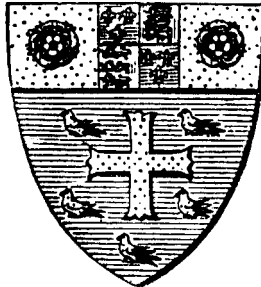


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THE PLAY SUPPER.

IF a stranger had glanced through Hall door during the evening of Monday, December 20th, it would have been exceedingly difficult to dissuade him from the impression which he must immediately have gained—that "Lucullus was dining with Lucullus" while to have invited him to partake of the supper would have been to abandon all hope of correcting his error. Let us therefore take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to Mr. Willett for giving us a very enjoyable evening and also to Miss Tice for taking such heroic pains to create the illusion.

The speeches were begun by Cook, who on behalf of all those present thanked Mr. Willett for the excellent supper and proposed his health.

Mr. Willett rose next to propose the health of the monitors. He referred among other things to our great indebtedness to Miss Tice—a sentiment endorsed by Cook in his reply. Cook then referred to our cups and shields which John had so splendidly burnished for the occasion; finishing by proposing the health of all Old Grantites, who were represented by: Dr. H. D. Everington, Mr. H. S. Bompas, Mr. J. Heard, Mr. G. B. Gardiner, Mr. W. B. Frampton,

Mr. W. N. McBride, Mr. A. M. Shepley-Smith and Mr. D. R. P. Mills. This toast was replied to by Dr. Everington who spoke of things—some legal, some illegal, but all interesting—which occurred up Grant's in the time of our fathers.

This ended the speech-making and the musical and poetical programme began. Although officially consisting of songs and recitations by the new boys, interspersed with selections by the House band under Makower, this was augmented by one or two impromptu items, including an amusing sketch by Mr. Shepley-Smith. The new boys acquitted themselves quite well in spite of certain disturbing and catastrophic happenings among the balloons.

A very happy evening closed with Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem.

HOUSE NOTES.

THE following left us last term: A. M. Shepley-Smith (Oxford), D. R. P. Mills, A. B. Lousada (Oxford), T. G. Hardy (Cambridge), M. G. Stratford, F. R. Rea (Oxford), R. B. Orange (Oxford), R. P. Adler (Cambridge), R. G. A. Mordaunt, A. G. Hildesley and B. P. C. Bridgewater to College. While their places have been taken by E. H. G. Lonsdale, B. B. Coleman, R. G. A. Colt-Williams, P. H. Gaye, P. N. Labertouche, N. C. Masterman and B. M. Gedye (boarders) and A. H. Stratford, T. C. Wootton, M. Reed and W. O. Craies (half-boarders).

J. A. Cook is Head of House this term with W. P. Mallinson and C. P. Clark (boarders) and F. M. Oppenheimer (half-boarder) as monitors.

We congratulate C. S. Makower, J. P. Winckworth, R. M. Mere and L. J. D. Wakely on having come up from Outer to Middle and F. T. Hunter, C. P. Wykeham-Martin, G. E. D. Halahan and W. E. Heard from Hall to Outer; also D. A. Bompas at half term.

We congratulate W. P. Mallinson on being elected a member of the Monitorial Council at half term.

We have the Captain of Cricket, Football and Rackets in J. A. Cook up the House.

We congratulate K. J. Gardiner on regaining his Football Pinks after the Lancing match.

Great things have happened in Inner this term. It has been made larger by taking away the lockers and tables, and more luxurious by the introduction of neat writing desks, armchairs, a new wall paper, a rubber flooring and an electric stove. For all this we wish to thank Mr. Mallinson and Mr. Willett very much indeed.

The Chiswicks' Table Tennis ties were won by W. P. Mallinson and those of Hall by R. Plummer.

We beat Rigaud's 6-3 in the first round of Seniors and drew with Home Boarders 0-0 in the final. The replay is to be played next term. (For full accounts see pages 4-11.)

The following shields and cups are up the House. Cricket Shield; Football Shield; Rouse Ball Bowl; Singing Cup; Chess Cup; Rackets Cup; Cricket Juniors Cup; Physical Training Cup; Tug Cup.

THE CORPS.

WE were very disappointed not to attend Camp this year as we were to have been well represented and according to reports we missed a very enjoyable time.

