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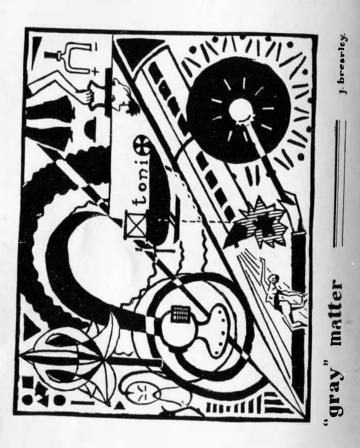
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The DARK AFFAIR of SECOND COURT

The crepuscular shadows were descending upon the roofs of the Second Court as with a glad cry the students rushed from the class rooms where the sombre professors had caused them to apply themselves to their studies all the day. It was the hour of rejoicing. Many ran to the Café Matthew to consume a vermouth before the evening meal, others to their lodgements, where, with a brief word to the concierge concerning the day's studies or perhaps the Baconandeggs of the morning, they fled to their attics to deck themselves for the pleasures of the evening. Others more sober pondered on the last discourse at which they had assisted, or discussed among themselves the propositions of the professors.

Sudden the obscuring night rent herself with a cry — Aid me—One beats me—Aid me. A heavy body falls to the ground. And then silence. Fear grips the heart of all and they turn to the darkened doorway from which issued the lugubrious noise.

It is the Professor A—— who comes to die—came a cry. One has burst to him the head. Let the gendarmes approach themselves.

That evening round the top table the theories the most diverse spread themselves. — It is a crime passionate — said one to his neighbour — I know it that a she-student loves him and can write no more notes. But his myopic eyes were blind and she has killed him to detach the incubus.

— It is that his opinions were contrary to the general sense of the students — cried another. — He maintained that the Fall

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of Rome was occasioned by the introduction of the phonograph. The noise engendered drowned the approach of the Barbarians and all was lost before the guard awoke from their stupefaction.

— It is well maintained — rejoined a third — but I know it that he himself loved the sound and would stand by the hour in the Courts, listening to the strains which issued from every window. It was done by a guardian of the Peace scholastic. The Professor A—— was a reactionary plotting to restore the liberty individual at the expense of the common good.

—I have it as a fact—came from a fourth—that once before his life had been attempted. His servant relates that he has received letters of threat for that he wore the trousers Plus Four while discoursing on ancient greek sculpture.

— It is the vengeance of God — exclaimed another. — He proposed the Demolition of the Second Court to make space for a Bigger and Better Building.

— He knew not the works of Purcell and the Elizabethans.

— He drank no wine, and excluded himself from the company of students.

-Surely, it is the vengeance of God - cried they all.

The great detective was baffled. One had established that at the hour of the calamity none were on the staircase, nor in any of the chambers adjoining. For all were at their appointed conferences, and there is no student so impolite as to precede his venerable professors from the Hall. Moreover, why was it that the Unfortunate was found dead on that particular entrance where no business led him, as his own apartment was in a distant part of the College? The great detective was an anticlerical and could not admit of the Divine Intervention which all the College were now united in agreeing to. He would prefer to attribute the calamity to an agency diabolic. But what for then the crime? It was indeed a problem, and after satisfying himself that the Police were in a similar state of uncertainty, he retired himself to his estate to think.

But as one knows that the mountain gives birth to a mouse,

so by the general Reversibility of Things must the mouse occasionally engender the mountain. So was the solution found.

Three weeks later, as that part of the College was being pulled down in order to be rebuilt, a strange mewing was heard in a dark closet behind the staircase. The chief workman, having an instinct that this noise was of importance the most grave, hastily caused to come the Authorities. Remaining still in doubt, it was the great detective himself whom they called.

— It is the product of the imagination—he cried. — No criminal remains mewing for three weeks on the site of his crime. It is impossible, it is unheard of.

All were standing around. Some shook their heads in agreement. Others crossed themselves as a renewed paroxysm of mewing rent the air.

A student sprang forward.

—It is the cat—he cried—the cat that the unjust Steward has driven forth, that she may not establish herself in the cream jar, and who has taken refuge in the closet.

— Stand back — cried the great detective — who, leaping forward, precipitated himself upon the student. But it was too late. A groan, and the detective held a corpse to him. All removed their caps. A Tutor sprang to toll the Bell. It was a melancholy spectacle. The mewing of the exiled cat and the Young Life so valiantly flung away.

All were affected, but hardly had the multitude recovered from their consternation when the great detective sprang to the Eldest of the Professors and gripping the arm with a vice of steel posed his question.

—Did the Professor A——love the cats?

There was a silence.

A silence where all held the breath.

A silence in which one could hear a pin to drop. The youngest professor stooped to pick it up.

The spell was Broken.

—Yes—came huskily the response—yes, he loved the cats. Even on the morning of his death he accused the cruel Steward of casting a Baleful glare on a family of kittens

gambling round the Refrigerator.

— All is clear — cried the detective. — The Professor died even as this young man died, seeking to comfort the weary and oppressed. I see it. He leaves his class, pondering on the beauties of Attic Sculpture. A sound of complaint reaches his ears. It is a cat, but courage, help is at hand. I flee to succour. So rushes the Professor to the staircase. It is dark. He beats him the head on the wall. And dies. All is simple.

The great detective taps on the shoulder the Eldest Pro-

fessor, who is stupefied with amazement.

— It is over — he says — my fee?

The Eldest Professor searches in his pockets. A morsel of Paper passes.

The great detective takes his leave and departs to his

estate, thinking.

A silence falls on the crowd. The mystery is solved. But at what a cost. All brood with melancholy upon the affair.

But near the staircase there is a stir. All stand back. The Steward and the Officer of Buildings are revealed. The Steward is clasping a cat to his bosom, the Officer of Buildings is holding a lamp.

— The cat shall live on the best that I have — says the Steward.

— There shall be more light on the staircases — says the Officer of Buildings.

E. G. D.

COMMENTS

F, as men say, in the latter life our acts
Rise up and judge us, done-by-as-we-did,
It is a monstrous dispensation
And ill beseems a sometime cosmic world,

That Davy, in the utmost gloom of Hell,
Should walk securely with a Davy lamp
While Bunsen,—no less worthy—there's the rub—
Should writhe in torment on a Bunsen burner!





GAUDEAT IGITUR

Give me a fulcrum and I will move the world...

ARCHIMEDES

Let him have his fulcrum then,
And let him move the world.
Heave it up from its solid base
And trundle it off down the streets of space
Like an urchin with his hoop
Trot-ting trun-dling along behind
(The dotard and his schoolboy mind!)
If it falls he can hardly stoop
To start it up again...still
Let him trundle it on through space

Let him trundle it on through space At his steady lumbering beevish pace With sandals loosely flapping on The fundamental carapace

(Bang flap bang flap bang flop).

Let him have his fulcrum then, and we shall see how a philosopher enjoys himself.

H.S.

SAN MARINO

Parma, Reggio, Bologna. Faenza brings it to that point of great strategic importance opposite Ravenna which in other days one had to negotiate if one wished to attack Rome. Julius Caesar had to go along the narrow piece of flat country lying between the Apennines and the Adriatic just here. The Rubicon may have been either one of the present Uso or Fiumicino rivers. After crossing them the Via Aemilia leads over the Marecchia by the Ponte Tiberio, dilapidated but still Roman, into Rimini. It passes out through the Arco d'Augusto, also dilapidated Roman, though topped with Ghibelline battlements, and proceeds to Ancona.

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If however you are travelling in these parts, Rimini is a very good point to leave the road and turn into Umbria.

From any first or second floor window you can see the nearer hills looking fresh and inviting after the arid coastal marshlands. One of the nearest, seeming to have castles on it, makes you decide to take the road passing by it to the next stop, San Marino. When we were at Rimini we were three: B. had been made ill by unsuitable food or something else, and was thought unfit to walk the 15 miles. A. and I, having left him to come by the bus to San Marino, set out with enough time in hand for us all to arrive much at the same time.

We went by the Porta Montanara, leaving the Marecchia and Garibaldi's country on our right. The walk was uninteresting until a double zig-zag brought us up into a village piazza with a good trattoria. Being asked for passports as soon as served with beer, made us realise we had entered the 32 square miles of city-state still existing from mediaeval times.

As we went up the roll of the country we now could see that spur we had expected to pass. This rock which, thus, must itself be San Marino's centre, seemed to stick out of the rising country like the broken stem of a champagne glass inverted on a table. As we walked up and across, so to speak, the bowl of the glass, we thought few people must go up the spiky stem except on special occasions. Here on this undulating plain the country was open except for a few small trees in which peacocks were beginning to roost. Our road, very white now in the evening, was going up in big soft curves, across which we often took short cuts. At one of these field tracks we met a peasant who for the rest of the way led us where the road was best, and where a field track was shorter. He spoke with us a little, but was mostly silent. We walked along with him in quiet, always up, through the brief Italian twilight, still, but full of distant sounds. Soon we entered the Borgo Maggiore, where our peasant bowed and said we must go up the Monte Titano to find an albergo, and so we followed steps and lanes and corners 700 feet up this stem,

leaving the dark undefined country spread out below. One felt as if high up above an infinitely deep well. The bus, which roared by along the road as we climbed the last steep cut, seemed to bring up the world of the plain into our quite separate world. Indeed we were almost surprised, when we came out at last on a level way resembling the Pincio, to find B. waiting in the slight mist near a lamp.

The bus was obliged to put down its passengers here, outside the city walls, because inside was nothing but narrow ways of impossible gradient as stepped streets, piling up to the summit of the Rocca. As soon as we were through the gate we seemed to turn upwards as well as to the right or left. After being temporarily lost we came out at the lowest corner of the small Piazza Titana, which has buildings so high that we felt as though ourselves at a great depth. Its dominating feature—the Albergo Titano—was clean and simple and gave us good food. As we usually kept Baedeker and his dates for shaving time in the morning, we walked about that evening with only a very vague idea of San Marino. You might imagine so tortuous an habitation to be for the greater part mediaeval. Certainly the Gothic Palazzo del Governo seemed by electric light to be reputable. We had not realised that the streets were lit by electricity until they were switched into darkness and people laughed as if at a theatre. Yellow stone houses, that Gothic Palazzo del Governo, the silhouette of castles seen from below, the stone-paved crooked streets of this remote fastness: they must have lived on from before the Renaissance, untouched. And yet there was this suggestion of the electrically lit playhouse! The truth is that, although there was a convent here in 885 and San Marino received papal recognition of its independence in 1631, the state seems to have had its boom in the nineteenth century. That plausible government house was only built in 1894! In 1876 San Marino created an Englishwoman Duchess of Acqua Viva. The cathedral is dull 1830 classic. In 1849 the state's neutrality saved Garibaldi from the Austrians. It was the only Italian state respected by Napoleon. The state seems then to have worked up and realised in the nineteenth century conditions suitable to the fourteenth. But in spite of the fact that two of its three castle crests are preposterous cardboard inventions, San Marino is more than amusing, and has more to give than cancelled issues of postage stamps. The view from the precipitous Rocca is clear to the Adriatic 15 miles away. And when we left soon after four one morning by the gentler inland slope we forgot the imitations and saw only the picturesque groups, quiet, grey above the slope to the tawny plain. As the Umbrian sun came up, the Rocca stayed visible far beyond Macerata, a flat cool silhouette.

P. S.

A HATE POEM

"Vibrates in the memory."
My ears, too, when the dance is done,
Vibrate with the saxophone.
And while with jazz my senses thicken
Coty and central-heating sicken.
Ah! rose-leaves, were the rose not dead,
Would sweetly lull my singing head.
My thoughts, fair partner, when you're gone,
No paper could be printed on.

ALTITUDE and APPLES

F I could climb atop some giddy Alp,
Scarring with iron-shod feet its snowy scalp,
Armed with the fruit of thought—old Adam's bane—
To learn wherein we are naked once again;
If I stood gazing (though to heaven as near
As might be) I would feel no faithless fear,
Eating with fruit of earth a bold no-care,
Gazing down through the smokeless mountain air,
O what a place to fashion solid schemes,
And separate the possible from dreams!

As I munched calmly, and far from me hurled Each browning core, one problem of the world Would, every moment, stripped of riddling, stand Resolved; and as below on every hand Pure white reflects no image to the eyes, Climb sky-ward who would clear philosophize. What pose to frame debates and lasting songs, Or vent upon the breeze your burning wrongs! Muse, too, upon the turnings of the spheres And shout your clarion challenge down the years! Peace for the world, what life awaits the dead, What god or man bids thunder overhead, And lesser things of politics, or art, Religion, war, the troubles of the heart, The claims cathedrals exercise o'er chapels— Who would these find, seek altitude and apples!

VERS LIBRE

From all earth's darkest corners
Are come together, drifted, driven,
Into one smooth, unoutlined coverlet
Still as the downs at night,
O'er the face of heaven;
And warm with coming rain
That hangs arrested in mid-air;
Stirred by some wanton wander-breeze the leaves
Autumn-browned tremble,
And quiver, and often lightly fall.

The door stands wide, unpassed.
Yet be not lost in dreaming,
But scale yon spire with upward roving eye,
Till, ever mounting higher,
It lances the livid sky.
Lo, 'twas with no misty matter swollen,
But even, liquid light;
That, now slowly spreading, slowly suffusing all,

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Opaquely bright, struggles awhile with grey, Struggles, and wins—and wins its downward way.

Quicker the sunbeams beat Across the doorway strike inviting To bathe our sleepy selves. The morning's laughed at last!

L. R. F. E.

PRESS POSTERS

F all the absurdities committed by the daily press few can rival the distortions of the English language that appear on the average poster. Doubtless the limited space and the psychological factors that underlie advertisement make the production of grammatical announcements somewhat difficult, though the twopenny papers usually succeed with distressingly dull and uninspiring results.

We are wholly inured to the grammatical perversions of

TILDEN SENSATION

or

BLIND SCHOOL FIRE RESCUES,

but what would the conventionally illiterate foreigner understand by

and

LONDON GASSED COUPLE MYSTERY

LORD BYNG UPROAR IN

COMMONS.

Might he not imagine the noble lord entering the House in an intoxicated condition, throwing inkpots at Mr Maxton and pulling the Speaker's nose? Again, on seeing

RAILWAY FARE CUTS SURPRISE,

he might well ask how one cuts a surprise.

But the most egregious examples appear when the press

is exploiting some murder, divorce or other stunt. In August of last year, one day all the evening papers announced

MISSING RECTOR MYSTERY.

Next morning we saw

MISSING RECTOR

MYSTERY DEEPENS.

On the third day:

MISSING RECTOR SURPRISE TURN,

as though the unfortunate man was performing at the music halls. By now the public was thoroughly worked up, and journalese reached its highest flights with

RECTOR
OCEAN
CLUE.

I forget the chain of posters concerning the man who achieved immortality by stating "I done it, I cut her up," but perhaps the best poster of any that I have noticed was

TRUNK
ALLEGED
CONFESSION.

Picture the maligned trunk in the witness-box protesting with gory tears that it had not said a word about its grisly contents.

Finally one gets occasional examples of unconscious humour, as when the following *Daily Mail* posters appeared side by side:

CAESAR'S INVASION
OF BRITAIN. BY

DAILY MAIL FREE

FREE INSURANCE.

The connection is obvious, I offer it free to George Morrow for one of his lesser-known incidents of history.

P. E. V.

ON A MARCH DAY WHEN THERE WAS NO WIND

The sun on trees,
The curving furrow's darknesses,
The warmness of the land,
The sweet incalming air
That bathes the purple depths
Of last year's winter wood,
The soft inviting charm
Of fields and sky.

