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## Editorial.

The weather is reputed to be one of the Englishman's main subjects of conversation. When we look back over this term, it is easy to understand how this apparent libel originated. The term began with a sudden onset of such cold wintry weather, that the fires, optimistically left unlit, had to be re-kindled. By Whitsun it had become so hot that during one afternoon a temperature of 91 degrees was registered in Room 11. Since then, alas, the Summer Term has done its best to belie its name, with infrequent hints as to what summer might be.

We shall be losing two of our mistresses this term. Miss Loosemore came here in January, 1926, and became Senior Mistress four years later. It will be difficult indeed to imagine the school without her, and she can certainly leave us with the satisfaction of a difficult task well done. We wish her every happiness in her married life. We shall be sorry to lose Miss Rudkins, too. She has been with us five terms now, and has always entered very fully into the life of the school. We hope that she will have happy memories of her time here.

It was a sad shock to hear, at the beginning of this term, of the

death of Miss Perman. She had been Senior Mistress here from the early days of the school, until her retirement in 1929, and hundreds of old pupils remember her with great affection. One of her last acts was to make a gift to the School, as she left some 250 of her books to the School Library, this being but the last of a long series of equally generous gifts.

## Parodies.

### QUAKE, QUAKE, QUAKE.

Quake, quake, quake,  
At the Board-Room door, IIC,  
And I would that thy tongues could utter  
Excuses that rise in thee.

O well for the lucky people  
Who were out on the field at play,  
O why, O why did we stay in school  
On such a beautiful day.

But there lies the empty ink-can,  
And there on the wall is the stain.  
But there in anticipation  
At the Board Room door you remain.

MARJORIE GEORGE, VI.

### BOOTS.

In useful toil their days are spent,  
By vain ambition undistressed,  
Though humble is their sphere, content  
To do their best.

When trampled on their soles are meek,  
No murmur or complaint is heard.  
Their tongues no cruel slander speak,  
No unkind word

Wherever one may chance to be,  
There surely is the other found,  
By rare and perfect amity  
Their lives are crowned.

When cruel fate has worked his will,  
And all attempts to heel must cease,  
Two faithful soles unparted still,  
Their end is peace.

NANCY JAMES, VI.

### DESIRE.

Give to me a piece of cake,  
Let the bread go by me.  
A glass of lemonade I'll take,  
And a piece of candy.  
Wine I seek not, ale nor tea,  
Nor a friend to aid me,  
All I ask a good old feast,  
With apricots and jelly.

MOLLIE THOMAS, VI.

## Laver Weed.

Pembrokeshire as well as some districts of Ireland and Scotland, is the hunting ground for a species of seaweed, known as laver weed, about which many people, no doubt, know but little. As this laver weed is found as near home as Freshwater, some people might like to know a little more about it, so I will tell you what I have learned after living in a house with collectors of it.

This laver weed is picked from rocks after half-ebb, which means three hours after high water. It is black, almost transparent, very elastic, and looks rather like celluloid, though it is not so hard. It has to be picked in dry weather, because if picked in rain it will turn red, and then it is of no use. It is usually put into a bucket when it is picked, and when this is filled it is spread out on the sand to dry. Then, when fairly dry, it is put into sacks, which are carried up the cliff to a hut, specially prepared for storing it.

The walls of these huts are made of drift-wood, and then thatched with sedge, which is kept in place by rolls of wire. On top, square rods keep the hut steady, the floor is sandy, and on this the weed is spread out and stored for about a week. After this it is ready for use.

This weed is an excellent tonic, because of the fifteen different minerals and seven salts which it contains. It is sometimes used for the manufacturing of iodine, but its chief use is for the making of laver bread, which is eaten by many people, especially those who are anaemic and have been advised to eat foods which have a certain amount of iodine in them. This bread is usually served for breakfast, with bacon and egg.

Most of the weed is sent to Swansea, where it is made into bread, which is sold in the Market there, but small quantities are bought by grocers, and sold locally.

MYRTLE EWEN, IIB.

## Indians In Canada.

Fifty years ago the Indians of Western Canada roamed the plains as free as when Columbus first reached the N. American continent. To-day they live on large reservations situated outside the towns and cities. These lands were allotted to the Indians by the Dominion Government and in return for the remainder of the country to be occupied by Canadian white people, each tribe is paid Treaty Money, so much per capita.

Some Indians "go out" of Treaty and are then called Non-Treaty Indians and are allowed to live on separate Reserves from the others, or sometimes in and near the towns.

Unfortunately, in many ways, the Indians are not the picturesque figures one reads about or imagines. All of them have so called "red skins" but there is as much difference between the plain tribes and bush tribes as there is between the Englishmen and the Turks. The plain Indians, especially the Blackfoot and Sioux, are proud, independent and defiant, while the bush tribes of the far North are docile, slovenly and rather inclined to retreat from a fight—hence the name "Swampy Crees"—they were literally driven back to the swamps.

