

THE LIBRARY

MR YULE has given to the Library a leaf from a fifteenth-century French Horae with a double miniature showing St John in the cauldron of boiling oil and St John holding the chalice of poisoned wine. He has also given a rare sixteenth-century printed book, *Cura pastoralis* (Vienna, c. 1516), and a copy of the pamphlet *The Arminian Nunery* (1641), an attack on Nicholas Ferrar's community at Little Gidding.

Mr Bromwich has given two Italian sixteenth-century printed books: *Dactius' Poemata* (Florence, 1549), and Achilles' *Tatius Dell' amore di Leucippe* (Venice, 1563).

Captain H. T. Lloyd-Davis has given a note-book used by Professor E. H. Palmer in Sinai in 1868.

Mr E. Hayward (Sidney, B.A. 1906) has given two note-books used by John Henry Dent (B.A. 1817) while in residence in St John's.

Mr A. H. Denney (Matric. 1948) has given a collection of some twenty letters, mostly holograph, and dated 1779-86, from the Rev. Thomas Sedgewick Whalley (B.A. 1767).

Mr B. L. Thompson (B.A. 1928) has given Joseph Wilkinson's *Select views in Cumberland, Westmoreland and Lancashire* (London, 1810), which contains the first published version of Wordsworth's "Guide to the Lakes".

The Library has also been given autograph letters from the following members of the College: Sir J. F. W. Herschel, Augustus Jessopp, J. B. Jukes, Samuel Pegge, senior, Frederick Tennyson, Henry Venn, and William Wilberforce.

Other accessions include the new edition of Chambers's *Encyclopaedia*, modern editions of Russian classics (Lermontov, Pushkin, Tolstoy, etc.), in Russian (23 volumes), and a number of English classics, e.g. Jane Austen, Thomas Hardy, hitherto not in the Library.

The following members of the College have presented copies of their own books and articles: The President, Mr G. Bateson, Dr Bertram, Mr W. Brock, Mr C. F. Carter, Captain J. R. Cleland, Dr Daniel, Mr T. W. Eason, Professor Hartree, Mr Hinsley, Mr L. G. H. Horton-Smith, Mr Hoyle, Mr H. H. Huxley, Professor R. W. James, Dr Lang, Dr L. S. B. Leakey, Mr R. J. Loewe, Mr E. F. Lydall, Mr Partridge, Professor Ratcliff, Mr W. W. Sawyer, Mr Watt, Dr Wilkes, Sir P. H. Winfield.

The Library has recently acquired some notable additions to its collection of anti-slavery manuscripts and pamphlets. A group of pamphlets, originally in the Liverpool Library, relate to the agitation of the decade before the Emancipation Act of 1833 and provide

useful historical material for the controversy over the handling of slave-grown sugar which so exercised the consciences of Liverpool importing merchants. Of more immediate interest to the College is a collection of papers belonging to Thomas Clarkson. These include a number of manuscripts by Clarkson on anti-slavery topics: an account of his memorable visit, in Paris in 1815, to the Emperor of Russia who had a warm regard for him and for the anti-slavery cause; the draft of one of his personal letters to Alexander, in 1822, informing him of French backsliding in the matter of the slave-trade; and texts of speeches and correspondence with local anti-slavery societies. There is in addition a good representative collection of letters to Clarkson from anti-slavery leaders like Joseph Sturge, Fowell Buxton and John Scoble and from French correspondents like the Abbé Grégoire and Brissot de Warville. While not of any new significance historically, these letters, together with a few charming letters by his wife, give a distinct personal impression of Clarkson's private and public life.

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UNDER the will of Miss Edith Mary Overton, of Willingdon, Sussex, the Library has received a bequest of some 250 volumes, mostly of English literature, including standard editions of Byron, Joseph Conrad, Maria Edgeworth, Thackeray and Trollope.

The late Mr Yule gave an ivory plaque for a Pax, depicting in high relief the Crucifixion with the Virgin and St John, a fine example of fourteenth-century French work.

He also gave a fine copy of the first edition (London, 1816) of Coleridge's *Christabel*. The Librarian has added a copy of the first American edition, published at Boston in the same year.

Mr B. L. Thompson (B.A. 1928) has given Wordsworth's *A description of the scenery of the Lakes* (London, 1822), the first separate edition.

Mr O. E. R. Pryke has given an album of annotated photographs of the contemporaries of the Rev. W. E. Pryke (B.A. 1866) at St John's.

Miss H. C. Vaudrey has given the College Bill for the first quarter of 1837 of her grandfather, Henry Vaudrey (Matric. 1835), together with letters to him from his Tutor, Dr Hymers, and from a contemporary, J. A. A. T. N. Woodward (B.A. 1839).

The Hon. Mrs Charles Taylor has given annotated copies of several of the works of her husband, Dr Taylor, Master 1881-1908.

The Provost and Fellows of King's College have given a volume of pamphlets relating to the Middlesex Election of 1768-9, with the book label of Dr Samuel Parr, a member of the College, and MS. notes by him.

The Librarian of King's College has given three medals struck to commemorate the acquittal of John Horne Tooke (B.A. 1758 as John Horne) on a charge of high treason 1794.

The Rev. Dr E. C. Dewick (B.A. 1906) has presented three books of considerable interest from the library of his father, Edward Samuel Dewick (B.A. 1866), a well-known liturgical scholar. The first is a small parchment volume of 8½ by 6 inches containing the Propers of the Office and Mass for the feasts of Corpus Christi (here designated "In transubstantiatione corporis Christi"), St Oswyn and others. The script suggests a date *circa* 1500, and a note on the first leaf of writing states that the volume belonged to the Infirmary of St Albans Abbey. The second book is a copy of the edition of the Sarum Manual printed in Paris by F. Regnault and dated 1537; leaves clxxxii-cxciii are missing. The third is a very fine example of

the folio Marian edition of the Sarum Missal printed in Paris by J. Amazeur for Gul. Merlin and dated 1555.

The following members of the College have presented copies of their own books and articles: Mr Barnes, Professor Bartlett, Dr Bertram, Professor Bruford, Mr J. C. Burns, Mr W. O. Chadwick, Sir John Cockcroft, Mr G. R. Crone, Dr Daniel, Mr R. H. D'Elboux, Mr L. G. H. Horton-Smith, Mr R. W. Hutchinson, Mr H. H. Huxley, Mr K. H. Jackson, Professor Jeffreys, Mr M. G. Kendall, Mr Kendon, Mr Kidd, Mr J. D. Kuipers, Dr Lang, Mr Laslett, Mr R. J. Loewe, Dr J. Lough, Dr Mackworth, Mr G. H. Mees, Mr N. A. Nikam, Mr Partridge, Mr C. J. H. Peiris (now Deva Surya Sena), Professor Pevsner, Mr N. N. C. Raad, Mr H. K. J. Ridder, Mr P. C. Sands, Mr H. W. Sansom, Mr H. H. Scullard, Mr Ward, Mr Watt, Mr A. T. Welford, Professor Winfield, Mr M. Wong, the late Mr Yule.