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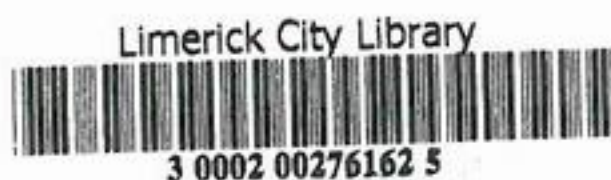
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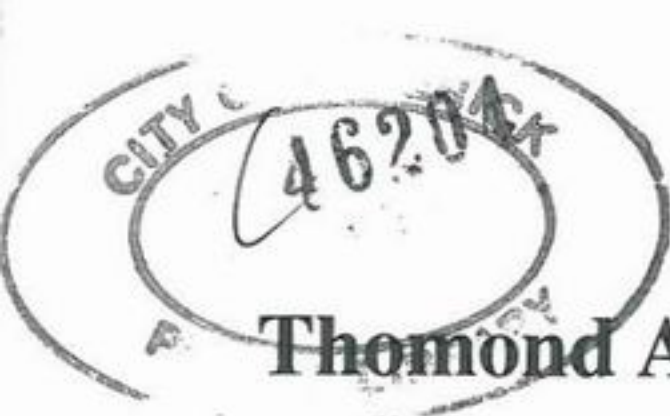
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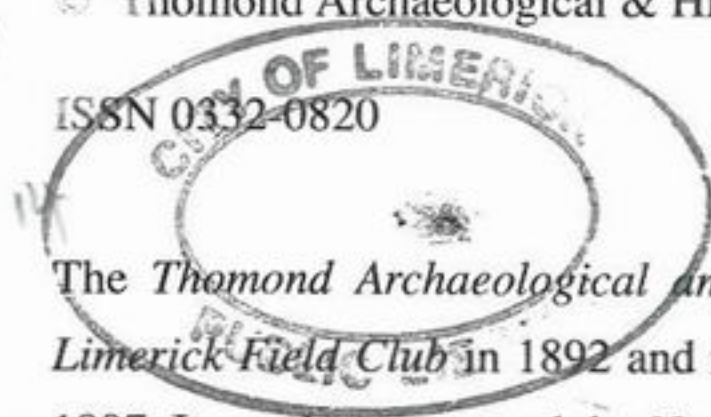


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The Society welcomes new members interested in any or all of these subjects. We organises Lectures, Field Trips [evening, half-day, full-day and weekend] and an annual Overseas Tour. Members also receive a free copy of the *North Munster Antiquarian Journal*, the academic journal published each year by the Society.

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