

"And the Menn of Sheep-ford wendath whithersoever they wilen."



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Top Row—M. S. Oddie, A. Bishop, H. Lawrance, E. Harris, E. Stevens, R. Fieldhouse, W. Roy, H. Dearden.  
Second Row—M. E. Moxon, E. B. Oddie, E. Oddie, F. Jones, E. Gitsam, D. Jones, H. J. Randall, G. W. Austin, W. J. Harvey, Mr. Caink, Mr. Higginson, Mr. Little,  
J. W. Dearden, H. Sharp, J. Harris, H. R. Simms, D. R. Simms.  
Third Row—L. Grant, E. R. Oddie, E. F. Brown, I. Dell, M. Ogilvie, I. Brison, E. Roy, P. Hodgetts, N. Millard, Mrs. Snow, —, F. Snow, A. B. Oddie.  
Fourth Row—Mrs. Hartmann, L. S. Lamb, E. Eldridge, L. E. Wilkinson, G. M. Oddie, F. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Sargent, H. Cook, J. Sabin, H. Oddie, Mrs. R. Lamb,  
Mrs. Simms.  
Fifth Row—A. J. Lamb, A. M. Abbatt, Mrs. Oddie, R. B. Oddie, E. M. Harrison, S. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Harrod, J. S. K. Parsey, L. L. Hartmann, J. Handy.  
Front Row—Master Hartmann, L. Lamb, F. Lamb, E. P. Kaye, C. Austin, C. E. Brady, Emma Roy, A. Kaye, D. Ward, G. H. Pool, E. Reason.

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## OLD SCHOLARS' GATHERING. May 25th to May 28th, 1912.

WITH Sibford looking at its best, and the weather as delightful as it could be, the ninth Old Scholars' Gathering was begun on Saturday, May 25th. Several Old Scholars had arrived on the previous evening, and they were joined by others who had cycled in the morning, so that quite a number were outside the School to welcome those who came by brake. All the Present Scholars were there too, and as the brake came round the bend, hearty cheers were raised.

Dinner over, an adjournment was made to the cricket field, where the annual match was played. The visitors, having been beaten more times than the School, were keen on wiping out the disgrace, and succeeded, winning by 11 runs. Percy Hodgetts was mainly responsible for the victory, for, besides making top score, he took six wickets. R. Fieldhouse and Percy Kaye also proved themselves very usef making more runs than all the others put together, and taking 8 wickets for 18 runs. Many congratulations were accorded Leelie Calcraft, a little chap well under five feet, for the wonderful catch which disposed of Percy Hodgetts. Appended is the full score :—

PRESENT.	PAST.
Mr. E. Gitsham, b Hodgetts .. 2	P. Hodgetts, c Calcraft, b Harrod .. .. . 11
H. G. Brown, b J. W. Dearden .. .. . 2	P. A. Sargent, c Gitsham, b Harrod .. .. . 3
Mr. J. T. Harrod, c J. W. Dearden, b Kaye .. 16	E. P. Kaye, b Harrod .. 6
E. C. Brock, b Hodgetts .. 1	C. E. Brady, lbw, b Harrod .. 0
A. Williams, c Sargent, b Hodgetts .. .. 0	J. W. Dearden, b Gitsham .. 2
L. Calcraft, b Kaye .. .. 0	H. Dearden, b Harrod .. 2
N. Ward, b Hodgetts .. 3	H. J. Randall, run out .. 1
E. E. Quinton, b Hodgetts .. 0	R. Fieldhouse, c Gitsham, b Harrod .. .. . 9
F. J. Jeffery, b Kaye .. 2	L. W. T. Grant, c Cheney, b Harrod .. .. . 7
F. Elliott, not out .. .. 2	F. Parsons, b Harrod .. 0
H. L. Cheney, b Hodgetts .. 1	A. Kaye, not out .. .. 2
Extras .. .. 6	Extras .. .. 3
Total .. 35	Total .. 46

Tea, which followed the cricket match, was as all the meals were—a jolly time. The School cricket team joined with the visitors, and any bad effects of their defeat disappeared more quickly even than the luxuries on the table.

The Present Scholars' Entertainment came next. The programme consisted of items from Sir Walter Scott's works; and the ex-Secretary was not far wrong when, in a vote of thanks, he said it was the finest Present Scholars' concert that had ever been presented. Miss Sharp and Mr. Hartmann were mainly responsible for the items, and are to be congratulated on the success which attended their efforts.

#### PROGRAMME.

1. RECITATION .. "Harp of the North" .. H. CHENEY
2. SONG .. "Waken Lords, and Ladies Gay" .. CHOIR
3. RECITATION .. .. "Rosabelle" .. EVELINE MACONOCHE
4. SONG .. .. "Jock of Hazeldene" .. .. CHOIR
5. SCENE from .. .. "Old Mortality" .. UPPER FOURTH FORM  
(Introduction by Florrie Lee)

#### *Characters—*

The Laird of Milnwood—L. SALTER.  
 Henry Morton, his nephew—H. CALCRAFT.  
 Alison Wilson, housekeeper—EDNA QUINTON.  
 Cuddie Headrigg, ploughman on trial—E. C. BROCK.  
 Mause Headrigg, his mother, a Covenanter—CATHERINE  
 BYWATER.  
 Bothwell, Sergeant in Claverhouse's Regiment of  
 Dragoons—F. ELLIOTT.  
 Troopers, Farm Labourers, Maid.

