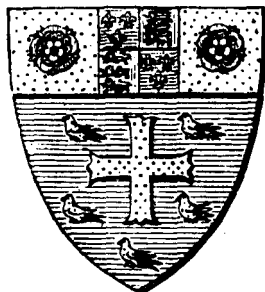


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LORD CARTERET, EARL GRANVILLE.

Carteret was the most accomplished gentleman that Westminster has ever produced. With the possible exception of Peterborough there is no more attractive figure among her *alumni*. In private he was an excellent scholar; an accurate and extensive linguist, and a brilliant talker; in public he was a daring but capable statesman, a commanding orator and a versatile diplomatist. At the zenith of his fame, about 1740, he was regarded as the most extraordinary figure in English politics and the only Englishman who had a comprehensive grasp of foreign affairs. Just before Carteret's death, Chesterfield, an excellent judge of men, wrote, "When he dies the ablest head in England dies also, take it for all in all." Some years later Chatham, who had once been his bitter opponent, confessed that he owed all his success to Carteret. Horace Walpole tells us that in all his life he had only seen five great men and the

greatest of these was Carteret. Dr. Johnson, though a rabid and prejudiced Tory, is lavish in his praise. Among later historians Carlyle alone has paid adequate attention to "the wisest Foreign Secretary we ever had, with the one exception of Lord Chatham."

Yet this statesman, who in his day had a wider European fame than anyone, and who has received sumptuous praise from great men who do not praise lightly, is almost completely forgotten and ignored by posterity. This fact constitutes one of the curiosities of English history; it is an inexplicable mystery. John, Lord Carteret, Earl Granville, was born in 1690. He was descended from two illustrious families: the Carterets who upheld the Royalist cause in the Civil War, and the Granvilles or Grenvilles whose most famous representative commanded the "Revenge" in her great fight against the fifty-three Spanish galleons.

He came to Westminster early in the century when Thomas Knipe was headmaster. Of the school at that time very little is known, and we only hear of Carteret's life there through occasional fragments of Swift's letters. It is certain that he applied himself with some diligence and success to the study of Latin and Greek, and that about 1708 he proceeded to Christ Church, Oxford, where he pursued these studies with much greater activity than was the custom in those days. Swift says of Carteret, "that from Oxford, with a singularity scarce to be justified, he carried away more Greek, Latin and philosophy than properly became a person of his rank; indeed, much more of each than most of those who are forced to live by their learning will be at necessary pains to load their heads with."

From Oxford, Carteret came to London, where he started on his political career. He began by adopting more or less the position of a Trimmer, but became gradually more and more identified with the Whig Party which was then gaining that ascendancy which it did not relinquish for almost half a century.

In 1719 Carteret went to Sweden as Ambassador extraordinary. Here he distinguished himself by his skill in conducting intricate negotiations and solving difficult diplomatic problems.

He returned to England in 1721 to take up the important position of Secretary of State for the Southern Department in the administration of Walpole. He was then only thirty-one, and, as Swift remarked, ought to have been busily losing his money at a chocolate-house. But with such ability and genius did he conduct his Department that he aroused the jealousy of Sir Robert, who eventually, in 1724, procured his dismissal from office and had him relegated to Ireland as Lord Lieutenant.

Carteret arrived in Ireland when the whole country was in a turmoil over the question of Wood's Happence. The Irish were furious with the Government for granting the patent authorising Wood to manufacture copper money for Ireland. The Government were determined that their authority should be recognised, and refused to cancel the patent. The position seemed hopeless, but such was Carteret's ability that he succeeded in solving the problem to the complete satisfaction of the Irish and without impairing the prestige of the English Government. The patent was cancelled and Wood was given ample compensation.

The most virulent opponent of Wood's patent had been Dean Swift, who was known to be the author of the famous Drapier's Letters. He was Carteret's greatest friend, thus placing him in a most awkward position. But the tact and aptitude of the Lord Lieutenant obviated all difficulties. Two excellent stories are told of Carteret's dealings with Swift in connection with the Wood's Happence question.