P.S.

To MY BEDDER

ON BEING CALLED SLIGHTLY LATE

Now I can't keep a niner.
Well, p'rhaps it was Fate.
I said, "Call me at eight."
But of course she was late.
...After all, bed's diviner.
I said, "Call me at eight."
Now I shan't keep a niner.

A SIMPLE STORY

(and quite true at that)

NCE upon a time there was a young gentleman called S. T. Nosgam who went up to a great University for the first time Well he said this is not a bad place at all and I think I shall get on very nicely Well this young gentleman bought a cap and a gown and settled down very nicely at the great University but he found he had to walk a long way every morning to get to his lessons and a long way back to have his lunch Bless me he said I shall spend all

my money in shoe-leather I must buy a bicycle So he bought a bicycle. Then somebody told him a sad story about a man who rode away on other people's bicycles and left them behind hedges Bless me he said I shall have to get a lock and chain So he got a lock and chain and every time he got off his bicycle he put the lock and chain on it.

Well there was another man called Mr Draynot and one day he left his gown in a place called the Union on a peg And when he came back his gown was gone So he asked the porter where his gown was and the porter said Oh you shouldn't have left it there somebody's borrowed it and you had better buy a new one And he wanted his dinner so he did because he had to wear it at dinner. When he told Mr Nosgam Mr Nosgam said Bless me I call that stealing don't you? Well after this he heard about lots of other things being borrowed. One young gentleman lost his lamp and his pump and another lost his square and another lost his bicycle and another lost his mackintosh just when he wanted to go out in the rain.

Then one night Mr Nosgam went to get his mortar-board out of the cloakroom at his college and it wasn't there Oh dear he said it was there before dinner and now I shall be caught by the Proctors So he borrowed one from a porter and the porter said Now mind you bring it back And he said he would So he had to get a new mortar-board.

Another day he left his bicycle outside while he had his dinner but somebody else didn't. So he asked a policeman if he knew where it was and the policeman told him it might be at the station So he went to the police station and saw a detective with a sharp nose who had found thirty bicycles that night without owners. But his wasn't there.

But next night he looked at all the bicycles outside his college but he couldn't see his and then he saw one which looked like his but the lamp and its bracket were gone and a special thing to keep the basket off the brakes had been torn off and it was chained up by another lock Bless me he said that looks like mine so he took it to the porter and he said Are you sure its yours? so he said Well let's see if it's

THE FOUR JUST MEN

got my number on And it did have his number on so he waited for the man to come but he didn't come so they broke off the chain and he took the bicycle away.

And when he got home his landlady said Well I call that stealing that's coming it a bit too much that is There are them Proctors going about catching men without caps and smoking and not doing no harm to no one at all Well I think they would do lots better if they had a look into all this borrowing as they calls it I calls it downright stealing anyway an errand boy would get sent to Borstal for it I know One law for the rich and another for the poor that's what it is. Bless me said Mr Nosgam I think you're right.

Well, next night he went into the Union with another man and the other man left his gown on a peg for a minute and when he came back his gown was gone.

T. S. M.

THE FOUR JUST MEN

TUT! TUT!

Ben
Is the mildest of men;
His hair isn't grey.
There's really nothing more to say.

Claude
Is never floored.
His stories aren't very sermony
Except of course his Works Councils in Germany.

Wordie
Is very sturdy.
He fought with the Dean
For suggesting that an eightsome in the Market
Place was really rather obscene.

Charles
Seldom snarls.
He ought to be taught
Not to greet Freshmen operatically in the court.

Baa, baa, Ifor, have you any beer? Yes, sir, yes, sir, come in here; Some for the pupils and some for the crew, But none for the visitor that's not got a Blue.

Shore, Shore's the Junior, Puts up a roof and takes down a door; The door stays up, the roof gets worser, And Shore remains the Junior Bursar.

O Raven turn thy Eagle eye From this dark child of sin. O Porter ope the Gate that I May unobserved creep in.

THE LAST ATHLETE

Partial of Swimming read once more the undeserved threat. His face flushed with mingled shame and indignation as he realised the futility of his efforts to satisfy the intolerant aesthetes of the Samuel Butler Society. With a few hasty strokes of his powder puff he regained his normal composure of appearance, but beneath the carefully tended surface conflicting emotions counterthrobbed.

He remembered how in his first year this terrible Society's peaceful penetration had begun to make itself felt in every phase of college life. The Boat Club had yielded even before his arrival; down in the boathouse, instead of discussing sliding seats, they now talked of Oscar Wilde and his technique: it was whispered that the Captain himself had a Cézanne in his bedroom. The Hockey Club had consented to receive Miss Gertrude Stein as a guest at their annual dinner; the Chaplain, once well known as the author of "Lawn Tennis" in the Encyclopaedia Britannica, had preached a sermon on the pietism in Jew Süss; the athletic table in Hall was now the rallying point of advanced journalism in Cambridge. Adolescent sonatas crowded the obituaries into the obscure back pages of The Eagle.

The Samuel Butler Society was now all-powerful; the J. C. Squire Society, founded as a last attempt at resistance, had attracted scarcely six members; and its organ, the John's Mercury, had been suppressed by the Master on account of its dangerously reactionary tendencies.

The Captain of Swimming himself, in his second year, had not been surprised when the apotheosis of Dr Roothoven released the full flood of decadence. The new Choir-master began at once to instil his ideas of Rhythm and Production into a receptive Choir; at last the Kitchen was induced to

supply faded lilies weekly at a small charge.

At the beginning of his second year he had been forced to yield: he would not risk the fate of the Captain of Football, who had been thrown into the river for daring to prefer Landseer to Leonardo; while the Secretary had only escaped a like punishment by reason of his quizzing glasses. He had done his best; his sad hair and green neckcloth had become a familiar sight among the drooping willows; Friday night Conservatism had yielded to voluptuous Amami; and his attendance at the Heretics had become Girtonically regular. With discarded John Oxenham he asked, "What more could a little chap do?" Why shouldn't he be allowed his photographs of swimming teams, or to practice at the Leys School baths? Why shouldn't he read the Boy's Own Annual?

And now he had discovered that he could not deceive them; they knew that at bottom he was an athlete. The Secretary's note was sympathetic but firm. He would not do...

...at least he would change his shirt. At the bottom of the drawer he found a Hawks' tie and put it on: from a long unused trunk he took his brother's Amal. blazer: from habit his hand fingered the hair brush, but he withdrew it. He returned to his fire and sat by it, waiting.

INTRODUCING GERTRUDE

THE other day, Gaul, who is a B.A., and will be an M.A. before very long, came up to me in the court and asked me if I would mind looking after Gertrude while he was away. Apparently he was going over to Oxford for a week or so to stay with a friend of his, who is a don there; he couldn't very well take her with him, and there was nowhere at all for her to go. She's been living with him for some months now, and they seem to get on very well together. He hasn't got a bit tired of her and was very loth to part from her, even for a little while. I thought probably she'd hate coming to my rooms, and I wasn't at all sure whether I could look after her properly. I mean, I haven't had any experience of this sort of thing at all. But, as Gaul is my supervisor (I never can make up my mind whether I ought to call him "Sir" or not; I mean he's not quite a don, what do you think about it?). Well, I thought I'd better agree, so I said "Righto, Sir-Gaul," and he brought her up later in the day to my rooms. Mrs Iddings, my bedmaker, didn't like it a bit to begin with. In fact, she took a kind of instinctive dislike to Gertrude from the moment she set eyes on her, and, of course, she hated the idea of extra work. Not that Gertrude isn't awfully accommodating, I will say that for her. She causes ever so much less bother than I had expected, but, naturally, there is that little more to do, and as she herself says (Mrs Iddings, I mean) "Hit's the last straw, sir, wot spoils the broth for a 'aporth o' tar." At first she wanted to tell the Porter and get him to turn Gertrude out (I 'as me duty, sir, I 'as, to the Collige, and me twenty years as near as a whistle 'elp and bedmaker on this staircase as ever is. One hexpec's these kind of goin's on from B.A.'s and the like. As I allus says to Mrs Pipkin, the older they gets, the wuss they are. But you, sir, you 'as seemed a nice quiet gennelman these past twelve-month..."). However, I managed to persuade her that there was no need to inform the authorities of my escapade, if indeed it is an escapade, and so Mrs Iddings has settled down into a grim and cloudy sullenness that will

lighten only as the prospect of a Christmas offering of goodwill draws nearer.

But I set out to tell you about Gertrude, not Mrs Iddings though one of these days I'd like to tell you some more about that masterly woman. She is a beautifully coloured creature (this is Gertrude I am speaking of now) with a slim lithe body and a wonderful faculty of effortless movement which is most attractive. She looks her best, I always think, when the electric light's on, and it shows up the lovely tints of her stomach. I did tell you, didn't I, right at the beginning, that Gertrude was a goldfish? Well, anyway I meant to. Quite a cheap goldfish too. I think Gaul got her from the cafe. the one where the hearty woman talks to you about rowing. even if you hate the game, no, sport, well, whatever it is, as I do, though I can never pluck up courage to tell her so. He only bought one, though I think he wants to have some more and breed them later, only he will probably have to get the consent of the College Council to do that.

Really, of course, Gertrude would be more at home in a woman's college. You see she never stops chewing and her gills go on and on wobbling and wobbling and sometimes she stops to yawn, but that is all. What I mean is that that is just typical of what they do at all women's colleges, chew incessantly, that is "masticate without digestion or assimilation"—their learning, anyway, I don't know about their food, but if its anything like our Hall-. Another thing that Gertrude does, seems to me to have a wider application too; she swims round and round all day, and never stops, so symbolising the movement without progress, which makes up so great a part of University life, don't you think? I don't think Gertrude ever goes to sleep; I've never seen her, though I've watched hard. One night I got out of bed at three in the morning, I think it was three, but it might have been four, and crept into my sitting-room to see if she was asleep; but no, there she was, going round and round and round in the dark.

She's an aloof young woman, too. Sometimes I flick my finger against the side of the bowl, but she takes no notice,

and you feel rather flat, just as when you smile at the girl in the black hat who has been coming to the same lectures as you for three years, and she gives you a frigid look. Sometimes I reach a finger inside her bowl and give her a playful poke in her back. I suppose it's rather mean, it frightens the poor girl dreadfully for a minute, she leaps in the air, or rather, in the water, and then, recovering her dignity, sinks to the bottom of the bowl and glowers at me with a mingled look of contempt and righteous wrath which reminds me of Mrs Iddings on one of her bad days.

She is a very quiet goldfish as a rule, and doesn't disturb me at all. But sometimes when she's racing herself particularly hard round the bowl she corners a little too quickly, and splashes some water on the table-cloth. But that's quite an exceptional occurrence. She's not often as skittish as that. I don't see how she can be light-hearted all by herself, really. It must be a bit hard having no one of your own kith or kin, so to speak, about.

What's worrying me rather at the moment is what goldfish eat. I suppose they must find microbes in the water or something, so I change it pretty often so that Gertrude can have a good selection to choose from. I seem to remember that Gaul used to feed her with bits of "Ryvita," which is very nourishing (please don't think this is an advertisement, because personally I loathe the stuff), but I can't be sure and I don't want to upset her. I've written to him to find out, but he's not replied yet. I expect Oxford "audit" has been too strong for him. I think, if you'll excuse me, I'll go and change the water now, so that Gertrude can chew a new cud for the night.

WENTWORTH PLACE

As one who lingers on a sunlit hill

To draw the late warm rays of afternoon
Around him, lest the quiet dusk should still
Within his summer brain the sounds of June,
I dreamed, enchanted in this little room,
Of larks upblown, of earth grown warm with morning,
Bees in drowsy plunder on a bloom,
And water moving with a kind of scorning
Voiced against the river stones. But I
When at the pinnacle of triumphing
Remembered, and I felt the summer die
Along my blood, like birds that wheel and wing
Away. And night fell down upon the fen.
And hollow was the heart I turned to men.

The MAN WITH A POLE-4 P.M.

Touching his fire along the way
Until the beaded starlight glowed
Distinctly against the waning day.

Beside the road where gravestones moulder, Stark and weird in the murky sun, He raised his pole above his shoulder. I wonder why he lit that one?

R. G. E.

THE ANGEL THAT TROUBLES MY SLUMBERS

SCENE: My rooms in Fourth Court.

TIME: Six o'clock of a winter's morning in full term.

N my bedroom I lie placid, sleeping off the effects of A Fall into Temptation the night before, alone contributing nothing to the crescendo of sound around me, which vaguely impresses its distinctive parts upon me. The cumulative effect of its almost identical repetition for two vears enables me to describe it with fair accuracy. Outside, on the table in my sitting-room, is a scrawled note: "Please call me at 7.30 and order breakfast for two at q" (optimistically, I had hoped to get a bath in before the rush). There begins a symphony of sound which can only be called Impressionistic. Afar the morning milk can be heard arriving, not unmusically. A Ford van rattles up with solid provisions, reverses immediately beneath my window most hideously and rattles off. A regiment of heavy dragoons begins to mount the staircase outside, causing the windows to shiver and the whole baronial building to tremble. (I must really see the Junior Bursar soon.) The regiment continues to ascend and descend at boomed commands from below, and between each ascent and descent there is a noise like a hundredweight of coals being unloaded (later investigation proves that this analysis was correct), until presumably half a ton has been delivered. A further motif is provided by rubbish being shot every few minutes into the bins below, and the doors slammed as per instructions.

Simultaneously with these disturbances the Angel (née Mrs Bagworthy) has entered, and been busying herself in my sitting-room. First she launches a violent and unprovoked assault on the grate. Then a sound like a stage rough sea indicates the brushing of

will eventually settle again whence it was raised, penetrates to my bedroom, causing me to cough restlessly in my sleep. Then a series of short, sharp bursts like Lewis-gun fire implies the vigorous application of a brush to the skirting. Finally a sound of the "demande et réponse" variety means the application of the O-Cedar mop to the linoleum. Meanwhile four more assorted vans of varying tonnage have rattled up, reversed, and clattered away, the coal-cart has rumbled out again to be replaced by the laundry pantechnicon. It is not seven o'clock. A lull ensues during which half a dozen chapel bells plaintively summon the faithful to prayer. Every fifteen minutes a dozen clocks chime with poor synchronism. My sleep becomes more peaceful. I dream pleasantly....Suddenly there are three sharp bangs like rifle-shots on my door (two years' experience has taught the Angel to use the back of a brush).

THE ANGEL (without): It's 'alf parst sevin, SIR! MYSELF (fretfully): Awright, thank-you.

[I struggle up and look at my watch. It is not half past seven; it never is. It is only twenty past. And anyway there won't be a rush on the baths until a quarter to eight. I drowse again...

my hockey-stick, I suspect.]
THE ANGEL: NINE O'CLOCK, SIR!

MYSELF: Awright! (the full truth suddenly dawning on me) Nine o'clock! GOOD GOD! [I look at my watch. It is ten past. But the Angel always breaks it gently. I leap out of bed and into my sitting-room. On the table the breakfast which came at a quarter to nine, no doubt, is congealing rapidly. In the armchair John H——, who has come thro' the raw morning from Chesterton, is depressedly reading last night's evening paper. He has been compelled against his principles to take a before-breakfast cigarette. He looks at me with the mild surprise and reproach usual on these occasions. He knows me by now. It is a good thing it isn't my hearty friend Geoffrey. Glowing with radiant health from an icy shower, he would have dragged me roughly out of bed. John is patient.]

But I wish he would have the sense to put the kettle on.

LANCE.

(With apologies, for the title only, to Mr Thornton Wilder, and to the Angel for the reflections on the performance of what is, after all, only her duty.)