6. SONG .. .. "Bonnie Dundee" .. .. CHOIR
7. SCENE from .. .. "Ivanhoe" .. ..

#### *Characters—*

The Clerk of Copmanhurst (Friar Tuck)—B. DEANE.  
 The Black Knight (Richard Coeur de Lion)—E. QUINTON.  
 Locksley (Robin Hood)—N. WARD.  
 Wamba, fool to Cedric the Saxon—W. WELLS.  
 Gurth, thrall to Cedric the Saxon—P. WRIGHT.

8. RECITATION "Harp of the North, Farewell!" GLADYS COOK
9. SONG .. .. "Hail to the Chief" .. .. CHOIR

The first re-union was held after supper, and Old Scholars were able to see more of each other. To ensure this a game had been arranged. By means of picking tickets, everyone was paired, and had to speak on given subjects for five minutes. It was a very good idea, and much enjoyed, and lively discussions were indulged in. Mr. Oddie conversed in a sonorous voice with a gay young lady, and J. S. K. Parsey, whom every one was glad to see again, could be plainly heard expounding his views on State Insurance. Songs and recitations followed the game. Miss G. Oddie and Miss Harrison sang a duet; E. Foster Brown recounted a recent experience in a train, and several others took part. Mr. Pool's voice was never better, and his singing was not only appreciated by Old Scholars, but greatly amused the somnolent infants upstairs. The evening concluded with several choruses, "Clementine," "Three Blind Mice," and others, and the Old Scholars dispersed.

Sunday began with perfect weather. A few were up at 5 o'clock, and enjoyed a cycle ride and bathe. Nearly everyone managed to



GIRLS' COOKERY CLASS.

get up for a 9 o'clock breakfast. Several had spent their first night in a tent, and their experience was not altogether a cheerful one, the recent drought having made the ground, up in the cricket field, rather hard. On the other nights, however, they were very comfortable. Short walks were indulged in before Meeting, and the School buildings and garden were inspected. The Meeting House was crowded, and it was pleasant to see all the old faces of the village Friends.

Dinner over, Old Scholars took advantage of the delightful weather, and went walks, which, though made many times before, were never more enjoyable. Quite a large party went to Swalcliffe Common, where Percy Hodgetts' chocolate was much enjoyed. Others went to Temple Mills, the School Garden, and various well-known places.

A delightful function was the reception by Mr. and Mrs. Harrod on the Lawn, which was followed by a Service at the School, when Miss Theodora Clark gave a special address. She urged the necessity of spiritual growth continuing throughout life, and discussed tests for detecting stagnation.

The concluding item of a very pleasant day was the reunion, which was not less interesting than its predecessors.

Monday was, of course, the busiest day. Old scholars were early astir, bathing and playing tennis. All day long, at all the intervals, tennis players had some good sport. Breakfast naturally was the first item on the programme, the Business Meeting of the Association immediately following. Like all similar meetings, it was

carried through in a businesslike way, by a businesslike chairman, and much wit was displayed by various members. The report occurs elsewhere, but it cannot convey the pleasant feeling which was ever present in the meeting. Something new in the form of a Swimming Team race, Past *v.* Present, was held after the weighty matters of the S.O.S.A. had been discussed. The Old Scholars thought that, being big, they could afford to treat their opponents well, and so graciously consented to give four lengths out of eighteen. The following Teams were picked:—

<i>Past.</i>	<i>Present.</i>
J. W. DEARDEN.	A. WILLIAMS.
A. BISHOP.	L. CALCRAFT.
W. J. HARVEY.	H. CALCRAFT.
R. FIELDHOUSE.	F. ELLIOTT.
H. LAWRENCE.	E. C. BROCK.
H. DEARDEN.	T. ANDREWS.
W. ROY.	H. L. CHENEY.
H. J. RANDALL.	
P. HODGETTS.	

It rather took one's breath away to find that for many lengths the School was winning, and instead of leading by four lengths, when the seven Present Scholars had finished, the Past only led by several yards, and thus were hopelessly beaten by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  lengths. However, the School sent their first two to swim against our last two men, and, thanks to P. Hodgetts, the School was beaten by a half length. This Swimming Race will probably become an annual event, but four

lengths will not be offered next time. Owing to the non-arrival of Percy Simms, our photographer, we postponed the ordeal of being photographed until after dinner, when all present assembled on the Lawn, and were "taken" five times.

The afternoon was spent picnicing at "Hell Bottom." "Neddy," now getting old and corpulent, took the provisions in the little cart, and several Present Scholars made the kettles boil. It was very hot, and the shade of the trees was most welcome. Arthur Oddie, with eagle eye alert for the beautiful, was gliding about with his camera, and no doubt the harvest will be evident in days to come. Returning, a large number joined with the School and played terza on the cricket field.

At 7 o'clock the gymnasium was well filled. Miss Harrison delivered a very helpful Presidential address, which dealt with "Esprit de corps." The text appears elsewhere, but it may safely be said in passing that it was very much appreciated. This was followed by the Old Scholars' Entertainment. Unlike many of its predecessors, it was not a one-day practice affair, for, although a certain two brothers practised their piece for the first time during the concert itself, most of the items were well prepared. "The Suffragettes" and "The Final Rehearsal," as all sketches are, were very warmly welcomed. In the former, Nellie Millard as "Maria" was simply great. To look at her while she was abusing "man, that monument of colossal selfishness," one would have really believed her to be a most advanced exponent of Woman's Rights. In the other piece, everyone shone equally well, so that it would be invidious

to discriminate. All the other items were much admired, especially "Johnnie Schmoker" and "The Bird in the Hand." At the end, after the vote of thanks, all present sang "Auld Lang Syne." The School gave three hearty cheers for the Old Scholars, and the visitors in return gave three for the School, and, as a suitable finish, J.S.K. Parsey gave three cheers for everybody.

