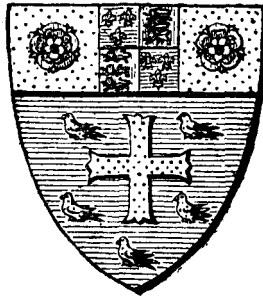


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No. 6, RICHARD BUSBY.

**R**ICHARD Busby was the second son of Richard Busby of the city of Westminster, Gentleman, and was born at Luton in Lincolnshire on September 22nd, 1606. He received his early education at Westminster as a King's Scholar and was eventually captain of the school. In 1624 he was elected to Christ Church, Oxford, together with Edward Fulham, William Shelwall, and Roger Heyrick.

He graduated at that University on October 21st, 1628, and in June three years later took the degree of Master of Arts. Later on in his life, in the year 1660, the University of Oxford conferred on him the degree of Doctor in Divinity and one short account\* of him speaks of him as being also a D.C.L. In the year 1636 an interesting event took place, which might have influenced him very greatly in the matter of choosing his profession. On August 30th in that year, the students of Christ Church gave a theatrical performance before the King and Queen. The piece performed was "The Royal Slave," by William Cartwright, and Busby's acting in the part of Gratander won such applause that, we are told, he had serious thoughts of turning his attention wholly to the stage. Happily for Westminster he was destined to no such future. No doubt his poverty proved a great hindrance to him, for he was unable to take either of his degrees (B.A. and M.A.) until the vestry of St. Margaret's, Westminster, voted him the sum of £11 13s. 4d. In after years he, by his own generosity, amply

\*Encyclopædia Britannica, 9th Edition.

repaid this parish of Westminster for its liberality towards him. "On July 1st, 1639, he was admitted to the prebend and rectory of Cudworth, with the Chapel of Knowle annexed, in the Church of Wells." Of this living he was deprived during the civil wars though he retained his studentship at Christ Church, Oxford. When his predecessor in the Headmastership; Lambert Osbolston, had fled the country, Busby had been appointed to fill his place *pro tem.*; he was finally appointed Master of Westminster School on December 13th, 1640, "in which laborious station he continued about fifty-five years, and bred up the greatest number of learned scholars that ever adorned any age or nation." During what we may term his second career at Westminster two attempts were made by separate individuals to displace him: in both cases they were unsuccessful. One of these men was a certain Owen Price, an Independent, who for some unknown reason wished to supplant the great headmaster. The other, who is of more interest to us, was an Old Westminster, by name Edward Bagshaw. This man had been elected to Christ Church from Westminster in 1646 and was in 1657 confirmed in the office of Second Master, in which capacity he had been appointed to serve in the year preceding. His conduct towards Busby was so illmannered and improper that in 1658 he was turned out of his post. Among his published works is one dated at London 1659, in four sheets, under this title: "A true and perfect Narration of the Difference between Mr. Busby and Mr. Bagshaw, the first and second Masters of Westminster School." This man spent many years in many prisons and died somewhere in Tothill Street, Westminster. At the restoration Busby's losses were made good to him and in August 1660 he was Canon Residentiary and treasurer of Wells. He played important parts at the Coronations of Charles II. and of James II.: on the former occasion he carried the Ampulla and on the latter the orb with the cross. He represented the Chapter of Bath and Wells as Proctor in the Convocation and was one of those who subscribed their approbation of the Book of Common Prayer in June 1661.

He died at Westminster on Saturday, April 6th, 1695 after having more than completed fifty years as Headmaster.

His monument in the Abbey is too familiar to need description and its epitaph is too long to insert herein. Of his character much might be written and much has been written. All accounts of him agree in saying that he was as witty and accomplished as he was modest and unassuming. He was indeed a good man in every sense: not one of the least of his qualities being his great care in preparing his scholars for the reception of the Holy Eucharist. Of the publications that pass under his name tradition has told us they were partly the work

of his pupils revised by himself. A fairly complete list is given below. His benefactions were numerous and large. (Some account of them is given in the *Alumni Westmonasterienses*, p. 96.) The Parish of St. Margaret's was the recipient of £50 and in Westminster Abbey the marble pavement in the Choir was the gift of this great man. No account of Busby seems quite complete without some mention of the members of distinguished families who numbered among his pupils. The limits of this short sketch, however, would admit of so incomplete a list that it is better to be content with referring only to such sources as are quite accessible to most people without giving any extracts.