Very few tribes retain the custom of painting their faces according to the way they feel when they arise in the morning—happy, angry, warlike or sad. Very few tribes wear the original skin clothing. In winter time one sees them dressed in gaily beaded mitts and parkers (coats with helmets attached) merely because it is warmer clothing than cloth, but practically every Indian wears moccasins. I know they find it painful to wear the leather boots and shoes of the white man.

Distinct tribes have distinct languages, and there is no such thing as dialects. In one school where there are children from six different tribes the common language is, of necessity, English, for they cannot understand each other's tribal language. For instance, "White man" in Blackfoot is "apeeqwan," in Sioux "washeechu," in Cree "monias," in Squamish "whuwuhul-laten." It is interesting to note that the Cree word "monias" means, a helpless person with little experience. The first white man impressed them as being helpless because he had to carry with him so many things that seemed unnecessary to the Indian—compasses, razors, soap, toothbrushes, cooking utensils, combs and so forth. The Indian found his way about by the bent of the wind-swept trees and prairie grass, or by the lobster trail, and at night by the dipper stars and other celestial bodies. He never needed a tooth-brush, for the food he ate did not stick to his teeth. He pulled out his whiskers one by one as they grew. For soap he used the soft, clean mud at the bottom of running streams.

He cooked his food directly over the fire, drank his water from the palm of his hand, combed his hair with his fingers and used the placid surface of a river or lake for a mirror. Even to-day the Sioux word for mirror means "he peeped into the water at himself."

While the majority of Indians still hunt fish and trap and continue to work in their native crafts, others have made great progress. I know ordained clergy, teachers, nurses, mounted police, interpreters and qualified guides, all ex-pupils of Missionary and Government schools. On a total population of 115,000 Indians the Government of Canada spends annually a great deal of money for medical, educational and various projects for Indian advancements, so they are better off as "wards" of the Government than they were in the days of tribal warfare.

DOROTHY M. KEDDIE.

## "Make Believe."

The presentation of "Make Believe," by A. A. Milne, was much more ambitious than anything yet attempted at school. There was a cast of over fifty, and the preparation of the musical items entailed practically as much work as the actual production of the play. Miss Hemmings and Mr. Evans are to be congratulated on the great success of their collaboration in this production.

We should like to welcome Mr. King to our dramatic performances. He showed his versatility by playing more than one part and by taking control of the very complicated lighting system. We are beginning to take Mr. Devereux for granted in school plays now, and he kept up his high standard this time, with two contrasting parts to play. It would need the whole of this issue to deal adequately with the performance of the rest of the cast, all of whom did splendidly, however small their part.

It would be difficult, too, to say which section was most enjoyable, when we think of the story of the Princess and the Woodcutter; the Firefly Dance, the Pirates, the very funny Dance of the Cassowary, the Cannibal and the Missionary, the Waits; and the very effective finale at the Court of Father Christmas. Miss Gurney and Mrs. Griffith, with the help of several of the senior girls, did wonders again with the costumes, and Mr. Cleaver produced some very realistic scenery, no small feat when we think of the limitations of our stage.

The full cast is as follows :—

### THE PROLOGUE.

Rosemary—Marjorie Hughes  
James—Mr. A. W. W. Devereux

The Nine Hubbard Children—Dilys James, Dilys Shears, Doreen Silcox,  
Leslie Davies, Mary John, R. B. Castle, E. R. Howells,  
K. G. Manning, J. M. Averill  
Queen of Melody—Pauline Thomas

## ACT I.

The Princess—Norah Bacon  
The Woodcutter—D. F. Thomas  
The King—D. Rolfe The Queen—Peggy Gibby  
Attendant—June Fitzpatrick  
The Red Prince—G. L. Lloyd  
The Blue Prince—G. S. Pendleton  
The Yellow Prince—W. B. Nevin

## ACT II.

Firefly Dance—Myrtle Ewen, Phyllis Greenslade, Priscilla Morris  
The Curate—Mr. R. King Oliver—G. R. Davies  
Miss Pinniger—Marion Hall Jill—Sylvia Canton  
Aunt Jane—Jean Hubbard The Doctor—K. G. Tucker  
The Pirate Chief—L. J. Dyke  
Eight Pirates—W. A. Crowe, C. Thomas, G. E. Manning, A. G. Emmet,  
N. Earnshaw, T. P. Rees, M. G. Howells, R. B. Lawrence  
Tua-Heeta—Catherine Mutter  
The Missionary—Mr. R. King The Cassowary—W. Cox  
The Cannibal—K. G. Tucker  
The Steward—J. W. Blencowe  
Dusky Maidens—Beryl Johns, Alicia Sabido, Gwyneth Lewis,  
Pauline Thomas

## ACT III.

Mr. & Mrs. Hubbard—Mr. A. W. W. Devereux and Gwyneth James  
Peter Ableways—G. S. Pendleton  
Jonas Humphrey—N. Earnshaw  
Martha Porrit—Valerie Thomas  
Jennifer—Enid Simpson Bill—T. P. Rees  
Liz—Betty Thomas A Policeman—P. R. Thomas  
Father Christmas—Mr. R. King  
Two Ushers—June Fitzpatrick, Gwyneth Thomas  
Robinson Crusoe—K. G. Tucker  
Riding Hood—Eleanor Evans  
Bluebeard—J. W. Blencowe  
Goldilocks—Rita O'Callaghan

## Miss Perman.

Miss Ida Amelia Perman, who was Senior Mistress of this School from January, 1895 to July 26th, 1929, died at Bournemouth on April 28th, 1939. There is no pupil in the school who remembers her; the passage of time has made that impossible, but Old Pupils all the world over will feel the poorer for her death.