#### PROGRAMME.

1. SONG .. .. "Richard of Taunton Dene" .. P. HODGETTS
2. SONG .. "I like your apron and your bonnet" DOROTHY WARD
3. DRAMATIC SKETCH "The Suffragettes" .. .. .  
     Maria (a militant Suffragette) .. .. N. MILLARD  
     Rosabelle (a young lady in love) .. .. J. SABIN  
     Aunt Clara (an old maid) .. .. A. SABIN
4. COMIC SONG .. "Johnnie Schmoker" .. .. .
5. SONG .. .. "Asleep in the Deep" .. MR. LITTLE
6. TRIO .. .. "A Bird in the Hand" .. .. .  
     MISSSES E. ODDIE, G. ODDIE, AND E. M. HARRISSON.
7. DUET .. .. "The Three Chafers" THE BROS. KAYE
8. DRAMATIC SKETCH "The final Rehearsal" .. .. .  
     Mrs. Corwell (stage manager) .. Miss L. E. WILKINSON  
     Miss Hope (principal lady) .. Miss E. M. HARRISSON  
     Elder Miss Bartram .. .. Miss BESSIE ODDIE  
     Younger Miss Bartram .. .. Miss GULIE ODDIE  
     The Maid .. .. Miss EDITH ODDIE

A very cheerful reunion followed the supper, and continued till a late hour. Songs and games, of course, filled up most of the

time. In fact everything was musical. A song-title guessing game was followed by musical arms, and songs by Joseph Parsey and others. At midnight we separated; some to bed, and some to continue the revelries in the neighbourhood of the Elm.

Several visitors left very early in the morning; but the majority sat down to breakfast at 8.30. The first brake left at 9.15, and the general exodus began. By brake, motor-cycle, cycle, or on foot, Old Scholars returned to perform once more "the trivial round, the common task"; but many a vision of Sibford, in all its fresh May beauty, will flash across their minds during the coming months; and the farewell cheers of the assembled school will ring in their ears until they are drowned in the shouts of welcome next Whitsuntide.

It really was one of the most successful gatherings ever held. The weather was perfect all the time, and the country could not have looked more charming. The tennis courts and swimming bath were always at the disposal of the visitors, and were extensively patronised.

It would be wrong to conclude without according to Mr. and Mrs. Harrod best thanks for their extreme thoughtfulness for the care, comfort, and pleasure of everyone; to Miss Wilkinson, for her untiring efforts in all directions; also to Miss Shotter and her many satellites for the very handsome way in which they looked after the corporeal wants of so many.

H. J. RANDALL.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING.

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Min. 1. Charles E. Brady was elected Chairman.

Min. 2. The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting having been printed in the last Report were taken as read, and approved.

Min. 3. The Secretary announced that he had received numerous interesting letters—and telegrams—from Old Scholars. Extracts were read, and it was agreed that the communications so received should be placed on the table, in order that all old scholars should have an opportunity of reading them, or referring thereto.

Min. 4. It was moved by Philip A. Sargent, seconded by Geo. Wesley Austin, and carried unanimously, "That Arthur B. Oddie be elected President for the ensuing year."

Min. 5. It was moved by Charles E. Brady, seconded by Ethel M. Harrison, "That Nellie Millard be elected Secretary." Carried unanimously.

Several members spoke in warm terms of approval of the splendid work done for the Association by the retiring secretary and treasurer—E. Percy Kaye—and the Meeting enthusiastically and unanimously approved of the services so willingly and capably rendered.

Min. 6. It was moved by E. Percy Kaye, seconded by Robert B.

Oddie, and carried unanimously, "That Percy Hodgetts be elected Treasurer."

Min. 7. It was moved, seconded, and carried with acclamation, "That the Local Secretaries, Louie E. Wilkinson and Dr. Routh, be reappointed." The sincere thanks of the Meeting were accorded to them for their past services and highly successful efforts.

Min. 8. The following members were unanimously elected as the Committee of the Association for the ensuing year: Flossie Jones, Edna Roy, H. J. Randall, Henry Dearden, and Reginald Fieldhouse. In accordance with the Rules of the Association, Mrs. J. T. Harrod and Percy Hodgetts retired automatically.

Min. 9. It was proposed by Ethel M. Harrison, seconded by Percy Hodgetts, and carried unanimously, "That Arthur B. Oddie be appointed Auditor of the Treasurer's Accounts."

Min. 10. It was proposed by John Handy, seconded by Elizabeth M. Oddie, and carried unanimously, "That Geo. Wesley Austin be elected Foreign Correspondent."

Min. 11. Charles E. Brady reported to the Meeting the cordial reception he had received as the Old Scholars representative on the School Committee. He explained that his absence on several occasions

was quite unavoidable, but that his interest in the School was undiminished.

Min. 12. Geo. Wesley Austin reported favourably as to the Meeting of the Birmingham Section, and stated that he was compelled to resign his position as Secretary of the Birmingham Section in view of his studies taking him abroad. The Meeting thanked him for his services and wished him every success. A presentation to him by the Birmingham Branch was reported. Arthur Bishop was unanimously elected as his successor on the motion of G. Wesley Austin, seconded by Percy Hodgetts.