F. T. Hunter has been promoted to an under-officer and C. S. Makower to a sergeant. A. G. de Montmorency has become a corporal and J. P. Winckworth, W. P. Mallinson, K. J. Gardiner, and D. A. Bompas lance-corporals.

Towards the beginning of the term we paraded extra time in Grant's Yard in preparation for the Corps Competition but since this has been postponed, these have been discontinued.

We have quite a large number of Candidates for Certificate 'A' this year and we wish them the best of luck in the exam next term.

F. T. H.

SENIORS.

1ST ROUND.

GRANT'S beat Rigaud's by six goals to three in the first round of Seniors. The match was played on December 16th on Big game ground. Our team was not settled till the last moment, when it was decided to play Synge at inside-left. As it happened, he fully justified his choice. Rigaud's had bad luck in not having Ropes, their captain, in goal. His presence might well have made a difference to the result. The conditions were very fair though the ground was rather slippery, owing to a severe frost the night before.

The game produced plenty of good football, and was rather above the average standard of Seniors. It was obvious that with two such dangerous forwards as Gardiner and Carr we were going to get goals against the rather weak Rigaudite defence; the question was whether our defence could prevent Rigaud's from scoring even more goals. As it happened, largely owing to magnificent play by Cook, we succeeded, not only in holding the Rigaudite forwards, but in surviving, and recovering from a totally unexpected mistake on the part of Bompas, which at one time seemed likely to cost us the match. There can be little doubt that we were the better side, even if the score of 6-3 rather flatters us.

Cook won the toss and chose to defend the hospital end. Rigaud's attacked from the kick-off, and Aitken, getting clean away, centred well, only for Cook to clear from a dangerous situation. After this, we had the better of the game; Gardiner, Luard and Synge all had shots which might easily have gone in. Rigaud's occasionally got away, but Cook was always there to clear. One of these clearances went out to the left, where Macdonald took a fly-kick and missed, thus letting in Luard to score from a first-time shot just under the bar (1-0). Straight from the kick-off, the ball went to the Rigaud's left-wing, where, for the first and last time Paulson and Brodie-Griffiths completely beat our defence by brilliant inter-passing, and gained an equalising goal through Synnington, (1-1). After this, it was always the Rigaud's right-wing which seemed the more dangerous.

We continued to have most of the play, but the forwards finished weakly. The Rigaud's forwards, on the other hand, looked dangerous whenever they had the ball. Quite soon,

however, Lonsdale scored with a long shot which passed just inside the post (2-1). Almost immediately afterwards Carr got right through, but his shot went wide. Rigaud's then took up the attack, but, as usual, Cook was there to clear. Rigaud's continued to attack, and Bompas had to fist away a dangerous centre by Aitken. Another Rigaudite attack resulted in a corner which went straight to Carr. Carr passed out to Luard, but the latter lost the ball, and it went out to Radermacher, who gave Carr a perfect pass. Carr broke right through, and scored with a very hard shot from close in (3-1). After this reverse, Rigaud's played up harder than ever, and Bompas had to come out and clear. At the other end, Luard put in a good shot which P. Aitken fumbled. The ball went out to Luard again, but he shot over the top. Rigaud's were making desperate efforts, but we seemed to have the game well in hand. It was now that the central incident of the game occurred. From one of Rigaud's spasmodic attacks, Graham put in a long shot; two Rigaudite forwards rushed up, and Bompas, in an effort to clear at once, let the ball right through his hands (3-2). This goal altered the whole course of the game. From this time the Rigaud's forwards set up constant attacks, and it was not till the last five minutes that we regained the ascendancy which we then lost.

