

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



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OLD SCHOLARS' ASSOCIATION,



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OLD SCHOLARS AND VISITORS, WHITSUNTIDE, 1913.



Top Row—E. Barber, H. Sharp, Mr. Higginson, K. Reynolds, L. Salter, E. R. Oddie, Miss Collins, H. Dearlen, R. Fieldhouse, G. H. Pollard, Mr. Sharp,
 B. Jackson, F. Parsons, H. C. Boon, Mr. Gooday, F. Cutlack.
 Fourth Row—F. Morgan, H. J. Randall, D. R. Simms, H. R. Simms, W. J. Harvey, E. Stevens, H. Lawrence, Mr. T. C. Evans, P. Hodgetts, S. Hutchinson,
 Third Row—E. B. Oddie, —, E. V. Jones, C. Austin, F. Jones, D. Jones, G. H. Pool, A. Bishop, J. Sabin, L. Hutchinson, M. J. Carter, M. Buckley, E. Keason,
 I. Gregory, R. N. Taylor, Mrs. Sharp, H. Edwards, Miss Tidwill, Mrs. Simms, Miss Bretell.
 Second Row—E. Little, —, V. Brown, D. Cox, F. Lamb, G. M. Oddie, —, Mrs. Grant, A. Kaye, F. Elliott, H. Calcraft, R. Dell, H. Dell, E. Harris, L. Lamb,
 E. B. Roy, E. Quinton, Emma Roy.
 Front Row—L. E. Wilkinson, C. E. Brady, N. Millard, R. B. Oddie, Mrs. Oddie, Mrs. A. B. Oddie, Mr. and Mrs. Harrod, A. M. Abbatt, L. S. Lamb, J. Parsey,
 Miss Shotton, A. J. Lamb.

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TENTH ANNUAL GATHERING.

May 10th—May 13th, 1913.

Quite a number of Old Scholars found it impossible to wait until the Saturday, and put in an appearance at Sibford on the previous day. Supper and breakfast were obtained in the village, and a very jolly party met for these meals. An informal re-union took place in the Gymnasium on Friday evening, and a programme of songs, choruses and recitations made time pass very pleasantly.

Weather prophets had been shaking their heads dismally during the preceding week, but conditions seemed more favourable on Saturday. A lively and hungry party of Old Scholars arrived at about 2.30, and after they had been identified and labelled, the bell for dinner caused something of a stampede in the direction of the dining-room. A table extending from one end of the room to the other was quickly filled, and the usual din of conversation commenced. The new honours' board, which occupies a prominent position on the right of the slide, attracted much attention. The pictures which have

been presented at various times to the School by the S.O.S.A., also made a brave show. A cricket team was selected at the close of the meal, and as soon as possible the annual match against the School was started on a pitch sodden with many weeks' rain.

Old Scholars batted first, and soon had the upper hand of the bowling. H. J. Randall and G. H. Pool for the second wicket scored 38 runs, which partnership, although being extremely useful, proved the downfall of the team. Thinking themselves quite safe, Old Scholars seemed to indulge in reckless play, and against H. Cheney accomplishing the hat-trick. Still, they were quite confident of victory especially when several School wickets quickly fell, but Mr. Harrod, who seems to play better as his hair gets greyer, made light of the bowling, and, as will be seen from the score, carried the School to a six wickets' victory. Following is the score:—

Past.	Present.
P. Hodgetts, b Harrod 4	J. T. Harrod, not out 34
H. J. Randall, b Cheney ... 14	J. Cook, c Fieldhouse b Randall 0
G. H. Pool, b Cheney 23	E. Gitsham, l.b.w. b Ran- dall 2
C. E. Brady c and b Harrod 0	H. Cheney, c Fieldhouse Hodgetts 2
A. Kaye c Quinton b Har- rod 6	L. Calcraft, run out 3
R. Fieldhouse, b Harrod... 0	N. Ward not out 1
E. V. Jones, not out 6	E. Quinton, E. Hargrave, } did not bat.
F. Parsons c Ross b Cheney 0	H. Nicholl, } W. Cain, } S. Ross }
F. Elliott, b Cheney 0	
W. J. Harvey b Cheney 0	
H. Lawrance, st Cain b Harrod 0	Extras 14
Extras 2	
Total 55	Total (4 wickets)... 56

The boys who had played in the match came in to tea.

By seven all Old Scholars were in the Gymnasium, studying the programme handed to them on entering, and it only needed a very hasty glance to see that a capital concert had been arranged. Every item was rendered in excellent style. The choruses were particularly good, and were conducted from the rear by Mr. Gitsham, whose professional air, variety of gesture, and extraordinary facial expressions, attracted and held the rapt attention of part of the audience, and evoked

great applause. The most popular item of the entertainment was the acting of two scenes from Dickens' "Christmas Carol," by the Upper Fourth Boys. Norman Ward as "Scrooge" gave a very fine interpretation of the part, both as the miser with his hoarse, dry cackles and sneering remarks, and also in his transformed character as the benevolent and cheery old gentleman, full of the spirit of that season for which he had formerly expressed such contempt. Following is the programme:—

1. Piano Duet "Le Bivouac," Carl Bohm
Elsie and Marjorie Wells.
2. Choruses (a) "Greeting,"
(b) "O Wert Thou in the
Cauld Blast," Mendelssohn.
Lower Fourth.
3. Recitation "Piped Piper of Hamelin," Browning.
Geoffrey Long.
4. Pianoforte Solo "Romance Du Soir," Marchetti.
Harold Cheney.
5. Chorus "Daffodil May Dance," ...L. Ormiston Chant.
Nine Girls.
6. Violin Solo "Romance in F," A. Von Carse.
J. B. Cook.
7. Chorus "The Mountaineer," Ketelbey.
The Choral Party.
8. Pianoforte Solo "Sonatina," Diabelli.
Muriel Chalker.
9. Two Songs (a) "A Bird Song,"
(b) "Bell Beneath the Sea,"
L. Ormiston Chant.



SIBFORD FERRIS.

(Photo by Percy Simms, Chipping Norton.)

10. Scenes from "Christmas Carol," Dickens
Upper Fourth Boys.

Dramatis Personæ:—

Scrooge—N. Ward.

Bob Cratchit—R. Wilmott.

Scrooge's Nephew—L. Calcraft.

Two Gentlemen—H. Cheney,
W. Pollard.

Carol Singer—H. Nicholl.

Tiny Tim—H. Quinton.

Introducer—F. Jones.

11. Chorus "Soldiers' Chorus" ("Faust") Wagner

At the close of this most enjoyable concert, Arthur B. Oddie, the President for the year, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the performers and to those who had so ably trained them. J. S. K. Parsey seconded, and Mr. Harrod replied, welcoming Old Scholars to Sibford in a most cordial manner.

The Lower Schoolroom, which looked most inviting with its comfortable chairs and artistically-arranged masses of spring flowers and foliage, was the scene of the first re-union. Rousing choruses, which are a feature of these occasions, were sung with such vigour that they must have seriously interfered with the slumbers of the occupants of the neighbouring farm-yards; songs given by some of the members were much appreciated, and C. E. Brady convulsed everybody by the reading of a sketch he had written (which appears elsewhere), delivered in his most grave and serious manner. Time fled by all too

quickly, and by eleven, all the pigs, cows, horses, etc., in the vicinity were once more snoring peacefully. It is rumoured, however, that a number of ghostly figures with trailing white draperies, appeared on the lawn of one of Sibford's most respected inhabitants, and, striking imposing attitudes, gave vent to most unmelodious chants. The members of the family, armed with candles and matches, boldly sallied out to investigate the mystery, and it is said the apparitions proved to be—well, perhaps the candles flickered, and the matches were damp.

Next morning the weather was somewhat unsettled, but when the sun shone, it transformed the buttercup-studded meadows into gleaming sheets of gold, and enhanced the exquisite green tint of the beech trees. At eleven o'clock the Meeting House was well filled, and a very helpful time followed. The necessity for "playing the game" at all times, and under all circumstances, was the keynote of the meeting. A shower of rain interfered with the customary chats on the grass outside, but it quickly passed. The Committee Meeting, which usually takes place out of doors, was held this year, by kind permission of Mr. Boorne, in his house. After dinner came walks; everybody kept to the roads, on account of the wet grass. At 5.30, Mr. and Mrs. Harrod held their reception, a good number of village Friends joining the party. Tea was served on the girls' playground, and a most enjoyable time was spent. Rambles round the garden, or up and down the "High Street" of the village, filled in the time until seven, when the School Service was held in the dining-room. This year there was no special speaker, but everyone enjoyed the hearty hymn

singing and the earnest practical address from the Headmaster, on the dangers of procrastination in character building.