Min. 13. The Secretary and Treasurer's Report was unanimously received and adopted. The following is the Report :—

#### THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Never, during the whole course of our existence, have I been compelled to give a mournful or discouraging report as to the state of our Society—and there is not the slightest need to begin in our ninth year. Our membership is up, and the state of our finances is such that we can reasonably do something fairly handsome for the School. This being one of the objects for which we exist gives cause for a satisfaction almost equal to that which we feel after such an enthusiastically successful gathering as we have had this Whitsuntide. Our gift of two handsome pictures suitably framed has been much appreciated by both children and staff.

Another indication of the growing interest in our Association is the number of letters received—never have so many come from our new free members. I should like to read extracts out of letters from Chas. Absalom, John Crosland, Phillis Rutter, Alice M. Harris, Mary Nainby, Jessie Blunn, S. E. Lee, Josephine Watts, Nellie Gittins, Richard Cleaver, Joseph Hills, Ethel Snook, Ethel Fengard, Elsie Rose, Mabel Willson, Margaret Clarke. Telegrams of good wishes were received at Sibford from Ethel Farrington, Mrs. E. P. Kaye, J. F. Hills, SaffronWalden Old Scholars' Association.

Also there are some letters from foreign members, appreciative of the grant of free membership made to them last year. We should be glad of a card from all of them. I need not repeat here our list of marriages and deaths ; they will appear in another column ; but more than passing notice should be and is made of the death of Ernest Wells, whom all connected with Sibford during the last ten years will remember and esteem.

Our activity in the Birmingham District is still marked and a well-attended gathering there at Christmas met with well-deserved support. The District Secretary, G. Wesley Austin, is leaving England in order to prosecute his studies in the higher branches of Engineering in Germany. He is accompanied by the good wishes of us all and by a handsome dressing case presented to him by the Birmingham Branch in recognition of all the hard work and unflinching *bonhomie* which has characterised his labours on our behalf. His successor is Arthur Bishop of Birmingham, and we are expecting that similar success will crown his episcopal reign.

And now, in presenting my Cash Account, I lay down the Secretarial pen, and entrust the Secretarial mantle to Nellie Millard, asking for her the same kindly support and, though it is not needed, indulgence in all questions of secretarial failings which have been so liberally granted to me in the past. The selection which has been made is a particularly happy one, and I am sure, a new lease of life, freshness and ability has been thereby ensured.

Not less fortunate are we as to the commercial aspect of the Association, for Percy Hodgetts has consented to take charge of the filthy lucre on our behalf. In this connection I should like to emphasise the saving in time and worry which members may save our new Treasurer if they will try to send in all back debts as soon as they receive the Report.

### CASH ACCOUNT.

DR.	INCOME.	£ s. d.	CR.	EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.
Balance from last year	.. .. .	24 2 7	Reports	.. .. .	9 13 9
Subscriptions:—			Blocks for ditto	.. .. .	2 16 6
per E.P.K. . . . .	.. .. .	9 6 6	Photo of Visitors	.. .. .	0 1 6
per L.E.W. . . . .	.. .. .	3 15 0	Honours Board	.. .. .	1 0 11
Profit on Gathering, 1912	.. .. .	0 5 8	300 Programmes of 1911 Gathering	.. .. .	0 12 9
			Postage	.. .. .	2 4 0
			Sundries	.. .. .	0 13 7
			Balance	.. .. .	20 6 9
		£37 9 9			£37 9 9

Audited and found correct,  
A. BREARLEY ODDIE.

Min. 14. A telegram was sent wishing hearty success to the Old Scholars' Gathering then being held at Saffron Walden. (A reply reciprocating the good wishes was received from the Old Scholars at Saffron Walden.)

Min. 15. Robert B. Oddie called the attention of the Meeting to the recent death of Ernest Wells, who was formerly a teacher at the School, and later on the staff of the *Daily News*. Robert B. Oddie voiced the feelings of all Old Scholars when he referred to his

splendid character and admirable qualities and the loss the Old Scholars' Association and others had sustained.

It was resolved unanimously "That a letter of sympathy be sent on behalf of the Old Scholars' Association to the mother and relatives of Ernest Wells." Such letter was duly sent.

Min. 16. Reference was made to the brave action of R. Tozer, an Old Scholar, in saving life at sea, and the newspaper report of his action, it was resolved, should be reproduced in the Old Scholars' Report for 1912-1913.

Min. 17. The Headmaster gave a short and interesting *résumé* of the chief events in the School year, and expressed his welcome to the Old Scholars.

Min. 18. It was resolved that no presentation should be made to the School this year by the Old Scholars' Association, but that the funds should accumulate until a substantial amount be reached to enable the Association to present a larger offering to the School. (Note.—One or two Old Scholars, not agreeing, have raised a small special fund to present a picture from the Old Scholars' Association.)

Min. 19. It was proposed by Philip A. Sargent, seconded by H. J. Randall, and resolved "That the Committee of the Old Scholars' Association should arrange if it were found to be convenient and feasible, for the annual gathering to commence on Friday before Whitsun instead of on the following day.

Min. 20. A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the business.

## MARRIAGES.

CARTER—PITT. September 2nd, 1911, at the Friends' Meeting House, Northfield, near Birmingham, Albert Carter, son of Roger and Zillah Carter (the former deceased), of Capel, Surrey, to Miriam Jessie, only daughter of William Joseph and Emily Pitt (the latter deceased), of Manor Cottage, Northfield.

