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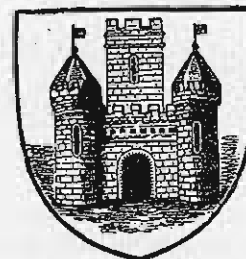
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## Editorial.

The School year of 1929 will be remembered for its associations, some pleasant, some sad. It is now a year since we announced in these pages the retirement of Miss Perman. It is not for us to recall her services here, far less to attempt any appreciation of them. We can only state that for so many years had Miss Perman been a unique and beloved figure in the life of the School that she was regarded almost as inseparable from it. It is strange to reflect that for the first time a new school generation has been growing up with no deeper knowledge of her personality than can be gained from an occasional visit.

It is our pleasing duty to congratulate Tudor House on winning the School Eisteddfod by a record number of points after

nine years of continued ill-luck and unsuccess. It had been the hope of every old Tudorite of recent years that the cherished event might be gained in his school-life. These, and in no less degree, the members of the other houses will join with us in our felicitations of the victorious house.

Before concluding we must note the arrival of the C.W.B. examinations with the hot period that usually attends them. We hope that the candidates may encounter with equal success the wiles of weather and examiner.

In the December number of the *Penvro*, we recorded the resignation of Mrs. Sketch. We have now the pleasure of recording her marriage to an old pupil, Captain Hugh Richards, in January of this year.

Miss Loosemore took over the duties of Senior Mistress at the beginning of the Spring Term. We wish her every success in the carrying out of the duties, often arduous, of a Senior Mistress. Events have already proved that the School as a whole intends to give her wholehearted support in the carrying out of these duties.

## The Vigil.

Querulous voices and silver,  
 Harsh-tongued, ranting,  
 Passing the tense moments  
 With tick and whirr.  
 Beams of gas light, moonlight  
 With shapeless shadows passing  
 And over all the ticking of the clocks,  
 Slight cat in a shadowed corner,  
 More patterned than alive  
 Crouches; the clocks crescendo,  
 Slow hours crawl across the shop.  
 Lights change, but the large eyes are still,  
 Grandfather ululates, ormolu is plaintive,  
 Feet fall, the cuckoo is shrill  
 The cat straightens and creeps.  
 The clocks diminuendo, rally and strike,  
 She crouches lower and at last leaps  
 But falls back, sits placid—a spot moves,  
 She straightens again—  
 The mouse dies in a spring.

How far they have come from the woodland  
 These creatures tame yet wild,  
 High winds may trumpet and bellow,  
 Rain hiss and sea complain,  
 But they live and hide and prey  
 Amidst glass, diamond, gold and ebony. M. FREEMAN.

## Firelight.

The sun at last in beauty sleeps;  
 The moon her nightly vigil keeps,  
 Shadows, ghostly, grim, and tall  
 From the fitful firelight fall.

I gaze with tender, thoughtful eyes,  
 Bluer far than summer skies  
 Into the glowing flames so red,  
 Into the flames that will soon be dead.

Deep in the fiery region I see  
 Visions of things that are strange to me,  
 Fairies and goblins all dancing round;  
 The King of Sprites with jewels crowned.

I see queer little beings, all colours and shapes,  
 Long-legged spiders and ugly brown apes,  
 Elves are a-playing and dancing in glee;  
 Bright, sparkling flowers in splendour I see.

There's a dark, open cavern, just hideous to see,  
 Where a monster black beetle is having his tea,  
 And a sulky old snail is wandering round,  
 As I linger and watch not uttering a sound.

But the ancient old timepiece is fast rolling on  
 And now all these fancies are faded and gone,  
 Yet, there's not one single child, but who knows  
 Of the wonderful things the firelight shows.

A. WILLOUGHBY, IIIa.

## If I Changed Places With Father.

If I changed places with father, I am afraid there would be  
 so many changes that at home we should hardly know him.  
 In the first place I would not do any marking of books until

the children had gone to bed, so that I should not have to leave my work to answer all their questions. I would not do so many things outside home, and then I would have more time to myself.

I am sure much time would be saved by shaving at nights instead of in the mornings, especially when getting up late, and by making sure that I always had a good supply of collar-studs to save looking for them everywhere in the mornings. If I put studs on the dressing-table at nights I should make it a rule that they were not to be moved by anyone before the morning, and put downstairs under the chair where I had been sitting the night before.

I do not think I would smoke so many cigarettes and I am certain I would not put the ash over everything and then say that the ash was good to keep away moths.

At meals I would see that the youngest child was served first. In the evenings I would read the paper and try not to be annoyed when the children were noisy or people called and disturbed me. When I had new suits of clothes I would not always buy dark ones I would have clothes of brighter colours, and would have socks and ties to match. In the summer I would not wear tight collars.

I should like to have my slippers warmed by the time I came home at nights, so that I should have some comfort after standing all day. My paper should be near at hand when I wanted it and not divided up amongst the family.

In the spring I would not do any painting or papering in the house, as no matter how nicely I did it I am sure it would not be right. I would have a garden with trees in it, and would grow beautiful flowers as well as vegetables. I would build a greenhouse and grow tomatoes and cucumbers and a small vine, and spend my spare time tending them.

In the summer holidays I would do just the same as father—take the family to the seaside and have lots of fun, bathing and teaching them to swim.