While the dining-room was being prepared for supper, Old Scholars were entertained in the Gymnasium by Mr. Boorne, who brought over his magnificent gramophone, and delighted the company with a selection of sacred pieces. The music had such charms that the supper-bell rang unheeded, and it was some time before a specially deafening peal at the Gym. door made one's thoughts descend sharply to earth again. During the re-union further selections were given, interspersed with songs from Miss Wilkinson, Miss G. Oddie, Miss Reynolds, G. H. Pool and A. Kaye. The singing of "Abide with me" brought another day to a close.

The Business Meeting was the first item of importance on Monday, and was held after breakfast in the Lower Schoolroom, under the efficient chairmanship of Charles E. Brady. Great interest is always taken in the affairs of the Association; in fact, one Old Scholar complained that the business was being disposed of too speedily, and reminded the Chairman that it would be a whole year before he had the chance to enjoy such a function again. As it had been impossible to read more than extracts from most of the letters, the entire correspondence received during the year was left on the table at the close of the proceedings, and many availed themselves of the opportunity of reading it.

Singing, and hastily arranged rehearsals for the evening's concert occupied most of the remainder of the morning. A swimming race was held in the bath about noon. The Old

Scholars remembered how they had been defeated last year, and gave the boys only one length. The teams were:—

Past.	Present.
P. Hodgetts	N. Ward
H. Dearden	L. Calcraft
A. Bishop	E. Quinton
F. Elliott	F. Jones
H. Lawrance	R. Thomas
H. Calcraft.	H. Cheney.

Each swimmer had to swim two lengths, and a most exciting race ensued, the Past winning by about half a length

A record number for the gathering sat down to dinner, another table being necessary to provide seating accommodation. Photographs came next. It always takes some time for many of the victims to compose their faces into something like a suitable expression, and just as this is accomplished and the operator says "Quite still, please," a form is sure to collapse; or someone remembers a joke they simply must repeat, and the whole process commences again. It had been decided in the morning to abandon the idea of a picnic. The afternoon was somewhat showery, but no one minded that. It would take a tremendous amount of rain to damp the enthusiasm and ardour of Sibfordians at Whitsuntide, so a football match was arranged. It took the Old Scholars a good time to procure the necessary clothes, and the costumes they finally appeared in were of the most remarkable and nondescript character. No two even faintly resembled each other, and they varied from the usual outfit down to a

pair of shin-pads, which, it was assumed by the uninitiated, were displayed merely for ornament. The following teams took the field:—

Past:

H. Dearden;

G. H. Pool, H. Sharp;

H. Lawrance, E. V. Jones, E. Stevens;

A. Kaye, R. Fieldhouse, P. Hodgetts, H. J. Randall, F. Parsons.

Present:

R. Thomas;

R. Wells, Mr. Gitsham;

N. Ward, Mr. Little, Gooday;

Ross, E. Quinton, H. Cheney, L. Calcraft, Gibbins.

Referee—F. Elliott.

The School team looked very diminutive, but they played a splendid game against their heavier opponents, showing much better combination. The capital way in which they tackled the Old Scholars gained them much applause, and the match was a more even one than the score (7—2) in favour of the Past, indicates. The goals were scored by Hodgetts (3), Kaye (2), Fieldhouse and Randall for the Past, and by Little and Calcraft for the Present. A good number watched the match from the cricket pavilion, where their attention was often divided between watching some exciting bit of play and dodging drops of water, which had a trick of suddenly descending from the roof on to the extremity of the noses of the unwary.

The Old Scholars' Entertainment began somewhat earlier than usual. The President, Author B. Oddie, read his interest-

ing address at the commencement. It was found necessary later to curtail the programme somewhat, owing to the flight of time, but it was certainly one of the most successful concerts ever given, judging by the amount of laughter and applause. Following is the programme:—

1. Pianoforte Solo (encored) Christine Austin
2. Recitation "The Revenge," Rupert Dell
3. Vocal Duet "The Dolls' Duet," Misses G. and B. Oddie
(encored).
4. Mock Trial "The Legal Illuminaries."
5. Song "Tatters," Miss Wilkinson
6. Trio "T
and Higginson.
7. Song "A May Morning," Edna Quinton
(Encore, "Roses in June.")
8. Dialogue "Geese," ... Misses A. and J. Sabin
9. Monologue "What fur du ee luv Oi," ... Mr.
(Encore, "Uncle Jan Tappit.")
10. Song "Four Jolly Sailor Boys," Mr. Pool
11. Trio "Cock Robin," ... Messrs. Pool, Little,
and Higginson.
12. "Forty Years On."
"Auld Lang Syne."

All the items excellently rendered and were much appreciated, particularly Edna Quinton's songs. As the Mock Trial was something of a novelty, it is proposed to give a brief account of it, taken from the records of the Court.

THE MOCK TRIAL.

This case came on for hearing before Mr. Justice Piffler (C. E. Brady) at the Sibford Gower Assizes, held at the Court House (otherwise the Gymnasium, Sibford School).

The prisoner, Christopher Abel Drummond Boyle Spankhurst (Percy Hodgetts), was charged as follows:—

County of Moxford, to wit.

SIBFORD GOWER ASSIZES.

Rex *v.* Christopher Abel Drummond Boyle
Desperate Spankhurst.

Bill of Indictments.

1.—THAT you C. A. D. B. D. Spankhurst did on or about the 1st day of April, 1913, unlawfully and feloniously take, steal, or carry away and receive and convert to your own use, or sneak or pocket the following goods, articles, chattels and things, that is to say:—

The School Donkey.

1 Bicycle.

1 S.O.S.A. Picture.

S.O.S.A. Photo Album.

The School Sundial.

Contrary to the Statute 102½ William I., 1066.

2.—THAT you afterwards caused or were privy to the return of the said good, articles, chattels and things by "parcel's post" through H.M. Post Office without properly stamping the packages, and with a badly and execrably and rottenly inscribed address thereon with intent to defraud.

Contrary to the Statute 222 Alfred the Great, 901.

THE value of the said goods, articles, chattels and things is as follows, viz:—that is to say, to wit, notwithstanding, and howsoever:—

	£	s.	d.
School Donkey including hoofs and tail			3
1 Bicycle		15	1
1 S.O.S.A. Picture	100	0	0
S.O.S.A. Photo Album			Priceless
The School Sundial	3		groats per pound Troy
(Be the same little more or less).			

3.—THAT your conduct as set out in the first two clauses hereof was calculated to create a serious breach of the Peace with the S.O.S.A. or with any one of its members—or with the Headmaster or other the Masters or Mistresses of the School, or with the scholars or some or one of them—capable of leading to the letting, spending or shedding of good and valuable sanguinary fluid, or the darkening, closing, clouding over or obscuration of the optic organs of some or one of the parties aforesaid especially but not exclusively of those of the said Headmaster. Contrary to the Statute I., Boadicea, Cap. 3, 62.

Mr. A. McScorcher, K.C. (Arnold J. Kaye), was Counsel for the prosecution. Mr. Fuzzy, K.C. (H. J. Randall), Counsel for the defence.

The Court having been opened, Mr. McScorcher called the first witness for the prosecution. The oath was administered by the Judge as follows:—"I declare that all I shall say here is all hearsay and is as true as it sounds and as sound as a tooth, a whole tooth, and nothing but a tooth," each witness standing in the prescribed attitude with his hands behind his ears.

The Revd. Mr. Sedative (Arthur Bishop) stated that he was Curate of Little London and was looking after his flock at "The Blue Pig and Face Ache," Swalcliffe, when the prisoner entered at 1.5 a.m. "He looked like a vagrant." so witness informed the policeman.

Cross-examined, witness stated that he had been partaking of a bath of milk and a glass bun. He knew prisoner was a vagrant because the prisoner did not offer to pay for his (the curate's) refreshment. He appeared to be suffering from excitement, or a corn or bunion, for he walked and talked unsteadily.

