A SYSTEMATIC PROCEDURE FOR RECORDING ENGLISH VERNACULAR ARCHITECTURE

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THE increasing interest which has been displayed in recent years in the buildings of the countryside has brought to their study members of several disciplines, each one contributing his own techniques of investigation and assessment to the common pursuit. It has long been the responsibility of the architect to provide that detailed information on the physical form of a building which comes from measured drawing, but such intensive study of a single building cannot in itself do more than provide accurate information about one example and requires that background of extensive study which can enable a single building to be assessed in its context. A system devised almost 20 years ago by the late Professor R. A. Cordingley and employed in a number of regional surveys of traditional domestic architecture since then is here presented as a feasible and proven basis for such extensive study.

The system was devised by Professor Cordingley as a tool to be employed in an investigation of English rural house types. In a paper delivered to the British Association for the Advancement of Science in 1948, Professor Cordingley gave as the ultimate objective of the study the determination of the modes and zones of activity or influence of local manifestations of English folk life by way of the evidence that could be gleaned from surviving examples of domestic building. It was assumed that regional or local character could be distinguished, and the method of study has has been region by region, only recently has it been thought possible to attempt to build up an accurate national picture. It has been found that in such simple buildings a good deal of the organisation of the interior is reflected in the disposition of the elements of the exterior, extensive study of external characteristics, therefore, has been found useful in determining the developments in plan and section of vernacular buildings. The link between

recorded external characteristics and assumed internal organisation has been by way of intensive study of selected buildings the basis for selection has been the classification made possible through a convenient system of superficial recording and study.

Professor Cordingley's system depends on a series of questionnaire charts, one set for each of the principal walling materials employed in vernacular building. In each set there are examined in turn the main characteristics which go to make up the personality of a house-its walling technique, window arrangement, roof pattern etc.-and each characteristic is defined by reference to a series of alternatives. It was devised to apply only to rural buildings and intended only for the study of examples erected before the spread of a national railway network in the 1840's began the submergence of local practices under national styles. Having been devised, tested, modified, and tested again by Professor Cordingley with the assistance principally, of J. E. Partington, R. S. Partington. T. L. Marsden and the late W. A. Singleton it was employed on regional surveys by these and other research students at the Manchester University School of Architecture. It has recently been adapted for the use of students and enthusiasts without special technical knowledge and applied to study of individual parishes, and it is an illustrated version which I have prepared and now present in the belief that it will be of wider interest to those concerned with our heritage of vernacular building.

The system was first applied to a region based on the Lune Valley in North Lancashire by J. E. Partington, and the results were set out in a thesis submitted in 1948. It was confirmed that a valid distinction between various size-types of domestic building could be made, that the choice of building materials was largely governed by the action of geographical and geological factors, working through local practices, and that the development of broad plan forms depended on a combination of local and national historical circumstances working with local traditions. The region chosen was reasonably homogeneous and the system of recording appeared successful, as a system, in such circumstances. At the same time W. A. Singleton carried out a survey which reached similar conclusions in a belt of countryside stretching through certain parts of Cheshire and Derbyshire which had been



SURVEYS IN PROGRESS V—Weaver Valley. W—South-East Lancashire. X—Mid-Cheshire. Y—Wharfedale. Z—Lowland Staffs. (farm buildings only). selected to give a wide variety of topographical, geological, climatic, social and economic conditions. This survey also demonstrated that no one style can give the exclusive character for any locality, rather do styles succeed one another; although one local style may be so distinctive that it appears to predominate in spite of the survival of more numerous examples of other local styles. As a result of these two surveys the system was modified and extended to take its present form.

In 1952 the two pioneering surveys were followed by an investigation by R. S. Partington extending the survey of North Lancashire down to the Ribble valley, by my own study of a particularly homogeneous part of Cumberland and Westmorland and by a survey undertaken by T. L. Marsden crossing the Pennines to deal with the Lower Trent Valley. In 1956, G. L. Worsley made a survey of part of the Cotswolds and two years later R. B. Wood-Jones completed a study of the Banbury region of Oxfordshire which, though small in area, was found to be remarkably rich in examples of traditional domestic architecture. In 1958, also, M. E. Little completed a survey of a large part of Shropshire and T. L. Marsden extended his study of eastern England into Rutlandshire. By 1960 J. E. Partington had extended his earlier survey to take in most of the hub of the Lake District and three years later, my survey of the Solway Plain took the series of regional studies up to the Scottish Border. At present R. B. Wood-Jones is in the final stages of a survey of West Suffolk and it is hoped that a survey of Norfolk will begin shortly under the sponsorship of a local county organisation. The results of all these regional studies have been presented as post-graduate theses at Manchester University, many of them have been the basis of articles printed in the transactions of various county archaeological societies or in the Transactions of the Ancient Monuments Society, and the first of a series of regional monographs has been published as Traditional Domestic Architecture in the Banbury Region by Dr. Raymond B. Wood-Jones, through the Manchester University Press.

During the past two summers a number of undergraduate students at the Manchester University School of Architecture have completed surveys of small districts, usually one or two parishes





A completed record card, showing the method of survey.

(a) Large House.

(b) Small House.