CASTLE—JACKSON. December 27th, 1911, at Middlesbrough, Horace F. Castle, A.R.C.A. (London), only son of Henry G. and Mary A. Castle, of Woodside, Coalbrookdale, Shropshire, to Harriet E. ("Nellie"), daughter of John Jackson, of Graystock, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough.

KNIGHT—LOVELESS. August 17th, 1911, at the Friends' Meeting House, Diss, Matthew Knight, jun., son of Matthew and Martha Knight, of Heaton Chapel, Stockport, to Pleasance Lois, eldest daughter of the late William Algar and Pleasance Janet Loveless, of Diss.

PROUD—McONEGAL. August 9th, 1911, at St. Mary's, Bishop-hill Junior, York, John William Proud, B.A., 39, Lytton Road, Leytonstone, N.E., to Mary Isabel McOnegal, of York.

VANDER VORD—WARNE. July 19th, 1911. At Buffalo, New York, H. Stanley Vander Vord, to Sadie Warne, of Toronto.

WATTS—LEE. July 19th, 1910, at the Friends' Meeting House, Eccles, Joseph James Watts. to Josephine Mary Lee.

LEWIN—SAVONY. March 24th, 1909, at Kettering Parish Church, Harold Lewin to Lilly Savony.

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## DEATHS.

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PARSEY.—March 21st, 1911, at Woodview, Manningham, Bradford, Mary, the wife of J. S. K. Parsey, aged 59 years.

PAYNE.—February 16th, at Sibford Ferris, Ann Maria Payne, aged 83 years.

WELLS.—March 9th, at Hampstead, Ernest Wells, of Golder's Green, son of the late Samuel Wells and of Sarah Wells, of Northampton, aged 31 years.

### THE LATE ERNEST WELLS.

ERNEST WELLS (Ackworth, 1891—96), was the son of the late Samuel Wells and of Sarah Wells of Northampton.

On leaving Ackworth School he was apprenticed to business in his native town, afterwards going to Dublin for further experience. During the winter of 1903-4, some months were spent on the Riviera, accompanying a young friend of his ordered abroad on account of his health. This break in his work was greatly enjoyed, as were his various holidays from time to time abroad and in the British Isles—though often short—his great love of Nature made him keenly enjoy every fresh place he visited. On returning to England, he took a

position on the staff of Sibford School, which was, in many ways, very congenial to him. The year 1906-7 was spent in New York as Secretary to a large business firm. On his return he went to London as Assistant Secretary to the *Daily News*. E.W. greatly enjoyed his life in London and the many interests and friendships which it brought. Living at Hampstead there was much that appealed to him and he entered with earnestness into the Adult School and Social work there. His nature was one of intense feeling and deep sympathy with others. He realised the kinship of humanity. To him every man was a brother worthy of regard and he was often ready to sacrifice much of personal liking and ease if he could bring strength and cheer to one who needed. The difficulties of others were often a cause of much suffering to himself.

Naturally reserved, except with his most intimate friends, few would guess the depth of thought and feeling hidden under a genial, warm-hearted and often playful nature. His life though seemingly uneventful contained many acts of helpfulness as he strove to reach to higher levels himself and to stretch out a hand to others helping them to do the same.

At the age of 31, after four day's illness from appendicitis, he passed away at Hampstead, and was laid to rest in the Friends' Burial ground at Northampton. Amongst those present were many associates of his Ackworth and Sibford life, colleagues from London, and friends from Hampstead. A short service was held at the *Daily News* offices during the time of interment, all work being suspended for a short time and also at Hampstead, where were so many whose friendship he greatly valued.

## THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

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I DON'T believe that I ever thanked you last Whitsuntide for electing me as your President for this year—did I? But to tell the truth I was so completely taken aback when I heard you had done so, that words seemed to fail me altogether. Please forgive my ungraciousness, and let me now (seeing I have had twelve months in which to get over the shock!) thank you all immensely for the honour you have conferred on me, and I feel it more especially an honour because you have given me the privilege of being the second woman president, and of succeeding our dear Mrs. Oddie. Would that my remarks could come up to the standard of hers!

You know it really is a terrible thing to have to give a presidential address, and after a whole year in which to consider one I have only been able to produce a somewhat rambling mass of words. So if you feel inexpressibly bored, please don't hesitate to yawn. I am not going to keep you long, though, and after all, I *mean* well!

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I had been addressing a company of members of my own sex, I should certainly have declaimed upon "The Future Position of Women," or "Women and Labour," or "Woman and her Right of Citizenship," or some such topic in which I am deeply interested; but to find some subject, within my capability, which was suitable to both sexes, old and young, that has been my difficulty. So, though I have received

many kind hints from various people, I have discarded all their suggestions and have decided to talk for a few minutes on "*Esprit de Corps*," because I feel that it is a subject which applies to the children here at school, to the Old Scholars, and to all of us in this room, and because true *esprit de corps* is so sorely needed in this world to-day.

I wonder how many of the children here (or grown ups, too, for that matter) know exactly what *esprit de corps* means? It is one of the many French phrases which we have borrowed, and which seems to be so much more useful in its short French form than in its long wordy English translation, and it is a phrase often heard in schools. Perhaps we know, in a vague sort of way, what it means; but it would be difficult for us to express its meaning if someone said "Write down in your own words the meaning of *esprit de corps*." (I shall not ask you to do so. I see some of you looking rather anxious!) The dictionary meaning reads thus: "*esprit de corps*, regard to the character of that body to which one belongs" or a somewhat looser translation is "public spiritedness."