Miss Perman was educated at her father's school at Wincanton, Somerset, and at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, from which she took first-class honours in Classics at the B.A. examination of the University of London and afterwards the M.A. of the same University. She taught for a year in private schools

before coming to what proved to be her life's work in Pembroke Dock. With Mr. T. R. Dawes as Headmaster, she guided the school through its difficult early days in unsuitable premises. From the first she showed herself possessed of the qualities that distinguished her throughout her life: sincerity of purpose, love of her work, determination to do her best for her pupils, and a great kindness that was never sentimental but always guided by sound common sense. For 34 years she exerted an admirable influence in the school, for which her colleagues no less than her pupils owe her a debt of gratitude. Her devotion to duty made her respected; her kindness made her loved.

Miss Perman's retirement was spent in London, Tenby, Switzerland and Bournemouth. She much enjoyed her occasional visits to Pembroke Dock and to the School, in which her interest was ever fresh. It is pleasant to recall that throughout the time she spent in the nursing home in which she died, her most faithful friend was an old pupil, Mrs. Lewis Smith.

We owe Miss Perman much for her many gifts to the school, not the least of which was the last: 250 volumes for the VIth Form library. We are very grateful for her generosity, but those of us who knew her are more grateful still for the memory of a woman of high character and ideals and the privilege of her friendship.

## School Societies.

### DEBATING SOCIETY.

At the first meeting, held on January 26th, the motion was "That Leisure is the Chief Cause of Progress." The speakers for the affirmative were W. J. Davies and Agnes Baker, and for the negative Gwyneth James and F. G. Grey. There was a large attendance, but there were only three speeches from the floor, all for the opposition, and the motion was finally defeated by a big majority.

On February 16th a Balloon Debate was held, and the following were the nominations for the five places in the balloon, which was the only way in which life could be preserved when the earth was soon to be swept away in a great volcanic upheaval:—Amy Johnson—Marjorie George; Franklin D. Roosevelt—R. White; G. B. Shaw—A. Rouse; Eva Booth—Sheila Dixon; Shirley Temple—Betty Thomas; Sir Oliver Lodge—K. Cox; Sir Harry Lauder—P. John; Herr Hitler—G. Round; Ellen Wilkinson—Audrey Sabido. After each nominee had put forward his or her claims to a place in the balloon a vote was taken, which resulted as follows:—Amy Johnson—63; F. D. Roosevelt—61; G. B. Shaw—58; Eva Booth—52; Shirley Temple—38. This

meeting was well attended and there was no lack of speeches from the floor.

The last meeting of the term, held on March 16, was devoted to four impromptu debates, the subjects and speakers being:—"Homework should be abolished" (A. Rouse and Walford Davies); "We pay too much attention to sport" (Marjorie George and F. G. Grey); "Each form should have its own garden" (Lilian Dyke and G. Phelps); "Prefects should have more authority" (Gwyneth James and Betty Thomas). The meeting was very successful and response from the floor was encouraging. Voting resulted in a reversal of the motion in each case.

#### PLAY READINGS.

On February 2nd "The Dear Departed," by Stanley Houghton, and "The Boatswain's Mate," by W. W. Jacobs and H. C. Sargent, were read. In the former, which deals with the way in which the wrangling of the two daughters of "the dear departed" is brought to an end by the discovery that the old man has not "departed" at all, parts were read by Gwyneth James, Dilys Morris, Sylvia Canton, J. Dyke, K. Tucker and M. Howells. "The Boatswain's Mate" tells the story of the boatswain's elaborate plot to get a "mate," in the person of the landlady of the Beehive Inn, and how the old soldier whom he gets to be his chief assistant in the plot finally cuts him out and wins both widow and inn for himself. The readers in this were Marjorie George, George Davies and R. Wainwright.

The next meeting was held on March 2nd, and this time scenes were read from "Badger's Green," by R. C. Sheriff. The play deals with the life of a small village community which sees its calm about to be destroyed by a speculative builder who wants to build a bungalow town around the village. Eventually, mainly through a cricket match, he is prevailed upon to give up his project. The parts were read by Gwyneth James, Marion Hall, Betty Thomas, Eric Thomas, J. Dyke, George Davies and R. Wainwright.

The final meeting also took the form of extracts from one play, Galsworthy's "Escape." This is a powerful play, showing the adventures of a convict who escapes from Dartmoor, and his eventual re-capture. There is a mingling of comedy and tragedy in the various scenes and the readers brought this out well. They were Betty Thomas, Marion Hall, Gwyneth James, George Davies, K. Tucker, Eric Thomas.

