#### NOTE

Lafham. In the Suffolk Domesday Book two references to Lafham and one to Latham, all in Cosford Half Hundred, have been identified with Layham, 1 an identification accepted by Douglas,<sup>2</sup> all probably following Copinger.<sup>3</sup> A further example of Lafham, in Risbridge Hundred, left unidentified in V.C.H., is probably identical. Here Ulmar held 9 acres which he had taken in pledge from the predecessor of Ralph Pinel who held of St. Edmund's soke in 1086.5

In the Kalendar of Abbot Samson (c. 1190-1),6 Hadlehe, Lafham and Benitone formed one leet, of which Hadleigh formed one-half, Lafham one-third and Benitone one-sixth. Lafham is here identified with Lavenham, but as Benitone is now Benton Street in Hadleigh, Lafham was presumably in the same parish, a supposition confirmed by its description in 1286 as a 'Hamelet de Hadle'. Among the tenants in that year was Bartholomew de Gloucestrie who held a messuage of the Abbot of Bury, paying suit of court to the hundred of Cosford. In a survey of the Christchurch lands in Hadleigh in 1305 mention is made of Lafhamfen.8

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> V.C.H., Suffolk, vol. 1., pp. 505, 571, 556. <sup>2</sup> Feudal Docs. of Bury St. Edmunds, pp. 9, 21, 42. <sup>3</sup> Suffolk Records, vol. 1v, p. 37.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> vol. 1, p. 579. <sup>5</sup> *ibid.*, p. 571. <sup>6</sup> Ed. R. H. C. Davis, p. 60.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Pinchbeck Register, vol. II, p. 269.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Proc. Suff. Inst. Arch., vol. III, p. 235.

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## REPORT FOR 1958

During the year 31 Ordinary and 12 Associate members were elected. After taking into account losses through death or resignation we are left with a net increase of 3 members.

The total membership at the year's end was:-

Ordinary members	405
Associate members	100
Life members	49
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Excursions.—The following excursions were arranged:—

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14	Hitcham Church; Bildeston Church and village;
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28	Framlingham Castle and Church; Yoxford Church;
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27	Chilton Hall; Newton Church; 'Rogers' in Newton;
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Lectures.—The following lectures were given at Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds during the year. Those at Ipswich were held in conjunction with the Ipswich Historical Society:—

Jan.	1.	Lecture on 'The present position of archaeology in
		Suffolk' by Mr. N. Smedley, M.A., F.S.A., at Ipswich.
Feb.	19	Lecture on 'Aldeburgh in the 16th and 17th centuries'
		by the Revd. A. H. Denney, M.A., at Ipswich.
March	19	Lecture on 'Tide Mills' by Mr. R. Wailes, F.S.A.,
		M.I.MECH.E., at Ipswich.
Nov.	22	Lantern lecture on 'The weapons and armour of the
		Sutton Hoo burial' by Miss R. J. Cramp, M.A., at Bury
		St. Edmunds.

Finance.—The Hon. Financial Secretary reports:-

In spite of our being again denied the recovery of Income Tax on covenanted subscriptions, it is to be noted that we are better off by £106 than at this time last year. (As requested at the last Annual General Meeting, our bank balance at the beginning and also at the end of the year is shown).

Our healthier position is due to several factors. There was an increase in revenue of about £50 from subscriptions, recovery of tax on past dividends and sales of publications; while there was a decrease in expenditure of some £60 on printing and stationery, excursions, library and office expenses.

Further economies have been effected wherever possible; excursion notices were duplicated instead of printed and by circularising two excursions at a time and also including notice of the A.G.M., a saving of £10 on postage alone has been possible.

(Note.—Since the above was written the position with regard to covenanted subscriptions has been cleared up and we are now entitled once more to reclaim tax paid on such subscriptions. Steps are being taken to recover the sums due to us for the period during which the matter was in abeyance;

those members who had previously signed covenants are being asked to renew them as soon as they fall due for renewal; all other members, including new members on joining, are being urged to sign such covenants.

The Council hopes that as many members as possible will take advantage of this method of considerably benefiting the finances of the Institute without any extra cost to themselves. All such covenants automatically lapse at death).

Library.—Our Library is now installed in the new room at the Bury Public Library and Art Gallery (in the Old School of Art building) and we are greatly indebted to our Hon. Librarian, Major Kilner, for the work he has done in arranging the books and making them available to members. The library is closed on Thursday afternoons.

Here will be found a fine collection of books relating to the history and archaeology of Suffolk, as well as many complete sets of the publications of other similar county and national societies. With certain exceptions, books may be borrowed by members, who are urged to make use of this facility, in addition to pursuing their studies in the library itself.

Officers.—During the year Mr. D. Thompson, who has been Hon. General Secretary since September 1950, tendered his resignation from the office. The Institute is most grateful to Mr. Thompson for the hard work he has done during the last eight years and his cheerful and helpful presence on excursions is much missed. Mr. Statham, who has been joint secretary with Mr. Thompson since 1953, kindly agreed to continue alone.

Although outside the period under review, we wish to take this first opportunity of recording with very deep regret the death on 13 March 1959 of Sir Digby Drake-Brockman, who was Hon. Financial Secretary from 1949 to 1957.

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I have audited the books and accounts of the Society for the year ended 31 December 1958 and have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of the Audit. In my opinion and to the best of my information and according to the explanations given to me the Accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the Society's affairs as at 31 December 1958.

28 February 1959.

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