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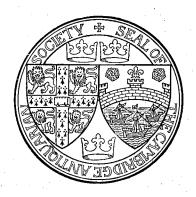
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#### Monday, 17 November, 1924.

The Rev. A. H. F. BOUGHEY, President, in the Chair.

Mr V. Gordon Childe, B.Litt. Oxon., gave a lecture, with lantern illustrations, on The Battle-Axe as a possible link between Sumeria and Northern Europe.

#### Monday, 1 December, 1924.

The Rev. A. H. F. BOUGHEY, President, in the Chair.

Dr W. Mortlock Palmer, M.D., F.S.A., read a paper on The Manor House of the Argentines at Melbourn, and their Farm Accounts for 1317-18, with lantern illustrations. The paper will be published by the Society on the earliest opportunity.

#### Monday, 26 January, 1925.

The Rev. A. H. F. BOUGHEY, President, in the Chair.

Mr E. A. B. BARNARD, F.S.A., F.R.H.S., gave a lecture describing The Excavation of a Saxon Cemetery at Bidford-on-Avon, Warwickshire, in 1921–23. This cemetery, which is of considerable size and contains very numerous interments, was brought to view unexpectedly by workmen in digging; for there was no indication, from the surface of the ground, that any graves existed there, nor is any Saxon settlement known in the neighbourhood. It is not a war burial ground, for the bodies of women and children are numerous. The soil has preserved the bones unusually well, and it is remarkable how fine the teeth are in most of the subjects. The characteristic accompaniments of interments were numerous, including spears, brooches, and beads, which latter were mostly of amber.

The lecture was illustrated with many remarkably good photographic lantern views. A full account of this cemetery was published in the *Transactions of the Worcestershire Archaeological Society*.