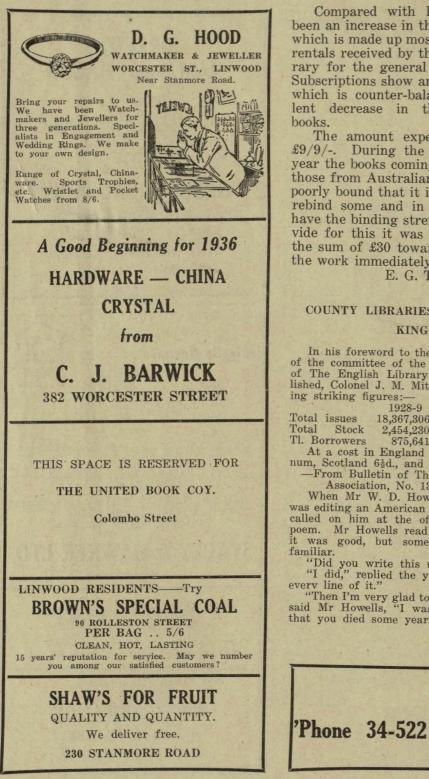
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Compared with last year there has been an increase in the income of  $\pounds 6/19/9$ which is made up mostly by an increase in rentals received by the letting of the Library for the general and other elections. Subscriptions show an increase of £7/11/which is counter-balanced by an equivalent decrease in the takings for extra books.

The amount expended is lower by  $\pounds 9/9/$ -. During the latter part of the year the books coming forward, especially those from Australian publishers, were so poorly bound that it is found necessary to rebind some and in other instances to have the binding strengthened and to provide for this it was decided to set aside the sum of £30 towards the cost and put the work immediately in hand.

E. G. THOMAS. Treasurer.

# COUNTY LIBRARIES IN THE UNITED

#### KINGDOM

In his foreword to the third statistical report of the committee of the County Library section. of The English Library Association, just published, Colonel J. M. Mitchell quotes the following striking figures:-

1928-9 1931-2 1934-5 Total issues 18,367,306 34,831,715 48,540,718 Total Stock 2,454,230 3,966,729 5,596,633 Tl. Borrowers 875,641 1,636,586 2,164,066 At a cost in England of 4d. per head per annum, Scotland 61d., and Wales 31d.

-From Bulletin of The New Zealand Library Association, No. 13.

When Mr W. D. Howells, the famous writer was editing an American magazine, a young man called on him at the office and offered him a poem. Mr Howells read the poem and thought it was good, but somehow it seemed rather familiar.

"Did you write this unaided?" he asked. "I did," replied the youthful poet. "I wrote

everv line of it." "Then I'm very glad to meet you Lord Byron." said Mr Howells, "I was under the impression that you died some years ago."

-"The New Era."

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## EDITORIAL.

Our space this month is largely taken up by the Library's 27th Annual Report and Balance Sheet. We believe this step will be appreciated by subscribers who are naturally interested in the Library's progress.

That the Committee's efforts are recognised is evidenced by the large attendances at our annual meetings, but it is obviously impossible for all members to attend these meetings and so we are presenting the Report and Balance Sheet in the Gazette, that each member may see at first hand an account of the Committee's stewardship for the past year.

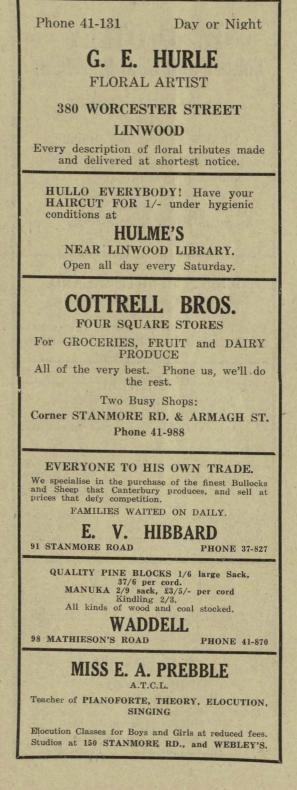
It is possible that some subscribers take the Library and all that it implies for granted. To any such we would suggest a few minutes' serious consideration of our pages in this month's issue. It will be seen that to manage the affairs of the Library calls for a lot of self-sacrificing work on the part of those subscribers who have been elected to the management committee.

As we have mentioned in previous numbers of the journal, co-operation on the part of all subscribers is earnestly desired and it is at the Annual Meeting that members have the right of expressing their views. To those individual members

Our readers' opinions upon any matter relative to Library matters are welcomed. Address all correspondence to "The Editor," Linwood Public Library.

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