

# THE PLAY SUPPER.

After a lapse of six years the annual Play Supper was revived on Tuesday, December 16th. It had been pre-war custom for it to be held on the night of the Second Play, but for various reasons it was thought advisable for it to take place earlier in the evening and on the Tuesday. In addition to this change, there were present, besides boarders, such half-boarders as were members of the Seniors Football team. There was also present a goodly company of Old Grantites, including Messrs. H. S. Ladell, G. R. Y. Radcliffe, L. E. Tanner, M. G. Hewins, N. P. Andrewes, H. J. Salwey and C. M. Cahn. After a long period of enforced austerity, Hall once more presented a gay appearance, with coloured streamers and festoons of holly.

When justice had been done to the ample and excellent supper so kindly provided by Major and Mrs. Shaw, the Head of the House, P. J. S. Bevan, rose, and in a short speech proposed the health of Major and Mrs. Shaw, which was drunk with the greatest enthusiasm.

Major Shaw, in replying for himself and Mrs. Shaw, expressed his thanks, and briefly summarised the doings of Grant's during the past term. He lamented the lack of cups and shields at present up Grant's, but entertained every hope of their soon occupying their accustomed positions. He then proposed the health of the monitors, on behalf of whom P. J. S. Bevan replied, who also touched upon the events of the past year, and ended up by proposing the health of the Old Grantites. Mr. H. S. Ladell, in a most amusing and appropriate speech, replied, finishing with a delightful poem, alleged to have been culled from the files of the British Museum! After further speeches on the part of Mr. L. E. Tanner, who regretted the absence of Mr. Ralph Tanner, a sentiment which all reciprocated, and Major G. R. Y. Radcliffe, songs were called for. Most noteworthy were Mr. N. P. Andrewes and Mr. H. J. Salwey, who were called upon more than once and who responded nobly, and Major G. R. Y. Radcliffe's "Carrion Crow." Of present Grantites, possibly the best received were A. L. Adler's "The Duke of Plazatoro." and B. G. Groner's and D. J. Fevez's "Polly-Wolly-Doodle." H. T. Abady did yoeman service at the piano, for the use of which we have to thank Mrs. Shaw. A most enjoyable evening was then brought to a close by singing "John Peel," "Auld Lang Syne," and "God Save the King."

## THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Society met every Thursday, except upon one occasion after a long and tiring field-day. As during last term, Major and Mrs. Shaw and Mr. L. E. Tanner took parts, and in nosmall measure contributed to the success of the meetings.

The first meeting of the Society was held on Thursday, January 23rd, when Sheridan's "The Critic" was read. This play, which was finished in one evening, was very creditably read, Mrs. Shaw as "Tilburina" and Mr. Tanner being perhaps the most noteworthy.

On January 29th the Society met again to read Shakespeare's "As You Like It." This was, perhaps, the least successful of this term's readings, the play being very long and in parts lacking interest. Major Shaw, however, was excellent as Touchstone. On February 12th, Goldsmith's "She Stoops to Conquer" was embarked upon. This was the first of Goldsmith's plays attempted by the Society, and it proved in every way a success.

The Society next met on the 26th of February, when Sheridan's "The Scheming Lieutenant" was read. Though very short, it was greatly appreciated. J. H. M. Dulley was absent on this occasion through illness.

The Society again met on March 4th and 18th to read Goldsmith's "The Good-Natur'd Man." Though actually as a play it is not such a great work, it was possibly the best read and the most enjoyed reading this term. On the second night Mr. Tanner was unfortunately unable to attend and his place was taken by J. H. M. Dulley, who had just returned.

As we go to press, we are about to embark, at Major Shaw's suggestion, upon the Trial Scene from the "Pickwick Papers." With one or two minor alterations it should make excellent reading, and there is every manifestation of its being a complete success.

We take this opportunity of thanking Major and Mrs. Shaw for the many delightful evenings we have spent.

#### JUNIORS.

#### GRANT'S V. RIGAUD'S.

#### (Drawn 1-1.)

Played on second game ground.

This match was practically a re-play, as we played against Rigaud's the week before, and we drew once more. The game was played again as both sides had played men over age. The mistake was caused by the age having been altered from 16 years 6 months to 16 years at the beginning of the football season.