(c) Cottages.

in size, as part of their summer vacation work, and while these efforts vary in quality they have been sufficiently encouraging to point the way to a national survey employing this system on a series of sample parishes. The system has also been adapted for use in the study of the buildings of the farmstead. Such a study had been completed in 1952 by D. C. G. Davies of farm buildings in part of Shropshire and the methods have been further developed by J. E. C. Peters in his current study of the design and layout of farm buildings in part of Staffordshire. At present experiments are beginning in the adaptation of the system to the study of urban domestic buildings and to the older industrial buildings.

The accompanying map shows the gradual spread of the regional and local studies over England. It does not attempt to show the comparable work of the Royal Commissions on Historical Monuments nor of individual researches such as those of Fox and Raglan or C. F. Stell nor of general studies such as those of M. W. Barley. In many ways research in this field has been more rapid and more thorough in Scotland and Wales than it has in England. In all three countries there has been a tendency to concentrate on the intensive study of individual buildings rather than the extensive study of regions, with the assumption often made that the characteristics of a few individual buildings are those of the buildings of a complete region. The more regions which can be covered by a standard system of recording such as the one here presented the closer we are likely to come to an understanding of the great wealth of vernacular building in which Britain is so fortunate.

THE RECORDING PROCEDURE

The first, and sometimes the most difficult, step in recording an example of traditional domestic architecture is to decide on its size-type. Four size-types have been distinguished, corresponding to four reasonably well-defined social groups. Buildings of the Great House class include the principal castles, palaces, and great country houses, inhabited by people of national importance; since these buildings have normally been designed according to nationally or internationally recognised architectural styles they can hardly be vernacular in quality and so have been excluded

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from the survey. Buildings of the Large House class include the manor houses and country seats of men of more than local importance and would be expected to display vernacular qualities and some degree of sophistication. The Small House class comprises the dwellings of the general run of farmers whether yeomen or tenants. In the Cottage class are included the dwellings of the landless labourers and the rising class of artisans. At any one period it is not too difficult, by applying the test of number of storeys or number of fireplaces, to distinguish between the size types, but through the operation of the "filtering down" process a building now called a cottage and occupied by cottagers may have been designed as a Large House for occupation by the gentry. As a further complication a filtering-up process is taking away cottages for occupation by the commuting gentlemen.

The next step is to set down, with the assistance of the Ordnance Survey map, particulars of parish and local address, a six-figure Map Reference, and the orientation of the house. Then the principal walling material is established as a preliminary to the operation of the code system. Next any date which can be applied with certainty to the building is noted down. Such a date might be inscribed in a door lintel, applied to a decorative plaque, cast into a lead rain-water-head, or included in painted decoration. The dates need not, of course, apply to the original construction of a building, and their use in classification should be a cautious one, but they would normally be convincing evidence of the date of some stage in its history.

Details are then set down from the appropriate questionnaire charts which follow; a series of numbers representing the principal external characteristics. Finally amplification is added in the form of a photograph, sketches of general arrangement or architectural detail, and written notes, and, with the initials of the surveyor and the date of survey, a reasonably comprehensive record has been quickly obtained.

Naturally the operation of the procedure varies from individual to individual, and most prefer to work in a field book and afterwards transcribe the information onto the standard record cards, but the degree of consistency in the result is vital to accurate comparison between regions.

EXPLANATION OF THE LAYOUT OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE CHARTS

Having decided upon the size type of a house and set down its identifying particulars one may then begin to record its characteristics. This is done by the code system which varies with the principal walling material. Four main groups of walling material have been distinguished: stone, brick, timber, and earth; in addition there are various subsidiary materials: flint and cobble as variations of stone, and plaster, boarding, tile-hanging and mathematical tiling as variations of timber frame construction. Each main walling material has its set of questionnaire charts and these have alternative pages applying to the subsidiary materials.

A set of questionnaire charts consists of 13 sheets. They cover in turn the characteristics of the method of wall construction, the possible use of other materials or inferior techniques as admixtures of the main walling material, the disposition and details of earlier windows (usually mullioned), similar information for later windows (normally casement or sash windows), the organisation of the roof with hips, gables etc., major and minor details of the roofing material, the shape, disposition and details of chimneys, similar information for dormer windows and finally four sheets deal with special features such as the location of the building in relation to its neighbours, any subsidiary uses, general arrangement and details of porches, bay windows etc., and common variations of architectural embellishment such as balconies or door cases.

Each sheet of the questionnaire charts consists of five lines and each line is divided into a maximum of nine numbered boxes, each one devoted to a separate characteristic. In recording the building one alternative is chosen from the nine in each line, and a group of five of such alternatives represents the appropriate coded description; so thirteen groups of five numbers give the full coded description of the building. In general each line deals with some characteristic capable of nine variations, but where certain characteristics have few variations they have been put together on one line.