THE OCEAN MONARCH

THE brass medal here described and illustrated was found in the summer of 1926, on the arch which connects the College Library and the west block of the Third Court. By permission of the Council of the Society for Nautical Research, the following account of the medal is reprinted from the Society's journal, *The Mariner's Mirror*, vol. XIII, 1927, p. 93:

THE OCEAN MONARCH, 1848

A few weeks ago there was found on a ledge, 30 feet above the ground and without any standing means of access, in one of the courts of a Cambridge college, an oval brass plaque, 23 by 2 inches. This plaque is quite thin, is bordered with a loop design, and is inscribed as follows: (Obverse) "The Massachusetts | Humane Society to Wm E. Baalham Officer of Ship New World (Reverse) who by his | gallant efforts | was successful in | rescuing many | persons from the ship | Ocean Monarch | burnt at sea Aug. 24th 1848." The Ocean Monarch was built by Donald McKay in the same year for Enoch Train's Line of Boston Packets, and was on her first return passage to Boston when the catastrophe occurred. The Times of August 28th and 29th, and The Illustrated London News of August 26th and September 2nd contain accounts of the disaster. The fire broke out a few hours after the ship sailed from Liverpool, and was supposed to be caused by the carelessness of one of the 395 passengers, mostly emigrants, on board. The loss of life was about 170. The survivors were rescued by the Queen of the Ocean, a yacht owned by Mr Littledale, Commodore of the R. Mersey Y.C., the Brazilian paddle-frigate Affonso, in which the Prince de Joinville and the Duc d'Aumale were cruising, and the New World, a packet ship, built by Donald McKay in 1846. A seaman of this ship, Frederick Jerome (or Jervyn), a native of Portsmouth, England, is recorded as having displayed conspicuous bravery in effecting the final rescues from the burning ship, and as being received by the Prince de Joinville and subsequently rewarded by the British Government. There is no mention of any other member of the New World's crew. Probably the officer Baalham went in charge of one of her boats. The plaque is pierced at the top, which suggests it was for personal wear, and its being inscribed on both sides forbids its having been attached to a more massive presentation. But it seems somewhat unlikely that this thin plate would be the only recognition of the services in question. The inscription is in script with the exception of the first "the" and "to," which are B.L. The letter "l" is not treated uniformly, so it is doubtful whether the officer's name is "Baalham" or "Baatham." There is no explanation as to how the plaque came to be in its curious position, but its comparative brightness suggests that it has not been there very long. It may have been picked up as a curiosity and eventually have fallen from a window on to the ledge.

Since the above note was published, some more information has come to hand. I am indebted to Mr George F. Dow, of Salem, Mass., who is well known as an authority on the evolution of United States shipping, for calling my attention to M. A. De Wolfe Howe's The Humane Society of Massachusetts, an Historical Review, 1785-1916, published at Boston in 1918. The Massachusetts Society is the oldest devoted to life-saving in the United States, and in 1807 established the first lifeboat on the American coasts. In addition to other forms of reward, it gives gold, silver, and brass medals for life-saving work at sea, and the several examples of these illustrated in De Wolfe's history show that the plaque presented to Wm E. Baalham is one of the brass series of these "medals." Mr Dow has kindly made an enquiry for me, and writes that there is no hope of any records of the Massachusetts Society surviving in addition to those published by De Wolfe. The officer's name may be taken as "Baalham" and not "Baatham": the former is an East Anglian and apparently a Suffolk name in particular. Search through printed lists of surnames on gravestones in that county (East Anglian Notes and Queries, vi, 1896) and through a county directory reveals Baalham, Balaam, and Ballam: one of these forms was common in Great and Little Livermere during the last century. A John Baalham was parish clerk of Polstead, which became famous in 1828 as the scene of the "Red Barn Murder," interest in which has recently revived in its centenary year. In 1381 one Robert Beylham was acquitted by the Cambridge

justices on a charge of "rising against the Prior of Barnwell" (East Anglian Notes and Queries, vi, p. 137). Baylham (Beleham in Domesday Book; Beylham, etc., later) is a village not far from Ipswich (v. Skeat, Place-Names of Suffolk, p. 49), so probably the surname is a place-name. It is possible enough that Baalham of the New World was of an East Anglian family, but though many copies of The Mariner's Mirror go to the United States, no claim to the medal has so far been made by a descendant. Possibly this note in The Eagle may throw light on how the medal came to the College and into so curious a position.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Sir,

I venture to think that the following extract from a recent municipal by-law passed by the city fathers of the town of Abilene, Texas, may not be without interest to your many readers. The extract appeared in the Miscellany column of the Manchester Guardian of October 2nd, and Abilene, it is to be noted, possesses a University and is, we are told, a proud centre of intellectual life.

It shall be unlawful for any person to idle and loiter on any street, thoroughfare, sidewalk, alley, or in any store, theatre, moving picture show, or business house, or in the entrance or doorway of any such place within the corporate limits of the city of Abilene, Texas, for the purpose of plying the avocation of flirt or masher. The words "flirt" and "masher," as herein used, shall be construed as synonymous terms, and shall have a meaning consistent with the ordinary acceptance of these terms, and shall include any person who by word, sign, gesture, wink, facial expression, or look shall seek to attract the attention or form the acquaintance of any person of the opposite sex (other than a friend or acquaintance) for the purpose of making a mash or flirting.

This is comprehensive enough, but the male offender is dealt with very specifically as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any male person in the city of Abilene, Texas, to stare at, or make what is commonly called goo-goo eyes at, or in any other manner look at, or make remarks to or concerning, or cough or whistle at, or do any other act to attract the attention of any woman or female person (a precious distinction!) upon, or travelling along, any sidewalks, streets, or public ways of the city of Abilene, Texas, or in automobiles on the streets or public ways of the city of Abilene, Texas. A fine not to exceed \$200 may be assessed against any persons found guilty of violating the ordinance.

Whatever our views may be about the advisability of such legislation, we cannot but admire the frank publication of all the various punishable offences. I venture to suggest, Sir, that it is high time that the Proctors and Pro-Proctors of this University (those troublesome gentlemen, doomed for a certain term to walk the night) publish, and cause to be posted on the screens of every college, a full list of such offences with corresponding fines, to which they might add more prosaic local touches, e.g.

To lack of gown ... 6s. 8d. Ditto, with intoxication ... 13s. 4d.

and so on. Never let it be said that this Cambridge of ours lags behind Abilene, Texas, in straight dealing.

I beg leave, Sir, to subscribe myself

Your humble servant,

A. C. P.

Sir,

May I draw your attention to an insulting reference to this worthy periodical in no less a tome than the catalogue of the library of the British Museum? Here, under the heading Period....Pub....Cambridge, one finds

"The Eaglet. A Magazine supported by Members of St John's College."

I ask you, Sir, can this be allowed to stay unchallenged? and remain

Yours truly,

ONE OF YOUR OUTRAGED SUPPORTERS.

Dear Sir,

In turning out an old portfolio yesterday, I came upon the enclosed. It may interest you and possibly your readers.

I was one of the originators of the idea, and wrote the introductory paper in the first number. There were three editors of the first number: a fellow, J. B. Mayo; a bachelor, W. H. Barlow (afterwards Dean of Peterborough); and I, the undergraduate editor, who did most of the work.

Few Magazines have lived for 70 years.

Very truly yours,

JAMES M. WILSON.

THE EAGLE

It is proposed to establish a Periodical with the above title, for the admission of Articles to be written by Members of St John's

College exclusively.

The promoters of the Periodical believe that there are many who will be glad of an opportunity to improve themselves in English Composition, and at the same time to test the soundness of their own speculations, by offering them to the criticism of others. Nor are they entirely without hopes of benefiting the wider circle of their readers: equals may gather hints from equals, and it is possible that those of larger experience and more prolonged study may welcome this means of helping others along the path of knowledge.

The Articles admitted will relate to subjects of general interest, avoiding, as far as may be, religious and political controversy,

and the technicalities of Mathematics and Classics.

As there is no intention of assuming the office of public instructor for a Periodical which must depend upon Undergraduates for its chief support, it has been thought advisable that it should be printed in the first instance for Subscribers only.

The Subscription will not exceed 7s. 6d. for the three Numbers,

which it is intended to issue in the course of the year.

Among the present Subscribers are the Master, the President, the Tutors, the Deans, and a large body of the Fellows, Bachelors, and Undergraduates.

It is respectfully requested that those who are disposed to become Subscribers, or to contribute Articles for "The Eagle," will communicate before the end of the month with the Secretary, Mr W. H. BARLOW, B.A., St John's College.

February 23, 1858.

COLLEGE CHRONICLE

LADY MARGARET BOAT CLUB

President: The MASTER. Treasurer: MR E. CUNNINGHAM. First Boat Captain: R. A. SYMONDS. Second Boat Captain: J. PEDDIE. Secretary: D. H. PULLIN. Junior Treasurer: R. H. BAINES.

SUMMER 1928

The May Boat this year was not a triumph of individual excellence, or of astonishing results, but it was a triumph of coaching and combination. R. A. Symonds was the only Blue in the boat, and R. J. Tothill, cox, was the only Trial Cap. Nor was anyone else in the crew of outstanding merit, as is shown by the fact that none of them were good enough for a Trial Cap this autumn. Yet, with only "Rex" on whom to mould the crew, Sir Henry Howard produced a boat that beat several of the times of our great crew of 1926. These times were not generally known, and everybody expected that we should go down four places; that we did not is due to Sir Henry, and as a club we should like to thank him now for giving us his time and experience.

On the first night of the races we nearly caught Third Trinity napping and got to within half a length of them at First Post. Perhaps we were over eager to go for them at Grassy, but go we did, and missing them there, we never got close enough to try again. On the second night we tried a waiting game, and although we spurted well after the Railway Bridge we only got to within a length. The third night we rowed better than previously, but Christ's with Letchworth at stroke were behind us. They missed us once, but we finally fell just round Ditton. Had we been able to keep away to the Railings we might have rowed over, for Christ's were very nearly done when they got us. The last night we rowed over again.

The top six boats on the river were all very fast and very equal, so it was difficult to get bumps. As all these six clubs will have a large percentage of their crews in residence this summer, the racing next Mays should be interesting.

The Second boat paddled very nicely, but in rowing the crew were very nearly as effective in stopping their boat coming forward, as they were propelling it during the stroke. They went down on all four nights, but honour is due to them as a hard-working crew. It points this moral, that weight must be controlled.

The Third boat was the only boat in the Club to get a bump, which they did on the fourth night after rowing over three times. Their victim was Selwyn II. This boat also had learnt to work, and during practice equalled several of the times of the Second boat.

Henley

WE took the First boat to Henley and stayed as usual at Baltic Cottage; an innovation was that we fed there also—in the "outhouse." It was probably one of the best Henley's we have ever had, certainly the best of the last three. The weather was perfect, the catering a great improvement on the old tent, and some amusement was caused by Foot's Darracq which got together in 1910 but is still rather unsteady forward (and which after a heavy outing did not always come back in one piece!). However, the crew was a very pleasant one to row in and we had no off days. One appreciated then that rowing is the perfect sport.

We entered for the Grand at Marlow and drew a bye into the final where we met the Thames eight which represented England in the Olympic games. Taking off at a rather slower rate of striking than they (about 42), we held them for the first two minutes, but then they drew away and beat us by 1½ lengths.

In the Ladies' Plate we drew Trinity Hall, whom we defeated fairly easily, and then went on to meet Selwyn. The latter had adopted a rather more orthodox style and had developed into a really fast boat, and after beating Christ's on the next day only lost in the final by ½ length. It was a really good race: starting at a lower rate of striking than Selwyn, we gained a half length by the end of the Island. We ought to have got more because from there Selwyn started to go up until we had only a canvas. We kept this for some time, but at last they got past us and began to go up. This was about Fawley. At the mile Selwyn had half a length and here they had expected us to crack, but instead we began to go up again. However, we lacked, I think, the faith to continue the effort, and though we made them fight to keep their lead, we did not reduce it. But we fought each other the whole way over the course.

The crew would like most sincerely to thank all members of the College, both Senior and Junior, for their financial support which made Henley possible and to assure them that they are really grateful. Henley is not only important in itself but an invaluable coaching-ground, and we hope that the experience we gained there will bring its fruit this year.

May Races

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First Boat		Second Boat
(Fifth on the river)		(Twenty-fifth on the river)
TT DE TO	II.0 II.4 II.0	Bow J. M. Ritchie 10.0 2 J. G. Gardiner 10.4 3 D. H. Pullin 12.8
4 R. H. Baines 5 J. H. M. Ward	12.4	4 R. H. S. Turner 11.5 5 C. S. Hedley 12.10
7 R. A. Symonds		6 E. H. Whittaker 13.3 7 E. G. Jones 11.3
Str. B. M. Davison Cox R. J. Tothill	8.4	Str. J. R. Southern 11.5 Cox Viscount M. Inaba 7.6
Coach: Sir Henry Howar	rd	Coaches: E. O. Connell R. H. Baines

Third Boat

(Thirty-ninth	on	the	river)
D D C Wes			

Bow	P. B. C. Watson	***	10.0
2	H. H. Brown		10.6
3	R. G. Chapman		10.4
4	F. R. F. Taylor		12.5
5	M. J. Hayward		11.13
6	J. H. R. Smith	***	11.4
	G. E. Boyd-Shar	non	10.13
Str.	J. B. Millar		10.3
Cox	F. T. Kitchin		9.4
Cod	aches: B. M. Davis	son, J.	Peddie

MICHAELMAS TERM 1928

President: The Master. Treasurer: MR E. CUNNINGHAM. First Boat Captain: R. H. BAINES. Second Boat Captain: N. BOOTH. Additional Captain: J. R. SOUTHERN. Secretary: B. M. DAVISON. Junior Treasurer: R. H. S. TURNER.

University Fours

B. M. Davison was not able to row for a few days at the beginning of term, so his place in the Light Four was temporarily filled by J. R. Southern. J. H. M. Ward, too, was the original bow, but he developed blood poisoning, from a cut, ten days before the races—the prompt use of iodine is recommended in future. Despite these setbacks, the four, which contained one fourth year, one third, one second, and one first year man, managed to reach the semi-final. Our first race was against Clare whom we beat very easily, being helped by their bad steering; next day we beat

Trinity Hall by 9 seconds. On the third day we had to race First Trinity who had just won the Fours at the Olympic Games; we were 2 seconds down at the Plough and were about six strokes behind them at the finish. Both the last two races were good; that against Trinity Hall is worth recording, for although we had 2 seconds in hand at the Plough, there was nothing in it by the Glasshouses. Here we did a spurt which was answered by the Hall who rowed themselves out up to Morley's Holt without gaining very much. But here we worked the stroke up to 36 and raced home. We might have gone faster each day if we had been able to get into our stride at once; as it was, we were inclined to rush for the first 3 minutes. Mention must be made of R. H. H. Symonds, who, though unused to both the job and the river until this term, steered very well indeed.

The Crew

Bow	R. H. H. Symon	nds (ste	erer)	11.6
2	R. H. Baines			12.6
3	F. B. s'Jacob			12.1
Str.	B. M. Davison			11.6

Colquhoun Sculls

WARD was very unlucky in not being well enough to go in for the Colquhoun Sculls as he had won the Senior Sculls at Bedford Regatta during the summer. G. C. Tooth and F. B. s'Jacob both entered, but neither survived the second round.