Rigaud's won the toss and Grant's kicked off from the Pavilion end. The weather was fine but the ground was rather wet and slippery. The wind, when it did blow, was slightly in our favour.

Grant's pressed at once and the ball was passed out to Oppenheimer on the left wing. He took it down with him but was robbed of it when just about to shoot. From the goal kick, Rigaud's got hold of the ball, and for a time Cobbold, a very fast forward, looked dangerous, but he was brought up short in the nick of time by Randolph. Grant's again took the ball up the field and looked like scoring, but a shot by Randolph went over the bar. Rigaud's now made a rush for our goal, but only succeeded in forcing a corner, which proved fruitless. The game now consisted of a series of rushes on either side. At last, a good bit of combination on the part of the Grantite inside forwards brought the ball in front of goal, and Weinberger netted a first-time shot at close range. Nothing of interest now occurred, till C. O. Mounsey got hold of the ball and put in a good long shot which just failed to score. Nothing of importance happened till the whistle blew for half-time. Score 1—0.

After the interval, Rigaud's, with the wind behind them, pressed hard for several anxious minutes, but Grant's defence held them well, Randolph being especially conspicuous in that respect. Rigaud's forced a corner but a good kick was not taken advantage of by the attackers. The ball was cleared safely, but, after some moments' play in mid-field, Cobbold obtained the ball and, showing a good turn of speed, ran close up to the goal. He sent in a hard ground shot which McBride stopped but failed to clear, and so he had no difficulty in pushing the ball through. Grant's now made a great effort to obtain the odd goal and had much the best of the play. But time proved more of an enemy than Rigaud's, and the game resulted in a draw. Score 1—1.

#### GRANT'S V. ASHBURNHAM.

## (Drawn 2-2.)

This game was played in wretched weather on second game ground, for, after about ten minutes' play it began to rain and did not cease raining at all that afternoon. There were two changes in the team, J. M. Hornsby playing instead of London, and R. W. Hartley going into goal while McBride went back.

Ashburnham won the toss and elected to play against the wind. Grant's kicked off from the Hospital end and almost immediately Hartley took hold of the ball and, running through by himself, scored with a good shot, which conquered the goal-keeper. Ashburnham replied with some ugly rushes and succeeded in forcing two corners in rapid succession, but both proved fruitless. After this, the game continued very evenly until half-time. Score 1-0.

After the interval, play continued in the middle of the field for some time, the ball having become very heavy and the ground like a morass. At length Neal, for Ashburnham, got hold of the ball and tested R. W. Hartley with a hard long shot, but Hartley gathered and cleared well. Grant's forwards then got together, and displaying some pretty head-work, attacked. The ball was passed out to C. F. E. Mounsey, who, taking it the rest of the way down the wing, put in a beautiful, high, long shot which passed just under the bar and beat the goal-keeper completely.

Ashburnham now made frenzied efforts and carried the ball towards Grant's goal. An unselfish pass from Horton just in front of goal enabled Lund to score with a hard shot at close range, which gave Hartley no chance.

Ashburnham now had the best of the game and the ball was kept well up in Grant's half, Keily, whose proper place is back, playing a good game at centre-half. Lund got through again, but an excellent centre of his was intercepted by Randolph. Grant's forwards at last broke through and for some moments looked dangerous, but they only succeeded in forcing a fruitless corner. Ashburnham now made a desperate attack, as time was drawing near, and succeeded in obtaining a corner. The ball was cleared safely, but Keily got hold of it and, with a minute to go, scored with a long dropping shot. Thus the game ended in another draw, 2—2, a very unsatisfactory result as no re-plays are allowed. For Ashburnham, Keily was the most conspicuous. and for Grant's Randolph was the most consistent, player.

#### CRITICISMS.

**R. L. Randolph** played very well indeed in both games. He tackles and feeds his forwards well, and was quite untiring in his efforts to repel the opposing side.

W. N. McBride. Though he plays well in goal, it was thought that his weight was wasted there, so he was put full-back, where he played a sound game.