B. ROWLANDS, Iib.

## The Land of Topsy Turvy.

How am I to write this essay? As I sit here puzzling, I ask myself the question—"Have I ever been to the Land of Topsy Turvy?" I answer myself, "No." One moment I am certain. Then, "Yes!" I have solved the problem. A week ago I was struggling in captivity in that land, on the day when I was told that "I had got up the wrong side of the bed," that is, that I had suddenly been cast from the Boat of Safety and Good Will, which

sails on the Sea of Life, on to the rugged coast of the Land of Topsy Turvy. How dangerous is this Land! The high-way robbers who haunt the by-ways rob us of our most valuable possessions, patience, kindness and self-respect. It is a remarkable country, which no one really has any inclination to explore. Those who do so gain no honour. Indeed their expeditions can only succeed in bringing them degradation. I can say this as one of experience since I was one of those hapless victims; for my foolish sally ended in my being sent to bed in disgrace. "Where," I hear you ask, "does this strange country lie?" In our hearts and minds is the answer. The spirit of this sinister land lies in our perturbed minds, but the visible features in our homes and at school. We fling our books and clothes about, we lose our patience unnecessarily, we quarrel with our relations and friends for absolutely no reason. This is because the highwaymen have been at work, and left us nothing with which to beautify that lovely palace—the soul. But the Land of Topsy Turvy is under the control of two powerful, nay, mighty is a better description, two mighty sovereigns, King Sleep, and Queen Mother. The former restores our peace of mind, and compels the robbers to return their spoils. The latter, even if King Sleep fails, soothes our disturbed senses and makes us see things through rose-coloured spectacles.

Before I thought with deeper reasoning, the name "Land of Topsy Turvy" brought to my mind an amusing picture of houses standing on their roofs, people standing on their heads, and various other "Upside-Downey" ideas. But really it is much more serious, a formidable enemy to be fought to a finish, fought by the invincible weapon, a strong will. It is much to be feared for if both these powerful implements fail, then it is indeed a serious case. The subjects of Topsy Turvy Land are bound together in one accord, namely, to make bad men and women of boys and girls. The sign-posts all point to one inevitable destination. But even the Land of Topsy Turvy has its good points, when once we escape from captivity we strive to keep to the right path, for many little unpleasantnesses occur, and the innocent suffer when we stray. I know that I am really angelic for a few days after my wrong-doings. Besides, when our feelings seem pent up, we are often very relieved to have a sudden outburst. Even the best people cannot remain always in keeping with their views. But half-a-dozen visits to the Land of Topsy Turvy are really quite sufficient to give us a brief respite from the ordinary routine of life; we need the rest of our lives to recuperate. Some people take half-a-dozen visits to this dark land in a week. That is one visit each week-day. But they are very careful to keep all

their goodness for Sunday. This is what many of us are very apt to do, and it is a source of much perplexity to our vicars and curates, who deeply abhor the subject of my essay, The Land of Topsy Turvy.

E. NAYLOR, IIIa.

## Happiness.

Happiness is a state of enjoyment which is within the reach of us all, yet it is only grasped by few. "Why is this?" we ask.

Because happiness depends on ourselves.

It is largely a matter of self-hypnotism. "We are always as happy as we think we are," someone has said. Think of the cheerful breezy individual who goes through life determined to be happy in spite of fires that won't light, making breakfast late, trains that are lost by a moment or two, car break-downs when one is in a hurry and all the petty annoyances of every-day life. The man or woman who is happy in spite of all these difficulties gets up in the morning and says, 'I will be happy,' and carries it through all the day, and retires to rest with a prayer of thankfulness that he has been happy. Happiness is the duty of mankind. It cannot be bought with money. It is to be found in the homes of the poor as well as of the rich, and often in a far greater measure, because happiness does not depend on the balance in the Bank of England, but on the balance in the Bank of Love.

Many of us are poor in this world's goods, but rich in love and therefore happy. How wonderful when this same happiness withstands the test of many years. Old people living together for many years find happiness in each other's society and when one is taken the other loses that great sense of happiness and mourns and dies.

From this we see that happiness 'wears well'. Happiness is not ecstasy, but contentment and peace of mind. One can often see happiness written on a person's face.

Great men of the past have been noted for their cheerfulness and happiness, found by shouldering someone else's burden and helping lame dogs over stiles, and always keeping that bright and cheerful look on their faces. Nothing is gained by a frown or a grumble.

Take for instance Milton, the blind poet. A man of many trials and sufferings who, though deserted by his friends, in blindness found happiness in his work. We should all have a laugh and a cheery word for our fellow-men whether at work or at play.

"Give me the honest laughter," said Scott, and he laughed the heart's laugh, thereby cheering others and making them glad.

True happiness can only be found by making others happy. That should be the aim of us all.

C. GRIFFITHS IVb.

## Les Meilleurs Amis Ce Sont Les Livres.

Les livres! ces amis fidèles et instructifs, ces consolateurs dont la sympathie silencieuse donne de la force et de nouvel espoir à l'âme lassée; ces favoris chéris qui sont toujours prêts à donner du bonheur et de l'oubli à ceux qui sont tristes et tracassés, sans doute ce sont les meilleurs amis. Ce sont des camarades idéals parce qu'ils ne critiquent jamais, ils ne se querellent jamais et c'est très rarement qu'ils ennuient. Jamais ils ne forcent leur présence sur un homme quand il ne le désire pas car ils ont égard aux souhaits du lecteur. Quelque temps qu'il fasse, un livre est un ami qui est toujours le bien-venu et dont la compagnie est agréable et intéressante. Les livres ce sont la clef du savoir illimité, ils révèlent les mystères du monde, sa grandeur et sa saleté. Ils montrent la gloire des autres pays, leur vie et leurs civilisations, ils parlent du passé lointain, ils racontent le courage des héros. Ils sont souvent les enfants d'une grande âme, les créations d'un cœur noble, et ainsi ils inspirent et ils exaltent l'âme du lecteur et la remplissent de sentiments sublimes. Ils lui montrent quelle grande et superbe créature est l'homme et quelles sont les possibilités qu'il possède. Sans bouger d'une chaise on peut, par le moyen des livres, faire visite aux pays éloignés; ils nous transportent loin de nous-mêmes. Ils chassent la solitude et la tristesse et ils apportent le bonheur et la joie. Toujours les livres retiennent leur charme, toujours ils sont une source de plaisir, souvent ils inspirent et encouragent; les livres! les amis de la jeunesse ardente et les camarades de la vieillesse rêveuse.