Club Races

THROW away your pads is the glad cry. Throw away your patent Boating Balsam, for the Lent races are to be rowed on slides. This is a welcome innovation and appreciated by everybody who was rowing in the Club Trial Eights, for, although we become in time inured to such hardships, it is generally a relief to get on to slides. The "Crocks" this term had a smaller number of Seniors rowing in them than has been usual, but the standard was as high as ever, and the racing throughout showed enthusiasm. We had two days of bumping races, and a two days' time race. There was some very keen racing on the second day when all the boats closed up on each other and no one could say who would get their bump first. That is the time when an extra ounce of determination tells and in this case boat "C" rowed very pluckily to get away from the boat behind. It is difficult to describe a race adequately without being verbose, but in the final, boats "A" and "B" both got away well, despite two false starts and a bad

wind. Neither crew was afraid of hard work, and both seemed determined to win. "B" lost a few seconds by twice losing an oar through over-eagerness. "A" was rowing better than ever before and gained gradually on "B" all the way over, to win by six seconds. This was all the more creditable because in the bumping races "B" had shown itself to be the fastest crew.

"A" Crew

Bow L. R. Jenkyn	6 E. H. Sheepback
2 J. Cohen	7 G. E. Prince
3 M. Brief	Str. S. Eddy
4 P. Lamartine Yates	Cox K. K. Lim
5 H. R. Thomas	

BALANCE SHEET, L.M.B.C., 1927-8

RECEIPTS				Expenditure			
	£	s.	d.		£	S.	d.
G.A.C. Grant	640	0	0	Balance due to Bank,	11000		
G.A.C. Grant for				October 1st, 1927	17	0	4
Hot Water Plant.	50	0	0	Wages and Insurance .	173	0	8
Donation	12	12	0	C.U.B.C.	78	0	0
Do. (Henley a/c)	12	0	0	Entrance Fees	4	14	0
Entrance Fees	14	14	0	Coal, Gas, Water, Elec-			
From Crews	18	0	0	tricity	14	3	II
			THE	Repairs and Maintenance	66	19	7
			137	Rates	30	15	4
			Hi H	Oars	88	0	7
			BW	Prizes	30	18	0
				Cam Conservancy	4	0	0
			11	Locks and Ferries	2	15	0
				Horse Hire (3 years)	8	12	6
			1.0	Hot Water Plant	52	12	6
				Insurance	3	0	0
			W	Superannuation Premium	26		0
			177	Sundries	12	7	8
				New Boat a/c 1926-7 .	70	0	0
			1	1927-8	20	0	0
			1	Balance in Bank	44	5	II
	5747	6	0		£747	6	0

New Boat a/c

Donation From General a/c					Balance due to Bank Balance in hand	12 32	14 5	
	£45		0	0		£45	0	0

Audited and found correct F. PURYER WHITE

October 17th, 1928.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

RUGGER is as popular as ever this season, and what we lack in skill we make up for in enthusiasm. So many people require games that we are running two second teams, so that the rather better people will not have to wend their way out to the wilds of Madingley Road and figure in the 3rd XV. The 1st XV are settling down into a fairly good all-round team and have only been beaten three times. Our best performance was against Pembroke, whom we beat 26–3, but so puffed up were we with sinful pride that two days later we suffered defeat at the hands of Trinity 6–3. It was a wet day and the forwards showed their old fault of not doing enough work in the loose and tight scrums. However, we hope that it was only a temporary lack of form, as they have been playing really well this season.

All the old colours are showing good form and seem likely to retain their places. T. E. Rodd has been on the injured list most of the season with head and ankle injuries, but has now returned to his old love, and, completely clothed in a Michelin outfit, is playing as well as ever.

Several Seniors are showing more than useful form. V. E. Fuchs is a rather light forward but makes up for his lack of weight by really whole-hearted shoving in the scrum. G. B. Robinson and G. A. Delgado have also played several good games for the 1st XV. Although neither of them are fast, they are both very strong runners, and the latter, if he cannot get round his man, makes a very commendable effort to go through him.

J. T. Rea (scrum-half) and H. A. Corsellis (centre three-quarter) came up with very good reputations but have proved rather disappointing, but several forwards who should prove useful have been found. P. R. K. Whittaker is very useful in the line outs and is gradually overcoming his tendency to play scrumhalf during the loose scrums. J. Megaw and R. V. Payne are also sound, if not brilliant, forwards.

Next term we ought to settle down to a sound side and our expectations for the Cup are running high.

M. W. L.-O.

SOCCER NOTES

WE commenced the term with eight old colours in residence, and with a greater influx of freshers than last year we anticipated results as good as in the previous season. The trial matches gave increased hope that the few remaining positions would be easily and efficiently filled, and three colours in the 'Varsity Senior's Match and four men in the Freshmen's Match strengthened our belief that we should possess a side capable of beating most

colleges.

The League programmes of the 1st and 2nd teams are almost completed, and the results of the few matches outstanding do not appear to affect the final positions of our teams. In the 1st Division, our 1st XI is third easily, Emmanuel and Pembroke occupying the leading positions, the former being certain champions. The position of the 2nd XI is a very precarious third from the foot of the 3rd Division, Trinity II being just below only by an inferior goal average. To retain our membership of the 3rd Division we must finish above the two bottom teams, otherwise it will be necessary to traverse that difficult path, the "Getting-On" Competition, next term.

Returning to the 1st XI, our weakness has undoubtedly been forward, as witness our goal average, 16 for and 18 against, and this state of affairs has been due more to lack of weight and inches among the inside forwards than to inferior skill in ball control and tactics, although the shooting power has been woefully weak in matches which ought to have been won by a handsome margin. The home game against Downing, lost by 3 goals to nil, ought to have been a certain win by half-time if the forwards had seized their chances. The defence has worked hard and compares most favourably with those of the leading teams, and in this department we are not handicapped by lightness and shortage of inches.

The 2nd XI results have been of a very modest nature, one victory (by the narrow margin 3-2), two draws and seven defeats, but another two points should enable us to avoid the indignity of fighting our way back. Here again, in the few matches the writer has been able to see, we seemed at a disadvantage in size, and really the *Daily Mail*, Sir W. Arbuthnot Lane and the Kitchen Committee ought to be consulted to remedy this defect.

Our 3rd XI has played seven friendlies, winning one, and drawing two, but results here are not of great importance, since there is no fear of promotion or relegation; nevertheless, great keenness has been shown. With not quite forty names down to play soccer it is occasionally a rather arduous task to select three full elevens, especially so when a few people are indisposed through either injuries or illness.

The 1st XI has been represented by the following: H. N. Green (Capt.), T. C. Burgess, S. P. H. Cadman, J. B. Grubb, M. F. Rose, G. Bruce, J. Mason, S. M. Davidson, H. G. Rhoden, P. S. Young, C. Culpin and R. H. Thompson.

Owing to the calls of the 'Varsity, we have lacked the services of J. S. Crowther, who has so far played in all the 'Varsity matches.

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE SWIMMING CLUB

President: H. H. BRINDLEY, ESQ. Captain: M. W. LLOYD OWEN. Hon. Sec.: G. H. WALKER.

FOR some years past the Club has contented itself with swimming only in the Inter-College Relay Races. This year, however, four matches were swum, with the result that more interest has been taken in the activities of the Club. The team, though achieving nothing brilliant, won two of the matches, one against Emmanuel, who included in their team two Blues.

The intention this year is to run a Water Polo team, and there is therefore room for enthusiastic players. It is gratifying to see that a large number of Johnians are attending the Leys Baths regularly this term, on Tuesdays and Fridays. We may therefore hope that we shall repeat our successes in the early rounds of the Relay Races, with better fortune in the Final.

At a meeting held this term the two members to whom our success last year was chiefly due, A. C. Mayne and M. F. Staveacre, were elected respectively Captain and Hon. Sec. for the ensuing year.

G. H. W.

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE FIELD CLUBS 1927-28

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MUSICAL SOCIETY

President: MR E. E. SIKES. Treasurer: MR E. CUNNINGHAM. Musical Director: DR C. B. ROOTHAM. Hon. Secretary: J. C. McCORMICK.

DURING this year the Society embarked on a new scheme whereby there was no subscription, thus making all the College members of the Society. This rather daring move proved highly satisfactory, resulting in well-attended Smoking Concerts, and a successful May Concert. Unfortunately, owing to the large share taken by Johnians in the University Opera, it proved impossible to hold any concerts in the Lent Term. However, two concerts were given in the Michaelmas Term, and in addition to the May Concert in the Easter Term there was an organ recital in the Chapel kindly given by Mr G. D. Cunningham. The programme of the May Concert is given below. We should like to take this opportunity of thanking the President, the Treasurer, the Musical Director and last year's Secretary, for their work in providing so successful a concert, which was appreciated by a large audience.

J. R. M. J.

PROGRAMME

Färnefelt Präludium I. OVERTURE THE ORCHESTRA

Brahms (a) Ständchen 2. SONGS (b) "O wüsst' ich doch den Weg zurück"

(c) Vergebliches Ständchen I. C. MCCORMICK

John Eccles 3. VIOLIN SONATA in G minor F. A. RICHARDS. MR M. H. A. NEWMAN

The Twa Sisters o' Binnorie 4. CHORUS Arr. by C. B. Rootham

5. PIANOFORTE DUET: Brahms Variations on a Theme by Haydn P. LAMARTINE YATES. P. E. VERNON

INTERVAL

6. TENOR SOLO AND CHORUS:

(a) "Ca' the yowes"

Arr. by R. Vaughan Williams (b) The Captain's Lady

Arr. by W. G. Whittaker

I. C. MCCORMICK

7. SONG "Ye twice ten hundred deities" J. R. M. JOHNSTONE

Purcell

8. PIANOFORTE SOLO Novelette in D major P. E. VERNON

Schumann

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Q. CHORUS

(a) Mannin Veen (Dear Mona)

Arr. by R. Vaughan Williams

(b) "Quick! we have but a second"

Arr. by C. V. Stanford

10. STRING QUARTET Eine kleine Nachtmusik F. A. RICHARDS, B. C. NICHOLSON, J. A. BEAVAN, P. LAMARTINE YATES

II. THE COLLEGE BOATING SONG

G. M. Garrett

THE FIRST MAY BOAT AND CHORUS

GOD SAVE THE KING

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE Historical Society this term has explored a series of mysteries On October 31st it followed H. B. Tanner into the dark depths of the mystery of the "Speedy Return," and held its breath at the revelation of prompt but indiscriminating justice at the beginning of the eighteenth century. A fortnight later Professor Trevelyan outlined the complex and troubled relations between History and Fiction, and during a most exhilarating conversation the ideal historical novel was planned for the help of future authors. Those who attended the last meeting of the Society on November 28th had been considerably intrigued by the title that P. Lamartine Yates had chosen for his paper—"x = 0": it was disconsolate when he surveyed the past and found nothing; but if x = 0, y, the future, may bring infinite achievement; so the Society went away comforted.

THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

AT the only meeting in the Easter Term J. R. M. Johnstone was elected President and M. E. McCormick Secretary and Treasurer, combining these two offices for the first time. The meeting thoroughly enjoyed Dr Rootham's address on "Church Music" in which he railed against the commercialisation and mass production of so fine an art.

There were three meetings in the Michaelmas Term. On October 29th A. A. Wynne Willson's paper on "The Fallacy of Faith Healing," a title selected more for its alliterative qualities than its comprehensiveness, introduced a number of new members, who had previously shunned the Society as dry and learned. On November 12th the Rev. C. F. Angus addressed us on "Faith" at the first joint meeting the Society has held. Our guests were the members of the Ichthusian Club from Sidney Sussex. The term ended with a paper, at the meeting on November 26th, by E. C. Rowlands on Celtic Christianity which was thoroughly appreciated by the few but select members present.

THE COLLEGE MISSION

Club Premises: 94, Westmoreland Place, London, N. 1. Head: REV. F. M. EAGLES, 55, Herbert Street, London, N. 1. (Telephone: Clerkenwell 3656).

THE College Mission has had a great year. All through the year it has been fuller than usual and at last, during October, it passed the total of 100 members actually coming to the Club. But, what is much more encouraging, it has over 30 members under 18, which is nearly twice the number we usually have, and it means that, while the old members are staying on, the new ones are mostly youngsters. To those who know the difficulty of trying to combine boys of 14 with men of 25 and upwards, this says a tremendous lot for the success of the Club.

We have also now a flourishing "junior club" for boys from 8 to 14, which meets twice a week in the earlier part of the evening. This, we hope, will prove a valuable recruiting ground for future generations of Club boys. There is in addition a Babies' Club for infants between 2 and 8 of both sexes, which is run most efficiently by Mrs Eagles. It is now literally possible for a boy to join the Club as soon as he can walk, and remain a member

till the day of his death!

Four football teams (one of which is for those under 18) and two cricket teams have turned out regularly each week in their respective seasons, and it is very gratifying to find that not only have the first teams done well but the lower teams, who are also in leagues, have been winning regularly, too. Indeed, the third football team at present boasts that it is the only team in the Club which has not yet been beaten! The first team, for the first time on record, defeated the College side which had only three of their members away. As the Mission side also had three players who could not make the journey, this is a very fine record.

For competition purposes the Club is divided into four "houses" who compete with each other in every branch of activity from essay-writing, debating, and evening classes to dartthrowing, draughts and dominoes. The athletic sports competition is held at camp and produced some very creditable records. The Long Jump was won at 17 feet, and the High Jump at something over 5 feet, which, when it is borne in mind that they are performed in an ordinary grass field and with bare feet, is not at all bad! For the third year successively the Championship Cup was won by White House, who are very keen not to lose their record!

The summer camp this year was held at St Ives and was a

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tremendous success. Five Johnians helped in it throughout and several more came over from Cambridge during the week. The camp cricket team also came over in a "fleet of cars" and played a match against the Long Vac. side. The only casualty was the Dean's nose, which came into unnecessarily severe contact with an enamel plate which was on its transit through the air from the washer-up to its owner. This, however, fortunately did not ruin the Camp photograph which was taken shortly afterwards!

Thanks to the kindness of the captains of L.M.B.C., Rugger, Hockey, and Athletics, all the Freshmen were invited, in four groups, to come and hear about the Mission this term from the Dean. A good number turned up and we are hoping this vacation to welcome many visitors from the College to the Club.

Financially the year has ended with a small balance on the right side. This was entirely due to the success of Mr Thatcher's scheme of collecting from old Johnians through "fathers" who volunteered to approach men of their own standing with a view to obtaining subscriptions from them. This is the first year that this has been in operation and it brought in nearly £20.

But not only have we paid our way. Besides this we have received several gifts which have been of great value in improving the work of the Club. In the first place, we were presented with a magnificent new three-quarter sized billiard table with cues, rests, cue-stand, marker and everything complete. The proof of the value of the billiard table, and the appreciation of the boys for it, cannot be more clearly shown than by the fact that since its installation it has never had half an hour in Club hours without being played on! Secondly, by the generosity of the ladies of the College, we have received a new linoleum for the "dance-room" floor. This has been very greatly needed and is a most valuable gift. As the old linoleum was worn only in certain places, we have been able to cut it up and cover the ping-pong room and other places as well! We have by this means covered practically all our flooring deficiencies—a great boon! In addition to this a London friend gave us a sum of money by which we were enabled to redecorate and smarten up the basement and install electric light in it and repaint and redecorate the Chapel—a very welcome improvement. Recently, by the generosity of an old Johnian, Hon. W. S. Maclay, we have received a new piano. This is a very welcome gift inasmuch as until its arrival we had been unable to hold any dances. Finally, we have to thank many others for gifts of books for the library, cricket apparatus (especially two bats from H. E. Carris), second-hand clothes, etc., etc. All such gifts are very useful and much appreciated.

