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RECOLLECTION

THE power of "Castellum" is strangely great, conferring undeserved flattery upon its editor. A number of readers have been kind enough to write after receiving their copies from time to time to say how much they have enjoyed the magazine, and this is deeply appreciated. But it would be a bold editor who treated this praise as his. Reading between the lines, the letters show that the praise really belongs to the College, to Durham, and to the years there that "Castellum" helps to bring vividly back to memory. Perhaps most indicative of "Castellum's" powers in this way was the gentleman (a Castleman long ago and living abroad) who after last year's issue sent his thanks, his news and his memories, immediately his copy arrived in the post—before he had even read it.

However, this is not to suggest that "Castellum" need not try to do its job in the best possible way. Some improvements, such as more pictures for instance, could only be provided at greater cost, and the magazine can hardly lay claim to a greater share of the Society's income. The difficulty in fact is to keep the cost anything like steady, as printing rates increase year by year. Other improvements, however, would cost virtually nothing—more personal news of members, for instance. Readers must have noticed that news of one or two of the editor's particular friends and contacts appear rather often. But that happens to be the news he can actively pursue. For the rest letters and the Reunion are the only resources. Both the Master and the Secretary are only too happy to hand on interesting news from letters they receive. One or two interesting items came from people who wrote enclosing subscriptions after last year's "last chance" appeal.

This appeal, incidentally, brought in a valuable £25 in subscriptions, back and current. Some others will receive this issue also only in a period of "grace" before their copies stop, and it is hoped they will follow the shining example set last year.

THE MASTER'S LETTER

THE impression of the life of the College during the past year, which remains with me as I start to write my annual letter to Castellum, is one of smooth working of most student activities and an unusual degree of success attending their efforts in a variety of fields. To take the examination results, for example, Castlemen gained no less than six First Class Honours Degrees, five in Science and one in Arts, and one of only two "First Divisions" awarded in the whole University, in the General Studies Degree in Arts; close behind in the Class lists we had not less than eight "Two-Ones". In addition, and to give only a few of the many sporting successes which will be found recorded elsewhere in Castellum, we won the Senate Cup on the river, the winter trophy, and the athletics match in the summer. What a glittering show of tropies can now be displayed in the Hall! many extra-curricular activities University College men are playing leading parts, and although other collegiate bodies in Durham are growing more rapidly and overhauling us in terms of sheer numbers, there seems no threat of anything like eclipse of the Castle.

It is as well to realise that the College is operating under constraining physical factors as far as its size is concerned. Lumley is full; all our rooms in Durham inside and outside the Castle walls are full - some too full in the sense that we are using some rooms as double rooms which I would much prefer to be single sets. Our dining hall is quite full at lunch when the whole of the College is in it. Small but increasing numbers of our members are however now spending four years studying for an Honours Degree, especially in Science under the new regulations. I have concluded that it is only fair that a man shall not have four years in College rooms so long as we are compelled to put any out in lodgings for one of their three undergraduate years. Next session I must move out into lodgings some who have had three years "in" even though they will not graduate until June, 1957. In future I shall prevent the recurrence of this situation so far as it can be foreseen by putting out into lodgings in their third year those who will be taking four years for their degree, so that they can have their final year in College. Only by so

doing can I keep up the number of the annual "intake" of Freshmen without increasing the number of men who must go into lodgings even for one of their three undergraduate years.

During the year comparatively small changes have taken place in our buildings in Durham. The repair of the boathouse roof was completed at a cost far in excess of the original estimate and the decrepit washbasins inside have been replaced by new basins, sinks and showers, although none can have hot water. The caterer's quarters were greatly improved at low cost by converting a bathroom into a kitchenette, a toilet into a bathroom and by re-decoration. Four sets of rooms in Abbey House have been made more habitable as double bed-sitting rooms by putting sound-insulating partitions between them. Elsewhere replacements and improvements to plumbing and electrical fittings seem to have taken all the remaining money and more.

The most important project started at the end of the academic year was the improvement of the tower rooms at Lumley mentioned in my last letter. It was completed for the beginning of the 1956-57 session and every one of the 75 students in Lumley Castle will then have either a single or a double bed-sitting room. No more bedroom cubicles and a place in a study shared with three, five or seven others, such as Lumley has offered ever since the conversion in 1946, when, to cope with the post-war bulge of ex-servicemen these arrangements were considered quite adequate. The cost of this work will be borne on the "Minor Works Grant" allocated to the Durham Colleges by the University Grants Committee. other significant improvement at Lumley which is scheduled for the future is connecting it with a new high-tension electricity supply through a new set of transformers in a small building to be unobtrusively situated in the grounds outside the Castle. The effect will be to give far more possibilities in Lumley for providing additional lighting and power points where needed. A smaller improvement borne on the Minor Works Grant is the conversion of a dismal bedders pantry in the base of the Keep in Durham into new bathrooms (3 baths, 2 showers, 3 basins) in the hope that such improved amenities will be appreciated not only by our own men but by organisers of

conferences seeking vacation accommodation in Durham. Sanction has also been obtained for drawing up plans and obtaining estimates for re-designing the Castle Kitchen, the difficulty of running which has become a pressing problem. The new design will not detract from the interesting mediaeval features of the kitchen; on the contrary, with new cooking equipment concentrated into one place, these features will be freed from a tangle of modern pipes and thus will be more readily seen and appreciated.