Where certain of the lines of some of the sheets deal with mutually exclusive qualities, then a series of blanks will have to be recorded. On other occasions the original parts of an old building may have been replaced by recent: new windows inserted,

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for example, or new roof covering added, in which case the details will have to be recorded as modern. Or there may have been a partial replacement leaving enough of the earlier arrangement to be recorded with an appropriate note. But quite often a house will show evidence of two quite distinct periods, both within the limits set for study, thus a mediaeval hall-house may have had a floor inserted with attendant windows during the 17C., then recording becomes more difficult; an objective recording system ought not to attempt the interpretation of details. In these circumstances, however, where clear evidence of more than one period is presented then the code should be applied to all the characteristics, and the numbers set down in several lines. Later consideration can establish the period in the history of the building which is to be regarded as the base.

In subsequent pages the various charts are set out in full and with a few words of explanation for each walling material.



STONE-WALLED HOUSES

Since stone was the durable material chosen for the most important monuments, be they churches, castles, or memorials, it was the ambition of every house-holder to have a stone-walled house. In various parts of the country this ambition could be realised once a permanent dwelling became economically feasible, and much of the wealth of vernacular building which still survives displays its character in the stone-bearing districts of the Cotswolds, say, or the Lake District.

The following sheets examine the qualities which make up this character in some detail.

The first sheet,—walling techniques—sets out alternative ways in which the main walling stones may be put together, different shapes in which common building stones are used, varying degrees of stress given to corner-stones, types of joint commonly employed, and notes some of the building stones used in vernacular masonry.

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On the second sheet—admixtures—the use of other materials on the upper part of a stone wall is examined, both on the side wall and in the gable, the use of brick dressings for quoins, string courses or at window openings is set out, alternative materials for chimneys are noted, and finally the use of other materials or other masonry techniques on the end wall of a house given some attention.

The third sheet deals with the earlier type of window commonly found in stone-walled houses. Here mullions and transomes are distinguished, different arrangements of window frame or opening light are described, the alternative methods of holding the glass in such windows are set out, the common mouldings applied to stone mullions are detailed, and common variations in the disposition of windows from the simple two-light opening to the seven-or-more-light windows of the West Riding of Yorkshire are shown.

Similar information is collected for the later sash or casement windows by means of the fourth sheet. Here the technique used for the opening lights and the method of carrying the stone wall over the window opening are particularly significant.

The next sheet is one of three dealing with the roof of a house. Here the general arrangement is first examined, next the treatment at the gable and the eaves receives attention; the various roof pitches from the practically flat to the very steep are set out, and a final line notes the details of parapet or coping. On the sixth sheet different roofing materials are specified with the hip and valley treatment appropriate to each, a few methods of carrying the rainwater away are illustrated, and examples are given of decorative details sometimes found near the apex of the gable. Further details of roofing materials are given on the seventh sheet including the type of ridge covering, the shape of slate or tile, the effect of certain thatching techniques, and decorative treatment along the barge-board.

On the eighth sheet, chimney stacks receive attention; their shape, their capping, their projection from stone walls, their receding contour and the introduction of windows to inglenooks being covered in turn.

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On the ninth sheet the organisation and detailing of dormers is considered. The first line distinguishes between those dormer windows which rise out of the main wall to a greater or lesser extent, and those which are contained wholly within the roof slope. The next line lists the alternative roofing materials which may differ from these employed on the main roof. Then the shape of the dormer roof is examined, ranging as it may from the "eyebrow" swept slating to the hooded thatch. The remaining two lines deal in turn with the material used for the vertical cheeks of a dormer window and with methods of finishing off a gable.

The four sheets which make up the total of thirteen are meant to cover "special features". On the first of the four, the term applies to the way in which a house may be added to other houses as in a terrace, may vary in height by several full or partial storeys, may be attached to some non-domestic building such as a smithy, or may combine within its walls some cottage industry or nondomestic use. The second of the four deals with porches and projecting bays or oriel windows, the third deals with projecting balconies and with the ornamental surroundings to doors. The last sheet of the set comprehends more strictly decorative items such as painted decorations or gay finials.

In examining a stone-walled building with the aid of this set of charts the commonly occuring items may be easily recorded and those less common may be as easily isolated for further investigation. Where some group of characteristics is found to be common in any district under survey then, of course, further sheets may be prepared by the surveyor.

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FIG. I. Stone-Walling.



FIG. 2. Stone-Admixtures.



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FIG. 8. Stone-Chimneys.



FIG. 9. Stone-Dormers.



FIG. 10. Stone-Special Features 1.

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FIG. 12. Stone—Special Features 3.



FIG. 13. Stone-Special Features 4.



HOUSES WITH FLINT OR COBBLE WALLS

Although both flints and cobbles may be thought of technically as stones their use in walling tends to be so different from that of the more common building stones that alternative questionnaire charts have been prepared to cover such use. Both materials can provide a fairly adequate wall, stable and weatherproof, but neither can conveniently provide the sharp arrisses at door and window openings which are desirable, nor can they provide a sufficiently invulnerable corner to resist the ordinary accidents of use. Since flints occur as a poor choice among even poorer building materials and cobbles as the only available stones in a river bed or sea shore they do tend to represent an intrusion of stone walling techniques in districts where other building materials are more commonly used. This being so the variation sheets cover their use with admixtures as well as the techniques peculiar to the two materials.