The article on Busby in the *Elizabethan*, vol. III. No. 2. page 14, gives a long and interesting list and all Westminsters should study it who have not already done so.

(1) "A short institution of Grammar for the use of Westminster school," Cambridge, 1647. 8vo. (2) *Juvenalis et Persii Satyræ*, London, 1656, purged of all obscene passages. (3) "An English introduction to the Latin Tongue," for the use of the Lower forms in Westminster School, London, 1659 etc., 8vo. (4) *Martialis Epigrammata selecta*, London, 1661 12mo., cleared of all obscenities. (5) *Gracæ grammaticæ rudimenta in usum Scholæ Westmonasterienses*, London, 1663. 8vo. (6) *Nomenclatura brevis reformata, adjecto cum Syllabo verborum, etc., Adjectivorum*. (7) "Anthologia Dentera:" sive *Græcorum Epigrammatum Florelyium novum*," London, 1673 etc. 8vo. (8) "Rudimentum: Anglo-Latinum, Grammatica literalis et numeralis," London, 1688, 8vo. (9) *Rudimentum Grammaticæ Græco-Latinae Metricum*, London, 1689, 8vo.

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## NOTES.

We are glad to notice the formation of a Grantite Debating Society. It is an institution which is sure to be immensely popular with the whole house, and we may fairly hope that the School Debating Society may in future time be indebted to Grants for the training of many orators. The Society has held several meetings and has elected the following officers:—

*President* : H. C. Barnes.  
*Vice-President* : R. O. Mills.  
*Hon. Sec.* : H. L. Colville.

F. P. Farrar and E. A. Everington have been put on the Committee. On the last occasion the Society passed a motion condemning the action of the Government in accepting Sir C. Warren's resignation, with only one dissentient voice.

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We are indebted to the *Elizabethan* for the news that J. O. Cuthbertson, O.G., rowed in the winning Trial Four at Exeter, Oxford.

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In the match 'Sixth v. School,' F. P. Farrar played for the Sixth; and E. A. Everington, R. O. Mills, E. W. Woodbridge and G. Campbell were in the School team.

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The Homeboarder colours were lowered in their encounter with Upper Elections on the 8th; the latter, who played only ten men in the latter part of the match, beat their opponents by 2 goals to 1.

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It is our painful duty to intimate that many reasons, among them pecuniary ones, combine to force upon the Editors the conclusion that they will be unable to carry on the *Grantite* after Christmas next. Present Grantites have done their best to keep up their house paper, but the support of Old Grantites, which used to be the main-stay of the organ, has become so flagging and irregular, as to make our task by no means a light one.

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We hear that C. Powell, O. G., rowed in the winning four at St. John's, Oxford, and has also represented his College on the football-field.

### JUNIOR GRANTS v. JUNIOR RIGAUDS.

This match was played 25th October on the second Game Ground, and after a keenly contested game resulted in a win for Junior Grants. Rigauds won the toss and Farrar started the ball against a very strong wind, which blew down the ground throughout the game. The ball being brought down to the Grantite goal, a good shot from Waterfield was equally well saved by Knox. The ball was soon returned by our backs and our forwards getting together soon brought the ball into the Rigaudite territory and after a shot from Farrar, which Booker saved but failed to clear, Maclean put the

leather through with a very creditable shot. After this "hands" was given three times in succession close to our goal but Rigauds failed to take advantage of their chances to equalize. Rigauds still continued to pen us and shots from Gardiner and Challis were saved by Knox. After this the Grantite forwards pulled together a bit and Powell exhibited some very pretty pieces of dribbling and put in some good shots which Booker saved. Half-time was then called and the Grantites now having the wind in their favour invaded the Rigaudite goal and a corner resulted in a shot from Powell which Booker saved. Some good runs were then made by Winckworth and Maclean but the ball was sent behind. Farrar then after a good run put in a good shot which just crossed the goal and did not alter the score. After this there was some very good combination among the Grantite forwards and the Rigaudite goal was in great danger but Shattock came to the rescue and saved what must have been a certain goal from Farrar.

