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## A MEMORY OF 1878.

WE reprint from the *Pauline* the following interesting reminiscence of fifty years ago :

'Prayers over, the new boys were allotted to their various forms, and I found myself in the Middle Fourth, presided over by William Gunion Rutherford, a hard-faced, beetle-browed man, whose speech betrayed the fact that he came from north of the Tweed. Berwick, indeed, was his native town. He was a fine scholar, and taught us well, but his methods would nowadays be regarded as both barbaric and barbarous. He was a firm believer in the use of the cane as an aid to learning, and no child under him was spoilt because the rod was spared. Some of us, indeed, were soundly thrashed several times a week. The procedure in his form was that the boys handed in their night-work each morning. Mr. Rutherford examined it at night, and passed judgment on it the following morning. His remarks were usually

terse; a frequent formula was, "The exercises this morning were remarkably bad; Preston and Montagu Smith I shall cane." The association of these names occasioned no surprise, for these two culprits were in the habit of writing the aforesaid "exercises" in collaboration during an all too brief railway journey from the then charming country suburb of Denmark Hill to Ludgate Hill Station. The L.C. & D.R. had no great reputation for punctuality or speed, but this journey rarely took more than fifteen minutes, so it may well be that Mr. Rutherford's verdict was a just one, though, perhaps, I did not think so at the time. His custom was to pass sentence first thing in the morning and not to carry it into execution till just before morning school closed at one o'clock, thus giving the delinquents plenty of time for reflection and anticipation. This did not affect hardened sinners, but novices were apt to suffer greatly. One day—probably a fog had prolonged our railway journey to half an hour or so—my name and my collaborator's were absent from the caning list; instead Rutherford mentioned the last



fellow we should have expected, a hard-working, good boy who had mysteriously fallen from grace on this occasion. The disgrace was too much for him, and he wept all the morning, occasionally breaking out into a convulsive sob, especially when I, who was seated exactly behind, stirred him up with the toe of my boot. On one of these occasions Rutherford noticed the cause of the sob, and my name was added to the programme. Rutherford had two ways of caning. To some boys he would give two or three strokes on each hand; others, including myself, he thought would derive more benefit from application to the posterior regions. His method was very simple: he inserted his left hand inside my shirt-collar, took a firm grip and lifted me across his left knee, having previously placed his left leg on a desk; then four, five, or six sharp cuts, and I was allowed to go back to my place. Sometimes the results to my linen were disastrous, and I remember my gentle mother once remarking, "I think those St. Paul's boys must be very rough; this is your third collar with a broken buttonhole this week." I regret to say that I was mean enough to allow my schoolfellows to remain under this stigma, for it was not till many years later that I confessed that the broken buttonholes were due to the bony knuckles of my pedagogue. Rutherford had another method of punishment which was at least effective. He would seat himself in a chair, with his cane poised in his right hand, and call out a boy to stand in front of him and construe. Any slip was marked by a sharp cut with the cane, and to this day I wince when I hear a false quantity. This reminds me of the first effort at construing I heard in Rutherford's class on my first day in the School. To find out the extent of our knowledge—perhaps ignorance would be a better word—we were given in turn an elementary Latin primer and told to read. The first to essay the task was a bright lad from the Emerald Isle, who read "Moils pognaat—the Sojer foights." Rutherford had a grim sardonic humour, and I recall his remarking to one of his class who was very particular about his clothes and appearance, "My dear L—, elegance is nothing without energy." A few years later L— was curate in a slum parish in London, and the energy he displayed there was even more conspicuous than his elegance at school. While still a form master at St. Paul's, Rutherford wrote his great work, *The New Phrynichus*. Its publication established his reputation as a Classicist, and led to his appointment in 1883 to the Headmastership of Westminster School, where he nearly brought about a revolution by suggesting the abolition of the time-honoured ceremony of "Tossing the Pancake" on Shrove Tuesday.

## School Notes.

C. M. Harrison (K.S.S.) and B. H. Dulanty (BB.) have been appointed School Monitors.

The Ireland Greek Verse prize was won by T. H. S. Wyllie and the Waterfield Latin Prose prize by D. J. G. J. Jones.

A Confirmation will be held in Abbey on July 5 by the Bishop of Durham, at 12 noon.

At the Installation of the Knights of the Bath on May 10 a number of the School were present; the King's Scholars and some others acted as stewards. A guard of honour from the Westminster O.T.C. was inspected by His Majesty the King. His Majesty was graciously pleased to ask that a Play should be granted in honour of the occasion. An extra day, therefore, is to be added to the exeat.

In memory of the late Sir Henry Lucy ("Toby, M.P.") who was a great friend of the School, Lady Lucy has made to the School a gift of £1000. The annual income from this benefaction is to be used partly for the provision of Drawing prizes, and partly as a fund for the benefit of Town Boys when occasion arises.

The four new Fives Courts created by the conversion of the Racquet Court are now completed and in use. They are equipped with electric light so that games can be continued late on winter afternoons. The work has been capably executed by Messrs. Bickley. For the cost of this welcome improvement we are indebted to the generosity of the Governing Body, the Elizabethan Club, and three individual Old Westminsters—Mr. R. A. Bosanquet, Mr. Oswald Lewis, and the Right Hon. J. C. C. Davidson, M.P.

The Morden field has been successfully mole-drained, and is in full operation for cricket this term

## THE SPORTS.

THE Sports, which as usual were held at the end of last term, were almost completely spoilt by rain. On the last day, the track was almost under water and most of the races were run in driving rain. In the circumstances good times were out of the question. We can only express our thanks to those who so cheerfully braved the elements and rendered us their services. To Sir Ernest Goodhart (O.W.) for presenting the prizes, to Messrs. D. C. Simpson, M. F. Young, and W. N. McBride (O.W.W.) for acting as judges, and to Messrs. D. J. Knight and T. M. Murray-Rust for their services as starter and timekeeper, respectively. The Sports Cup was won by Grant's, who were a single point ahead of Ashburnham, and J. B. Sturdy (K.S.) was Victor Ludorum. We must condole with Ashburnham, who, in the last four years, have three times failed to secure the Sports Cup by a single point.