On the first sheet, which replaces the walling techniques sheet in the sequence for stone-walled building, those techniques appropriate either to flint or cobble are set out. The first line deals with the shape of flint or cobble stone employed and their combination with other materials in decorative patterns. The second line covers the various attempts at coursing which may be made with these difficult materials. On the third line the use of superior masonry or brickwork for corner stone, string courses or window dressings is set out. The fourth line deals with variations in jointing, and the last line on the sheet notes down alternative plinths which are used, as much for structural necessity as decorative advantage in such walls.

The second sheet replaces the admixtures of the stone-walled building sequence but follows similar lines, dealing in turn with the use of alternative materials in the upper part of the main wall, the upper part of the gable, quoins and strings, chimneys, and the end wall of the building.

The remaining sheets are equally applicable to houses walled in flint or cobble as to those of more conventional masonry.

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Frc. 15. Flint and Cobble-Admixtures.



HOUSES WITH BRICK WALLS

Although brick is an artificial material and stone a natural one the techniques of their use, at the vernacular level, do not differ in principle. In detail, of course, there are significant differences and the questionnaire charts for this material acknowledge this.

The first sheet, dealing with walling techniques, lists in turn alternative decorative patterns introduced in brick walls, size of brick and decorated renderings, variations in bonding, a few of the many variations in jointing, and some alternative treatments to rendered brick walls. The second sheet, dealing with admixtures, follows generally the corresponding sheet in the masonry series, but with stone as the minor walling material; here the use of stone in quoins, window heads, and other dressings receives particular attention. The third sheet also follows generally the corresponding sheet for earlier window forms in the masonry series, but here the use of brick or terra-cotta for mullions and the formation of plain or moulded window heads in these materials provides some of the alternatives to be noted. In the fourth sheet the use of arched shapes and the employment of cut or rubbed brick voussoirs in various ways is given particular attention. The fifth and sixth sheets, concerning roofs, differ from the corresponding sheets for masonry buildings in the treatment at verge and eaves, a number of simple patterns in brick or terra cotta give a distinctive finish to these parts of a brick building, and they have become the subject of some interesting local variations.

Other sheets in the series are identical with those for stonewalled buildings. Indeed so many brick buildings employ stone dressings or are rendered in order to imitate masonry details that the finer aspects of design tend to depend on masonry precedent.

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FIG. 16. Brick-Walling.

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7. as 1, but timbar tiled	A goole coping	windows heads		maiff. Eiled	
6. cas I, but timber boarded	e gables have stare appropr	wood architate		wall tried	
5. as I., but timber plasta	-5 gables have score kneeles	brick stucced	entirely brick	boorded wall	
4. as l, but earlien	-4 opbless (only)plastered	4 as 2 but quoins project	stone, stocks stone, stocks brick	plastered wall	
3. as l', but Flint or cobble 25. 5	-3 as 1 but trile hung	•••3 scone strings	quoined store	half-Linber	
	-2 as 1 but weather board	2 as 1, stone strings project	stone, stacks brick	or cobble	
H. upper main wall stone	Limber half	1 Flush stare quoins	and strads	walls stone walls stone	

FIG. 17. Brick-Admixtures.



FIG. 18. Brick-Windows (earlier).

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2. Yorkshire sliding sash	o2. timber Inhels external	oo2 lead came rectangular	pool: soshes in recess on outer reveal	windows
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FIG. 19. Brick-Windows (later).

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6. half-hipped and gablet		• 6 raking	6 exposed trafters	6 over 50°	•	
5. mansard		s 5 raking gable copings	5 moulded brick comice	5,46°-50°		
4. gabled	WIIII	. 4 brick cartels at verge	4 cortelled eores, tookred	4. 41°-45°		
3. gablet		• 3 close verges		3.36°-40°		
2. half-hipped		boards boards	cornice	2, 20°-35°		
1. hipped		-1. exposed purlins support rafbars	•···Liboxed eaves or wood corritice	below 30°		

FIG. 20. Brick-Roof structure.
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6. Stone Rogs	og Haf round Tip bles	aced as 5 but	brackets	have finitals
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4. Thin slates	dy killer	co4.no valleys	rainwater goods	loc element
3. Pantiles	o3. Straw Ratch	valleys	iron brodets	loft in godie
2. Plain tiles	1. Heather	colleges swept	watter goods, wood bradeats	decordtion in gebie
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FIG. 21. Brick-Roof materials (i).

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FIG. 22. Brick-Roof materials (ii).

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6. simple rect. shocks sunk- panelled	of . Caps builtiemented	ood. bracets corbelled from end wall	000 G. as 5but plain stepped plat offsets	occose. windows os 22md4 but two tiers B
5. Plues in multiform stads	o5.caps are simple over- sailing courses	oo5. position of stacks not distinctive	ooo5. breasts recessed in raking tiers	www.f.as.3but upper Floor
4. as 2 but shafts duogond or square	od. coos simply moulded	ood. project partially	babling	but upper Floor
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FIG. 24. Brick-Dormers.



FIG. 25. Brick-Special Features I.



FIG. 26. Brick-Special Features 2.



Brick-Special Features 3. FIG. 27.

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FIG. 28. Brick-Special Features 4.

