YOUR Committee are pleased to report that through this, the fifth consecutive year of war, the Society has continued to carry on a fair measure of activity. As it is only to be expected, the increasing difficulties and disabilities of these troubled times have been unavoidably reflected in a still further curtailment of the more pleasurable and popular activities. Your committee are very conscious of this and are fully determined to widen the scope of activities immediately conditions permit. Happily the signs multiply that improvement may be looked for at no very distant period.

In spite of the difficulties referred to above, a good deal of useful work has been accomplished during the year, the fruits of some of which will become more apparent in due course. Members will not have failed to observe the further improvements to the Society's valuable library which the hon. librarian, in spite of increased demands upon his time, has carried out. Further details of these improvements will be found in the appropriate section of this report. Your committee feel that the cordial thanks of the Society are due to the hon. librarian for his unsparing work—thus still further increasing the usefulness of this very valuable asset of the Society.

During the summer the members enjoyed an interesting and informative address by Mr. Ernest Morris, F.R.H.S., F.R.G.S., upon the Church Bells of Leicestershire. The lecture was copiously illustrated by lantern slides.

The regional group of the Council for Archaeology organized by your Society, to which reference was made in the last annual report, is now firmly established. Your joint hon. sec. attended the first general meeting of the Council in London and liaison with both the central executive council and the constituent group member societies has been maintained. Your committee feel that the
formation of this regional group is a matter of considerable importance and may very likely lead in post-war years to much valuable and pleasurable co-operation in the wide field of archaeology.

Once again your committee wish to record with the utmost gratitude, the Society's indebtedness to our chairman, Sir Robert Martin. In spite of his ever growing public activities on behalf of the county he has, as always, continued to direct, control and assist the Society in the most valuable manner.

Your committee are pleased to report that the great improvement in the health of Mr. Skillington, which it was possible to announce last year, has been fully maintained. It is sincerely hoped that before long the Society may once again enjoy the benefit of his erudition and of his society in person.

Your committee wish to report that the volume of Transactions is in preparation. Due to the prior demands of a very large volume of work of national importance, it is feared that its actual printing and publication may be somewhat delayed. In spite of this and of the again restricted size of the volume, your committee have every confidence that the papers therein will most worthily uphold the reputation and sound tradition established over a long period of years.

During the course of the year the following new members were elected:

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<td>Arthur Belson, Esq.</td>
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<td>Miss L. J. Boast</td>
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<td>The Rev. C. G. H. Dicker, M.A.</td>
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<td>A. L. Halford, Esq.</td>
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<td>Kenneth Palmer, Esq.</td>
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<td>Major J. F. A. Pitcairn</td>
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The Society lost the following members by death during the year:


The Hon. Librarian’s Report

The Society’s Library, 1944

In spite of war-time difficulties arising from shortage of labour and materials, the library presents a much more workmanlike and less derelict picture. The bulk of the binding of the parts accumulated over a period of twenty years and more has been completed and a number of missing parts procured.

The Canterbury and York Societies’ publications are complete and up-to-date, as is the series of the Antiquaries’ Journal. Two volumes only (Nos. 8 and 19) out of the whole 66 of the Index Library remain to be obtained, and the Archaeological Journal lacks only parts of Vols. 49 and 50.

The Transactions of the Thoresby Society, the Yorkshire Society and the Cambs. and Hunts. Society are complete, and Vol. 84 (1930) alone remains to be found to complete the run of the Thoroton Society. The publications of the Shropshire, Essex, Suffolk, and Derbyshire Societies are up-to-date, and substantially the Birmingham, Surrey, Kent, Cambridge Antiquarian, North Staffordshire Field Club, and Lancashire and Cheshire Historic Societies are complete, at least from the date when this Society became a subscriber or arranged an exchange of publications.

An appeal has been received from the Inter-allied Book Centre for complete (or incomplete) series of publications and other works for reconstituting libraries destroyed during the war. It is proposed to offer duplicate copies in the possession of the Society, and surplus copies of Transactions and Associated Reports and Papers for this purpose, which will, while helping others, serve also to ease the pressure on the Society’s limited accommodation.

A miscellaneous collection of books of Archaeological interest from the library of the late Mr. Geo. S. Elgood has been received during the year, presented by his niece. The Society is much indebted to her for her valuable gift. The variety of subjects covered by these volumes offers a good opportunity to the general reader to study many different topics of architectural and historical and cultural interest.
If members can do anything to help in procuring the missing volumes of the Index Library and the Archaeological Journal, and Vol. 34 of the Thoroton Society’s Transactions, the Hon. Librarian will be greatly obliged.