D. EVANS.

## The Eisteddfod.

The Eisteddfod was held at the Temperance Hall, Pembroke Dock, on March 12th, when Tudor House gained a remarkable victory over the other two Houses. This was the first occasion

for Tudor to be successful for 12 years, but as the Headmaster remarked, they have been saving up for it for a long time, for in being victorious by 44 points they had the biggest win ever remembered in the history of the school. The chairman of the Governors, Mr. W. Smith, presided, and was strongly supported by members. The evening concluded with the singing of "God Save the King" and "Land of My Fathers," which was sung in Welsh.

The adjudicators were:—Music, Mr. J. Thomas, Mrs. T. H. Jones, Mr. Joseph Morgan, M. Mus.; literature, Miss M. Rees, B.Sc., Miss Perman, M.A., Mrs. Rice, Mr. H. Sandercock, A.R.A.M., Rev. J. Cynog Hughes, Rev. David Lewis, Rev. Iestyn Jenkins; French, Miss Bowen, B.A.; Needlework, Miss F. Allen; Cookery, Mrs. J. King; Woodwork, Mr. D. John, J.P.; Art, Mrs. Meurig Thomas, D.A.

#### MUSIC.

Junior Pianoforte Solo—1st, Dorothy Rowe (G); 2nd, R. Wilson (T); commended, Morwyth Davies (T), Edith Dew and J. Mumford (P).

Senior Pianoforte Solo—1st, T. Davies (P); 2nd, Betty Hier (T); commended, T. Edwards (T) and Sylvia Polhill (G).

Violin Solo—1st, J. Pearce (T); commended, J. Thomas (T), Nancy Richards and Betty Jones (P).

Junior Girls' Solo—1st, Marion McGregor (T); 2nd (divided), Elsie Addis (P) and Gwyneth Ely (G); commended, Molly Davies (P) and Clara Davies (G).

Senior Girls' Solo—1st, Muriel Parnell (P); 2nd, Molly Wells (T); commended, Beryl May and Gladys Rea (T), Daisy Allen (P) and Nora Powell (G).

Junior Boys' Solo—1st, F. Rogers (T); 2nd, W. Priday (P); commended, R. Wilson (T), J. Mumford (P), and G. Robinson (G).

Senior Girls' Duett—1st, Muriel Parnell and Daisy Allen (P); 2nd, Molly Wells and Gladys Rea (T).

Junior Boys' Unison—1st, G. Robinson and party (G); 2nd, W. Priday and party (P); commended, F. Rogers and party (T).

Junior Girls' Unison—1st, Ada Collins and party (P); 2nd, Marion McGregor and party (T); commended, Morwyth Davies and party (T), Margaret Osborn and party and Elsie Addis and party (P), Molly John and party (G).

Senior Boys' Trio—1st, C. Rea, J. Morgan, C. Rouse (T); 2nd, C. Palmer, F. Pierce, S. Manning (G); commended, G. Rees, J. Griffiths, D. Hitchings (P).

Choral Competition—1st, Tudor Choir, conducted by G. Rea; 2nd, Picton Choir, conducted by T. Davies.

Original Melody—1st, Marjorie Mould (T); 2nd, Lallie Davies (P); commended, A. Morgan and Gladys Rea (T), Sylvia Polhill (G).

#### ESSAYS.

Form II—1st, Betty Rowlands (P); 2nd, D. Winter (T); commended, D. Lewis (T), H. Jones and Ada Collins (P), Sheila Canny (G).

Form III—1st, Elsie Naylor (G); 2nd, Leslie Phillips (P); commended, M. Morgan, J. Thomas and Alberta Willoughby (T), Olwyn Thomson (P), Dorothy Clements and L. Thomas (G).

Form IV—1st, Chrissie Griffiths (T); 2nd, Merrie Jones (P); commended, R. Rees (T), R. Davies (P), W. Smith and Ruby James (G).

Forms V and VI—1st, Dorothy Evans (T); 2nd, Louisa Evans (P); commended, T. Edwards (T); D. Hitchings (P), J. Johnson (G).

French Essay—1st, Dorothy Evans (T); commended, Mona Winter and A. F. Morgan (T), Louisa Evans (P).

#### POEMS.

Junior Poem—1st, Alberta Willoughby (T); 2nd, Marjorie Mathias (G); commended, Olive Williams (P).

Senior Poem—1st, Maisie Freeman (T); 2nd, D. Mackeen (P); commended, P. Sudbury and Mona Winter (T), C. W. Parry (G).

#### RECITATIONS.

Junior Boys—1st, W. Priday (P); 2nd, J. Rees (T); commended, D. Lewis, H. Pearce and R. Wilson (T), F. Denzey (G).

Junior Girls—1st, Nesta Grieve (T); 2nd, Mavis Williams (P); commended, Thelma Ward (T), Enid Hay (P), Dorothy Rowe and Elsie Hughes (G).