150 YARDS (under 14).—1 Stevens (K.S.S.), 2 Studt (H.BB.). *Time*, 20 4-5 secs.

100 YARDS (under 15).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 Stevens (K.S.S.). *Time*, 12 2-5 secs.



QUARTER MILE (under 15).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 Jennens (A.HH.). *Time*, 68 2-5 secs.

HURDLE RACE (under 15).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 Studt (H.BB.). *Time*, 23 1-5 secs.

HIGH JUMP (under 15).—1 Wilmoth (RR.), 2 Cresswell (RR.). *Height*, 4 ft. 3½ ins.

LONG JUMP (under 15).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 Studt (H.BB.). *Distance*, 15 ft. 9 ins.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (under 15).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 Argyle (K.SS.). *Distance*, 64 yds. 1 ft. 9 ins.

100 YARDS (under 16).—1 Lawton (GG.), 2 Ivanovic (A.HH.). *Time*, 12 2-5 secs.

QUARTER MILE (under 16).—1 Lawton (GG.), 2 ten Doesschate (K.SS.). *Time*, 62 4-5 secs.

HALF MILE (under 16).—1 Lawton (G.G.), 2 ten Doesschate (K.SS.). *Time*, 2 mins. 25 1-5 secs.

ONE MILE (under 16).—1 Lawton (GG.), 2 ten Doesschate (K.SS.). *Time*, 5 mins. 56 2-5 secs.

100 YARDS (Open).—1 Porterfield (A.HH.), 2 Sturdy (K.SS.), 3 Heard (GG.). *Time*, 11 4-5 secs.

QUARTER MILE (Open).—1 Heard (GG.), 2 Sturdy (K.SS.), 3 H. L. Jones (K.SS.). *Time*, 57 3-5 secs.

HALF MILE (Open).—1 Heard (GG.), 2 Sturdy (K.SS.), 3 H. L. Jones (K.SS.). *Time*, 2 mins. 16 2-5 secs.

ONE MILE (Open).—1 Sturdy (K.SS.), 2 Baker (H.BB.), 3 Gardiner (GG.). *Time*, 5 mins. 18 2-5 secs.

HURDLE RACE (Open).—1 Porterfield (A.HH.), 2 Levy (H.BB.). *Time*, 19 4-5 secs.

LONG JUMP (Open).—1 H. L. Jones (K.SS.), 2 Sahler (A.HH.). *Distance*, 17 ft. 11¾ ins.

HIGH JUMP (Open).—1 Wakely (G.G.), 2 Charrington (A.HH.). *Height*, 5 ft. 1½ ins.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (Open).—1 Gibson (H.BB.), 2 Gardiner (GG.). *Distance*, 80 yds. 10 ins.

300 YARDS HANDICAP (over 16).—1 Gutteridge (A.HH.), 2 Porterfield (A.HH.). *Time*, 36 secs.

CONSOLATION RACE.—Wyllie (A.HH.) ran over.

O.W.W. RACE.—1 M. F. Young (RR.), 2 C. R. Lane (A.HH.). *Time*, 14 2-5 secs.

INTER-HOUSE TUG.—Homeboarders.

K.SS. v. T.BB. TUG.—Town Boys.

INTER-HOUSE RELAY RACE.—Grant's.

VICTOR LUDORUM.—Sturdy (K.SS.), 14 points.

INTER-HOUSE SPORTS CHALLENGE CUP.—Grant's, 35 points; Ashburnham, 34 points; King's Scholars, 32 points; Homeboarders, 14 points; Rigaud's, 4 points.

## INFORMAL CONCERT.

MARCH 12, 1928.

THIS Concert was, as a whole, on a level comparable to its predecessors. It was, perhaps, a trifle too long, but at least we were enlivened by the vigorous scene-shifting between the numbers.

The entertainment itself started brightly with a Danse Russe, played by Finnie and Bridgewater. The second item consisted of an unusual combination of instruments—two violins, a 'cello and the organ. The two bagatelles, which were played by Hacker, Williamson, Harrison and Engleheart, made attractive and often impressive

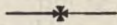
music, but the strings were inclined to be uncertain from time to time. The next number, two piano solos, 'Reminiscence' and 'The Stranger' (Schumann), was rendered rather boisterously by Matthews. Then Lace and Hobman gave us a rondo for two flutes by Kuhlau. This at first sounded strange, owing to the absence of the piano, but it proved to be an attractive piece. The two players were always together and well in tune. The next item, a fugue played by the composer, F. D. Kidner, was very complicated and very short. We should have liked to have heard more of this player's ability. After this came, perhaps, the best item in the entertainment—the first movement of a Mozart Sonata for the violin, which was played by E. R. Smith. This was a tuneful piece and gave us considerable pleasure to listen to. Next was played a brass quartet—No. 2 of Three *Æquales* (Beethoven). The performers were Fouracre, Salvi, Lewis and Luard. They lived up to their reputation, but were unfortunately not properly in tune. Then Engleheart and Bridgewater provided us with somewhat of a novelty—a concerto in C major for two pianos, by Bach. This is an interesting work, and was well rendered, though perhaps a trifle confusedly in parts. After this came a song by Fouracre, entitled 'Young Dietrich' (by Handel). He sang this quite impressive song in a pleasant voice, though perhaps he did not make the best of it in parts, as occasionally his singing was overcome by the piano. The flute again made an appearance in the next number, which was played by Hobman. It was an Allegro and Gavotte from a Sonata in C by Handel. It was pleasing in the Handelian style, and it was well delivered. After that we were delighted by one of Chopin's nocturnes, played by Rhodes, who, although rather uncertain at the start, gave us a delicate representation of the piece. Owing to the lateness of the hour one of Allen's oboe solos had to be cut out, viz., an anonymous minuet. The air that was played was sweet but short. For the same reason Crook's first piano solo, Palmgren's 'Night in May,' had to be omitted, and he only played Debussy's 'Minstrels.' He played this excellently, but it was Debussy. The last item, the first movement from the Brandenburg Concerto in D Major, unfortunately could not be called an unqualified success. To begin with, the violin part had to be played on the second piano. Hobman seemed to be lost with his flute part, and it was only some praiseworthy piano-playing by Lewis that saved it.

In conclusion, we have to thank Mr. Lofthouse and all the performers for giving us a most enjoyable concert.