What of future plans involving Cosin's Hall and Bailey House, both of which are known to be structurally suspect if not actually unsafe? It is no longer a secret that the plans for the next quinquennium in Durham, starting in 1957, include a survey of, with a view to rebuilding, quite a number of the old buildings in the area bounded by Dun Cow Lane, North Bailey, Owengate (or Queen Street) and the east side of Palace Green. Preliminary surveys seem to indicate the desirability of rebuilding on both sides of Owengate, right up to and including the Master's House! The sites could accommodate several residential blocks which, together with a redesigned Cosin's Hall would provide perhaps seventy extra student places clearly appropriately situated to be parts of University College. It is not proposed to alter the old almshouses (now lecture rooms), the Pemberton building or the Palace Green side of Abbey House. But Bailey House would no longer be part of University College under the plan, being redesigned probably as accommodation for Arts Departments. The future of Abbey House is less certain although for a time at least I believe it would still be part of "Castle". implications of this bold concept are of course of the greatest importance for our future and would ultimately raise the question whether Lumley Castle should continue to be part of the College. But this is looking far ahead indeed and at present plans are perhaps little more than visions. Even if generally approved in principle by the University Grants Committee it may be many years before the necessary funds can be made available so that plans can be put into practice. It does mean however that the older proposal to rebuild Bailey House, with a connecting wing linking it to a redesigned Cosin's Hall will probably be scrapped, and one is bound to say that the new larger concept is far preferable. If we could have new College rooms on both sides of Owengate and extending to Cosin's Hall but not beyond, we should once more be reasonably compact. Our community would benefit greatly from such a change, a benefit which has been denied to it throughout the period of great expansion since the war.

Castellum is not the most appropriate place to expiate on the financial problems of the College, but particularly in view of the recent increases in maintenance fees to £50 a term and the proposed increases in tuition fees by £15 or £10 a year from 1957-58, a brief statement may not be out of place. Even after the considerable increase in the annual grant made by Council to the College of which I wrote last year, it soon became apparent that we were still not going to make ends meet this year. Increases in costs of commodities and in wages swallowed up extra income even as it was received. The most unforeseen blow has been a very large increase in the cost of heating the Castle from the District Heating Scheme. Last year special meters were installed in order to measure the heat received from the central installation, but our hopes of a reduction in the Castle's share of the total were completely dashed when the meter readings show that we should be debited with even more! result will inevitably be a large insurmountable deficit again. If we can never have a surplus despite the most careful housekeeping it is difficult to see how we can effect the vitally necessary improvements to our furniture and standard of accommodation and amenities generally. Yet without that improvement we cannot hope to attract residential courses to the Castle in the vacations, in competition with other Colleges who, out of credit balances in their accounts, have been able to improve themselves in this respect. Nowadays it is the income from vacation courses which keeps residential Colleges "out of the red". Our vicious downward spiral must somehow be broken or there would arise the risk of the Castle not being able to give a square deal to its own members. Value for the considerable sums of money they now pay must be given in the way of good accommodation, furniture, food and other amenities. The Castle spirit is strong but it would not be unbreakable if our finances caused us to run-down to the third rate in these by no means unimportant material aspects of College life. So there is a financial problem to be solved still, and I only hope I shall be able to indicate some progress with it when next I write to Castellum.

I have greatly appreciated the help given to me during the past year by our new Bursar, Mr. Robertson. I am more than ever sure that the re-organisation of functions, with Mr. Thomson as Senior Tutor and Mr. Robertson as Bursar, is an improvement on the earlier arrangement, with two Tutors, one in Arts and one in Science, to help the Master. Senior Common Room during the year has been larger in number than usual. There were no changes in the Tutors but we welcomed Mr. Major and Dr. Bott, new members of the teaching staff, lecturing in Physics and Geophysics respectively, both of whom had rooms in Lumley. Later Mr. Messenger, an Old Castleman, who had spent some years as a missionary in India, joined High Table to undertake further studies in Theology. Living in Abbey House and assisting with Chapel Services, he has been a welcome addition to S.C.R. Mr. Derhalli, Lecturer in Arabic and for the past two years a Tutor, is to our regret leaving Durham to take up a post with the B.B.C. I wish him well in his new responsibilities and I am sure many Castlemen will join me in this and in thanks for the notable part he has played in the College for some years. Mr. Dewdney married during the Easter Vacation and is now living close to College in North Bailey and continuing as a Tutor. The Senior Common Room of the College received a gift of silver from the former Master, Lt.-Col. A. A. Macfarlane-Grieve, who presented two fine silver salvers and two silver toast-racks. Governing Body has already expressed its thanks to him, but I should like personally and here in Castellum to say how much I appreciate these beautiful embellishments of our High Table.

There are not many developments elsewhere in the Durham Colleges to which I can draw attention in this letter. As I write, workmen have started to demolish part of the Fives Court on the other side of our Fellows' Garden, which will be remembered by many who read this. They are to be incorporated in an extension of the University Library. The new Fives Courts which were promised have not yet been built on the Racecourse Playing Fields owing to some delay in obtaining approval for their design. It is a pity that the playing of Fives in the Division as a whole will almost certainly be interrupted for a time until the new courts are ready, but it has been decided that the urgency of the need for a Library extension