#### SCIENCE SOCIETY.

The term's activities opened on February 9th, when Mr. Haines delivered a lecture on "Some Ingenious Plant Devices." The lecture dealt with the methods by which plants, although

passive by nature, possess means of combating the more aggressive animal, in the great struggle for existence. Ingenious floral mechanisms, for producing effective cross-pollination, were described, and lastly, those plants which trap their own food, in the form of insects—the insectivorous plants. The lecture was illustrated by a number of charcoal drawings of the mechanisms described, whilst a stimulating discussion followed, in which a number of members took part.

The second meeting gathered on March 9th. On this occasion, two papers were read, by Sheila Dixon, on "The Balance of Nature," and Paul Thomas, on "How Gramophone Records are Made." The first paper, by Sheila Dixon, dealt with the interdependence of living organisms. Animals cannot survive without plants, which are food producers. Bacteria, or "germs," which are universally distributed, have their place in nature, forming part of a balance. They produce putrefaction, decay and fermentation. It is only when this balance is upset, as, e.g., in the human body, that disease occurs. Medicine is our weapon to restore this balance. The second paper, by Paul Thomas, was more technical. This pointed out the method by which the human voice produces waves on a waxed surface. This surface is then hardened, and a metal die produced from it. This forms the cast from which innumerable "records" are made. The meeting then developed a lengthy discussion on sound and its applications. The more obscure details were explained by Mr. King. A very successful meeting.

The third and last meeting was an innovation. It was held on March 30th. A number of boys from various forms in the school were chosen for their interesting hobbies. They proceeded to tell the Society of the interesting aspects of their hobbies. We were delighted to see the younger members of the school with the courage to speak before a gathering. We hope to hear them again next year.

Those who spoke were:—E. Nevin, IVA—Photography; W. Price, IVA—Clocks, Electrical and Others; J. Rogers, IVA—Home-made Musical Pipes; Edwin Lewis, VS—The Collecting of Butterflies and Moths.

## School Sports.

*"Every man shift for all the rest and let no man take care for himself."*—*The Tempest.*

#### HOCKEY.

We were fortunate as regards fine weather for our hockey fixtures in the Spring Term, and of the five matches played we only lost two.

The team was chosen from the following :—\*J. Flutter (capt.), \*D. Charles (vice-capt.), \*B. Johns, \*E. Phillips, \*D. Brookfield, \*M. Howard, P. Greenslade, M. Davidson, B. George, J. Morris, K. Martin, G. Thomas.

\*Colours.

#### Matches Played.

January 21—Carmarthen (away). Lost.  
February 4—Whitland (home). Won.  
February 11—Tenby (home). Won.  
March 18—Milford (away). Lost.  
March 25—Tenby (away). Won.

### FOOTBALL.

During the Spring Term the School Team continued fairly successfully despite the reverses suffered due to the illness of some of its members. Out of ten matches played, five were won, four lost, and one drawn. One of the four matches lost was against Milford County School, who beat the School Team by a wide margin, but this was due to the fact that four of the older members were unable to play.

At the end of the season colours were awarded to W. Adams, M. Williams and N. Earnshaw, and it can be said that they thoroughly earned them. Unfortunately the captain of the School Team, F. G. Grey, has left us, but it is certain that he takes with him the best wishes of each member of the team.

Once again the Team finds itself indebted to the willing helpers who provided the tea, and to Mr. Haines for the interest which he has taken in the team, and on behalf of the team the committee extends its most hearty thanks.

The following represented the School XI during the term :—

F. G. Grey\* (Capt.), V. Clayson\* (V. Capt.), R. White\* (Sec.), E. Carr\*, W. Adams, M. Williams, N. Earnshaw, L. Fielder\*, G. Round\*, D. Carr, P. Thomas.

\*Old Colours.

Results :—

January 27—Territorials (home). Lost 1-4.  
February 3—Tenby County School (home). Won 5-1.  
February 10—Fishguard County School (home). Won 3-2.  
February 17—Milford County School (away). Lost 0-14.  
February 24—Narberth County School (home). Won 4-2.  
February 31—Tenby County School (away). Drew 2-2.  
March 7—Narberth County School (away). Won 3-0.  
March 14—Neyland J.F.C. (home). Won 3-0.  
March 21—Milford County School (home). Lost 1-4.  
March 28—Old Boys. Lost 2-3.

### TENNIS.

Our tennis fixtures have been few, not because of any lack of zeal on our part, but because other schools are not so fortunate as we are in having a good number of tennis courts.

The tournaments have been in full swing, but, at the time of going to press, we are awaiting the results.

The team was chosen from the following :—\*J. Flutter (capt.), D. Charles, \*B. Johns, E. Phillips, J. Morris, D. Brookfield, P. Greenslade, N. Bacon, B. George, G. Thomas, M. Howard, M. Richards, M. Bearne.

\*Old Colours.

#### Matches Played.

June 10—Taskers (away). Won 8-1.  
June 23 Llanion (home). Lost 19-64.  
July 1—Tenby (home). Won 6-3.

### ROUNDERS.

Since last season, we have made tremendous strides in rounders, for we have now Senior and Junior teams who have carried off the laurels at every match.