Police Constable Ananias Copper, Double X Division, of the Moxfordshire Police (Victor Jones), gave evidence that he was, on the night of the 1st of April last, engaged on his duties arresting slugs and catching a cold. He saw the prisoner, who had the School Donkey in his hip pocket, the School Sundial in his right hand vest pocket, the bicycle in one of his boots, and the picture and album in the lining of his hat. He re-

cognised the prisoner by his enormous feet. (Here the prisoner objected, but was ordered by the Court to be silent.) The witness stated that he ran after the prisoner, but was unable to catch him, as he (witness) was not in training. the Police Sports not taking place till August.

He was cross-examined, and admitted he was a member of a Freemason's Lodge, which was not absolutely a teetotal one, but his evidence was otherwise unshaken. This closed the case for the prosecution.

Counsel for the prisoner made an eloquent speech for the defence, broken into at intervals by the snoring of the Judge, who dozed off from time to time. Counsel, appealing to the manifest intelligence of the jury, stated that the prisoner was of immaculate character, and thought much of by all men and women, especially the latter. He was Honorary President of a Mothers' Meeting, and a lifelong abstainer at intervals. Prisoner was on his way from Birmingham to visit some of his friends in the Sibford Workhouse, when he fell into a bucket of birdlime, and the articles he was accused of taking stuck to him in consequence. Walking down the High-street, Sibford, prisoner saw a gaunt figure, wearing gold-rimmed spectacles, who was muttering to himself about a President's address which he was apparently endeavouring to declaim. This individual took the articles at prisoner's request and dispatched them from the office of the Postmaster-General of Sibford—which explained the handwriting. He would call Nathaniel Barebones, the Postmaster-General of Sibford, and Professor MacNutt, F.X.S., etc., as witnesses for the defence.

The Court was here interrupted by a Suffragette shouting from the rear of the Court, "Votes for Women. We will have justice." Wildly ringing a bell and throwing tin bombs she was arrested amidst great excitement by P.C. Ananias Copper at the instance of the Court, and put into a temporary cell behind the stage. From time to time to the end of the trial she threw bombs and shouted, creating much disturbance. The Judge directed that she should be forcibly fed.

The Postmaster-General of Sibford Gower, Nathaniel Barebones (Henry Lawrance), speaking in very countrified broad Moxfordshire dialect, gave evidence, generally stating "Ou aar" in answer to Counsel's questions. He confirmed the posting of the goods by parcel post. He had been Postmaster-General for Sibford for upwards of 80 years.

The Judge asked the prisoner if he could identify the School donkey, and threatened to commit the prisoner for contempt when the prisoner gazed pointedly at him.

Professor MacNutt, F.X.S., etc., of Dottyville Divinity College, Brailes (W. J. Harvey), gave evidence bearing out Counsel's statement. He said he had known the prisoner many years, and he had once studied at his Academy. Save on the rarest occasions, he had always borne the highest character, and he understood further, that prisoner was Treasurer to a Home for Lost Cats, and was unflagging and assiduous in collecting subscriptions.

Counsel for the defence then made an eloquent appeal to the Jury (believed to be one of the largest on record, consisting

of some 140 men, women and children) on behalf of the prisoner, whose fall into the bucket of birdlime, and the consequent adhesion to his person of the articles set out in the indictment, was a pure accident. As a second line of defence, he might ask the jury alternatively to believe that the prisoner thought he was walking through Harrod's Stores, and picked up the articles in question from sheer absence of mind, and with the intention of paying for them at the cash desk on his way out. In any case, the prisoner had no felonious intent when he borrowed the goods. Counsel endeavoured to throw doubt and disparagement on the witnesses for the prosecution and their veracity, and alluded in glowing terms of oratory to the noble character of the prisoner, and his unselfish interests and charitable connections.

Counsel for the prosecution asked the Jury not to believe a word of as weak a tale of a succession of impossibilities as could well be conceived; the evidence of the Curate and the policeman were not to be upset. Only to look at the prisoner was sufficient to convince them of his guilt. At this point the prisoner protested violently, and had to be pulled down by the constable, and in the struggle the dock (which looked suspiciously like a nursery fireguard) was almost upset, and the Judge threatened to commit the prisoner. Counsel finally appealed to the Jury with confidence for their conviction on the facts.

The Judge briefly summed up and addressed the Jury on the case, requesting their verdict by a show of hands, asking those who desired to return the prisoner as guilty to evidence the fact. Only some seven or eight hands went up, and the

defending counsel looked very pleased, for he thought his efforts had been successful, but the Judge, contrary to expectation, promptly declared the prisoner guilty, and he was sentenced thereupon to be bound over to keep the peace for twelve months, and to appear before the Court at the same time and place at Whitsuntide, 1914.

The Suffragette was then brought before the Court. In answer to the learned Judge, she stated that she was an orphan named Hephzibah Matilda Kenniwigs, living, when not in Holloway, at Slocum-on-the-Slush. She was a manufacturer of wooden pips for raspberry jam. She wanted the vote, and nothing but the vote. She was informed that she was to do 21 days, and was removed struggling.

The Court then rose.

At the close of the concert a vote of thanks was proposed by the top boy, and seconded by the top girl, which was suitably acknowledged, and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," and many loud cheers terminated the proceedings.

After supper the final re-union was held. Mr. Boorne, to whom the sincerest thanks of all are due, again delighted the assembly with his gramophone, rendering several very entertaining pieces. Messrs. Pool, Higginson and Morgan sang some more of their inimitable choruses, in which all who could

joined. Miss Wilkinson, Edna Quinton, Miss Reynolds and Mrs. Buckley sang, and Rupert Dell and Mr. Barber recited, the latter being particularly fine in the quarrel scene from "The Rivals." "Auld Lang Syne" formed the concluding item, and indicated what no one was anxious to be reminded of, that another gathering was nearly over.

Next morning's bright sunshine made farewell to Sibford, very hard to say, but, unfortunately, all good things must come to a close, and by eleven practically all had gone, the echoes of the ringing cheers had died away, and nothing remained but the flag floating bravely above the Old School.

No tennis had been possible this year, but during odd times, almost constant cricket was played on the boys' playground. All the meal-times were exceedingly jolly; and the announcements usually made by E. P. Kaye (who to everyone's regret was unable to be present this time) were given by C. E. Brady, owing to the extreme nervousness of the Secretary.

Everyone feels deeply grateful to all those who have worked so hard to ensure the success of the gathering, especially to Mr. and Mrs. Harrod, Miss Wilkinson, and Miss Shotter, for their thoughtfulness for the comfort of the visitors, and the best way of showing appreciation was to make plans to come again next year.

SIBFORD OLD SCHOLARS' ASSOCIATION.

Min. 1.—Chas. E. Brady was elected chairman.

Min. 2.—The minutes of last meeting, being printed in the Ninth Report, were taken as read.

Min. 3.—A large number of letters had been received, and interesting extracts from many of them were read by the Secretary. The following are among those who sent communications: E. Percy Kaye, Eliz. F. Brown, Ethel M. Harrison, G. W. Austin, Arthur P. Lower, Alfred Goode, Lucy Robbins, John Handy, John Lawrence, Ethel Farrington, J. N. Selman, Margaret Clarke, Florence Wilson, Chas. Absalom, Elsie Rose, Theodora Hodgkiss, Eliza W. Brown, Dorothy Tuckey, P. O. Whitlock, Emily Edridge, Nellie Toyer, Dorothy Vandervord.

Min. 4.—It was proposed by Arthur B. Oddie, and seconded by Chas. E. Brady, and carried unanimously, that Lucy Sophia Lamb be elected President for the ensuing year.

Min. 5.—It was proposed by Hy. Dearden, and seconded by Percy Hodgetts, that Nellie Millard be re-elected as Secretary. Carried unanimously.

Min. 6.—It was proposed by Louie E. Wilkinson, and seconded by Edith R. Oddie, that Percy Hodgetts be re-elected Treasurer. Carried unanimously.

Min. 7.—Gulie M. Oddie proposed, and H. J. Randall seconded, that our Local Secretaries be re-elected. This was

carried unanimously, and the meeting also approved of the appointment of Lucy Lamb as Assistant Local Secretary.

Min. 8.—The following Committee was appointed: H. J. Randall, Edna Roy, Henry Dearden, Reginald Fieldhouse, Mrs. Harrod and Anna Mary Abbatt. (The retiring members were Flossie Jones and Nellie Millard.)

