

Fundraising for the Basque Children in Hull

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The Hull Daily Mail reported 'Spain Old and New' 'Exhibition at Hull Museum' 'Effort for Basque Children' 'relics of gay, romantic Spain hang side by side with photographs of Spain at its unhappiest at the Spanish exhibition at the Mortimer Museum, Carr-lane, Hull.

The exhibition which was opened by Mr T Sheppard, Hull Museums Director, in the absence of the chairman of the Museums Committee, will be open to the public until Saturday and everything, with the exception of the photographs, is for sale. There are some exquisite pieces of Spanish needlework, including a hand-made lace mantilla of about 1830, which is catalogued at 30s. Other objects include castanets, pottery, Spanish bangle and a copy of antique Spanish ear-rings.

Twenty four works by a local artist, Mr F C Medworth RBA a master is the Hull College of Art of pre-war Spain are on view and range in price from five guineas to 2d for postcards of lino cuts. All monies received from the sale of programmes and exhibits will go to the fund for the maintenance of the Basque children in England and Hull people can give generously in the knowledge that its own committee will receive the money for the 50 children who will shortly be coming to Hull.

Any money left over will then go to the Scarborough committee to pay for the keep of the Basque children quartered there. Mr Sheppard was supported by Councillors Coult and Banham and the Rev EMM Haythonwaite.

The exhibition which was organized by the Spanish Exhibition Committee comes to Hull from Leeds.