



# *The Quarterly Journal*

OF THE

**Berks Archæological and Architectural Society.**



WITH this number the Quarterly Journal of the Berks Archæological Society will finish its course. It has now been in existence during six years, and has been of some service in permanently recording some details of antiquarian and historical lore which might otherwise have been lost or forgotten. Many learned, able and interesting papers have been published in these pages, and the Editor desires to express his thanks to all those writers who have contributed articles and notes to the Journal and rendered him their invaluable assistance. He desires especially to thank Lady Russell for her fascinating papers on "Swallowfield and its Owners," which have appeared in this periodical since its commencement, and also Mr. F. Tudor Sherwood, Mr. N. Hone, and the Revs. J. E. Field and G. P. Crawford for their valuable contributions.

Although the Berks Archæological Journal, as the organ of the Society, will now cease to exist, it is not intended to abandon the issue of a Periodical connected with the Antiquities of the Royal County. It is proposed to establish a new County "Notes and Queries," if sufficient support is forthcoming. The new Journal will be somewhat larger than the present one, and the price will be five shillings a year. The full details of the scheme have not yet been arranged, but a prospectus will be issued shortly when the plan has been more fully developed. In the meantime, all the subscribers to the present Journal who would be willing to subscribe to the proposed new Berkshire Notes and Queries are requested to sign their names to the accompanying circular, and to forward the same to the Editor at their earliest convenience.