

## OBITUARY

The Society has to deplore the loss of several members, some of many years' standing: Dame Frances Dove had a reputation in educational circles far outside the county. Dr. F. S. Parsons will long be known for his history of St. Thomas's Hospital, with which he was so long and honourably connected; though more versed in anatomy than in archaeology, he gathered together much about Monks Risborough, which he printed; to the last volume of our *Records* he contributed two short papers, and was always interested in the work of the Society.

Mr. E. G. Theakston was an architect to whom the Society owes gratitude for the great trouble he took in connection with some necessary work at the Museum; he was a constant attendant at the Annual Excursions, where his knowledge of architecture was ever at the service of his fellow-members.

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ACQUISITIONS

Some 500 deeds from various sources have been deposited in the Muniment Room during the last year.

Amongst a number of miscellaneous items a collection of paintings of Bucks churches, made in the middle of last century, was given by the Dean of Chester; it had been formed by his aunt, who was the wife of Archdeacon Bickersteth, one of the founders of the Society, who died in 1892.