**W. L. Hartley** used his weight well and kept his forward line together. He must try and be quicker with the ball.

**W. B. Enever.** Though handicapped by his size, he plays a good game at half. He should try to get rid of the ball quicker by passing to his forwards.

**B. G. Groner** played quite a good game but is handicapped by his lack of speed. He should practice his kicking with his left foot. **R. W. Hartley** was only included in the team for the game against Ashburnham, but played a very good game in goal. He clears and kicks well.

J. M. Hornsby played a good game at forward and has a useful turn of speed. He should try and use his head more.

**C. O. Mounsey** played a strong game at back. He has a good deal of weight, but should try to use it to more advantage.

**C. F. E. Mounsey** should try and be faster on the wing. He centred well throughout, and thus was the means of our gaining our second goal against Ashburnham.

**M. S. Murphy** played very energetically but should steady and aim the ball before kicking it.

**A. J. Oppenheimer** should take advantage of a good turn of speed to outstrip the opposing backs. He should try to centre earlier.

L. S. London also played.

# O.T.C.

This term the Contingent has taken part in two field-days, at each of which Grant's was well represented. The first was on Tuesday, February 24th, and took place in Richmond Park. The morning was occupied in an attack upon a company of the Scots Guards, under the command of Major Stewart Menzies, our battalion commander at Camp, and who judged the House Drill competition last term. The Contingent detrained at Barnes, and proceeding to Roehampton Gate, advanced towards Robin Hood Gate in Artillery Formation. The platoons on the right, on coming into touch with the enemy, advanced very rapidly, and if it had not been for the great depth of the enemy's formation, would have turned his flank. The left flank advanced by wellorganised rushes through a wood, and drove the enemy back until they counter-attacked, and the "cease fire" was sounded. After lunch one platoon of the company, under Mr. Knight, took up a position along the edge of a wood, which they succeeded in defending successfully against the other three platoons.

On Thursday, March 11th, the Contingent proceeded by train to Camberley, where they joined the Charterhouse, Wellington, and Cranleigh O.T.C., which comprised the Brown Force. We then advanced to our position on Odiham Common, Westminster being in reserve, and had lunch. Afterwards, we commenced an attack upon the White Force, which consisted of Eton and Harrow, upon the far side of the Common. Westminster, on coming into action, advanced by separate sectional rushes, and came to close quarters with the enemy upon Turf Hill. Tea was then provided, and we returned, via Camberley, to dismiss in Yard at 7.45.

The following N.C.O.'s are now up Grant's: Sergeants P. J. S. Bevan and J. R. Rea; Cpl. S. F. P. Jacomb-Hood; and Lce.-Cpls. J. R. Peacock and J. H. M. Dulley.

P. J. S. B.

## HOUSE NOTES.

There left us last term W. J. Amherst and H. P. Corin. In their stead we have the following new boys:—R. E. Bromet, E. Samuel, and P. W. Forman (half-boarders), and G. R. Woods (boarder).

At the beginning of the term, J. H. M. Dulley was made a monitor; D. S. F. Vernon came up from Outer to Middle; and D. J. Fevez from Hall to Outer. Later in the term, J. R. Rea was also made a monitor.

We must congratulate J. R. Peacock on his football pinks, S. F. P. Jacomb-Hood on his Pink and Whites, and G. T. Swann on his Thirds. Also W. L. Hartley on his Town Boy cap.

In the O.T.C., P. J. S. Bevan and J. R. Rea have been promoted to sergeant, S. F. P. Jacomb-Hood to corporal, and J. H. M. Dulley to lance-corporal.

Yards and Fives Ties were again successfully concluded last term, the former being won by Bevan, Ladell and Somers-Cocks, and the latter by Weinberger and Holmes.

We were unlucky enough to lose both the Gym. and Fives Competitions this term. In the former the House was represented by Moritz and Valentin, in the latter by Weinberger and Fevez, In the first round of the Inter-House Chess Competition, we defeated Home Boarders, but we lost in the finals after a prolonged struggle to Ashburnham by 2—1. Our team was: Frampton, Dulley, and Ballantyne.

Congratulations are due to F. C. De Kay on winning the School Photographic Society's Prize.

