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EDITORIAL

I have been overwhelmed by the amount of material sent to me for publication in "Branch News" and I thank you all for taking so much interest in the magazine. We have now enlarged the magazine to twenty pages so I hope to catch up on the material I have accumulated. I am sure you will all be patient until your own articles are published. The rate of new membership continues to grow, as you will see from the list in this issue. The 'Help Wanted' section also continues to grow, which shows that members are using the magazine for what it is intended.

Likewise, it is gratifying to see the 'Help Offered' section growing. In this issue, two members are offering help which can be available for a short period only. Mrs. Elinor Kapp offers help in searching Dr. William's Library (see p. 7) and the Rev. Dr. S.C. Orchard offers to send information to anyone interested in names mentioned in the Diary of William Copeland Astbury which he has in his possession for a short time (p. 10). So, those interested, get writing, it is up to you!

With many thanks to you all and best wishes for Christmas and for 1984.

W.E.W.

1984 SUBSCRIPTIONS: We have found it necessary to increase the subscriptions for 1984. Having done our best to keep these to a minimum we must move along with the rising cost of postage etc. Also, "Branch News" has become larger.

Don't forget, "Branch News" is a must to anyone interested in Derbyshire genealogy, so, don't delay send your subs. today!

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

2nd December - Cancelled owing to other commitments.

6th January 1984 - Members' Evening.

3rd February 1984 - 'Religious Nonconformity in Derbyshire' by David A. Barton
(to be confirmed)

2nd March 1984 - 'The Derbyshire County Record Office' by Joan Sinar,
County Archivist. (possibility of slides)

MEMBERS' INTERESTS: The 3rd Supplement is now available, price 80p + 20p p. & p. (50p overseas surface). The 4th Supplement will be available shortly.

In 1984 we hope to produce a completely new issue of Members' Interests making all previous issues/supplements redundant and unavailable. YOU MUST SEND IN A NEW SLIP WITH YOUR INTERESTS ON IF YOU WANT THEM INCLUDING IN THE 1984 ISSUE. PLEASE RETURN THE SLIP ON YOUR RENEWAL FORM BY 31st MARCH - YOU MUST BE A PAID-UP MEMBER TO HAVE YOUR INTERESTS INCLUDED. DO NOT WRITE "SAME AS BEFORE" ON YOUR SLIP AS THIS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM.