Min. 9.—On the motion of Henry Dearden, seconded by Sophia Lamb, Arthur B. Oddie was unanimously reappointed Auditor of Accounts.

Min. 10.—It was proposed by Arthur B. Oddie and seconded by Gulie M. Oddie, that G. Wesley Austin be re-elected Foreign Correspondent. Carried unanimously.

Min. 11.—Charles E. Brady reported that he had unfortunately been prevented from attending more than one meeting of the School Committee. He referred to the cordial reception he had received, and much regretted that he had been unable to attend more regularly. A. B. Oddie proposed, and L. E. Wilkinson seconded, that C. E. Brady be re-elected to serve on the School Committee, representing the S.O.S.A. This was supported by J. T. Harrod and P. Hodgetts, and carried unanimously.

Min. 12.—The Secretary of the Birmingham Branch of the S.O.S.A. (Arthur Bishop) gave a brief account of the work in his district. He reported that a social gathering took place



The President and his Wife (Mr. and Mrs. A B. Oddie).

in January, and eighteen attended. (It was decided that in future all Branch Secretaries shall be entitled to a seat on the Committee.)

Min. 13.—The Secretary presented the following Report:

To-day the Sibford Old Scholars' Association completes its tenth year of existence. We look back over a decade of steady progress, and confidently anticipate that the same success which has attended the affairs of the Association in the past will crown all efforts in the future.

The membership of the Society, at the time of the issue of the 1912 Annual Report, was 361. During the year two names

have been taken off on account of death, Margaret Littleboy and William N. Selman, and one member has resigned. To balance these losses three fresh members have been enrolled, so that the numbers remain unchanged. With the addition of the names of the New Old Scholars at the end of the term, the total membership will be considerably higher.

It is most encouraging to note the sturdy growth of the Elm branch at Birmingham, and it is to be hoped that before long other additions of a similar kind may be made to the parent society.

Min. 14.—The Treasurer's Report was as follows:—

CASH ACCOUNT.

INCOME.	£	s.	d.
Balance from last year	20	6	9
Subscriptions, per E. P. K.	5	18	6
Subscriptions, per G. H.	4	17	6
Subscriptions, per L. E. W.	0	19	6
Sale of Report Cases	1	2	6
Sale of Reports	0	2	3
	£33	7	0

PERCY HODGETTS,
Hon. Treasurer.

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Reports and Postage on same	13	12	7
300 Programmes, 1912	0	14	7
350 Programmes, 1913	1	0	6
Honours Board (Balance)	3	5	2
General Postage, Secretary	1	6	4
General Postage, Treasurer	0	2	9
Secretaries' Sundries, N. M.	0	15	2
Secretaries' Sundries, E. P. K.	0	2	6
Photo, Visitors, 1912	0	1	6
Balance, May 10th, 1913, Cash in Hand	12	5	11
	£33	7	0

Audited and found correct,
ARTHUR B. ODDIE.

The adoption of the report was moved by J. T. Harrod, seconded by J. S. K. Parsey, and carried unanimously.

A telegram was then received conveying greetings from Saffron Walden Old Scholars, and the following reply was sent: Sincere thanks. Heartily reciprocate good wishes. We are wet, but cheerful."

Min. 15.—It was decided to present a picture to the school, to cost about 30s., and it was further resolved that all pictures that have been or shall be presented to the school shall bear labels showing the year of presentation and the name of the President for that year.

Min. 16.—H. J. Randall was unanimously elected Secretary of the London Branch of the S.O.S.A.

Min. 17.—A letter was read from Ackworth O.S.A., who have appointed a committee to enlist the support of all old scholars in securing an adequate commemoration of the British-American Peace Centenary, 1914-15. The meeting expressed its sympathy with the movement, and the Secretary

was instructed to act in conjunction with Secretaries of other Associations in anything that might be done.

Min. 18.—The Headmaster, J. T. Harrod, then gave a short account of the School during the past year. The year had been one of steady work with no great events to chronicle. The number of children in the school had for the first time reached 100, which was the standard that had been aimed at. Mr. Harrod again expressed pleasure at the visit of Old Scholars, and extended to them a most cordial welcome.

Min. 19.—Several members spoke of the desirability of electing a small committee which should be responsible for arranging games and entertainments for next year's gathering. The names of Gulie Oddie and Percy Hodgetts were proposed by J. T. Harrod, seconded by C. E. Brady, and carried unanimously.

Min. 20.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the business.

MARRIAGES.

BUCKLEY—OGILVIE. On October 22nd, 1912, at the Wesleyan Chapel, Sibford Gower, William Buckley of Sibford, to Margaret Ogilvie.

HARVEY—SMITH. On September 7th, 1912, at the Friends' Meeting House, Croydon, Frederick Joseph Harvey, of Willesden, to L. Isabel Smith, of Croydon.

MARRIAGE—O'NEILL. On February 1st, 1913, at the Church of the Angels, Garvanza, California, G. Russell Marriage, Oneonta, Mullinville, Kansas, to Kathleen Nora O'Neill, late of Kinvara, Northfield, England.

ODDIE—MOXON. On June 28th, 1913, at St. Philip's, Sydenham, Major Sidney Oddie, of South Norwood, eldest son of Robert B. and Elizabeth M. Oddie, of Sibford, to Mary Ethel Moxon, of Sibford.

ROUTH—CHAMPERNOWNE. On June 25th, 1913, at Plymstock Church, Richard Laycock Routh, of Sibford Ferris, eldest son of the late Richard Routh, of Sibford Ferris, to Elinor Marcia, second daughter of the late Arthur Champernowne, of Dartington Hall, Devon.

DEATHS.

LITTLEBOY.—October 6th, 1912, in London, Margaret, wife of William Littleboy, of South Hill, Selly Oak, aged 57 years.

SELMAN.—November 24th, 1911, William Newton Selman, aged 24.

Degrees, &c., taken by Old Scholars.

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM.

M.Sc. Degree—

G. WESLEY AUSTIN.

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER.

B.Sc. Hons. in Mathematics (Part I.)—

G. H. POOL, of Dalton Hall.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

Matriculation Honours—

*THEODORA HODGKISS, of Sidcot School. (Distinction in Mathematics, Chemistry, and French.)

Matriculation Pass—

*HARRY STEVENS, Sidcot School. (Distinction in Mathematics and Chemistry.)

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Senior Local Examination (Pass)—

*ELSIE M. ROSE, Sidcot School.

(* Central Education Committee Scholars from Sibford School.)

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

When, last Whitsuntide, my old schoolfellow did me the honour to propose me for President of this Association, I was too much taken aback to say anything. Perhaps that was well, as I have once before, many years ago, got into trouble for calling him names, so my surprise probably saved me from a repetition of that experience.

I always think that to have to give an address before a gathering like this, after it has been in existence several years, is much harder than it would have been earlier in its existence and than it will be in years to come, for former Presidents have written on most of the better subjects, and people have not yet forgotten their addresses, whereas a few years later the same subjects can be resurrected without a fear of their being recognised.

Casting round in my mind I have decided to speak this evening on:—

“Some Thoughts on Duty.”

First of all “What is Duty?” The meanings given in the dictionary are:—“That which is due,” “Obedience.” “What one is bound by any obligation to do.”

From these we can get an idea of what the word means and a foundation for thoughts on the subject.

Duties may be divided into two parts: Religious and Social.

Turning first to the Religious Duty, I will only say a few words as there are many here more qualified to speak on that subject than I.

To my mind we should form our own opinion as to our Religious Duty from careful reading of the Bible, especially the “Revised Version,” as the “Authorised Version” was written by men whose minds were biassed towards old beliefs from their very training.

One should lay aside all thoughts of dogma and doctrine, and should form one's own impression from what is written, allowing for the fact that, although the books may be inspired, yet they were conveyed down to us by men with many, if not all, of our limitations and liabilities to make mistakes. So that apparent contradictions in the Book of Holy Writ may be due to this.

Having formed one's own carefully considered opinions of one's religious duty, we should set the ideal thus formed before us and strive towards it. All doctrines and dogmas, although founded on real religion, are yet seen through other glasses than ours, and those glasses are probably as prone to mistakes as ours, so that if one builds one's religion on these doctrines one is liable to perpetuate mistakes. One may need a guide, but must only let him guide, and not lead us.