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HOUSES WITH TIMBER-FRAMED WALLS

The questionnaire charts so far considered have been concerned with mass construction, but many houses, and amongst them many of the oldest vernacular buildings, were erected with the aid of timber frame construction. In this the supporting structure and the weather-excluding fabric are not the same; in half-timber work the two are easily distinguishable, both appearing on the surface, but many timber frame buildings have been given a cladding of some material such as tiles which conceals the structural frame. Here a set of questionnaire charts is illustrated applying to half-timber construction with variations for the principal cladding materials.

The first sheet deals with the external wall, consisting of frame and panel. On the first line of this sheet various weights and positions for the main vertical timbers are set out. On the second line the gable wall receives consideration and certain of the main and secondary structural members are distinguished. On the third line the jettying-out of different storeys or of the gable, so characteristic of timber-frame construction, receives attention. The fourth line deals with ornamental details applied to the structural members. Finally variations of corner brackets which caused such difficulty to the mediaeval carpenter are acknowledged.

Admixtures within timber frame construction are covered in the second sheet of this series. The first line deals with the use of various cladding materials either for projections (such as porches) from the main building, or the upper parts of a building. The second line notes the various materials—stone, brick, flint or cobble—often used as a base on which the framed structure was raised. On the third line alternative materials for chimney stacks, not usually surviving in timber frame of course, are illustrated. The fourth line details the various sorts of panel included in half-timbering, and the last line on the sheet distinguishes between the other materials or the other cladding techniques sometimes employed on the gable wall of a halftimbered house.

The third sheet covers mediaeval-type windows, but with the different character they portray against their counterparts in brick and stone construction. Many timber frame houses, for instance, make use of windows as alternative infill panels to the normal wattle and daub, the proportions of the windows, then, relate more to the structural frame than to the normal window shapes. Latertype windows, usually associated with the various cladding materials or as later insertions in half-timbered houses, show fewer variations from the pattern followed with other building materials.

Sheets five to eight of the series of questionnaire charts for timber framed houses generally follow those for the other materials, but the sheets of the series of special features have been varied to cater for some, at least, of the extra-special features related to this material. Sheet ten, for instance, gives a series of alternatives on its second line for the treatment of the joist ends of jettied-out storeys, these may have exposed ends, may be concealed by a shallow facia or a deep cove, or may be elaborately bracketed. On the same sheet an examination is begun of some of the decorative timbers which play such a part in the "magpie style". This examination is elaborated on the last sheet of the series where various of the common patterns are illustrated, both those formed out of timbers and those in which painted plasterwork imitating timber set a precedent for the application of half-timbering to brick buildings which is a fashion not entirely obsolete.

Since Professor Cordingley devised his questionnaire system a good deal of further information has come to light on timberframe construction and there is no doubt that the charts illustrated here could be modified and considerably extended to cope with some of the newly-discovered variations. But this set of sheets does compare in its detail with those for the other building materials and the balance of the whole system could easily be upset if the timber-frame series were extended. It is always open to anyone making use of the system to add further sheets of variation for his own special purposes, as has already been mentioned.



FIG. 29. Timber-Walling.

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	5.upper tiers timber plastered	-5 lower tier is ashlar		plastered brick	plastered plastered	
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FIG. 30. Timber-Admixtures.



FIG. 31. Timber-Windows (earlier).



Fig. 32. Timber-Windows (later).



FIG. 33. Timber-Roof structures.

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3. Pantiles	o3. Straw Fratch	valleys	iren brokets	loft in gode
2. Plain tiles	of . Heather thatch	oo2. swept valleys	wood brudets	occo & plaster decoration in gable
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FIG. 34. Timber-Roof materials (i).

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FIG. 35. Timber-Roof materials (ii).

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4. as 2 but shafts duogond or square	et. coos simply moulded	ood, project part:ally	tabling	but upper Floor	FIG. 36.
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FIG. 37. Timber-Dormers.



FIG. 38. Timber-Special Features I.



FIG. 39. Timber—Special Features 2.



FIG. 40. Timber-Special Features 3.

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4. ousped timbers		4 double domb- bell centred in each parrel	4 vert. cable rull moulding attached	to main timbers	foliated amoment	Krow y			
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FIG. 41. Timber-Special Features 4.



ALTERNATIVE CLADDINGS FOR TIMBER-FRAME HOUSES

A black and white half-timbered building is easily recognisable as such, but there are many buildings which, to the casual observer, appear to be made of brick, or even of stone, but which are in fact based on a timber frame and it is with this type of building that the next series of questionnaire charts is intended to deal. In each case they are to be used as substitutes for the first, walling technique, sheet in the timber frame series. The first substitute deals with boarded cladding to timber frame buildings. This is the technique commonly employed in the later timber-frame houses of Kent and the related houses in New England where timber is sometimes most ingeniously employed in imitation of stone. The first line of this sheet deals with details of jettied-out storeys in this cladding, the second line with alternative methods of fixing the boards, the third with applied treatments e.g. staining or painting, the fourth with some of the more easily recognisable timbers, and the last line with the rather difficult treatment round window and door openings.