## PROGRAMME.

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|----|---|---------------------|
| 1  | Piano Duet, Danse Russe ...                                   | <i>Tschaikowski</i> |
|    | FINNIE AND BRIDGEWATER.                                       |                     |
| 2  | Two Bagatelles for Two Violins, 'Cello and Harmonium ... ..   | <i>Dvorak</i>       |
|    | HACKER, WILLIAMSON, HARRISON, ENGLEHEART.                     |                     |
| 3  | Piano Solos (a) Reminiscence ... ..                           | <i>Schumann</i>     |
|    | (b) The Stranger.   |                     |
|    | M. MATTHEWS.  |                     |
| 4  | Rondo for Two Flutes ... ..                                   | <i>Kuhlau</i>       |
|    | LACE AND HOBMAN.  |                     |
| 5  | Piano Solo, Fugue in C minor ...                              | <i>F. D. Kidner</i> |
|    | F. D. KIDNER.   |                     |
| 6  | Violin Solo, First Movement from Sonata in E minor ... ..     | <i>Mozart</i>       |
|    | E. R. SMITH.  |                     |
| 7  | Brass Quartet, No. 2 of Three <i>Æquales</i> ... ..           | <i>Beethoven</i>    |
|    | FOURACRE, SALVI, LEWIS, LUARD.                                |                     |
| 8  | First Movement from Concerto for Two Pianos in C major ... .. | <i>Bach</i>         |
|    | ENGLEHEART AND BRIDGEWATER.                                   |                     |
| 9  | Vocal Solo, 'Young Dietrich' ... ..                           | <i>Henschel</i>     |
|    | FOURACRE.   |                     |
| 10 | Flute Solo, Allegro and Gavotte from Sonata in C ... ..       | <i>Handel</i>       |
|    | HOBMAN.   |                     |
| 11 | Piano Solo, Nocturne in E flat ... ..                         | <i>Chopin</i>       |
|    | RHODES.   |                     |
| 12 | Oboe Solo, Air ... ..   | <i>Anon.</i>        |
|    | ALLEN.  |                     |
| 13 | Piano Solo, 'Minstrels' ... ..                                | <i>Debussy</i>      |
|    | CROOK.  |                     |
| 14 | First Movement from Brandenburg Concerto in D major ... ..    | <i>Bach</i>         |
|    | Piano: LEWIS. Flute: HOBMAN.                                  |                     |



## MEMORIES OF OLD CUSTOMS AT WESTMINSTER, 1866-1872.

WE are indebted to Mr. F. C. Lott for the following:

I went to Westminster after Whitsuntide in 1866, being then twelve years old and having been a day boy in an old grammar school in a very small town in Oxfordshire. I was for two years 'up Grant's.' One of my first recollections is that talking in the bedroom I spoke of boys as 'chaps.' I was kindly but emphatically cautioned that I must say 'fellows.' This is not exactly an instance of a custom, but it is an instance of precise adherence to the customary.

I do not think there were many or notable old customs peculiar to Grant's. I do remember one pseudo-old custom, which, if it existed before my time, was omitted when I was a new boy. The boys in hall, that is, those who had not been promoted to one of the Chiswicks or to Library, at the beginning of one half insisted that every new boy should clamber to the top of the lockers

at one end of hall and jump down to the floor. I did the jump *once*, though not as a new boy and not under compulsion. There was just room to stand on the top of the lockers without touching the ceiling with one's head. When the head was near the ceiling the jump looked much worse than when, with feet on the floor, one looked at the top of the cupboards. One timid new boy would not jump. After suffering much from badgering threats, he was let off with standing on the table and singing a song. He did stand and utter curious sounds.

Somehow 'The Bird,' Mr. Marshall, the House Master, got to know what had been done, and he held an inquiry. There were long—or they seemed long—silences during this inquiry; but the end came near when an Irish boy, not himself at all a bully, blurted out, not without brogue, 'It's a good old custom, sir.' He repudiated the special responsibility which 'The Bird' was inclined to impute to him because he had so spoken. 'The Bird' did not press that point, but spoke scornfully of calling such a practice 'a good old custom.' I do not remember that he punished any one, but when we came back for the next half a new row of lockers nearer to the ceiling left no room for any new boy on top of them.

Tossing in a blanket, or rather, in a rug, was a custom, perhaps not invariable, at the end of a half. I remember being tossed in hall. Because I was light and held myself compactly I struck the ceiling. So I was to be tossed in the yard. I got a promise that I should only be sent high once; so as I came down from the high toss I moved to get out of the rug. It was tightened, and I went up once more, not high and not straight; I came down on to the head of one of the tossers—no harm to either of us. I do not think that up Grant's '*Ibis ab excusso missus ad astra sago*' was known. In College it was.

A peculiar custom for all the little boys in the Under School was that they should be at the Head Master's door a little before school time and should begin to shout 'Scott' when he came out, and follow him, so shouting, to School steps.

Just before the Whitsuntide holidays the Head Master, accompanied by the Examiners, who came then to examine the Seniors for Election, sat at the 'shell' end of School, to hear boys read epigrams. At the end of my first year the motto was 'Clausit opus.' One boy read the following, given to him by 'The Bird':

'Oh puss with a mouse, oh puss with a mouse,  
Oh see how she claws it, oh puss with a mouse.'

I remember the last line of my first epigram. The epigram was about the end of the half and the coming holidays. It ended thus:



'Otium cum dignitate is the rule at home.'

I overheard Dr. Scott say to the Don, sitting by him: 'Imagine Lott's dignity.' He gave me a little silver Maundy coin.

I remember three 'mills in green' during my first two years at Westminster. One was a serious fight between two Queen's Scholars, second or third Elections, both big, strong boys. I got up, as I suppose all boarders did, to see the fight. It was fought in rounds. There were 'seconds' and jugs of water and sponges, and I suppose all the punctilio of an old-fashioned prize fight. The other two fights were between much smaller boys who had quarrelled or been incited to quarrel up Grant's. In these, too, all the etiquette of prize-fighting was as far as possible observed. The Masters, however, disapproved of 'mills,' and the old doctrine, that the Captain could give leave to a Queen's Scholar and the Head Town Boy to a Town Boy to fight, provided that the fighting was in the green in cloisters before morning school, was destroyed.