On one occasion the hot-headed Dean, annoyed by his friend's apparent opposition to the Irish point of view, forced his way into a levée held by Carteret at the Castle. Without ceremony he burst into a bitter denunciation of his friend, accusing him of issuing a proclamation for the arrest of the author of the Drapier's Letters. Carteret alone of all the gathering was not disconcerted, and having heard the Dean to the end, replied instantly with a quotation from Virgil of singular felicity :

"Res dura et regni novitas me talia cogunt moliri."

Good humour was at once restored and the assembly broke up praising Carteret and condoling with Swift.

The other anecdote must end this sketch. Carteret had sent for Swift to come to the castle, and kept him waiting some time in the ante-chamber. The Dean sent in his card with the following inscription on the back :

"My very good Lord, 'tis a very hard task
For a man to wait here who has nothing to ask."

In a few minutes the card returned with this reply on it :

"My very good Dean, there are few who come here,
But have something to ask or something to fear."

The subject of Carteret's opposition to Walpole and his subsequent tenure of power is too long a one to deal with here, but if this account has given its readers some idea of one of Westminster's most brilliant sons it will have amply served its purpose.

THE PLAY SUPPER.

The Play Supper was held "Up Grants" on Monday, 19th December, in spite of the fact that there was no play. The ample repast which Mr. Tanner had so kindly provided was consumed with great appreciation, and the dessert course was just finishing, when A. K. Gilmour rose and proposed Mr. Tanner's health, which was enthusiastically drunk. This drew an appropriate and amusing reply from our House Master, in which he pointed out the various successes of the House in the past year, and finished by proposing the health of the monitors, to whose help he paid a very generous tribute. A. K. Gilmour, in reply, thanked the assembly for drinking the health of the monitors, and then gave a rather more detailed account of the doings of the House in the past year. He ventured on a prophecy (since partially fulfilled) that the next Head of Grants would be able to point to both shields hanging on the Grantite walls. In conclusion he proposed the health of the Old Grantites present. This was responded to in a clever speech by H. S. Ladell, and a series of excellent songs wound up a most successful and entertaining evening.

IN MEMORIAM.

A. M. T. JACKSON.

In 1782 Warren Hastings, the Great Governor-General of India, and Sir Elijah Impey, together with fifteen other Old Westminsters, with five others who, though they were not Old Westminsters themselves, wished to join in the gift, gave a silver cup to their old School in memory of their days there together. That cup is one of Westminster's most cherished possessions. It was a happy thought which induced certain Old Grantites to present a replica of this cup to the House in honour of Arthur Mason Tippet Jackson, who had formerly been "up" Grants with them, and who gave his life for his country in India just over a year ago.

The presentation was made on April 3rd in "Hall" by an Old Grantite, Sir Theodore Morison, K.C.I.E., who was accompanied by Mr. J. J. Phillimore and Mr. M. H. T. Pigott, and who in handing over the cup briefly sketched Mr. Jackson's career.

He was admitted as a half-boarder in 1880, becoming Princeps Oppidanorum in 1883-4, and sharing with M. H. T. Pigott the Headship of the House in those years. He went from Westminster to Brazenose College, Oxford, of which he became a scholar. He was given a Boden Scholarship to pursue his Sanskrit studies, and went to India in 1887. He became Collector at Nasik, and as scholar and administrator he exemplified the new type which in India has taken the place of the conquering soldier. He was admittedly one who, if he had been spared, would have had a distinguished career. But he was brutally shot in the back by an Indian anarchist at a farewell performance given in his honour at the theatre at Nasik on December 21st, 1909; and the horror which the deed aroused, shown not only by Europeans but also Indians, proved how greatly he was beloved.

Mr. Tanner, in briefly acknowledging the gift on behalf of the House, said that he did so with especial pleasure for two reasons. In the first place, most of the cups which came "up" the House were connected with athletics, but it was well to bear in mind that there were other things besides athletics, and of such the cup would be a perpetual reminder. In the second place it showed that, great as had been the traditions of Grant's in the past—as great as any House in any Public School in the Kingdom—Grantites were as ready to carry on those traditions at the present day as they would be to do so in the future. The proceedings then terminated.

Besides the Cup it is proposed to place a tablet outside the Old Library and present certain books on Indian subjects to the Scott Library.

