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on Friday 13 April. Accommodation has been reserved in Hall for the nights of 12th and 13th April. Miss Audrey Beecham, Warden of the Hall, will be acting as local secretary for the conference.

MEMBERSHIP

The number of members of the Society has now reached four hundred. The Executive Committee is naturally anxious, however, that it should continue to increase. With this in mind a pamphlet giving information about the Society has been included with this issue of the Review and it is hoped that members

will make a point of sending it to any friend who may be interested. Further copies of this pamphlet may be had on application to the Secretary.

Among recent new members have been libraries in Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Japan, and Russia. The recent welcome increase in overseas members may to some extent be due to the efforts of the British Council, which circulated copies of the Review to its reading rooms throughout the world. Whatever the cause, however, it is a trend which we may hope to continue.

Letter to the Editor

THE RABBIT IN ENGLAND

SIR,—Is there any reliable information about the date of the introduction of the rabbit into England?

From the field-name 'Conygar' here on the old manor of Blackford and elsewhere (e.g. Dunster) it appears that the Normans may have been responsible.

Where was the original home?

Yours truly,

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[A charter of 1176 refers to the taking of wild rabbits in the Scilly Isles. Does any reader know of earlier evidence?—ED.]