I may here insert a story which is illustrative of the prevalence of fighting with fists in the early years of the nineteenth century. The green in Dean's Yard had then no railings round it, but the boys would not allow any one to cross it. One day a young man begun to walk across. He did not turn back when some small boys told him to. They quickly called a bigger boy—whose name was Robert Hussey—to come to stop him. Hussey told him he must fight or go back. He chose to fight. Hussey was knocked down (but not much hurt) two or three times. The stranger was not touched. Hussey came up again. The stranger said, 'You are a plucky boy. I'll go back. I am So-and-So.' He gave a name then well known, that of the Champion of the Light Weights, who was at the time in training for a mill. The story was told to me by an old Westminster some years junior to Hussey.

I was fortunate in entering College in the year that I did, for I only heard the tradition of and I did not suffer from three barbarous customs which had very recently existed. One was on a day when 'station' was in College Gardens (now built over). The new Juniors had to run round the gardens and be cut at by racket balls; another, a day of station in baths, when they were ducked. A third and more permanent evil was the right of second Elections to make a Junior stand up and be struck again and again on the sides of the head by the open hand. The abolition of this old custom is to be credited to the Election who were Second Elections when I was a junior—1868-69. I am still grateful to them.

I will enumerate some of the differences between the life of a younger boy up Grant's and the life of a Junior in College.

Up Grant's we slept in rooms. The head of the House had a little room to himself. There were a few small rooms for one or two boys, but there were generally three or five in a room. There was a cold water tap on each landing. Some hot water and 'tosh-pans' for washing feet were provided once a week.

Each Queen's Scholar had a cubicle in the dormitory. It was called his house. No baths were provided, but any boy might have one. In Way there was a row of washing basins, but the place was dark and dirty, and they were seldom used.

In College Juniors and Second Elections wore College waistcoats. These were a peculiar sort of double-breasted jackets. I think Juniors wore them buttoned high, Second Elections open at the neck. Third Elections and Seniors wore ordinary coats then called 'cutaways.' All Q.S.S. wore white ties—except one, who had a precocious beard.

All the younger Town Boys wore black Eton jackets. I remember, however, that I first appeared in a brown suit. The other boys did not annoy me, but the Head Master noticed me and said, 'We cannot have you running about like a little cockchafer.' Older Town Boys and Town Boys in the sixth wore swallow-tail coats when I first came, but this old custom was relaxed as the number of Homeboarders increased. (I may mention incidentally that Benjamin Jowett, the great Master of Balliol, was noticeable as the last man to wear swallow-tails in day-time in Oxford.)

Breakfast was at nine, after eight o'clock School. Up Grant's we had bread and butter and a slice or two of beef or ham. In College only bread and butter. In winter we toasted the bread at the big, double-fronted stove. First Seniors and Juniors toasting for them; then Third Elections. Then Second Elections and Juniors for themselves. Their turn came when some Senior called out to start them. They stood touching the table between the two entrances with their toasting forks, and when the start was given rushed to the stove.

The slices for toasting were cut for us beforehand, and they were, so far as there was room, put down to dry before the fire before being put on the toasting fork. The test of a perfectly toasted toast was that it should break into pieces if dropped on the stone floor. A few boys dissented from this doctrine.

Up Grant's a servant went round with a jug and gave each boy one glass of beer, except those who



preferred water. In College the jug was put on the table. When it was emptied the servant refilled it. The Seniors had a double-handled silver cup from which they drank without even the measurement of a glass. I think the beer was not strong.

Up Grant's the last meal was tea and bread and butter. Queen Scholars had a supper of cold meat, bread and cheese and butter, and beer in College Hall. Afterwards in College a fire was always kept going for the making of tea or cocoa, and we often provided ourselves with some biscuits or cake to eat with this drink.

An innovation which some of us thought was very wrong was that some Homeboarders—Town Boys—began to have dinner in hall.

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### EXTRACT FROM

### 'THE COWICHAN LEADER.'

FLOREAT SHAWNIGAN.

FROM the pleasant woods and calm waters of Shawnigan to the spacious days of Good Queen Bess when wild waves were mastered by wild Englishmen is a far cry. Yet there is a connection, one of those tethers 'stronger than life.'

Westminster School dates its origin from the times of Elizabeth, though it is the immediate successor of a grammar school which was in existence before the Reformation. For nearly four centuries Westminster boys have played their part in the history of England and of the Englands beyond the seas.

It has fallen to one of them in our day to serve his generation in our own midst. The 'private' school here holds the ideals and cherishes the traditions of the 'public' school of the British Isles. Those ideals and traditions have been transplanted to all the Dominions in greater or less degree. In no land have such schools yet failed to bring up boys who, by their influence, have become better citizens of Canada, New Zealand or Australia, as the case may be.

Quietly and without ostentation, the private venture, known locally as 'Lonsdale's,' has passed and Shawnigan Lake School has become—to quote its carefully chosen 'charter'—'a fabric founded to endure in all future time and ordered to the intent that it shall exercise a continuing influence upon the lives of the boys and so contribute towards the welfare of the Dominion of Canada.'

We congratulate the School upon this burgeoning into a new phase of its career. It constitutes an event probably unparalleled in the educational

annals of this Dominion. Long may the traditions of Westminster flourish by the haunted lake. Long may her sons deserve and bear the palm.

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### A CONTRAST.

A BRIGHT May morning. Above, the Abbey towers framed in the fresh spring foliage, bright and clear against the sky. Below, Dean's Yard full of sound and colour, for the King is to visit the Abbey to instal new Knights of the Bath. One great car after another glides up to deposit its occupants, resplendent in uniform or Mantle of the Order. Soon the Yard is full of cars, and the queue extends into the streets behind. A harsh word of command, the School O.T.C. presents arms, and the King's arrival means that the Service will begin. Gorgeously vested, the Abbey clergy meet the Sovereign and his Knights, and lead them to Henry's Chapel, where, as he kneels before the Altar, each new Knight takes his oath—'. . . to defend maidens, widows and orphans in their right, and to suffer no extortion. . . .'