After some loose play in the centre, Gardiner aided by Waterfield brought the ball into our territory but Barnes put it away. The ball was soon returned and Powell after some very good dribbling shot, but Booker cleared, and Gardiner in like manner attacked our goal but Fitzmaurice put the ball well away.

The game then became more even, and very fast, and Powell rushed the ball towards Rigauds goal and Blaker robbing him of his shot put it through the Rigaudite uprights. Nothing more happened with the exception of two corners for Grants which were cleared by the Rigaudite backs, and time was called leaving Grants winners as above stated.

For Rigauds, Shattock undoubtedly played the best, whilst of the forwards Gardiner worked hard.

For Grants all the forwards were very fair, Powell and Winckworth being worthy of special mention. Everington played well at half-back, as did Barnes at full-back and Knox saved some very good shots.

The teams were:—

*Grants:* E. F. Knox (goals); H. C. Barnes, W. T. Barwell (backs); H. D. Everington, D. Fitzmaurice, J. Corbett (half-backs); J. O. Powell, B. I. Southey (left); F. P. Farrar (capt.) centre; F. J. Maclean, D. P. Winckworth (right) forwards.

*Rigauds:* A. J. Booker (goals); H. C. Jonas, H. R. Blaker (backs); C. E. Balfour, G. O. Shattock, H. Allen (half-backs); A. B. Challis, P. Waterfield (left); C. H. Gardiner (capt.) centre; E. Berns, G. Allen (right) forwards.

*Umpire:* H. E. Oliver, Q.S.

## YARD TIES.

## FIRST ROUND.

H. L. Colville		R. A. Yeld
R. O. Mills	beat	F. P. Farrar
H. C. Barnes		G. W. Scarfe
by 11-7.		

This was a fairly even tie, Mills and Barnes played well for the winners, and Farrar worked hard for the losers.

J. Corbett		E. A. Everington
B. I. Southey	beat	A. R. Severn
E. W. Woodbridge		R. Boulter
by 12-3		

A very uneven tie in which all the winners played well.

J. O. Powell		E. F. Knox
G. E. Mills	beat	C. Lampton
C. Bruce		G. W. Scarfe
by 15-12.		

This was by far the best tie of the first round, Powell and Mills well earned their victory, but Knox and Scarfe tried hard to avert defeat.

A. Severn		H. D. Everington
E. T. Woodbridge	beat	S. W. Key
F. J. Maclean		A. Leake
by 10-4.		

This tie was not so even as might be expected from the sides. Maclean played well for the winners, and Everington did a lot of work for his side.

E. G. Burton	}	a bye
W. T. Barwell		
G. Scott		

## HALF BOARDERS.

A. G. Cory		D. Fitzmaurice
E. M. Stopford	beat	L. Chamberlain
P. Armitage		G. E. S. Campbell
by 12-3.		

A very uneven tie in which the winners did not exert themselves much, and there was no exceptional play on either sides.

L. S. Jones	}	a bye
G. E. Horner		
D. P. Winckworth		

## SECOND ROUND.

F. J. Maclean		G. E. Horner
W. T. Barwell	beat	J. Corbett
H. C. Barnes		E. T. Woodbridge
by 19-4.		

This was a very uneven tie, and was not a good game at all as the losers were rather outmatched.

P. Armitage		A. Severn
D. P. Winckworth	beat	J. O. Powell
E. M. Stopford		L. S. Jones
by 15-3.		

Another very uneven tie but Armitage by his lengthy reach rather puzzled his opponents, at the same time causing much amusement among the spectators.

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We regret to say that Armitage, owing to an accident in "Green," was prevented from playing in the subsequent rounds, Everington was thereupon redrawn in his place.

C. B. Bruce		A. Cory
R. O. Mills	beat	G. E. Mills
E. G. Burton		B. I. Southey
by 8—7.		

This was by far the best tie of the Second Round, and caused a great deal of enthusiasm among the spectators.

