

spent part of her time caring for the inmates, and in the accounts there are references to expenditure made by her on their behalf e.g. 'January 23 1806 - paid to Kate Copeland for John Cox and Pol Clark in the workhouse - £4 10s 9d.

As with outdoor relief, if an inmate of the workhouse was ill, the doctor was called in, and if necessary the pauper was taken to the infirmary. There are no separate doctor's bills for the workhouse.

By 1834 the workhouse was a well established institution in Anstey, although still an integral part of the poor relief and under the overall supervision of the overseer of the poor. However, outdoor relief always remained the most important part of the poor law administration in Anstey, perhaps because it was probably the most economical method of dealing with the problem of the poor.

M I S C E L L A N Y

QUERIES

1. A member writes: 'There was a chapel at Walton by Kimcote mentioned in 1204 and last referred to in the 1630s. It is possible that stones from this chapel were used in building a nearby house, now the home of Mr and Mrs Mason. Does any reader know any more about this chapel?'
2. A reader would like information concerning cheese factories in the county before 1920.

3. A Hertfordshire reader is interested in cast-iron grave crosses of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries; these are to be found in Hertfordshire and Leicestershire and in other parts of the country. Some are marked with the name 'W F Johnson, Leicester' (a local ironmonger). The reader would be grateful for information on the manufacture of these crosses, and for news of any surviving examples.

4. A London reader studying folklore would be grateful for photographs or information on local customs, particularly Bottle Kicking and Hare Pie Scrambling.

MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of local history projects in which members are currently engaged. Anyone interested should contact the member concerned.

Mr A Jones
Dept. of Geography
Southampton University

Demesne farming and the
landscape of the medieval
South Midlands.

Mr Aggas
5 Springfield Road
Kibworth Beauchamp

A survey of historic field
and furlong names in
Kibworth and Smeeton
Westerby, 13th 20th cents.

Mr P A Stevens
Kettlebyrigge
Hunters' Rise
Kirby Bellars

The Leics. and Northants.
Union Canal and the 'old'
Grand Union, the Grand
Junction and the 'new'
Grand Union Canals.

Mr A Strang Village history and
81 Narborough Road domestic architecture.
Cosby

Mr J E O Wilshere Early fire insurance in
7 Gullet Lane Leics; Leicester public
Kirby Muxloe houses pre-1850; Fifteenth
 century Leicester;
 Glenfield and Kirby Muxloe
 inventories; Unlawful
 games in medieval Leicester.

REMINISCENCES - ESSAY COMPETITION

We have had a wonderful response to this competition - over 70 entries. Because there were so many it has not been possible to announce the name of the winner before going to press. We hope to make this announcement by May, and will give further details in the Autumn issue of the 'Leicestershire Historian'. We would like to thank all those who entered or who helped others to enter.

THE LEICESTERSHIRE INDUSTRIAL HISTORY SOCIETY

This society was founded on September 8th 1969, and during the winter it has had a programme of talks, visits and films dealing with industrial archaeology and history. During the summer it hopes to arrange further visits and some fieldwork. Members will be helping the Leicestershire Local History Council's Industrial Archaeology Group in a survey of the Wreake Navigation, as well as recording buildings in Leicester which are threatened with demolition. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the society should contact the Secretary, Mr R N Thomson, Three Gables, Markfield, Leicester.