

family at High Wycombe from the year 1344, and during the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries various persons of that name appear to have held land in the neighbourhood, and filled public offices in High Wycombe and Aylesbury. Probably they were connected with the Maunde family of Chesterton, Co. Oxon, to whom there are brasses in the church of Chesterton. Any information on the subject would be very welcome.—PERCY D. MUNDY, 49, Selborne Road, Hove.

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BERKS ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—The first lecture of the Winter Session was given at the Abbey Gate on November 19th, when Mr. E. K. Purnell gave an interesting lecture on "The History of the Houses of Parliament." It was a very judicial and clearly delivered contribution to the constitutional history of England. The chair was occupied by the President, and there was a good attendance of Members. Mrs. Williams kindly entertained the company to tea.

Other lectures have been arranged :—

On January 20th, Mr. Mill Stephenson, F.S.A., will lecture on "Some Continental Brasses," illustrated by lantern slides. [Owing to the General Election this lecture has been postponed to March.]

On February 3rd, Mr. Ditchfield will lecture on "The Manor Houses of England," illustrated by lantern slides.

On February 22nd, the President will give a lecture on Some Berkshire Churches, illustrated by lantern slides.

NEWBURY DISTRICT FIELD CLUB finished the season with a very successful excursion to East and Great Shefford, Chaddleworth, Poughley and Winterbourne, on September 24th. We hope to give a detailed account of the places visited in a future number of the Journal.