must be the ruling factor in priorities. 43 North Bailey, to house the History Department with a "married quarters" flat above, is mostly built as regards outside walls and roof, but it will probably not be ready for occupation and use until well into the Michaelmas Term. I am wondering whether I can hope for the release of the ground floor lecture room in Cosin's Hall in consequence! It would be a boon if it could be returned to University College use again after the vicissitudes through which it has passed since the war: St. Cuthbert's Society J.C.R.; St. Aidan's Society J.C.R.; Classics Department library and lecture room; and now general "spare" lecture room to enable the Secretary to deal with time-table clashes. St. Cuthbert's Society is to have an extension built on to the end of 13 South Bailey to house a dozen more students in single rooms. South End House, vacated by the Oriental Studies Department is to be adapted for use as an annexe for research and other work under the Departments of Geography, Botany and Zoology. The biggest building project, which it is hoped will be started before the present University Quinquennium ends in 1957, is an entirely new College for 200 men! The death of Dr. Faber (to which I refer again later), who was to have collaborated as engineer with Professor J. S. Allen as architect for the new College, has led to more than ordinary delay as a joint contract became void. It is hoped that difficulties will be overcome however and that building can still be begun before the end of 1957 although it will be on a new plan and even on a new site. Most other major projects involving new developments and building must now await the result of submitting Quinquennial plans and estimates to the U.G.C. An important change is to take place in "another place" for which, despite rivalry and appearances sometimes to the contrary, we have a healthy respect and liking! Hatfield College is to lose its present Master, Mr. Eric Birley, who having been Reader in Archaeology for some years is now to resign the Mastership to become Professor of Roman-British History and Archaeology. In congratulating Mr. Birley we commiserate with Hatfield which has been in a sense rebuilt since its separation from University College in 1948, and undoubtedly owes much of its present strength to the Master who has guided its growth for the past eight years. Dr. T. Whitworth, of Oriel College, Oxford, will be the new Master.

I should like to say how proud we are to bask in the reflected glory from an Old Castleman recently elected Archbishop of West Africa—Dr. J. L. C. Horstead. It is very right and proper too that the University should have conferred an Honorary Degree on him this year in Fourah Bay. I have asked the Editor to print the official extracts from the University Gazette which includes the Speech of Presentation when the Degree was conferred.

I note with regret the death during the year of another great benefactor of the College, Dr. Oscar Faber, the consultant engineer to whose skill we owe the successful stabilizing of the Castle when it was threatened with collapse a quarter of a century ago. I am sure all Castlemen will be gratified that Council have agreed to put up a brass memorial tablet in the Hall to commemorate the vital part played in this work by Professor P. J. Heawood as Secretary of the Durham Castle Preservation Fund. It is our further intention to have a pair of photographs hung somewhere on the black staircase, one of Professor Heawood and one of Dr. Faber, with a suitable inscription drawing attention to the debt we owe to them both, for their respective and complementary labours in saving Durham Castle from ruin. Another Old Castleman died peacefully recently-Canon L. L. Knightall, Rector and Rural Dean of Stanhope, who came so often to our Castlemen's Reunions. I am sure that many of you will miss him, and we much regret that, at the comparatively early age of 60, he should have been called from our midst.

It is no mere annual formality to express my thanks for and appreciation of the help I have received during the past year from the Senior Man, Mr. J. R. Bureau and the Secretary of the J.C.R., Mr. D. J. Crompton. In the opening sentence of this letter I referred to the smooth working of student activities and the success attending them; there can be no doubt that both Mr. Bureau and Mr. Crompton played major parts in ensuring this, and I am one of many owing gratitude to them for it. The College clubs, judging from their manifold successes on river, playing fields, track and elsewhere, were clearly well led and supported. "Floreats" following sporting triumphs now have to be "telescoped" or "rationalised" to be kept within a reasonable number during the year.

Despite what I have written of the difficulties facing the College —and there are many others of which I have not written!—I continue to be heartened by the essential soundness of those who together account for most of our number-J.C.R., the ever-present yet everchanging generation of Castlemen, who not only inherit a fine tradition but generally do something to make it worth while passing on. Quite a lot of my time and energy is, with the Senior Tutor's help, directed to picking out from an embarrassingly large number of applicants, the next batch of Freshers to join our community. It is quite an interesting responsibility, the more so because I can subsequently watch the progress of the same individuals through College. It is no less interesting to watch the changes after they have graduated, gone down and come up again, say, for Castlemen's Reunions or Castle Day. There are several recurrent themes in my experience of this progression: pride in and loyalty to the Castle, growing from Freshmen year to graduation; a strong and constant esprit de corps which however stops healthily short of blind or unthinking allegiance; and so often, when returning after going down, a curiously heightened appreciation of what the College and their time here meant to them, although they didn't always realise it at the time. Observing this is of real value to a Master, encouraging him in the face of difficulties and sometimes giving him a salutary reminder that the College is yours, not his. I look forward to meeting as many of you as can come to the next Castlemen's Reunion in April and to joining you again in a "Floreat Castellum".

L. SLATER.

REUNION DINNER

PROPOSING the Toast at the Reunion Dinner, the Rev. G. R. Berriman said that in his day there were 57 in residence in University College—now there were 257. In those days, he said, even "theological swots" turned out to play rugger and soccer for the College. There was an atmosphere of friendliness and intimacy. Mr. Berriman's praise however did not extend to the plumbing in the Castle then and this had undergone a few improvements since. He said also that members of the Durham Castlemen's Society, if they attended the Reunion, had the privilege of a cheap holiday annually in one of England's best mediaeval castles.

Replying for the College, the Vice-Master said what the College needed was a group of buildings near to one another. He referred to the Castle's central place in the Durham Colleges' scene and said that the trend in the Colleges was to cut apron strings and leave the separate Colleges to develop more autonomy. The same thing was happening in College, where the development was towards the minimum amount of control by the senior members. Durham Colleges had increased its contributions to both the Castle and Lumley accounts, but he and the Master were increasingly having to show the knowledge and talents of hotel proprietors, for successful vacation letting for conferences and other outside occasions was more and more becoming a part of any college administrator's life.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The notice in last year's *Castellum* warning that people behindhand with subscriptions would not be sent copies in future years brought in £25 extra in subscriptions. The Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. J. Spedding, said this in his report at the Society's Annual General Meeting in the Undercroft. The meeting was held as usual on the day of the Reunion Dinner.