L. E. T.

SENIORS (1st Round).

GRANT'S v. H.B.B.

This match was played Up-Fields on Saturday, 18th March, and resulted in a win for Grant's by 4—0.

The H.B.B. defence was somewhat weakened by Hallward coming up to centre-forward from goal, and the Grantite forwards experienced little difficulty in the attack.

However, the game was fairly even for the first 20 minutes, the backs of both sides indulging in long and rather wild kicking. Some good combination between Hume and A. Miles resulted in the latter neatly scoring the first goal.

H.B.B. began to press and Hallward at times looked dangerous, but Rawson and Potter at back always dominated the situation and kept passing with great accuracy to the forwards. At length Hume again secured and running through by himself scored the second goal for Grant's.

When the second half began H.B.B. were obviously a beaten side, and it was only the extreme soddenness of the ball that prevented Grant's from registering a large score. Once more Hume succeeded in defeating the opposing defence, and shortly before time C. Miles scored from a scrimmage in front of goal, Grant's thus winning by four goals to love.

SENIORS (Final Round).

GRANT'S V. RIGAUD'S.

This match was played Up-Fields on Tuesday, March 22nd, and resulted in a win for Grant's by 5—0. From the beginning of the match there was little doubt as to the result. Rigaud's were unfortunate in being deprived of the services of two of their usual team, while Grant's were without one of theirs.

The feature of the game was the strong combination of C. V. Miles and Hume at inside-left and centre-forward respectively. The Rigaudite defence completely failed to cope with them, and Miles succeeded in scoring three times and Hume once. The other goal was scored by Smith through a fumble on the part of the Rigaudite goalkeeper. This goal, which was the first scored, seemed to take all the heart out of our opponents, and Cooke for the rest of the game joined the defence, so ruining Rigaud's only chance of victory.

Rigaud's never looked like scoring and our backs experienced no difficulty in frustrating the few feeble attempts on the part of the Rigaudite forwards. Altogether the game was extremely disappointing for a House final.

CRITICISMS OF THE HOUSE TEAM.

R. R. Rawson made an excellent captain for the House, and though out of his place, played an invaluable game in both matches. He tackles and kicks very well, but is rather slow in recovering himself and turning round.

C. V. Miles was evidently "on his day" for both the House matches. For the School he has played excellently at times, but now and again he has not been at his best. Although he often succeeds in bustling through, he is inclined to keep the ball too long before centreing.

H. N. Hume has played well throughout the season, scoring nearly twenty goals for the school. In Seniors he played well and did a lot of useful work, but his game was spoilt by his unnecessarily vicious play, and he must learn to keep a better control on his temper.

R. F. Potter has played well for the school throughout the year. He tackles very well but is rather weak in his kicking. He has a happy knack of saving the situation at critical moments, and does not mind being knocked about.

J. C. Hobson has played regularly for the 2nd eleven this term and thoroughly deserves his "thirds." In seniors he played a good game at centre-half, but was apt to keep the ball too long to himself, and not feed his forwards properly.

B. Smith played a steady game in both matches, although his powers were not taxed to any great extent. He tackles well but is rather slow with the ball.

A. C. V. Miles is a good shot and has plenty of "go" in him, but should learn to make straight for goal instead of going to one side and shooting from a difficult angle. Against Regauds' he played well at outside-right, although it was his first appearance in that part of the field.

J. John, although he did not have much to do in seniors, did what he had excellently. At present he is inclined to be rather too impetuous, especially in running out; but he should in time be quite a good goalkeeper.

R. G. Vanneck played a good game against Home Boarders, and when he learns to centre harder, should make quite a good outside-right. He had bad luck on being unable to play in the Final.

E. L. Kellie worked hard in seniors. He tackles well, but does not know how to make sufficient use of his weight, while he is very inaccurate in his passing.

C. Langton passes well to his wing men, but is not good at combining with his inside forwards, and is rather apt to lose his head in front of goal. However, as he is still young, he has plenty of time for improvement and ought to be useful to the House in the future.

H. Eyre played for the House against Home Boarders. He worked hard but did not combine with his forwards and had hardly any control over the ball.