Senior Boys—1st, C. Rouse (T); 2nd, J. Thomas (G); commended, G. Gibby (P), P. Bevans (G).

Senior Girls—1st, Mary Taylor (G); 2nd, Clarice Williams (P); commended, Molly Wells (T), Norah Powell, Muriel Lewis and Connie Thomas (G).

Junior French—1st, J. Rees (T); 2nd, G. Davies (P); commended, J. Thomas and H. Pearce (T), Marjorie Mathias (G).

Senior French—1st, R. Davies (P); 2nd, Molly Wells (T); commended, R. Rees (T), Norah Powell, Sylvia Polhill and Mary Taylor (G).

#### DRAWING.

Junior—1st, Betty Rowlands (P); 2nd, A. Graham (G); commended, Margot Gray and Mavis Morgan (T), Joan Ward, W. J. Rogers, L. Brown and C. Isaacs (P), Doreen Lee, Edith Williams, Doreen Mason and G. Barnes (G).

Senior—1st, A. Davies (T); 2nd, D. John (G); commended, L. Howells, R. Rees, W. A. Sutton and J. Pearce (T), G. Phillips and Sally Hobson (P).

Open (Poster)—1st (divided), G. Phillips (P) and D. John (G); commended, L. Howells, R. Rees, J. Utting and J. Pearce (T).

Open (Object Drawing)—1st, Sally Hobson (P); 2nd, L. Howells (T); commended, V. Grimes and J. Utting (T), D. John, J. E. Humber and D. Robinson (G).

#### WOODWORK.

Form II—1st, J. Bevans (G); 2nd, F. Rogers (T); commended, E. Sutton (T), G. Barnes and W. Betty (G).

Form III—2nd, J. Sutton (T).

Form IV—1st, N. Nash (G); 2nd, F. Raikes (T); commended, T. Warlow and J. Cleme ts (G).

Forms V and VI—1st, G. Rees (P); 2nd, P. Bevans (G); commended, D. J. Griffiths and M. Taylor (P), J. Powis, J. Gwyther, P. Lewis and A. F. Morgan (T), R. Rees, A. Thomas and D. Robinson (G).

#### NEEDLEWORK.

Junior—1st, Nita Collins (P); 2nd, Gwyneth Morris (T); commended, Ada Collins (P), Dorothy Clements, Doreen Mason and Clara Davies (G).

Senior—1st, Isabella McTaggart (P); 2nd, Sylvia Polhill (G); commended, Joan Tucker and Gwyneth Thomas (P), Beryl May and Denys Bray (T).

Open (Tea Cozy)—1st, Marion Castle (T); 2nd, Molly John (G); commended, Sue Morgan, Norah Adams and Irene Charles (T), Olive Harvey (G).

Open (Cap and Scarf)—1st, Sue Morgan (T); 2nd, Edith Dew (P); commended, Christina James, Chrissie Griffiths, Lily Morris and Mona Winter (T), Dorothy Scourfield (G).

#### COOKERY.

Junior—1st, Dorothy Clements (G); 2nd, Margaret Osborne (P), commended, Margot Gray and Thelma Ward (T); Nita Collins (P), Doreen Lee (G).

Senior—1st, Sylvia Polhill (G); 2, Barbara Thomas (P); commended, Mona Winter, Bessie Thomas and Florence Dickman (T), Dorothy Jenkins, Daisy Rogers, Marjorie Hughes and Muriel Parnell (P), Dorothy Manning and Mary Thomas (G).

Open (Milkbread)—1st, Mary Bracher (T); 2nd, Merrie Jones (P); commended, Marjorie Mould and Florence Dickman (T), Marjorie Hughes, Molly Reynolds, Louisa Evans, Nancy Richards and Margaret Osborne (P), Dorothy Rowe, Mary Thomas, Constance Thomas and Nancy Rowe (G).

Open (Nut Toffee)—1st, Gwyneth Morris (T); 2nd, May Lewis (G); commended, Mavis Morgan, Mona Richards, Betty Hier, Maisie Freeman and Marion Castle (T), Iris Warren and Ruby Isaac (P), Maisie Hicks (G).

#### MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Dance—1st, Picton, Blanche Davies and Sally Hobson; 2nd, divided between T and G (T, Molly Wells and Gladys Rea), (G, Margery Mathias and Dorothy Rowe).

Prepared Speech—1st, Tudor (W. Morgan); 2nd, Picton (D. Mackeen); commended, Glyndwr (R. Rees).

Dramatics—1st, Glyndwr Party; 2nd, Tudor Party.

#### FINAL POSITIONS.

Tudor House .....	166 points
Picton House .....	122 points
Glyndwr House.....	107 points

## Prize Day.

The annual Prize Distribution took place at the Temperance Hall on Wednesday, 29th of January, and many people interested in the school were present. After the presentation of the bouquet and buttonholes, the programme commenced with a solo, entitled "The Cloud," rendered by F. Rogers.

The Headmaster then presented his annual report, which contained references to the successes of past and present pupils. The Headmaster also referred to the death of Mr. S. B. Sketch, the senior governor, to whose vigour and foresight the school owes so much.

Then followed the Chairman's address, after which Mary Taylor recited "The Old Ships." Sir Percy Watkins, permanent secretary of the Welsh department of the Board of Education, distributed the prizes. After this, the singing of "Shepherd's Dance" by some of the senior girls ended the school's contribution to the programme.

Then came the most important item, the address by Sir Percy Watkins, which was full of interest and impressed everybody. Various votes of thanks brought a thoroughly-enjoyed afternoon to a close.

