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Editorial

THE main item at the Annual Meeting on 24th April will be the delivery of the first "Henton Lecture". The lectureship was founded in 1965 by Principal G. Henton Davies on terms which were set out in *The Baptist Quarterly* of July of that year. We are glad to announce that Dr. Davies is himself to inaugurate the lectureship and his subject will be "A Welsh Man of God". This will be an important occasion and we hope it will be worthily attended. The meeting will be held at the Westminster Chapel Institute Hall at 4.30 p.m.

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Various plans are being discussed and formulated for the celebration of the Society's Diamond Jubilee in 1968. One has already got off to a good start. The *Cumulative Index to the Transactions* has been well received and we are hopeful that the next volume, covering the first ten issues of the *Quarterly* may be available in 1968. We are also considering the possibility of publishing a

volume of essays on Baptist history and there will be special interest in the idea of a Baptist History Summer School which may be held in the latter part of June, 1968. At such a school we should not only plan to have historical papers but would also hope to provide instruction in historical techniques and consider the more urgent fields for research in our subject. If you are interested the secretary would welcome an indication of that fact ; this would not, of course, commit you to a firm booking.

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With the present issue the *Baptist Quarterly* appears in a slightly different format, being wired instead of thread sewn. This has been done as an economy measure and members will probably know that this method has long been used by several of our contemporaries. It is possible that it may cost more to bind up the separate issues when the volume is completed—our information on this varies. We regret this and hope that the increase, if any, will not be large. We take this opportunity of apologising for the late publication of the October issue. Our printers had exceptional difficulties but we are assured that these have now been satisfactorily sorted out.

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