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Editorial

THE year 1977-78 is certainly one which will stand out in the history of the College. That, of course, does not make the writing of an editorial introduction to the Magazine any easier; if anything, harder. The difficulties are not mitigated by the fact that the Editor must start on a diffident note; with the hope that the new format of the Magazine will prove acceptable. The change was authorised by last year's meeting of the Society, and it will bring economies which are badly needed. Much thought has gone into the decision, for sentiment could easily be affronted and there will be some practical problems for those who treasure and bind their copies of the Magazine. We hope that the choice will meet approval, for it would be unfortunate if further changes had to follow. It will be a stroke of good fortune if the new format lasts as long, and wins as much acceptance, as the old one.

The routine happenings of the year would pass easily enough through the editorial mill—a year of acceptable academic success (see the list of Firsts and Prizes), of reasonable athletic performances (see the reports of Clubs and Societies), of friendly relationships within the College (see the College Newsletter). What would appear as notable events in a normal year would cause no problem either, though they are significant enough.

The opening of St Chad's for use in the May Term marked the end of a remarkable achievement. The acceptance of undergraduate wishes on "Guest Hours" means that they can offer the hospitality of their rooms in College without discrimination; and the departure of three Fellows must mean a considerable change in the Governing Body, especially in view of the departure of Robert Evans and Graeme Davies last year and of Peter Nathanielsz during the year. Now Glynn Jenkins, a former Organ Scholar of the College, terminates his tenure as a Research Fellow, Richard Luckett has been lured to Magdalene, largely by the wealth of the Pepys Library in his subject, and Sydney Smith reaches a very well-earned retirement. The coming retirement of Dick Hughes from the Porter's Lodge would also be an event in most years. Already a new Steward and Director of Studies in Classics has appeared. J. R. G. Wright is a John's man by origin, but he comes to us from Edinburgh, taking over as Domestic Bursar and preparing to take over as Bursar when, at the end of the year, Stanley Aston lays down that mammoth burden. As Robin Nicholson, Edward Broadbent, and Donald Ramsay were elected Fellows of the Royal Society, to join the Master, Alan Battersby, Sir Fred Dainton, Sir Peter Hirschs and Professor Norman Sheppard in that overpoweringly learned body, the College reached its record total of eight members. It would have been nine but for the sad death of Sir Morien Morgan.

These changes and achievements would have sufficed for a normal editorial. But they are insignificant in comparison with the election to a Fellowship, with effect from October 1st, of (Mrs) Dr Marian Silver. This is not the event of the year. It is the event of five centuries in the history of the College. Obviously, some such election was implicit in the decision to admit women in 1979. At base that decision had little to do with co-education, for that is completely available in Cambridge. It had much to do with the quality of admissions in a highly competitive world, and so with the reactions of schoolboys and schoolgirls (and their masters and mistresses) to Cambridge colleges. The decision, announced last year, was to accept co-residence; and though the reasoning adduced was empirical that reasoning was, on analysis, of little value unless it was based on a deep conviction of the overwhelming value of co-residence. Lack of places for talented girls could, and almost certainly would, have been solved in other ways, and the real size of that problem has yet to be assessed. In any case, simple admission of girls was not an irreversible policy. If the hopes and fears did not prove justified, that could have been reversed over a three-years' run-down. But election of a woman Fellow was, in sanity, written in by implication; and that is not reversible. It means that the faith in co-residence is so strong that, in a non-revocable way, the College is now committed to electing to Fellowships without regard to sex. We must envisage the possibility of a majority of women on the Governing Body, and presumably of a woman Master or Mistress.

With a woman as Head of the State and another as leader of the Tory Party and possible Prime Minister, we cannot challenge the decisions. Indeed, it is no part of the Editor's function, or of the Society's, to challenge decisions of the Governing Body. Theirs, most emphatically, is the power and the responsibility. But it is the function of the Magazine to inform the Society of what has happened in the College; and perhaps to comment in trust and loyalty. It therefore will, we hope, not be thought in any way improper for this Editorial to set out the long-term consequences of the decisions which have been taken; and the thought-processes involved.

To a very large extent the decision to "go mixed" is an act of faith; the outcome of a conviction that the College would suffer if it did not do so. As yet no satisfying data are available to support that conviction and, to quote from the Master's article last year, "the Fellows were far from unanimous". Old members, bound in affection and interest but not burdened with responsibility, must hope that wisdom has prevailed, and even if they cherish some misgivings they must continue in support. The die is cast. We have taken to the road. We may take comfort from knowledge that, so far, the Governing Body would seem to have set us in the right direction. They have avoided embroilment with the law at a time when another Cambridge College is fighting its way through the courts in dispute over the Sex Discrimination Act's relevance to election of Fellows; John Andrew is reasonably satisfied with the girls who have so far applied for admission in 1979; and the first woman Fellow has been chosen with rare skill, bringing to the College gifts, charm, and ability which will ensure a welcome from all members and which will make a great contribution to the College.

News of the Society

THE Society held its 49th Annual General Meeting in the College on Friday, September 30, 1977, at 5.30 p.m. Sir Irvine Goulding, President, was in the Chair, and the meeting began with a tribute to Hugh McCleery, who had served the Society for sixteen years as Secretary, after which the President was asked to send to Hugh's widow a letter of sympathy and gratitude on behalf of the Society. The Minutes of the 48th meeting were then confirmed and Sir Foley Newns, as Secretary, then reported how Hugh had called on him only two days before his death to ask him to take over the Secretaryship, Hugh being then President-designate for the ensuing year. He recalled the rigger side of which Hugh had been captain, from which Paul Osborne and Norman York had also recently died. Bill Collins, another member of the side, had written to apologise for his inability to come to the meeting and dinner. All of them had been happy to see their sons, in their turn, become members of the College.

Gus Caesar, relinquishing the Senior Tutorship after ten years, answered the toast of the College at the Dinner, which was attended by about 166 members, a very satisfying number considering costs for transport, and more than had attended for several years. Gus is followed as Senior Tutor by John Andrew, whose three sons were at the Dinner—possibly a record. The speeches, by the President and by Gus, dwelt, in their different ways, upon the problems of a college in the 1970's and on the success with which they had been faced, above all on the continuous maintenance of standards of scholarship, of vigorous participation in all activities, and of loyalty to the College.

The appeal for help in keeping the Register of former members up-to-date met with a good response and many addresses have been corrected. But much remains to be done, and the appeal for those who know the whereabouts of "missing persons" is now repeated.

The silence from the local branches of the Society, noted last year, has been repeated. No reports have come in (despite a reminder) except from Yorkshire, though indirect news reports that the London Branch proposes to hold a party at Henley during Regatta Week.

The May Ball (as reported in the College Newsletter) was a great success. It brought back a number of members of the Society, who shared the pleasure of returning to the music and the dances of the Twenties and Thirties and the well-managed delights of a memorable night.

Almost sixty sat down on Saturday, June 17, to the Dinner to which the Master and Fellows had invited all who had matriculated before 1927. Like all such occasions in recent years, it obviously gave great pleasure to those who were able to be present. Even though an almost equal number replied regretting inability to accept, it was a goodly gathering which enjoyed the chance to reminisce and to see the College as it now is. They also had what for most of them was their first opportunity to meet the Master, to savour his wit and to hear him outline the arrangements which would be made on Saturday, September 30, to enable those who come to this year's Annual General Meeting to see round St Chad's.

That, moreover, will be the fiftieth Annual General Meeting of the Society.

In accordance with the custom of recent years, it is now possible to warn members in advance that the meeting and dinner for 1979 will be held on Saturday, September 29, 1979.

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The Quincentenary Appeal and Building Fund

The progress of the Appeal Fund during the year 1 July 1977-30 June 1978 is shown in the accompanying accounts, from which it will be seen that income (existing and new covenants, donations, bequests, dividends and recovered tax) amounted to £10,329.90, bringing the grand total since the inception of the Appeal to £330,291.09.

In our report last year we indicated the areas of College life to which grants had already been allocated from the Quincentenary Fund. This year the Trustees have placed a further £25,000 at the disposal of the Governing Body; this grant is being used to help defray the cost of the new organ and of the renovations, repairs and re-decorations, now being carried out in the College Chapel. We hope to have the Chapel ready for use by members attending the annual gathering on 29 September.

We venture once more to commend the Appeal Fund to former members of the College. All contributions, whether by covenant, single donations, or legacies will be gratefully received by the Trustees and may be sent to the Bursar at the College; a form is enclosed with this magazine.

The Trustees, on behalf of the Master and Fellows, place on record their grateful appreciation of the generous and continued support afforded to the Fund over the years by so many old members of the College. In particular they wish to express their warmest thanks to the following members who, during the current year, have either joined the list of subscribers or alternatively have renewed their earlier support:

Atkins, J. F. B.; Barnett, R. W.; Bate, R. M.; Baxter, Revd R. D.; Benson, D.; Brookes, J. S.; Brunt, R. M.; Chapman, R. J.; Choy, Wah-Ying; Donaldson, M. D. J.; Evans, D. W.; Gamble, J. C.; Grainger, J. H.; Grant, J. D. K.; Goulding, Sir Irvine; Hughes, H. M.; Hurl, B.; Jones, P. W.; Kemp, E.; Kwan, R. C. Y.; MacDonagh, Prof O. O. R.; McCarthy, M. J. L.; Maclean, Dr M.; Metcalfe, J. I.; Morris, M. W. L.; Mulryne, T. W.; Newns, Sir Foley; Peet, E. J.; Ramsay, Prof. D. A.; Ridgeon, H. D. R.; Riley, J. D.; Roberts, D. J.; Samuel, Prof. R.; Sanderson, K.; St Lawrence, J.; Scholes, D. H.; Smith, B. W.; Sochow, T. L. H.; Soul, D. B.; Tose, N. L.; Trist, L. H.; Uffen, K. J.; Walker, D. S.; Watson, J. S.; Wong, C. H.

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QUINCENTENARY APPEAL FUND

CASH STATEMENT FOR TWELVE MONTHS 1ST JULY 1977 TO 30TH JUNE 1978

1977	Receipts	1978	1977	Payments	1978
	Balance at Bankers brought forward:		201.80	Repayment of Loans	187.60
961.22	Deposit Account	3,872.82	6,500.00	Advance to Governing Body: June 1978	25,000.00
1,947.11	Subscriptions under Covenant	2,173.64		Purchase of Investment	—
1,979.75	Interest and Dividends	2,154.50	3,872.82	Balance at Bankers carried forward:	
3,763.54	Income Tax recovered	2,185.74		Deposit Account	10,830.46
1,923.00	Donations	3,182.52		Miscellaneous	1.00
	Bequests	633.50			
		10,329.90			
	Sale of Investments	21,816.34			
10,574.62		36,019.06	10,574.62		36,019.06

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 1978

Accumulated Funds and Loans		Assets	
308,032.45	Accumulated Fund 30th June 1977	317,645.85	Cash at Bankers 30th June 1978
9,613.40	Cash Receipts, as above	10,329.90	Deposit Account
—	Profit on Sale of Investments	2,315.34	
317,645.85	Less: Advances to Governing Body:	330,291.09	Investment at Cost
	1966	101,050.00	£21,887.62 12 ^{3/4} % Treasury Stock 1995
	1973/74	193,588.33	
	1978	25,000.00	
294,638.33		319,638.33	
23,007.52	Balance with the Managing Trustees	10,652.76	
365.30	Interest Free Loans	177.70	
23,372.82		10,830.46	23,372.82

Notes: No account has been taken of—

- Payments under Covenant other than those banked during the period to 30th June 1978.
- Income tax repayments on payments under Covenant and Taxed dividends beyond amounts actually received.
- Donations and Bequests promised.

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Cash Statement with the Books and vouchers of the Quincentenary Appeal Fund. In our opinion the accounts present a true and fair view of the transactions for the period ended 30th June 1978 and of the resultant balances as at that date.

LEDA HOUSE, STATION ROAD, CAMBRIDGE
11 July 1978

SPICER AND PEGLER
Chartered Accountants

Development at St Chad's

IN last year's magazine we gave an account of the building development on the College property at St Chad's, Grange Road, and published two artist's impressions of the new building, together with sketch plans of the site and of the flat units. This year we publish photographs of the new building so that members may have the opportunity of comparing the artist's impressions with the finished product.

Despite a hold-up in exterior works, occasioned by a long spell of bad weather, building work was virtually completed at the beginning of April and 36 undergraduates moved into occupation for the Easter Term; their numbers are being augmented in June as graduates move in. General reactions have been favourable (even complimentary) and there have been hardly any teething troubles in the flat units themselves. Some cleaning work on the exterior paving tiles remains to be done in the summer; preliminary work has been undertaken in the extensive gardens and more detailed landscaping will be carried out in the autumn.

As indicated last year, the new building provides 68 living-room units, arranged in 17 self-contained "flats", each of 4 units. In addition, five married graduate flats have been retained in the existing house on the site, which also provides common rooms and staff rooms. The development has been carried out by Messrs Sindall of Cambridge, the head of which is Mr H. D. R. Ridgeon (B.A. 1925), and the building shows the same high standard of workmanship as that of other College buildings erected by the firm since 1950. No less than six old members are employed by the firm.

