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*We are indebted to Mr. Stuart Dormer for the excellent
drawing of Dr. Jessopp on the cover.*

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Early Background

*It does not seem six months since we produced our first
Newsletter of the Arcadian Club and we hope you found this
enjoyable.*

It is amazing how varied is the information we are collecting, not only on Jessopp himself, but also on what others of his time, thought of him. As promised we are including in this issue a list of Dr. Jessopp's publications, but as they are so numerous we have decided to split the list over two issues in order to get more items in this Newsletter.

Augustus was born in Cheshunt, Hertfordshire in 1823, but the Jessopp family hailed from Waltham nearby, and had connections in both Waltham Abbey and Waltham Cross.

John Sympson Jessopp, Augustus' Father and his Grandfather came from that area. The Cheshunt property was purchased in 1808, and on John Sympson's death in 1851 other properties owned by him in London and Essex were sold. John Sympson Jessopp was called to the Bar, and practised as a Barrister until he accepted a post as a Director General of Taxation during the Napoleonic Wars, a post he held for eight years until after peace was declared, when his position became redundant in 1815.

He spent many years trying to obtain other Government posts, and complained bitterly of his pension of £400 a year, which he considered insufficient to maintain his large, and ever growing family, Augustus being his youngest.

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The children of John Sympson Jessopp and his wife Elizabeth were:-

Eliza Tucker Jessopp	(later Elwell)
Augusta Bridger Jessopp	(later Maryaat)
Fanny Goodrich Jessopp	(later Fulton)
John Jessopp	
Catherine Sympson Jessopp	(later Wynne)
Rachel Harriet Jessopp	(later Beddek)
Louisa Jessopp	(later Soames)
Goodrich Jessopp	
Margaret Bridger Jessopp	
Augustus Jessopp	

John Jessopp also took Holy Orders, Goodrich, Augustus' other brother appeared to have had no serious profession, and it is not known if Margaret married after her Father's death in 1851.

Elizabeth, the children's mother, pre-deceased her husband. More will be written on the children of John Sympson and Elizabeth Jessopp in future issues of the Newsletter.

D. Bunting

Mr. Ron Fiske has come across several items of interest including the following piece by Augustus Jessopp on Norwich Cathedral printed in 1896 on the 800th anniversary of that wonderful Church Building.

The full text appears on pages 5 and 6



The Rev. Dr. Jessopp on

NORWICH CATHEDRAL

At Scarning church, on Sunday afternoon, the Rev. Canon JESSOPP, D.D., delivered a very impressive sermon upon the octo-centenary of the building of Norwich Cathedral. He said that in celebrating the 800th birthday of the Cathedral church at Norwich, only a few could understand the significance of that service.

After referring to the state of Christianity in this country before and after the Roman Conquest, and shewing how Christianity was influenced for good by that momentous event, he spoke of the splendid work done by Bishop Herbert de Losinga in his diocese, and how God, by his means, did great great wonders with the Gospel in Norfolk and Suffolk.

Bishop Herbert was a strong believer in what had become the conscientious craze of the day, even more so than the teetotal movement of 30 or 40 years ago, viz., that the clergy should be unmarried; and he set himself to work, first, to have an unmarried clergy; and, second, to have a splendid church, one which had certainly been the mother church of the diocese.

Norwich Cathedral had preserved exactly the ground plan which Bishop Herbert laid down 800 years ago; it was quite five times the size of the Temple at Jerusalem; it was built in a swamp, had no foundations, and was a mass of glorious stonework, the stone coming from Normandy, being brought in barges from Yarmouth up the river to Norwich.

A monastery was built at Norwich by Bishop Herbert, wherein his 60 monks were boarded and lodged, so long as they remained unmarried, and there they kept up the great and numerous services of the Church during the building of the Cathedral.



The building of all our churches in Norfolk and Suffolk was the result of the enthusiasm shewn by Bishop Herbert de Losinga in the erection of the Cathedral. In time the monasteries became too rich, and the people said, "We have had enough of them," and Henry VIII., by an act of dreadful tyranny then got rid of all the monks and monasteries. When people said in villages nowadays that the squires and parsons and landlords had robbed them, they were wrong; it was Henry VIII who had robbed them.