Turning to the Social side of Duty. Under this there are many heads. Duty to mankind in general, to one's country, to one's Religious body, to the circle of one's friends, one's school, family, and last, but not by any means least, to one's self. The whole trend of one's duty should be towards elevation of thought and action and not to debase it. If one's apparent duty seems to one to have the tendency to debase, it is most probably a false sense of duty and should not be acted on without further consideration.

One great fallacy is very prevalent, and that is that self-sacrifice and duty go always hand-in-hand. This is, to my mind, most mischievous, for although the duty may, in some cases, entail present self-sacrifice and self-abnegation, yet, in the long run, the duty performed is eventually most fruitful of good to one's self.

For George Eliot says truly "The reward of one duty is the power to fulfil another," and Shakespeare has the same thought when he says, "My duty then shall pay me for my pains."

One has a great duty to Humanity as a whole. Whatever one's work in life may be we have still the duty laid upon us to elevate the life, thought and action in this world of ours. To do our little work in lessening the tendency towards ill-will between the various nations of the world, and in hastening the great day when warfare and ill-will between the nations will cease. Also towards lightening the burden of illness and disease amongst all people, and to add, if possible, towards learning, culture, and thought.

Thus much for some of our duties towards mankind.

Next to our duty to our country and our Empire.

There is here another great fallacy. Many people think that one ought always to join the minority, and that the minority is usually in the right. There is nothing more absurd than this belief. The minority may be, and often are right, but even where they are right, often the great part of the majority are right also, and this apparent impossibility is fully explained when one remembers that there are two sides to every question. So that one's duty lies in trying to reconcile the two opinions and, if that be impossible, and one has to choose one side, to select that which, in our opinion, has most of good and least of evil in it. The greatest evil, in this and other countries, is the bitter antagonism between the co-called political parties. Instead of working hand-in-hand, as they should do, their sole idea is to gain power and capture the votes of the unthinking masses. There is no room, at the present time, for independent thought, and our duty is to strive our hardest to do away with this state of affairs and try to make all our legislators do their utmost to further the welfare of all those who gave them the power they hold, and to see that our representatives do not in the future, as they do now, abuse the trust placed in them by eternally seeking to increase their own prosperity, importance, and popularity at the expense of all their promises to those whose servants they are. Our duty also in all political crisis and troubles is to carefully balance the proposals of both sides, and determine which are the most important questions, and which, to one's mind, are of the most

important to the welfare of the nation at large. Having decided by this means which candidate has the best programme, we must vote for him irrespective of what party he may belong to.

One has also the same duties to one's country, and to every one of the other heads I have enumerated, as one has to mankind, and in addition, the most pressing duty of doing our best towards the amelioration of the social conditions and life of those, less fortunately placed than ourselves, with whom we may come in contact.

One next comes to duty to our Society of Friends and the Social circle in which we move. As members of the Society of Friends our duty is to see that we do not in any way prejudice the great name for honesty, truthfulness, trustworthiness, and lofty purpose that has been handed down by Friends of the earlier generations.

In olden days a Quaker's Yea was Yea, and Nay was Nay. Now, alas, how changed.

What a danger there is to throw away our grand heritage for the purpose of party spite and party advantage, to say nothing of the cupidity and desire to amass great wealth at whatever cost. Our duty then lies in trying our utmost to combat this tendency and to do our best to re-establish the name for integrity that we are fast losing. Also to hold fast the belief that is in us, and that has done so much, in a quiet way, towards moulding all social and religious reforms during the last two hundred and fifty years. As regards the circle of friends

in which we move, our duty is to bring sunshine and happiness if we can, to

“Do the work that's nearest, though it's dull at whiles,
Helping when we meet them, lame dogs over stiles.”

That is, to help at all times, whether in business or pleasure those whose friends we are, for that is true friendship and the duty of true friends. What next is our duty to our school as present scholars and as those whose schooldays have passed. At school one should strive to gain all the knowledge one can, so that we may be able to hold our own in the great struggle before us. But there is a greater object in school life, which is also a duty, and that is to endeavour to form a lofty character, or at any rate to lay the sure foundation for such a character. So that we may be, if I may paraphrase,

“Brave boys, modest maidens to duty sent forth
The living epistles and proofs of its worth.”

What is our duty as old scholars? We must try to do nothing in business or private life that may tend to give people an evil opinion of our up-bringing, and thus cast a slur on the training we have received at our school; to try and cultivate good habits and induce others to follow in the same way; and to do all we can to repay our old school for all we owe her and those who were our teachers there, for all they have done for us; by gaining a reputation for honesty, sobriety, and trustworthiness—that will be the best reward the school could wish for. Above all things there is one duty I would impress on all,

and that is to come back to the old school, and thus show our interest in it, and in our old schoolfellows and teachers, and in those who have succeeded them.

What is our duty to our families? Is it not to live in love and harmony with them, always doing our best for them, and feeling that they will never fail to do their best by us.

To finish my thoughts on duty, I ask you not to think I am advocating selfishness when I say that by no means least is one's duty to one's self, and in the term one's self I include husband and wife, for they are, or should be, one, with the same aims, ambition, and devotion to one another. One's duty to self as a single man or woman is practically indetical with that to one's school, but I wish to finish with a few thoughts on duty of husband and wife. They ought to be all-in-all to one-another, yet not self-centred; to make one-another their first care in life; to keep health and happiness for the sake of each other, and to bear all the little worries and anxieties without repining, to have

always in mind the little advice: "Bear and forbear." To my mind this is the greatest duty of all, to one's self, and why I say it is this: that everything hinges upon it. If we ourselves are healthy, happy and helpful to one another, our health gives us a better chance of doing our duty to family, friends, country and mankind at large. Happiness, as every one knows, is most infectious, whilst if in one's family one has as a motto: "Bear and forbear," one forms a habit, which will come out in our social and general work, which will help other people with whom we may come in contact, besides which it will, as well as being our duty to everyone, be of the highest self-interest. Our duty then centres round one's duty to one's self. Not in a selfish but in the truest sense, for Polonius' advice to Laertes holds as good now as it did in Elizabethan days:

"Above all, to thine own self be true,
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

A NIGHTMARE.

The London Branch of the Sibford O.S.A. being desirous of having a Social Evening, applied for the use of a room at Devonshire House for the purpose, and made arrangements for spending a pleasant evening.

The Friends' Committee, before whom the application came, were apparently unable to trust Old Scholars from a Friends' School to conduct themselves properly at such a re-union, and before permission could graciously be given the programme of songs, recitations and games was required, and various other information.

This so distressed one of the Old Scholars that he had an (alleged) nightmare. He dreamt that there was a meeting of the House Committee of Dorsetshire House, to consider the application of the Sibford Old Scholars' Association for use of a room for a Social Evening.

Owing to the importance of the application there was a large attendance.

The Secretary announced that in accordance with their usual practice, no Old Scholars' Gathering would be allowed to be held in their sacrosanct Headquarters without the strictest investigation as to (a) the character of those who proposed to attend, (b) the nature of the diet to be consumed at tea, (c) the programme of the words and music of the songs and recitations,

and (d) unless a detailed account of the conversation which might take place was submitted. (Loud cheers.) Further, no one attending the gathering was to smoke a cigar, cigarette or pipe, or chew or consume any tobacco, chewing gum, or similar substance within five rods, poles or perches of St. Dorsetshire House on the evening. He had a list of the names of those who proposed to attend the gathering, but, unfortunately, in some cases the birth certificate was not attached to the description, etc., of the Old Scholar; in other cases it had not been stated whether the grandfather and great-grandfather and their descendants were members of the Society, teetotalers and non-smokers, or had been vaccinated, or had suffered from staggers or spavin.

These cases would have to be informed that failing the supply of the fullest information they must not attend the gathering, if, and when held. (Hear, hear.)

One applicant had been born at sea; and in view of the fact that he must have been leading a roving life at an early age, and also have been very unstable for the first few days of his earthly career, he was on no account to be admitted to the building. (Applause.)

As to the refreshments, the Secretary submitted the following list of items for approval:—

Tea, cocoa, milk, toast, bread and butter, cake, Sally Lunn.