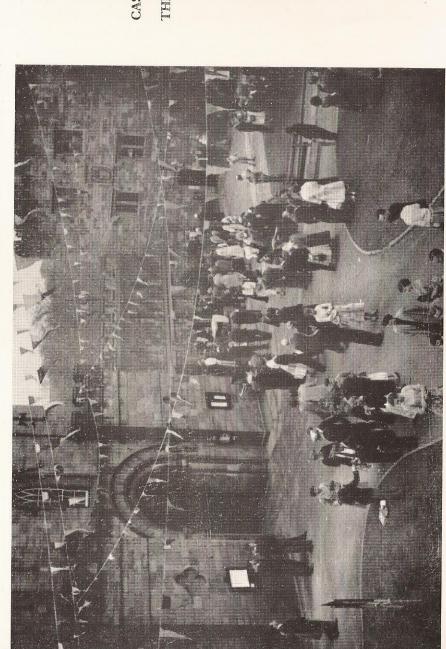
Mr. Spedding said that the Society currently had 75 Life Members, 110 members paying subscriptions by Banker's Order, and 15 members paying directly. There are this year 61 Student members. The Society lost about £16 in the financial year to 31st March, 1956, compared with a loss of £40 in 1954-55. It was agreed again to donate £25 to the Committee of Captains.

It was also agreed to offer copies of the 1956 Castellum, to members of the J.C.R. who were not Student members, at a price of 2s.

Elections

Mr. Spedding was re-elected as Hon. Secretary-Treasurer. The Rev. T. H. Corden was re-elected as the Society's representative on the Governing Body of University College. The Rev. F. S. M. Chase and Mr. J. Bureau, who was Senior Man in 1955-56, were elected to the Committee. Mr. B. H. Scrivener retired from the Committee. The Rev. T. H. Corden, also due to retire, retained his place on the Committee as Representative on the College Governing Body.

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CASTLE DAY IN THE COURTYARD

Next Reunion

The next Reunion date was fixed for Saturday, 26th April, 1957.

College Organ Fund Started

The Master told the Society's Annual General Meeting that the College Organist and others had launched a fund to provide for improvements to the College Organ. Recitals and other events were to be held to help the fund's progress. The Master said he had been in touch with Harrison's, the famous organ builders in Durham, and they would say whether the improvements hoped for were feasible.

The Society members agreed that if and when any improvement scheme was put forward the Society would give any donation it could afford.

THE MAN IN THE BOX

THERE will be no Old Castleman who is without vivid memories of Durham's traffic problems, especially in the two approaches to the Market Place from Elvet Bridge and from Framwellgate. Not least perhaps will their acquaintance with this problem be associated with its central figure, the policeman in the Market Place box. As a centre for revelry of every description this box has always been without equal in Durham. Its position in the square was always an irresistable invitation to form a circle and, most luring prospect of all, to cock a harmless snook at the official representative of law and order whose luckless station it might be for the evening.

Ferocious as the occupant of the box undoubtedly was in castigating any who failed to observe his rigid traffic laws, it says a great deal that his response to apparently maniacal shambling circles of students was always good natured. Sometimes undoubtedly the gentleman was embarrassed, and that was understandable. Many who will cheerfully face an audience arranged neatly in front are more than a little put out by one in a circle right round them. Furthermore, the audience in this case (if such a word is appropriate to so active a body) was usually noisy and at least half made up of women students. And the traffic, after all, had still to go on.

It would, of course, be a mistaken policeman indeed who chose to stand on his dignity in such circumstances. Nevertheless all credit to him for not doing so. Part of Durham's status as a university city is no doubt accounted for by this appreciation on the part of its policemen of what is proper and tactful behaviour in this and similar situations.

These recollections, which so far have been random indeed, were prompted by stories in the papers which indicate that progress is trying to catch up with Durham's traffic problem—and particularly with the policeman in the box. Nothing less than electronics has been brought to bear on the subject. The city, it appears, has tried an experiment with closed circuit television as a way of helping the Market Place policeman to keep things going smoothly.

A small television camera was installed in a room in the Castle Hotel overlooking Framwellgate Bridge, and a second one in a miniature dovecote affair on top of a lamp-post at the Saddler Street end of Elvet Bridge. The cameras were linked to two five-inch television screens in the policeman's box in the Market Place. On his screen the policeman on duty could see how many vehicles were waiting at Framwellgate and Elvet and operate the lights which he controls from his box accordingly.

The city's final judgment on the experiment is not known at the time of going to press, but the matter certainly caused a considerable stir. One hopes, from a feeling of nostalgic affection, that it will lead to a lightening of the Market Place policeman's burden. Perhaps it will leave him more free to study the strange collection of people from the Colleges, who from time to time encircle and serenade him. We must hope, too, that this application of science to his job will not destroy that leisurely approach which characterised his previous method of apparent inspired guesswork in controlling the traffic. A man standing in Durham Market Place guessing about the state of traffic on Elvet and Framwellgate bridges must surely develop a high philosophy of life, well above mere ordinary perplexities. It may be, of course, that with television to help him he need no longer be stationed in the Market Place at all, but can take his philosophical reflections to a worthier site-Palace Green for instance-and control the traffic from there.

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The result, however, may be sadly different from this. Linked now to science, needing occult powers no longer, the policeman may become devoted to the lesser, shadowy reality on his television screen, and have only a baleful eye for students, who would regale him with a dance so unprofessional as to reveal disturbingly genuine high spirits. D.H.

News about People

OLD CASTLEMAN AWARDED HONORARY DEGREE

A Γ a Congregation held at Fourah Bay College on 18th January, 1956, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Sir James Duff, conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa, on the Most Reverend James Lawrence Cecil Horstead, Archbishop of West Africa, who was a Foundation Scholar of University College after World War I.

