

## REPORT OF THE COUNCIL, 1943.

During the year seventeen members were elected, and one resignation and one death have to be recorded. The total membership is now 196, viz., 5 honorary, 2 life, 126 ordinary, 1 student and 62 library members. The following were elected to membership:—

DATE.	NAME OF MEMBER.	PROPOSER.
Jan. 30.	Miss H. J. Arlett.	W. J. Arlett.
	W. Miles M. Forwood.	E. C. Woods.
	E. Bosdin Leech, M.A., M.D.	F. A. Bailey.
	H. Skelland	F. A. Bailey.
	H. A. Turner, M.A.	F. A. Bailey.
	A. R. Jones.	W. A. Phillips.
March 27.	Mrs. C. M. M. MacNaughtan.	E. C. Woods.
	Major E. H. Pattinson.	E. C. Woods.
Oct. 23.	Miss M. A. Dickinson.	F. A. Bailey.
	Rev. Hugh J. Allen, M.A.	F. T. Wainwright.
	Mrs. E. H. Pattinson.	E. C. Woods.
	Thomas Forshaw, J.P.	F. A. Bailey.
	T. H. Hill, B.A.	A. C. Wardle.
Nov. 20.	A. C. F. Tait.	F. T. Wainwright.
Dec. 11.	Mrs. R. Morrison.	E. C. Woods.
	Prof. R. J. A. Berry, M.S.	F. T. Wainwright.
	D. K. Mills.	R. S. France.

Meetings were held, and papers read, as follows:—

Jan. 30.	Annual General Meeting and Lantern Evening.
Mar. 27.	"Liverpool's Earliest Recorded Ships" Arthur C. Wardle, M.I.Ex.
April 17.	"Old Tranmere." John Allison, M.A.
Sept. 25.	"The Records of Quarter Sessions." R. Sharpe France, F.R.Hist.S. Meeting held at the County Hall, Preston, Major A. T. R. Houghton, M.C., M.A., presiding.
Oct. 23.	"A Bronze Figure from Caligula's Galley, A.D. 41." Philip Nelson, Ph.D., F.R.S.E.
	"The White Star Sailing Packets." Capt. E. A. Woods.
Nov. 20.	"Some History of the Sea Marks of Lancashire and Cheshire." E. Cuthbert Woods, L.D.S., F.R.Hist.S.
	"Liverpool and America." Sydney Jeffery.
Dec. 11.	

Among the important matters dealt with during the year, mention must be made of the scheme for affiliated societies, the initiation of the Field-Name Survey of Lancashire and Cheshire, the Museum compensation claim, and participation in the new Regional Group under the Council of British Archaeology.

Volume 94 of the Society's *Transactions* was published during the year.

REPORT OF THE HONORARY LIBRARIAN FOR THE  
YEAR 1943.

The Library has been open on all days when meetings have been arranged.

The year has brought nothing outstanding in the use made of the Library, although members have availed themselves to the extent of borrowing 46 volumes for home reading.

The additions to the Library—namely 9 volumes and 11 parts—are accounted for by the contributions we received from the various scientific and learned societies who exchange transactions with us, although there is now a tendency for the annual volumes to be supplied in paper covers instead of boards.

Some societies have ceased to issue their proceedings. The Thoresby Society have notified us that they will not be publishing any publications this year because of war conditions. Taking all these war-time measures into consideration, the Hon. Librarian thinks that as we ourselves continue to publish our transactions annually in accordance with "Book production war economy standard"—societies who have caused their publications to lapse should be asked to pay a reduced price for a volume of our transactions in lieu of non-receipt of theirs. This would apply until such time as they are in a position to resume the exchange of the annual volumes of their proceedings as before the war. The Council, no doubt, will give a ruling on this matter at its next meeting.

No additions to the stock of the Library have been received from members.

Volume 94 of the Transactions was published during the year, and 34 copies were added to stock which includes those which would ordinarily have been sent to societies exchanging with us as stated above.

I should like to mention—and I am sure that members will agree—that the material in the volume is up to our normal standard for which the contributors should be congratulated. The Hon. Editor is also to be complimented upon the good job he has accomplished when we consider that we are one of the few societies who continue to issue selected printed papers annually.

J. F. SMITH,  
*Hon. Librarian.*

**The Hon. Treasurer in Account with the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire**  
**YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1943.**

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(Signed) W. A. PHILLIPS, Hon. Treasurer.  
 Liverpool, 8th January, 1944.

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 (Signed) G. KENNETH COOK, Chartered Accountant } Hon. Auditors.  
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