Soon afterwards, Foster got right through, but Cook brought off a brilliant tackle. But Rigaud's were not to be denied, and after a good run by Aitken, Symington equalised with a shot that gave Bompas no chance (3-3). At this period, Rigaud's were playing brilliantly, and no one would have ventured to predict a Grantite victory. Brodie-Griffiths centred well, but Aitken missed from a good position. Rigaud's were attacking constantly, but Cook was always there. Once after dribbling down the field, he was badly fouled by Paulson. Though many free-kicks were given in the course of the game, this, the most glaring foul of the match, passed without notice. Actually, no goal was scored. Rigaud's continued to have most of the play but Cook got possession and put in a magnificent long shot. P. Aitken pushed the ball away to Synge, who, however, shot over the top. We now had more of the play, and Synge scored with a well-placed shot from a beautiful through pass by Carr, after P. Aitken had come out to clear (4-3). We continued to press, but Rigaud's took the ball up the field, and tried a long shot, which Bompas fumbled badly, but just managed to turn round the post before the Rigaud's forwards could come up. Except for goal-kicks, it was

the first time he had touched the ball since his bad mistake. Before the corner could be taken, the whistle blew for half-time. The game was very open, and it was freely declared that any straight shot that Rigaud's put in would score. But to his great credit, Bompas did not allow himself to get rattled, and all through the second half played like a first eleven goalkeeper.

Grant's attacked from their kick-off, and Macdonald miskicked, but Carr was just too late to take advantage of the opening. For some time the game was even, each side in turn taking up the attack. But eventually a terrific kick by Cook was headed back towards his own goal by Macdonald in an attempt to clear, and fell at Synge's feet. He was well placed and had no difficulty in scoring (5-3). This was a most important goal; it put us definitely on top, and we just succeeded in remaining there for the rest of the game. Rigaud's returned to the attack, but play was transferred to the other end, and we just failed to score from a good centre by Hunter. Immediately afterwards, Paulson got right through, but was obviously offside. Again we nearly scored from two fine centres by Luard, but a Rigaudite defender kicked away. Paulson got away and forced a corner. He placed it beautifully, but one of their forwards headed behind. Rigaud's now set up a continuous attack, and it became a question of whether our defence could hold out. It was now that Bompas excelled himself. His anticipation was excellent and he was always ready to come out and clear. We needed all his good play, for any weakness on his part would have cost us the match.

A long pass forward hit Mallinson on the hand. Foster took the kick from close in. We packed our goal, and the ball went straight to Bompas, who cleared. Rigaud's were now having all the game. It was their right-wing that was dangerous, but Mallinson was much safer than he had been in the earlier part of the game. But Cook was the mainstay of our defence. Time and again he broke up the Rigaudite attacks, and his very long clearances were always a source of danger to their goal. Gradually, Rigaud's fell away before our fine defence, and we had more of the play. Gardiner and Carr took the ball up the field, but Gardiner finished weakly. At the other end, Foster shot hard, but Bompas, reaching forward, caught the ball below his knees, and cleared. This was the best save of the match. Brodie-Griffiths got clean away, but Cook caught him up and tackled magnificently.

Rigaud's attacked again, and Bompas was forced to concede a corner. A little later he saved well from Graham. We then pressed strongly, but P. Aitken brought off several good saves in their goal. Rigaud's pressed again, but Cook tackled well, only to concede a corner, his solitary miskick of the match. Paulson was well placed for a shot, but kicked straight at Bompas.

Then, with time drawing near, Gardiner, getting the ball in midfield, tricked three Rigaud's defenders by superlative dribbling, and shot the last and best goal of the match (6-3). Bompas was again called upon to save when Rigaud's got away. Then Gardiner repeated his previous performance, only to hit the post with the goal at his mercy. Rigaud's made a final effort, but Bompas stopped a hard ground shot from Brodie-Griffiths. Time came soon afterwards, leaving Grant's the winners by six goals to three. We deserved our victory, but had to go all out to get it.

The man of the match was Cook. His kicking and tackling were both amazingly good, and he won the match for us in so far as any one man can win a football match. As a line, the half-backs were very good. Their tackling, particularly that of Radermacher, was always sound, and they were constantly helping their forwards. Of the forwards, Gardiner was the best, but he was inclined to hang back too far. Carr played with a lot of dash, but inside-left suits him better than centre-forward.

For Rigaud's, Symington and Aitken (J. W. M.) were both very good, but Foster was a long way below his usual form, and Paulson was far from comfortable at inside-left. Their half-backs, of whom Coulburn was the best, were on the whole weak. But at back Wormell was a tower of strength, and Macdonald, except for a few mistakes, gave him good support.

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Rigaud's.—P. Aitken; D. Macdonald, R. G. Wormell; B. Coulburn, P. Wingate, H. B. Graham; J. W. M. Aitken, I. Symington, N. L. Foster, G. M. E. Paulson, R. Brodie-Griffiths.

