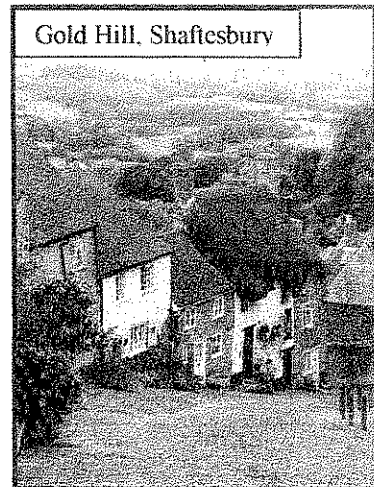
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search for their Portsea forebears, Ken Haskell's enthusiasm as the Cranborne Manor's gardener, Keith Haskell's message of diplomacy, and in all of our private moments when we had the opportunity to meet some interesting people and share experiences. Those private moments for me included meeting my second cousin, John Langdon Haskell, for the first time, reconnecting with HFA members who were familiar from the Danvers reunions, getting to visit with Richard Hascall whose website I had visited several times, arranging with Jeff Kinder to receive copies of all his reunion photos, and having the opportunity to meet people such as Judy Lopez, who bravely travelled from California by herself to England with the optimism and confidence to know that this reunion was going to be a fun adventure."

Since the reunion, I have learned that Carol Kessler and Judy Lopez have had reunions of their own. Carol met with Indiana Haskells and Judy had a Haskell/Hughes reunion in California that my cousin, John Langdon Haskell was able to join. I would really like to see more about these local reunions in our Journal. Send pictures for sharing and let us know what traditions exist in your reunions.

I had to admire how Pamela Martin and Sue Harvey stepped forward and accepted unexpected duties due to the leadership vacancies that occurred with the passing of both the chairman and the treasurer of the IHFS within the last year and a half. Trudy Haskell also had to step forward and provide commentary for the tours due to Win's medical difficulties. The work of David Haskell must also be commended. Everything appeared to be handled effortlessly, but that was due to the preparation and hard work of our hosts.



The experience was also wonderful for our family since we took advantage of our time overseas to also visit Chester, England; Dublin, Ireland; and Conwy, Wales; prior to the reunion. After the reunion, we spent a rainy day in London highlighted by a ride on the London Eye. My complete color reunion pictures are available on-line at the following website (the section in Part III has the bulk of the reunion photos) <http://community.webshots.com/user/haskelloma>

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Group at Smithy Pub, Charlton Musgrove, June 18, 2004



Richard & Lynn Haskell; Emerson & Louisa Stone



The "Californians" -- Judy Lopez, John Haskell, and John Shipp



Cranborne Manor Garden Tour,
Ken Haskell, gardener.



Wardour Castle Grounds--
left to right: John Shipp, Trudy Haskell
Anna Haskell, Rev. John Haskell,
Elisabeth, Tom, Marlene,
and Ben Haskell

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The archivist from Dorset, Mr. Hugh Jaques, spoke to the reunion group and recommended a wonderful website that allows us to preview the archives. Enter the following URL on your computer, type in "Haskell" in the Search feature, and see what you get: <http://www.a2a.org.uk/> or visit the Dorset archives directly at: <http://www.dorsetcc.gov.uk/index.jsp?articleid=2549>

Higginson Book Company - Update

As noted in the last issue, the Higginson Book Company was preparing to offer the Haskell Anthologies I & II. They are now available for ordering. Visit the URL: <http://www.higginsonbooks.com/index.html> and make your order or use the following information:

Higginson Book Company
148 Washington Street
P.O. Box 778
Salem, MA 01970
Phone: 978-745-7170 Fax: 978-745-8025

Trudy Haskell wanted me to advise individuals who purchased Volume II at the reunion, that you are entitled to a replacement due to a printing error. Go to the following website to get the necessary contact information or I would be happy to forward the necessary information:
<http://hometown.aol.com/haskelloma/Antho.htm> (this page also includes a direct link to e-mail Trudy and Win Haskell).

Your Stories are Needed

We still need your stories and photos. Please submit them to Tom Haskell, Noreen Pramberg, or Marion Anderson.

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