Apart from these teams, we are playing rounders tournaments which seem to be most popular throughout the school.

Let us hope that the results below will spur us on to further progress.

#### Matches Played.

June 3—Milford (away). Won 9-4.  
June 24—Milford (home). Won 9-3.  
July 1—Tenby (home) (Junior Team). Won 6½-2½.

The teams were as follows :—J. Flutter (Capt.), J. Morris, M. Howard (Jun. Capt.), N. Bacon, M. Richards, K. Martin, M. Griffiths, P. Thomas, M. Bearne, S. Canton, C. Mutter, G. Thomas.

### CRICKET.

This has been a very successful term so far for the cricket team. Of the eight matches played, five have been won, one drawn and only two lost. Unfortunately, owing to bad weather, two fixtures have been cancelled.

This season there have been some splendid bowling performances by P. Davies, who has so far taken twenty-six wickets at an average cost of three runs each. Another meritorious performance was a splendid innings of 67 by G. Evans, against Williamston.

Three more matches remain to be played, of which the Old Boys' Match on July 26th will be the chief attraction. It is hoped that the School will lend their vocal support in aid of the School XI at this match.

Committee :—R. W. O. White (capt.), P. R. Thomas (vice-capt.), G. L. Round (sec.), G. Evans.

The following represented the School team during the term :—\*R. W. O. White, P. R. Thomas, \*G. L. Round, \*G. Evans, \*P. Davies, R. Davies, E. Carr, G. Thomas, W. Adams, K. Carr, M. Williams, S. Roblin, D. Carr, G. Lloyd.

\*Old Colours.

The committee would also like to thank Mr. Devereux for his support during the season.

#### Matches and Results

- May 6—Fishguard County School (away). Won 71-22. (E. Carr 23, P. Davies 5 for 8, R. White 4 for 11.)  
 May 13—Pembroke Cricket Club (home). Lost 32-68. (G. Round 14, R. White 4 for 20.)  
 May 20—Angle Cricet Club (away). Won 69-42. (G. Round 20, P. Davies 4 for 3.)  
 May 27—Williamston Cricket Club (home). Won 161-52. (G. Evans 67, K. Carr 35, W. Adams 22, P. Davies 3 for 8.)  
 June 3—Ashdale Cricet Club (away). Lost 58-90. (Mr. Devereux 26.)  
 June 10—Fishguard County School (home). Won 56-17. (G. Evans 5 for 8, P. Davies 5 for 8.)  
 June 17—Williamston Cricket Club (away). Drawn 45 for 5-77. (Mr. Devereux 21 not out, K. Carr 4 for 7.)  
 July 1—Angle Cricet Club (home). Won 37-32. (R. White 4 for 10, G. Lloyd 4 for 21, K. Carr 2 for 1.)

## School Notes.

At the beginning of this term there were 325 pupils in school, 181 girls and 144 boys. In addition there are two student teachers, Nancy James and L. M. Barraah.

The Prefects are :—

Tudor :—Dilys Morris, Mollie Thomas, Joan Flutter, R. W. O. White, J. Dyke.

Picton :—Doris Charles, Brenda Phillips, Jose Nicholls, G. R. Phelps, V. Clayson.

Glyndwr :—Betty Thomas (senior), Gwyneth James, Maisie George, P. R. Thomas (senior), G. Round.

Since Joan Flutter left near the end of the term, Jose Nicholls has been transferred to Tudor, and Gwenda Roblin has been made a prefect in Picton.

Marjorie George and Eric Pearce passed the Clerical Classes Examination of the Civil Service last January, Marjorie being placed 662nd and Pearce 735th. Marjorie started work in the Pembroke Dock Employment Exchange on June 12th.

Eric James, who passed the same examination the previous September, began work in January at Deptford, in the Naval Stores Department of the Admiralty. Joan Simpson has also obtained an appointment on the result of the same examination, and is at H.M. Office of Works in London.

Two boys have recently passed the Naval Artificers' Examination, E. M. Evans coming 214th last November, and George Clark passing 171st in March. Evans is now at Halton Camp, in the Fleet Air Arm.

David Russell started work on June 1st in the Swansea Uplands branch of Barclays Bank.

Dennis Carr has obtained an appointment as railway clerk as the result of a recent examination.

Three members of the VIth have recently found clerical posts locally, Joan Flutter with the R.A.S.C., Linda Bowen at the Pembroke Dock Laundry, and W. F. Cox with Messrs. John Ford of Pembroke.

Ll. Williams has a post at Coventry as clerk in a motor works.

Doris Simpkins has been appointed clerk in Messrs. Woolworth's, Tenby.

Sheila Dixon left in June for Aberystwyth, where she is doing preliminary work in preparation for a course in agriculture at the University College.

On February 13th, 14th and 15th Dr. Dorothy Rees and Dr. Middleton conducted a medical inspection at the school.

The various practical examinations have been held as usual this year, Cookery on March 21st, conducted by Mrs. Senn, of London; Needlework on May 14th, by Mrs. Porter; Geography on June 8th, by Dr. Williams, of Swansea; Oral French on June 13th, by Dr. A. B. Thomas, of Aberystwyth; and Woodwork on June 26th, by Mr. Ivor Williams, of Bangor.