A long discussion took place, and it was felt that there was too much material suggested for a Christian meal. It would, in fact, be in the nature of an orgie. Tea was therefore struck out, tea being unhealthy. In fact, it got a tannin. Cocoa was allowed by eleven votes to ten. The cocoa was nearly lost, as a member of the Committee pointed out that at one period of his life he lived for nearly a year almost entirely on milk. It was however, elicited that this was at a very early stage of his existence—and the prococoas scored accordingly.

Milk was passed and allowed, after some discussion, subject to the name and address of the milkman being supplied, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Toast was allowed on condition that no butter was spread thereon, or consumed therewith; and butter was allowed on the bread, but the butter was not to be spread of a thickness of more than one thirty-second of an inch, and the bread to be at least 24 hours old. Cake must have currants only, or sultanas only, no peel or other fruit; and but one slice, three inches by three-quarters of an inch by half an inch to be consumed by each Old Scholar.

Great indignation was expressed that anything bearing such a frivolous name as "Sally Lunn" should have been suggested. The Chairman trusted its proposal was an oversight, and regretted the scandalous modern tendency to be cheerful. One member of the Committee fainted—and was brought round

with difficulty, and a glass of hot water neat.

The musical programme was submitted:—

- Overture: (a) "The Last Rose of Summer."
(b) "I Dreamt that I Dwelt in Marble Halls."

The first part of the Overture was rejected. Enquiry being made of the door keeper and several other persons as to the nature of the music, and it having been ascertained from a newspaper seller, who sold the "Star," that there was a song answering to this title which commenced:—

"'Twas the last rose of Summer,

Left blooming well alone;" or something like that, the Committee felt that it was again being trifled with. Although only the tune was to be played as a pianoforte solo, and the words would not be mentioned, it would bring up unhallowed associations. Moreover, the newspaper boy having whistled the tune (in rag-time), most of the members were of opinion that it was too utterly frivolous.

The second item was deleted. Certain members of the Committee stated that, in their opinion, dreams were the outcome of indigestion, caused by excess in eating or drinking. Further, that the mind had not its full serious control of the dreamer when he dreamt. Another member objected to the marble halls. The (almost) sacred building known as Dorsetshire House had no marble hall—but the Coliseum (London) was built of marble. Following on a shocked and shocking outburst from the others members of the Committee, he hastened to inform them that he spoke only from hearsay.

Recit: "The Wreck of the Hesperus."

A member of the Committee asked several trenchant questions as to who was the writer of this poem, his mode of life and conversation; and as the information was not forthcoming, it was decided to form a Sub-committee of two of the oldest and toughest Committee members to read the poem.

The meeting adjourned temporarily. The Sub-committee reported, on the Committee resuming, that it had unanimously decided to recommend that the recitation should not be allowed. Whilst the poem had one or two good points, they found that a person (they could not call him a gentleman) known in the poem as "the Skipper" (they did not know why he was so designated, but presumed he skipped) "blew a whiff from his pipe." (Groans.) The Committee immediately approved of the Sub-committee's decision.

Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata."

There was a difficulty here. No member of the Committee was able to say who was Beethoven, or whether he was a Friend. Moreover, his address was not given, and could not be found in any directory. The question was raised as to what sort of song was a sonata, but again the information was not forthcoming.

Objection was also taken to its being moonlight. Save on rare occasions, all respectable people were in bed when the moon shone. A younger member of the Committee, however, stated that the sun and moon were sometimes out together; and the moon had been known to shine at twilight—which re-

minded him that he had once heard a piece of music called "In the Twilight," which was no doubt a production of Mr. Beethoven's also.

The "Moonlight Sonata" was rejected on the ground of its uncertain character.

Song: "Forty Years On."

A member of the Committee who read the "Daily News and Leader" objected to the title. He did not believe in having anything "on," as it sounded like horse racing; it might be that the title of the song was in reality "Forty to One On." It was felt that this song should be omitted.

Song: "Mary had a Little Lamb."

The name of the author was not given, but one of the Committee, with assistance, recited the first two verses.

The moral of the poem was felt to be a bad one. A disobedient lamb was a terrible picture. No doubt it gambolled on the turf. Further it made the children laugh and play at school, both things much to be regretted and discouraged. It was demoralising to Old Scholars, as, having heard the poem, they might repeat it to their children with awful results.

Item struck out.

Recitation: "Bright's Speech on the Death of Cobden."

Having ascertained who was Cobden the Committee decided, in the circumstances, to allow this item, subject to the Sub-committee altering the speech wherever they considered there

might be anything in it offensive to good order and public morals.

Pianoforte: Mendelssohn's "Spring Song."

The questions as to the name, address and description of the writer of the song and his antecedents were left open—the Secretary being instructed to look up the writer's address, and require from him a statutory affirmation that there was nothing risky or improper in the words or tune. The words, said the Secretary, for some peculiar reason had not been supplied, but there was something in the description of the piece which stated that it was from "Lieder Ohne Worte."

This was sufficient—the item was not allowed.

Pianoforte: Chopin's "Ballad in A Flat."

A Committeeman, who lived in a flat, said he objected to anyone ballading in a flat—it disturbed the neighbours. He doubted, in the circumstances, if Mr. Chopin was a proper person to encourage. Had it been a ballad in a house he would

have considered it, subject to enquiries about Mr. Chopin being satisfactory.

Rejected.

This concluded the programme submitted. The Committee ruled that in place of the items rejected some hymns, to be submitted first for the approval of the Sub-committee, should be substituted.

It was further decided that a special Committee should be present at the gathering, to partake (freely) of the tea, and to pass or allow any encores which might result from the items on the programme.

Everything promised well, but it was found impossible to give all the conversation which might take place between those attending the gathering, as Arthur B. Oddie (the President) had promised to be present.

The gathering, therefore, declined to gather.

SCHOOL NEWS. August, 1912, to June, 1913.

A noteworthy fact in the history of the School is that in the autumn of 1912 the total number of boys and girls reached one hundred. Old Scholars who have not made a recent attendance at Whitsun may be interested in hearing that twenty-one boys sleep at a house in the village, nearly opposite the smithy; it is hoped that all may be gathered under one roof again before long. May the enlarged school ever uphold the splendid traditions of former years!

Last August saw the introduction of shorter lesson periods; ordinary classes now last for only 30 or 35 minutes in each subject, and manual training lessons are about an hour. After one year's experience we think that freshness is maintained much more easily throughout the day, and that, in fact, more work is done in less time than formerly, while an increased amount of leisure time is left for self-training by means of voluntary occupations.

The half-term holiday is now an event of some importance which has not properly been explained in the O.S.A. Reports. In the temporary absence of most of the teachers for a well-earned rest, lessons cease for five days. Whole day excursions are made to Rollright, Long Compton, Whichford, Tysoe Windmill, Brailes or Winderton, whither the school donkey takes abundant supplies of provisions; at other times there are

hockey tournaments, socials, games, lantern exhibitions, etc., interspersed with picnic teas at Wigginton Heath, Hill Bottom or Traitors' Ford. These occasions afford many opportunities of bringing to light talents that are not usually revealed in the ordinary course of school life. Last Easter we struck new ground by a visit to Swerford Park, where Miss S. Hutchinson's kindly welcome added greatly to our enjoyment of the beautiful valley slopes and lake.

Our record at football shows some improvement on the previous report. Visiting teams were often surprised at the keenness and skill of our small "men," who several times gained unexpected victories. The girls' hockey team, though playing few matches, has proved itself distinctly good. At cricket we have lost three matches out of five, winning against the Old Scholars and Sibford Village. Leisure time has been filled by a great variety of other occupations; a new feature was the construction of three excellent motor-boats by boys; some good nature diaries and collections have been made.

Visiting lecturers have again been numerous and interesting. Walter Rowntree's illustrated account of "How the Elephant got his Trunk" introduced to us a fresh range of thought about the natural changes in animal life during past ages. J. B. Braithwaite's stimulating "Introduction to Astronomy" was

kindly supplemented by a gift of astronomical books, as well as of a number of story books for the school library. With lectures by J. W. H. Theobald on "Alcohol as a Factor in Disease," and by William Brown on "The Senses of Animals," delivered to all the Friends' Schools, prizes were offered for essays; one of these prizes was gained by Fred Jones, while four other boys and girls received extra prizes or certificates.

The increase of outside interest in the School was evidenced by the unusually large attendance at the General Meeting this year. Beyond the usual exhibition of work done, the principal features were music and recitations on the girls' lawn, drill by junior boys in two squads conducted by members of their own class, and an exhibition of motor-boats and life-saving.