Each one of us belongs to a body or community of some kind, whether it be a family, or school, or college, or club, or village, or town, or city, so not one of us can shift the responsibility that corporate life brings with it.

Here are a few instances of what *esprit de corps* means for you boys and girls—it means that you care for the honour and good name of Sibford School, that you wish it to have a good tone, that you want outsiders to speak well of it—and by outsiders, I mean those who know nothing about you except from what they see of you when travelling in a railway carriage, or playing in a match, or out in the country for a walk, those who judge of your school by your behaviour. It means that you are willing with a good grace to give up your place, say, in the first hockey or football eleven, because a new girl or boy has come who plays better than you, and will therefore strengthen the eleven—it means that you try to play an unselfish game, and if you shoot a goal, that you are not only pleased for your own sake but pleased most for the sake of your school—it means that you care if your eleven is beaten.

These are only a few out of hundreds of small instances that might be given of publicspiritedness ; but if, at the end of your school life here at Sibford, you have learnt even a little of this spirit, your time has not been wasted, however dull you may have been at arithmetic, or poor at games.

And there is one important duty you owe to your country, especially as you grow older, and that is to try and interest yourselves in things which are happening in the world around you. It is your duty, girls equally with boys, to keep your eyes and ears open, and to learn all you can from hearing older people talk and from books and newspapers, about questions of religion, social law, politics ; people who stagnate or who are indi

a burden, and not a help to civilisation. So I would urge each boy and girl to think out and thrash out ideals of your own, and to try to hear and read all sides of a question ; do not limit yourselves to one newspaper, for instance, but gain as many different points of view as you can, and so broaden your outlook on men and things.

Then what is it that keeps up such an Association as the S.O.S.A. ? Surely it is the *esprit de corps*, the public spirit shown by so many of its members, those who do the hard work for it, who care for the Association, and are willing to be used in its service ; those who come here, year after year, and show their interest by their presence ; those who cannot come, but care enough to send their good wishes ; those who help time after time in the entertainments and games ; it is by such as these, who care for the body of which they are members, that our Association is upheld.

In the great corporate life of this country everyone here alike has a share, and in our national life, as well as in the smaller circle of our life, *esprit de corps*, public spirit, is desperately needed.

We live in stirring and eventful times, when our country is in a state of unrest, dissatisfaction and rapid evolution, when power, is sought after and abused by rich and poor alike, and when party feeling runs so high that it is desperately difficult to see clearly what is making for the best and highest, and which way we ought to follow. We get excited and uncontrolled and biased in our judgment of men, women, and things ; and we take one side or one party, and it is the fashion to run down and abuse everything which the other side or party does. We set up a standard of whether a thing is good or

bad, right or wrong, according as it is convenient or not to *us*—if we approve of a thing and find it convenient to ourselves we say it is good and right ; if we do not approve and do not find it convenient we say it is bad and wrong. If only we could remain calm and unbiassed ! If only we could get a wider outlook, and judge a thing to be good or bad in so far as it is good or bad for the community at large—whether it be as regards great political questions or such an insignificant matter as the windows being open or shut in a room. If only we would play the unselfish game—show public spirit—have more of *esprit de corps* !

Are we showing real, true patriotism, which is one branch of *esprit de corps*, in our thoughts concerning our country and the great problems that arise, and in how we speak of them ? Is a true patriot, for instance, one who would wish his country to rush into a war, who would talk lightly of such an awful calamity, who would try to stir up ill-feeling between one country and another ? And yet we are constantly reading in some of our newspapers, and hearing people say things which foster this spirit—an extravagant pride in one's own country and a corresponding contempt of other nations, which we call jingoism, cannot be true and real patriotism. Surely a truer patriot is one who blushes for shame at the sight of a ragged child or a drunken man. I say again, that in relation to our national and international life, *esprit de corps* is desperately needed.

We need to realise what our individual part is—that we are each one responsible for the conditions which exist in our country to-day ; we cannot shirk the responsibility and say, “ Am I my brother's

keeper ? ” All the slums, for instance, evil conditions of living, and awful surroundings into which tens of thousands of children are born, and which make it well nigh impossible for them to grow up pure and good (the marvel is how they grow up as good as they do !), and which are a reproach and a disgrace to our country. These things reflect on *us*—each one—we who are the units which go to make up the corporate life of England, and if we had true regard for the body of which we are members, we should more realise our responsibility, and do more in the discharge of it. People who drift along, uncaring, indifferent to these things, are a burden to civilisation ; they may think they do not matter or count, but every duty they shirk or leave undone has to be done by someone else, and, therefore, they are a burden.

I came across some words of Stopford Brooke the other day on this very point. He speaks very strongly about it, and this is what he says : “ There is a certain amount of work to be done in this world. If any of us does not take his full share, he imposes that which he does not take on the shoulders of another ; and the first cause of poverty, of disease, of misery in all States, is the overwork which is imposed on men and women by the idle and indifferent members of the nation. This is to steal from the human race : to steal from them joy, leisure, health, comfort and peace, and to impose on them sorrow and overwork, disease and homelessness, bitter anger and fruitless tears. This is the curse which the selfish dreamer leaves behind him. Many have been the fierce oppressors and defrauders of the human race ; but the evil they have done is less than that done by those who, drop by drop, and hour by hour, drain the

blood of mankind by doing no work for the over worked. This is the crime with which the idle and indifferent will be confronted when the great throne is set in our soul, and the books we have written on men's lives are opened."