Plans have been provisionally made for the building to be formally opened on the morning of Saturday, 30 September 1978, so that members attending the annual meeting of the St Catharine's Society may have the opportunity to participate. Further details will be notified in the programme of the annual meeting.

S.C.A.

The American Friends

We paid tribute last year to the generous support given to the College since 1966 by The American Friends of Cambridge University, and reported that the latest project adopted by the Directors was the funding of \$50,000 to the College for the foundation of a Research Fellowship. The funding will necessarily be undertaken by stages; the Master and Fellows gratefully acknowledge a first instalment of \$1,040 received during the year and express their warmest thanks, not only to the Directors of The American Friends, but also and more specifically to the following old members of the College who have followed up earlier generous donations by contributions to that initial grant: Kahrl, Prof. S. J.; Levinthal, C; Longley, Dr and Mrs J. B.; Neidell, Dr N. S.; Pickering, S. F.; Redpath, W. M.; Robinson, M. R.; Scott, Dr J. W.; The Master and Fellows are deeply appreciative, not only of the material aid afforded, but also of this further proof of the continuing affection and loyalty to the College.

S.C.A.

St. Catharine's Guild

The object of the Guild is to bring together the widely-scattered members of the College in an act of corporate thankfulness for the past and of prayer for the future on the Sunday nearest St Catharine's Day. Guild Sunday 1978 will be Sunday, November 26.

It is not the intention that the act of remembrance should be rigidly confined to a particular date or to a particular creed.

Gild cards are enclosed with the magazine for those who have indicated their wish to receive them.

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Marriages

- Berry : Taylor.** On August 24, 1977, Leonard John Holman Berry (1929) and Caroline Holman.
Humphreys : Malcolm-Smith. On February 24, 1978, in London, David Gethin Humphreys (1952) and Dorothy Kern Malcolm-Smith.
Penson : Thompson. On June 18, 1976, at Bonnyrigg, Midlothian, A. A. Penson (1971) and Christina Thompson.
Robinson : Ludlow. On August 30, 1975, at Culcheth, Cheshire, Richard Robinson (1967) to Susan Jennifer Ludlow.
Scott : Ford-Jones. On August 23, 1975, at Fleet, Hampshire, Flight Lieutenant David John Scott (1968) and Michele Isabelle Ford-Jones.

Obituaries

MICHAEL BATES

Few of the thousands of viewers who watched the bearer Rangi Ram in *It Aint Half hot Mum* and who saw Mr Blamire in *The Last of the Summer Wine* realised that the two performances were by the same gifted actor. Fewer still, of those who remember the College in 1939, will have recognised the diffident young man who then came up to St Catharine's in the controlled and confident master of comic acting, whose skills in unblinking and intensely serious farce had made him a great figure on the English stage.

The son of a former member of the College, and the brother of another member, Michael came up from Uppingham just after the start of the war. He was awaiting his call-up but was told (by Portway) that older and better-qualified men would get preference in the fighting line and that he should make good use of the delay. He had been born in India but entirely educated in England, and though Uppingham reported that he was completely absorbed in the drama in all its forms, reading, writing, acting and producing, he contemplated a career in the army; and as the diffidence melted to reveal his character and ability it seemed that he had much to offer. As an undergraduate he made the most of war-time Cambridge, played a very good game of hockey, took a full part in College life, and got through the First Part of the Historical Tripos before he was called up in 1941.

His war service was with a Ghurka Regiment, in which he reached the rank of captain, and he became a company commander with Wingate in Burma. He did not come back to Cambridge on demobilisation but took his degree under the Special Regulations then in force and began his theatrical career with a revival of *East Lynne* at Worthing. By 1948 he had won a reputation as one of the great Shakespearian clowns and was playing Launcelot Gobbo, Bardolph, Touchstone, Lord Sands, Trinculo, Autolycus, in Tyrone Guthrie's productions at Stratford-upon-Avon. His diverting stolidity, timing, and technical ability made him unique. He was chosen to play these parts in the British Council's series of Shakespeare records, and he played (with Guthrie) in Ontario and at the Old Vic.

The solemn farceur won applause, respect, and liking in a multitude of parts—as Toad in *Toad of Toad Hall*, the Inspector of Police in Coward's *Look after Lulu*, in Feydeau's *Occupe-Toi d'Amelie* and in Ionescu's *Rhinoceros* as the Old Gentleman. For fifteen years he broadcast in *The Navy Lark*, played in many films—*Carrington, V.C., Oh What a Lovely War, The Battle of Britain* and *A Clockwork Orange* among others—and was the stage's first choice whenever the solemn, good-hearted but ridiculous, man had to be played, without malice yet with a subtle revelation of all the ludicrous implications. He died, in mid-career, with much still to contribute, on January 11, 1978.

IAN U. J. DONALD

Ian Donald came up to College in 1970 to read Modern Languages, graduating in 1973. He matured during his period here from a rather shy and unassertive schoolboy to a quiet, modest and very likeable young man. At a time when a number of standards were changing Ian exemplified what were no doubt considered by some as old-fashioned virtues—presentability of person, courtesy of manner, personal integrity, responsible citizenship, honest effort, and imperturbable good humour and tolerance. He came quietly and left quietly; he contributed quietly, but effectively and in many ways—playing-field, societies, Chapel—to College life. In work he was business-like and organised, and a pleasure to supervise. In short, a good College man, a good citizen and a good friend.

THOMAS BENJAMIN EVERARD

Thomas Benjamin Everard, known to many as "TB. the schoolmaster musician", was in his 96th Year when he died on February 3, 1978. He will be remembered by many men much younger than himself since he came up as a mature student after service in the First World War, in 1919, while teaching in Cambridge. Everard read Geography; and although Alfred Steers was a contemporary, St Catharine's Geography school had not yet attained the distinction of later years. Everard was, however, the first President of the University Geography Club.

He had been educated at Boston Grammar School and then at Boston Science School, going on to The Yorkshire College as a Queen's Scholar in 1900. When The Yorkshire College became Leeds University, in 1904, he took a B.Sc. degree in Geology and then taught at Leeds Modern School (acting also as Secretary of the Leeds Natural History Society), at Lowestoft Technical School and at Lowestoft Grammar School before going off to war service.

After the war he came to St Catharine's, and when he had taken his degree in 1922 he became Senior Geography Master at the Cambridge and County High School for Boys. In the meantime he had followed his love of music and had become L.R.A.M. and A.R.C.M. From 1926 to 1929 he was Headmaster of Handside School, Welwyn Garden City, and he moved from there to become Headmaster of Southgate County School, a post which he held till retirement in 1945.

In an active retirement he lived at Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire, playing the piano, continuing his studies, and retaining his lively mind and ready wit to the last. He was given a copy of the *Quincentenary Essays* on his 95th birthday and subsequently telephoned to say how much pleasure he had derived from the volume and how much he appreciated the Society's Magazine.

SYD FOX

Syd Fox was the second head boy in succession to come up to St Catharine's from Hymers College, Hull, when he arrived in 1941 to read Geography. His stay was brief before he was called up, to be commissioned in the Royal Artillery, but he had made a strong impression on the College, working hard and intelligently, playing rugger in a winning cuppers side, rowing, and leading an active and charming social life. He was invalided out from the army in 1944 and came back, to read Agriculture, with a savage stomach wound. This did not prevent him from resuming all his old interests where he had left off, and his sporting activity so far helped his recovery that he played rugger against Oxford in 1945 and gained his Blue in 1946. He was alleged to be the only man who ever won a rugger Blue while drawing a 100% disability pension! He also rowed in the May Boat and, when other members of the Boat Club had got back from the war, cheerfully dropped down to the second boat and accompanied it to Henley. As President of the J.C.R. he was on the friendliest terms with senior members of the College and with the College servants and he established a pattern of relationships which has proved invaluable and lasting.

In 1947 Syd was appointed a Demonstrator in the Department of Agriculture at Reading University and was soon teaching science, aided by amusing verse, to the dairymaids. He was made a Lecturer in 1949, by which time he was embarked on his major work, improvement in the production of protein, for which he was convinced that poultry offered the best field. He was appointed to Reading University Farm at Shinfield and quickly made it an outstanding centre for poultry research, which overseas visitors working in that subject thought it essential to visit. In 1952, in collaboration with T. R. Morris, Syd published "Lighting Patterns for Laying Hens", demonstrating that the ovulation cycle could be controlled by the periods of exposure to illumination.

This work brought immense increases in national and international productivity. Syd was awarded the Kellogg Foundation Scholarship in the United States in 1957, the Poultry Stock Associate Gold Medal in 1967, and the B.O.C.M. Poultry Science Award in 1970. His skills were widely sought, and in 1971 he was seconded to the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations and was sent to Pakistan to establish a Poultry Research Institute at Karachi. There he was caught in the Civil War and he finally evacuated his wife, his five children, and himself to Teheran. But he went back to Pakistan in 1972, established the Institute and remained as its Director for two years before handing over to the management team which he had trained. Recently, in 1976 and 1977, he went to Abu Dhabi to evaluate the merits of some important poultry projects there.

His scientific achievements did not detract from his other interests. For many years he played for Berkshire Wanderers Rugby Club, later became its President, and regaled the club's dinners with speeches notable for their content, their delivery, and their humour. He never neglected his literary interests; indeed the notices in the Times praising his performance as King Lear at Reading only preceded his engagement to one of Lear's daughters by a few days!

In all that he did, Syd made a very special contribution, to work, to play, to institutions and to people. He was a large man in every sense of the word, tough, realistic, uncompromising and purposeful—very Yorkshire. But always the lasting impression was of his gentleness. That is the memory which will linger on.

LEOPOLD JOHN GENN

Leo Genn came up to St Catharine's from the City of London School in 1924, to read for the Law Tripos. As an undergraduate he showed a talent for acting, and he enjoyed it, playing at the A.D.C. and with the Howlers. But he did not aim at a career in the theatre. He played a good game of soccer and a very good game of chess, took his part in everything which was going on in College, and in due course moved from Cambridge to the Middle Temple. There he was called to the Bar, in 1928, and for two years, until 1930, he was a barrister-pupil. Then he was spotted by the London manager Leon Lion in an amateur production by the Berkeley Players. Then and there Lion offered Genn a three-years' contract as a professional actor; and, forsaking the Law, Genn accepted.

His first professional appearance was at Eastbourne, and was judged successful. He made his debut in London in the same year, in the highly successful *While Parents Sleep*, at the old Royalty Theatre. From then on Genn was in constant demand, and from 1934 to 1936 he was at the Old Vic, playing classical parts for which his very fine speaking voice was a great asset. In 1937 he was chosen to narrate the B.B.C's. special Coronation Programme; and in that year also began his film career. Then the war brought his acting to a stop.

Genn was commissioned in the Royal Artillery, served from June 1940 to the end of the war, and emerged as a Lieutenant-Colonel with a Croix de Guerre. While on leave he had spoken the commentary for the film *Desert Victory*, but he did not immediately return to acting; he was appointed to command the No. 1 War Crimes Investigation Team, and he appeared as Assistant Prosecutor at the Belsen Trial.

His first post-war appearance on the stage was in New York in 1946, but in the meantime he had appeared in several notable films—*The Way Ahead*, *Green for Danger*, *Caesar and Cleopatra* and *Henry V*. He divided his time between the United Kingdom and the United States, and in 1968 and 1969 he was appointed Visiting Drama Professor at Pennsylvania State University and at the University of Utah. His stage appearances in England grew fewer, but his films still appeared. He showed that he had lost nothing of his firm, satisfying, touch in *Moby Dick* and in *Quo Vadis*. In 1972 he stayed in College while he was making a television film of E. M. Forster's *Howard's End*; and it was clear that he had retained his affection for the College and his interest in its achievements.

SIR MORIEN MORGAN, K.B.E., C.B., F.R.S.

Morien Bedford Morgan came up to St Catharine's in 1931 from Rutlish School, Merton. The *Times* obituary notice notwithstanding, he did not come as a scholar; indeed his performance in the Scholarship Examination was unimpressive, at least to L. F. Newman. But he gained admission, and he had a County Major Scholarship behind him. Disappointed at his performance, he wondered whether to abandon the Natural Sciences Tripos, for which he had entered, and to read Mechanical Sciences with a special regard for aeronautics, in which he was greatly interested even then. In the event he was persuaded to read Part I Mathematics and then to turn to Engineering in his second year. He greatly enjoyed his time in College, was well known and well liked, and ended up with two Firsts in Mechanical Sciences, an Exhibition in his second year, the title of Scholar as he went down, and the University's John Bernard Seeley Prize for Aeronautics.

After a brief spell in industry he joined the Flight Section of the Aerodynamics Department of the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough; and he was in touch with Farnborough for almost the whole of his working life—until he came back to Cambridge, to be Master of Downing College, in 1972.

At Farnborough he was particularly concerned with the handling characteristics of aircraft, and was greatly helped in his work by his understanding of his pilots' reactions, by their confidence in him, and by the fact that in 1944 he himself qualified as a pilot. He was made Head of the Flight Section in 1946, but his ability as leader of a research team soon led to his appointment as Head of the new Guided Weapons Section of the Establishment. His skill and determination in solving the many problems of guided weapons then led to his appointment, in 1954, as one of the two Deputy Directors of the Royal Aircraft Establishment, and in that office he directed studies into the possibilities of supersonic transport aircraft which resulted in the setting up of a Supersonic Transport Aircraft Committee in 1956, with himself as Chairman. It was this group which was responsible for the *Concorde*, and Morien's convictions, his knowledge and his enthusiasm, played a large part in the achievement which the *Concorde* represents.