The Public Orator's Speech of Presentation was as follows: -

"I have the honour to present to you the Most Reverend James Lawrence Cecil Horstead. He was at school at Christ's Hospital in England, and immediately after the First World War he went up to the University of Durham as a Foundation Scholar of University College. After graduating with Honours in Mathematics in 1921 he turned to the study of Theology as a Lightfoot Scholar of the University and obtained Honours in that subject in 1923. He remained in Durham as curate of St. Margaret's Church, but after three years he began his long service in West Africa. years he was Principal of Fourah Bay College until he was consecrated Bishop of Sierra Leone in St. Paul's Cathedral in London in 1936, and nearly twenty years' work in that position was followed by his recent election as Archbishop of West Africa. He is stout-hearted and kind-hearted, tireless in the service of his fellows and a many-sided man whose gifts include skill in swimming and lawn-tennis. College which he served with devotion and whose strong affection for the University of Durham, which is already his, is a source of pride and joy to its members in England, I am to ask you to forge a new link and to confer upon his Grace the Archbishop of West Africa the degree of Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa."

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The following is an extract from a letter received by the Secretary from the Rev. J. P. Smith. Mr. Smith was at Castle from 1903 to 1906 and is now 75. Dr. Pace was one of his friends at Durham. He has served 50 years in the Church, recently resigning the benefice of Silverdale, near Carnforth, Lancashire. He now lives at Watford.

"A year or two ago I got four months leave and my wife and I visited the States where our youngest daughter is living. We travelled the seaboard from New York to the Rio Grande (Mexican frontier) and had a most interesting time. Among other interesting experiences I visited Duke University, Durham, and many marvellous places in North Carolina. The Gulf of Mexico was fine.

Before leaving the North I did manage to get over to Durham for the day and greatly admired the Norman Chapel. My first rooms were in the Keep (in 1903)."

Residence at Castle for one R.A.F. Short Course, No. 9 in 1945, despite attendance at two other universities since, has been enough to leave R. M. Burton with a close interest in Castle matters which still survives.

He has written to say that after his short course he went to Cranwell, received his wings and left the R.A.F. after reaching the rank of Flight Lieutenant. He then read medicine at Sheffield University, qualifying as a doctor in 1954. He then spent a year at the Allary Hospital, New York, on a travelling scholarship granted for a year of hospital work in the U.S.

He is now at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, reading for a degree in Physiology. He spends his vacations in General Practice with his father at Sheffield.

At present in Kuching, Sarawak, but hoping to be at next year's Reunion, is the VERY REV. L. R. WILSON (1927-28). He has moved from the Vicarage to the Provost's House in Kuching, as he is now Provost of the New Cathedral there, which was consecrated on 9th June.

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The REV. F. L. LANGSTON wrote immediately on receiving his last *Castellum* from Beatenberg, Switzerland, where he was lecturing at a missionary college. He has been out of England, he says, for five years, and his travels have taken in America, Canada, Las Palmas, Kenya and Uganda.

Mr. Langston was up at Castle from 1900 to 1902, when Dr. Plummer and Dr. Gee ruled in the College. There were only about 35 students in Castle then, but it was "to the front in all the sports".

One or two pleasant Castle Reunions on a small scale have been held recently in the New World. HAROLD EVANS (1949-52), arriving in New York for a year in the U.S. on a Commonwealth Fund Scholarship for journalists, was met from the ship by ROY ARNOLD (1947-51). Roy is working for a publishing firm in America. On subsequent no doubt festive occasions they were joined by BRIAN SCRIVENER, now flying with B.O.A.C. on the Atlantic route.

Another unexpected centre for Castle reminiscence, though much nearer home, is at the Imperial Chemical Industries works on Teesside. Your Editor joined the Labour Department at the Billingham Works early this year to find as Deputy Labour Manager Dr. Alan Robertson, who lived in the Keep as a Castleman doing a year's post-graduate research in chemistry from 1945-46. Also at Billingham already were Ray Jackson (1949-51), John Broadbent (1949-52), and J. Mawson (1943-46).

On the way to the factory one morning, however, I spotted another familiar face from the bus. It hardly seemed possible, because the last heard of this particular Castleman was that he was in the Colonial Service, but it did indeed prove to be John Hurley (short course and 1948-51). He had served in the Colonial Service in Basutoland, but had decided to return to work in England and taken a job at Billingham. Tom Kent (1949-52) has also recently joined the I.C.I. staff at Billingham in Instruments Research, having previously been working with the Ministry of Supply.

At the I.C.I. works on the other side of the river at Wilton is HARRY RILEY, working on instrument research. In the evenings and at week-ends, however, he is a busy farmer at Commondale on the

North Yorkshire moors, rearing ponies, cattle and pigs and thoroughly enjoying a rural life. Harry's cars, which were always such a notable feature on Palace Green, are as remarkable as ever, his current one being a magnificent looking old London taxi.

Yet another I.C.I. link, of course, is RIDLEY COATES (Senior Man in 1951-52), at Northwich, Cheshire. He wrote to say that a slipped disc or allied disorder had put him in a plaster cast for several months. However, he was managing to work half-time and hoped soon to be fully recovered.

JOHN ROBSON, of the same era as Ridley Coates, is now working at Harwell.

It will be of interest to many Old Castlemen to hear that BILL BURDUS is now married, to Ann Beatty from St. Mary's College. They are living at Shincliffe.

RALPH APPLETON (1949-52) is also now married.

BERNARD PACE (1949-53), who has again had to have a considerable spell in hospital, is now fit again and may be going to Trinidad to work in the New Year.