Referee: D. J. Knight, Esq.

Linesmen: C. P. Clark and P. C. Carter.

F. M. O.

FINAL ROUND.

The final round of Seniors, against Home-Boarders, was played on Big Game ground on December 20th, and resulted in a goalless draw. We made no changes in the team that was victorious over Rigaud's, but Home-Boarders, who had beaten Ashburnham 2-1 in the previous round, played Gibson instead of Tate at inside-right. The ground was hard and in good condition, but the ball was very lively and difficult to control.

As a whole, the game was a poor exhibition of football. Though no decisive result was reached, the match was far more one-sided than the one against Rigaud's. We were attacking during the whole game, and in the second half play was almost entirely in their half of the field. It was only weak finishing that prevented us from scoring. But, as the score suggests, defence prevailed over attack. Home-Boarders owe most to Clare, who played a great game in goal and saved his side from a heavy defeat. As to the rest of the defence, Jeremy played finely at left-back, and received excellent support from Evans. But the half-back line was severely handicapped by the very bad kick which Thurlow received in the first quarter of an hour, and which made him almost a passenger for the rest of the game. Of our forwards, Gardiner was easily the best, but his beautiful constructive football was wasted on the two players on either side of him. He himself, too, finished weakly whenever he tried to score; one occasion, in particular, was notable, when he dribbled right through the opposing defence and seemed certain to score. Luard at outside-left, put in some good centres and corner-kicks, but his efforts came to nothing. In the centre Carr was completely out of form, and the whole line suffered in consequence. He had been showing consistently good form for the last month, and in this, his third hard game in five days, he was obviously stale. But badly as our forwards played, we would, with ordinary luck, have just won. For there were three occasions when we might have easily scored; first, when Carr, with an open goal in front of him, headed on to the post; secondly, when Clare, by stretching out his foot, just turned a hard shot round the corner; a magnificent save, but a very lucky one; thirdly, when Lonsdale actually netted the ball, only for Synge, who at that moment was having no influence on the play, to be given off-side. It would have been extraordinarily lucky had we scored from all of these chances, but it was equally unlucky that we scored from none of them.

If our forwards were ineffective, those of Home-Boarders

were feeble to a degree. Playing against a defence which was, perhaps, even stronger than their own, they failed lamentably. Only once did they come near to scoring, and they failed to obtain a single corner-kick. Our backs and half-backs were very good, but they were not seriously extended, while Bompas hardly ever touched the ball. Cook was slightly below form, but even so was far too good for the forwards against him. Mallinson, on the other hand, played far better than he had done against Rigaud's. His kicking and tackling were both very sure, and he was very seldom beaten. The half-backs gave the forwards plenty of opportunities, and it was not their fault that we failed to score. A word must be said about Wakely's throwing, which both in length and accuracy is in a different class from that of any other wing half in the School.

Clare won the toss and decided to defend the Church End, with a strong wind behind him. Gardiner soon got away on the right, but Johnson spoiled a promising movement by kicking into touch. Their left-wing then attacked, but Mallinson just succeeded in clearing. Lonsdale put in a long shot but Clare cleared easily. Carr then got in a good shot, but Clare again saved well. Shortly afterwards, Lonsdale gave Carr a good opening, but the latter missed. We were holding the upper hand, but did not look like scoring. Once Clare, coming right out to field the ball, fumbled badly, but the Grant's forwards were not following up, and Home-Boarders managed to clear. After this, play was more even, and their right-wing got away, but Radermacher and Mallinson succeeded in clearing. Thomson tried a shot from quite close in, but it went straight to Cook, who cleared. Home-Boarders continued to press, but Gibson shot weakly. We were at a great disadvantage owing to the strong wind against us; even Cook could not kick the ball very far up the field.

However, we gained the offensive, and Gardiner gave Hunter a beautiful pass. Hunter had two shots, but failed each time. A little later he was given another good pass, but did not make good use of it. Gardiner was very prominent at this period; he was making rings round Johnson and Jeremy, but there was nobody to take advantage of his passes.