From 1959 Morien was away from Farnborough, acting as scientific adviser to the Air Ministry, Controller of Aircraft at the Ministry of Aviation, Controller of Guided Weapons and Electronics, until he returned in 1969 as Director of the Royal Aircraft Establishment, a post which he held till his retirement from public service in 1972. Then he came to Cambridge as Master of Downing; and he was certainly the first Master of a college to arrive on the job by helicopter! He brought a keen personal interest to the problems of his college, was easily approachable by all, lively and good-humoured but full of wisdom; and he was greatly appreciated there and in the wider world of the University. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1972, and was made an Honorary Fellow of St Catharine's in the same year. This was an honour which he greatly valued, and he never missed a college occasion.

EDWARD WILLIAMSON

" Bill " Williamson, as Edward was universally known, was one of the pillars of the St Catharine's of his day. A cheerful, friendly, and very young-looking man, he played soccer and cricket and ran for the College; and his rooms were the centre from which most of the fun in College seemed to his contemporaries to emanate.

He came up in 1921 from Worksop, where he had done almost everything and to which he was devoted: and he brought the same approach to the College. He read Natural Science, Physics, and Worksop were glad to take him back to teach when he had graduated in 1924. But he regarded this as only temporary and moved to London to enter the world of patents-business. In 1928 he was sent to New York, where he worked for three years in the Patent Section of General Motors Ltd., returning to London to be the Patent Agent for General Motors in London, a post which he continued to hold till his retirement. He was elected President of the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents in 1954, and he served on the Court of his City Company, the Worshipful Company of Turners, from 1966 to 1969. Bill never fully recovered from his bereavement when his wife Veronica (who had taught Classics at Worksop and whom he married in 1924) died in 1962. But he gave service and friendship to all that he touched. He was elected President of St Catharine's Society in 1961 and he served on the Committee of the London Branch for many years. He lived in Wimbledon all the time after his return from America, and there he devoted himself to the Wimbledon Village Club and to the Wimbledon Civic Trust, while he was also a Trustee and a Life Member of the John Evelyn Society. Until his last years he was a regular attender at the Society's Annual Meetings, often accompanied by his son Martin; and he contributed generously to the College's Quincentenary Appeal.

Bill died on January 4, 1978, after a lengthy illness. His funeral showed the number and the variety of his friends.

W. G. WILKIN

Gordon Wilkin came up from Silcoates School in 1929 and will be remembered by those of that vintage as a very competent member of the strong college rucker sides of those years. He read Law, and on going down went into the office of a Chartered Accountant before joining the firm of George Davidson and Co. in Gateshead as Assistant Secretary.

He was commissioned in the Territorial Army in 1937, served throughout the war, and was awarded the T.D. in 1946, when he went, on demobilisation, into his family's firm of confectionery manufacturers at Newcastle upon Tyne. He remained with the firm until it was sold, but it did not occupy all his attention. He took over the North East Branch of St Catharine's Society from its founder, Brian Gray, and ran it successfully for many years. Those who attended the dinners which he organised—and they included a special meeting to support the Quincentenary Appeal—will be grateful for his deep (but not uncritical) attachment to the College.

Honours and Awards

- Ablett, J. F.** (Hon. Fellow Commoner), M.B.E. (Civil), Birthday Honours, for services to the Cambridge community.
- Asdell, Professor S. A.** (1919) has been awarded the Marshall Medal of the Society for the Study of Fertility in recognition of his contribution to the understanding of reproductive biology.
- Broadbent, E. G.** (1941) has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.
- Battersby, Professor Alan, F.R.S.** (Fellow), has been awarded the Davey Medal of the Royal Society.
- Crisp, D. J. (1935)**, Professor of Marine Biology, University College of North Wales, C.B.E. (Civil), Birthday, Honours.
- Darby, Professor H. C, O.B.E.** (1925, Hon. Fellow 1960), C.B.E. (Civil), Birthday Honours for services to the study of Historical Geography.
- Earp, C. W., O.B.E.** (1924), has been awarded the J. J. Thompson Medal of the Institute of Electrical Engineers for his work in developing a blind landing system for aircraft.
- Franks, the Right Honourable the Lord Franks of Headington** (Hon. Fellow), Order of Merit, New Year's Honours.
- Nicholson, Dr R. B.** (1953) has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.
- Pile, Sir William** (1940), Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue, Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath (Civil), New Year's Honours.
- Ramsay, Professor Donald** (1943) has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society.
- Stewart, H. G.** (1935), Director of Studies, Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, C.B.E. (Civil), Birthday Honours.

Appointments and Notes

- Alderson, Roger** (1965), is now teaching at Manchester Grammar School (his own old school), and finds time to run the school swimming team, a junior rugby team and a junior athletics team as well as an annual camp in the Lake District.
- Andrew, T. H.** (1970) has been appointed Head of English at Stockport Grammar School.
- Archer**, Lieutenant-General Sir John (1943) relinquished his appointment as Commander, British Forces Hong Kong, in April, 1978, and became Commander-in-Chief, United Kingdom Land Forces, with the rank of General.
- Armitage, Edward, C.B.** (1935) has retired to live in Somerset after eight years as Comptroller General of the Patent Office.
- Black, E. L.** (Bertie, 1933), is Principal of Middleton St George College of Education, Nr. Darlington.
- Blessley, Kenneth, C.B.E.** (1934), has retired as Valuer and Estate Surveyor to the Greater London Council, a post which he has held since 1964. He was previously County Valuer of Middlesex and has, during his career, been President of the General Practice Division of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and of the Association of Local Authority Valuers and Estate Surveyors.
- Boulton, Geoffrey** (1956), has been awarded an M.A. by Liverpool University for a thesis on the social geography of the city. He lectures on urban and historical geography at St Martin's College, Lancaster, and gave the opening lecture to Section E of the British Association last year, when it met at Lancaster.
- Brachi, David** (1935), has retired from the Geography Department of Hull University.
- Burnett, W. Andrew** (1928) is making a slow but satisfactory recovery from being knocked down by a car; a badly fractured leg is yielding to treatment.
- Butteriss, Michael** (1964), is a Medical Officer (Flight Lieutenant) at Brize Norton, Oxford. He will shortly rejoin the ranks of civilians and be in general practice at Oxford.
- Cassidy, Michael** (1955) is still working for Africa Enterprise and travelling widely for that organisation. He heard news of David Millard's death as he arrived at Johannesburg from Panama and went on to Cape Town to comfort the family and to give the address at David's funeral.
- Chalmers, the Rev. R. Paul** (1935), Priest-in-Charge of Epping Upland, has been appointed Communications Officer for the Diocese of Chelmsford.
- Colquhoun, Howard** (1969), has been appointed a Senior Research Assistant at ICI's Corporate Laboratory at Runcorn Heath. This comes after a Ph.D. at Westfield College, London, in 1975, and two years as a Research Fellow at Warwick University.
- Coni, Peter R. C.** (1956), appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Management of Henley Royal Regatta last year, has now been appointed Chairman.
- Crampton, E. P. T.** (1949) is Chief Education Officer, Kaduna, Nigeria.
- Cripps, R. J. N.** (1974), has been classed with 2nd Class Honours in the Solicitors' Finals Examination.
- Dabbs, E. R.** (1965), is an Arbeitsgruppenleiter at the Max-Planck-Institut für Molekulare Genetik in Berlin. See also Woolley.
- Dainton, Sir Frederick, ScD., F.R.S.** (Fellow 1945-50, Hon. Fellow 1960), will relinquish appointment as Chairman of the University Grants Committee; he will become Chancellor of Sheffield University at the end of the year.
- Dales, K. R. F.** (1934), has retired from his post at Chigwell School.
- Day, Derek** (1948), St Catharine's men who followed events in Ethiopia should have recognised in His Excellency Derek Malcom Day, C.M.G., Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, the former captain of the College and of the University Hockey sides.
- Evison, David A.** (1944) has been appointed Headmaster of The Leggatts School, Watford.
- Friswell, A. R.** (1958) has left Eastbourne College and is Deputy Headmaster of New Beacon Preparatory School at Sevenoaks.
- Grainger, J. H.** (1936), will shortly retire from his post as Reader in Politics at the Australian National University. The College saw something of him last year, when he was a Visiting Fellow at Clare Hall during a sabbatical year in which he was also Visiting Lecturer at Johns Hopkins University, William and Mary College, the University of Maryland and St John's, Annapolis.

- Grant, J. D. K.** (1973), is Third Secretary at the British Embassy, Stockholm.
- Gray, C. S. M.** (1959), is a Chartered Surveyor on Tees-side.
- Hickling, R. S.** (1952), writes from Western Australia in the hope that in due course his sons and daughters may follow him and his father to St Catharine's.
- Hilton, P. H.** (1948), is an Engineering Adviser in the Ministry of Overseas Development. He was in Beirut in the early stages of the Civil War and was evacuated to Amman Jordan. He has now been posted to Barbados.
- Hirst, Roland G.** (1960), was ordained Deacon in York Minster on September 25, 1977. He is serving as Curate at St Mary's, Beverley.
- Hodges, T. N. S.** (1943), is head of the Languages Department at the King Edward College, Nuneaton.
- Hutchings, A. W. S.** (1926), retires at the end of the year from his post as General Secretary of the Assistant Masters' Association. He has held this post for forty years, and since 1965 has been Chairman of the Burnham Committee and of the Teachers' Superannuation Working Party. He will continue to act as Chairman of the National Foundation for Educational Research, and he will now take office as Chairman of the Associated Examining Board.
- Ivory, T. G. P.** (1974), has been awarded a Major Scholarship at Lincoln's Inn.
- Jakeways, B.** (1967), is Head of the Geography Department at Sandown High School, Isle of Wight.
- Johnson, D. R.** (1970) ended his period at the Royal Academy of Music in 1976. Since then he has sung at the Edinburgh, Aldeburgh and Flanders Festivals and at Covent Garden, and in 1977 he won the National Federation of Music Societies' Award for Young Concert Artists. He has a full programme ahead of him, including broadcasts for the B.B.C., from Hilversum, and for the European Broadcasting Union. He appears as David Wilson-Johnson.
- Jones, Mervyn T.** (1971), will take up an appointment at Hereford Cathedral School in September 1978.
- Landale, Brigadier C. A.** (1947), has been appointed Vice-President Regular Commissions Board.
- Lomas, Peter** (1957), writes that, after field work in New Ireland, Papua and New Guinea, he registered as a research student at Simon Fraser University but abandoned it because of student troubles in 1969. He then taught anthropology at the new university of Lethbridge, Southern Alberta, was appointed a Professor in 1973 on completion of his Ph.D., went back to New Ireland on sabbatical leave, and was in 1975 invited to return to Simon Fraser as a visiting lecturer. In 1976 a permanent post at Simon Fraser came up and he is now teaching there, making plans for more field work in South-east Asia.
- Lunn, R. N.** (1953), has been teaching at Trinity College, Glenalmond, since 1965.
- Macaulay, A. J.** (1954), writes from Johannesburg; like Michael Cassidy, he was deeply involved in the tragedy of David Millward's death, and deeply distressed by it.
- Marsh, the Rev. L. J.** (1950), has taken on a joint Anglican-Methodist parish in Gwent after serving as a Chaplain at Cardiff University.
- Martin, B.** (1968), has resigned from his appointment at the Bank of England and is teaching economics at Caterham.
- Mennell, Stephen** (1963), has been appointed a Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Exeter University, where he has been teaching for the past ten years. He also holds a part-time appointment with the Council of Europe, investigating local cultural life in urban environments.
- Miller, M. B.** (1949). Barney Miller has been transferred to Racine, Wisconsin, by his company. In 1975 and again in 1976 he produced a late-night musical revue in Windsor Castle for the Windsor Festival and in 1977 he played the leading part in Mozart's comic opera, *The Impresario*, at Racine.
- Mitchell, G. I.** (1968), will be Head of the Geography Department at Pendleton Sixth Form College, Salford, from September 1978.
- Munday, R. J. C.** (1967, Research Fellow, 1973), a Fellow of Peterhouse, has been elected into an Assistant Lectureship in Law.
- Newton, J. O.** (1941), is Professor and Head of the Department of Nuclear Physics in the Institute of Advanced Studies at the Australian National University. He was elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science in 1975.
- Nice, A. T. F.** (1931), is teaching part-time at the Lady Eleanor Holies School, Hampton. He retired in 1972 from being in charge of Mathematics and Computing at Hendon College of Technology when that college was absorbed into the Middlesex Polytechnic, and was then awarded an M.B.E. for his services to education.
- O'Dell, I.** (1932), is working on a history of Hymers College, Hull, where he was Head of the Department of Modern Languages from 1946 to 1975. He lists nine St Catharine's men who have taught there.
- Paisey, R.** (1966), has been appointed a Lecturer in Medicine at Bristol University.
- Pearson, K. P.** (1960), at present Head of Modern Languages at George Watson's College, Edinburgh, has been appointed Deputy Principal of the College as from January, 1979.
- Pieris, Father Richard, S.J.** (1952), will be calling at Sri Lanka, his home, on his way to Australia in September. There he will work as a Jesuit priest, probably in education since he has spent his time in the ministry in England partly as a curate in a number of parishes, partly teaching in a Roman Catholic public school.
- Pike, Stephen** (1954), has been Head of the English Department at Totnes School (a comprehensive of 1600) since 1967.
- Plummer, A.** (1965) is working on social planning in the Housing Department of Birmingham.
- Pound, the Rev. K.** (1951), Rector of Holy Trinity with St Matthew, Southwark, has been appointed Rector of Thamesmead and leader of the ecumenical team.
- Preece, D. A.** (1962), has been elected a Member of the International Statistical Institute. He is a Senior Lecturer in Statistics at the Mathematical Institute at the University of Kent.
- Reed, Peter** (1948), writes that his business interests as a Chartered Surveyor at Darlington flourish, and gives news that his son, A. J. Reed, who "failed to satisfy the examiners" in 1974, has now taken a degree in Civil Engineering at Newcastle.
- Reece, M. J.** (1958), has won the President's Putter for the second time in three years.
- Redman, W. N.** (1930), writes from Evesham to give news of a concert there by David Wilson-Johnson, *q.v.*
- Robbins, Stephen** (1955), is an Associate Professor in the School of Housing at the University of Sains Malaysia at Penang.