'How many of the Knights have ever visited Lambeth?' The question forced itself into my mind, as, half an hour later, business took me across Lambeth Bridge. I stood for a moment half way across. On one side the Palace of Westminster, glittering and stately—just at that moment, perhaps, a Knight was taking the oath. On the other side—with scarcely a quarter mile, as the crow flies, between the two—mean streets, drabness, poverty. My errand was with the vicar of a parish just behind St. Thomas's. 'Six thousand people in my parish,' he told me, 'but I can walk from any corner of it to another in three minutes.' Everywhere hardly imaginable over-crowding, squalor, and, above all, an overpowering ugliness.

It isn't a new contrast, though the circumstances brought it home to me afresh. But isn't there something wrong somewhere? 'Would Jesus be more at home in the Abbey procession or in the Lambeth slum?' I wondered as I walked home. There seemed to be only one honest answer to that question.

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### HALL EPIGRAMS.

OUR readers are reminded that the Theses for this year are :

1. Ex uno disce omnes.
2. τί τυφλῷ καὶ κατόπτρῳ ;

Epigrams, which may be in any language or metre, should be sent to the Master of K.S.S. at 3, Little Dean's Yard, before June 30.



The Elizabethan Club.

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WESTMINSTER DINNER, 1927.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT.

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191 at		Account	...119 6 0
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41 at 15/6	31 15 6	Coldstream Gds.	... 8 8 0
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„ Loan	... 65 0 0	„ Printing	... 15 4 6
		„ Advertising	... 20 10 6
		„ Postage and Sundries	... 2 14 6
		„ Typing	... 8 3 0
		„ Gratuities	... 1 13 6
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CRICKET FIXTURE CARD.

Date.	Opponents.	Ground.
Sat., May 12	—University College (London).	Perivale.
Sat. „ 26	—Byfleet.	Byfleet.
Mon. „ 28	—Highgate School.	Highgate.
Sat., June 2	—Old Merchant Taylors.	Teddington.
Sat. „ 9	—Eton Ramblers.	Vincent Square.
Sat. „ 16	—Epsom.	Epsom.
Sun. „ 17	—Chiswick Park.	Chiswick.
Sun. „ 24	—Hillingdon Court.	Hillingdon Court.
Sat. „ 30	—London Hospital.	Hale End.
Sun., July 1	—Wimbledon.	Wimbledon.
Sat. „ 14	—Pinner.	Pinner.
Sat. „ 21	—Bickley Park.	Bickley.
Sun. „ 22	—Richmond.	Richmond.
Sat. „ 28	—Westminster School.	Vincent Square.
Wed., Aug. 1	—Bank of England.	Vincent Square.
Thurs. „ 2	—Cryptics.	Vincent Square.
Fri. „ 3	—Thespids.	Vincent Square.
Sat. „ 4	—Lancing Rovers.	Vincent Square.
Sat. „ 25	—H.A.C.	Finsbury.
Sat., Sept. 1	—Limpsfield.	Limpsfield.
Sat. „ 8	—Bank of England.	Roehampton.

CHANNEL ISLANDS TOUR.

Thurs., Aug. 9	} Guernsey Island.	Guernsey.
Fri. „ 10		Guernsey.
Sat. „ 11	} Jersey Island.	Guernsey.
Mon. „ 13		Jersey.
Tues. „ 14		Jersey.
Wed. „ 15		Jersey.

FIVES RACKETS, SQUASH RACKETS AND TENNIS SOCIETY, 1927-8.

During the season 31 matches were played, 14 at Fives and 17 at Squash Rackets, while 7 other matches were arranged that had to be scratched owing to causes beyond the control of the Society.

At Fives 4 matches were won and 3 drawn—Harrow, Uppingham, Aldenham, Highgate and City of London amongst other Schools being met, Charterhouse and Berkhamsted having to scratch their fixtures. No less than five pairs went down to Harrow, where the result proved that quality is more important than quantity.

Three O.WW. pairs were entered for the Kin-naird Cup (the unofficial Championship of Eton Fives) and the first pair—Taylor and Lund—made considerable progress before having to scratch, due, we understand, to the temporary departure of one of its members from civilized areas.

Only one win and two drawn matches can be claimed at Squash Rackets, with twenty individual matches won against sixty-nine lost, but the opposition on many occasions was of a high standard, most of the London Clubs being met.

Members have shown great keenness, but, unfortunately of the four or five O.WW. with real match play experience, one was unable to play at all during the season, and the regular first and second strings were both *hors de combat* for some weeks.

Two most enjoyable eight a side matches were arranged against Wentworth, while five or six a side were played in several of the others.

It is worthy of note that the O.WW. are the only Old Boys' side running a regular programme of Squash Rackets matches, and our thanks are due to the many clubs who have entertained us during the past season. During the coming one it is hoped to arrange a Knock-Out Handicap Tournament, and full details will be sent to members in due course.

In all, thirty-five members have played various games for the Society throughout the year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CANADA.

March, 1928.

DEAR SIR,—Say, listen! Here in the wide, open spaces where men are men and pancakes eat their young, we remember your request for a letter, and exchanging the saddle, momentarily for a pen, hasten to oblige.

We have been in this country for three months, and have noticed that every member of its population (and we must have met nearly all of them) has asked us what we think of Canada. Mr. Brandon-Thomas, with an eye to his box office and remembering Dr. Jowett, replies with remarkable and even maddening consistency, 'What is far more important is, what does Canada think of us.'



Mr. Shepley-Smith's opinion smacks of an aching heart and is shorter!

We met Mr. Stoker, once of Rigaud's fame, adorning the sacred portals of the Mount Royal Club. On the train (travelling first class) we met Capt. A. D. F. Thomason, late of Ashburnham, who, be it said to his everlasting credit and to Mr. Brandon-Thomas' disgust, stood Mr. Shepley-Smith his breakfast.

The reference to 'first class' is to indicate that we have mixed with society 'so high' that on one occasion Mr. Shepley-Smith was asked whether he was a 'guest or an actor.' His reply has not been discovered, though many of the 'troupe' (or 'show-folk') have been at great pains to find out.

In fairness we must confess that the only person to say to us, 'pleased to meet you,' has been an Englishman.