The monasteries were all swept away; so was the one at Norwich; but the work of the Cathedral was not done. People said, "Do away with the monasteries if you like, but don't touch that Cathedral; let it be spared; in Christ's name let that stand."

Nevertheless they stole all the plate and glorious vestments, and even the stained windows; but the Cathedral remained. Contrast, said the doctor, the Cathedral of today with what it was 300 years ago, and they would be astonished. Even 30 years ago it looked as if it was going to be ruined. The only means of heating it was by great braziers of coke, and the roof was black with smoke. Now the Cathedral was the pride not only of Norfolk, but of England, and all those who met there would find it their home. The work done there was never so well done as it was at the present moment.

List of publications by Augustus Jessopp

ARISTOPHANES' WASPES	with a translation signed A.J.(1865)
CARTHEW	A history of the Parishes of West and East Bradenham with an introduction by A.J. (1883)
G.CRABBE	Rector of Merton. Some material for a History of the Parish of Thompson. Edited by A.J. (1892)

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Publications continued

P.H.DITCHFIELD	The story of our English Towns with introduction by A.J. (1887)
JOHN DONNE	Essays in Divinity. Edited by A.J. (1855)
SEE ENGLAND	College of Arms (Visitations - Norfolk). The visitation of Norfolk in the year 1563
TAKEN	By William Harvey. Edited by Rev.D.H.Dashwood and continued by A.Jessopp (1878)
T.FULLER D.D.	Prebendary of Salisbury. With words and Counsel selected, with a short sketch of the Author's life by A.Jessopp. (1892)
CAMDEN SOCIETY	Visitations of the Diocese of Norwich Edited by A.Jessopp (1888)
NORFOLK AND NORWICH ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY	Emblems of Saints by F.C. Huscubeth (Third edition) Edited by A. Jessopp (1882)
THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF ROGER NORTH	Edited by A.Jessopp(1887)
NORWICH CHURCH CONGRESS	The guide to the Church Congress including Guide to Norwich by A.Jessopp.(1895)
THOMAS OF MONMOUTH	The Life and Miracles of St. William of Norwich. Edited with an introduction, translation and notes by A.Jessopp (1896)
LETTERS OF FATHER HENRY WALPOLE	Edited with notes by A.Jessopp (1873)
ARCADY FOR BETTER FOR WORSE	Essays on agricultural life in Norfolk T.Fisher Unwin London 1887



PUBLICATIONS CONTINUED

HISTORICAL MONOGRAPH (THE GREAT LORD BURGHLEY)

Historical Monograph series (1904)

AN INCIDENT IN THE CAREER OF LUKE TREMAIN

*page 64 (A legend) Christian
knowledge Society London (1895)*

JOHN DONNE

Sometime Dean of St. Pauls etc.

(page 239) See Stedman

Afterwards Methuen (1891)

English Leaders of Religion

*A MANUAL OF THE GREEK ACCIDENCE FOR THE USE OF NORWICH
SCHOOL*

(1869)

THE MANUSCRIPTS OF MISS BUXTON AT SHADWELL COURT NORFOLK

A calendar (1903)

*Historic manuscripts commission
(1903)*

THE MIDDLECLASS EXAMINATIONS - WHAT WILL THEY DO FOR US

London (1860) page 92 (SPCK 1894)

Mr. Dandelow A story half told

NORWICH WITH MAP

P.XII 254 (1884)

See Diocesan Histories 1880

NORWICH SCHOOLS SERMONS

*Preached at the Sunday Evening
service of King Edward VI School
Norwich London (1864)*

*THE ECONOMY OF THE FLEETS OR AN APOLOGETICAL ANSWEARE OF
A HARRIS*

*Articles set forth against him by
the prisoners. Edited by A. Jessopp
London Camden Society (1879)*

The list of publications will be continued in our next newsletter.
Items for inclusion in the newsletter are invited and should be sent to Fred.