

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1965

The membership of the Society at the end of 1965 was 460 members, comprising 275 ordinary, 18 family, 2 student, 4 life and 2 honorary members, together with 138 libraries and 21 affiliated societies.

Meetings during the year were as follows:

- 21 Jan. Annual General Meeting, followed by an illustrated talk about the remains of Stanlow and Birkenhead monasteries given by the Honorary Secretaries.
- 18 Feb. G. Chandler, M.A., Ph.D., F.L.A., "Banking in Liverpool during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries".
- 18 Mar. K. Wilson, M.A., "The Port of Chester in the Middle Ages".
- 8 April E. C. Midwinter, M.A., "Local Boards of Health in Lancashire, 1848-1858, with some reference to the parish between 1830 and 1860".
- 20-24 April Tour of Yorkshire monasteries and castles led by W. G. H. Jones.
- 16 Sept. M. M. Schofield, M.A., "William Stout, Lancaster Quaker and Trader, 1665-1752".
- 30 Sept. Slides taken during the Yorkshire tour.
- 21 Oct. O. Ashmore, M.A., "Rufford in 1620".
- 18 Nov. F. Tyrer, M.A., B.Sc., "Blundell v. Molyneux: the dispute in the Duchy Court and Star Chamber".
- 9 Dec. C. F. Wright, A.R.I.B.A., "Architectural Archaeology".

JOAN BECK, *Honorary Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE HONORARY LIBRARIANS
FOR THE YEAR 1965

The Society's library was used by members for lending and reference purposes during the year and at the end of the year 67 volumes were on loan, 13 more than at the same time last year.

The following donations to the library are gratefully acknowledged:

14 volumes of the TRANSACTIONS donated by Mr. W. G. H.

Jones and 2 volumes donated by Mrs. F. A. Bailey.

Mr. J. S. Wane presented 2 copies of his book, *A Short History of Borwick Hall*.

Volume 116 of the TRANSACTIONS was published in November and 21 exchange copies were sent out—all to societies which have presented recent volumes of their transactions to this library.

70 volumes of the TRANSACTIONS were sold during the year, compared with 298 last year. This decrease is mainly due to the fact that so many of the earlier volumes of the TRANSACTIONS are now out-of-print.

G. CHANDLER,
N. CARRICK,
Honorary Librarians