Mr. W. A. R. Hadley, late of Grant's, wrote expressing great keenness to see us at Victoria, so we invited him round. As, however, it was the last day of the week—in which we had done three plays—history does not relate whether his enthusiasm would have prevailed had we been staying longer.

For two whole days we returned to school at Shawnigan Lake, where Mr. C. W. Lonsdale, ably assisted by Mr. Martin Ellis, and others, direct the fortunes of the leading school in Canada. We mean 'returned to school' literally, as we found ourselves in a replica of School, complete with monitorial. We noticed with interest that Shrewsbury, Mill Hill and Malvern had given chairs with their respective arms carved upon them to this pioneer of the Public School spirit in Canada. We noticed with more interest that no arms of Westminster adorned the only uncarved chair. On enquiry we were told that they had been asked for. On asking whether they had been refused, the gentlemanly silence saddened our hearts with the knowledge that the old saying still holds good that 'a prophet is not without honour, save in his own country.'

Two bronchos (needless to say, unbroken) await us at the door of the shack, so pens are 'taboo,' and saddles to the fore (Mr. Shepley-Smith insists on wearing spurs in addition; this must be his 'Varsity upbringing—J. B.-T.).

Ave atque Vale,  
CHARLEY'S AUNT,  
O.W.W., W. Canada.

PS.—We neither chew nor spit, and owing to failure to pay our first instalment do not possess horn-rimmed spectacles; but Mr. Brandon-Thomas has a fur collar (detachable—(A. M. S.-S.)).

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND DINNER.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Scott Library on Thursday, July 12, at 6.45 p.m.

The Annual Dinner of the Club will be held in College Hall on Thursday, July 12, at 8 p.m.

### O.T.C.

THE field-day at Aldershot, which should have taken place on March 1, was cancelled owing to the weather.

As the message to stop us arrived after we had left Waterloo, we were taken to see two of the

units in the Aldershot Command, the R.A.F. and the Royal Tank Corps, and afterwards were shewn some military films.

The Corps took part in a most successful field-day on March 9 at Amberley, Sussex, in conjunction with Lancing and Christ's Hospital. We should like to express our best thanks to O.C. Lancing O.T.C. for so kindly providing tea for us.

The Inter-House Squad Drill Competition was won by Homeboarders (Commander, Under-Officer W. K. Tate).

The annual inspection took place on Friday, March 23, the inspecting officer being Lieut.-Col. A. F. A. N. Thorne, C.M.G., D.S.O., Grenadier Guards.

The results of Certificate 'A' were not so good as they were last year; taking the November and March examinations together, out of 42 candidates, 28 were successful.

G. L. T.

### FOOTBALL COLOURS, 1927-8.

THE following Colours were awarded:

*Pinks.*—\* K. J. Gardiner, \* J. B. Sturdy, \* L. J. D. Wakely, K. H. L. Cooper, C. E. Lonsdale, \* A. C. Bird, I. W. A. Symington, D. A. Bompas, \* N. L. Foster, \* J. W. M. Aitken, \* H. L. Jones.

*Pink-and-Whites.*—\* R. W. D. Carr, H. B. Graham, J. K. Luard, P. F. Wingate, \* M. F. Porterfield.

*Thirds.*—\* J. O. Sahler, M. Mackenzie, J. D. Evans, M. E. Levey, P. R. Aitken, H. J. Thomson, \* D. E. Barker.

*Colt's Caps.*—J. D. Argyle, R. G. A. Colt-Williams, C. A. Bird, T. C. N. Gibbens, C. H. Hunter, R. S. Hunt, W. H. Wakely, I. I. Milne, M. Broadhurst, H. A. R. Philby, R. N. Heaton, E. H. G. Lonsdale, D. E. Ryland, C. McNeil.

\* Will probably have left by next season.

### THE WATER.

At the end of the Lent Term two fours were selected from the Lower Watermen to race over the Two Minutes' course; the four stroked by Bridgewater, having concealed its light under a bushel during practice, went away very fast, right from the start.

*Middlesex* (1).—Dams (bow), Evers (2), Cruft (3), Bridgewater (stroke), Acton-Bond (cox).

*Surrey* (2).—Walker (bow), Browne (2), Bramhall (3), G. A. Lewis (stroke), Fulton (cox). Won by 5½ lengths. Time, 1 min. 56 secs.



The Middle Watermen also raced in three clinker eights. This race proved very close; when the boats passed the School Boathouse the bows were almost level, and Woodward's crew won by one length; Robbin's crew beating Gardner's crew for the second place by a third of a length.

Time, 6 minutes. Course, the U.B.R. Stone to Beverley Brook against the ebb.

A Crew (Middlesex station).—Hardie (bow), Edwards (2), Stoker (3), Phillips (4), Sprigge (5), Hinks (6), Spurgin (7), Woodward (stroke), Scott (cox).

B Crew.—Boggis-Rolfe (bow), Lowdon (2), Seward (3), Pattison (4), Elliston (5), Somerset (6), Murray (7), Robbins (stroke), Gedye (cox).

C Crew.—Lea (bow), Radcliffe (2), Watson (3), Beeston (4), Humphries (5), Marsden (6), Chalk (7), Gardner (stroke), Procter (cox).

The three School Eights ended the Lent Term practice with a handicap race from Hammersmith Bridge to Putney Bridge. The Third Eight received 25 seconds, the Second Eight 10 seconds, and the First Eight started scratch. The tide was ebbing fast, but the water was rough. The Second Eight made a moderate start, and were quickly caught by the First Eight at Harrods, but the Third Eight made the most of their advantage, and were not passed till the Mile Post was left behind. The Second Eight made a strong effort over the last half of the course, and passed the Third Eight about two minutes from the finish.

On July 12 the Royal Engineers of Chatham are sending a crew to race a School IV in sliding-seat fours.

### ELECTION TERM RACES.

#### THE FIRST EIGHT.

May 22—*v.* A. H. Franklin's VIII.

June 2—*v.* Oxford O.WW. VIII.

June 11—*v.* Cambridge O.WW. VIII.

June 23—*v.* C. H. Fisher's VIII.

June 30—*v.* Henley Preliminary Races (if excess of entries).

July 4-7—*v.* Henley Royal Regatta.

