

# Literary Association of the Friends of Poland,

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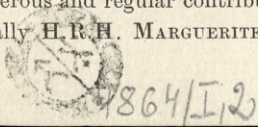
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The Association was founded in February, 1832, by the celebrated poet, THOMAS CAMPBELL, under the patronage of H.R.H. THE DUKE OF SUSSEX, and during 53 years it has been enabled to do a great work in the relief of the Polish refugees who sought a shelter in England after the war of 1830-31.

The successors of MR. CAMPBELL, as President, have been THOMAS WENTWORTH BEAUMONT, Esq., M.P., LORD DUDLEY COUTTS STUART, M.P., the MARQUIS OF BREADALBANE, K.T., the MARQUIS TOWNSHEND, the EARL OF ILCHESTER, the LORD KINNAIRD, the EARL OF HARROWBY, K.G., and the present President, LORD HOUGHTON.

Among the most constant and generous subscribers and donors to the funds of the Association, besides the Presidents (several of whom were munificent donors), have been the BARONESS BURDETT COUTTS, the REV. J. H. FISK, the BARONESS L. de ROTHSCHILD, the DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE, K.G., the LORD LEIGH, LADY KINNAIRD, MRS. F. KIRBY, EDWARD JOHNSTONE, Esq., the REV. W. S. LACH-SZYRMA, M.A., R. L. CHANCE, Esq., the EARL OF SHAFTESBURY, K.G., the LORD WINMARLEIGH, COLONEL WILLIAM PINNEY, THOMSON HANKEY, Esq., ARTHUR HILL, Esq., WILLIAM HENRY HALL, Esq., SIR HARRY VERNEY, Bart., M.P., LADY SIMMONS, LADY CHARLOTTE BLOUNT, LOUISA LADY GOLDSMID, MRS. L. HASLETT, LADY AUDREY BULLER, MRS. JOHN BETTS, COL. and MRS. WHITTING, COLONEL C. J. DE GZOWSKI, Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, F. A. ROLA DE WOLSKI, Esq., ALOIS D. LUBECKI, Esq., BRONISLAW JAMES JAZDOWSKI, M.B., Surgeon-Major, and his family, BARON and BARONESS D' EICHTAL, and many others.

The Association has also received, more particularly of late years, most generous and regular contributions from Polish subscribers, especially H.R.H. MARGUERITE D'ORLEANS, PRINCESS



CZARTORYSKA, H.H. PRINCE LADISLAS CZARTORYSKI, COUNT LADISLAS ZAMOYSKI, PRINCE ADAM SAPIEHA, and the Benevolent Society of POLISH LADIES, in Paris, supplying every month a sum of 100 francs for the relief of the most necessitous refugees.

But by the death of many former members or donors, the Association is weakened, and its resources are now insufficient to do all it could wish for the relief of some urgent cases of illness or distress, among the survivors of the war of 1830-31 (now very few, but all about 80 years of age); others of the insurrections of 1848 and 1863, and the Polish soldiers, who, taken prisoners by the English at Bomarsund in 1854, voluntarily entered our service during the Crimean war, notwithstanding that they would have been denied the rights of prisoners of war if re-captured by the Russians.

In consequence of the falling off in the funds of the Association, and in order to cover the deficit which has accrued in the last three years, the Council solicits your kind aid, either by a donation, or by giving your name as a regular subscriber.

W. LL BIRKBECK,

*Honorary Secretary.*

Subscriptions will be received by MESSRS. COUTTS & Co., 59, Strand, W.C., and by MR. J. J. BARANOWSKI, Secretary of the Association, 10, Duke Street, St. James's, London, S.W.





