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## EDITORIAL NOTE

The editors always comment when, as in this volume, work on Cheshire comprises a larger than usual proportion of the papers published. Not all the authors in volume 136 are 'professional' historians or archaeologists, and the editors, and the council of the society, encourage anyone working in the local and regional history of the historic counties to submit papers for consideration for publication. The topics here dealt with range from the medieval period to the nineteenth century. It is appropriate for the society, a century after S.R. Gardiner's seminal work on the Civil War appeared, to publish new work on that conflict, but fields of scholarship more recently developed in the penultimate quarter of this century, also appear in the volume in the form of work by social and economic historians on the nineteenth-century censuses. The 1881 census makes its first major appearance in the society's *Transactions*. The editors are grateful to Mrs. J. Phillips for preparing the Index.

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