We must congratulate J. S. Somers-Cocks on his performance at the piano at the School Concert on March 24th.

Mr. Ralph Tanner is having his portrait painted by Mr. Hugh G. Riviere, who is also painting a replica to be hung up Grant's. Both these portraits have been subscribed for by Old Westminsters. It should have been noted that before he retired Mr. Tanner presented the books in the House Library to Grant's. Since the Library was started by the Rev. James Marshall these books had been the property of the successive Masters of the House.

### OLD GRANTITES.

Mr. H. Warington Smyth, C.M.G., who has recently been in England, was the South African Government delegate at the International Labour Conference at Washington. He has also recently been created a C.M.G.

Major G. R. Y. Radcliffe (1899–1905) has been elected to a Tutorial Fellowship and a Lectureship in Law at New College, Oxford.

#### BIRTHS

On December 13th, the wife of the Hon. Frank Hopwood, of a daughter.

On February 23rd, the wife of Major-General Sir Nevill Smyth, V.C., K.C.B., of a son.

### MARRIAGE.

Vey-Wingate.-On March 4th, Surgeon-Lieut. F. Hamilton Vey to Emma Hilda, third daughter of the late Cap<sup>+</sup>. G. M. Wingate.

### DEATHS.

We regret to have to record the deaths of three old Grantites.

William Claude Holdsworth Hunt was the eldest son of the late Holdsworth Hunt, a Bencher of the Inner Temple, and was up Grant's from 1858 to 1862. He was afterwards at Exeter College, Oxford. He was well known in the City, where he was a director of several companies, and he was for about 30 years a Churchwarden of All Hallows', Barking. His name appears on one of panels in Chiswick's.

Anthony Hanmer Miers was a son of the late Capel Miers, J.P., D.L., of Peterstone, Breconshire, and was admitted up Grant's in 1864. He died on January 11th.

Henry Hodson Burt, who died on December 15th, was the elder son of the late Henry W. Hodson Burt, and was up Grant's from 1886 to 1887. He was afterwards in the Merchant Navy.

The recent death of Sir Henry Smith should not be allowed to pass unnoticed in the pages of the GRANTITE. Two of his sons were Grantites, and he presented the silver shield on which is recorded the years in which Grant's are the winners of any of the Inter-House Shields or Cups.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of The GRANTITE REVIEW.

Sir,

Would that some divine being would invest us with the power to see ourselves as we see others; them we may revile to our heart's content with a sure impartiality, but to write of ourselves is, oh, so hard. We have heard that a predecessor entrusted this task to a second party, but he, false fellow, betrayed the secret of authorship, and that gentleman's fate we have no desire to share. However, we hope to conceal our identity, but offer no prize for a correct solution.

Last term we missed Mr. C. E. Langton and Mr. P. R. Rea, who, we have heard, has gone to more sunny climes. Instead Mr. G. R. Reitlinger has made his appearance; we believe he is a juggler with chairs; at any rate he can throw them on bonfires and sit down on them at the same time and with an air of equal innocence. Of the veterans, Mr. M. G. Hewins is superb. He had a bout with "flu," in which honours were perhaps easy, but he has made up for lost time by becoming Hon. Sec. of the House Football Club, and is now engaged in fighting the profiteer within our gates. Mr. A. C. Morgan now and again comes up from town for a week; during that time he buys flowers and plays bridge, while his unrivalled portrait gallery has received several additions.

Mr. F. J. Warburg and Mr. P. C. A. Usher are generally to be seen in company marching with an air of dignity worthy of—themselves. Can they be carrying the Oxford Manner to its extreme, or is it merely political influence ? Mr. H. J. Salwey has not been quite himself this term owing to schools, which we congratulate him on negotiating successfully. He hovers between the 1st and 2nd House soccer XI.'s; and his head, though "the littlest one you ever saw," is said to be found very alluring we dare not say by whom. Mr. Robert Holmes gave us a magnificent performance in the Dynasts done by the O.W.D.S. He took two parts and the audience into his confidence, revealing the secrets behind the curtains to the best of one man's ability. Like all the best actors, he is a little absent-minded and muddles his engagements, but his acrobatic turn plays to crowded houses.