Home-Boarders returned to the attack, and Bompas was knocked over in fielding the ball, but Cook just managed to clear. We then had a period of attacking, but the forwards finished weakly. Lonsdale put in a powerful long shot, but it just went over the bar. There was only one side in it, but

Jeremy and Evans succeeded in preventing our forwards from getting right through, and Clare saved all the shots that were put in. Home-Boarders attacked occasionally, but our defence was much too good for their forwards. Once Cook took a terrific long shot, and as Clare came out, Carr headed it past him, but the ball hit the post and was cleared on the rebound. A little later Carr was through, but he dribbled too far ahead, and the ball was cleared. When Home-Boarders attacked, Mills put in a good long shot which Bompas easily saved. Wakely dribbled the ball up the field, and made a good opening, but as usual Hunter failed to make any use of it. At this time we were all over Home-Boarders, and Carr, Synge, and Luard all tried shots, but could not score. A free-kick by Cook from the half-way line looked dangerous, but Hunter was immediately given off-side. Half-time came soon afterwards. We had had most of the play, but the forwards were weak. Still, with the wind behind us in the second half, it seemed as though we must win.

We attacked from the kick-off and Lonsdale tried a long shot. Home-Boarders took the ball to the other end, but we just managed to clear when Bompas was charged over. Our left wing got away, and Luard centred well, but Carr's shot failed. Luard was playing very well at this period, and Evans was forced to concede a corner. Luard placed the kick beautifully, but Clare came out and punched away, and the ball eventually went behind. Again Luard centred well, and gained another corner. He placed it well, but Evans cleared. We were now attacking incessantly, and whenever their backs cleared, the ball was returned by Cook and Mallinson, who kept well up the field, and, with the wind behind them, were kicking a long way. Cook tried many long shots, but none of them went in. There was one very hard shot which went just outside the post; it would probably have beaten Clare had it been straight. During one of Home-Boarders occasional attacks, Mallinson handled. Jeremy took the kick from quite close in, but his shot was very wide. Next Carr got through, but Home-Boarders managed to clear. Jeremy foiled a good movement on the right, and the ball went behind. Lonsdale got away, but finished weakly. Cook tried another long shot, but the ball went behind. Again Carr was through, but kicked the ball too far ahead. The ball was almost entirely in their half, but nobody looked likely to beat Clare. Once Thomson, from one of their occasional attacks, got past Cook, but Mallinson came across and cleared well. We returned to the attack,

and all the forwards had shots. Wakely once put in a very hard shot, but Clare saved well. Gardiner went right through by himself, and beat the defence by beautiful dribbling, but his shot went wide. Once again he was through, and this time shot hard and straight, but Clare brought off a magnificent save. Then Carr got right through, and with only Clare to beat it seemed as though he must score, but his shot went just wide. In their turn Home-Boarders attacked and, for once our defence was beaten, but Thomson shot poorly, and Bompas brought off a good save. Time was drawing near, and still we had not scored, while there was always a possibility that Home-Boarders would get a snap goal. The half-backs kept on feeding the forwards with good passes, and corners were frequent. But Clare was very safe in goal. Then, from one of our attacks, the ball came straight out to Lonsdale, who shot very hard into the corner of the net. But just before, the whistle had gone for offside against Synge. Then, as soon as the ball was in play again, the whistle blew for time.

The result was most disappointing, and entirely unexpected even by Home-Boarders' most ardent supporters. As a team, Grant's seemed stale after their great display in the previous round, and were lacking in the dash so necessary to this type of football. Next term, however, when this staleness has worn off, we should be able to win comfortably.

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Home-Boarders.—A. Clare; J. D. Evans, W. H. R. Jeremy; D. E. Harrison, C. J. Thurlow, E. B. Johnson; C. Y. Mills, J. Gibson, H. J. Thomson, D. P. Neave, M. E. Levey.

Referee: D. J. Knight, Esq.

Linesmen: C. P. Clark and W. K. Tate.

F. M. O.

[The account of the replay and criticisms of the team will appear in the next number.]

THE WATER.

WE had seventeen people down at Putney this term; five of these were in the Trial-eights, one of which was stroked by O'Malley. We have two pinks and three pink and whites. As Mr. Franklin wished the Trial-eights to go on all through the term, the race for the Rouse Ball cup, which we have held for the last two years, was postponed for next term, when it will be rowed on sliding instead of fixed seats as previously. Our chief opponents will be Home-Boarders who will have the same crew that beat us in the final of the Town Boys' Rudder last term, whereas we will have lost two members of our crew, stroke and three, but we hope to retain the cup.

