

TO MEMBERS AND OTHERS.



The COMMITTEE earnestly solicit the co-operation of the Society and others in the collection of materials for a more complete History of the County, both as regards its Natural History and Archæology. Arrangements are made to classify all the observations and notices which are forwarded to the Museum. The Committee hope that the members will not fail to communicate such observations and facts as come within their knowledge, however brief and isolated they may appear to them, for though each by itself small, yet in the aggregate, and by means of the Annual Report, they may be rendered of value to History and Science.

It is requested that the communications, if possible, be written on foolscap paper, and on one side only; and addressed to the Secretaries at the Museum. Selections from and Reports of these will be published from time to time in the Annual Journal of this Society.

Two portfolios are provided for this purpose.

I.—*An Archæological and Historical Journal*, with separate divisions for History; Earthworks; Architecture; Buildings; Parchments and Papers; Books; Portraits, Pictures, and Prints; Coins; Moveables; Miscellaneous.

II.—*A Natural History Journal*, similarly classified for observations on GEOLOGICAL FORMATIONS connected with the County; the Devonian; Carboniferous; Permian; Triassic; Lias; Oolitic; Cretaceous; Tertiary; Post-Tertiary. ZOOLOGY; Vertebrata; Mollusca; Articulata; Radiata; Protozoa and Infusoria. BOTANY; Dicotyledons; Monocotyledons; Cryptogamia; (Algæ, Desmidiæ and Diatomaceæ); Physiological and General; Miscellaneous.

The utmost care will be taken of Drawings or Specimens in illustration of notices. Contributions of Fossils, and other objects of Natural History, are earnestly requested for the Museum of the Society. If Fossils are sent, it is particularly requested that the exact circumstances of their discovery be stated; also that a description of the bed, and of the exact height in the bed from some fixed point be given, as much of the present collection is comparatively valueless in the present state of Geology, from the want of this information on the part of donors.

The Committee will endeavour to obtain the names of all specimens sent to them, on loan or as contributions, and to return named duplicates to donors.