MAURICE PALLISTER will be starting work shortly as a Factory Inspector. JOHN BRIDGES moved into this field from insurance some time ago.

BILL MAPLESON is now at the Department of Anaesthetics, Royal Infirmary, Cardiff.

St. John Medal

Mr. H. C. H. Francis (1911-13 and 1921-22) who teaches in the Choristers School at Durham, was decorated with the St. John Ambulance Long Service Medal on 30th September. He received the medal from Sir Myers Wayman, Durham County Commissioner for the St. John Ambulance Brigade, at a parade of the Durham Branch.

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Mr. Francis was recently appointed Area Cadet Secretary for the Brigade's South Durham Area.

Canon L. L. Knighthall

We regret to report the death of the Rev. L. L. Knighthall, Rector and Rural Dean of Stanhope, Co. Durham. He was at Castle from 1921-23, and before he went to Stanhope in 1945 he had been Proctor, Rural Dean and Canon of Sheffield Cathedral. He served on many Diocesan Committees and on the Archbishop's Commission on Nullity of Marriage.

The Venerable Lancelot Farquharson Addison

We regret also to report the death of the Venerable L. F. Addison (1904-05). The obituary notice below was sent to us by Captain R. R. Oakley.

"Lancelot Farquharson Addison came up to Durham in 1904, a tall, lanky figure with eyes like an owl. Indeed he was "The Owl" to some of us, which befitted an old Leeds Grammar School boy, whose badge was an owl. He was by no means brilliant nor yet a plodder, for the Castle in those days, and especially the Keep, was a playboys' paradise. Often we donned our footer or rowing shorts on getting out of bed, deliberately cutting Galilee and all lectures.

Of course, Nemesis came down upon us, and after the First Year examination, The Master, Doctor Gee and Lance's father, put their heads together and decided that he should go to Lichfield and thereby enable his younger brother to go up to Christ Church, Oxford. It was a reasonable decision, I suppose, but many years later I had the (secret) pleasure of saying to Dr. Gee, then Dean of Gloucester, "You know, Sir, you made a mistake about Addison". For L. F. A. was a late developer. I visited him at Lichfield and saw him rising to the surface.

Addison was ordained at Lichfield in 1909 and after serving as curate at St. Mary's Church, Stafford, and Brighouse, near Leeds, he became Vicar of St. Thomas', Halifax. In July, 1916, he married Constance, who bore the same name, being the youngest daughter of

G. S. Addison, Esq., of Stafford. Three years later a son was born, John Norreys, afterwards to distinguish himself as a Gunner Officer in the Burma campaign. But the steep hills of Halifax and very strenuous work during World War I. laid the seeds of a life-long illness and Addison was offered the living of Cranbourne, in Dorset, by Lord Salisbury, where he remained for twenty-seven years.

A country living did not however mean a rest to L.F.A., for he loved his fellow-men and was very active as Scout Master, being D.S.M. and G.S.M., and he entered into all village life and sport. During World War II. he had large British and American camps on his hands, where he made a name for himself for his humanity and simple godliness.

In 1946 he became Rural Dean of Wimbourne, and very soon afterwards a Canon and Prebendary of Salisbury Cathedral. In the following year he was appointed by Bishop Lunt to succeed Bishop Rodgers as Archdeacon of Dorset. No one was more surprised than himself, but he had found his metier, for in addition to his love for his fellows, he possessed tact and a fund of common sense, combined with real business ability. His sphere was a wide one, stretching from Gillingham to Branksome and including the new housing estates around Parkstone and Poole, while he had also become Rector of Corfe Castle. He served on no less than ten Diocesan committees and was continually visiting Salisbury for this purpose. He put such zest into his work that he literally wore himself out. After another severe illness he resigned from the living of Corfe Castle and went to live at De Vaux in the Close at Salisbury, where he was appointed Treasurer of the Cathedral which he loved. He passed away on 18th November, 1955, aged 69 years.

Archdeacon Addison was a holy and humble man of heart with a wonderful, child-like faith. He was beloved by all and perhaps his greatest asset was his humanity. Some 140 clergy attended the service in Salisbury Cathedral, which was conducted by the Bishop of Salisbury, assisted by the Bishop of Sherborne, the Dean and the Precentor, who had arranged the music."

COLLEGE REPORTS

J. C. R.

A T LAST we seem to have broken that long series of accidents which had become an occupational hazard as far as the Senior Men of Castle were concerned, beginning with Brian Levick and ending with George Ward. Neville Willder survived and so did Jack Bureau.

The year has seen many events but few changes. The most notable change was the arrival of a new Bursar whose responsibility it is to look after College finance and property. Mr. Robertson, together with Mr. Dudley Wilson, has made great improvements in the College wine cellar.

The Freshers' Conference was the usual opportunity for Freshmen to have a look at their College before term started. It was, needless to say, the opportunity for old hands like Pip Harrison (positively his last appearance) to shoot horrible lines about the old days and sell three gowns (for which the Colleges Bookshop had offered him 5/- the lot) for 10/- each. The sports clubs had their talent scouts out, giving the Freshmen the impression that they had come across an outing of the Olympic Games Selection Committee.

The Freshers' Debate, the first event of note in the year, at Lumley brought the usual "subtle" quips and someone was actually heard to speak. Unfortunately the J.C.R. blotted its copy-book, doing a certain amount of damage. The result was the banning by the Vice-Master from holding the Debate there in future years. It was decided not to abandon the Debate but to hold one of a more subdued nature in Durham.

The Visitors' Night Debate was not the success it has been in previous years but a pleasant evening was enjoyed by those who attended.