Timber frame houses which have a rendering of plaster over the whole surface are considered in the second substitute. The sheets deal in turn with jettied-out storeys, with the imitations of masonry details which can so easily be moulded in plaster, with decorative patterns, such as pargetting, and with the difficult problem of providing a plinth or other convincing protection at the foot of this rather vulnerable material.

One of the most common and probably the most practical cladding for timber frame buildings is tile-hanging. In this technique roofing tiles are hung vertically to battens applied to the timber frame and the third substitute sheet deals with some of the details frequently used in this technique. On the first line details at jettied-out projections are noted, on the second some of the decorative patterns in which such tiles may be hung are shown, the third line deals with variations in composition or colour, the fourth in treatment at the corners, and the fifth with details around windows.

The so-called mathematical tile is a variation of the roofing tile which was once popular in the south-east of England as a cladding for timber frame houses. In this technique the tile is moulded to present a surface shaped like a the face of a brick and tiles may be hung so as to give a very convincing imitation of a properly coursed and jointed brick wall. The various details connected with this technique are illustrated in the fourth substitute sheet.

These various cladding materials act as more or less convincing imitations of other building materials; when applied to buildings designed for their use they can be very convincing indeed, when acting as replacements to wattle and daub in earlier timber frame buildings the deception is usually apparent.

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and the second se	B.simple proj.ot froot of goble only	Rillets	ensared strong			
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	6. as 3 with brackets	-6 as 5 but Rush joinited	6 pointed ornament		6 sheathing stops against projecting frames	
	5. overhang is Framed cove	-5 lapped	••5 painted		n lieu of arche.	
	4, projecting joists exposed	-+ Flush-johlad	4 Laned	4 material not evident	wood keystone	
	3 projecting juits covered by facia	-3 as 2 but Feathered	3 alour washed		cops or hoods	
	2. slight proj moskedby beam	readers			archis. Ib wirdows	
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FIG. 42. Timber-Boarded.



Frg. 43. Timber-Plastered.

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FIG. 44. Timber-Tiled.

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A projecting joist	-4 in English bond units	-4 virreous black bles	m angle quois	mod keystone
3. projecting josts covered by facia	-3 In variants of Parmish bond	••3 dark blue or black files	angle Elles	cops or hoods
2: slight proj. maskedby beam	22 in Flemish bond units	:2 iyellowish Hiles	joint at angles	arch's. Ib wirdows
I. no projections at e.g.fhoor levels	• I tiles in header bond units	••1 Liles red or red-brown	at var. angles	arch 9. built board

FIG. 45. Timber-Mathematical tiled.



HOUSES WITH WALLS OF TURF, CLAY, COB, PISE-DE-TERRE, OR OTHER TYPES OF EARTH

However scarce conventional building materials may be there is usually one which can be employed and which is readily available, i.e. earth in the form of turf or clay or put together as cob or pisé. A series of questionnaire charts follows to illustrate the use of this material.

On the first sheet—walling techniques—there is first examined the different types and mixtures of earth commonly used, then their method of erection is examined, as far as subsequent observation can reveal it, next the use of reinforcement in the form of e.g. brick lacing courses is set out, then treatment at the corner, including various methods of protection of this vulnerable point are noted, finally the method of protection of the wall against weather, vital in the use of these materials, is illustrated.

The admixtures sheet deals with the other building materials which are often found in association with earth etc. either as initial protection of vulnerable parts or, more commonly, as later repairs.

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The two sheets dealing with windows generally follow the pattern for those in brick building, but include some details appropriate to the inferior material. Many houses with their main walling of earth etc. have the dressings of window or door in a superior material, usually brick, but sometimes stone if this is available within reach. The remaining sheets of the series generally follow those of other materials.

A surprising number of houses survive built of the different forms of earth walling, but they are more vulnerable than those of any other form of construction to attack in the name of modern standards of hygiene, rapidly return to the earth from which they came when abandoned and left unprotected against the weather, and are virtually impossible to remove to another site for preservation. It is more than usually important, therefore that surviving examples should be preserved, if possible, and adequately recorded if not.

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4. clay	of organic matter	1.4 Fint lacing courses	ongles (9) hadus)	course incourse
3.as 1, dung ar organic admix	estast, layers of straw or veg matter		angles (s'rodus)	pointed
2. as l,straw of veg. admix	2 built course in situ	1.2 store-slate	angles	colour-washed
1. cohesive earth	ol homogeneus built with shutes.	aures	eharp arris	unpastered unpastered

FIG. 46. Earth, etc-Walling.

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9as 6 but main.tiled	-9 os.7 but Flint or obble	offsets brick burbled - in		tarred
0.as 6 but triled	- Stone Stone Stone Stone	•• 8 brick stack stack stack stack stack strands stone base		cobble plint
Jas 6but boonded t	e7 gable wall brick	er] as 6 but stone		brick plinth
6. proj. timber Frame posterad	of as 4 but	en 6 stacks brick		plinth
5. projections hoalf-timber	of as 4 but boarded	••5 br. & stack brick, quoins scone	es as 1 but slate hung	slab plinth
4. projections Flint or cobble	-timber	end br.stone, brick quoins & stack	end as I but stone flog hung	rubble plinifi
3. projections etone	ogee crucks	••3 breasts stone, stacks brick	ed as 1 but trile -hung	rubble
2. projections brick	•2. as i but elbowed crucks	et as 1 but skone	ecc as 1. but boarded	torred
I. projections earth etc.	•1.gable has straight crucks	erl ch. breasts & stacks brick	el gables half timber	ashlar

FIG. 47. Earth, etc-Admixtures.