Next day came the holidays, and the opening of the Third Summer Camp under the skilful management of G. H. Pool, assisted by five of the teachers, twelve delightfully happy days were spent at Chastleton Hill Farm by nineteen boys sleeping in tents, and twelve girls in spare rooms at Mr. Willett's commodious home. An unceasing round of games in the ninety-acre pasture, or of excursions in the neighbourhood, occupied the time of those who were off orderly duty, until the arrival of dusk signalled the moment to light the great camp fire; round this gathered three dozen dark recumbent forms, with glowing faces, thrilling with story, song or jest, unwilling to break the charmed circle even when the dying embers sank almost to their rest.

THE JOYS OF CAMPING OUT.

Two years ago a paragraph appeared in the Report advertising some tents which the school had for loan, and thereby hangs a tale. Several Old Scholars reading this, and having had a slight experience of camping at Whitsuntide, decided to spend their holidays in this "ideal" way. A site was chosen on Wiggington Heath, and all the necessary arrangements made, many hours being spent in fixing up the bill of fare.

When the ideal holiday came, the ideal weather went, for it rained every day, and their slumbers were often disturbed by the rain dripping on and through their tent; but this made little difference. The campers were out for a lively time, and they had it. Surely the poet anticipated things when he wrote "It is better to have loved and lost, than never to have loved at all!"

There is no space to detail all their experiences, for, like other campers, and especially those new to the culinary art, their method of conducting affairs was somewhat crude. They burnt their saucepans and broke their dishes and plates; they fried bacon in the wrong pan, with the result that the tin melted and stuck to the bacon; all their custards were watery and their eggs too hard. It must not be supposed, however, that nothing turned out right, for one member of the party was quite an expert porridge maker, and another staked his

reputation on his pancakes and stewed fruit, although the saying that "self praise is no recommendation" was fully realised by the others. Of a truth the proof of the pudding is in the eating!

These Old Scholars were particularly unfortunate in pitching their tent near a farm with a varied assortment of live stock, such as dogs, cats, hens, wasps, and an old fat sow with six sucklings. They did not mind having breakfast with the hens which fought for their bread and butter; they did not greatly object to wasps coming up in battalions and attacking their comestibles *vi et armis*, but their patience was tried to the utmost when the other members of the farmyard raided their tent.

It was on the third day of their camp that they found on returning to dinner that their tent was like a pigsty. Flour was strewn everywhere, mingled with jam and condensed milk; eggs were smashed, giving a distinct odour to the place which lingered longer than was appreciated; the greater part of a dish of custard (still watery) had been eaten, though the remainder was passed by with fine scorn. Other articles which the sow and family had carefully chosen for their meal included butter, cheese, fruit, sugar, and cakes. Think of it; The loss of these latter came as a very severe blow, for the

campers had induced their mothers to make them each a cake, and the pang at parting was very bitter. The concern of one member whose cake measured a foot in diameter was a very real one. After surveying the scene for some time, the humour of it all was vaguely perceived, and the campers sat down and tried to smile, despite the fact that they had nothing for dinner. Joy was brought about, however, by the intelligence that this all-conquering sow had, with a nice discrimination, devoured half of a suet pudding which bore more resemblance to indiarubber than the real article, and the hope was fervently expressed that the animal would hasten its end by consuming the remainder; but this, alas! was not to be.

The next day came the dog in search of an "ideal" meal, and away went a joint of meat, whilst the day following ushered in the all-consuming sow with similar quest, but the aqueous admixture (the campers called it "custard") had lost

its charm, and the animal, in a fit of resentment, metaphorically consumed itself by devouring the tent-dwellers' bacon! But the end was near! Swollen with pride, with custard that was persistently watery, with cakes that were symbolical of maternal love, with cheese and suet pudding, in fact with everything that went to make the ideal diet of the campers, this sow was now a commercial asset of no mean value, and before the holiday closed had left for pastures new, though it is to be doubted if these will reach the perfection of those ambrosial repasts on Wiggington Heath, at the expense of the Campers-out.

Finally, the cult of the simple life has many charms, and the lot of the tent-dweller may even be one of unalloyed happiness, but—"ware sows."

EXPERIENTIA DOCET.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The old elm has sustained still further damage, a large branch having been blown down during the equinoctial gales.

All will regret to learn that Miss Sharp has left Sibford this half, after a stay of six years. Old Scholars will long remember the excellent Whitsuntide entertainments that have been given them during that period, for which she was so largely responsible.

Elsie Rose (at Sidcot) won a prize for her archæology diary in the Inter-School Diary Competition, 1912, being placed seventh in order of merit.

The following letter which has been received by the Secretary will be of interest:—

Dear Friend,—At its last meeting the Sibford School Committee was informed that the Old Scholars' Association had presented to the School an Honours Board and a picture—"The Return of Persephone." The Committee

were very grateful for the gift, and I was instructed to convey their thanks to you. Yours truly,

WILFRED E. LITTLEBOY, Secretary.

The number of Old Scholars staying in or near Sibford last August was a considerable one. Our special local correspondent reports that they played a cricket match on the village ground, ladies v, gentlemen, in which the ladies, although playing well, were rather behind their opponents in the matter of runs. It is also stated that a contingent of the same party cycled to Stratford-on-Avon to view the birthplace of the much-discussed bard. Complaints of a damaged bridge indicate that boating was indulged in, and the Shipston police are still endeavouring to track the individual who sat violently on the kerb and seriously injured some mortar in the cracks between three paving stones.

Members who notice omissions or mistakes in the List of Members are requested to kindly notify the Secretary of the same.



JOSHUA LAMB.

Officers of the Association.

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		Comely, Norman ('94-'95)...	Ditto. ditto.
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Brown, Violet	Woodbrooke, Husslescote, Gloucester	Cook, Helen	Ditto. ditto.
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Bull, Alice	Ditto. ditto.	('69-'74)	

Cullen, Wm. E.	127, Manchester Road, Swindon.	Feugard, Ethel L.	216, St. James's Road, Croydon.
Davidson, Jean S.	Fritchley, Derbyshire.	Feugard, Harold	Ditto. ditto.
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Dearden, Henry ('94-'00) ...	2, Warriner Gardens, Battersea Park, S.W.	Fisher, Grace	39, Great Sutton Street, E.C.
		Fisher, Robert E.	Ditto. ditto.
Dearden, John W. ('97-'03).	Ditto. ditto.	Francillon, George	5, Stroud Road, Gloucester.
Digwood, Frederick G.	Much Birch, Ross-on-Wye.	Francillon, Paul ('80-'85)...	3, Moseley Villa, Barnwood, Gloucester.
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Dixon, Wilton		Gaffee, Edith	19, North Road, Southend.
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('62-'64)		Gill, Jessie M. (s and t) ...	18, Princes Street, Cork.
Dwyer, Arnold	44, Wilson Road, Birchfields, Handsworth, Birmingham.	Gittins, Nellie ('97-'03)	50, Willow Road, Bournville, Birmingham.
Edridge, Emily	Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton.	Gittins, Howard	Ditto. ditto.
Edwards, C. Louie	Farm, Leominster.	Glaisyer, Thomas	1, Landridge Fulham, S.W.
Edwards, Hilda	23, Waverley Road, Coventry.	Glaisyer, Edmund C.	Ditto. ditto.
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Elsmere, Fred	Hendy Road, Llangennech, Caermarthen.	Grant, Leslie	89, Caerdon Road, Newport, Mon.
Eltoft, Mrs. (nee Parsey) ...	51, St. Paul's Road, Manningham, Bradford.	Graveson, Michael, J.P. ...	Bank Road, West Kirby, Cheshire.
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Farrington, Mrs.	2, Pembridge Road, Notting Hill Gate W.	Graveson, Agnes A.	Ditto. ditto.
		Graveson, Bertha	Ditto. ditto.
Farrington, Ethel	Ditto. ditto.	Green, John H.	75, Holton Road, Canonbury, N.
Fassam, Thomas H.	Fernbrook Avenue, Southchurch, Southend-on-Sea.	Hall, Percy W.	
Fearnshides, J.	509, Slade Road, Erdington, Birmingham.	Hall, Charles	
		Handy, John	c/o E. Jones, J.P., Maesmawr Hall, Caersws, Montgomery.
		Harris, Septimus ('63-'64) ...	17, Hornby Terrace, Morecambe.
		Harris, John Gilkes	5, High Cliff, Burley, Leeds.
		('48-'52)	