- Robinson, R. G. J.** (1967) is working in the laboratories of the U.K. Atomic Energy Authority Reactor Group at Risley, Nr. Warrington. He taught mathematics and physics as a V.S.O. in Uganda and then in Malawi from 1970 to 1973, and then completed his M.Sc. in Acoustics and Vibration Technology at London University in 1974.
- Schadla-Hall, R. T.** (1967), is Keeper of Archaeology and Curator of the Willis Museum at Basingstoke.
- Scott, D. J.** (1968), a Medical Officer (Flight Lieutenant) in the R.A.F., has been posted to Wegberg, West Germany.
- Searle, the Rev. H. D.** (1956), Chaplain of Parkhurst Prison, has been appointed Priest-in-Charge of Barton and Coton, Cambridge. The living of Coton was part of the Founder's endowment of the College.
- Selby Taylor, The Most Reverend Robert** (1927, Hon. Fellow), Michael Whisson writes of " the retired Archbishop who recently went walking in the Himalayan foothills for a holiday " and is much in demand in the parishes round the Cape.
- Self, G. F.** (1962), is with Messrs Halcrow, Fox and Associates, conducting a Transportation Planning Study in Kuwait.
- Shaw, R.** (1962), is Vice-Principal of the South Warwickshire College of Further Education at Stratford-upon-Avon.
- Silberston, A.** (Research Fellow, 1950), Fellow and Dean of Nuffield College, Oxford, has been appointed Professor of Economics at Imperial College, London.
- Stephenson, G. R.** (1972), has been appointed a Research Fellow in the School of Chemistry at the Australian National University.
- Stewart, H. G.** (1935), is retiring from his post as Director of Studies at Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.
- Stuart-Moss, H.** (1929), retired in 1977, as the last Headmaster of the Royal Masonic School, Bushey, before the school closed down.
- Thomas, Gareth** (1952), Professor of Metallurgy at the University of California, Berkeley, has been awarded an E. O. Lawrence Award by the American Department of Energy for his especially meritorious work in applying transmission electron microscopy to materials science and engineering. His work has produced major improvements in the design of alloys. See Whiteside.
- Tomlins, F. C.** (1941), after teaching at Wrekin College until 1973, then taught at Trearddur House Preparatory School, Anglesey until it closed in July 1977. He is now fully retired and lives in Anglesey.
- Tose, N. L.** (1963) is working with Lloyds Bank International.
- Trist, A.** (1953), is now Field Officer to the New Zealand Mountain Safety Council and lives at Wanganui, New Zealand. His father, Lieutenant Colonel L. H. Trist, D.S.O., M.C. (1902), is still in good heart at the age of 94, possibly the oldest member of the Society.
- Tudor, J. C.** (1960), has been appointed a Consultant Ophthalmologist at Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth.
- Uffen, K. J.** (1947), has been appointed Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Bogota.
- Weston, G. D.** (1960), has returned to the U.K. from Canada and is teaching in the School of Life Sciences at Leicester Polytechnic.
- Whisson, M. G.** (1957), has been appointed Professor and Head of the Social Anthropology Department at Rhodes University, Grahamstown. He will move there from Cape Town in July.
- Whiteside, Peter** (1952), writes cheerfully from Melbourne Church of England Grammar School. Gareth Thomas, on a visit from California, called in on him in March.
- Wicks, R. J.** (1956) is Deputy Head of King's School, Canterbury.
- Wilkinson, the Rev. Dr A. B.** (1951, Chaplain 1961-67), has been appointed Director of Clergy and Lay Training in Ripon Diocese.
- Wittrick, Professor W. H.** (1940), writes from the Department of Engineering at Birmingham University.
- Woolley, P.** (1966), has been appointed an Arbeitsgruppenleiter at the Max-Planck-Institut für molekulare Genetik in Berlin.
- Wright, C. J. H.** (1970), will be ordained in Rochester Cathedral on September 25 and will serve in the parish of St Peter and St Paul, Tonbridge.
- Zetter, R.** (1965), has been appointed to a Lectureship in Planning at Kaduna Polytechnic, Nigeria.

Publications

Alldritt, K. (1954), see under Cavaliero.

Bayliss, John (1937). *Venus in Libra* (Outposts Publications, 9, Thames Village, Hartington Road, Chiswick, London W4), £1.40.

John Bayliss (1937) has now published in its entirety his long poem, written during the forties (when he was exceptionally active both as poet and anthologist), but never before printed as a whole. It takes the form of a 'Seasons' poem, further divided by the signs of the zodiac, the mood of its twelve main sections being coloured by the appropriate sign. Within this frame the poem is a narrative of love and a meditation on war. But it is also, to a marked degree, a poem of its time and place, an account of what it was like for a man of a particular sensibility to live through 1939-1945. The problems of the pacifist and combatant (the author himself served in the R.A.F.) are considered against the background of English weather, countryside and townscape, manners and literature. The poem acknowledges the influence of Yeats, and inevitably reflects the prophetic London (its moral decay a premonition of its physical destruction) of *The*

Waste Land. It is always assured and never obscure, achieving both readability and, in its lyric passages, a measure of intensity.

Capey, A. C. (1952) has shared in the production of an analysis of the books which children read, as one of the editors of *Children and their Books* (Macmillan Education). Sponsored by the Schools Council and based on a survey made by a team from Sheffield University's Institute of Education, the book evaluates the reading habits of some 8,000 children, and comes up with some unexpected conclusions.

Cavaliero, Glen (1965). A reader of the Sunday Telegraph on August 12, 1977, might have noticed there no less than three St Catharine's men under scrutiny: a review of Keith Alldritt's second novel, *The Lover Next Door*, a notice of Peter Hall's production of *Don Giovanni*, and a review of Glen Cavaliero's *The Rural Tradition in the English Novel, 1900-1933*. *The Lover Next Door* was denounced as "a rotten title for a sad and rewarding book" which fulfills the promise of Alldritt's first novel and demands attention and respect. The Notice of *Don Giovanni* was chiefly concerned with the way in which the production had demonstrated the quality of the acoustics at the Lyttleton Theatre; but the opera had come on to London from Glyndebourne and had already been very favourably received. *The Rural Tradition* met strong approval although, since most novels of the period under discussion are concerned with urban life, it seemed to deal with minor novelists rather than with major writers and might therefore be described as a book without a hero. The treatment given to his country-writers, however, gets high praise for Glen. His judgments are not only sound and humane but sometimes tart; and "What's more, they are not handed out in English Department jargonese but in clear and excellent prose".

Gooderson, R. N. (Fellow).

Alibi, by Dick Gooderson (Heinemann, 1977) is a book whose title is almost self-explanatory.

A criminal charge asserts that a specified person did something forbidden, or omitted something commanded, within a defined region of space and time. "John Doe on the 1st day of January 1975 at Midsummer Common unlawfully killed Richard Roe." An obvious defence is that John Doe was outside the boundaries of Midsummer Common throughout the 1st of January 1975. The most convincing way of proving it is generally to show that he was at some other particular place or places all that time. That is the defence of *Alibi*, the subject of this book.

It is a book distinguished by clarity of plan and thoroughness of execution, a full survey of the reported (and some unreported) cases from England, Scotland, and the common law countries overseas, indispensable to the academic criminal lawyer and stimulating for practitioners—especially those not yet so experienced that their way with juries has become intuitive. The reviewer's one suggestion for future editions would be to mention far fewer cases in the text (as distinct from the notes) and give a fuller account of those selected.

Mr Gooderson's book is not only an excellent monograph on *Alibi*, but also a powerful plea for procedural reform.

A century ago trial by jury had the flavour of a game played under strict rules that gave the guilty a good chance, and the innocent an overwhelming probability (though less than a certainty), of avoiding conviction. The judge's task was to pronounce a sentence proportionate to the gravity of the crime, and outside speculative circles the standard was generally accepted as fair. Provision for criminal appeals was rudimentary.

All that has changed. Contemporary public opinion, as reflected (or invented) by Parliament and the media, finds the element of surprise, so appropriate to a sporting event, shocking when public order and individual liberty or welfare are at stake. "Litigation," a young barrister recently said sternly to the reviewer (in a civil case), "is not a game." So our author is concerned to modify what he calls "the common law system of trial by ambush" by making the accused disclose his defence (beyond a straight denial of the prosecution's allegations) before trial. The Criminal Justice Act 1967 took a first step by requiring particulars of an intended *alibi* defence, including names and addresses of witnesses, to be furnished to the prosecution in advance. Mr Gooderson shows how well the Act, and similar laws elsewhere, work in practice, and engagingly advocates its extension to other types of defence.

"*Alibi*" is good reading beyond the manner of law books.

I.G.

Hartcup, G. R. M. (1938).

Code Name Mulberry; the planning, building and operation of the Normandy Harbours. By Guy Hartcup.

A book which sets out to give a definitive account of a supreme technical achievement can hardly be easy going for the unqualified general reader. But Guy Hartcup almost makes his account of the Normandy beaches hold attention throughout; almost, but not quite, for the technical descriptions of the components of the equipment cannot possibly be appetising except for the specialist. They are, however, an essential part of the book, the illustrations are clear and helpful, and the story would lose much of its meaning without the detailed assessment of how the problems were diagnosed and overcome. Once the outcome of the Dieppe raid had been analysed it was accepted that the invasion of western Europe would have to be over open beaches, and that not only the assault troops but the follow-up divisions and their daily requirements of stores, ammunition, fuel and reinforcements would have to be brought ashore in the same way. For the first month of operations eighteen divisions would have to be supported in this way, and it was not to be expected that captured ports would make the beaches unnecessary until the third month. From the moment that a demonstration in a bath on board the *Queen Mary* had shown that protection from storms would be needed for the beaches the problems were taken in hand, with all the added difficulties of Anglo-American co-operation, inter-service rivalry, shortages of men and materials in England (where construction had to take place) and the hazards of the weather—which in the event led to abandonment of the American Mulberry. It was (as the title-page asserts) "a venture in which the imagination, invention and engineering skill of the British were seen at their best", and the detail, accuracy and human interest of the account do justice to the story.

Millgate, Michael (1949) shares the editorship of *The Collected Letters of Thomas Hardy, Vol I, 1840-92* (O.U.P.). The letters of this period are mainly concerned with Hardy's business interests. But they are by no means uninteresting in their revelation of the way in which Hardy seemed prepared to allow his publishers to alter his manuscript almost at will, apparently more concerned with the illustrations than with the text. Probably many letters have been destroyed, but the text contains much which will help those who wish to understand this enigmatic writer, and the editors have done their job thoroughly, with notes after each letter.

Styan, J. L. (1944) traces developing traditions in the production of Shakespeare from Victorian naturalism to the present day in his *Shakespeare Revolution*. The book has been criticised as rather solemn, but it is undoubtedly overdue, and it is certainly a useful study, tracing the changes and developments in a coherent and clear manner.

Topsfield, L. T. (Fellow). *Troubadours and Love* by Leslie Topsfield was published by Cambridge University Press in 1975, it was reprinted in 1977 and has been published as a paper-back in 1978. Troubadour poetry, part of the upsurge of the twelfth century, is the first major statement in European vernacular culture of the importance of the Feminine. The subject is not new to St Catharine's men; "Would you talk of Courtly Love without a snigger?" asked the Howlers in 1948. But the detail and the academic skill brought to bear on the subject in this book demand high praise.

There were some 460 known troubadours, all writing in Provençal though many came from other countries; and they wrote over a period of some two and a half centuries. Dr Topsfield presents eleven of the best, beginning with the violent and bawdy Duke William (IX) of Aquitaine (1071-1127) and ending after the horrors of the Albigensian Crusade. His excellent poem-by-poem exposition, with copious translations, provides a handbook which has no rival in English and which will be invaluable to all students. From its wide and sound scholarship stimulating lines of thought develop; and the simplifications of many modern expositions of Courtly Love crumble before the revelation of the many different ways in which the subject was treated. "Dr Topsfield's book" says the Times Higher Educational Supplement, "both readable and learned, is an important contribution and should be read by both scholars and general readers".

