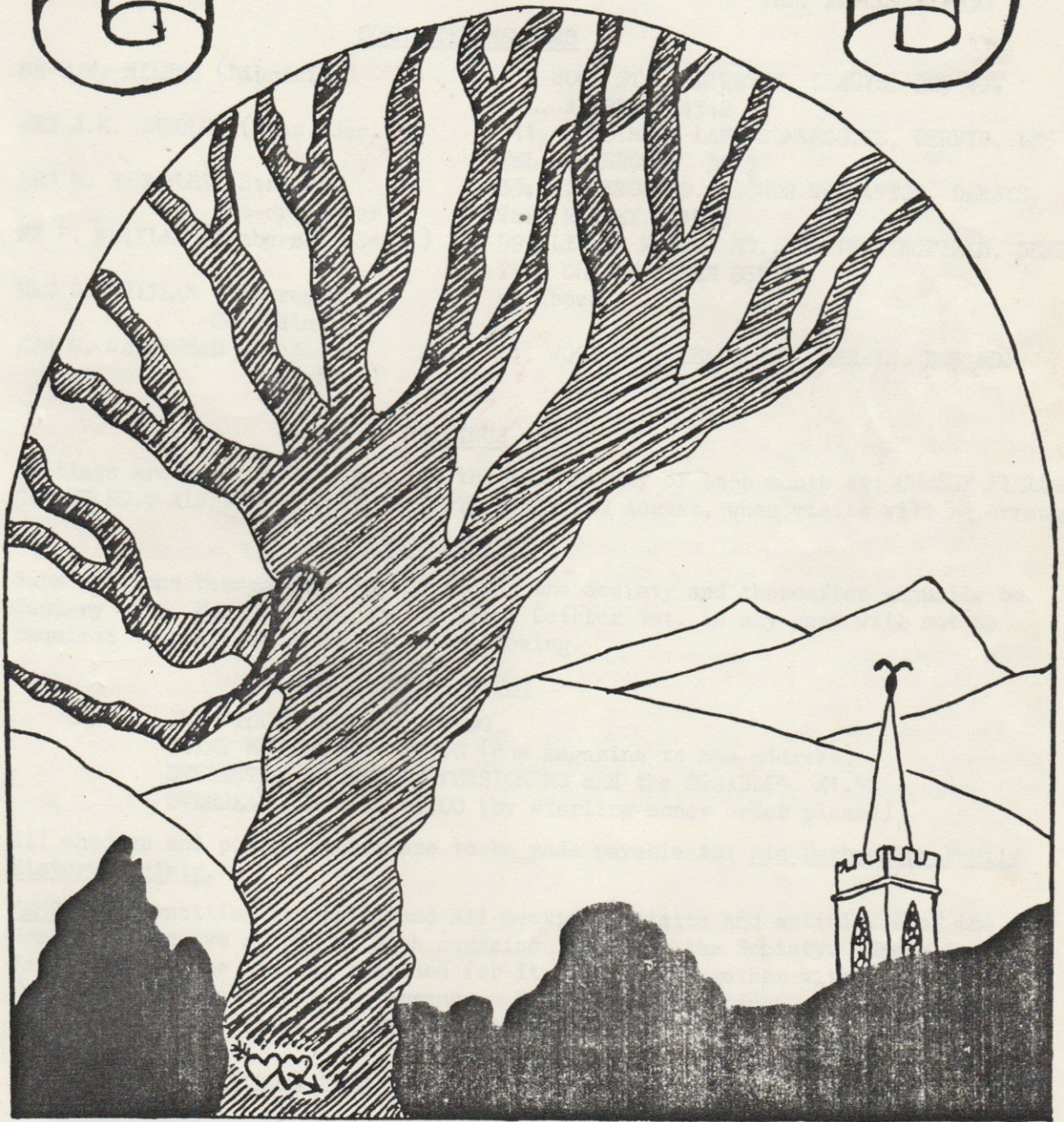


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Meetings are held at 7.30 p.m. on the last Friday of each month at: CRESSY FIELDS, CRESSY RD., ALFRETON. (except during July and August, when visits will be arranged)

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ADVERTISEMENTS

Members may place an advertisement in "Branch News" free of charge.

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EDITORIAL

This issue of "Branch News" announces the appointment of our new Treasurer Mr Fred Hall, owing to the retirement from the committee of Mr Peter Middlehurst. Fred is an extremely hard working member of the Society and has the interest of its members very much at heart. I should like to thank Peter for his services in the past and to wish him enjoyment as an ordinary member, along with his wife Gill.

Mrs Sue Whitehead joined the committee at the A.G.M. filling the vacancy left by Peter. Sue has willingly agreed to become our Projects Organiser, and has already spent many hours at Ironville both helping to transcribe the registers and to record the memorial inscriptions. Mr Peter Whitlam has now been co-opted onto the committee. He and Daphne will make a good husband and wife team, Peter as Membership Secretary and Daphne as Interests Co-ordinator.