On May 24th, Mr. Eric Evans of the C.W.B. visited the school for a subsidiary inspection.

The usual exhibition of work was held on St. David's Day, when there was a very interesting display, much appreciated by the large number of visitors.

As last year, there were three house parties during the Spring Term. Glyndwr on February 21st, Picton on March 13th, and Tudor on March 17th. They were quite as enjoyable as previously, and we have to thank Messrs. Collins Bros. for contributing very largely to this enjoyment by the free loan of a radio-gramophone.

Four pupils have been accepted at colleges for next term, Mollie Thomas and Nancy James at Stockwell, Dilys Morris at the National Training College of Domestic Subjects, London, and L. M. Barraah at Carmarthen.

F. G. Grey and his brother Ellis Grey left school this term as the family are going to Australia. We hope they will be very happy in their new home.

Joan Harvey is taking a course in Domestic Science as a Government trainee at Market Harborough.

The following have left the district and gone to other schools :—J. C. Spicer to Gillingham, Jean Bowen to Narberth, Sylvia Faulkner to Fishguard, J. Hopkins to Neath, Peggy March to Eastleigh, K. Daniels to Southend, W. Skyrme to Rugeley, A. F. John to Swansea, J. T. Wardle and V. Wardle to Totland, F. Silvester to Aylesbury, and K. Davidson to Bordon.

Our best wishes to the following who have also left :—



V—Anne Barratt, Sylvia Bevar, Joan Main, Sonia Stewart, Jean Hubbard, Ruby Lawrence, Olwen Monk, Thelma Warlow, Audrey Hill, Sadie Page, Edna Skyrme, W. E. Sutton.

IV—Margaret Attoe, D. Jones, C. R. M. Lawrence, R. L. G. Williams, Daphne Beynon, Eileen Brand, Nesta Davies, Pamela Gwyther.

III—Lilian Gwyther.

We welcome the following new pupils :—

IV—A. A. A. Rickets.

III—Susie Daddo-Langlois, R. D. Holland.

II—Joan Morgan, Barbara Shoosmith, Frances Sharp.

## Shakespeare In School.

“ ’Twas pretty, though a plague,  
To see him every hour ; to sit and draw  
His arched brows, his hawking eye, his curls ”

(Advanced Art—Life Class.)

“ O fie, fie, fie !

What dost thou ? ”

(Any class-room, any time.)

“ This outward-sainted deputy,  
Whose settled visage and deliberate word  
Nips youth i’ the head.”

(On receiving a report.)

“ I never heard

So musical a discord, such sweet thunder.”

(French songs, Form II.)

“ Where I have seen them shiver and look pale,  
Make periods in the midst of sentences,  
Throttle their practised accent in their fears,  
And in conclusion dumbly have broke off.”

(French Oral Examination.)

“ The silent hours steal on.”

(C.W.B. exams.)

“ He is a scholar, and a ripe good one.”

(Occasionally heard at Staff Meetings.)

“ Let it alone : let us to billiards.”

(The cry of the homework-racked Vs boy.)

“ Must I observe you? Must I stand and crouch  
Under your testy humour ? ”

(The reprimanded boy rebels.)

“ You have done that you should be sorry for.”

(On giving a report.)

## Old Pupils' Notes.

This term there are four old pupils to be congratulated on obtaining degrees. Leslie Phillips recently passed the M.Sc. degree of the University of London. He has already found a similar post to the one his brother obtained not long ago, and is now an Assistant Research Chemist in the War Department, Woolwich. J. O. Thomas has taken the B.A. degree at Aberystwyth, with a First Class Honours in French, while Grahame Davies has passed the B.A. degree of Bristol University, with Second-Class Honours (Division I) in French. Dorothy Clements has obtained Second Class Honours (Division II) in Mathematics, at Cardiff.

Vernon Lloyd passed the examination for apprentices in the R.A.F. last November.

Congratulations to Philip Sudbury on his appointment as Headmaster of the Coronation School last January.

A number of old pupils have recently joined various branches of the Services. W. A. Thomas has taken a short-service commission as Equipment Officer in the R.A.F., beginning his training in April. He is now stationed at Andover. E. J. Johnson is a Sergeant-Observer in the R.A.F. and is now in Egypt. He is to be congratulated in being placed first in the examination for Sergeant-Observer. His brother Stephen joined the Navy in May, as a writer. Two other old pupils have also joined the R.A.F. W. Liniker is stationed at Huntingdon in the Stores Department, and Peter Gray joined in May, and is stationed at Scampton.

Clifford Palmer has reached the rank of Chief Petty Officer, R.N., having been in the Navy for seven years. He is stationed in Portsmouth.

Neville Phelps was recently gazetted Second-Lieutenant in the local Territorial Branch of the Royal Artillery.

Frank Devonald left Mr. T. P. Owen's office in January to become a civilian clerk in the R.A.F.

George Lewis completed his ministerial course in June, and has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Calvinistic Methodist Church at Gilfach, Bargoed, and will begin duties in September.