And the people to-day, and there are many such, who purposely shut their eyes and ears and refuse to learn about the problems and evils that surround us, and who say, "Oh, I think it is best to remain ignorant about such things, I don't think they are nice," are only keeping back a better state of affairs. If everybody refused to learn about existing evils, whenever could we hope for a reform of them? and what would be the condition of our country to-day if public-spirited men and women had not set themselves to first investigate and then try to remedy such things? Don't let us deceive ourselves with false modesty!

"The dangers which threaten us will never be averted until there is no single good man or woman in any sphere of life who does not realise the individual's responsibility for the general condition, and who is not labouring in some direct, definite, self-denying way to rescue those who are perishing from the action of preventable evils."—FARRAR.

These are only a few thoughts, badly expressed I fear, which have come to me on this subject of *esprit de corps*; but I do feel there is great need to-day for men and women to strive to possess this spirit more fully—the spirit which cares for the condition and good name of its country and fellow men, which is willing to come forward and be used, or to hold back and stay in the background (sometimes a

more difficult thing to do); the spirit of broad-mindedness and sympathy; the spirit of earnest work for the betterment of mankind.

"What, my soul, was thy errand here?  
Was it mirth or ease,  
Or heaping up dust from year to year?"  
"Nay, none of these."

"What hast thou wrought for Right or Truth;  
For God and man,  
From the golden hours of bright-eyed youth,  
To life's mid span?" —WHITTIER.

"Nay, best it is, indeed,  
To spend ourselves upon the general good;  
And, oft misunderstood,  
To strive to lift the limbs and knees that bleed;  
This is the best, the fullest meed.  
Let ignorance assail or hatred sneer;  
Who loves his race he shall not fear;  
He suffers not for long  
Who doth his soul possess in loving and grows strong.  
Ay, labour, thou art blest,  
From all the earth thy voice, a constant prayer,  
Soars upward day and night:  
A voice of aspiration after right;  
A voice of effort yearning for its rest;  
A voice of high hope conquering despair."

—LEWIS MORRIS.



ETHEL M. HARRISON,  
President, 1911-12.

## SCHOOL NEWS. August, 1911, to June, 1912.

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**Football and Hockey.** If the football matches, with the results, were to be tabulated, I am afraid that it would be difficult not to notice that in every match but one the score was against the School ; but those who saw our, for the most part, small fellows tackling their much heavier opponents, know that it is to the credit of our boys that they, instead of utterly succumbing and owning defeat, redoubled their efforts after every defeat. The only match won was against the recently instituted team of the village boys.

The girls played a round half-dozen hockey matches, winning all but two. They beat a village team which had previously defeated a mixed team representing North Oxfordshire.

**Cricket.** Although the Old Scholars beat us on the cricket field, we had won every cricket match that preceded the match of the season, excepting two, and we won all the succeeding ones. The first match was against a team from a boys' brigade camping at Ground's Farm, and in the second match, against the Banbury Adults, Mr. J. T. Harrod took 9 wickets for 4 runs.

**Lectures.** Again we have a splendid record of Lectures that have been given to us. Our ever-ready, and likewise ever-welcomed, friends, Mr. Enoch and Mr. Pollard, have visited us again. Mr. Enoch showed us a new sphere of insect life,

opening our eyes to the wonders of "Fairy Flies" by his pleasant talk and splendid pictures; while Mr. Pollard again gave us a delightful evening with the wonderful characters of Shakespeare. We have visited Japan, under the guidance of Dr. Witney, and later with Mr. Davidson; Palestine with Mr. Impey; New Zealand with Miss Rutter; and the Pyrenees with Mr. Oliver Dell. Mr. Wallis's lecture, with pictures and blackboard sketches, on "Arms, Armour and Tactics," was a very much enjoyed variation of the usual lectures, Mr. Boorneshowed us pictures of "The Life and Times of Abraham"; and Mrs. Allen interested us by oral pictures of her travels among the slaves. Miss Cook showed us slides of and talked of peace; while Mr. Davidson compared the French and Chinese Revolutions.

**Excursions.** Few Old Scholars will need any description of the delightful excursions and picnics to such places as Wiggington Heath, Brailes, Winderton, Wychford Woods, Tysoe, Compton Wynyates, Edge Hill, Hill Bottom, and Traitorsford. The Edge Hill excursion was, if possible, made more enjoyable than before, to some, by the selling of "Penny Monsters" in the village. One morning, in the middle of September, we set out in parties to collect blackberries from the surrounding hedges, which were loaded with very fine fruit, and shortly before dinner we returned, some with our clothes torn, and mostly with stained lips and hands,

carrying baskets of all shapes and sizes, which contained the fruit of our labours, which, when in the hands of Miss Shotter, was soon made into pies, puddings, and jam.

**Concerts,  
Social  
Evenings,  
etc.**

This year the usual Christmas Concert was given in aid of the Boys' Camping Fund. The programme included scenes from "Robin Hood," by some Upper School boys and girls; scenes from "Alice in Wonderland," by some of the Lower School; Nursery Rhymes by the Lower Fourth Girls, and a "Fliofarce" by a party of boys with a master as airman. £2 5s. 3d. was taken at the door and from tickets sold.

Of the Whitsuntide concerts we hope to see full accounts elsewhere. Besides the usual social evenings, we have had a few unusual ones. While Mr. Enoch was at the school, he gave us a very enjoyable evening by playing on the bones, at which he is an adept, and singing to us. After we had met, in friendly conflict on the field, a football team, the "Pilgrims" (of which our old friend Mr. Pool was a member),

we were entertained by them in the Dining Hall. In April a team of "Lady Pilgrims" played us at hockey, and in the evening entertained us by their playing, singing, and talking.