#### THE SECOND EIGHT.

May 17—*v.* Lincoln College, Oxford 2nd VIII.

June 2—*v.* St. Paul's School, 2nd VIII.

June 23—*v.* An O.WW. VIII.

June 28—*v.* Eton College 2nd VIII.

#### THE THIRD EIGHT.

May 19—*v.* The Scramblers VIII.

May 29—*v.* St. Paul's School 3rd VIII.

### JUNIOR FOURS.

June 5.—*v.* University College School 1st and 2nd IV's (at Kew).

June 19—*v.* Haileybury College 1st and 2nd IV's (at Haileybury).

June 26—*v.* Tonbridge School 1st and 2nd IV's (at Putney).

*v.* St. Augustine's College, Canterbury (at Canterbury).

### SCHOOL RACES.

May 24, 26.—Heats for Middle Watermen's Fours.

May 29.—Final for Middle Watermen's Fours.

May 29, 31, June 5.—Heats for Junior Sculls.

June 5.—Novice's Scratch Fours.

June 7.—Final for Junior Sculls.

July 12.—Heats for School Sculling Handicap.

July 13.—Final for School Sculling Handicap.

July 17.—Heats for Coxswain's Sculls.

July 19.—Heats for the Junior Senior Sculls.

July 19, 24.—Heats for House Junior-Senior Fours; Heats for House Junior Four Dashes; Heats for School Pairs.

July 26.—Final House Junior-Senior Fours; Final House Junior Four Dashes; Final School Pairs; Final Coxswain's Sculls; Final Junior-Senior Sculls.

July 30.—K.SS. *v.* T.BB.

Some difficulty has been met with the foundations of the extension of the Boat House. The excavations showed a bottom of blue clay. It is proposed to build the new Boat House on a concrete raft, and as soon as the plans are passed by the local authorities work will be begun.

### Old Westminsters.

At Oxford Mr. P. May was awarded a First in Classical 'Mods.'

Lieut. E. G. Buckley, the Rifle Brigade and Iraq Levies, was mentioned in Despatches for distinguished services rendered in the operations in the Penjwin area of Iraq (April-May, 1927).

Mr. M. F. Young ran for Cambridge in the Mile in the University Sports.

Old Westminsters will be interested in the recent appointment of Mr. Hubert Arthur Wootton, Headmaster of Kingswood School, Bath, and formerly Science Master at Westminster (1906-19), to the Headmastership of the Perse School, Cambridge.



### Births.

- FEASEY.—On March 23, the wife of A. Clifford Feasey, of a daughter.
- LUNN.—On April 16, the wife of Brian Holdsworth Lunn, of a son.
- BATY.—On May 3, the wife of Charles W. Baty, of a son.
- MONTEFIORE.—On May 6, the wife of Langton Montefiore, of a son.
- LANG.—On February 26, at Karachi, the wife of Capt. W. I. Lang, of a daughter.
- RUDWICK.—On March 10, the wife of J. S. Rudwick, Master of Homeboarders, of a daughter.
- LUCE.—On April 24, the wife of the Rev. H. Kenneth Luce, Master of the K.S.S., of a daughter.
- LOFTHOUSE.—On February 19, the wife of C. T. Lofthouse, Assistant Master (Music), of a daughter.

### Marriages.

- ROBINSON-BABER.—On April 12, Montague Arnet Robinson to Beatrice Espérance (Betty), younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Baber, of 4, Beaufort Road, Clifton, Bristol.
- TAYLOR-PEEBLES.—On April 11, Claude Hilary Taylor, Assistant Master, to Margaret Eleanor, daughter of the Rev. G. S. Peebles, of the Manse, Uddingston, Glasgow.

### Obituary.

WE regret to have to record the deaths of two Old Westminsters.

The Rev. PHILIP DRUITT was the fifth son of the late James Drutt, a member of a well-known family of Christchurch, Hants. He was up Rigaud's from 1878 until he was elected into College in 1880. He acted 'Charmides' in the 'Trinummus' of 1883. He left the next year and went to St. Mary's Hall, Oxford. He was subsequently ordained and was Curate at Armley, near Leeds, from 1891 to 1914. In 1914 he was appointed Rector of Fillingham and remained there until he retired in 1922. He died suddenly on March 16 at his home in Yorkshire, aged 62.

EDWARD HENRY COX was the second son of the late Edward Webster Cox, and was admitted as a Q.S. in 1886. He was Captain of the School 1892-93 and a double Pink. He was, however, unlucky in being unable, owing to an injury, to play football in his last season, and again in the fact that, owing to the death of the Duke of Clarence, there was no play the year that he was Captain. He acted, however, in 1890 and 1891. He was elected to Christ Church in 1893 and was afterwards ordained. After serving various curacies, he became Vice-Principal of St. Aidan's College, Birkenhead. But in consequence of ill-health he gave up parochial duties and later took up social work. For 20 years he was Secretary of the Bermondsey Branch of the Charity Organisation Society. At Bermondsey he was greatly beloved, and he will be greatly missed. He was accidentally drowned at Eastbourne on May 20.

### THE LATE FRANCIS DOMINIC ELSDON.

WE have received the following communication concerning the late Francis Dominic Elsdon, whose death was briefly recorded in the ELIZABETHAN (July, 1927).

After leaving Westminster he went for about two years to France to learn the language, and later entered the London branch of the Bank of British West Africa, which later became the Bank of Nigeria. During this time and always when at home he was a most enthusiastic attendant at all Irving's plays, whenever possible at all first night performances. No other actor gave him half the intense pleasure he always had from Irving's performances, and later from Lawrence Irving's.

After about two years in London, in 1911 he went to their branch at Grand Bassam, on the French Ivory Coast, landing there on December 26; there they worked frequently 14 hours a day, Sundays included. That, and the poor prospect of any improvement in conditions of living and future prospects, decided him to resign his position, which he did with the consent and strong recommendation of the manager to a trading firm in the Belgian Congo, where he went in July, 1912.