D. J. Griffiths, after getting his B.A. Degree at Aberystwyth, with Honours in French, went on to the London School of Economics, where he took a post-graduate course in Business Administration. At the end of this he obtained a post with the Northern Aluminum Company in Banbury as statistician in the Planning and Progress Department. He has since been in the Sales Administration Department and is now a writer of booklets in the Sales Engineering Department.

George Hooper, who left some years ago for Bermuda, has

been ordained a priest of the Catholic Church at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Congratulations to G. Courtenay Price on being promoted manager of the local branch of the N.P. Bank.

D. C. Davies, after working for some time on the staff of the "Pembrokeshire Guardian," has joined the Metropolitan Police.

Nan Davies and Nancy Badham took courses in office work in London, and have now both found clerical posts, Nan with the Vacuum Oil Company, and Nancy at the L.N.E.R. Offices, both in London.

Gwenda Edwards has been nursing for some time now, and is at present at a children's hospital in Essex.

Lil Morris is also working at a hospital. She has been for over a year at the Orthopaedic Hospital in Oswestry, in the Housekeeping Department.

Another old pupil who has recently gone in for Nursing is Winnie Richards. She is at a hospital in Dulwich.

W. F. Grimes, M.A., F.S.A., who is an assistant superintendent in the Geological Section of the Ordnance Survey, has published a book entitled "Guide to the Collection Illustrating the Prehistory of Wales."

From a letter received from Bessie Gibby early in the year we learn that both she and Doreen Nevin were playing regularly for the College Hockey Team at Stockwell. Peggy Thomas, who is also at Stockwell, has passed the practical section of the final examination. All three are completing their course this summer.

At Furzedown, Madge Davies, who is just completing her first year, was honoured during the Easter term by being chosen to represent the College in a choir of fifty which sang at the L.C.C. Jubilee Celebrations in the Albert Hall.

Alan May, who is a wireless operator in the R.A.F., left the Pembroke Dock Station early in the year, and is now stationed at Scarborough.

Desmond Shanahan recently joined the Navy as a writer. He had previously been employed as a dispatch clerk with a wholesale electrical firm.

Wilfred Smith, who is in the Metropolitan Police, plays cricket regularly for Woolwich. He was known more as a bowler than a batsman at school, but apparently his batting is now rather better than his bowling.

There was an interesting meeting at Freshwater East recently between three old boys of the school, who all entered at the same time in 1908. They were Cecil Blencowe, of the Coronation School, W. Mason, a Senior Writer at the Admiralty, and "Jock" Butler. The latter is Chief Wireless Operator on the S.S. Australia, on which the King and Queen travelled on their recent tour of Canada and the U.S.A. He was presented to the King and Queen,

and received from them a pair of gold cuff-links as a souvenir of the voyage.

We print this term another interesting article on Canada by Mrs. Keddie. She still lives in Flin Flon, Manitoba, and seems very happy there with her two small sons. She was unable to see the King and Queen on their recent visit, being too far away, but heard much about the tour from friends.

The Editor would be very grateful if present and past pupils would let him know of any interesting news concerning old pupils that may come to their notice.

We congratulate the following old pupils on their marriage:—

August—Arthur Noot to Violet Newbury, of Hook.

November 30—Patty Smith to James Evans, of Briton Ferry.

December 3—Leslie Howells to Flo Astley, of Aberystwyth.

December 24—Randall Huzzey to Lillian M. Stephens, of Cosheston.

December 27—Rosa F. Bray to Eric B. Davies.

January 7—Phyllis Watkin to Charles Humphreys, Royal Fusiliers.

March 9—Elsie Addis to William B. Cavanagh, of Dundee.

April 5—Marjorie Road to Ernest Brooke, of Southampton.

April 8—Frank Devonald to Pamela Lewis.

April 8—Dorothy A. Williams to George W. Hurst, of London.

April 8—Gwen Henton to Elwyn Rossiter (both old pupils).

April 8—Frederick I. Pierce to Phyllis M. Bichener, of Bedford.

April 10—Douglas I. Mackeen to Joan King, of Portsmouth.

April 10—Edith Griffiths to Flt.-Sgt. Thomas Dean, R.A.F., of Plymouth.

April 10—Doris H. Thomas to Ronald W. Evans, of Plymouth.

April 10—George Campodonic to Margery Kennea (both old pupils).

April 16—Olive Harvey to Charles Strives.

April 21—Clifford Palmer to Violet French.

April 25—Ida A. Thomas to Noel A. Jones.

April 2—Lucy Evans to Ivor J. Skone.

May 6—Percy Bevans to Peggy M. Reading, of Ipswich.

May 26—E. G. Taylor to Emma L. C. Johnson (of Chicago).

May 27—Mary Thomas to William R. Carter.

June 24—Joan Young to Morgan Griffiths.

July 1—Arthur Webb to Lily Love.

July 10—Phyllis Saunders to Jack Smith.

July 15—Richard C. Jones to Muriel Connellan, of Cardiff.

We also congratulate W. G. Evans on his marriage last December, but regret we have been unable to learn any further details.