ADAMS SOCIETY

THE Adams Mathematical Society met only once last term in order to discuss its finances, to elect officers for the ensuing year, and to hear a paper read by N. F. Mott, the retiring president.

Our financial position was unanimously agreed to be precarious and, as a result, the annual subscription was raised from

2s. to 2s. 6d.

The officers elected were:

President: J. G. SEMPLE. Vice-President: K. L. DUNKLEY. Secretary: D. M. CLEARY. Treasurer: M. BRIEF.

N.F. Mott's paper, on "Quantum Mechanics," dealt mainly with the motion of electrons. The theory seems to be based on Probability.

We had three very good meetings this term. Mr Cunningham gave the first lecture, his subject being "The Object of Research." The purpose of this paper was to justify the receiving of grants from the State for research which may probably be of no direct utility to the State itself. The meeting was well attended and a lively discussion followed.

At the second meeting Mr Edge of Trinity delivered a lecture on "Ruled Surfaces" in which he filled every minute of an hour and a quarter. Mr Edge started from elementary principles and carried us on with incredible speed over a very large section of Geometry, and finally briefly outlined a few results of his research. Although the meeting was well attended, the questioning was very sparse.

The last paper this term was read by L. Rosenhead on "Systems of Vortices between Parallel Barriers." He proposed to investigate the shape of stream lines in a canal due to an obstacle. To obtain his results he used very high-brow functions, the values of which he had to tabulate for himself. This paper in particular afforded us a good example of the dogged determination necessary for success in Mathematical Research.

D. M. C.

MEDICAL SOCIETY

THE College Medical Society flourishes. Let this statement form the starting point for any account of the proceedings of any Society; for if the Society be not in a flourishing condition, why burden the community with an account of it? And yet perhaps it is not necessary to make this point, for the Society is run by Johnians, for Johnians, all of whom are a living testimony of the

well-being of their Society. See it reflected in their faces! Behold it in their talk, their habits, their every-day life! Watch them in Hall, or if you cannot see them, listen! Such fund of well-being, such excess of good spirits could only come from members of a Society living up to the best Johnian traditions, interpreted in the finest medical style, and passed on with a charming bed-side manner.

But perhaps you think that charming bed-side manners are not taught in this Society. Let it be understood then that they are, and let me hasten to explain before you jump to wrong conclusions. Charming manners are learnt because we are Johnians, and enhanced because we are "medicos." So that they emanate from us in our every-day life, and that life is, or perhaps I should

say will be, largely spent in bedrooms.

If more concrete evidence be desired of the good state of the Medical Society, I can best refer you to the term's programme. Four meetings have been held, and a similar number is proposed for the Lent Term. At the first, papers were read by B. Kyle on "Lord Lister"; J. P. Rudy on "Occupational Diseases"; and M. L. Rosenheim on "Poisons"; all being of exceptional merit. The second meeting brought Professor Dean into our midst with an account of the "Evolution of Bacteriology." On Thursday, November 22nd, three former members in the shape of Messrs W. W. Sargant, G. W. Hall-Smith, and E. J. Currant descended upon us from various London Hospitals and—went away again. Of this occasion I can say no more, for "the meeting became social at 10 p.m., further proceedings being unrecorded"—(I quote the minutes). I have since been told that great additions were made to science on that evening and I can well believe it.

The term's proceedings concluded on Wednesday, November 28th, with a lantern lecture by Dr Duckworth on "Andaman Islanders," the occasion proving to be the climax of a series of meetings which seemed to grow more interesting (and eventful) as the term went on.

W. C. B.

JOHNIAN SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER

The Fifth Annual Dinner of the Johnian Society was held on the second day of the 'Varsities Cricket Match at Lords—Tuesday, July 10th, 1928, at the Hotel Victoria, W.C. 2, with The Lord Wargrave, President of the Society, in the Chair. It was immediately preceded by the Annual Meeting, which was disposed of with customary celerity. Sir Humphry Rolleston was

elected President for the ensuing year, and Messrs J. C. Squire and Will Sargant were chosen to serve on the Committee in the place of the Rev. E. E. Raven and Mr P. Houghton Brown, who retire under the rules.

In calling on Canon Pat. McCormick to propose the toast of The College, the President issued a stringent warning against verbosity to all who might speak that night, at the same time informing them, and the company, that he and Colonel Gillespie had laid their heads together, and had provided divers mummers, dancing girls, and rare musicians to cheer the diners and enliven the proceedings. Canon Pat. then observed the President's ruling, and felicitated the College on being St John's, and those present on being Johnians, and, in coupling the Master's name with the toast, told us a story of him as a young Don, which would probably have been libellous if told of a young Don in those days, but which, could it be told of a young Don to-day would be considered highly creditable to the young Don aforementioned. He went on to refer to the reflected glory in which we basked in the peerage conferred on Sir Alfred Mond, henceforth Lord Melchett, who was present, and in the knighthood of Sir Percy Sargent, who was not. He also reminded us that John's once more led 'Varsity Cricket, and commended to our special thoughts Seabrook who, "by the exigences of the service," was unable to be with us. In reply, the Master said that St John's was in a flourishing state, in spite of the efforts of the death-watch beetle to eat us out of house and home.

The Toast of the Lady Margaret Boat Club was proposed by Major Ian Hay Beith, 1st Boat Captain in 1899. He said he was in some difficulty in dealing with his subject as although the 1st'Boat had been invited to the dinner their temperaments had overcome them, and they had fled the ordeal. He would have assured them that they were not expected to win the Ladies' Plate every time they went to Henley, that all the College expected of them was that they should do their best, and that having done that, they were equally welcome, with or without a pot. He hoped that another year they would believe that those who attended this dinner were really anxious to meet, once again, the 1st Boat Crew. As a matter of fact they had every reason to congratulate themselves on their performances in the Mays, and at Henley, and had laid the foundations for a super-crew next year.

Lord Wargrave then proposed the Health of the President Elect. He referred to Sir Humphry Rolleston's career in the world of medicine, as well as to his academic honours. He congratulated John's on having a Regius Professor once more, and the Johnian Society on the felicity of its selection of a President for the ensuing year. He permitted himself a few reminiscences of the time when Sir Humphry and he were undergraduates together, and were in the same Rugger side. Sir Humphry lost no time in dealing with Lord Wargrave for having fallen into the trap of calling him the Regius Professor of *Physics*. He promised to demonstrate to our President in a practical way, the difference between Physics and Physic. One may have a sneaking sympathy with his lordship, for not only Sir Humphry's office, but his very name presents difficulties to the uninitiated! The President Elect thanked Johnians for electing him their President, and undertook to uphold the honour to the best of his ability.

The Health of the President, Lord Wargrave, was then proposed by Sir Clement Kinloch-Cooke, M.P., and was received with acclamation. Sir Clement said he was delighted to have this opportunity of congratulating his old friend upon a successful year of office as President of the Johnian Society, and expressed delight at the way Johnians cropped up in high places. In his reply Lord Wargrave said that anyone could be proud to be a Johnian. Johnians were so often the sons of men of moderate means, and had therefore to carve a place for themselves in the world. To this he attributed the astonishing list of Johnians who had made names for themselves. He only regretted that sometimes a Johnian so far forgot himself as to send his son to some more recent offshoot. He said that he had hoped to see some of the present generation of undergraduates at the Dinner, and hoped that another year they would avail themselves of this opportunity of meeting their ancestors.

The President then called upon Lord Melchett, saying that they were all delighted to see him there and to have this opportunity of congratulating him upon his elevation to the House of Lords. He assured him that he would find the benches of that Chamber more easy than those he had just left. Lord Melchett was cheered on rising, and said that it was very nice of everyone to wish him well in that way. He retained a great affection for his old College, and was only too glad of an opportunity like the present, to meet old friends, and talk over old times again.

Lord Wargrave then dragged the Secretary to his feet to explain that he hated the sight of Johnians, and that he was off next day in a small boat, where the word John's would be taboo, and where there would be no leopards, no fleur-de-lys, not even a daisy.

The Marshall Hall Cup was presented to Major I. H. Beith, who had won the Golf Competition this year, and the commemorating medal for last year was handed to G. N. Nicklin.

We all thanked Mr Harding for his labours in arranging the Competition, and after our entertainers, who proved a successful innovation, had finished their labours the slumbers of the policeman in Trafalgar Square were once more shattered by the annual spectacle of Old Johnians Returning Home From A Dinner.

ANNUAL DINNER, 10 July 1928

List of Diners

1871	1886
Rev. A. W. Callis	P. Houghton Brown, Esq. Dr L. G. Glover
Dr F. J. Waldo	The Rt. Hon. Lord Melchett Rev. Canon A. C. Thompson
C. Pendlebury, Esq.	1887
1875	B. I. Hellyer, Esq.
Rev. Canon F. C. Davies, C.B.E. H. Lattey, Esq.	D. A. Nicholl, Esq. Rev. Harrison Thompson
Rev. W. H. Hornby Steer, J.P.	1888
1876	Allen Foxley, Esq.
Humphrey Sandford, Esq.	1889
1877	Dr W. Langdale Brown Rev. F. C. Newbury
Prof. G. C. Moore Smith	
1878	1891
Rev. J. C. Clementson Sir Jeremiah Colman, Bt., J.P.	Dr H. Lonsdale Gregory
The Ven. Archdeacon C. P. Cory	Rev. Canon R. P. Hadland
1879 Sir Clement Kinloch-Cooke, K.B.E.	F. A. Rose, Esq.
1881	1893
Rev. J. B. Marsh	L. H. Luddington, Esq.
1882	1894
The Rt. Hon. Lord Wargrave, J.P.	H. N. Adler, Esq. E. W. Airy, Esq.
Prof. Sir Humphry Rolleston, Bt., K.C.B.	John Matthews, Esq. G. B. Norman, Esq.
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H. T. Barnett, Esq. N. C. Barraclough, Esq. N. P. Symonds, Esq.	1895 Major I. H. Beith, C.B.E., M.C. Rev. A. E. Bevan
1885 Rev. C. H. Sellwood Godwin	Rev. A. R. Ingram A. S. Lupton, Esq. N. G. Powell, Esq.

1896

Instr. Captain C.S.P.Franklin,R.N. Rev. Canon Pat. McCormick Dr R. P. Paranjpye

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Judge Balak Ram
C. Kingdon, Esq.
Dr Otto May
O. V. Payne, Esq.
Major J. S. Sterndale Bennett
J. H. Towle, Esq.
Rev. R. S. C. H. Wood

1808

E. L. Hadfield, Esq., J.P.

1899

J. C. Arnold, Esq. Dr J. W. Linnell S. G. McDonald, Esq. Rev. H. C. Sandall

1900

W. I. Harding, Esq.

1902

H. Wilson Harris, Esq. J. Nissim, Esq. T. G. Strain, Esq.

1903

A. J. Read, Esq.

1904

H. A. L. Laidlaw, Esq.

1905

L. R. D. Anderson, Esq. E. W. Willett, Esq.

1906

F. D. Morton, Esq. O. C. Smith, Esq.

1907

Dr S. G. Askey
Major J. G. H. Budd
F. B. Fisher, Esq.
G. I. C. Marchand, Esq.
J. C. Perry, Esq.
C. W. Radcliffe, Esq.
L. Danvers Smith, Esq.
J. B. Sterndale Bennett, Esq.

1908

H. Cooper, Esq.
E. Davies, Esq.
A. Tudor Edwards, Esq.
M. T. Lloyd, Esq.
G. N. Nicklin, Esq.
A. Watkins, Esq.
F. E. Woodall, Esq.
W. H. T. Ottley, Esq.

1909

J. Andrews, Esq. J. B. Hunter, Esq. F. B. Reece, Esq.

1910

W. F. Eberli, Esq. Sir Steven Bilsland, Bt., M.C. J. K. Dunlop, Esq. J. M. Wordie, Esq.

1911

Rev. C. L. Dunkerley

1912

R. D. Evans, Esq. J. G. Hall, Esq. A. G. Hurry, Esq. F. J. Pascoe, Esq. H. Shanly, Esq.

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E. Booth, Esq. F. W. Lawe, Esq.

1916

D. P. Dalzell, Esq. Wilfred Shaw, Esq.

1918

A. S. le Maitre, Esq. H. H. S. Hartley, Esq.

1919

R. A. L. Cole, Esq. A. S. Davidson, Esq. J. G. Dower, Esq. R. Kersey Green, Esq. E. W. R. Peterson, Esq. H. E. Snow, Esq.

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E. W. F. Hall Craggs, Esq. Rev. O. R. Fulljames

H. H. Fagnani, Esq. G. A. D. Tait, Esq. J. A. K. Martyn, Esq. I. Langton May, Esq. G. T. Morton, Esq.

GOLF COMPETITION FOR THE MARSHALL HALL CUP

This Competition took place on Saturday, June 16th, at the Moor Park Golf Club. There were 14 starters, again an improvement of three over the previous year. Hopes of seeing Mr Raven or Mr Sikes proved to be vain. No undergraduates turned up to wrest the Cup from the old brigade. There was a lot of wind which perhaps accounts for the fact that it was impossible to discover the scores. However, it was agreed that Major I. H. Beith won six down.

The players were:

 1895
 Major I. H. Beith
 1906
 W. Montgomery

 1880
 Rev. J. L. Court
 1906
 F. D. Morton

 1909
 W. A. C. Darlington
 1908
 G. N. Nicklin

 1912
 Dr F. S. Gordon
 1919
 F. W. Sefton Jones

 1900
 W. I. Harding
 1912
 H. J. Van Druten

 1909
 J. Wellesley Orr
 1898
 J. Wellesley

 1919
 F. W. Law
 1897
 Dr F. J. Wyeth

We have received the following which we believe to refer to Chess:

FIVE freshmen have joined the Club this term and the playing strength of the team has been considerably increased. As a result of this, the present season is proving very satisfactory, and at present we are still undefeated.

The majority of last year's Inter-Collegiate team are still in residence, and as a result the Club should do well in this year's tournament which takes place next term.

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PRIZES

SPECIAL PRIZES

Adams Memorial Prize: Not awarded. Bonney Award for Geology: Not awarded, Cama Prize: Not awarded.

Essay Prizes: 3rd year, Lush, J. H.; 2nd year, Mukharji, R. N.; 1st year, Pope, R. W.

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GRAVES PRIZE: Campbell, D. J.

HAWKSLEY BURBURY PRIZES (for Greek Verse): Shannon, G. E. B. Wormell, D. E. W.

HENRY HUMPHREYS PRIZE: Ds Leakey, L. S. B. HOCKIN PRIZE (for Physics): Not awarded.

NEWCOME PRIZE: Not awarded.

READING PRIZES: (1) Tooth, G. C.; (2) Adam, K.

PRIZES AWARDED ON COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

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Intercollegiate	Tripos Part I	Tripos Part II
Dunkley, K. L. (Wright's Prize) Kendall, M. G. Larmour, J. Patterson, A.	Brief, M. Cleary, D. M. Mellor, L.	Lewis, I. L. (Wright's Prize)

Elsworth, W. L. (Wright's Prize) Hutchison, D. C. Platt, C. J.	Burgess, T. C. Earl, L. R. F. Shannon, G. G. B. Wormell, D. E. W. (Wright's Prize)	Campbell, D. J. Howland, R. L. Lyon, N. G. Newell, A. N.
	(Wright's Prize)	

NATURAL SCIENCES

	THE OTHER COLDITORS	
Alcock, R. S.	Astbury, N. F.	Clark, R. E. D.
Crowther, J. S.	Champion, F. C.	(Hughes Prize)
May, H. B.	Harman, J. B.	
(Wright's Prize)	Trowell, O. A.	
Rodd, T. E.	YOU SHALL SHOW IN	
Whipp, B.		