H. B. Thacker played in Vanneck's absence against Rigaud's. He has quite a good idea of the game but is greatly handicapped by his size. If he will only grow, he ought to be useful to the House in the future.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Society finished four plays last term. They were "Hamlet," "The School for Scandal," "The Scheming Lieutenant," and "The Critic." In "Hamlet," Mr. Tanner was at his best in the name-part, but the other characters left somewhat to be desired.

"The School for Scandal" produced a better standard of reading, and many of the scenes caused much amusement.

Mr. Tanner, as O'Connor in "The Scheming Lieutenant," was really excellent, and the whole play was given a more than usually realistic tone by the fervour with which the parts were read.

We finished with "The Critic," which is always a success.

We regret being unable to give the full casts, as they have been mislaid.

We take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Tanner for the many enjoyable evenings we have spent.

SONG OF SPRING.

Once again with merry ring
All the world awakes,
For the pipe of genial Spring
Winter's silence breaks.
Shepherds with a livelier measure
Start the echoes of the mountains,
In the meadows, bubbling fountains
Tempt the flocks to try their pleasure.
Come away! Since Springtide calls
Leave the murky city walls,
To the breezy forests go
Where Nature's streams begin to flow.

Through the bending boughs of green
Trembling zephyrs play,
Where the icy snows have been
Spring has cleared a way.
Every mossy grot and hollow
Gleams with flowers of varying hue,
Darkest red to softest blue.
Come away then! who will follow?
Spring is here, the world of sorrow
Vanishes until the morrow.
To the breezy forests go
Where Nature's streams begin to flow.

HOUSE NOTES.

Colquhoun, W. Rawson and Imroth left last term. We wish them all success in their future careers.

We have one new boy this term—Sankey; while Heigham has come to us from Ashburnham. They are both boarders.

J. C. Hobson was made a monitor at half-term.

The Grantite pair made a noble effort to retain the Gym-Cup, but succumbed at length to College, Grant's being second. Our pair were Hobson and Miles, A.

The Inter-House Drilling Cup has also left our walls after spending six of its eight years here.

Grant's put forward a pair for the racquets competition, rather for the sake of creating a precedent than with any hope of success.

As a set-off against these reverses we have gained that most prized of all winter trophies, the footer shield.

The result of the Sports this year is extremely doubtful. It is impossible to predict our success.

The following are the colours at the end of this term :—

| Pinks. | Pink and Black. | House Colours. |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------|
| R. R. Rawson | J. C. Hobson. | B. Smith |
| C. V. Miles | | A. Miles |
| H. U. Hume | | J. John |
| R. F. Potter | | |

The Play Supper was held on the last Monday of the Play Term.

An account of the presentation of the Jackson Memorial Cup will be found elsewhere.

Owing to the outbreak of measles last term the publication of the "Grantite Review" was postponed. For any inconvenience to O.G.'s on this account we heartily apologise.

YARD-BALL FUND.

The balance from last term was £1 1s. 4d., and eight dozen balls were bought—£2 16s. One hundred and thirty balls were skied or broken at 4d. each—£2 3s. 4d. So the balance next-term will be 8s. 8d.

C. V. MILES, Hon. Treasurer.

Anyone wishing to see the accounts in full must apply to the Hon. Treasurer.

YARD TIES.

Owing to recruit drills, signalling practices, and the fact that for a time yard was under repair, it has been impossible to play Yard Ties on Wednesdays as has been the practice hitherto. Furthermore the keenness over Yard Ties has not been sufficient to overcome these difficulties, so that they have not been finished and the sixpences have therefore been returned.

OLD GRANTITES.

Major the Earl of Cardigan, D.S.O. (Grant's 1887-90), by the death of his father, becomes the 6th Marquis of Ailesbury.

Mr. W. Teignmouth-Shore (Grant's 1879-83) has published a book on "Westminster" in Pitman's "Public School Life" series and also a life of "D'Orsay, The Complete Dandy."

The Rev. T. Salwey (Grant's 1851-52) has been appointed Rural Dean of Ware, Herts, and the Rev. E. R. Dowdeswell (Head of Grant's 1862-63) has been also appointed a Rural Dean in the diocese of Worcester.