The prize list was as follows:—

#### PRIZE AND CERTIFICATE LIST, 1929.

11C—1st, J. Ward; 2nd, D. Lee.

11B—1st, L. Phillips; 2nd, J. R. Humber.

11A—1st, D. Clements; 2nd, T. J. Rees.

**Remove**—1st, R. Isaac; 2nd, C. Williams.

111B—1st, J. Young; 2nd, T. A. J. Warlow.

111A—1st, J. G. Clements; 2nd, R. Rees.

11VB—1st, W. C. Jenkins; 2nd, S. Polhill.

11VA—1st, T. J. Edwards; 2nd, J. H. W. Turner.

Lower 11th—1st, Mary Thomas.

11VB—1st, E. Brown and School Certificate.

School Certificate Cookery Prize presented by Miss Williams in Memory of Mrs. Williams, 1st Lady Governor of the School—E. M. Hier.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

11VA—Elsie Coulman, Florence Dickman, Norah Powell, Louie Rees, Nancy Richards, Nancy Sutton.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATES, MATRICULATION EQUIVALENTS, UNIVERSITY OF WALES.

Blanche Davies, Maisie Freeman, Joyce Mullins, Rona Rouse, Mary Taylor, Madge Thomson, Eileen Walkey.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATES, MATRICULATION EQUIVALENTS, UNIVERSITIES OF LONDON AND WALES.

Betty Jones; Mona Winter, with distinction in English, 2nd prize; Louisa Evans, with distinction in French, 1st prize.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

Form 11VS—V. S. Grimes; J. E. Humber; D. A. G. John; D. R. Reynolds; W. J. C. Rouse, with distinction in mathematics; W. A. Roberts.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATES, MATRICULATION EQUIVALENTS, UNIVERSITY OF WALES.

A. H. Bull; W. A. P. Francis; K. P. Griffiths; P. G. Sudbury, with distinction in Woodwork.

#### SCHOOL CERTIFICATES, MATRICULATION EQUIVALENTS, UNIVERSITIES OF WALES AND LONDON.

T. H. Albury; W. G. Evans, with distinction in Mathematics; A. F. Morgan, with distinction in French; J. W. Pearce; C. W. D. Phillips, with distinction in Mathematics and Woodwork and the School Certificate Woodwork Prize; G. Phillips, with distinction in Mathematics; C. J. Rea, with distinction in Mathematics; D. C. Robinson, with distinction in Woodwork; L. Howells, with distinctions in Mathematics, Physics and Drawing, 3rd prize; W. G. Morgan, with distinctions in English, History, French, Latin, 2nd prize and Latin prize presented by Miss Perman; W. S. Rees, with distinctions in Mathematics, Physics and Woodwork, 1st prize.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY CERTIFICATES.

Form 11VI—W. A. Bull; S. J. Hobson; O. C. May; J. V. Morgans.

#### HIGHER CERTIFICATES.

L. K. Paybody, English and Pure Mathematics; E. G. Taylor, Pure and Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry.

Prize for best cricketer—bat presented by Mr. H. A. Jones-Lloyd—Ivor Howells.

## Penvro Old Pupils Association.

The Christmas Re-Union of 1929 terminated another year of school history, a year memorable by reason of the retirement of Miss Perman. The Penvro Old Pupils Association decided that the Re-Union was a fitting opportunity for the practical expression of the deep regard in which Miss Perman is held by the Old Boys and Girls of the School.

A great number of Old Pupils were approached with a view to giving Miss Perman some indication of what we feel for her. In this the Old Pupils responded magnificently. Letters received from all parts of the country bore ample testimony to the popularity and goodness of Miss Perman.

### THE RE-UNION.

A large number of Old Pupils assembled in the School on the evening of the 27th of December. The presence of Miss Perman and the object of the meeting were undoubtedly the reasons why this Re-Union proved so attractive to so many Old Pupils. Whist commenced at 7.30, Mr. Blencowe was the M.C. Non-players indulged in games in the Assembly Hall. Immediately after whist Miss Maggie Davies rendered a solo, and Miss Marion Thomas a pianoforte solo.

Then followed the most important event of the evening—the presentation. In very appropriate speeches, Miss Marion Thomas, Miss Sinnett and Miss Dora Thomas voiced the regrets of all at the loss of Miss Perman and conveyed the well-wishes of every Old Pupil for her future welfare. The wallet containing a cheque (£60) was handed to Miss Perman by Miss Dora Thomas. Miss Perman responded, and in her remarks she extended a cordial invitation to any Old Pupil who happened to be in London to call upon her at her London residence.

At this juncture, Mrs. Jones presented the whist prizes to the successful players, after which Mr. Sinnett rendered a solo. Upon adjourning for supper it was discovered the dining hall was too small to hold everyone at one sitting, nevertheless the supper was a huge success.

The Sixth Form's production of "Five Birds in a Cage" was thoroughly enjoyed by all; the caste added to their enviable reputation.

During the business which followed, the following names were added to the committee:—Miss Pike, Miss Heatherley, Miss Baker, Mr. Finch and Mr. Nicholls.

A most successful evening passed all too quickly and it was nearly midnight when the meeting broke up.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I shall be very glad if you can give me the opportunity in the "Penvro" of thanking those old pupils who, though unable to be present, were contributors to the presentation made to me at the Reunion last December.

It is just as difficult now as it was then to express in words my appreciation of the kind thoughts and affection which prompted such a generous gift, but I can assure the givers that their action has given me great and lasting pleasure.