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Nobbs, D.	A
(Wright's Prize)	
Lamartine Yates, P.	

Bushe-Fox, P. L. Shepherd, L. J. V.

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ECONOMICS Tripos Part II Reuchlin, H.

Modern and Medieval Languages

Tripos Part I	Tripos French Section	Tripos Part II
Key, S. Wilmers, C. K.	Blenkinsop, J. R. (Wright's Prize) Boatman, J. H.	Marchant, H. S.

MECHANICAL SCIENCES

Intercollegiate

Cooke, G. E. First Year Gregory-Smith, T. Pope, R. W. Second Year

LAW

Qualifying Examination Ormerod, A. H.

Tripos Part II Hill. I. C. Sadler, E. J. (Hughes Prize)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS

Elected to Foundation Scholarships: Boatman, J. H., Bushe-Fox, P. L., Campbell, D. J., Champion, F. C., Harman, J. B., Hill, I. C., Kendall, M. G., Lyon, N. G., Patterson, A., Pope, R. W., Reuchlin, H., Trowell, O. A.

Elected to Exhibitions:

Hoare Exhibition: Mellor, L. Hughes Exhibition: Not awarded. Taylor Exhibition: Robinson, G. de B. Naden Exhibition: Stout, A.

STUDENTSHIPS

Strathcona: Howland, R. L., Newell, A. N., Vernon, P. E., Williams, G., Rosenhead, L.

Philip Baylis: Ds Semple, J. G., Ds Mott, N. F.

MacMahon Law: Ds Davies, D. R. S., Ds McIntire, F. D. L.

Naden Divinity: Ds France, N. H.

Hutchinson: Ds Harper, W. R., Clark, R. E. D.

Taylor: Shepherd, L. J. V.

OPEN SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS (December, 1927)

Major Scholarships:

Carter, G. W., Rugby School, for Mathematics (Townsend Scholarship).

Lapwood, E. R., King Edward VI School, Birmingham, for Mathe-

matics (Baylis Scholarship).

Megaw, J., Royal Belfast Academical Institution, for Classics.

Davies, H. S., Kingswood School, Bath, for Classics.

Pochin, E. E., Repton School, for Natural Sciences.

Miller, H., Netherthorpe Grammar School, Staveley, for Natural Sciences.

Weston, W. G., University of Manchester, for History.

Astle, E. W. B., Manchester Grammar School, for Modern Languages.

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Minor Scholarships:

Hunt, S. R., Abingdon School, for Mathematics.

Wild, A. C., Manchester Grammar School, for Mathematics.

Forster, O. M., Sedbergh School, for Classics.

Petch, C. P., Gresham's School, Holt, for Natural Sciences.

Murray, K. W., King Edward VI School, Norwich, for History. Brooke, J. C., Alleyn's School, Dulwich, for Modern Languages.

Exhibitions:

Cohen, J., East London College, for Mathematics.

Jackson, K. H., Whitgift Grammar School, Croydon, for Classics.

Thomas, E. W., Rugby School, for Classics.

Baldwin, E. H. F., Crypt Grammar School, Gloucester, for Natural

Bevan, O. V., Bedford School, for History.

Wheeler, G., Clay Cross County Secondary School, for History.

Coggan, F. D., Merchant Taylors' School, for Hebrew.

Mullinger Scholarship: Lunn, J., University of Manchester.

SCHOLARSHIPS, CLOSE AND OPEN EXHIBITIONS AND SIZARSHIPS (June, 1928)

Scholarships:

Dudley, D. R., King Edward VI School, Birmingham, for Classics. Mitchell, J. S., University of Birmingham, for Natural Sciences.

Exhibitions:

Green, F. A., Royal Grammar School, Lancaster, for Mathematics. Collier, F. K. G., Aldenham School, for Natural Sciences.

Nunn Exhibition:

Laing, K. M., University of Aberdeen.

To Sizarships:

Morris, T. D., Monmouth Grammar School. Easten, G. P., St Peter's School, York.

Goffe, R., Sloane School, Chelsea.

To Close Exhibitions:

Baker: Stewart, M. G., Durham School.

Dowman: Burton, D. A. E., Pocklington School.

Johnson: Goode, R. C. J., Oakham School.

Lupton and Hebblethwaite: Forster, O. M., Sedbergh School.

Munsteven: Whitwell, W. E., King's School, Peterborough. Robins: Hunter, W. C., Sutton Valence School. Somerset: Garton, A. E. J., Cathedral School, Hereford.

Somerset: Astle, E. W. B., Manchester Grammar School. Vidalian: Drayton, W. J., Exeter School.

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'IESSE' COLLINS

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JOHN ROBERT COLLINS

JOHN ROBERT COLLINS, Assistant Head Porter of the College, died at the Evelyn Nursing Home, Cambridge, on Monday, August 13th, 1928, after a short illness. The funeral, attended by a very large number of friends, both from the College and from the town, was held in the College Chapel on Thursday, August 16th.

"Jesse" Collins was known to many generations of Johnians, and they were all known to him. He served the College for nearly forty years, from October, 1888, till his death last August as Assistant Head Porter. We are glad to be able to reproduce a portrait of Collins in this number. And, with the permission of the Editor, we reprint below an article, written by a Johnian, which appeared in the Nation and Athenaeum of October 13th, 1928.

It was in a small wayside village in Kent that I learnt, in casual conversation, that Collins was dead. I only mention the place because it seemed so ridiculously inappropriate, so far from Cambridge itself. It was as suddenly shocking as if, on a Yorkshire moor, one had met a stranger with a gun who had heard news that the statue of Henry VIII had fallen from the gateway of Trinity. This is not too farfetched indeed, for Collins, had he been bearded, would have borne a great resemblance to Henry, and he too for many years adorned a Tudor gateway, as famous and as beautiful.

The college porter is of a race apart. He is different from any other custodian in so far that the objects of his charge slip year by year past him in permanently regulated numbers. His permanence is, within the limits of a lifetime, next door to the permanence of the gates he guards. The club porter may know the idiosyncracies of all his members old and young; the office porter may watch the junior clerk rise by years of progress to a director's chair, but the college porter recruits a new company of youthful protégés every October. For three or four years they stay and are gone—but during that time he has learnt to know them, for what they are worth, by their character, their habits, their friendships, their contributions to College life, their promise even—and this detailed knowledge he never forgets.

Such was Collins, and returning at any time to that University which, if it is not a home of lost causes, becomes at last to each of its sons a cemetery of youthful friendships and ambitions unfulfilled—there was always the certainty that the great bulk of Collins would be stationed at the College gate, that his ruddy face would light up with a recognition that embraced the details of one's unimportant life between the years—whatever they may have been.

That was his genius, and the genius of so many of his kind. He guarded a large college, a college in which naturally undergraduates split themselves up into sets. Immediately he could throw himself back twenty or thirty years or more and bring back the time when Jones and Smith and Brown and Robinson were always together. Some he had kept touch with, about others he sought news, "Mr Smith, they tell me, is doing very well in India; Mr Brown, perhaps you know, has a college living, but I don't seem to hear much of Mr Robinson. Do you, sir, know how he's going on? Poor Mr Jones, of course, you've heard, was killed in the war." I have no reason to suppose that we had impressed ourselves on Collins more than any other collection of undergraduates; he could do the same thing, recall the apposite names to any member of the college revisiting it, who had been known to him.

How pleasantly refreshing and welcoming was this quality in him. Faces might have become lined and bespectacled, heads bald, but Collins could always identify, through the mask of advancing age, the undergraduate he had known. And now he is dead I humbly suggest to the powers above that the Recording Angel should keep him by his side for the purpose of marking in those applicants for bliss who may come from his own ancient foundation.

Nothing could exceed his ebullient optimism. Cant about the decline of manners or the deterioration of modern youth found no truck with him. Every year the College flourished more exceedingly. We were a poor lot compared to the young gentlemen of to-day. Never were there a better set of freshmen, never a harder lot of workers, a keener set of sportsmen. "Yes, sir, we're going ahead in every way, very different to what it was in your time. Beating them, we are "—this with a triumphant nod at that other gateway—"you mark my words." If the foundress herself had stept out of her frame, Collins, with a reverent flourish of his top-hat, would have assured her that never since the year 1511 had her faith in liberal education been more amply justified than it was, in this, her college, in this year 1928.

I suspect that one of the best ways of handling the young is to believe in them, and perhaps Collins's abounding faith that every year brought up a finer, stronger, and more brilliant collection of young men had a good deal to do with his power to curb high spirits before they became a danger to their owners or to the college property. Collins, with his great frame, wandering through a crowd of undergraduates, exhilarated by success on the river and the fumes of a bump supper, a very Falstaff sent to judgment, was a sight always to be remembered. His genial discipline was exerted to the accompaniment of a series of chuckles. He, too, in his time had climbed lamp-posts, and lit bonfires, and exploded fireworks, and shouted at the top of his voice for no other reason than that he was happy and had had one over the eight. Why should he take any action unless he was positively forced to? Far rather would he pilot his young culprits to bed, tuck them up, and assure them what he must have known was a downright lie, that they would feel better in the morning.

Though he was a very individual personality he stood for more than himself. He stood for that type of faithful service which we are frequently assured is defunct—but which flourishes as hardily as ever. It flourishes, I take it, because it is never a menial service, otherwise it could not give rise to those bonds of friendship which exist wherever it exists. Moreover, to those croakers who say that there are no young men to take the place of such as Collins, the answer is clearly that no young man possibly could. Qualities and powers such as his come only with advancing years. The vintage matures. The college servant grows older and riper as the port in the fellows' cellars.

ROBERT BERNARD HOBSON THOMAS

W THOMAS on March 16th, 1928, at Southsea. He was the son of the Rev. J. H. Thomas, minister of Elm Grove Baptist Church, and was educated at Portsmouth Grammar School. He entered the College as a Scholar in October, 1913, and took his degree by the Classical Tripos in which he was placed in the second class. He was awarded a Browne Medal for a Latin Ode in 1915. In 1916 he joined the Army as a Gunner and, after obtaining a Commission in the R.G.A., he went to France in the following year, when he was slightly gassed. He rose to the rank of Staff-Captain and was appointed Education Officer for the Havre area. After the war he returned to Portsmouth, where he became a solicitor, having taken the LL.B. degree, and been

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awarded a MacMahon Law Studentship; and he had already built up a very successful practice before his early death at the age of 33. He had married recently Dora Nicholson, daughter of Mr T. H. F. Lapthorn, J.P., President of the Portsmouth Liberal Federation.

Those who remember him at College will miss a personality of distinct power and considerable charm.

JOHN RATCLIFFE COUSINS (B.A. 1884), Metropolitan Police Magistrate of West London, died in London on March 12th, 1028 aged 64. He was knocked down by a motor-car on November 21st. 1927, and was severely injured in the head. In January he resumed his duties, but had a relapse; an operation was performed, but was unsuccessful. He was the son of Edward Ratcliffe Cousins, M.R.C.S., and was at University College, London, before coming up to Cambridge. He obtained a second class in the Natural Sciences Tripos in 1884 and took the degree of LL.B. in 1886. He was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1887. and went the Western Circuit. He represented Dulwich on the London County Council from 1898 to 1903 and was the first Organising Secretary of the Tariff Reform League, 1903-6. In 1917 he was appointed Stipendiary Magistrate for West Ham, and in 1922 was made a Metropolitan Magistrate, sitting first at Greenwich and Woolwich and moving to the West London Court in 1925. A writer in *The Times* emphasises his kind-heartedness; he was a believer in probation rather than prison wherever possible. He married Eleanor, daughter of the Rev. James Edmund Law (of St John's, see Eagle, vol. XVII, p. 551), rector of Little Shelford, Cambridge.

He was long associated with Alleyn's College of God's Gift, and a bishop's chair has been consecrated in Dulwich College Chapel as a memorial. A yearly prize in Economics has also been founded in his memory at Dulwich College, of which he was for many years a governor.

The Rev. WILLIAM HENRY MARSDEN (B.A. 1874) died in 1928. He was the first vicar of St Luke's, Southport, 1882–1903.

Matthew Vaughan (B.A. 1877) died at Marlborough on March 13th, 1928, aged 74. He was the son of the Rev. Matthew Vaughan, vicar of Finchingfield, Essex. He was educated at Felsted and graduated with a first class in the Classical Tripos of 1877. He was a master at Haileybury from 1878 to 1910, being housemaster of Edmonstone from 1883 to 1898. He married the

daughter of Sir George Chesney and after his retirement lived at Marlborough, where he devoted himself to the study of English birds and of military history.

ROBERT GILES, C.I.E. (B.A. 1869), late Commissioner in Sind, died at Monte Carlo on March 17th, 1928, aged 81. He was the son of Archdeacon Giles, Canon and Precentor of Lincoln and rector of Willoughby. He was educated at Durham Grammar School and at St John's. In 1868 he was appointed to the Sind Commission, this being less than 25 years after its annexation. After a year with the Indus Survey, he served in the combined posts of Deputy Collector, Deputy Superintendent of Police and Educational Inspector. From 1885 he was Deputy Commissioner in charge of various revenue districts. During the bubonic plague of 1896 he was a member of the Plague Committee. Confirmed as Commissioner, he was created C.I.E. in 1900 and retired in 1902, settling at Midhurst, where he became a magistrate for West Sussex. He married, in 1885, Isabel, daughter of General Thom, of the Indian Medical Service.

The Rev. Henry Billiter Colchester (B.A. 1884) died at Littlestoke, Redhill, on March 27th, 1928, aged 67. He was vicar of All Saints, Stoke Newington, 1903–12, of Holy Innocents, Hornsey, 1912–25.

The Rev. James Oliver (B.A. 1872) died on March 27th, 1928, aged 83. He had been rector of Cowlam, Sledmere, York, since 1891.

The Rev. Frederick Salter Stooke-Vaughan (B.A. 1867), died at Hilly House, Exmouth, on May 11th, 1928, aged 82. He was vicar of Wellington Heath 1871–1923, and rector of Coddington, Hereford, 1919–23.

ARTHUR YATES BAXTER (B.A. 1885), barrister-at-law, died at Sherbourne, Weld Road, Southport, on May 16th, 1928, aged 64. He was educated at Sedbergh and was called to the bar by the Inner Temple in 1888.

RICHARD PONSONBY MAXWELL, C.B. (B.A. 1876), of Birdstown, Donegal, Ireland, died at 3, Whitehall Court on May 23rd, 1928, aged 74. He was the son of the Rev. Charleton Maxwell, of Templemore, Londonderry, his mother being the daughter of Dr Richard Ponsonby, Bishop of Derry and Raphoe. General Sir George Maxwell, who served in the Crimea, and General Henry Maxwell, a Mutiny veteran, were his uncles. The Birdstown

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estate has been in the family for centuries; during the period of the Battle of the Boyne and the Siege of Derry it was invaded by the contending soldiers and the family plate was buried in the grounds and lost.

Mr R. P. Maxwell was born on October 21st, 1853, and went to Winchester as a scholar in 1866. He was in Paris in 1870 when the Franco-German war broke out. After taking his degree he entered the Foreign Office. He served as Secretary of Embassy at Constantinople and was appointed to assist the British Agent on the Behring Sea Arbitration in Paris in 1892. From 1892 to 1894 he was private secretary to Lord Sanderson, and was then promoted to be Assistant Clerk. In 1899 he was Secretary to the British Plenipotentiaries at The Hague Peace Conference and in 1902 was promoted to be a Senior Clerk in the Foreign Office, being made C.B. in the following year. He was a Gold Staff Officer at the Coronation in 1911. He retired on pension in 1913. He was an early cyclist and was a member of the Travellers' Club.

