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repudiate it as in any sense conserving those traditions. But every other church in and near the city has realized a substantial unity of doctrine and aim; all alike support the West Midland Association, the Baptist Missionary Society, and its daughter the Baptist Union. They can echo the words that went overseas from Coventry three hundred years ago: "It becomes all of us who love the same Lord Jesus Christ and His truth, to try for unity in all matters, and to walk with all and with every one, as belonging to the same society."

It is impossible in the limits of this article to give the pleasant details which abound in the book by Miss Morris. For the touches which make the churches live again, and show the piety of humble homes, we heartily commend it to our readers, wishing that more works of the kind should be available, not only for the historian, but for all who want to see the power of the gospel.

Report of the Committee of the Baptist Historical Society, May 1926.

THE Society has continued its work on the familiar lines. Letters of enquiry come from individuals and churches, and in every case it has been possible to give the information desired.

The library which enables this service to be given is still housed by the courtesy of the church at Droitwich; but it has grown to such a size that in the near future the question of accommodation must be considered. Several duplicates have been exchanged during the year with the kindred society in America, so that we have obtained a file of reports of the great Philadelphia Association from 1707. No similar file of any Association in England exists.

We are glad to know that nearly two hundred volumes of great interest, collected by the late R. Foulkes Griffiths, have recently been presented to the Northern Baptist Education Society, and augment the valuable library now treasured at Rawdon College. All owners of denominational documents are urged to follow such an example and lodge their treasures in some denominational institution.

There are ancient repositories which amply repay investigation. At Broadmead several valuable letters have lately been

discovered and are being studied; we hope to publish some letters relating to Robert Hall. The strong-room of the Baptist Missionary Society is also yielding treasure.

A few years ago we printed some letters sent in 1626 by Baptist churches at Lincoln, Coventry, Tiverton, Salisbury, and London, to Amsterdam. Two of these churches have died out, but at Coventry it is intended this year to celebrate the tercentenary of Baptist life there, and the first-fruits have appeared in a booklet by Miss Morris. We are communicating with the churches at Lincoln and Tiverton to urge them to similar celebrations.

The *Baptist Quarterly* has appeared regularly. While on the modern side attention is paid to home problems, work on the continent and in America, and theology, on the antiquarian side articles have appeared relating to the Midlands, Surrey and Sussex, the Weald of Kent, Wales; and a sketch of the Baptist Building Fund has begun which will extend to four articles.

It will be possible this year to aid the publication of an extra, for our guinea subscribers. An index to every church in London, past and present, showing where it has ever worshipped, and in many cases who have been its pastors, is nearly ready for the press.

H. WHEELER ROBINSON, *President*,

W. T. WHITLEY, *Hon. Secretary*.

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