Vessey, Dr D. W. (1962) will publish a volume of poems with the title *Poems from Florida and Elsewhere* (Scrinium Press) in September. In 1973 he published *Status and the Thebiad* (C.U.P.) and *The Ice Age and Other Poems* (Scrinium Press).

Warner, F. R. le P. (1956). With seven books of poetry published, the Messing International Award for literature secured in 1972, and a trilogy of plays performed at the Edinburgh Festivals, Francis Warner is obviously a very considerable literary figure. His works are systematically read for the new *Supplement to the Oxford English Dictionary* and he is, in the judgment of Sir Harold Hobson of the Sunday Times, " the most remarkable of those dramatists of our time who have striven to push the limits of theatre beyond their age-old limits " .

His friends and admirers, fifteen of them, have contributed essays to the publication of *Francis Warner, poet and dramatist* edited by Tim Prentki (Sceptre Press). Whether they are discussing his use (and often his creation) of words, his bringing of musical, pictorial or other insights to the stage, his meticulous direction of his plays or his personality and skill as a director, the essays are laudatory. The nearest approach to adverse criticism is when the actress Evie Garratt, in a brief essay on " Working with Warner ", confesses that " Working in Warnerland is not always bliss "; but she concludes that it is always " Great " to be in one of his plays, and applies the adjective to Francis himself.

Much of the book is concerned with the manner of presentation, comparatively little with the matter; and the essay on *Theology in the Plays* (rather reluctantly) reveals why this should be so. For behind the impact of naked bodies, the acknowledgment of cruelty, stupidity and selfishness, emerges an intuitive hope that all will be well in the end. For the moment we must invent our God; and we must do so in the hope that He exists—on something like the lines which we lay out. There is a thought-content here. But it is not yet clear and convincing. It may well harden out. In the meantime there can be no doubt that Francis has made a very considerable impact, and that although (to quote the essay by Suheil Bushrui on *The Poetry*) " It is hard to evaluate a living writer and doubly hard when his writings are so close to the frontiers of modern literature ", nevertheless any assessment of the English stage and of English poetry in these days will have to pay very serious attention to Francis Warner and his work.

Too late for reviews to be available has come news that Professor Eric Stokes' collection of essays and papers, *The Peasant and the Raj*, has been published by the University Press, that Malcolm Andrew (1964) will share in the editing of *The Poems of the Pearl Manuscript* (the complete poetry of the Gawain poet), that Michael Collie (1949) has published an appreciation of *George Gissing*, and that Colin Kolbert (1956, now a Fellow of Magdalene) is co-author of a major new study of *The History of Scots and English Land Law*.

For Older Old Members

(and for those who passed Little-Go)

TURNING out my desk some weeks ago I came across a postcard on which is written, in the handwriting of the late Dr W. H. S. Jones (Fellow 1908-43, Honorary Fellow 1943-63) the following poetic gem which has passed into High Table legend but which, as far as I know, has not previously been published.

Sanguinolentus erat passer, miserabilis ales,
 ipsa cloaca domus sanguinolenta fuit.
 Sanguinolenta venit tempestas, eque cloaca,
 nec mora, depulsus, parve cinaede, cadis.
 Praetereunt imbres tandem, rursusque cloacam
 iam citius, passer sanguinolente, petis.

The card was given to me nearly thirty years ago by the late Reverend Dr H. J. Chaytor (Master 1933-1946) when he was similarly engaged on a desk-cleaning operation. The effusion was apparently composed by the lugubrious W.H.S. in the 1920's in one of his darker moments " when he was dying of influenza ". It is a translation of a fairly well-known ditty (still current with variations!) going back to Edwardian days and referred to in one of Rudyard Kipling's stories.

The College offers a prize of a bottle of port to the first old member, matriculated before 1939 and not resident in Cambridge, who sends in the original English ditty *and* the Kipling reference. Solution in next year's magazine.

S.C.A.,

The Murdered Master

THOUGH there have doubtless been many periods in the history of the College when undergraduates would like to have seen the Master murdered there is only one case on record in which this actually happened; and even then there is room for doubt. The doubt is not as to the fact that Joshua Waterhouse was murdered; that he certainly was. But it must be open to question whether he should be considered as a Master of the College although the College Register for September 1st, 1798, carries the entry that Joshua Waterhouse, Senior Fellow of the College, " was by a majority of the Legal Votes chosen into the Mastership of this College ". He then took the oaths required of a Master, moved into the Master's Lodge (Old Lodge) and acted in that capacity.

Waterhouse came into residence in 1770, the son of a respectable Derbyshire farmer who, it is reported, hoped to see his children better themselves. At a time when men came up much younger than they do now, Joshua was a very elderly freshman, for he was then twenty-four. There is no information about the years between his leaving school and his coming up, but he had been made a Sizar of the College—a position which secured remission of most fees in return for the performance of some domestic duties, chiefly waiting in hall. A Sizarship is sometimes considered as an early form of Exhibition, but it did not normally rest on academic qualifications. If it had, Waterhouse would probably never have qualified, for he never showed any sign of intellectual capacity.

It was a small and indistinguished College to which he was admitted. The Ramsden Building (A and B staircases) had been completed although the first Ramsden Fellows had not yet been elected. There were therefore only five Fellows, and about fifteen undergraduates in residence in a normal year. In 1770 only three freshmen were admitted in addition to Waterhouse, and one of them was a migrant from Magdalene and another was, like Waterhouse, a Sizar. None of them was in any way outstanding, but three out of the four quickly became Fellows of the College! The Master, Kendrick Prescott, had held that office for forty years, and of him W. H. S. Jones (not usually outspoken in criticism) wrote that " he was one of those mediocre personalities who seem to do more harm than good to all those with whom they come into contact. Certain it is that the decline of the College roughly coincides with the beginning of his Mastership ".

Waterhouse took his B.A. in 1774. He took Holy Orders in the same year, and was immediately elected Conduct Fellow of the College. The Conduct Fellowship was a Fellowship of limited authority and limited stipend which was in those days always bestowed on the College Chaplain. But Waterhouse did not hold the Conduct Fellowship for long. Elected in May 1774, he resigned in November when he was elected a Foundation Fellow. The Conduct Fellowship, it is interesting to note, went to his contemporary Thomas Johnson, also a Sizar, and he held it for less than a year before he became a full Fellow and the Conduct Fellowship went to Joshua Wood, the only normal freshman-commoner of 1770. Waterhouse's election, says a contemporary account of his murder, was due only to the fact that there was no better candidate! One wonders what other consideration should have been in the minds of the electors, but at least the comment makes it clear that although he was chosen ahead of the other men of his year he was no genius.

But Cambridge was not overburdened with genius in those days, nor did St Catharine's stand out in the intellectual gloom. So Waterhouse settled in, unobtrusive and unremarkable, taking office as a College Lecturer at the end of 1778, and playing his part as one of the two junior Fellows in the notorious election of Lowther Yates to the Mastership in 1779. That was an occasion on which each of the three senior Fellows voted for himself in the first instance. Comparative sanity then prevailed, and the others accepted Yates, though with no great enthusiasm. In terms of College history Waterhouse floated quietly along with the tide of the years. He became Dean in 1782, served as a Proctor in 1783, took his B.D. degree in 1786, and was given the college living at Coton in 1788. This living, part of Robert Wodelark's foundation endowment of the College, had normally been held by a Fellow of the College, and Waterhouse also held the living as well as his Fellowship.

For twenty years, as far as the College's records show, Waterhouse appears to have gone on inconspicuously and soberly performing his college duties. But he was not gaining stature in the eyes of the other Fellows, and at last, in 1795, they tried to get rid of him. They appealed to the Lord Chancellor, as Visitor, to declare his Fellowship void on the ground that he had broken the so-called Ten Marcs Statute of the College—a statute which ordered that if a Fellow held

any office or appointment with an income often marcs or more a year he must resign his Fellowship. As Rector of Coton Waterhouse would seem to have been in breach of the statute, but the Visitor ruled in his favour, saying that from the beginning the College itself had been the Rector of Coton, so that a Fellow who held the living was acting on behalf of the College and might retain his Fellowship. So Waterhouse continued to hold the living together with his Fellowship; in fact he held Coton until his death in 1827 although from 1813 onwards he was also Vicar of Little Stukely in Huntingdonshire and resided there.

The displeasure of the other Fellows was probably due to the extracurricular activities of Waterhouse, for in the company of Sir John Danvers, Baronet, he was accustomed to visit Bath, Bristol and other fashionable places, gaining quite a reputation as a beau, handsome, well dressed, living in the height of fashion and charming the ladies. After his death his correspondence was found lying about his kitchen. The letters were almost entirely love-letters, and there were enough of them to fill a sack.

Among the objects of his passion was Mary Wollstonecraft, the renowned "intellectual Amazon", author of *A Vindication of the Rights of Women, Thoughts on the Education of our Daughters* and many more works which won her a great reputation as a radical during the period of the French Revolution. Exactly when or where Waterhouse met Mary is not clear; probably at Bath about 1780, perhaps at the Hotwells at Bristol in 1787. Her letters to him cannot be traced, but examination of her writings makes it clear that she was going through an emotional crisis about 1786-87. She wrote of "a woman" who was "very early in life warmly attached to an agreeable man, yet she saw his faults; his principles were unfixed, and his prodigal turn would have obliged her to restrain every benevolent emotion of her heart. She exerted her influence to improve him, but in vain did she for years try to do it. Convinced of the impossibility, she determined not to marry him".

It was not marriage, however, which Waterhouse seems to have had in mind in his correspondence with this liberated lady. A recent study of the handwriting of the correspondence of Mary has revealed that it is very probable (but not quite certain in the absence of other evidence) that a letter which should be dated at about 1796 should be ascribed to Waterhouse. It indicated that the writer and Mary had known each other previously and is "a rather passionate love letter, carefully written, with a poem", and it suggests that the writer and Mary should become lovers.

There is nothing to suggest that this elderly advance (for Waterhouse would have been fifty years old in 1796) was acceptable though it seems likely that Waterhouse had made an impression in earlier years. It has been suggested that it was Waterhouse who appeared as the anonymous visitor of *Mary, a Fiction*, published in 1788—a man past the meridian of life, of polished manners and dazzling wit, who knew men as well as books. To him, however, women were the pretty playthings which render life tolerable, he had been the slave of beauty, the captive of sense, but had never felt love. Though vain of his abilities, he was by no means a useful member of society; and he inspired in Mary a flow of platitudinous condemnation. It is a pity that the correspondence between the two cannot be more positively identified. But Mary was only one of the contributors to that sackful of letters and the *Morning Herald*, as it announced Waterhouse's death, was confident that "Several letters from this intellectual Amazon exist among the papers of the Rev. Gentleman".

That marriage should not have been in contemplation in 1796-8 is strange in itself, for that was a period in his career when Waterhouse might easily have thought that he was at last in a position to take a wife without loss of office. In his earlier romances he would have been required to resign his Fellowship if he married. But the Master was under no such compulsion; and as Lowther Yates drew on towards the end the Mastership seemed perhaps to be within the grasp of the Senior Fellow, Joshua Waterhouse. True, other Fellows had not improved their opinion of him. He was absent a great deal from College business, and in March 1798 he was required to yield up all the leases and hereditaments which he held from the College in Coton or elsewhere in Cambridgeshire. The College's great Lease Book has no record of any agricultural land, or indeed any land at all, being leased to him. So this must be taken as a demand that, if he could not be compelled to resign his Fellowship because he held the living, then he should resign the living.

No action followed this resolution. Waterhouse held on, and less than six months later, on 1st September, despite obvious feelings against him, he had been declared Master and was acting as such. He could have welcomed his bride to the Master's Lodge as well as to the marriage bed. But he appears to have made no effort to do so; and perhaps it was as well.

For the Minute recording his election carried only two signatures, Waterhouse's and Atkinson's. The other three Fellows immediately added that "We whose names are underwritten

declare this to be no Election, no one of us having voted for Mr Waterhouse ". So, although he had two votes (including his own) to the single vote obtained by any other candidate, Waterhouse had not gained a majority of the votes of the five Fellows; and that was required by Statute. The other Fellows appealed to the Lord Chancellor, and this time he awarded against Waterhouse and, since the dispute and the passage of time placed the matter in his hands, nominated Joseph Procter as Master. Procter was admitted to office in January, 1799, and proved a very good choice. Waterhouse signed the record of admission of the new Master, as President, and had no option but to accept the verdict.

But he cannot have been an easy companion, and Procter was reduced to seeking the help of the Lord Chancellor to bring Waterhouse and the other Fellows to order in 1802. After this Waterhouse very largely dropped out of College business, though he kept on with his Fellowship until 1820. He would seem to have given most of his attention to Coton and to have revived the interest in farming which had lingered on from his youth. For the village brought charges of hoarding grain against him. This would be serious misconduct in the days of the Napoleonic Wars and the Corn Laws. But the charges were not substantiated; nor were village rumours of other misconduct, though in the end it was alleged that his murderer was his own illegitimate son.

As Coton became uneasy Waterhouse was promised the next vacancy at Little Stukely by his old friend of the ball-rooms and the spas, Sir John Danvers. The offer came in 1806, but the vacancy did not mature until 1813. Waterhouse then moved into Huntingdonshire and again took to farming. At the sale of his effects there were a hundred and fifty acres of growing crops sold, and many good horses, cows and sheep. Over fifteen hundred people attended the sale, a gathering which was at least a tribute to the farming reputation of the eccentric rector.