Mr. A. C. Boulton (Grant's 1901-08) is President of the Oxford Musical Society this term.

BIRTHS.

On December 5th, the wife of Charles A. Phillimore, of a son.

On March 15th, the wife of Edgar A. Everington, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

On February 11th, Frederick George Worlock to Olive, daughter of Robert Noble, of Liverpool.

DEATHS.

We have to chronicle with regret the deaths of four Old Grantites. The Rev. Henry Warwick Hunt, a Rural Dean, who was "Up" Grant's from 1846 to 1851. After leaving he went to Trinity College, Cambridge, and subsequently, in 1872, he became Rector of Shermanbury, Sussex, a living he held at the time of his death. He married a daughter of Francis Rivaz, of Cowley Street, Westminster. He died in March.

The Rev. Charles Smythe Johnston, who died recently, was "Up" Grant's from 1858 to 1863, proceeding to Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and after being Curate of Battle, Sussex, and holding livings in Suffolk, became Rector of Sproughton, Suffolk, in 1880, a living he held at the time of his death.

A contemporary of his "Up" Grant's (1860-64), Everard William Wyld, passed away on April 2nd. He was formerly in the Foreign Office and was created a C.M.G. in 1891. His brother was also a Grantite, while a nephew of his has but recently left.

A more recent Grantite has passed away in Edgar Soames, who was "Up" Grant's from 1876 to 1880. He was a graduate of Trinity College, Cambridge, and practised as a solicitor at Bromley, Kent.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of THE GRANTITE REVIEW.

DEAR SIR,

Of the doings of Old Grantites at Oxford there is but little to record. The Lent term is generally dull. Perhaps Old Grantites are affected in the same way as most people are.

We occasionally see Mr. J. E. Y. Radcliffe, but since he has been called to the Bar he does not spend so much time in Oxford. He only coaches for the Law Schools in which, we need hardly say, his successes have been remarkable. Most of his time is claimed by the New Tory Club, of which he is one of the first and keenest supporters, and where he generally attracts a large audience to listen to his latest anecdotes. In the Ch. Ch. J. C. R. he also appears at times : everyone can tell he is there : his laugh is so audible.

Mr. E. R. J. Radcliffe Cousins is now quite a patriarch. But he is still very conspicuous, especially when walking down the High in riding breeches. He met with a nasty accident lately—breaking his arm when out riding. Perhaps Murati was too much for him ; perhaps the stories of his riding efforts in the school are true. It is always dangerous to talk about one's accomplishments till others have seen them. He looks as if he would have the knack of governing natives.

'Tis the fair sex who claim Mr. A. C. Boulton as another of their victims. But then the fate of all musicians at Oxford is much the same in that respect. Indeed we wonder he found time to row, for it hardly ever gives one a chance of doing anything else. He was very successful in the Christ Church 1st Torpid. If they all had been Boultons they would have retained the position of head. He is to be congratulated on being elected president of the O.U. Musical Club ; we feel sure it will flourish under his guidance. Many clubs, we hear, are bereft of his membership—the expense of belonging to them all must be very heavy. He did not conduct the orchestra at the O.U.D.S. production of the " Winter's Tale " this year. A good thing, perhaps, for a local paper remarked that the music was much better this year than last.

Mr. C. G. Reed, of B.N.C., has been playing football with some vim—especially at Cambridge against the Hall. It is time he found some better occupation ; he has tried hockey we have heard, for he played on two occasions for B.N.C. It is a mediocre game, but it affords exercise. His latest effort is golf.

He does not play often, but when he does everybody else on the course can hear him. Rumours are prevalent of some of his remarkable drives—but we are inclined to disbelieve them and to think that he must have spread them himself.

We have not heard much of Mr. R. H. Williams this term, except of his prowess with the cue. We look to him for a 1st in History, and if work is any criterion he certainly ought to get it.

