

REPORT OF THE HONORARY LIBRARIANS FOR THE YEAR 1984

The library was again well used by members for both lending and reference purposes. Some volumes, however, have been out for some time and members are asked to return books promptly so that as much material as possible is available for the use of members.

The following works were purchased:-

Booth, P.H.W. *Burton in Wirral, A History*. 1984.

Foster, Alan A *History of Farnworth Church, its village and Parish*. 1981.

Humphery-Smith, C. ed. *The Phillimore Atlas and Index of Parish Registers* 1984.

Mackies Bolton Directory & Almanack for 1849. Reproduced by Neil Richardson, 1983.

Randall, D. *The Search For Old Wirral*. 1984.

Thorpe, Don. *The Railways of the Manchester Ship Canal*. 1984.

Exchange volumes were received from kindred societies and added to stock.

Neville Carrick
Janet Smith
Honorary Joint Librarians

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1984

The membership of the Society at the end of 1984 was 503 members, comprising 266 personal members, 19 families, 2 life members, together with 197 libraries and 22 affiliated societies.

Meetings during the year were : February 16th, ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by Dr. Margaret Gibson, F.S.A., 'Joseph Mayer F.S.A., (1803-1886) antiquary and collector' (Illustrated). March 15th, Dr. Peter Laslett F.B.A., 'The history of the family, and its present position'. April 12th, M.M. Schofield M.A., 'Shoes and ships and sealing wax - Lancashire eighteenth century colonial trade'. May 17th, Paul Booth M.A., 'Toxteth Park before 1770' (Illustrated). June 21st, Mrs. R. Tigwell, B.A., M.Phil., 'New industries from Old: Industrial change in twentieth century Cheshire' (Illustrated). September 20th, Dr. Tony Mason, 'Everton and Liverpool: professional football on Merseyside 1890-1939' (Illustrated). October 18th, Dr. R.W. Brunskill F.R.I.B.A., 'Vernacular architecture of Cheshire' (Illustrated). November 15th, R.W. Cowell B.A., 'The role of the Merseyside Archaeological Survey' (Illustrated).

Janet Hollinshead
Honorary Secretary

STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1984

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
	1984		1984
	£		£
Balance at Bank, January 1st	8,341.25	Transactions (Vol. 132)	4,430.64
Subscriptions		Expenses	
Private	2,461.00	President	9.69
Institutions	3,168.17	Hon. Secretary	192.49
	5,629.17	Hon. Treasurer	32.11
Interest on Deposit A/c.	543.59	Hon. Librarian	32.95
Interest on Funding Loan	34.44	Hon. Publication Sec.	82.96
Interest on Exchequer Bonds	626.82		350.20
Sales		Stationery & Printing	73.23
Transactions	1,055.75	Lectures	55.00
Off prints	215.68	Subs. to other Soc- ieties	93.50
Yates' Map	89.40	Library books	67.63
Burdett's Mapo	111.62	Refunds	19.40
Slave Trade	75.60		
Microfilms	19.81	Bank charges	8.10
	1,567.86	Publicity, Reception Contribution	68.00
Donations	833.87	Balance at Bank, December 31st	
	17,577.00	Current A/c.	68.97
		Deposit A/c. 1	9,435.49
		Deposit A/c. 2	2,967.57
			17,637.73
		Less cheques not passed through bank	60.73
			17,577.00

A.W. Andrews, H. McCallum
Honorary Auditors