

## PUBLICATIONS OF THE YEAR.

"The Register of the Priory of St. Bees," edited with introduction and notes by James Wilson, B.D., Litt.D., vice-president of the Surtees Society and of the Cumberland and Westmorland Antiquarian and Archæological Society (vol. III of our *Chartulary Series*, issued to subscribers of 21s. by arrangement with the Surtees Society: Titus Wilson, Kendal, 1915). In this volume, after a valuable introduction, Dr. Wilson gives a long-desired edition of the St. Bees charters, together with more than a hundred illustrative documents. These transcripts with the indexes run to 661 pages, a colossal labour and of unique importance to the student of West Cumberland history.

"The Coucher Book of Furness Abbey; volume II"; printed from the original manuscript in the British Museum and edited by John Brownbill, M.A. Part I (printed for the Chetham Society 1915; vol. 74, new series). The first volume of John Stell's two ancient MSS., forming the Furness Chartulary, is well known as the chief authority for the mediæval history of the south side of our district. This second volume, written in 1412, was missing in 1886-8 when the first was printed. It is now transcribed and edited at the expense of our vice-president, Dr. W. Farrer, and will be completed in three parts, giving an enormous mass of authentic detail, most welcome to local historians.

"The Ancient Cross-shafts at Bewcastle and Ruthwell"; enlarged from the Rede Lecture delivered before the University of Cambridge on May 20th, 1916, by the Right Rev. G. F. Browne (Cambridge University Press, 7s. 6d.). In this handsomely illustrated book Bishop Browne, whose writings on the Anglo-Saxon period are famous, maintains the seventh-century date of these crosses.

"Past and Present at the English Lakes"; by Canon Rawnsley (with illustrations; James MacLehose & Sons, Glasgow, 1916). As a postscript by the author to his interesting account of the Hechstetters and their home at Keswick, a note in the *Crosthwaite*

*Parish Magazine* (September, 1916) may be mentioned. It gives the credit of first calling attention to the German miners at Keswick to Mr. John Postlethwaite, F.G.S., whose paper was read two years before that of the late J. Fisher Crosthwaite appeared in these *Transactions*, o.s., ii.

"The Roman Fort at Ambleside, in the Lake District of England," by [Miss] Ida Carleton Thallon; illustrated article in *Art and Archæology* (The Archæological Institute of America, Washington, D.C., April, 1916). A magazine-paper based on the reports printed in these *Transactions*.

"The [Carlisle] Cathedral Bells," by F. C. Eeles (*Carlisle Journal*, November, 19th, 1915); a valuable article by an expert who, we hope, will contribute to these *Transactions* further work on the bells of the diocese.

"Note on an Autograph Letter describing Inoculation of Small-pox in Carlisle in 1775," and "On Anthony Askew, M.D., F.R.S., and his Library"; by Henry Barnes, M.D. (*Proc. Royal Soc. of Medicine*, 1915, vol. ix, section of the History of Medicine; pp. 21-27) with a portrait of Dr. Askew. He was born at Kendal, 1722, his mother being a Crackanthorp of Newbiggin Hall. His famous library was sold after his death in 1774 at London.

"The Older Palæozoic Succession of the Duddon Estuary"; "The Structure of the Eastern Part of the Lake District" (*Proc. Geologists' Association*, vol. xxvi, pp. 195-223) and "The Garnets and Streaky Rocks of the English Lake District" (*Mineralogical Magazine*, September, 1915) by J. Frederick Green, B.A., F.G.S., are three papers of local interest which may be named here.

"Concerning Prayer: its Nature, its Difficulties and its Value" (Macmillan, 1916) contains a chapter (pp. 451-475) titled "The Devil," by our member R. G. Collingwood, M.A., Fellow and Lecturer of Pembroke College, Oxford, dealing with the conception of a personal power of evil in its relation to divine worship.

"Fifty Years' Historical Research" by "Northerner" (*Penrith Observer*, September 5, 1916) is an article, on the occasion of the Jubilee of our Society, shortly describing its foundation and career, by the well-known pen of our member, Mr. Daniel Scott.

"Rydal"; by the late Miss M. L. Armitt, edited by Willingham F. Rawnsley, M.A. (Titus Wilson, Kendal, 1916; 12s. 6d.)

pp. 730, with illustrations. A companion volume to "The Church of Grasmere" by the same author and editor.

"Cleator and Cleator Moor: Past and Present" by Cæsar Caine, vicar of Cleator, surrogate of Carlisle and Chaplain of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Cumberland and Westmorland (Titus Wilson, Kendal, 1916; to subscribers 18s.) pp. 500, with illustrations. By our member, whose "Capella de Gerardegile" and other works, including articles in these *Transactions*, are well known.

"The Registers of Barton, Cumberland, 1666—1750," transcribed by Mr. H. Brierley (Kendal: Titus Wilson, 1916, issued to subscribers to the Parish Register Section of the Society, 10s. 6d.) paper, with frontispiece and indexes.

"The Journal of the Fell and Rock Climbing Club of the English Lake District," ed. W. T. Palmer, vol. iii, 3 (1915, printed by Titus Wilson, Kendal) with many illustrations, contains a paper by our member, Mr. Wilson Butler, on "The Herdwick Sheep," with some historical notes. Mr. G. D. Abraham gives hints of unnoticed antiquities near Thirlmere; but "Elizabethan Bracelets" (p. 89) ought to read "Late-Celtic Armlets"; see these *Transactions*, n.s., iv, 80.

"A Cathedral Idyll," by James Walter Brown (Carlisle, Thurnam, 1915; pp. 16; 6d.).

"Cicero on Old Age," translated from the Latin into English verse by Sir Robert Allison (London, A. C. Humphreys, 1916; 1s. 6d. nett).

"Poems of Nature and Life," by T. H. Collinson [Rector of Great Musgrave] (Edinburgh, R. Grant & Son; pp. 87, cloth, 2s. 6d.).

"The development of English Building Construction," by C. F. Innocent, A.R.I.B.A., Hon. Lecturer in English Architecture at the University of Sheffield (Cambridge University Press, 1916; royal 8vo, pp. xiv + 294, 73 illustrations, 10s. 6d. nett). Frequent references to these *Transactions* and local forms of building justify mention of a book which promises to be useful to antiquaries.