They will no doubt be interested to know that the greater part of the money is being spent in a prolonged visit to the Alps of Southern Switzerland and France, at a time when they are, in many ways, even more fascinating than in late summer.

The remaining part is reserved for the purchase of a bookcase to make room for my overflowing volumes.

Those who gave me the camera last July will be pleased to hear that I am making good use of it, so that, beside the beautiful scenes added to the picture gallery of my mind, I shall be able to bring back something more substantial to show to all who may be interested. It is very pleasant to feel that past and present pupils are uniting in this way to make my stay here such a delightful one.

I hope that this letter will be seen by a large number of contributors to the presentation and I shall be glad if they will pass on the message of thanks to others who may not see the Penvro.

I am, yours very sincerely,

I. A. PERMAN.

Hotel Globe,

Argentière,

Haute Savoie,

July 7th, 1930.

## Old Pupils' Column.

June was a notable month in one way at least—the School received news of the success of many old pupils. We heartily congratulate them all. Marion Thomas has completed her B.A. with 1st. Class Honours in Latin at Aberystwyth. It is twenty years since anyone has obtained a 1st in that subject at Aberystwyth. Lawrence E. Nelson has been awarded the B.Sc. degree with 1st Class Honours in Chemistry at Cardiff. W. F. Grimes



the well-known lecturer, has obtained his M.A. with distinction, also at Cardiff. May Norris has obtained the Diploma of Art of the Slade School of Art, London. K. Nicholls has completed the final examination for the Diploma of Medicine at the University of Bristol.

Skyrme Rees has passed the 1st M.B. examination at Birmingham University.

E. G. Taylor has successfully completed his 1st Year Examination at Swansea and now proceeds to take Honours in Chemistry.

Joan Fraser obtained three final courses at Cardiff and next year will take Honours in English.

Doris Johnson has won a Gold Medal for swimming at the Liverpool Physical Training College. Lily Paybody has completed a successful 1st year at Cardiff. She was picked to play for Glamorgan Ladies at Hockey, but unfortunately, owing to a snowstorm this, the last match of the season, was not played. C. W. Wells will be leaving England for India shortly to take up an important position on the staff of the British and Indian engineering firm, Messrs. Marshalls, Sons & Co Ltd.

Many who remember Jose Lohr will congratulate him on being appointed director of the orchestra on board the "Kenilworth Castle" during the special trip when the Prince of Wales visited Africa last autumn. We feel sure that the Prince must have enjoyed the music.

Ernest Huxtable who is now in the Welsh Guards reached the final in the heavy weight championship of that regiment.

We wish joy and happiness to all Penvroites who have entered into the marriage bond. Dr. T. M. Angel who married Miss I. Pearce at Sketty Church, C. R. Saunders, cashier of the Midland Bank, Swansea, who married Miss Contache, Hilda Harries, who married Mr. Groomsbridge, Nancy Satherley, married to Mr. T. L. James, Pattie Thomas, to Mr. R. Phillips, Rosalind Thompson, married at St. Peters, Eaton Sq. Her sister Mabel was one of the bridesmaids. Robert J. Thomas, married to Miss Peek. Also Dorothy Perkins, married to Mr. Lloyd, and Grace Gibby, to W. Thomas. Hilda Lewis, to Mr. B. Davies.

Mary Francis has obtained her full boating colours at Aberystwyth.

We also note the appointments given under:—H. G. L. Cardew at Cannock Chase, C. Brown, Hereford, Lloyd Jones, who has been business Editor of the "Normalite" to Birmingham, W. Williams under the London County Council, Dorothy Knight at Walsall, Joan Hinchliffe at Sheffield, Madge Bevan at Whitehaven and Winnie Prickett at Birmingham.

Gladys Andrews, who recently obtained her State Certificate of Nursing has been appointed Sister at Eccles and Patricroft Hospital, Manchester. N. Llewelin has taken up Nursing and is at the Bolingbroke Hospital, Battersea. L. Gibby, who is adopting the same profession, is at Bath.

We sympathise with the husband and relations of Mrs. W. G. Hier (nee Flo Davies), who died in February last.

Francis John is at Warminster Theological College and hopes to work in India after his ordination. J. McCloghrie is at the City and Guild College, London, taking a course in Electrical Engineering. Nellie Llewelin who was teaching at Birmingham has been appointed to East End, Pembroke.

Denis Bolton who is in a Bank at West Norwood, has just taken the final examination of the Banker's Institute.

S. J. Webb has qualified for entry to the Naval Dockyard at Devonport.

## School Notes.

The number of pupils in the school this term is 306. There are also 2 student teachers.

Everyone was extremely sorry to lose Miss Cook at the end of the Spring Term. Miss Cook left us to take up a post at Hengoed School, which is nearer her home. We are, however, very pleased to welcome Miss Thomas.

On May 7th, Mr. W. J. Williams and Mr. T. Owen visited the School for subsidiary inspection.

On March 3rd, Miss Forsdyke visited the School for the C.W.B. Cookery Examination, and on June 13th, Mrs. Griffiths visited the School to conduct the practical part of the C.W.B. Needlework Examination.

Brenda Aveston having qualified by passing the Civil Service Examination Executive Class has been appointed to the Inland Revenue Office, Haverfordwest.

Elsie Coulman is observation teaching at Albion Square Girls' School.

Marjorie Manning is a probationer at the Victoria Nurses' Home.

Joyce Mullins has obtained a post in the Infants' Department of the Church School at Peasmore, Newbury, Berks.

Doreen Powis is supply teaching at Pennar School.

