THE NARROW GAUGE



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**PRESERVATION** of the locomotive "*Barber*" is going ahead. Cleaning parties have visited the works during August and September to remove some of the grime from the loco. Also, drawings have been made of the loco and we hope to make these available to members shortly. Brief details of the loco are as follows :

Type - 0-6-2ST Builders - T.Green & Son Ltd., Leeds Works No. - 441 of 1908 Outside cylinders 10" x 16" Outside Frames Stephenson link motion Steam brake.

As there is no room in the B.T.C. museums for the loco, we are trying to preserve it locally. It is possible that a fund may be launched to cover the cost, and members will be advised of developments.

**FESTINIOG.** We certainly asked for trouble in the last issue by using the double-F spelling in the name of the railway though it is correct in the name of the town. Our humble apologies to Mr. Boyd, who writes to point out that the double-F does not appear in any of the Festiniog Railway Company's official documents.

**S.O.S.** Someone borrowed the Hon. Secretary's Rye & Camber drawings some time ago - he cannot remember who it was. Can anyone help, please?

LYNTON & BARSNTAPLE RAILWAY has come into prominence again through the excellent series of articles which have recently appeared in the Model Railway Constructor. Mr. H.G.Radcliffe, the Society's Agent for Worcestershire, is now making further research into this railway's early days, and anyone who has done any similar research is asked to contact Mr. Radcliffe at 2 Brookside Cottages, Wolverley, Kidderminster. Information about the contractor's locomotives is particularly required.

**A REPRODUCTION** of the Society's badge appears on the front of this issue. The design is symbolic of the various types of narrow gauge rail traction; the broad lines represent the two running rails used by steam or diesel traction, the narrow line in the centre representing overhead or third rail, the whole "bonded" by the winged-wheel international railway emblem. It is proposed to place an order for some celluloid-button type badges (the orange will be more

brilliant than appears on the front) to be available to members at a nominal charge of 1/- each. This will only be done however if enough order are received. Many people do not like wearing badges, we know, but they are valuable for identification purposes at exhibitions, etc., and many members have asked for a badge. So how about it? Cash with orders to the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible, and remember - the profit will help to swell the funds.

**MODELS.** Members who are in a position to loan models for exhibition purposes should let the Hon. Secretary know so that a list can be compiled.

**Country Agents** have been appointed as under: Worcestershire. H.G. Radcliffe, 2 Brookside Cottages, Wolverley, Kidderminster. Warwickshire> M.H. Billington, Atteborough Nurseries, Nuneaton.

It is with pleasure that we welcome Mr. R.A. Walsh, 3 Robert Street, Gordon, New South wales, to the Society. He has agreed to represent our interests in Australia, and would welcome news from members about the few remaining British narrow gauge railways.

Annual Subscriptions are due on November 1st. Cost of producing and despatching the news sheet makes it necessary to raise the sub to 3/- and we hope this will not deter you from renewing your sub. No reminders will be sent this year, so please help the "keeper of the ackers" by sending your sub. in on time to:

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