

NORTHERN COUNTIES AND PEAK DISTRICT FOOTPATHS PRESERVATION  
SOCIETY

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Report for the year 1915

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The report of the Society for 1915 is devoid of any special incident. As it was deemed desirable in the public interest to keep the Society in existence and preserve the continuity of its work the Council acknowledge with pleasure the continued support of the members.

They appeal again to members to continue their subscriptions, for they feel that with enforced national economy, walking will become a very popular means of obtaining recreation and relaxation, and they hope that increasing numbers of those who benefit by the Society's work will remember its claim, if not now, in happier days to come.

Although no important work has been undertaken, advice and assistance have been given in many cases, and this is always available and readily given to all who are interested in preserving the public use of footpaths.

It is understood that the Manchester Corporation has taken over the responsibility for the path at Redbank Farm on the Mersey at Didsbury, and your Council welcome the intimation.

The Council have to place on record the great loss sustained by the death of Mr Thomas Mower the doyen of the Society and its Honourary Inspector of Footpaths from the beginning. To an intimate knowledge of the Peak District he brought the aggressive zeal of the reformer. In a subsequent report it is hoped to do more justice to the memory of one to whom pedestrians will always be indebted.

PENISTONE - BAMFORD PATH.

Your Council are considering the erection of two or three signposts on this path and a Sub-Committee has been elected to examine and report on the advisability of such a step being taken.

**FINALLY** your Council are desirous of maintaining the organisation of the Society in a state of complete efficiency so that it may, if forced to do so, take action and be ready for the resumption of its full work as soon as the opportunity presents itself. On these grounds they confidently appeal for the loyal support and assistance of all members of the Society,

Meanwhile the services of the Society are still at the disposal of members for advice.

The Peak District and Northern Counties Footpaths  
Preservation Society.

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the Year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 1915.

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance from 1914	/ 27. 10. 4	Printing, &c	/ 1. 13. 3
Subscriptions 1915	/ 34. 4. 0	Work & Material, Repairing Footpaths, Notice Boards &c.	/ 5. 0. 0
Bank Interest	/ 11. 10	Footpaths Inspector (Honorarium)	/ 2. 10. 0
		Privilege Rent of Notice Plate at Strines 1915	/ 1. 0
		Hon. Treasurer's Expenses (Postages &c)	/ 9. 3
		Balance in hand	/ 52. 12. 8
	<u>£ 62. 6. 2</u>		<u>£ 62. 6. 2</u>

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Audited and found correct

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Hon. Auditor