Victorian Museum Workroom Objects

Many of these objects were acquired by Saffron Walden Museum Society during the nineteenth century from Britain and around the world. They are preserved for public education and research. Some animals have become rare and attitudes to wildlife conservation have changed. The international trade in specimens of wild animals and plants is now controlled by CITES (The Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna) to ensure that their survival is not threatened. In Britain endangered animals and plants are protected by the Wildlife and Countryside Act.

Desk (from left to right)

3 Shells
Narwhal whale tusk
American bittern
Duck-billed platypus
Hedgehog (juvenile)

Top Shelf (from left to right)

Marsh harrier

Red kite

Case of 2 redstarts with nest in a human skull

Case of 2 rough-legged buzzards

Armadillo

Otter case

Badger (juvenile)

Weasel (juvenile)

Sawfish snout

Hummingbirds dome

Puffer fish

Hummingbirds dome

Great Indian hornbill

Wasp nest dome

Staghorn coral dome

Common peafowl (peacock)

Fireplace to right of desk (from left to right)

Display of mosses on wall

Nautilus shell

Bear skull

Saffron crocus bulbs in dome

please turn over

Bottom Shelf (from left to right)

Blue-throated conure

Frogmouth

Hoopoe

Hummingbirds dome

Mountain hare case, winter fur

Yellowhammer nest with 4 eggs in dome

Satin bowerbird

Birds of paradise dome

Sulphur crested cockatoo

Knysna turaco

Golden pheasants dome

Resplendent quetzal dome

Regent bowerbird

Birds of paradise dome

Floor (from front to back)

Penguin

Box of shells

Human skull

Bear skull

Lion skull

Pig skull

Ox skull

Rhinoceros skull

Wildcat

Tortoise shell

Brown hare

Large case of birds including Argus pheasant