JAMES ROBERT STERNDALE BENNETT (B.A. 1869), died at Barn House, Dymchurch, Kent, on June 4th, 1928, aged 80. He was the son of Sir William Sterndale Bennett, of St John's, Professor of Music 1856-75 (see Eagle, vol. IX, p. 250) and was educated at Kensington School. He was 18th Wrangler in the Tripos of 1869 and went to Sherborne as an assistant master. Both here and at Derby School, where he was headmaster for ten years, he devoted great energy to developing the musical side of school education. He lectured on acoustics at the Royal Academy of Music and was for a time lecturer in Mathematics at King's College, London, of which he was an honorary Fellow. He retired early in life and devoted himself to writing the life of his father, which was published in 1908. A writer in The Times relates that his handwriting was so beautiful that the Cambridge University Press returned his manuscript with a request for a rough copy, as the Syndics hesitated to expose the original document to the necessary handling in the printing office. He also contributed articles to Grave's Dictionary of Music.

At Cambridge he was one of the founders of the College Musical Society. He married, in 1876, Mabel Agnes Gaskell. Three of his sons are members of the College—James Bury (*Matric.* 1907), John (B.A. 1906) and Robert (B.A. 1904).

The Rev. Thomas Green (B.A. 1864), died at 7, Albany Road, Leighton Buzzard, on June 7th, 1928, aged 88. He was educated at Sedbergh and was vicar of Stanbridge and Tilsworth, Bedfordshire, for 53 years.

CHARLES TOPPIN (B.A. 1886) died at Musgrave, Great Malvern, on June 8th, 1928, aged 63. He was educated at Sedbergh and played cricket for Cambridge for three years, 1885–7. He was a fast right-hand bowler and an excellent field, at slip, cover-point or in the long field. On going down he became a master at Malvern College, where he remained for 42 years.

The Rev. WILLIAM FERGUSSON ASTON (B.A. 1895), died at 2, Southfields Road, Eastbourne, on June 14th, 1928, aged 56. He was curate-in-charge of Lee-on-the-Solent from 1901 to 1908 and since 1913 had been curate of St Anne's, Eastbourne.

THOMAS REES SYDENHAM-JONES (B.A. 1880), barrister-at-law, died at 75, Clarence Gate Gardens, N.W., on June 20th, 1928, aged 78. He was the son of Rees Jones, of Trecastle, Brecon. He was called to the bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1882 and went the South Wales Circuit. He also practised at the Glamorganshire and Middlesex Sessions and in the Lord Mayor's and the Central Criminal Court.

The Venerable BERNARD EDGAR HOLMES (B.A. 1883), formerly Archdeacon of King William's Town, South Africa, died at Claremont, Cape Colony, on July 7th, 1928, aged 68. He was the son of John Holmes, of Somerfield, Maidstone. He was priest-vicar of Truro Cathedral 1888–90, rector of King William's Town 1891–1921, canon of Grahamstown 1907–21, rural dean 1892–1921, Archdeacon of King William's Town 1910–21. He was afterwards British Chaplain at Rome. He was the author of The Source of Civic Power. He married Grace Pauline, daughter of Sir Jacob Barry.

The Rev. THOMAS LEONARD PALMER (B.A. 1886) died at Reigate on July 12th, 1928, aged 76. He was appointed vicar of Oulton, Staffordshire, in 1897.

The Rev. Canon Henry Thellusson Wood (B.A. 1872), rector of Aldbury, Tring, died at Aldbury on July 21st, 1928, aged 78. At Cambridge he rowed 2 in the First May Boat of 1870, and 6 in that of 1871, J. H. D. Goldie being stroke on each occasion. He was also a good cricketer and was invited to join the first English team sent to Australia, but was unable to go as he had accepted a mastership at Aldin House, Slough. He was ordained in 1874 and became vicar of Great Chishall, Essex, in 1877; vicar of Biggleswade 1884–1890, then rector of Aldbury. He was rural dean of Berkhamsted from 1902 to 1922 and honorary canon of St Alban's since 1904. He was a member of the Standing

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Committee of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, being especially interested in the development of the work in Western Canada.

The Rev. John Charles Dunn (B.A. 1873) died at Courtlands, Edginswell, Torquay, on July 24th, 1928, aged 77. He was the son of the Rev. John Woodham Dunn, Queens' College, of Warkworth, Northumberland. He was vicar of Beadnell, Northumberland, 1878–87, vicar of Blanchland 1887–1914, and finally rector of Torbryan, Newton Abbott.

The Rev. Charles George Griffinhoofe (B.A. 1880) died at 69, Glisson Road, Cambridge, on July 24th, 1928, aged 70. He was chaplain of Mena, the Pyramids, Egypt, from 1892 to 1894 and rector of Strethall 1895–1918. He was the author of Wintering in Egypt, The Unwritten Sayings of Christ and Celebrated Cambridge Men.

The Rev. Frank Taylor (B.A. 1889), rector of West Felton, Oswestry, Salop, died on July 26th, 1928. He was educated at Sedbergh and was vicar of Hamstead, Birmingham, 1901–3, and rector of Fleet, Lincs, 1910–14.

The Rev. David Witts Mountfield (B.A. 1883) died at the vicarage, Horsford, Norwich, on July 28th, 1928. He was rector of Heigham from 1895 until 1913, when he was appointed to Horsford.

The Rev. EDWARD FREDERICK CAVALIER (B.A. 1875) died at Lowestoft on August 5th, 1928, aged 77. He was appointed rector of Wramplingham, Wymondham, in 1885 and since 1908 had been also rector of Barford.

The Very Rev. WILLIAM PAGE ROBERTS (B.A. 1862), formerly Dean of Salisbury, died at Shanklin, Isle of Wight, on August 17th, 1928, aged 92. He was the son of William Roberts, of Brookfield, Lancashire, and was born on January 2nd, 1836. He was intended for the Methodist ministry and, after leaving Liverpool College, studied at Richmond Wesleyan College, but he decided to take orders in the Church of England and came up to St John's in 1858. His first living was at Eye, Suffolk. A volume of sermons, entitled "Law and God," was well reviewed in *The Times* and attracted the attention of Mr Disraeli, who in 1878 nominated him as minister of the unendowed chapelry of St Peter's, Vere Street, a post famous for the incumbency of Frederick Denison Maurice. Here he maintained for nearly 30 years a remarkable ministry, on Broad Church lines, depending

for its effect on his personal power as a teacher. In 1895 he was appointed canon residentiary in Canterbury Cathedral and in 1907 Dean of Salisbury. Here, especially during the war, when the city was the centre of one of our largest camps, he established a tradition of popular Sunday evening services, at which he preached to a large congregation. He retired soon after the end of the war and went to live at Shanklin, where, until within three weeks of his death, he was accustomed to read the lessons in the Old Church.

He was a great traveller, having visited the United States, Canada, Brazil and the West Indies, the Sudan, Ceylon and India. In 1872 he made the long and at that time dangerous journey to Petra in Arabia, by Sinai and Akaba to Hebron and thence through Palestine to Beirut.

He married, in 1878, Margaret Grace, daughter of the fifth

Lord Rivers; she died in 1926.

The Right Rev. DANIEL DAVIES (B.A. 1886), Bishop of Bangor, died at Ruthin, Denbigh, on August 23rd, 1928, aged 64. He was born at Llanddewi, Cardiganshire, on November 7th, 1863, and was the son of Evan Davies. He was educated at Ystrad Meurig Grammar School and at St John's, where he took a second class in both parts of the Theological Tripos. He was ordained in 1887 and, after serving as curate in Conway and Bangor, became vicar choral of St Asaph Cathedral in 1890. In 1893 he became vicar of the industrial parish of Brymbo, in 1897 rector of Denbigh, being rural dean of Denbigh from 1904 to 1907. He then became vicar and rural dean of Wrexham, in 1910 canon residentiary of St Asaph Cathedral and in 1924 vicar of Bodelwyddan. He was a fluent preacher in Welsh and English and took a leading part in the Welsh National Eisteddfod at Wrexham in 1912. In 1924 the Bishopric of Bangor became vacant and on February 3rd, 1925, Canon Davies was appointed by the Electoral College of the Church in Wales, this being the first appointment to one of the four ancient Welsh Bishoprics since Disestablishment. As bishop Dr Davies did valuable work in connexion with the forming of the constitution of the new Province of Wales, in financial business, in restoring the Church schools of the diocese and in the building of the war memorial hospital at Wrexham. The Archbishop of Wales, in a sermon preached in St Asaph Cathedral on August 26th, paid a generous tribute to his memory, singling out for special mention his great gift for organisation. Dr Davies married, in 1892, Frances Hester Mary, daughter of Major R. C. Dobbs Ellis.

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Sir James Beethom Whitehead, K.C.M.G. (B.A. 1881), late His Majesty's Minister at Belgrade, died at Efford Park, Lyming. ton, on September 19th, 1928, aged 70. He was the son of Robert Whitehead, of Fiume, the inventor of the Whitehead torpedo He was educated in Austria before coming up to St John's. In 1881 he entered the Diplomatic Service, where, owing largely to his linguistic ability-Russian and Japanese were among his languages—he received rapid promotion. After service at St. Petersburg, Rio de Janeiro, Berlin, Tokio and Brussels he was, in 1902, appointed Secretary of Embassy at Constantinople. Next year he was transferred to Berlin and became Counsellor of Embassy. After the murder of King Alexander Obrenovitch of Serbia in 1903, all the Powers withdrew their representatives. and diplomatic relations between this country and Serbia were not resumed until 1906, when Whitehead was appointed Minister at Belgrade. He did valuable service in the cause of peace during the crisis provoked by the annexation of Bosnia by the Dual Monarchy in 1908. In recognition he was created K.C.M.G. in 1909; he retired from the Service in the following year. He married, in 1896, the Hon. Marian Brodrick, sister of Lord Midleton.

EDWARD WYNELL MAYOW LLOYD (B.A. 1868) died at Hartford House, Hartley Wintney, Hants., on September 27th, 1928, aged 83. He was at Rugby, and came up to St John's as a scholar in 1864, taking both the mathematical and classical triposes. He was an excellent cricketer, scoring 95 for Rugby against the M.C.C. at Lord's in 1864, and 139 not out in the same year against Marlborough. At Cambridge he just missed his Blue, but later he played for Somerset. He became a master at Marlborough but in 1876 he gave up this position to become headmaster of the preparatory school of Hartford House in Hampshire. Here he was very successful, as the record of scholarships won by his pupils indicates.

The Rev. Harry Archibald Williams (B.A. 1868) died in London on October 9th, 1928, aged 82. He was chaplain in the Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment 1874–96 and rector of Skelton, York, 1909–18.

The Rev. Charles Edward Stuart Ratcliffe (B.A. 1876) died at 16, Hove Park Villas, Hove, on October 12th, 1928, aged 74-He was vicar of Bickenhill, Warwickshire, 1890–95, rector of Downham, Essex, 1895–1926.

The Rev. Harry Butler Smith (B.A. 1888), rector of Layham, Hadleigh, Suffolk, died on October 25th, 1928. He was assistant master at Durham School 1892–1906, vicar of Lowick 1906–19.

The Rev. Arthur Herbert Powell (B.A. 1881) died at 23, Nelson Street, Edinburgh, on October 28th, 1928. He was the son of Captain Charles Powell, R.N. He was vicar of St John the Evangelist, Waterloo Road, 1893–5, of St Paul, Maidstone, 1895–1901, of Bridgewater with Chilton 1901–11, rural dean of Bridgewater and Quantockshead 1902–11, curate of St Andrew, Stamford Hill, 1912–17, vicar of West Lulworth 1917–24. He was the author of Sources of Eighteenth Century Deism and of books on the history of Bridgewater; he also contributed articles on Egyptology to Murray's Dictionary of the Bible.

Mark Hyldesly Quayle (B.A. 1864), of Crogga, Isle of Man, died at Dial House, Slough, on November 3rd, 1928, aged 86.

The Rev. Charles Edward Nutley (B.A. 1897) died at Killeagh, Prestbury, Cheltenham, on November 4th, 1928, aged 55. He was the son of Charles Nutley, of Newbury. He was vicar of St Mark, Ocker Hill, Tipton, 1918–23.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER MARR (Matric. 1895) died at Valescure, Var, France, on November 18th, 1928, aged 53. He was born in Aberdeen, went to the University there and came up to St John's in 1895, passing into the Indian Civil Service by the examination of that year. He was appointed to Bengal and specialised in land revenue matters, being for two years joint secretary of the Board of Revenue. For a short time he was political agent in Cooch Behar state. He was created C.I.E. in 1921 and at the time of his death, on leave, he was a divisional commissioner. He was unmarried.

The Rev. Stephen Adye Scott Ram (B.A. 1886), Canon of York, died at 8, St Peter's Grove, York, on November 28th, 1928, aged 64. He was the son of Stephen Adye Ram and was born in London on August 16th, 1864. He was educated at Charterhouse and at Cambridge obtained a first class in the Classical Tripos of 1886. He was vicar of St Mary's, Lowgate, Hull, from 1899 to 1926 and since 1917 had been Canon and Prebendary of Fenton in York Cathedral. He married Margaret King Woodcock, of Oakley, Rawtenstall.

ARTHUR HAVELOCK EAST (B.A. 1880), of the Inner Temple, barrister-at-law, died on September 10th, 1927, aged 69. He was the son of Joshua East, of Great Longstock, Southampton. At Cambridge he was an athletic Blue, winning the weight against Oxford 1878–80, and the hammer 1879–80.

The Rev. Thomas Mellodey (B.A. 1874), vicar of Cullingworth from 1877 to 1913, died on December 12th, 1927.

The Rev. John Bullivant Slight (B.A. 1859) died on January 23rd, 1928. He was house-master at Brighton College 1859–74, headmaster of King's Lynn Grammar School 1874–87, curate of Sandridge 1887–91, rector of Moreton, Essex, 1891–1919.

Herbert Holman (B.A. 1883), of 4, Whitehall Court, S.W., and Holcombe Down, Teignmouth, died on March 1st, 1928, aged 66. He was a barrister, being called by the Inner Temple in 1886.

ALFRED RODGERS COWELL (B.A. 1887), Assistant Medical Officer, Public Health Department, London County Council, died on March 20th, 1928. He received his medical education at St Thomas's and took the degrees of bachelor of medicine and surgery in 1892. He held the positions of physician to All Saints' Hospital, Buxton Street, and out-patients' physician to the Victoria Park Chest Hospital; he was formerly clinical assistant at the Evelina Hospital for Children.

ARTHUR HERBERT BAGLEY (B.A. 1888), formerly Judge of the Small Cause Court, Rangoon, died at 23, Redcliffe Gardens, S.W., on April 24th, 1928.

WILLIAM PRICE JONES (B.A. 1857), of Elm Grove, Ewen, Kemble, Gloucestershire, the son of the Rev. John Price Jones, of Ewen, died on May 15th, 1928, aged 96.

COLLEGE NOTES

MR EMLYN CAPEL STEWART WADE has been elected Fellow and College Lecturer in Law. Mr Wade was at Gonville and Caius College and was placed in the first class in both parts of the Law Tripos (1920, 1922). He was elected a Whewell Scholar in International Law in 1922. He resigned his position as Principal and Director of Legal Studies to the Law Society to come to St John's to succeed Professor Winfield.

At the annual election to Fellowships on the Monday after All Saints' Day, 1928, Mr John Douglas Cockcroft was elected. Mr Cockcroft was a wrangler, b* in the Mathematical Tripos, Part II, 1924; Scholar and Strathcona Student in the College, and Clerk Maxwell Student in the University 1926–7.

