

With regard to the future work of the Society, your Committee hope to arrange the usual number of excursions and lectures. A visit to the Warwick pageant has been suggested, and an excursion to Bradford-on-Avon. The region of East and West Ilsley has not been explored for many years, and perhaps it will be possible to visit these places during the coming season. It has been our usual custom to visit one of the towns in Berkshire each year, but these are limited in number, and are well-nigh exhausted. The President and Secretary will endeavour to arrange an attractive and useful series of excursions. During the coming lecture season the Secretary would be glad to hear from any members of the Society who would read papers or undertake any special research work. It is an advantage to a Society to have working members. To listen to lectures or join in picnics is not the utmost that many could do to further the study of history and archæology in this county, and if each member endeavoured to do some bit of work to promote the objects which we have in view, our labours would be more prolific of results, and the position and usefulness of the Society increased.

Proceedings of Societies.

BERKS ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting was held on May 29th, when the officers were elected, the reports read, and also two lectures given, on "St. Edmund's Chapel" by the Rev. Alan Cheales, and on "The Ceilings of Walsingham House" by the Hon. Secretary. The report is printed in this Journal.

In conjunction with the Newbury District Field Club, an excursion was made on June 25th to Devizes and Potterne, the report of which is deferred until the next number of the Journal.

OXFORDSHIRE ARCHÆOLOGICAL SOCIETY.—The report of this Society for 1905 has been published, and records an enjoyable excursion to Chipping Norton, Little Compton, Moreton-in-the-Marsh, and the Rollright Stones. We are glad to learn that the Rev. G. E. Barnes has been persuaded to relinquish his intention of resigning the secretaryship. The Rev. C. E. Prior gives some notes on the deaneries of Chipping Norton, Cuddesdon and Oxford, and Mr. Potts publishes some notes on the interesting Globe Room at the Reindeer Inn, Banbury. The Transactions contain "Seven Somerton Court Rolls," which are particularly valuable. They were purchased from a dealer, and are ably edited by Mr. A. Ballard, Town Clerk of Woodstock.