I was delighted to receive through the post the other day, the complete transcriptions of the M.I.s in the churchyard and within the church of Boylestone. These have been recorded by our member Mrs Sandra Tomkinson of Boylestone to whom the committee members express their grateful thanks. Mrs Tomkinson has enjoyed the new experience of recording M.I.s and she is all set to record them at Church Broughton and later at Cubley. The example that Mrs Tomkinson has set, will, I hope, encourage more members to record M.I.s, particularly in their own area. I received another letter a short time ago from a non-member Mr J.R. Appleby of Macclesfield, Cheshire, containing the recorded M.I.s of the private burial ground at Errwood Hall in the Goyt Valley. The Hall has been demolished but the burial ground still exists. If members know any of these little known burial grounds will they please ask for permission to record the M.I.s as the information could be very valuable.

Good hunting through the summer months.

W. E. W.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

There will be no formal meetings during July and August. It is hoped that members will devote some of their time during the summer break to gathering material for the Society library e.g. M. I.s, census returns and parish registers, which need to be recorded. Members will continue working at Ironville. The tangled mass of bushes and undergrowth which had gradually taken over the graveyard during the past 50 years has now been cleared by council workmen, revealing many more gravestones than was at first envisaged. All help will be greatly appreciated. Come and join us in this project, you will be surprised how much enjoyment there is to share. These M.I.s must be recorded without delay as the stones will be removed by the end of the year to enable the ground to be machine maintained. We will be meeting on Tuesday evenings at the graveyard behind the church. If wet, we will continue with the transcribing of the registers inside the church.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

SEPTEMBER 28th - We begin our new season of meetings with a talk by Elizabeth Simpson entitled "Suffer Little Children".

OCTOBER 26th - The Rev. Dr. M. Austin will talk to us about "Archdeacon Butler's visit to Alfreton in 1824".

THE MEETINGS REPORT

At our March meeting Mr. J. Parsons gave us an interesting talk on the materials from which tombstones are generally made, the general history of monumental masonry and examples of stones were exhibited.

The April meeting was the A.G.M. when officers were elected for the coming year. All were re-elected except the Treasurer Mr. P. Middlehurst who resigned due to pressure of work. Mr. F. Hall was elected to this position and Mrs. S. Whitehead also joined the committee. There was a good selection of books and other items pertaining to Derbyshire on sale. Also, members exhibited genealogical material which aroused interest and discussion. It was pleasing to have at this meeting, our distant member Mr. Robert Allkin who had travelled from Birmingham to be with us. We hope to see more of our distant members when they find it convenient. They will be most welcome.

Rev. F. Ross vicar of Snelston, Clifton and Norbury came to our May meeting to speak to us about numerous monumental inscriptions.

(Joan Smedley)

THE BOOK STALL

- The Directory of Members' Interests is now available at 30p (including postage 40p)
The Memorial Inscriptions of All Saints Dalbury at 40p (including postage 50p)
The Memorial Inscriptions of the church of St. Lawrence Heanor at 40p (including postage 50p)
Extra Pedigree Charts are on sale at 2p each, postage to be added. (For your own use)

NEW MEMBERS LIST

We welcome the following new members who joined the Society by 25th May.

128. Mrs. A. J. ANDERSON 12, Riversdale Drive, Nether Poppleton, York YO2 6TY who is tracing JOULE of CHAPEL-en-le-FRITH, Derbys.
129. Mr. R.R. BENEKE, 925, Caskill Drive, Ames, Iowa 50010 U.S.A. who is seeking for information concerning Thomas MATHER and Jemima BURTON who were married in BONSALL on 13th July 1816. Jemima went to the U.S.A. in 1829 or shortly before with three children, Thomas, Benjamin and Alice.
130. Mrs. G.D. ROBY, 15, Oak Drive, Chatham New Jersey 07928 U.S.A. who is searching for the marriage of Robert ROBY and Ruth BARTON somewhere in Derbyshire in the late 18th cent. are also known to have lived in Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk.
131. Mrs. A.C. LOGAN, 57, Montrose Drive, Atawhal, Nelson, New Zealand. who is seeking information concerning Florence Stella HOOPER who was born 15th March 1895. Possibly in Shropshire.
132. Mrs. PAXTON, 36, Highwood Ave., Bargate, Belper, Derbys. wife of Member no. 43.
133. Mr. A.S. EVANS, 60 A. Oxford St., Kirkby in Ashfield, Notts. who is tracing the names EVANS and ISON. A possible marriage at St. Werburgh's Derby in 1844. Is also interested in WOOTON of WEDNESBURY, STAFFS 1851 and COTTERHILL of WHITWELL nr. WORKSOP 1882.
134. Mrs. I. GILBERT, Star Route, Malta, Idaho 83342 U.S.A. who is tracing AULT of DOVERIDGE, Derbys. 1675. COOK of DOVERIDGE. Sarah COOK married Charles AULT on 18th June 1704. Ann REDFERN of EGGINTON, Derbys. who married Thomas AULT on 18th Aug. 1800. BERRISFORD of ELLASTONE Staffs. 1747.