In the Birthday Honours, June 1928, the Right Hon. Sir ALFRED MORITZ MOND, Bart. (*Matric.* 1886), received a peerage; he becomes Baron Melchett.

Lord Melchett has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.

Professor H. Hamilton Thompson (B.A. 1898) has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy.

The Copley Medal of the Royal Society has been awarded to Sir Charles Parsons (B.A. 1877), Honorary Fellow, for his contributions to engineering science.

Professor A. C. Seward (B.A. 1886) and Professor G. Elliot Smith (B.A. 1898), formerly Fellows, have been elected to the Council of the Royal Society.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering has been conferred by Liverpool University on Dr J. A. Fleming (B.A. 1881), Honorary Fellow, Emeritus Professor of Electrical Engineering, London University.

Mr G. U. Yule (M.A. 1913), Fellow, has been elected President of the Cambridge Philosophical Society. Dr D. R. Hartree (B.A. 1921), formerly Fellow, has been elected Physical Secretary.

Mr T. L. Wren (B.A. 1911), formerly Fellow, has been elected to the Council of the London Mathematical Society.

The Buchan Prize of the Royal Meteorological Society has been awarded to Mr H. Jeffreys (B.A. 1913), Fellow.

Mr A. W. Flux (B.A. 1887), formerly Fellow, has been elected President of the Royal Statistical Society. Mr Flux, who is Head of the Statistical Department of the Board of Trade, was one of the representatives of H.M. Government at a Conference in Geneva in November, 1928, for framing an International Convention on Economic Statistics.

Professor R. A. S. Macalister (B.A. 1892) has been appointed a member of a Commission of the Irish Free State Government to report on existing collections of Gaelic manuscripts, on the preparation of catalogues and on the editing of hitherto unpublished texts.

Mr A. C. Trott (B.A. 1921) has been appointed His Britannic Majesty's Consul at Casablanca, Morocco.

On the occasion of the 70th birthday of Dr G. C. Moore Smith (B.A. 1881), Emeritus Professor of English Language and Literature in the University of Sheffield, friends and fellow students from all parts of the world presented him with a bibliography of his various books, papers and articles. A dinner was held in his honour on September 28th, 1928, at King's College, London.

The Mayor of Cambridge for 1928-9 is Mr J. E. Purvis (B.A. 1893).

Sir Jeremiah Colman (B.A. 1882) has been made a Freeman of the Borough of Reigate.

The Harveian Oration of the Royal College of Physicians for 1928 was delivered by Sir Humphry Rolleston (B.A. 1886), Fellow.

Mr T. G. ROOM (B.A. 1923), formerly Fellow, has been appointed University Lecturer in Mathematics.

Mr L. S. B. LEAKEY (B.A. 1926) has been appointed to a Senior Studentship by the Royal Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851 for research in Archaeology and Physical Anthropology.

Mr W. P. Barrett (B.A. 1927) has been elected to a Commonwealth Fund Fellowship in Literature tenable at Harvard University.

Grants from the Craven Fund have been made by the University to D. J. CAMPBELL (B.A. 1928), R. L. HOWLAND (B.A. 1928) and A. N. NEWELL (B.A. 1928).

The Frank Smart Prize in Zoology has been awarded to J. B. HARMAN (*Matric*. 1926).

The Senate of the University College of North Wales has appointed Professor K. J. P. ORTON (B.A. 1895) as Vice-Principal for the Session 1928–9.

- Mr M. J. Pollard (B.A. 1926) has been appointed assistant lecturer in Mathematics at King's College, London.
- Mr E. C. WOODCOCK (B.A. 1927) has been appointed lecturer in Classics at Reading University.
- Mr G. TIMMS (Ph.D. 1928) has been appointed Lecturer in Mathematics at St Andrews University.
- Mr J. K. Stevens (B.A. 1914) has been appointed to a mastership at Aske's Grammar School, Cricklewood.
- Mr A. F. Crossley (B.A. 1927) has received an appointment at the Meteorological Office, Royal Airship Works, Cardington.
- Mr J. T. EDSALL (B.A. 1927) has been appointed Tutor in Biochemical Science at Harvard University.
- Mr G. M. BRIDGEFORD (B.A. 1927) has taken up an appointment with the firm of Warner, Barnes and Co., at Manila, Philippine Islands.
- Mr D. H. Steele (B.A. 1923) has taken up an appointment with the Lake Copais Company, Aliartos, Greece.
- Mr R. Mukharji (*Matric*. 1926) was placed 43rd in the list of candidates selected for appointment in the Indian Civil Service on the result of the Open Competitive Examination held in London in August, 1928; he has been assigned to the United Provinces.

A second Whewell Scholarship in University Law has been awarded to Mr P. L. Bushe-Fox (B.A. 1928).

The Adams Memorial Prize has been awarded to M. G. Kendall; the essay submitted by J. W. Archbold is highly commended.

The College Essay Prizes for 1928 have been awarded as follows: 3rd year, L. J. V. Shepherd; 2nd year, A. Patterson; 1st year, D. Nobbs.

On November 19th, 1928, Mr T. T. Scott (B.A. 1913) and Mr E. L. Scott (B.A. 1901), both Certificate of Honour, were called to the Bar by the Middle Temple, and Mr B. K. Parry, I.C.S. (B.A. 1914) was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn.

Mr W. A. Curzon-Siggers (B.A. 1915), a former MacMahon Law Student of the College, who was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple, November 17th, 1917, has returned to New Zealand, and was admitted a barrister of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. He has now forsaken the practice of the Law and was ordained Deacon March 1st, 1928, by the Bishop of Dunedin. He has been appointed Tutor of Selwyn College, Dunedin, and also Lecturer in International Law at the University College, Dunedin (part of the University of New Zealand).

The Diploma of Membership of the Royal College of Surgeons was conferred, on May 10th, 1928, on W. Buckley (B.A. 1924), St Bartholomew's, L. S. Penrose (B.A. 1921), St Thomas's, and R. E. M. PILCHER (B.A. 1925), St Thomas's; and on September 8th, 1928, on L. K. Wills (B.A. 1924), Guy's.

On July 21st, 1928, license to practise was conferred by the Royal College of Physicians on E. W. WINCH (B.A. 1923), St George's.

Mr L. Graham H. Horton-Smith (B.A. 1893), F.S.A. (Scot.), formerly Editor of the *Eagle*, late Fellow and MacMahon Law Student, barrister-at-law, has been appointed a Referee under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1927 and a Deputy Chairman of Court of Referees under the Unemployment Insurance Acts 1920–1927.

The following ecclesiastical appointments are announced:

The Rev. F. R. J. Easton (B.A. 1905), vicar of St Luke's, Cleckheaton, to be rector of Stoke Prior with Docklow, in the diocese of Hereford.

The Rev. W. P. G. McCormick (B.A. 1899) to be a Chaplain to His Majesty the King.

The Rev. Canon A. C. ENGLAND (B.A. 1894), rector of Kirby Misperton, to be rural dean of Pickering.

The Rev. F. A. Hannam (B.A. 1901), formerly vicar of Binham, Norfolk, to be rector of St Augustine's, Norwich.

The Rev. Charles Foxley (B.A. 1886), formerly Missionary for the S.P.G. at Suma, in the Diocese of Kobe, Japan, to be vicar of St Stephen and All Martyrs, Lever Bridge, Bolton.

The Rev. A. J. ROBERTSON (B.A. 1890), rector of New Alresford, Hants, to be rural dean of Alresford.

The Rev. A. G. LEEDES HUNT (B.A. 1905), vicar of Christ Church, Leytonstone, to be vicar of St Philip's, Cambridge.

The Rev. R. P. HADLAND (B.A. 1895), rector of Lawford, to be rural dean of Harwich.

The Rev. B. L. HALL (B.A. 1899), rector of Weddington, Nuneaton, to be in addition rector of Caldecote, an adjoining parish.

The Rev. R. F. Donne (B.A. 1911), curate of Cockfield, to be rector of Wootton Rivers, Marlborough, a College living.

The Rev. B. Long (B.A. 1891), rector of All Saints', Wokingham, to be rural dean of Sonning.

The Rev. W. A. BRIGGS (B.A. 1903), late chaplain, R.N., to be rector of Long Whatton, Leicestershire.

The Rev. NORMAN ASHBY (B.A. 1907) has been appointed a member of the staff of the newly founded Oak Hill College at East Barnet for the training of candidates for Holy Orders.

The Rev. James A. Sharrock (B.A. 1874), for 24 years rector of Hodnet, and for 8 years rural dean, has resigned his benefice owing to a breakdown in health.

On Trinity Sunday, June 3rd, 1928, the following were ordained priests: H. SARGEANT (B.A. 1906) at Manchester, V. C. POWELL (B.A. 1925) at Worcester and J. S. B. STOPFORD (B.A. 1923) at Newcastle.

The following were ordained deacons: R. M. Scantlebury (B.A. 1927), Ridley Hall, at Canterbury, licensed to Christ Church, Croydon, and F. S. Lewis (B.A. 1926), Westcott House, at Southwark, licensed to St Anne, South Lambeth.

On September 30th, 1928, J. C. WIMBUSH (B.A. 1923) was ordained priest at York by the Bishop of Whitby, acting as Commissary for the Archbishop of York, and M. G. SYKES (*Matric*. 1902), Ridley Hall, was ordained deacon at Chelmsford and licensed to St Luke, Walthamstow.

Marriages

CORNELIUS FELIX BAYLEY (B.A. 1923), of Uppingham, to MARGARET PRISCILLA MACGREGOR, of Sheringham—on March 19th, 1928, at All Saints' Church, Upper Sheringham.

WILLIAM CUTHBERT BRIAN TUNSTALL (B.A. 1921) to GILLEAN ELIZABETH, daughter of the late Sir Julian Corbett—on March 31st, 1928, at Danehill Parish Church.

Guy Oscar Hovil (B.A. 1923), son of Frank Hovil, of Grafton Lodge, Hereford, to Marjorie Elsie, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. W. Barton, of Roseneath, Belvedere Drive, Wimbledon—on April 14th, 1928, at St Mary's, Kuala Lumpur.

The Most Rev. Harrington Clare Lees (B.A. 1892), Archbishop of Melbourne, to Joanna Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Herbert Linnell, of 21, The Avenue, Beckenham—on April 19th, 1928, at St Margaret's, Westminster.

The Hon. Walter Symington Maclay (B.A. 1922), son of Lord Maclay, of Glasgow, to Dorothy, daughter of the late William Lennox, W.S., and of Mrs Lennox, of Edinburgh—on April 26th, 1928, at Morningside Parish Church, Edinburgh.

Maurice John Harker (B.A. 1923), of Oswestry, son of A. J. Harker, of Wimbledon Park, to Margaret Denise, daughter of Mrs Franklin, of West Didsbury—on June 5th, 1928, at St Paul's, Withington, Manchester.

JOSEPH GRIGG KELLOCK (B.A. 1925), son of the late William Plumer Kellock, of Dartington, Totnes, Devon, to Annie Winifred, daughter of Colonel J. J. Gillespie (B.A. 1892), of Southgate, Morpeth, Northumberland—on July 12th, 1928, at St James's Church, Morpeth.

CYRIL JOSSÉ JOHNSON (B.A. 1922), son of Dr H. Jossé Johnson of 19, Heathgate, N.W. 11, to JOYCE IRENE, daughter of William Pinnock, of Walden, Chislehurst—on July 14th, 1928, at St Nicholas' Parish Church, Chislehurst.

LIONEL SHARPLES PENROSE (B.A. 1921), son of J. D. Penrose, of Oxhey Grange, Watford, to MARGARET LEATHES, daughter of Professor J. B. Leathes, of 2, Manchester Road, Sheffield—on October 17th, 1928, in London.

BOOK REVIEWS

Letters from the Steppe, by WILLIAM BATESON. Methuen.

Bateson's wanderings in the Kirghiz and Siberian Steppes in the years 1886 and 1887 are here described in letters to his family and extracts from his field note book. As letters of travel they are probably unique in describing an extremely uninteresting tract of country, populated by a backward and unprepossessing people, in such a manner that our keen interest is held throughout. His task was the investigation of the fauna, alive and dead, of the salt lakes with which the region abounds and, although the main purpose of his journey proved abortive, we are under a heavy debt of obligation to Mrs Bateson for gathering the material of this book together; the keenness of his observations and the vivid description of his surroundings give pleasure even to the reader to whom the objects of his investigations must remain unintelligible.

Bateson was a young man at the time although already a Fellow of the College and we notice in many places a certain British complacency and superiority among foreign surroundings which is to be found among not a few other travellers of his nation. But in reading his condemnation of Russians and of all things Russian, in which he finds no solitary virtue, we must remember that at that period very little Russian literature was available in England. The great popularity of Russian writers which set in later has resulted in perhaps no greater understanding of the Russian character but certainly in a tolerance of the racial "queerness," of which not a trace is to be found in Bateson's writings.

The book makes easy reading and, although primarily nothing but a record of travel, bears unmistakably the imprint of the man who made it.

Alf's Carpet, by W. A. DARLINGTON. Herbert Jenkins.

To those who have read Alf's Button the further adventures of Alf and his friends need no recommendation. The gift by a grateful demon of a magic carpet opens a new era in the history of transportation, and the applications to the solutions of the London traffic problem are considered at length. The manner of surmounting traffic blocks by jumping over them proves too much for elderly ladies and the new bus has to be withdrawn. Further adventures in travel follow including an excursion to the Land of Sheiks, but Woman's passion for "tidiness" at last prevails by destroying the magic but grubby carpet.

Wherein perhaps lies Mr Darlington's moral.

JOHNIANA

The Yorkshire Archaeological Society. Record Series. Vol. LXXI for the year 1927. Archbishop Herring's Visitation Returns, 1743, vol. I, ed. by S. L. Ollard and P. C. Walker, printed for the Society, 1928. The following paragraph occurs in the Introduction

(by S. L. Ollard), p. xx:

"The attempt to trace the degrees of the clergy shows that an appreciable number were graduates of Scots Universities, Edinburgh or Glasgow, a fact that is little realised. Other facts are the large proportion of graduates to non-graduates; and the remarkable number of members of St John's College, Cambridge. The full figures require an Appendix, but it may be noted here that of the 163 clergy whose ordinations appear in Volume A [i.e. for the Diocese of York], 27 are from Oxford (1 an undergraduate) 113 are from Cambridge (7 undergraduates), 3 are graduates of Glasgow, 1 is a graduate of Edinburgh, 13 are Literates, the status of 6 is unknown but of them one is described as B.A. and another as M.A. Of the 113 Cambridge men 52 came from St John's College; Christ's and Peterhouse each with 13 and Trinity with 12, are very far behind."

From a lecture, "Two recent journeys on the coast of East Greenland," by Dr Lauge Koch (Geographical Journal, January, 1928):

During my stay at Scoresby Sound I was visited by the Cambridge Expedition to East Greenland, which was conducted by my friend Mr J. M. Wordie....I can only express my great appreciation, as a Dane, of the good work accomplished (by this expedition), which will always rank high as a purely scientific venture.

What had remained unmapped of the areas from Scoresby Sound to Denmark Harbour was surveyed and mapped by Mr Wordie....Mr Wordie finished his expedition by visiting me at Scoresby Sound and presenting me with a map, elaborated on the basis of his observations, which exempted me from a great work of mapping, and saved much time....How accurate this map was can best be seen from the very few corrections I have made during my sledge journeys....

One of the Norwegian hunters related that Mr Wordie's captain had expressed his admiration at the colossal power of endurance displayed by Mr Wordie during his ascent of the mountains.