Eileen Walkey has entered Nazareth House Convent, Hammersmith.

New Prefects are N. P. Powell who took the place of B. R.

Aveston in Glyndwr, N. A. Dew and D. Jenkins who took the places of S. J. Hobson and M. H. Manning in Picton.

On Tuesday, February 7th, we had the pleasure of hearing, under the auspices of the Welsh National Council of Music, the Cardiff Trio. They played a number of selections from Beethoven, Brahms, Schubert and other masters. Mr. Hubert Davies (First Violin at the Queen's Hall, Cardiff), was the violinist, the 'celloist, Mr. David G. Collier, and the pianist and lecturer, Mr. Joseph Morgan, M.Mus., F.R.C.O., who rendered the movements and compositions highly appreciative by his clear explanations. The splendid attendance at the evening performance, when compared with that of previous years testified to the growing appreciation of high-class music.

The French Oral Examination was held this year on June 23, Miss Phillips again examining both Higher and Senior candidates.

Mr. Johnson, Chief Inspector of the Central Welsh Board, visited School on May 30, for the purpose of a subsidiary inspection. Miss White, H.M. Inspector, also visited the School on May 29, for the same purpose.

We congratulate W. A. Sutton on being 5th on the list for Portsmouth Yard. He was 9th on the list for the whole country.

W. L. Halliwell, F. J. Rake, G. G. Evans and K. I. Thomas passed the examination for Artificer Apprentices.

K. Griffiths has been for some time now a clerk at Lloyds Bank, Wells Street, Bristol.

P. J. Beesley is an apprentice on S.S. Paris City, one of Sir William Reardon-Smith's boats. He is already half-way round the world on his first trip.

R. Reynolds Vs. is commencing work soon with the Ardath Tobacco Company, London.

L. Howells passed the Civil Service Examination Executive Class, last January and is now employed at the Inland Revenue Office, Aberystwyth.

The Practical Woodwork Examination was held this year on June 25th, Mr. F. L. Wright, last year's examiner, again conducting the examination.

We congratulate W. L. Hitchings on being appointed Glyndwr prefect in succession to K. P. Griffiths.

On July 12th, the VIth form girls and members of the Staff met at Hobbs Point to set out in a motor-boat for Dale. The more daring of the party defied the tumultuous waters and ascended to the roof of the cabin - not without certain misgivings as to the safety of their positions and prophecies by certain cheerful males, of the horrors of seasickness.

Our captain was an intrepid sailor, used to braving raging tempests, even worse than we encountered. In spite of the mountainous seas and narrowly missing head on collisions with ocean liners, we at length reached the comparative peace of the Dale Roads.

In Dale Harbour a thrilling rescue was effected, the first party had been conveyed in safety to the shore, carefully and safely piloted through dangerous reefs, and the second party was in the act of disembarking, when a scream arose from those aloft—a splash—a great cry arose—"It is damp, damp," a black body floated on the water, our captain "a daring pilot in extremity" reached for the boathook, but the boat was drifting further away from the helpless object, our chief engineer was frantically hailed and with powerful strokes brought his boat alongside and rescued—the camera.

After descending precipitous steeps we gained the sandy shore of West Dale. After a very enjoyable lunch arranged by our mistresses—special thanks being due to Mr. Evans for being the chief of the stokers, the majority of the party bathed, while others journeyed to the village for more provisions.

At six o'clock a struggling line of "trekkers" beset with flies, wended their weary, but happy way back to the motor boat. On our way home we were beguiled by strains of sweet music that would have charmed even Ulysses who had braved the sirens themselves.

We were hailed by a "yacht" which bore a resemblance to Shamrock V, also by a foreign craft, which in spite of the mountainous seas was seen to fly the tri-colour. A few feminine voices were lost in the raging tempest, as they were vainly trying to make their "Bon-Soirs" heard.

At eight o'clock our captain piloted us in safety to the calm waters of Hobbs Point. Then weary sailors drenched with spray, descended from their perilous perch and clambered on to terra firma, where cheer upon cheer arose as we gathered into an animated group.

We are very grateful to Miss Loosemore and the rest of the mistresses for the splendid way in which they catered for us and also to the ingenious person who suggested the novel idea of a sea voyage.

Contrary to popular belief, handiwork demands the exercise of considerable patience and skill. This term we have had the privilege of being able to study an interesting selection of specimens including etching, embroidery, leatherwork, pewter work, woodcarving and lino cuts, all of which have been kindly lent us by the National Museum of Wales.

The numerous processes of each craft must have been a great source of surprise to those who followed closely the separate stages of these crafts as illustrated in the specimens. An exhibition such as this enables us to appreciate more fully the many varied ways in which artists are able to express the Beautiful in life, and so fulfil their mission of interpreting the wonders of nature to those who otherwise might pass on unseeing.

On Tuesday, December 17th, a highly successful entertainment was given by the members of the School at the Temperance Hall, in aid of the Society for the Relief of Distress in the town.

The first part of the programme consisted of musical items given by E. Rogers, R. Wilson, G. Rea, M. Wells, D. Rogers, N. Phillips, M. Parnell, J. Tucker, B. May, D. Allen and A. Johnson. Two songs were rendered by the Senior Girls' Choir and overtures and interludes were played by the School Orchestra. Country dances, taught and Staged by Miss Cook, were performed by the following:—E. Harries, M. McGregor, N. Grieve, A. Davies, M. Mathias, R. Wilson, J. Bevans, H. Pearce, W. Priday, J. Mumford, N. Collins, E. Hay, P. Futter, D. Clements, F. Smith, J. Ward, B. Howells, E. Butterworth, N. Thomas, Z. Smith, L. Dyson, R. Phillips, I. Aveston, D. Scourfield, O. Dudley, I. Canton, D. Futter, G. Clapton, B. Thomas and B. Bray.