For at Little Stukely Waterhouse was accepted as an eccentric. At some time—probably about 1820, when the termination of his Fellowship would remove the financial barrier to matrimony—he thought himself on the brink of marriage. Men were brought from Cambridge to make preparations for the bride. Turkey carpets and fine furniture were brought in, splendid mirrors and beautiful curtains were hung. But the marriage never came off, and Waterhouse lapsed into miserable and miserly eccentricity. His normal attire was a coarse blue great-coat, corduroy breeches and light grey stockings; " perhaps he was most like a seller of earthenware, a little smarted up " declared *A Sermon...occasioned by the barbarous murder of the Rev. J. Waterhouse*.

At this stage Waterhouse had blocked up most of the windows of the rectory so as to evade Window Tax, and life on his terms must have been frugal in the extreme. He still, apparently, hunted, but it was reported that "When his clothing was soiled from hunting, he used to visit his own fishpond and clean his garments without removing them, with the aid of a brush, copiously charged with water ". Sordid though his life was, the rectory still contained much wealth, and on July 2nd 1827 Joshua Slade, a servant whom Waterhouse had dismissed (and who bore the same Christian name) hid himself within the walls, intending burglary. He had, however, fallen asleep while waiting for the dead hours of night, and his snores awoke Waterhouse. At the age of eighty-one Waterhouse did not lack courage. He dragged the inept burglar from his hiding-place and grappled with him. In the struggle Slade seized a sword (goodness knows what it was doing in the rectory!) and killed the rector. Next morning Waterhouse was found in a large brewing tub in the kitchen passage of the rectory, with his throat cut. The wound is hard to reconcile with the use of a sword in a confined space, but Slade confessed to the crime and supplied details of the murder.

Slade was executed. Within a month some two thousand " respectable strangers " had visited Little Stukely to gape at the horrid scene. Waterhouse's strange collection of cattle and grain, fine but neglected furniture, and the sackful of love letters, were disposed of, and his two nephews took possession, had him buried and provided a tombstone with an epitaph which " completed the murder of the old man " :—

Beneath this Tomb his mangled body's laid
Cut, Stabb'd and Murdered by Joshua Slade;
His ghastly Wounds a horrid sight to see,
And hurl'd at once into Eternity.
What faults you've seen in him take care to shun
And look at home, enough there's to be done;
Death does not always warning give,
Therefore be careful how you live.

E.E.R.

Governing Body 1977-79

The Master, Professor Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer, Bart., F.R.S.	
Dr S. Smith*	Tutor and Director of Studies in Zoology.
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Mr R. N. Gooderson	President and Director of Studies in Law.
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Dr Comline	Director of Studies in Medicine.
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Mr R. J. Tailing	Director of Studies in Economics.
Mr R. L. Martin	Assistant Director of Studies in Geography,
Rev. Dr I. D. L. Clark	Chaplain.

Elections

On November 11, 1977:	J. R. G. Wright, M.A. was elected to an Official Fellowship with effect from April 1, 1978, and was appointed Domestic Bursar from that date.
On February 10, 1978:	Dr R. S. K. Barnes, University Lecturer in Zoology, was elected to an Official Fellowship with effect from April 1, 1978.
On June 22, 1978:	Mrs Marian Silver, M.A., Ph.D., Assistant Director of Research in the Department of Physiology, was elected to an Official Fellowship with effect from October 1, 1978.
On May 26, 1978:	David Lieberman* (1971, former Scholar of the College) was elected to a Research Fellowship in History for three years from October 1, 1978.

* Denotes a graduate of St Catharine's.

Entrance Awards

December 1977:—

Scholarships

Clayton, T. J.	Norwich (King Edward VI) School, for English. (Henn)
Clitherow, P. A.	St Alban's School, for Natural Sciences. (Wilson)
Hinde, P. R. A.	Bradford Grammar School, for Geography.
Read, N. L. P.	Marlborough College, for History to read Law. (Simmons)
Turner, P.	Crestwood School, Brierley Hill, for Natural Sciences. (Wilson)
Webster, N. J. G.	Whitgift School, South Croydon, for Natural Sciences. (Wilson)
Wilton, J. N.	Loughborough Grammar School, for Engineering. (Briggs)

Exhibitions

Bayton, D. B.	Sir William Turner's Sixth Form College, Redcar, for Modern Languages. (Posener)
Bossom, D. A. H.	Eton College, for Geography.
Brown, N. J. F.	Exeter School, for Geography.
Chalcraft, D. F.	Dr Challoner's Grammar School, Amersham, for Geography.
Chesser, R. J.	Stockton Sixth Form College, for Music.
Cowan, C. M.	Bishop's Stortford College, for History. (Forde)
Dennis, J. D.	The Haberdasher's Aske's School, for History. (Warren)
Diamond, A. M.	Kingston Grammar School, for English to read Law.
Fell, J. M. E.	Plymouth College, for Natural Sciences to read Medical Sciences.
Jones, C. M. V.	Eton College, for History.
Kirby, P. J.	Tiffin School, Kingston-upon-Thames, for Geography.
Lyons, A.	St Augustine's Grammar School, Manchester, for History.
Parsons, P. S.	Aylesbury Grammar School, for English.
Pridgeon, T.	Queen Elizabeth's Hospital, Bristol, for Geography.
Priest, J. C.	Shorefields School, Liverpool, for Geography.
Rudin, S. S. P.	Cedars Upper School, Leighton Buzzard, for History to read Law. {For 1979}
Suddaby, M. K.	King George V Grammar School, Southport, for Geography.
Travers, T. J. D.	St Patrick's College, Belfast, for History to read Law.
Vine, R. D. J.	Eastbourne College, for English to read Law.
Willmott, P. H.	Colston's School, Bristol, for Engineering. (Birfield)

Awards and Prizes

On June 22, 1978, the following awards were made on the results of the Tripos Examinations:

Elected to the Title of Senior Scholar: Johnston, D. R., for Anglo-Saxon; O'Callaghan, K. M., for Economics.
Elected to the Title of Scholar: Clingham, G. J. H., for English; de Kare-Silver, M. P., for Law; Mann, A. L., for Natural Sciences; Morgan, P. R., for Engineering; Stuart, S. N., for Natural Sciences; Trace, A. R., for Computer Science.

Elected to Scholarships: Callen, V. M., for Natural Sciences; Sutton, J. H., for History.

Re-elected to a Scholarship: Campbell, N. J., for Natural Sciences.

Elected to the Title of Exhibitor: Creamer, P., for Medical Sciences; McIntyre, M. P. J., for Medical Sciences.

Re-elected to an Exhibition: Nicholson, C. A., for Economics.

Elected to a One-Year Exhibition: Billington, M. J., for Engineering.

College Prizes: Billington, M. J., for Engineering; Blow, K. J., for Natural Sciences; Callen, V. M., for Natural Sciences; Campbell, N. J., for Natural Sciences; Chalker, J. T., for Natural Sciences; Clingham, G. J. H., for English; Creamer, P., for Medical Sciences; de Kare-Silver, M. P., for Law (Jacobson); Dixon, P. D., for Mathematics; Gallimore, S. J., for Engineering; Head, M. J., for Electrical Sciences (Alexandria); Johnston, D. R., for Anglo-Saxon; McIntyre, M. P. J., for Medical Sciences; Mann, A. L., for Natural Sciences; Morgan, P. R., for Engineering; O'Callaghan, K. M., for Economics (Sayers); Pfeil, J. C., for Geography (Geography Members); Pickles, A. R., for Engineering; Stuart, S. N., for Natural Sciences (Belfield Clarke); Sutton, J. H., for History (Figgis); Trace, A. R., for Computer Science (Drury-Johns); Williams, C. W., for English.

Nicholas Prize: Scott, J. W.

Hamlin Travel Award: Ballard, S. J.; Giszter, S. F.; Jeffery, B. C; Sims, C. J.; Wise, A. J.

First Classes:—

Billington, M. J.	Engineering IA	Johnston, D. R.	Anglo-Saxon
Blow, K. J.	Natural Sciences II (Phys. & Theor.	McIntyre, M. P. J.	Medical Sciences II (General)
Callen, V. M.	Natural Sciences IB	Mann, A. L.	Natural Sciences II (Chemistry)
Campbell, N. J.	Natural Sciences IB	Morgan, P. R.	Engineering II
Chalker, J. T.	Natural Sciences II (Phys. & Theor.	O'Callaghan, K. M.	Economics II
Clingham, G. J. H.	English II	Pfeil, J. C.	Geography Preliminary I
Creamer, P.	Medical Sciences II (General)	Pickles, A. R.	Engineering IA
de Kare-Silver, M. P.	Law II	Stuart, S. N.	Natural Sciences II (App. Biol.)
Dixon, P. D.	Mathematics IA	Sutton, J. H.	History I
Gallimore, S. J.	Engineering IA	Trace, A. R.	Computer Science
Head, M. J.	Electrical Sciences	Williams, C. W.	English II

College News Letter

President of the J.C.R., S. Troop

THE new J.C.R. Committee was elected, as is now usual, just before the division of the Lent Term. Lawyers again dominated the poll, and they filled three of the seven places. Election promises were more radical than usual, and it will be a considerable achievement if the Committee can implement even half of them.

On the political front the J.C.R. again decided not to affiliate either to the National Union of Students or to the Cambridge Students' Union. The decision leaves the J.C.R. with a very healthy financial reserve; and that might prove useful if the Department of Education and Science has its way on the subject of Union financing.

Internally, the Committee went to work on a familiar old chestnut—Guest Hours. This time the Governing Body was receptive and a more liberal regime, which will bring the College into line with the majority of Cambridge colleges, will take effect from October 1978. For the first time for several years the J.C.R. Committee was invited to make its representations direct to the Governing Body—a practice which we hope to see continued.

On the social front the J.C.R. continued its policy of holding one Disco a term, the one in March being a notable success. The May Ball tickets were all sold out well in advance, and the Ball itself was undoubtedly one of the successes of Cambridge's May Week. The Committee worked hard and effectively, and they must be thanked, and congratulated on their success.

A disturbing feature of the year has been the imposition of the Licensing Laws on the traditionally free College Bar. But despite gloomy forecasts the Bar continued to flourish, and we hope it will continue to do so. In College the tenor of life has altered very little over the year. Our games continue to flourish, as do the more aesthetic pursuits of the Shirley Society and the Film Society. But of course there has been much speculation as to the effect which the admission of women will have on the College.

The J.C.R. was delighted to see the splendid accommodation at St Chad's in use in the Summer Term. We would take this opportunity to thank the former members whose generous contributions helped to get it built.

The Chapel

ANYONE who has glanced at the 1815 Ackermann print of the 'Chapel of Catherine Hall' must be aware that our Victorian predecessors did grotesque things to what was originally a very simple, chaste and well-lit classical building. When the Governing Body decided that cleaning and re-decorating could not decently be postponed further, expert investigation revealed that the heavy 19th century plaster mouldings were badly cracked, and this seemed a heaven-sent opportunity to remove them altogether, thus restoring the Chapel to something more like its original appearance. At the same time, consideration was given to the always contentious problem of lighting. Candles, though attractive and appropriate to the building, undoubtedly contributed to the layers of grime which have disfigured the Chapel in recent years; and the existing combination of candles and electric lamps was felt to be unsightly and inefficient. An entirely new system of lighting is therefore being installed, with discreet tungsten-strip fittings on the desk-tops supplemented by equally discreet illumination of the woodwork and ceiling. The existing candlesticks will be re-deployed in a modified arrangement (which in fact happens to be that shown in the Ackermann print) and they will continue to be used on a reduced scale.

The other major operation is the re-building of the organ, replacing the electro-pneumatic action by the musically more sensitive mechanical tracker system. The old organ was beginning to show signs of age (it is used almost round the clock during Term, as the denizens of the Sherlock Library know to their cost) and was becoming due for a drastically expensive overhaul. The new instrument will be similar in appearance, but without the unsightly 'wings' which have obscured much light from the windows.

It has been a salutary experience for regular worshippers to have to do without a Chapel for a whole term. There are many sound Biblical precedents for keeping a congregation on the move, and Yahweh appears to have allowed the Temple to be knocked down with monotonous regularity, lest His people become too much at ease on Mount Zion. We have greatly enjoyed

worshipping with members of King's College at their 'domestic Service' on Sunday evenings, and our Choir sounded so magnificent there, bouncing off the fan-vault, that the public had to be excluded from the Chapel for fear that they might mistake us for the King's choristers. We have also sung a weekday Evensong regularly at Little St Mary's; and daily services have been held in St Botolph's, under the watchful eye of the funerary bust of Thos. Playfair, a 17th century divine who obviously disapproves strongly of 'Series III' and points his finger meaningfully at a copy of the Book of Common Prayer.

Notwithstanding the lack of a chapel, sixty parishioners from Earlsfield spent Whitsunday with us as usual and were lunched, punted, given tea, and preached to by Bishop Tucker. During Holy Week the College Retreat at St Francis' House had a rather unusual flavour, with a reading of the play *Equus*, and an Indian-style celebration of Holy Communion by a Hindi priest from Delhi who persuaded us to sing a Sanskrit hymn while the odour of a jasmine joss-stick mingled with the scent of breakfast bacon.

