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THE LYCEUM SOCIETY

1860-1864

Historical Background:

The Lyceum Society was founded in October 1857. It appears to have been a small gentlemen's club with membership restricted to a maximum of 12 at any one time. Every member was required to give a paper on a selected topic or subject or face a fine of 5s. Amongst its founding members were Albert K. Rollit, Joseph Gregson and Right Hon Thomas Gregson.

The Society's motto appears to be Juste sapienterque discepta

Description:

Minutes of the Society including descriptions of some of the lectures given and the ensuing discussions

Related material:

Hull City Archives holds some records of the Hull Literary and Philosophical Club, 1807-1937 (Ref DSLP)

Extent: 1 item

Access Conditions:

Access will be granted to any accredited reader

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List of members, thirty in total, including whether they were one of the original members or date they joined the Society. List of Rules of the Society including the rotation of the Chair and President with the Secretary and Treasurer roles being elected annually. List of lectures to be given by individuals in the next session.

Titles of the lectures given include 'Day Dreams', 'Pickings from Dickens', 'Things as they are in America', 'The Influence of Fashion upon Men and Things', 'English Poetry' and 'Education and Legislation'.

Meetings were held every two weeks with minutes of some meetings including a summary of the lecture and the discussions that followed.

1 volume

17 Oct 1860-12 Feb 1864