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9. cosements transome light shoulow	ag brick on edge heads	eos simple iron astrogals	paratas Coor	- 17
8. cosements transomes int cenbre of light	ab brick Flat	iron comes	and Las 80000	
7. mixture 5-s &sashes	o7 stone Inteols	oo J. honeycom or offer patern lead carnes	oco/small inse opering lights nori (Lina)	
6. mixture criments \$sashs	e 6 stone voussoirs	oo6. iron ames diagonal or rectongular	but wood	cills 8 slats
5. mixture oments &s -s	of slate assed wood initials	ood. In formal astragal or cames	ooos opening Ights anly in man	cuits
4: sashes balanced	of the cased wood intols	ood single horizontal wood astragals	wood wood	cille
3. sashes upper Fixed	ed.wood Imbols Beucoped	oo3 wood astrugals, small panes	0003. iron inner Frames to each assement light	cills
2. Yorkshire sliding sash	oz strallow wood Intrais exposed	vectangular	ooo2. sashes in recess on outer reveal	wood cills
1. cusement wood windows	ol deep wood intois exposed	eol. lead cames diagonal	ocol soches on over reveal	projecting

FIG. 49. Earth, etc-Windows (later).
			#	1	•
9. gablet mof			-9 prackets (my)eaves)		
8. hipped mof			eight as 7, half		
7. False gable (hooded goble)		and wide proj	af coved eaves cornice	exactly	
6. half-hipped and gablet		olear of wall	cornica, wood	•••6 over 50°	
5. mansard	W	-5 bargebaard near wall	oornice, brackets	•••5.46°-50°	
4. gabled		off. off. wide	dose eaves	41°-45°	
3. gablet		ogas 2 shallow projection	no Facia Pro Facia	3 36°-40°	lofe in goble
2. half-hipped		olicity deep	rafters & faca	•••2. 30°-35°	tablet in goble
1. hipped		el. plain verge	el, boxed eares	below 30°	opening in gable

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FIG. 50. Earth, etc-Roof structures.

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9. Thin slottes with stores soldtes	og Mastic or mortar hips	9 loced valleys		
8. Thoach with scone states	all lead hips	oo8. ar 7 but laced		
7. Tiles with store slores	of Arpose made hip tiles	oo] as 5 but swept wift small bles	oooj lead domrspouts, lead decorded ED	
6. Stone flogs	Haff round	bood. as 5 but laced	ocoo6 wood gutters on store brackets	
5. Small stores or notices or not	of Bornet hip of Etiles	bo5. valleys swept win small shates	prevision	acoo5 pairited omoment in gable
4. Thin slates	of V-type Hip triles	oo4.na valleys	rainwater goods	oood pigeon loft esemnere
3. Pantiles	o3. Straw Fratch	oo3. Iead walleys	iron brodets	loft in godie
2. Plain tiles	of Heather March	oo?. swept	water goods, wood brackets	ocoo2 plaster decoration in gobie
1. Thatch	ol. Reed March	pol. V-type tome or tile wileys	water goods	poool decording coolet in gobie spondrel

FIG. 51. Earth, etc-Roof materials (i).

9. as 5 but ridge rat stressed	B	ood single line stiched shug www.serrena			
8. ac 6 but strated	og ifratch (opper part) with Eiles	ood Iffatch in swaftes - stays not visible	Intransition	but ridge bit ridge	
Trass but	o]. Fishscale tiles or slates	00) [Match regular strugs not visible	ooo7 as 6, mudde have running onnament onnament	occoJ. Fatched ridge peaked at gable opex	
e.as5 cross	os mixbure - Fistrscale and plan tries orstate	oo6. strugs erhifred at hijrs or verges and eares	babluard mouded pargeboard mini under edges	00006.spur Finials and pendants	materials (ii).
5. Fotd- prominant ridge	o 5, mikbue - serrated plain Eiles or slates	005. Honz. staus at verges or https: cross-shittened at exores	ow5. ar 4 but a cadge asped or scalloped	Buidoarb.20000	rth, etc—Roof 1
4. lead ridge	od. tiles much cambared	ood.as I but horiz.stays at hips or verges and eaves	and pierced, transid omans edges tryim edges tryim	Finial	FIG. 52. Ea
3. half -round ridge	o3. plain even triles	oo3. as I but horiz. Stays at eaves only	and the state of t	Enidocrip. Ecocor	-
2.vee-type	o2.diminishing courses	eo2.asl but strate up verges or hip only	oco2 plain bourd but cusped or scalloped ebgs	at fact of gatters	
sume ridge	ol.sotre or face regular conset	bol. Thatch-stop in regular horiz. swafkes eventses and a constant a so	plain	Pinds or pendants	



FIG. 53. Earth, etc-Chimneys.