Blues 1977-78

Association Football

J. Grundy
G. J. Little
J. A. Little
P. R. Morgan
I. Postlethwaite
L. Tosdevin

Athletics

Full Blue, B. R. Jones
L. J. Browne
Half Blue, J. A. T. Dow

Badminton

Half Blue, F. N. Whiteley

Cricket

P. W. G. Parker

Cross Country

Full Blue, M. A. Ellison

Fencing

Half Blue, M. J. Chell

Golf

Full Blue, A. C. Stoker

Hockey

C. N. Davey
M. Gallimore
I. K. Meakins
S. J. C. Rudder
A. Western

Lawn Tennis

Full Blue, M. P. J. Bonney

Rifle, Fullbore

Half Blue, R. A. Welford

Rowing

Clegg, S. J.
Davies, R. N. E.

Rugby Football

H. J. Stevenson

Rugby Fives

Half Blue, A. J. Murley

Water Polo

Half Blue, I. St Lawrence
M. J. R. Potter

Clubs

Association Football

The Soccer Club had a very disappointing season this year with the league side, despite many spirited performances, being relegated to the 2nd Division.

Despite this setback, it was hoped that the Cuppers side could retain the trophy which had been won for the last three years. However, the side never realised its full potential and after struggling to beat Trinity in the first round they lost in the second round 4-3 to Christ's after being 2-0 down, then 3-2 ahead.

However, again the College supplied many University players with G. J. Little winning his first Blue and joining J. Grundy, I Postlethwaite, P. R. Morgan, L. Tosdevin, and with J. A. Little, winning his fifth Blue in the side against Oxford. In addition R. I. Hudson won his Falcons colours.

It is hoped that with the emergence of several good freshmen this year better things can be achieved next year.

Athletics Club

Captain: B. R. Jones
Secretary: M. A. Ellison

Although the College failed to reach the Final of the Athletics Cuppers, we were well represented in the University team against Oxford on May 13, St Catharine's men figuring in nine of the 20 events, and contributing 27 points out of Cambridge's 100 (the match being won by Oxford with 112 points). Brian Jones won the 400m (48.1 seconds), came second in the 200m and third in the 100m as well as appearing in both relays, while Len Browne won the shot (13.64m) and came second in the Discus—both were awarded Full Blues. Julian Dow earned a half blue, with fourth places in the pole vault and triple jump. Martin Ellison won the 5000m in the Alverstone-Centipedes match held concurrently, and demonstrated that he should have been picked for the Blues team by decisively beating the Cambridge first-team second-string.

The Boat Club

Captain: P. H. Wolton
Secretary: M. V. J. Arnold

In recent years the Boat Club has developed a cycle of activity. The Michaelmas term sees freshmen rowing in Novice crews and the initiated rowing in University Fours and the Fairbairns. In the Lent term numbers diminish slightly. So this year the Club had four crews competing in the Lents, compared to six crews on the water in the Michaelmas term. The Summer term of 1978 saw eleven crews on the water, soccer, rugby and hockey players swelling the ranks.

The 1977 Fairbairn Eight rose six places to thirteenth position, and an injury-prone 1978 Lent Boat held its position at the top of the second division, going down to Christ's but bumping Churchill.

The 1978 May Boat contained two Blues, and competed with vigour at a number of outside events, achieving creditable results in the Cam Head (fourth) and at Norwich Regatta, where it lost to L.M.B.C. in the Elite B Final. The May Races saw it row over all four days to remain seventh on the River.

The eight competed for the first time in three years in the Ladies' Plate at Henley. Entries for this event were up on last year, so along with sixteen other crews St Catharine's were placed in the Qualifying Races. Overcoming that obstacle, we were drawn against a seeded crew, Pembroke, who had remained Head of the River in the Mays. They beat us easily.

The involvement of old members of the College, coaching crews, has been a particularly enjoyable facet of the Club's activities. The feeling of community within the Club between present-day undergraduates and old members is very valuable and it is hoped this will continue.

The Bridge Club

Captain: J. Hemsley
Secretary: M. Richards

The Bridge Club has flourished this year with the arrival at St Catharine's of some talented and enthusiastic Freshmen; with over forty College members playing Bridge on a regular basis, it was possible to enter nine teams, of four players, for Cuppers. Although six of these were beaten in the first round, three made it as far as the third round; our hopes now rest on the College 1st team who are through to the Quarter-finals.

The future looks very bright as there are thirty of this year's Bridge players who will be here next year. The numbers playing, and the results achieved, will both continue to improve, especially as this year's Cuppers was the first major competition in which many of the Bridge players have participated. The experience gained can only stand them in good stead.

The Chess Club

Captain: J. A. A. Baker

This season the College fielded three teams of five players, compared with only one in the last few seasons. Since none of last year's first team had gone down, prospects looked bright for the First Team to win promotion to Division I, especially since a number of promising freshmen had come up. However, other colleges seemed to have improved more than us, and the First Team finished at about the middle of the Second Division. The Second Team also finished about the middle of its Division—the Fourth—and the Third Team provided the only triumph of the year by easily winning promotion to the Fourth Division.

In the Preliminary Round of Cuppers the College met Downing; and though they also were a Second Division team they proved too strong for us. In fact they proved too strong for many other colleges also, and went on to reach the Final. However, M. Meaton won an exciting game on Board 1 against the England international player, S. Taulbot.

Only one of the First Team will be gone down next year, so prospects seem good; and if proposals to enlarge the Divisions are carried we may in any case find ourselves playing in the First Division.

The Cricket Club

Captain: D. J. Gregson
Secretary: G. H. Sharp

This season has seen a marked improvement in college cricket. A large turn-out for pre-season nets, and a couple of indoor net-practices in the Lent Term, boded well; and optimism has been justified. Unfortunately, one of the wettest Springs on record caused many cancellations, but the weather then turned and there were good hard wickets to play on. The fixture list was slightly smaller than last year and not everyone has had as much cricket as he might have hoped. But the spirit in the Club has been splendid—as may be seen from the fact that a Cricket Club Dinner is in demand, for the first time for many years. The College's success in Cuppers shows the high standard reached. We reached the Final for the second time in three years, with a side based on a strong pool of fourteen players, of whom eight are freshmen. An easy draw led to convincing victories over Queens' and Clare, and over Caius in the semi-final. All three wins were due to the strength in depth of the team. It would be invidious to single out individual performances in such a solid team.

In the final we met Magdalene, and they are a strong side by any standards. The result was a narrow loss by nineteen runs at the end of a good day's cricket. Disappointment is tempered by the thought that, with so many of this year's team returning for two more years, the future for College Cricket looks very bright.

The Cross-Country Club

Captain: M. A. Ellison

The Cross-Country Club has enjoyed a fairly successful year, finishing sixth of the nine colleges in Division I and improving on last year's results in the three major relays—Hyde Park, St Edmund's Hall, and Selwyn College. Support from the College, however, although better than last year, might well have been stronger. Only in the final League fixture did the team show its real ability, for then we almost beat Queens', who won the League with ease.

M. A. Ellison won a full Blue against Oxford in December, and freshman J. A. B. Gresty produced some fine performances for the University's Second VIII. If these runners receive solid backing from the rest of the team the College could do much next year.

Full colours were awarded to D. S. Burns, J. A. B. Gresty, C. A. Leach and C. A. Nicholson; Half Colours to B. R. Jones, S. W. Chitty and P. R. B. Mansley.

The Golf Club

Captain: A. C. Stoker

Golf, perhaps because it makes such demands on a player's time, has as usual not attracted any but the most dedicated to play regularly. Nevertheless some success has been achieved by the half dozen who do play. In the Individual University Knock-out competitions all our men went out fairly quickly. But in the Cuppers Foursomes competition Anthony Stoker (a Blue who will captain the University side next year) and Tony Murley (a very promising "stymie" and a natural all-round sportsman) beat Fitzwilliam, Pembroke, and Selwyn in the early rounds. They beat Magdalene by one hole in the Final, at Rye, on a cold and windy day.

This is the first time for many years that the College has won the Welch Cup—which is a trophy in name only since the real article was stolen some years ago! Since all those who play in the College will (examinations permitting) be returning next year we shall look forward to an equally enjoyable and successful year, and we hope that our numbers may be swelled by some of the Freshmen of the 1978 intake.

The Hockey Club

Captain: I. K. Meakins
Secretary: G. J. Bryant

The Hockey Club had a very successful season, winning the Cuppers for the fifth time in five years. The 1st League side gained promotion to Division I and the 2nd team narrowly lost the final of the Plate Competition. Many of our men won recognition from the University Club; for the second time Meakins and Weston won their Blues, while Davey, Rudder, and Gallimore were also awarded their Blues; and Oxford was beaten. Long and Simpkin both won their University Wanderers' colours. Since many of these players will be up again next year the prospects are bright for another good season, under the captaincy of M. Gallimore.

The Rifle Club

Captain: R. Walford
Secretary: A. Binnington

In the Small-bore Rifle Inter-collegiate Match for the McDonald Cup the College, represented by Robert Welford and Alan Binnington, finished as runners-up to Fitzwilliam. Out of a possible score of 400, Fitzwilliam got 385; we got 383.

Against Oxford Welford won his half-Blue for the second year running both for Small-bore and for Full-bore.

The Rugby Football Club In the Michaelmas Term the 1st XV League side, ably led by Tony Welford, suffered heavily from calls by the University and LX Clubs, as well as from a number of injuries. After Christmas the situation improved and good performances against the top league sides ensured that we finished with a respectable position in the top half of the First Division.

With the return of University and LX Club players we entered Cuppers with high hopes that we would reach the Final for the third year running. We easily beat Clare and Peterhouse, but then came up against Pembroke, who played an inspired game to beat us, with two breakaway tries, by 14 points to six. The 2nd XV, captained by Dave Cutler, had another successful season. After an average run in the League they won their section in the initial play-off in Cuppers and then beat Fitzwilliam in the Semi-final. In a hard-fought Final they lost to St John's by the bare margin of six points to three.

The 3rd XV was as enthusiastic as ever. Steve Troop turned out a full side on every occasion, and although the results were mixed each game proved thoroughly enjoyable to all concerned.

Of the more experienced players Paul Parker and the club's Captain, Mark Homer, both suffered cruel luck with injuries. Paul played superbly for the University through the early matches, but a knee twisted in training put him out of the Varsity Match. A fitness test at the last moment went against him. Mark suffered a broken jaw early in the season, and though he was fit again in time for Twickenham he was not called upon again. Huw Stevenson and Jerry Grant were both replacements against Oxford, and Huw was called upon early in the match and won his Blue. A number of St Catharine's men played regularly for the LX Club; Huw Stevenson, Jerry Grant and Stuart Goodman won their colours against the Oxford Greyhounds, and Ian Metcalfe and Len Browne were unlucky not to be called on for that match.

The season was not so successful as those of recent years, but the spirit in the club has been excellent and we may look forward with great confidence.

The Squash Club Despite a disappointing defeat in the first round of Cuppers the Squash Club had a good year. The First Team came sixth in the League's First Division and the Second Team came second in the Third Division. Thereby they won promotion to the Second Division, where most of their opponents will be other colleges' first teams. The Third Team is now in Division Six and the Third and Fourth Teams are both in Division Ten.

Societies

Christian Union The year has been an encouraging one for St Catharine's Christian Union, with numbers of freshmen joining the group, including three who were not Christians on their arrival in Cambridge. The aim of the group is to provide a specifically Biblical Christian viewpoint, and members include Anglicans, Baptists, Presbyterians and Plymouth Brethren. The main activities have been weekly prayer meetings, and there have been six Bible-study groups in which over forty people have been involved.

The Film Society Every Tuesday night in Full Term the J.C.R. has been taken over by the Film Society, and its popularity has been reflected in the high attendances. The increased comfort and improved facilities of the re-decorated J.C.R. have been appreciated, and the introduction of short films to supplement the evening's feature has also helped.

As a member of the British Federation of Film Societies, the college society is committed to promoting interest in film as an art and has to pick its way between the avant-garde and the commercial. The Michaelmas Term began with Roman Polanski's ever-popular *Chinatown*, followed by John Sturges' *Gunfight at the O.K. Corral*. The term also included the first Cambridge showing for three years of Ingrid Bergman's *The Seventh Seal*, and Hitchcock's *Rebecca*. The Lent Term saw the Society pioneer a re-evaluation of Garbo by showing *Queen Christina* and *Camille*, and we also showed Ken Shapiro's satire of American television, *The Groove Tube*,

for the first time in Cambridge. Bergman's *Magic Flute* and Welles' *Citizen Kane* were shown to full houses, and interest in Richard Massingham as a forgotten director of shorts was aroused. The brief programme of the Easter Term brought the sur-realist and astonishing fairy-tale *Celine and Julie go Boating* to Cambridge; an example of the French "New-wave" approach directed by Jacques Rivette. More conventional fare, from Bogart and Marilyn Monroe, completed a year made possible by an efficient team of projectionists and an enthusiastic committee, and by support from the Amalgamated Clubs and from the whole of the College.

The Graduates' Parlour

President: G. R. Stephenson Men of the past may remember the Graduates' Parlour as a quiet, sunlit haven, heavy with the rustle of newsprint, or else as a communal room to which one went, to find oneself alone there. This year's members will share none of these recollections—a great change has hit the Parlour—we now have a colour T.V.

