Introductory Statement

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The paper given by Prof. Frank Peake, "Religion and Society in a Nineteenth Century Derbyshire Village" and that by Prof. C. Allyn Russell on T.T. Shields are not at present available for distribution as they are being considered for publication elsewhere.

The Society's next annual meeting will be held at the end of May, 1978, at the University of Western Ontario. Persons interested in membership or seeking more information about the Society and its work are invited to write to the Secretary, Prof. John Moir, Scarborough College, University of Toronto, 1265 Military Trail, West Hill, Ont. M1C 1A4.

It is with deep regret that I have to announce the death in early July of Prof. Allan Farris, Principal of Knox College, a founding member of our Society and its president in 1974-5. His contribution to the Society and to the study of church history in Canada was widely appreciated, and his personal kindness towards colleagues and students will be long remembered.

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