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8. Dormers wholly in 1009	0.0		booded		
e. as 7 but window partly above main eaves		oB lead	008 gablet	chasts	
7. strictly local dormers, window		of partiles	hipped	cool, mech. Elled cheeks	coco), pediment
6. as 5 but one Her (only) partly in dormer wall	e de la contraction de la cont	ob tiles	rade, ratking	ono6. Eiled ohaeds	stapped partie
5.032 but one tion of windows wiltun domer walt	0°	os rough combargo tiles	wide verges	ooo5 plastared chreeks	scalloped para-
4. as 3. but partly within dormer wall	Contraction of the second	oł. stone Flags	shollow verges	boarded cheek	goble parapas
3. as! but window whally wilf in dormer wall		os" smoll national	003. hipped	cheeks	gable copings
2. as I but mof of dormer spring high above exert	O' D	ol. dommars of quarry states	ou?. swept	an rofing metarial	ossod. barge
1. Walls run up as blind dormers, spring at eaves	40 10 10 10 10 10 10	ol dormers as main roof	ool Flat topped (lead)	oool. laad dhaaks	verges

FIG. 54. Earth, etc-Dormers.



FIG. 55. Earth, etc-Special Features 1.



FIG. 56. Earth, etc-Special Features 2.



FIG. 57. Earth, etc-Special Features 3.



FIG. 58. Earth, etc-Special Features 4.

The preceding pages have described and illustrated a systematic procedure for the recording of the superficial characteristics of examples of traditional domestic architecture. The actual process of recording has been described, the code system applicable to the principal building materials used in examples of traditional domestic architecture has been illustrated, and a brief description of the application of the procedure at different levels of intensity in different localities has been given. The use which may be made of the procedure will depend, of course, on the interests of each individual. The results of a survey may be presented with all the ingenuity of contemporary statistical mapping techniques to illustrate graphically some characteristic of a region; or a survey may act simply as a coarse sieve, its meshes retaining for full archaeological investigation those buildings which are most likely to repay such intensive study. Translating, as it does, visual images into numerical symbols, the code system permits statistical analysis to a degree of detail not usually considered advisable. Above all, examples recorded with the aid of this procedure provide a reliable check to studies of vernacular building made from quite different, basically documentary, sources.

However even for the unpretentious, amateur, study of this aspect of local history, the procedure illustrated has many advantages in the field. Considered as a check list alone the various sheets of diagrams form a reasonably comprehensive table of the details likely to be encountered in any part of rural Englandand, indeed, in most parts of rural Wales, Scotland, and Ireland also. Considered as an aid to observation the sheets help to take the eye of the surveyor comprehensively over the buildings and so isolate those many details which do not present themselves at the first glance. How many apparently symmetrical houses, for instance, prove to be far from symmetrical when examined in such detail. Considered as an aid to speedy investigation the procedure has proved itself over and over again; superficial recording is not proof against the suspicion of the country-dweller, but it is an important counter to the countryman's hospitality. Considered as an aid to analysis the procedure has many advantages; the information is made available in a "pre-coded" version; and if the observations are set down on the record cards which

have been described then analysis can be a simple, if sometimes tedious matter.

It cannot be denied, of course, that for some purposes the procedure illustrated is inadequate. Any check list intended for national application is bound to compromise between the overcomprehensive and so cumbersome device and the over-selective though convenient tool. But it is a simple matter for anyone concerned to investigate an area in more detail, or anxious to identify certain unusual characteristics to add sheets of his own devising to the standard set. This is likely to happen, for instance, where local decorative patterns of brickwork are to be studied. then sheets listing the alternatives in more detail can expand upon the appropriate sections in the standard set of sheets for the material. Again, if the chief interest in such vernacular buildings is study of their internal arrangements, then superficial survey of external characteristics may be of limited benefit. But, of course, the procedure can be applied to the study of internal details by the addition of more sheets to the series; the advantages of any checklist and the benefit of speedy recording are equally available. If interest depends on tracing the sequence of alterations to a building then the procedure may not be particularly helpful. Its correct application depends on one phase in the life of the building being taken as the base and relics of other phases being considered as earlier survival or later alteration. But here again the procedure can be modified so that a building whose history shows clearly distinguished phases may be recorded several times using the appropriate code for each one. Finally it must be admitted that such a procedure can only take account of major internal modifications to the extent that they reveal themselves to external observation; the problem of the timber-frame building re-cased in brick or stone presents no obvious recording technique.

It has already been mentioned that some efforts are being made at the Manchester University School of Architecture to extend the procedure to the recording of farmsteads and their buildings, simple industrial buildings and their layout, and the disposition and special characteristics of urban domestic buildings. In all three cases surviving buildings are under attack at an ever-increasing rate: the older farmsteads, now outmoded are being cleared to provide space for new buildings considered more appropriate to modern methods of agriculture, the older industrial buildings are being cleared either to make way for new or because when derelict, they are considered eyesores alongside the rivers and streams which once determined their location; the older town houses are being demolished as insanitary or as obstacles to urban redevelopment. Inevitably most of these buildings must go as many of our cottages and farmhouses must go, but all are part of an irreplaceable heritage which must not disappear unappreciated. In his systematic procedure for recording such buildings Professor Cordingley gave us the means to appreciate them.