Members wishing to consult any of the books in the Library or to take out any book for study are asked to send a letter or a postcard to the Hon. Librarian at the Guild Hall. It will receive early attention and the book required will be made available to be fetched at the member’s convenience. The caretaker in the Mayor’s Parlour will have it ready for issue, if it is available.
### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

#### RECEIPTS

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I have examined the Funds Account dated 31st December, 1944, and the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ending 31st December, 1944, and certify such accounts to be in accordance with the Books and Vouchers of the Trustees of the Research Fund. I have satisfied myself that the Scrip of the above Investments is in the possession of the Bank.

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RULES

1.—The Society shall be called "THE LEICESTERSHIRE ARCHAELOGICAL SOCIETY."

2.—The objects of the Society shall be, to promote the study of Ecclesiastical Architecture, General Antiquities, and the Restoration of Mutilated Architectural Remains within the County; and to furnish suggestions, so far as may be within its province, for improving the character of Ecclesiastical Edifices, and for preserving all ancient remains which the Committee may consider of value and importance.

3.—The Society shall be composed of a Patron, a President, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurer, Auditor, and Honorary and Ordinary Members.

4.—The Patron, President and Vice-Presidents shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Society, and their election shall be subject to their payment of the Annual Subscription.

5. The Members of the Society shall be entitled to propose new Members, either by letter or personally, to be elected at the Committee Meetings; the Honorary Members shall be ladies or gentlemen who have either rendered signal service to the Society, or are specially learned in the subjects the study of which it is formed to encourage, and shall be nominated by the Committee at one of their Meetings, and proposed for election only at the Annual General Meeting of the Members to be held in March of each year.

6.—Each Member shall pay an annual subscription of One Pound, to be due in advance on the 1st of January every year. No Member whose subscription is more than two months overdue shall be entitled to vote until every subscription has been paid. Any Member wishing to resign must give one month's notice of his intention, and this notice should be sent to one of the Society's Secretaries before the end of November. If any subscribing Member is found to be more than two years in arrear, his or her name shall, after due warning, be removed from the list of Members of the Society.

7. The affairs of the Society shall be conducted by a Committee composed of the Secretaries, Local Secretaries, Treasurer, and twenty Members, all of whom shall be elected annually; five Members of the Committee to form a quorum.

8.—The Meetings of the Members shall be held on the last Monday of every alternate month; one of such Meetings to be held in the month of March to be considered the Annual General Meeting, at which the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts be presented and the Officers and Committee for the year be elected, and such new Rules or alterations in the Rules proposed and made as may be thought necessary; provided always that due notice of such new Rules or alterations in Rules be given by circular to each Member of the Society at least seven days before the Annual Meeting. In addition to the Bi-Monthly Meetings—so including the Annual Meeting—Public Meetings for the reading of Papers, &c., may be held as provided for under Rule 12.

9.—The Committee shall have power to fill up vacancies in their number, and also in the vacancies of officers of the Society.
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10.—The Committee shall elect each year a Chairman, at the first meeting after the Annual Meeting, and shall have power to appoint from year to year such Sub-Committees as appear to be advisable.

11.—The Members of the Committee in any neighbourhood may associate other Members of the Society with themselves, and form Committees for Local Purposes in communication with the Central Committee.

12.—The Public Meetings of the Society shall be holden at such times and places as shall be appointed by the Committee.

13.—The Committee meet at the times and places which they may themselves appoint.

14.—The Secretaries shall be required, on the requisition of five Members of the Committee, to call a Special Meeting of the Society.

15.—Donations of Architectural and Antiquarian Books, Plans, &c., may be received. The Committee shall be empowered to make purchases and procure casts and drawings, which shall be under the charge of the Secretaries.

16.—When the Committee shall consider any Paper, not including accounts of Excursions, which may have been read before the Society, worthy of its being printed at its expense, they shall request the author to furnish a copy, and shall decide upon the number of copies to be printed, provided always that the number be sufficient to supply each Member with one copy, and the author with twenty-five copies. All other questions relating to the publishing Plans and Papers and illustrating them with engravings, shall be decided by the Editorial Secretary, subject to the approval of the Committee.

17.—The Committee may every year publish, or join with other Architectural and Archaeological Societies in publishing, for circulation among the Members, Transactions to contain descriptions and Papers connected with the objects of the Society.

18.—On application being made to any Member of the Committee, or to the Committee collectively, for the advice of the Society in the restoration of any Church, a Sub-Committee shall be appointed (of which the Incumbent or Resident Minister shall be one) to visit the Church and submit a report in writing to the General Committee.

19.—All Plans for the building, enlargement, or restoration of churches, schools, or ancient buildings, &c., sent for inspection of the Committee, be placed in the hands of one of the Secretaries of the Society, at least fourteen days before the Committee Meeting, for the Secretary to prepare a special report thereon.

20.—The Committee shall have power at any Meeting to make grants towards the objects of the Society, provided that if such grant—other than that for carrying out the objects contemplated in Rules 16 and 17—exceed £5, notice to be given in the circular or advertisement calling the Meeting.