The two entertainment evenings of the year — the Freshers' Coffee and the Castle Wine were held once again and were out-

standing as musical entertainments. The Coffee was a genuine exhibition of First Year talent, which made a change from showing the First Year what talent already existed in the College. So high was the standard that H.M. Judges of Assize, resident at the time, were attracted to the Great Hall by a pianist and requested permission to listen.

A more balanced programme was achieved during the entertainment on Castle Day. This part followed, as usual, tea in the Fellows' Garden. It featured an opera after the style of Mike Fossett and was up to his excellent standard. The leading roles were played with great feeling by the familiar pair (and authors) Hansen and Orrell; appearing for the last time together. The rest of the day's programme followed the normal pattern. Indeed the Committee, while being open to suggestions for changes, could find no better order for the day—a visit to the Lower Tunstall Bar, lunch in the Great Hall and then the garden party and tea.

Unfortunately the weather was very unkind. For once, although it did not actually rain, we had a very cold day, overcast with heavy cloud. In vain we looked for the proverbial blue patch for the proverbial elephant's proverbial trousers.

The afternoon saw some new stunts and some resurrected old ones. Roger Whitehead, captain of the tug-o'-war, was declared an early victim in the pillow fight to prevent his doing any more damage. Tea was not a success because of the weather, although Mr. Harley's catering was first class. Then followed the entertainment, the Chapel Service and the Dance.

As the years pass the organisation and running of Castle Day becomes smoother and more efficient. Many thanks are due to the pioneers, whose hard work established this event.

The Castle Informal Dance was held during the first term bringing with it a good evening and the usual rash of engagement announcements.

Of other J.C.R. business the most important was the unanimous election of another honorary member of the J.C.R. He is Dr. Hugh Brown, an old Rowing Palatinate. Hugh has come through from his

home in Newcastle every weekend wet or fine to assist Bill Burdus in coaching Castle Boat crews. It is these two together who are responsible for the success of Castle rowing in the last few years and one way the J.C.R. can say thank you for their services. Hugh's interest in the College, however, is not confined to rowing. He takes a keen interest in all J.C.R. affairs and functions. This is only the second time within memory that the honour has been bestowed on anyone. It is felt by all that the recipient is indeed worthy of the honour.

Once again the J.C.R. became a member of the National Union of Students. The oratory during this debate was entertaining and intelligent. It was felt that reforms in N.U.S. since withdrawal in 1951 justified reaffiliation. The Senior Man was sent as delegate to the annual conference held during the Easter Vacation at Leeds.

During the year an extra T.V. aerial has been fitted into the Study Room on Hall Stairs, once Mr. Offlar's study and later a temporary J.C.R., so that viewers would not be inconvenienced by Societies using the Undercroft. The Room is not used during the evening for its prime purpose, as most of the inhabitants have by that time returned to Lumley or digs.

The Master asked for the feeling of the J.C.R. on the opening of the Common Room to vacation courses. The College depends financially on these courses but there is no central meeting place, other than the J.C.R., which they can use. The defenders of tradition saw the last place sacred to the J.C.R. was being invaded but others felt that as long as "adequate protection was given to rare books etc." as in the Oxford and Cambridge Common Rooms, then the J.C.R. would benefit indirectly. This opinion carried the day.

The J.C.R. also confirmed the Committee of Captain's decision to abolish the system of re-awarding colours. Full colours only are now awarded, for it will be remembered that half-colours were abandoned some years ago.

A U.C. Photographic Society has been formed but the Committee of Captains refused to amend its constitution to enable the President to sit with them. In addition Mr. Collinge, the Treasurer, was reluctant to make them any grant of money. So while the Society exists as U.C. Photographic Society, it does not receive any financial assistance. One of the features of Castle Day was the Society's excellent exhibition and roving camermen also took photographs of guests at a small charge.

In the field of sport Castle has won the Winter Trophy for the second year in succession. A special mention should be given to the Tug-o'-War team, who won the championship two years in succession (and incidentally gained 12 vital points towards the Athletics Trophy). All other Colleges trained for this event; Castle did not but went down to the Race Course and won!

I would like to place on record the J.C.R.'s appreciation of the work of Jack Bureau. He has maintained the high tradition of Castle Senior Men and it has been a pleasure to work with him.

D. J. CROMPTON,

Hon. Secretary.

LUMLEY

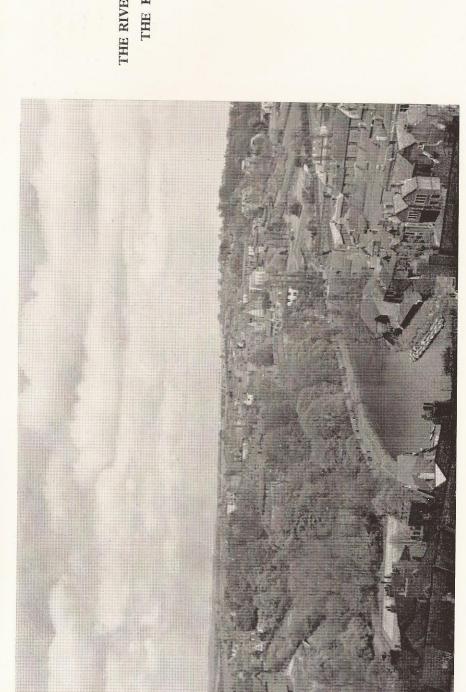
It is generally agreed that 'a good time' is had by all at Lumley and the year 1955-56 was certainly no exception. The community spirit grows from strength to strength and each year, due to close co-operation of staff and students, "esprit de corps" is high.

The year was notable in many respects but primarily for its innovations. Lumley decided to celebrate November 5th in due style and an "open" evening was arranged which was attended and enjoyed by many guests. A large bonfire was constructed and a firework display staged; roast potatoes and parkin were served. The evening was efficiently managed by a fireworks committee formed by Messrs. Casall, Clark and the Senior Men's representative, Mr. David Hart.