O'Malley ought to make quite a good stroke with his experience in the Trial-eights, and Negus will presumably come in as the other new man; but he must learn to keep his back straight or he will not be able to do his full share of work in spite of his size. New boys this term were rather troublesome as the Thames R.C. will no longer allow us to use their "tank" and so no preliminary instruction can be given to them; Mr. Macdonell very kindly looked after new boys for the first two weeks of term.

Our Junior water-men are all rather small but very keen, and some show great promise. C. P. W.-M.

YARD TIES.

J. A. Cook	W. P. Mallinson	C. P. Clark
Radermacher	Howe	Ward
Masterman	Coleman	Gaye
C. S. Makower	J. P. Winckworth	R. M. M. Mere
Syngé	Roberts	Reynolds, S. J.
Hunter, C. H.	Jamisson	Arnold
A. G. de Montmorency	K. J. Gardiner	F. T. Hunter
Burt	Gardner	Watson
Gedye	Reynolds, S. R.	Everington
C. P. Wykeham-Martin	Lonsdale	Paul
Moon	Salvi	Plummer
Lonsdale, E. H.	Munro	Colt-Williams
	May	
	Negus	
	Labertouche	

Wykeham-Martin	... a bye	} Wykeham-Martin (10-5)	} Lonsdale (15-6)	} Cook (9-8)
Gardiner de Montmorency	Gardiner (9-3)			
Paul Clark	Paul (14-13)	} Lonsdale (25-8)		
Hunter Lonsdale	Lonsdale (26-3)			
Mallinson Makower	Makower (18-5)	} Makower (15-7)	} Cook (15-10)	
May Winckworth	Winckworth (18-9)			
Cook Mere	Cook ... a bye (24-3)			

C. P. C.

FIVES TIES.

J. A. Cook	F. M. Oppenheimer	R. W. D. Carr	
Bompas	Everington	Salvi	
W. P. Mallinson	C. P. Clark	C. S. Makower	
Doll	Synge	Plummer	
J. P. Winckworth	A. G. de Montmorency	F. T. Hunter	
Wykeham-Martin	Lonsdale, C. E.	Moon	
R. M. M. Mere	K. J. Gardiner		
Burt	Ward		
Cook Mere	Cook (17-15)	} Cook ... a bye (15-6)	
Mallinson Clark	Clark (15-3, 18-19, 15-7)		
Carr Winckworth	Winckworth (w.o.)	} Makower (15-3, 15-5)	} Gardiner (12-15, 15-8, 15-7)
Hunter Makower	Makower (15-3, 15-5)		
de Montmorency Oppenheimer	de Montmorency (15-1)	} Gardiner (18-16, 15-3)	
Gardiner	... a bye		

C. P. C.

OLD GRANTITES.

W. N. McBride was 12th man for the second year running of the Oxford Soccer XI.

C. E. Wool-Lewis rowed in the Trial-eights at Cambridge and has been elected a member of the Leander R.C.

D. S. Robertson wrote the epilogue of *The Play* this year.

OBITUARY.

WE regret to have to record the deaths of three Old Grantites.

Henry Nathaniel Miers was admitted up Grant's in 1862 and left in 1865. He belonged to an old and distinguished Lincolnshire family which migrated to Glamorganshire about 100 years ago. He succeeded his father in the family property and he took an active part in public life. He contested West Glamorgan unsuccessfully in 1885. He had endeared himself to all classes in West Wales and will be much missed. He died on October 10th, aged 78.

Henry Lawrence Randall was the son of the Rev. W. Randall, D.D., and was up Grant's from 1866 until he was elected into College in 1871. He became a parson and was Rector of Cocking, Sussex, for nearly 40 years.

John Edward Yonge Radcliffe was the eldest son of His Honour Judge Radcliffe, K.C., and was up Grant's from 1896 to 1901. He was afterwards at Christ Church and was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple. He was a very loyal Westminster and for many years used to come to the Play Supper up Grant's. He died as the result of an accident on July 24th.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OXFORD LETTER.