"Surely this is the end of social conversation", cries the Die-hard from his armchair. "Strangely, not so" we reply, for the television brings in the people, each evening with its own devotees. It is now rare to find the room empty at night or at lunch-time.

"Is all else gone?" taunts the Die-hard. "Again, not so" is our reply. The fabric of our social life is hardly changed. There are still fortnightly dinners; there is still a dartsboard for the more active, and newspapers for the sedentary. Above all there are people. In the Graduates' Parlour we do not merely *watch* T.V.; we dissect it, ridicule it, from it we gain that vital spark to ignite comment and draw even the most reticent into conversation. Behind the well-preened plumage of the academic lies a simple man, sharing his style of recreation with the simple men of the real world.

The Geographical Society

President: C. Sims After a low-profile year in 1976/7, when the only meeting was their Dinner, the geographers moved to a state of only semi-apathy this year. The society had three meetings, one in each term. With competition from the University Geographical Society and only limited funds, the society cannot afford much more. Nevertheless, Humphrey Southall gave an enjoyable (if somewhat tongue-in-cheek!) talk on 'The Spatial Distribution of Coca-Cola Prices in America' in October. Dave Green, another research student, spoke on 'Prostitution and Political Economy in Victorian London' in the Lent term. In the Easter term, the five third-year men gave an informal discussion on their dissertations, to a rather disappointing audience.

The highlight of the year, however, was the dinner at the end of the Lent term. With the aid of Dr Keeble we managed to negotiate an excellent meal for only £2.30. Nearly everyone attended, and Professor Darby gave an amusing talk. We hope that the event will be repeated. Also on the social front, the society played two football matches, the first against the Purchas Society (St John's geographers), which ended 1-1. In the second we beat Downing Geographers 2-0 in appalling conditions.

It was, on the whole, a successful year, and under Graham Cliffe the upward trend should continue next year.

The Law Society

President: M. P. de Kare-Silver
Secretary: T. A. Moore
Treasurer: N. A. D. Thomas

The year has seen St Catharine's Law Society established as one of the leading Law Societies in the University. All the meetings were well attended, and the Society enjoyed full support from both undergraduate and senior lawyers in the College. This was most manifest at the annual dinner, which was attended by the largest number for many years, and which proved a most enjoyable occasion. The guest-speakers were Professor Michael Zander, who spoke on the future of the legal profession, and Mr Fenton Bresler, barrister and sometime columnist of *Punch*, who treated us to the delights of the Bread and Flour Act of 1963.

During the year the Society was addressed by Lord Lloyd, Quain Professor of Jurisprudence at University College, London. He spoke on "Justice in Society". We were also charmed by former Justice McKenna of the High Court, who had retired a few months earlier and who gave us his reflections on his long and distinguished career.

Once again the Society is indebted to the Master, to Mr Gooderson, and to Dr Baker, for their generous support.

The Medical Society*President:* D. Pencheon

The College Medical Society held its first meeting for twenty-five years on March 3rd. It was an enjoyable occasion, and likely to be repeated. But it was not entirely academic. It was, in fact, the (so-called) Annual Dinner of the Society. Many post-graduate members of the College came from the London Clinical Schools, Dr Comline, Dr M. A. Message and Dr C. J. R. Thorne attended, most of the resident medical undergraduates were there, and the Guest of Honour was Dr W. Grundy, of Trinity Hall. He spoke eloquently of "Graffiti in our time, and other Italian foods". The fame of the meeting spread beyond strictly medical circles.

The John Ray Society*President:* J. K. Wells*Secretary:* J. C. Dean*Treasurer:* C. D. Soane

The John Ray Society presented a varied series of lectures this year with the purpose of examining the role of Science in Society.

The first talk of the Michaelmas Term was given by Dr J. A. Charles, of the Dept. of Metallurgy and Materials Science, who spoke on "Metallurgy in Archaeology". He explained how he had applied his knowledge as a professional metallurgist to a wide variety of archaeological problems, including the discovery of the techniques by which Iron Age tools were made. In many cases these were found to be surprisingly complex and would require very accurate control of temperature.

Professor Sir Brian Pippard, F.R.S., Cavendish Professor of Physics, considered the topic from a more philosophical angle in his lecture "The Ivory Tower under Siege". In a wide-ranging talk he considered the increase in the rate of changes in Society, and speculated as to its ultimate end. He also suggested that too much effort is currently put into esoteric research and proposed that it would be better used to apply existing knowledge to the benefit of Mankind. The audience of seventy produced spirited discussion of many of the more controversial points in the lecture.

The Lent Term series was opened by Professor J. K. St Joseph, of the Committee for Aerial Photography. Long an advocate of this method for the study of Archaeology, Geomorphology and many other purposes, he showed a series of brilliant slides to press home his point. He also demonstrated the use of the latest ultra-violet and infra-red techniques, which hold great promise for future research.

Professor Sir James Lighthill, F.R.S., of the Department of Applied Mathematics, spoke on "Technology and Society". He considered the responsibilities which are placed on Engineers and Scientists when assessing the risks to society which result from their work.

Dr S. Brenner, F.R.S., of the Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology, gave the final talk of the year. He spoke to a capacity audience on the subject of "Genetic Engineering", outlining his view of the likely course of research in this field. He also assessed the risks of failure and the ethical problems which are involved, a point which later received lively debate.

An initial informal meeting of Natural Science undergraduates allowed the exchange of textbooks and advice on courses, as well as welcoming Science Freshmen to the College.

The President wishes to thank Professor Swinnerton-Dyer and Dr J. R. Shakeshaft for their advice and assistance.

The Music Society*President:* Simon Russell*Secretary:* Alan Gulliver*Treasurer:* Mark Bonney

During the year the Music Society has continued its excellent series of lunchtime recitals and concerts on Wednesdays at 1.10 p.m. Those who performed were not necessarily Cambridge people, and the Society would like to extend its thanks to Mr John Cooper Green of Rossall School, Fleetwood, and Mr Simon

Lawford of Magdalen College, Oxford, for the organ recitals they gave during the Michaelmas Term. A visiting string group 'The Locrian String Quartet' (founded from members of the Royal Academy of Music) provided us with a performance of quartets by Beethoven and Smetana.

Some slightly more informal 'Musical evenings' were held in the Rushmore Room where anyone wishing to try his hand was welcome. Items ranged from Ragtime Guitar pieces to Victorian parlour songs. These evenings were very competently arranged by Jonathan Vage.

The St Catharine's College Orchestra put on a concert in the Hall, directed by Malcolm Miller, a second-year musician. While organisational ability was perhaps lacking, a surprisingly large number of St Catharine's College musicians, augmented by a few outsiders, gave a very creditable performance of Schubert's 'Sixth Symphony' and Haydn's 'Clock Symphony'.

The Easter Term marked the beginning of the redecoration of the Chapel and the rebuilding of the organ. Thus, it was an extremely nostalgic occasion on 10th March when Messrs Le Huray, Jenkins, Russell, Venvell, and Parsons took part in an 'organ extravaganza' of popular organ music including the inevitable Toccata & Fugue in D minor of Bach and the equally famous Widor Toccata. To all those who can remember the old Harrison organ it was a sad moment; but we trust the new Johnson organ will match its excellence in new ways.

The May Week Concert included Brahms' Clarinet Trio; Tippett's Five Negro Spirituals; Malcolm Arnold's Three Sea Shanties and a medley of light-hearted vocal and instrumental pieces ranging from George Gershwin to Milhaud and Noel Coward.

The Society would like to congratulate one of its committee members, David Lockington, on being awarded a place at Yale University to continue his cello studies.

The President (Simon Russell) would like to thank all the committee members for their support during the year, especially Mark Bonney for his work as Treasurer and Alan Gulliver as Secretary.

The Shirley Society

President: Greg Clingham

Secretary: Michael Eakin

Treasurer: Andy McKay

Literary Editors: Patrick Carragher and Shamus Williams

This has been another good year for the Shirley Society, with most of our meetings well-attended, extremely productive, and provocative.

The Michaelmas Term opened with a packed Rushmore Room listening to a vigorous talk by Mr Humphrey Carpenter, the official biographer of J. R. R. Tolkien. His fairly sceptical assessment of Tolkien's *literary* greatness was disputed by some fervent Tolkienites in the audience, who placed "Lord of The Rings" on a par with "The Faerie Queene" and "Morte D'Arthur"! Our guest for the following meeting was the renowned children's author John Rowe Townshend, who provoked much discussion on the value and quality of the best children's literature. Our final guest of this term was an old St Catharine's man (and Shirley Society secretary) Howard Benton the playwright, who spoke pessimistically of the commercialism and false aims that he sees in the British theatre today.

Also this term, there was a highly successful meeting in which undergraduates read their own verse. Much of the poetry read later appeared in the fifth number of "The Wicked Ant", the Society's magazine, which is slowly establishing itself in the University as a useful platform for student poetry.

The Lent Term included talks by Dave Johnston, of St Catharine's, who successfully conveyed the enjoyment to be found in the apparently esoteric field of Old Welsh poetry; Jonathan Lynn, the director of the professional Cambridge Theatre Company, who described the lack of mutual interest between professional and student theatre; Dr Geoffrey Day, the co-editor of the Florida edition of Sterne's Works, who gave an appropriately mercurial and amusing talk on the composition of "Tristram Shandy"; and Mr Tom Shippey, Oxford don and prolific writer and reader of Science-Fiction, who traced American attitudes to the Cold War in contemporary Science-Fiction. The final talk of the term was "St Catharine's, the Arts and the Restoration" (with reference, in particular, to the remarkable Lord Cutts) which was given by Dr Richard Luckett, who leaves St Catharine's this year. He has given invaluable encouragement and assistance to the Shirley Society during his time at the College, and we are all immeasurably grateful to him, and wish him well.

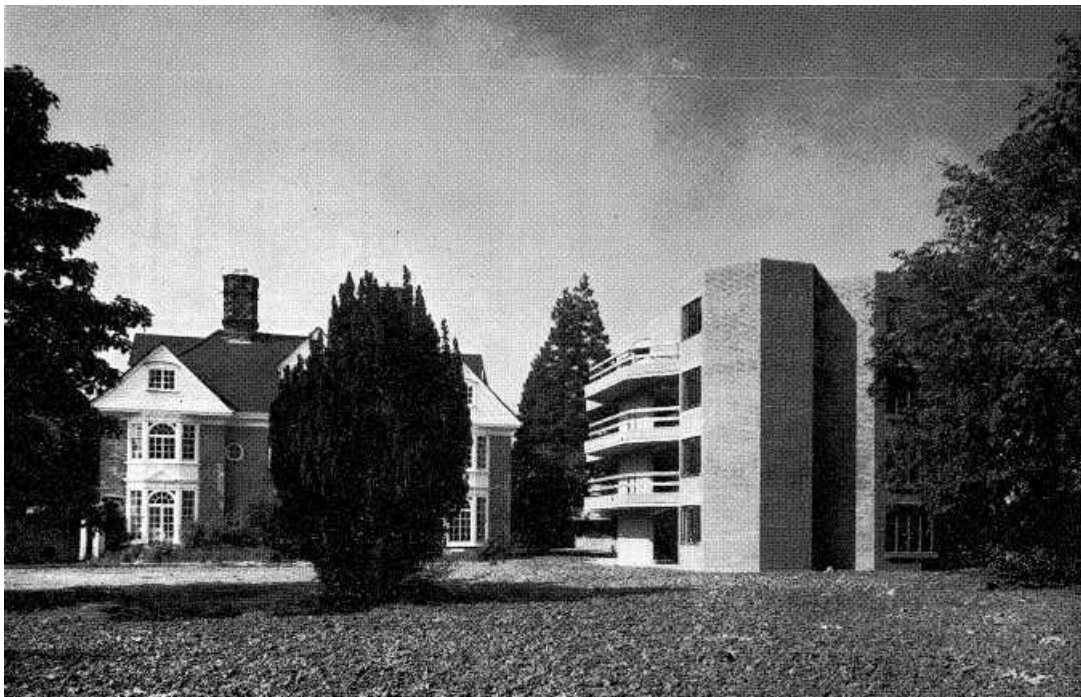
Professor Arthur Sherbo, of Michigan State University, was our first guest of the Easter Term, and he spoke on Swift's poetry; this was followed by a defence of the modern British novel by Professor Malcolm Bradbury, of the University of East Anglia. Our final meeting was a rare public appearance by the marvellously eloquent William Golding, the novelist. It deservedly had the largest audience of the academic year.

There were two Shirley Society productions this year, both performed in the dining hall. In the Michaelmas Term Phil Reeves directed an excellent "The Winter's Tale", with the aid of Julian Broughton, who once again provided music as well as some country dances. The producer was Andy McKay. Then in the Lent Term, Jon Bate found more than anyone could have expected in "The Two Noble Kinsmen", by Shakespeare and Fletcher. This time the producer was Robert Gulliver. The quality of both productions was achieved in spite of the hall, and we are hoping that next term we can arrange for Jon Bate to produce *Phedre* at the A.D.C. theatre.

We wish to thank Mr Andrew, Dr Cavaliero, Mr Hartle, and Mr Wyke, and, once again, Dr Luckett, for their indispensable support throughout the year.

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