The latter half of the programme consisted of two one-act plays—J. H. Ferguson's "Campbell of Kilmohr" and "Five Birds in a Cage" by Gertrude Jennings.

The former play was a highly exciting and dramatic performance. The parts were well-chosen, Molly Wells, Mary Taylor, G. Tucker, C. J. Rea, D. I. Mackeen, W. P. Francis, L. Andrews and D. J. Griffiths acted splendidly.

The tension was eased off by a humorous play "Five Birds in a Cage." Here B. Aveston, B. Rabbetts, K. P. Griffiths, C. Rouse and D. Rogers kept the house in roars of laughter by their clever impersonations.

As a result £31 was handed to the Pembroke Dock Relief Society. On the following night the performance was repeated at Neyland; £10 was realised for the Neyland Nursing Association.

School was profoundly shocked by the news of the sudden death of Irene Charles of Neyland. Irene was one of the most promising pupils of IIIA and her quiet, cheerful manner endeared her to her teachers and school mates alike. We know that her willing helpfulness will be missed at home. We deeply sympathise with her mother and the family.

## School Sports.

*"Let each shift for all the rest and none take thought for himself."*—*The Tempest.*

### HOCKEY.

During the season the hockey eleven managed to retain its previous successful record, and in spite of the usual inclemency of the weather, four matches were played.

The team was selected from the following:—

B. May, M. Freeman,\* D. Evans,\* J. Tucker, S. Hobson\* (Capt.), N. Phillips,\* O. Dudley,\* B. Davies, B. Hier\* (Vice-Capt.), I. Aveston,\* D. Rogers, L. Rees, L. Evans (\* Colours.)

O. Dudley, D. Evans and N. Phillips were awarded their colours last season.

Match score:—Tenby, (away) 2—0; Tenby, (home) 2—1; Fishguard, (away) 12—0; Old Girls, 7—2.

### TENNIS.

Again the school courts have been considerably improved, and naturally a higher standard of play is expected from the girls in general.

At present tournaments seem to be the chief excitement from the IIIs to the VIth, but the upper school, for the most part, are engrossed in their studies, so that they find it difficult to turn their attention to sports.

### FOOTBALL.

The Winter Term was not a successful one for football. In the Spring Term, J. Morgans was restored to his position as centre-forward, and the experiment was successful. The tables were turned on Fishguard County School and only extremely bad luck held the team to a draw against the Grammar School at Haverfordwest.

The following are the results for the Spring Term:—

Versus Angle A.F.C., Home, Won, 4-0; Milford County School, Away, Won, 7-1; Wireless, A.F.C., Home, Won, 7-2; St. Peters A.F.C., Away, Lost, 1-4; Band Boys, Essex Regiment, Home, Won, 12-0; Fishguard County School, Home, Won, 6-5; Haverfordwest Grammar School, Away, Drawn, 1-1;

At the end of the term a match was started against an "Old Boys' Eleven" but this was abandoned owing to heavy rain when the "Old Boys" were leading 2-1;

In House Matches, three games were played.

Picton 9, Glyndwr nil; Tudor 4, Glyndwr 1; Picton 5,

Tudor 5; Picton thus leading by reason of a superior goal average.

Football colours have been awarded to A. F. Morgans, C. J. Rea, G. Phillips and H. B. James.

### CRICKET.

The officials elected were :—Captain : W. C. Rouse : Vice-Captain : A. F. Morgan ; Hon. Secretary : W. G. Morgan.

We have been fortunate this year in having the re-laid portion of the field ready for matches. Better fielding and more consistent batting have resulted as well as the advantage of being able to play cricket in comparative safety. Up to the time of going to press we have had a fairly successful season, in spite of the fact that a number of matches were spoiled by rain. A. F. Morgan has been in splendid form and has reached double figures on five occasions. Howells has also bowled well to take 38 wickets in seven matches.

Unfortunately any success gained later in the season has been somewhat marred by the defeat at Haverfordwest, when the School replied to a moderate score of 52 with the miserable total of 14. It was some consolation to miss the hundred by only one run at Fishguard next week and to defeat Haverfordwest late in season at home.

### RESULTS.

Versus Neyland, away, won, 22-13; Bowling : Howells 5 for 5; Morgan 4 for 4.

Haverfordwest Grammar School, away, lost, 14-52; Bowling : Howells 5 for 13.

Fishguard, away, won, 99-21 and 35; Batting : A. F. Morgan 35, T. Owens 26; Bowling Howells 5 for 9.

Neyland, home, won, 57-37; Batting : A. F. Morgan 19, J. V. Morgan 14; Bowling, Howells 6 for 4.

British Legion, away, lost, 43 and 37—80 and 8 (for 3); Batting : A. F. Morgan 14; Rouse 13.

"New Crusaders," won, 48-43; Batting : A. F. Morgan 22; Bowling Phillips 9 for 17.

Haverfordwest Grammar School, won 38-36; Batting : Rouse 13.

The team has been chosen from the following :—W. C. Rouse, A. F. Morgan, J. V. Morgan, I. Howells, T. Owens, D. C. Robinson, C. J. Rea, G. Phillips, L. Rickard, R. Rees, J. Gwyther, W. G. Morgan and P. Bevans.

Two house matches have also been played, Tudor defeating Picton by an innings and four runs and Picton beating Glyndwr by six runs.