**General  
Meeting.**

All through the day the School was in a whirl of excitement, what with motors, motor bicycles, and conveyances arriving and departing, the crowd of visitors inspecting the work of the year and packing themselves into the gymnasium to see the Morris drill, and the knowledge that class-places were to come at supper time, and home on the morrow, and that our boxes were packed and our train tickets in our pockets.

**Departures.**

The 22nd of June was a lovely day, and boys and girls crowded into conveyances, and in good time were started off, leaving about 14 or 15 boys behind, who were going to spend ten days in camp. Nearly all the Upper Fourth boys and girls leave us, together with two masters, Mr. Smith and Mr. Hartman, who have our heartiest wishes.

L. G. SALTER.

## OLD SCHOLARS' NEWS.

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The following account of a very plucky act by an old scholar, Robert Tozer, of Maidenhead, is taken from the *New York Times* of January 9th, 1912 :—

When George Kirstell, steward of the British steamship Ramsay, which arrived at the American Docks, Tompkinsville, S.I., yesterday, fell overboard while the steamer was coaling at Santa Lucia in the West Indies on January 2nd, Captain John Mallen and the officers and crew, most of whom were on deck, laughed heartily at the plight of the steward. Kirstell is a fine swimmer, but was choking with rage over the accident, which caused him to get his clothes soaked. A strong tide had swept him some little way from the steamer, but Kirstell was leisurely swimming back when those aboard the vessel sighted the fin of a man-eating shark, still many yards from the swimmer, but coming through the water in his direction like an express train. They shouted a warning to Kirstell, and the steward swam as he never had before, while Captain Mallen set about getting a life boat over the side. But in the seconds that intervened before the boat could be dropped from the davits the shark had halved the distance between itself and the swimmer, and captain and crew realised that before the boat could reach Kirstell the shark would have overtaken him. Still they lowered the boat, but it was many feet from

Kirstell, whose efforts had brought him almost beneath the overhand of the stern. The shark was less than a dozen feet behind, and the men who had not manned the lifeboat turned aside in terror of seeing Kirstell dragged beneath the water, when Robert Tozer, the third officer, a big Englishman, scarcely more than a boy, sprang on to the rail and dived overboard. In one hand he clutched his big sailor's knife, its blade ready opened. He scarcely raised a ripple as his body cut clean into the water, but an instant later there was a tremendous commotion where the shark had been coming on rapidly a dozen feet behind Kirstell. Its tail lashed the water and the big fin thrashed up and down. Then it disappeared, and a moment later Tozer rose to the surface a dozen feet away to catch a long breath and strike out easily for the steamer. When he and Kirstell had been hauled aboard, the latter weak from fright, the young third officer explained that he had merely performed a trick common to many of the natives of the South Seas, where he has spent all of his life cruising. He had timed his dive to come up beneath the shark, and then had ripped him with the big knife. The only danger lay in missing the shark the first time, he confessed. Tozer wouldn't talk about the rescue yesterday, but Kirstell was ready to tell about it to everyone who came aboard the steamer, which is in with a cargo of nitrate soda and copper ore for W. R. Grace and Co., from Montevideo.

The following birth notices (from *The Friend*) will be of interest to Old Scholars :—

April 6th, 1911.—To Albert G. and Constance H. Linney, a daughter.

September 21st, 1911.—To Robert and Gertrude M. Sandy, a daughter.

October 28th, 1911.—At Sibford Gower, to Edwin W. and Grace Stevens (*née* Ashworth), a son.

February 23rd, 1912.—To J. C. and Lilian Tickle (*née* Benstead), a daughter.

May 23rd, 1912.—To Margaret W. and Herbert O. Litten, a son.

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Isabella Farrand has been awarded a first-class Diploma as Lady Housekeeper by the Edinburgh School of Cookery and Domestic Economy.

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N. Millard has gained the Board of Education Teachers' Certificate.

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This year fifteen of the boys from the School and Mr. G. H. Pool went to camp at the commencement of the summer holidays.

Chastleton, near Long Compton, was the chosen spot this time, and a most enjoyable nine days' was spent there.

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In the background of the Whitsuntide Group this year, a glimpse is obtained of the new house which has been built between the Sanatorium and the Post Office.

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Sibford hens got quite expert at dodging motor traffic this Whitsuntide. We wonder who will be the first Old Scholar to arrive at a gathering in an aeroplane.

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We are indebted to Mr. Harrod for the loan of the block of the Girls' Cookery Class.

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Attention is directed to the asterisks beside some names in the List of Members. They serve as a gentle reminder of the fact that no subscription has been received from those Old Scholars for at least three years; and that the Committee have come to the conclusion that it will be impossible to send another report to any whose subscriptions are not up to date.

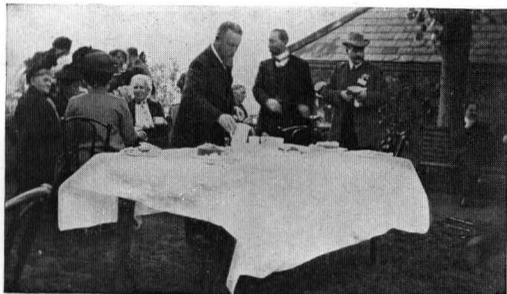
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