Here he was stationed at Kiushas-ce, on the river. He was made chief accountant, and soon transferred to another branch, Alberta, further up the Congo. He was much refreshed by the air on the boat and greatly admired the vegetation of the banks, and the peacefulness of the nights when the boat was fastened to the bank, as it was too dangerous to carry on the voyage at night time, as the river is very shallow and full of rocks and sandbanks. The captain had to be on the bridge all day, so Francis spent most of his time and had meals with him up there. Twelve passengers, ten of them Belgians, the two English occupied the two best cabins. They stopped for some hours at Coquilhatville, the last post office just under the Equator. Here he lived in a native mud hut, two rooms with a verandah between, at that season cool in the day, but cold enough for three blankets at night. His 'staff'



consisted of a Belgian clerk and black office boy, with whom he conversed at length in Bas Congo or Bengala. His bed was under the only non-porous portion of the roof, which 'unfortunately was discovered by other members of the house, with the result that the rats sleep on the top of my mosquito net, and occasionally fight, but so far have not run across my face.' He was quite happy there, but there was much sickness among the men, and after a few months he fell ill with his first attack of black water fever, and had to come home as quickly as he could be brought.

He returned to Africa towards the end of 1914, and remained nearly three years, after which he had a second attack of black water. On this voyage the Elder Dempster boat on which he was travelling fought an enemy submarine for five hours. Most mercifully darkness came on, and they escaped to Sierre Leone, where they joined the rest of the convoy.

On the return voyage to the Gold Coast the boats on either side of the one he was on board of were sunk, and all lives lost. He volunteered for service, but no more Europeans could be spared from the colony, where extremely few were left to carry on necessary business. He was in charge of the gold brought from the mines in Coomassie, which was all the gold brought to England during the War, and accounted for so many of the Elder Dempster ships being torpedoed.

After a third attack of black water he came home in 1924, and was making an excellent recovery, when he had a most sudden and severe operation for appendicitis.

When he recovered he had the offer of a very good post in West Africa, but the Tropical doctor it was necessary to consult would not hear of his returning again to that climate, and strongly recommended the Pacific Islands, preferably Fiji. He started in March, 1926, and on arrival at Suva, Fiji, he at once got work with the chief business house, Morris Hedstrom, with whom he remained to the end. For them he went in May to Vavan, in the Tongan Islands, and had only been a few weeks when on June 14, having been back to finish some work in the office, after dinner, he went to his room about 10.30. Soon after some of the men in the hotel heard him groaning, went in, and did all they could, but he died in a few minutes of a sudden heart attack. Bishop Kempthorne had been staying with him just before; he had been about with him a great deal and liked him very much. The Bishop said Francis had been a great help to him; he regretted him very much, as did all the British in the place, who helped to prepare his grave, and laid him in it, early on the morning of June 15, 1927.

## Correspondence.

THE RECTORY,  
CHINGFORD, ESSEX, E. 4.  
March 22, 1928.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

STANLEY S. HARRIS MEMORIAL.

SIR,—I should be grateful if you will let me, through your columns, thank those who responded to my appeal in the February ELIZABETHAN.

We are now in a position to establish a scholarship at Pembroke College, Cambridge, but the value of it, or the possibility of being able to have more than one, depends upon what further support the memorial receives.

There are many Old Westminsters, contemporaries of Stanley S. Harris or admirers of his reputation, who have not yet subscribed.

May I repeat from my last letter that we will gladly receive small donations from those who cannot afford large; and by *small* I mean, we will gladly acknowledge 5s., 10s., as well as guineas or multiples thereof. The Treasurer is Lady Corcoran, 62, Cornwall Gardens, S.W. 7, or I would still be willing to receive donations myself, for this memorial to my oldest friend.

Yours sincerely,

CECIL B. HOWARD KNIGHT.

PS.—May I repeat that the scholarship is open in the first place to an old boy of St. Ronan's, West Worthing. Failing that, to an Old Westminster.

## Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following:—

*The Eton College Chronicle* (4), *Aldenhalian*, *the City of London School Magazine*, *Lancing College Magazine*, *Harrovian*, *Salopian*, *Pauline*, *Beaumont Review*, *Blundellian*, *Haileyburian*, *Boys' Own Magazine* (2), *Tonbridgian*, *Marlburian*, *Cholmelian*, *Johnian*, *Meteor*, *Rossalian*, *Cheltonian* (2), *Shirburnian*, *Wellingtonian*, *Cliftonian*, *Raddeian*, *Alleynian*, *Dovorian*, *Wykehamist*, *Stonyhurst Magazine*, *Elean*, *Trinity University Review* (2), *Felstedian*, *Panorama*, *Clavinian*, *Britannia Magazine*, *Penn Charter Magazine*, *King's College School Magazine* (2), *Limit*, *Bradfield College Chronicle*, *St. Edward's School Chronicle*, *Portcullis*, *Ulula*, *Brighton College Magazine*.

## THE SCHOOL MISSION.

THE Mission was founded in 1888, and began work as a Boys' Club in Soho. In 1891 it moved to Westminster, and the work is now carried on in the parish of St. Stephen with St. Mary, Westminster.

The Mission is largely responsible for the upkeep of Napier Hall, Hide Place, Vincent Square, where the club-rooms and hall are used by the Parish (Westminster School Mission) Club for young men and boys, and by the 1st (City of Westminster) Troop B.P. Scouts. Religious instruction is provided by the clergy of the parish. Physical training and gymnastic classes, lectures and debates are held, and the club provides a library, billiards, and the usual recreations. The club has its own football and cricket ground. More personal help from Old Westminsters is urgently needed. The Hon. Secretary will give further information gladly to anyone willing to help.

Financial assistance is also given by the Mission to the 'E' (Westminster) Company, 1st Cadet Battalion, London Regiment, 'The Queen's.'

Subscriptions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, B. F. Hardy, Esq., Westminster School. Offers of service and of gifts in kind should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, J. R. Wade, Esq., O.W., 22, Norman Avenue, Twickenham.

## OLD WESTMINSTERS LODGE, No. 2233.

THIS Lodge was formed in 1888, and consists of Old Westminsters. It meets at Westminster School four times a year—in March, June, October, and December. It is the senior Public School Lodge belonging to the Public Schools Union, which holds an Annual Festival at each school in turn.

Old Westminsters desiring to join the Lodge should communicate with the Secretary, W. J. ARMITAGE, Esq., Longholt, Hildenborough, Kent.



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