Harris, Alice Mary ('83-'86)	32, Cavendish Mansions, Clapton Square, N.E.	Hutchinson, Lucy 67, De Grey Street, Beverley Road, Hull,
Harris, Ethelbert	Hillcrest, Horsforth, Leeds.	Isaac, W. Roger 10, West Shrubbery, Redland, Bristol.
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Harvey, W. J.	46, Ockenden Road, Southgate Road, N.	Johnson, Elizabeth Albert House, 31, Hillmorton Road, Rugby. ... (nee Payne) ('62-65)
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Hawkes, Elsie	Whitley Wood Lane, Reading.	Johnson, L. Winifred 41, St. Andrew's Road, Bridport.
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Hilditch, Marion (nee Cross)	Earl's Road, Nuneaton.	Jones, Flossie Ravenswood, East Park Parade, Northampton.
Hill, Samuel ('98-'99)	Priory Street, New Ross, co. Wexford.	Jones, Hubert Hazeldene, Wrekin Road, Wellington, Salop.
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Hodgetts, Percy ('97-'00)...	"Glyndwr," Richmond Road. Lincoln.	Kaye, E. Percy, M.Sc. 56, West End Avenue, Harrogate. (t '95-'97)
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Hulme, Joseph ('79-'81)	Lichford Road, Stafford.	Knight, May ('-'03) Hornsea House, New Street, Kenilworth.
Hunter, John M.	39, Mantilla Road, Tooting, S.W.	Lade, Donald R. Housedean, Falmer, near Brighton.
Hutchinson, S.	Swerford Park, near Chipping Norton.	

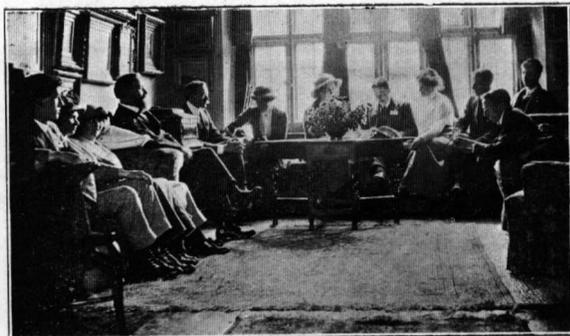
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Lamb, Edith E.	Sandymount, Richhill, Co. Armagh.	Nainby, Eva ('74-'78)	c/o Mrs. Littleboy, Newport Pagnell, Bucks.
Larsen, Olga	14, Abington Grove, Northampton.	Nainby, Mary ('79-'82)	2, King's Road, Spalding.
Lawrance, Henry	30, Shaftesbury Street, New North Road, N.	Newbold, Margaret	
Lee, Ada E. Barton		Newzerling, C. R.	231, City Road, E.C.
(nee West) (t '92-'96)		Oddie, Major Sidney	59, Penge Road, South Norwood, S.E.
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('92-'98)		('92-'97)	Ditto. ditto.
Lewin, Mr.	11 and 12, High Street, Kettering.	Oddie, Arthur Brearley ...	229, London Road, Croydon.
Lewin, Mrs.	Ditto. ditto.	Oddie, Madge Brearley	Ditto. ditto.
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Linney, Albert Gravely ...	Ackworth School, near Pontefract.	Oddie, Edith Rebecca	Penketh School, Warrington.
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Mansfield, George	88, Linden Road, Bournville.	Parsey, J. S. Knight	Wood View, Manningham, Bradford.
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Millard, Nellie	Ditto. ditto.	Pocock, Wm.	2, Church Street, Reading.
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Mold, William ('95-'98) ...	45, Darracott Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth.	Pratt, Walter	38, Freer Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.
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Morley, Philip John	Ditto. ditto.		

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Roy, John	Ditto. ditto.	Simms, J. Edward	Ditto. ditto.
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Salter, Lucy T.	Clovelly, Salisbury Road, Leigh-on-Sea.	Stevens, Ethel	Ditto. ditto.
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		Taylor, Grace	Ditto. ditto.
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		Thicks, Winifred	Berachah, Linden Road, Swanage.
		Thomas, Albert H.	12, Russell Gardens, Golders Green Road, Hendon.
		Toyer, Helen E.	113, Choumert, Road, Peckham, Rye, S.E.

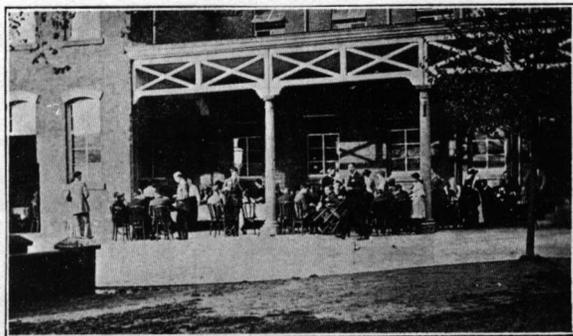
Tozer, Robert	64, Gt. Tichfield Street, London, W.	Whateley, Blanche N.	Priory Lawn, Kenilworth.
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		Whiting, John C.	
Tyler, Joseph Henry		Whitlock, Frank J.	
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		Whitlock, Edith Emily ...	Egremont, High Street, Brackley.
		('90-'95)	
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		(s and t)	
		Williams, Alfred (t)	Hook Norton, near Banbury.
Ward, Dorothy	Springfield, Marple, Cheshire.	Williamson, Alice (nee ...	38, Grange Avenue, Scarborough.
Ward, Jane (s '51-'57; t	85, Ryland Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham.	Knight) (s and t '83-'91)	
'57-'59)		Williams, Mary	Court House, Llantivit Major, near Cardiff.
Ward, Mary	Netherdale House, Newport, Pagnell.		
Ward, Thomas	Springfield, Marple, Manchester.	Williams, Ambrose	Court House, Llantivit Major, Cardiff.
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Warner, Alice (nee Whit-	Thornleigh, Derwent Road, Stoneycroft, Liverpool.	Wilson, Winifred	34, Warwick Road, Banbury.
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Lee)		Wilson, Florence	122, Lambeth Walk, Westminster, S.E.
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(t '85-'90)			
Wells, Annie R. (t '90)	28, Woodbrooke Road, Bournville.		
Wells, S. A.	Ditto. ditto.		
Wells, Winifred	3, Leys Avenue, Letchworth, Herts.		
West, Annie	12, Parson's Street, Banbury.		
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Westlake, Isabel A.	2, Hodgsay Cottages, Long Sutton, Somerset.		



All in a Garden Fair.



The Committee Meeting.



Tea-time.



Departure—Tuesday Morning.

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(s and c)

Brison, Miss I. Sibford School, Banbury.

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Ogilvie)

Gitsham, E. Sibford School, Banbury.

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Goffe, Kate Ditto. ditto.

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('57-'60) Banbury.

Harrod, J. T., B.A. (t '06) Sibford School, Banbury.

Harrod, Mrs. J. T. (t '06)... Ditto. ditto.

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Lamb, Adeline Jane Pool Cottage, Sibford Gower,
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Lamb, John Alfred Elm Ridge, Sibford, Banbury.

Lamb, Major Richard Ditto. ditto.

Lamb, Rachel Jane Ditto. ditto.

Lamb, Lucy Sibford Ferris, near Banbury.

Lamb, Freda Ditto. ditto.

Lamb, Lucy Sophia (nee Sibford Ferris, Banbury.
Binns) (s '66-'71; t '71-'82).

Lamb, Frederick Ditto. ditto.

Oddie, Robert Brearley ... Sibford Ferris, Banbury.

Oddie, Elizabeth M. Ditto. ditto.
(nee Shout)

Oddie, Helen Mur'el Ditto. ditto.

Reason, Wm. Holmby House, Sibford, Banbury.

Reason, Ethel Ditto. ditto.

Routh, Richard Laycock ... Sibford Ferris, Banbury.

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Sabin, L. Annie Ditto. ditto.

Sabin, Jane Ditto. ditto.

Shotter, A. Blanche Ditto. ditto.

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Tarver, James Burdrop Sibford, Banbury.

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Wilks, Nellie ('-'08) Ditto. ditto.

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(-'-'03)

Newall, Edgar C. ('-'03)... Ditto ditto.

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