Southey and Mills played a very plucky game for the losers; the winners wired up and just managed to pull it off in the last minute.

H. L. Colville	}	a bye.
G. Scott		
E. W. Woodbridge		

### PENULTIMATE ROUND.

R. O. Mills		E. M. Stopford
D. P. Winckworth	beat	E. W. Woodbridge
E. A. Everington		H. L. Colville
by 25—3.		

This was the most uneven tie and excited very little interest. The losers lost heart and shewed very little energy.

W. T. Barwell		H. C. Barnes
F. J. Maclean	beat	G. Scott
C. Bruce		E. G. Burton
by 8—6.		

This was by far the most exciting tie in this round, both sides playing up very hard, especially towards the end. Scott played very pluckily for his side and Maclean was good for the winners.

### FINAL ROUND.

E. A. Everington		W. T. Barwell
R. O. Mills	beat	D. P. Winckworth
F. J. Maclean		C. Bruce
by 21—5.		

This tie did not prove very exciting as is generally the case in the final and the winners had matters much their own way.

Barwell and Winckworth played very well for the losing side.

## THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The first meeting of this Society was held on Tuesday, 16th October, when Shakespeare's 'Much Ado about Nothing' was finished, the parts being distributed as at the last meeting.

At a meeting again held on Tuesday, 23rd, Sheridan's 'Rivals' was begun; the parts were taken as follows:—

Sir Lucius O'Trigger	-	-	-	-	Mr. Conyngham.
Lydia Languish	-	-	-	-	H. C. Barnes.
Mrs. Malaprop	-	-	-	-	F. Y. Eccles.
Bob Acres	-	-	-	-	F. P. Farrar.
Captain Absolute	-	-	-	-	R. O. Mills.
Sir Anthony Absolute	-	-	-	-	E. A. Everington.
Fag-Servants, etc.	-	-	-	-	E. F. Knox.
David, Julia	-	-	-	-	F. J. Maclean.
Thomas, Lucy	-	-	-	-	W. T. Barwell.
Faulkland	-	-	-	-	E. W. Woodbridge.

At the next meeting of the Society, held on Thursday, November 1st, the loss of F. Y. Eccles, who, we are sorry to say, has become a half-boarder again, was greatly felt, and caused several alterations in the cast. Maclean took the part of Mrs. Malaprop, handing over David and Julia to Everington and Barwell.

On Tuesday, November 20th, Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* was begun, the first two Acts being read. The principal parts were taken as follows:—

Romeo	-	-	-	-	-	Mr. Heard.
Sampson	-	-	-	-	-	H. C. Barnes.
Juliet	-	-	-	-	-	F. P. Farrar.
Benvolio	-	-	-	-	-	R. O. Mills.
Friar Laurence	-	-	-	-	-	E. A. Everington.
Mercutio	-	-	-	-	-	E. F. Knox.
Lady Capulet	-	-	-	-	-	F. J. Maclean.
Nurse	-	-	-	-	-	W. F. Barwell.
Gregory	-	-	-	-	-	E. W. Woodbridge.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Dear Mr. Editor,—A complete list of O.W.W. freshmen has already appeared elsewhere; it suffices to mention the names of C. T. G. Powell, who has come to St. John's, and C. S. W. Barwell, who is at Hertford. J. O. Cuthbertson who was Up Grants for a short time 'long ago' has, I see, matriculated at Exeter. Barwell and Willet were Westminster's representatives in the Freshmen's Match, the former of whom is playing remarkably well and promises great things. M. T. Pigott is, I fancy, the only Old Grantite who has gone down.

Yours, etc.,

ARISTOKRATIKOS.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Dear Sir,—Allow me to point out a very remarkable error in the article in your last No. on Lambert Osbolston. Owing doubtless to the oversight of those who correct your proof sheet two pages of the M.S. have been so to say reversed and the paragraph beginning "Fuller writes . . ." and ending "beyond Canterbury" should be inserted before the paragraph beginning "It should be noted." Hoping you will either insert this letter in your next publication or in some other way call attention to, and correct this curious "erratum."

I remain, yours truly,

COLLORIEL.

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