Mr. Lewis is reading for Law, not with much diligence, judging by the number of lectures at which he does not appear. He is one of the leading lights of the Liberal benches and one of the most regular speakers at the Union. What would it be without its Oswald! He canvasses in a very systematic way, and by a judicious breakfast and dinner or two at the Clarendon, no doubt secures a number of votes that otherwise would not be recorded. His oratory is of a much higher standard than his golf. But he must persevere; it is very disheartening to play four and then land in the first bunker.

Mr. F. G. Hobson, of New College, rows. We are surprised; surely he has read of galley-slaves? The gym. and dangerous experiments in the labs. occupy the rest of his spare time, which cannot be of vast amount.

And now, Sir, wishing the House the best of luck in Seniors, I must close this letter.

I am,

Yours, &c.,

OXONIENSIS.

OUR CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

To the Editor of THE GRANTITE REVIEW.

DEAR SIR,

Your request for a letter is not one which we can lightly disregard, but for the past week we have been endeavouring to put from us the thoughts of Cambridge things—in short, as Mr. Micawber would have said, to forget them—in the pleasanter task of attempting to lure the “lusty trout” to rise to the seductive fly and not infrequently “hooking the kingdom of England” instead. But, “no more!—the freshening breath of thy rebuke, hath filled the swelling canvas of our souls,” and we hasten to comply with your request.

This term the main events have been the "Lents," for which the weather was kind, followed by some Balls, the 'Varsity Boxing and Fencing, and, since we have come down, the 'Varsity Golf match, the Sports, and the Boat race. We also had a very successful Old Westminster Dinner, for which Mr. Tanner came down and took the chair, and in his speech showed us that even masters could be treated of in a light and airy fashion! The Army has been inspected by Sir John French, while for the rest the plaint of "must work" has begun to be heard, and the more hopeful find gleams of intelligence in themselves, while the majority are merely conscious of abysmal ignorance.

Turning to Cambridge Old Grantites, Mr. E. D. Adrian, of Trinity, in whose capable hands as Secretary of the C.O.W.W., the arrangements for the dinner were left, charmed us afterwards with a speech full of figures and metaphors. He had the misfortune early in the term to fall downstairs and sprain his ankle, which prevented him from competing to represent Cambridge in Fencing.

Mr. H. F. Rawson, of Trinity, has been playing a certain amount of football. He has moved into College and scours the country on a motor bicycle. Mr. F. R. J. Tomlinson is also the possessor of a motor bicycle. We trust that it was not Mr. Tomlinson who rode down a steep place at Ely straight into the river the other day. The papers merely said a Trinity Undergraduate. We are glad to see that he maintains the Westminster traditions of 3rd Trinity, which, by the way, had two Westminsters rowing for them in the Lents—Mr. Tomlinson and Mr. Thoresby Jones.

Mr. F. Vey and Mr. D. Vey, both of Clare, we have but seen once this term, the former at the Union, the latter on his motor bicycle, but of their doings we regret to have heard nothing.

Mr. R. S. Storer, of the same College, continues much as usual.

Mr. Richardson-Kuhlmann is now our only representative at Christ's College. He spends much of his time bicycling and his leisure in discussing politics with a prominent member of the Union of advanced Radical and Socialistic tendencies. We may yet live to see Mr. Richardson-Kuhlmann red-tied and long-haired, swaying a mob of Socialists by the eloquence of his invective.

The Law still claims as its own Mr. J. Geare, of Pembroke, but he does some riding and soldiering in his spare time, though he emulates the shark in his breakfasting arrangements. So, indeed, does Mr. L. E. Tanner, of the same College, who has just been elected President of "The Martlets," and thereby filling

an ancient and honourable position. He is also, it would seem, in his leisure time arranging the papers and letters of William Hayley, the friend of Cowper, which have been lately deposited in the Fitzwilliam.

Mr. Yolland, of Caius, "keeps" at one end of the town and we "keep" at the other, consequently we see him but occasionally. He was also away much of the term, having fallen a victim to jaundice, but he has now, we are glad to hear, recovered.

Mr. G. L. Brown, of Jesus, was rowing for his College in the Lents and is a member of the Footlights.

We apologise for a short letter, and in conclusion we must congratulate you on winning the Shield.

I am,

Yours, &c.,

CANTABRAGIENSIS.

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