## A Week In Paris.

What excitement there was when we set out on that unforgettable Wednesday morning! We went by train to London where we spent the night.

The following morning we travelled to Newhaven, and after a very pleasant crossing (the sea being almost as calm as the proverbial millpond), we arrived at Dieppe, where we caught the train to the Gare St. Lazare, Paris. We went by taxi to our hotel which was quite near the Luxembourg Gardens.

The next day we were taken on a motor tour of the city. In the morning we visited the Arc de Triomphe, the Latin Quarter, Les Invalides, within which is the tomb of Napoleon, and the famous Champs Elysées and Place de la Concorde. After lunch we continued the tour, when we saw Notre Dame Cathedral, and the church of La Madeleine, the Panthéon, and Sacré-cœur on top of Montmartre, also the Champ de Mars on which is situated the Eiffel Tower.

On Saturday morning we walked about the Luxembourg Gardens. In the afternoon we went to Versailles where we visited the magnificent Palace, seeing the private rooms of Marie Antoinette, the boudoir where she was arrested during the French Revolution, the Hall of Mirrors, and the table which was used for the signing of the Peace Treaty at the end of the Great War. Afterwards we walked through the picturesque gardens to the Grands and Petits Trianons, the retreat of Marie Antoinette from her worries of state.

As the next day was Sunday, Miss Loosemore took us to a French Protestant service.

I am sure that we shall never forget the next day, for we went to the top of the Eiffel Tower. From here we had a wonderful view of Paris from a height of nearly a thousand feet!

On Tuesday morning we went shopping at a large store called Au Printemps, and in the afternoon to Sèvres to see the wonderful collection of porcelain vases and pictures, and afterwards the various processes of preparation from the clay to the finished article.

On our last morning we went to the Louvre museum, where we saw such famous treasures as the "Venus de Milo," "The Gleaners," the "Mona Lisa" and Whistler's painting of his mother. In the afternoon we made a last expedition to "Au Printemps." Needless to say we spent most of the time after dinner packing for our return.

We were again very fortunate in having another perfectly calm crossing, a great relief to us all. We spent the night in London, and the next morning had a look round, visiting

Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square and Westminster Abbey.

After we had listened to a debate from the Gallery in the House of Commons, Major Gwilym Lloyd-George very kindly escorted us to Westminster Hall.

We caught the Pembroke Dock train from Paddington, and when we arrived home that night, Paris seemed just a wonderful dream.

SHEILA APPERLEY-JONES, VA.

## The School Trip.

Friday, July 14, could hardly have been a wetter day for our trip to Cardiff, but that did not seem to spoil the enjoyment of some 150 members of the School who left Pembroke Dock on the 7.55 train.

Arriving at Cardiff at 11.55, we walked from the station, through a heavy shower, to the City Hall, where we began our tour. We inspected the Council Chamber and the Assembly Hall, and then the statues of the twelve great men and women of Wales. Incidentally there is only one woman—Boadicea. We were fortunate to have as our guide here the Deputy Lord-Mayor, Mr. R. T. Evans, who gave a very interesting description of St. David, Hywel Dda, Giraldus Cambrensis and the others.

When we left the City Hall it was mercifully fine for a short period, long enough to enable us to get to the Temple of Peace without a further wetting. Here, at 1.30, we had a short but very impressive service conducted by the Headmaster, with Mr. Evans accompanying the hymns at the organ.

We went straight from the Temple of Peace to the Museum, through another downpour. But perhaps it would be better to take the rain for granted during the rest of this description, as it fell almost continuously until tea-time. Dr. North welcomed us in the Lecture Theatre at the Museum and explained what there was to see, and how to find it, in a very interesting talk illustrated by lantern slides. At the end of this introductory talk, John Powell of IIA handed Dr. North a Roman coin found recently by his father during excavations on Bush Hill.

On leaving the Museum at about 3.45 we found five buses waiting for us. These took us on a tour round the docks, where we saw large numbers of ships from various countries. We were lucky enough to be able to watch two ships leaving the dock, the Oakdene, a British ship bound for the Argentine, and the Sloga, a Jugo-Slav ship, going to Trinidad. This tour of the docks was to many the most interesting part of the day. The buses took us, by about 5.15, back to the Hayes, where we had a very satisfying tea at David Morgan's.

After tea there was just time for a short walk round the nearby shops before catching the train home at 6.43. We arrived at Pembroke Dock at about 10.45, most of us perfectly satisfied with our day's outing.

## Unconscious Humour.

Some amusing extracts from examination papers :—

In National Parks the animals are not to be shot at or extinguished.

The amoeba is a telescopic animal ; it can only be seen through a telescope.

Gray thinks how these graves might have held many a hero if they had been given a chance [a description of Gray's "Elegy"].

India is irrigated by the use of canals and geysers

All the steelwork in New York was needed to construct it [referring to the Lloyd Barrage in India].

Rice needs a heaving rainfall.

A bus-conductor is a very busy man. Sometimes he wears a uniform, sometimes he wears only a hat.

About the latest idea is a celluloid skin round sausages.