To the Editor of THE GRANTITE REVIEW.

DEAR SIR,

I have made many collections in my time, varying from cigarette cards to wealthy maiden aunts, but I must confess that the idea of collecting Old Grantites was a new one. The collection was not hard but then my troubles began. In the almost forgotten days when I was a Grantite I used to

view with scorn the vain protests of your Oxford (and incidentally Cambridge) correspondents. I imagined them setting out with glee to be funny, but never vulgar, about their long suffering contemporaries; but now, sir, the dread mantle has fallen on me—night and day I labour to discover idiosyncrasies in Mr. X's socks or gaps in Mr. Y's lecture, knowing all the time that nobody will be interested in them when I have exposed their alleged mystery. Now, sir, having bumbled on to my heart's content, and to your eternal boredom perhaps it is time to start the real business.

Mr. W. T. S. Stallybrass is, to the best of our belief, still at Brasenose, though were it not for previous Oxford letters we would not be aware of his existence.

Mr. G. R. Y. Radcliffe is senior bursar at New College, when last seen he was prospecting for baths in the basement of an outhouse.

Mr. W. N. McBride shares "digs" with Mr. Frost, a phenomenon which has aroused the interest of the Oxford press.

Mr. B. E. G. Davies, that eminent playwright, played hockey with such vigour that his inside could not stand the strain.

Mr. R. A. Frost plays tennis with Americans. Though he has adopted their national sweater, we are asked to deny the rumour that his wife and children, following a recent example, demand that he should "turn pro."

Mr. V. J. G. Stravridi has been seen in the high preceded by an enormous moustache. We understand that this is so that he will not be asked to play female parts in the O.U.D.S.

Mr. A. A. Negus is often to be found browsing among classical music at Tophouse's where the personnel of the female staff is continually changing.

Mr. A. W. D. Leishman leaps a beautiful hurdle for Univ., but he is also working and in consequence is seldom seen and never heard.

Mr. G. E. Johnstone has taken whole-heartedly to the scientific study of ornithology and we hear it has made a new man of him.

Mr. A. M. Shepley-Smith made two discoveries during the last week of term, the first, that he is reading history, the other that there are such things as lectures.

Mr. A. B. Lousada has his day carefully mapped out for weeks ahead. He also rises regularly at 7.30! but he has not yet been ostracized on this account though he has been accused of wearing an old Etonian tie.

Mr. F. R. Rea has a moustache on alternate Tuesdays and Thursdays. He also suffers from the impression that he is an operatic tenor. Mr. Orange who lives above him also suffers from this curious mania of Mr. Rea.

Mr. R. B. Orange having looked upon life and found it foul has taken to gambling and grumbling.

And now sir, the task is done. I will not weary the persevering reader who has penetrated thus far with any further untrue personalities.

I remain, Sir, Yours,
WESTMON. ET OXON.

To the Editor of THE GRANTITE REVIEW.

“ROOKERY NOOK,” WIGAN, SOMERSET.
November 27th, 1926.

DEAR SIR,

It has reached my ears and those of several of my friends that the number of sinners upon whom you and your colleagues saw fit to inflict corporal chastisement during the course of last term was exceedingly minute. We are at a loss for an explanation. I have it upon unimpeachable authority that schoolboys are not yet perfect and from my personal experience of them I do not feel that Grantites can be exceptional in this matter. Quite apart from the serious decrease it would cause in the sergeant's income—largely derived, I believe, from the sale of tanning poles—quite apart from that, it would be such a pity for so old a custom to die out.

Dare I suggest, Sir, that the increased luxury of your own abode has engendered in you too great a consideration for the physical comfort of others? Or can it be that, sunk in the depths of your armchair, you feel that a ‘case’ is not worth the trouble involved in “Halling” for the offender and haranguing him for his errors. If this is the case I shall be only too glad, in order to aid the preservation of the aforementioned ancient custom, to present you with a gramophone record giving forth a satisfactory “Hall” and as for the actual prosecution of the case, I am sure some legal O.G. could be found who, in the interests of the cause, would conduct the case while you remain undisturbedly engulfed in green leather.

Trusting that something may be done in this matter while there is yet time.

I remain, Sir, yours faithfully,
ORLUNO.

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