It is a disputed point which is the most long-suffering person in Oxford, Mr. C. M. Cahn or his scout: the former, though, seems somewhat unsettled, he uses his two rooms as bedroom or sitting room with equal faceelity, his furniture being changed with lightning rapidity; another time, obviously annoyed by the paucity of baths provided, he transformed his passage into a swimming bath, but it was removed during the night.

The name of Mr. W. T. Stallybrass of B.N.C. has been whispered in connection with the League of Nations. Mr. E. H. Samuel we fancy to have seen on the towing path, but he dwells among the nebulous at Balliol, where we fear to enter.

This, Sir, completes the tale: we apologise for it, but send us more Grantites and we will send you more news.

Yours, etc.,

Ex Aede Christi.

### To the Editor of The GRANTITE REVIEW.

March 12th, 1920.

DEAR SIR,

It is with some diffidence that we accede to your request for an account of the achievements of Old Grantites at this seat of learning. Five years have elapsed since you last published a Cambridge letter, and as we address ourselves to the task of recording, in a few lines, our manifold activities, we are oppressed by a sense of our inability to follow the brilliant examples set by our predecessors. However, to descend from generalities to particulars, we ought to say that :---

**Mr. D. S. Robertson's** light shines as brightly as ever in the classical world. He directs the studies of all classical O.W.W. at Trinity.

**Dr. É. D. Adrian** divides his time between guiding budding doctors in the way they should go—research in physiology and the latest developments of the *more* (if not *most*) modern schools of art.

To hear that **Mr. A. L. W. Stevens** still views life from a great altitude will cause you no surprise and some pleasure; in fact he seems to have added another six inches to his stature during the "Great War." He justifies, or rather attempts to justify, his existence here by dabbling in engineering. We hear that he fancies himself not a little as an exponent of the Einstein Theory—indeed, some have it that it should in justice be known as the "Stevens Theory." His moustache disappeared during the vacation, but traces of it can once more be discerned. One scents a romance here.

Mr. S. A. S. Montagu, we are pleased to note, has accepted the onerous duties of Secretary of the Guards' Club. From this you will gather that if not *reading* he is at least *making* History. Can it be a sign of the times that he has sold his car and bought a motor bicycle? Whatever its significance, this change has not made the streets of Cambridge any less dangerous.

We would like to congratulate **Mr. S. Vatcher** on his recent engagement to a young and very charming lady from Newnham. In view of this, we hope that he will be no less successful than Dr. Adrian, whose footsteps he is following in Medical Science. We should have liked to make some appropriate remark about his connection with Theosophists—but "such knowledge is too wonderful for us; it is high, we cannot attain unto it."

Mr. P. E. H. Samuel is one of the mainstays of the Pentacle Club. (We may say for the benefit of the uninitiated that this club contains all the great and some of the small conjurers of Cambridge.) He is a magician of no mean order. We must be very careful what we say about him lest he should practice his arts on us. We hear that his latest effort has been to turn a bull into a china shop. He occupies his spare time with Mathematics.

Mr. A. Le B. G. Morris, though officially described by his College as a historian, has achieved more substantial fame as a violinist and is one of the leading lights of the Musical Club. He may claim no small share in the success of the recent production of the "Faery Queen." He may be seen by the curious most days in a Homburg hat and butterfly collar.

Mr. F. E. Ruegg alone among us thought Trinity an arena insufficient for the proper display of his prowess. He, therefore, joined one of the "smaller Colleges," where he is seeking celebrity and finding notoriety. By unstinted efforts, sleepless nights, and the use of sinister influences he has succeeded in elevating himself to a position in the "Dodos" and Jesus III. for hockey, and his college choir. Besides all this he claims that he is eating his way to fame at the Middle Temple amidst "all that pleasing and extensive variety of nose and whisker for which the Bar of England is so justly celebrated."

To conclude with what was for us the most important and pleasant event of the term, we are happy to record the visit of Mr. Costley-White, the new Headmaster, who came up for the Cambridge Old Westminster dinner.

More, much more, might be said, but your space, as all your correspondents assure us, is valuable. So is our time. We therefore, with no more ado,

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