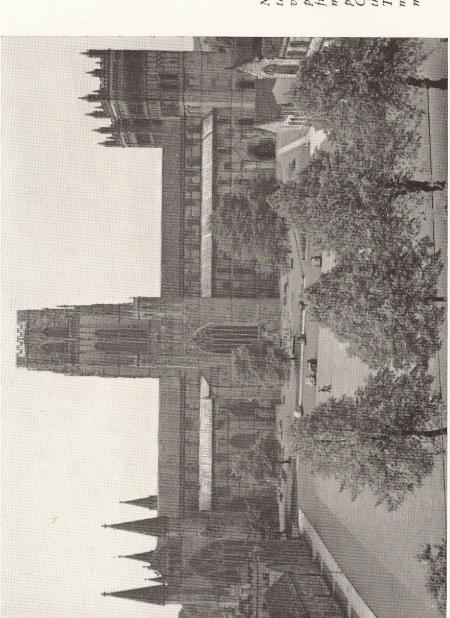
The second innovation of the year was the performance of a Nativity play expertly organised by Geoffrey Curtis in which most gentlemen took part.

Once again Lumley claimed the firkin of beer for the highest amount of money—over 30/- per head collected during the Rag.

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THE RIVER FROM THE KEEP



THE CATHEDRAL FROM THE KEEP

No apology is offered for the "picture-postcard" views here and on the next page. They were taken from the Castle Keep and must have been a daily prospect for countless Old Castlemen who lived in these particular rooms. Their reproduction here may awaken some pleasant memories of those times. As usual Lumley dances were a great success and we enjoyed the use of the Garter Room on two occasions. In spite of poor weather Lumley Day was as always a great occasion and our thanks are due to Geoffrey Curtis and Victor Crowther for an excellent entertainment.

Finally a word of thanks to Mr. David Hart, our Senior Man's Representative who organised everything with patient and untiring efficiency, and also to Dr. and Mrs. Prowse who were ever ready with enthusiasm and help in all our ventures.

D. P. B.

BOAT CLUB

In the Michaelmas Term, Castle won the Senate Bowl for the first time since 1947! The win came as a surprise to many towpath critics as the crew was not a pretty one to watch and had been compared unfavourably with the polished King's crew. However the Castle victory justified the policy of selecting the most powerful crew and our coaches, Bill Burdus and Hugh Brown, concentrated on making each man's work effective rather than on producing a good looking combination.

At the beginning of the year, with three Senate colours, four junior oarsmen and a new stroke from Clare College, Cambridge, there was some competition for places in the Senate boat but the crew finally selected was J. E. Maund at bow; D. M. Moore (2), B. K. Welch (3), B. Worthy (stroke) and D. Cook (cox). All four oarsmen were graduates and their experience probably contributed to their eventual success.

Castle had an easy passage to the final, beating King's "B", Bede and John's, and came up against the much fancied King's "A" in the final, a race which can rarely have been equalled for excitement. Castle held on to a slight lead down the Short Course but King's, an easy side, came out of Elvet Bridge a length up. It was on the Hatfield stretch that Castle were tested and rowing from behind they did well to prevent King's from going further ahead. With Bow Corner in their favour and cox gaining every inch for his crew by hugging the inside of the bend, Castle reduced King's lead to half a length at the top of the Minute Reach. From there

onwards, Stroke drove his crew magnificently and Castle's power and determination began to tell. In one of the closest finishes seen over the Long Course, Castle got home by a canvas.

Also in the first team, B. L. Hodges won the Presidents Sculls, a fine achievement after only one term's sculling.

For the first time for some years, we had two novice crews rowing consisting entirely of freshmen and although neither crew succeeded in reaching the final of the novices' event both crews showed a great deal of keenness, an essential ingredient of successful rowing.

With two victories to celebrate the Senate Dinner was a riotous success and happily Colonel Macfarlane-Grieve was able to be present to speak on behalf of the guests.

In the Epiphany term, Castle were unfortunate not to bring home more trophies. The first Graduates crew were going well when stroke was injured and the reshuffled crews could not get enough mileage in before the races to do themselves justice. As it was, they were beaten in the final of the Graduates Cup by St. Chad's. A Castle pair and sculler were in training for Lowe Pairs and Gabbett Sculls and were going well when the events had to be cancelled because of the lack of support from other colleges.

During the Epiphany Term, our Senate stroke was selected to stroke the 'Varsity eight.

The summer term began with four Castle crews on the river—a junior-senior crew, a junior crew and two maiden crews and prospects looked good for the summer regattas. The junior-senior crew failed to live up to expectations. Although it contained two Senate colours and two junior oarsmen it failed to develop into a winning crew and was beaten in the first rounds at Durham and York.

The junior crew however had a successful season. They shared with St. Chads the trophy for the Clinker division of the Wear Head of the River Race, an event which is now attracting a large entry from North of England clubs. They also reached the final of the junior events at York and Tyne "At Home" Regattas and were beaten by a canvas by the eventual winners in both junior events at Durham. With a little more steadiness and determination, this crew would have won more events.

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The two maiden crews put up good performances and with more fine boat experience, will become useful oarsmen for next year. The first maiden crew came 9th out of over 25 entries in the Wear Head of the River Race, got through several rounds at York and Durham and finally won the Clinker Division of Durham Colleges' Head of the River Race.

Two of our oarsmen, B. Worthy and D. M. Moore rowed in 'Varsity crews at summer regattas and at the end of the year, B. K. Welch was elected president of D.U.B.C., a great honour, not only for him but also for Castle.

Looking back over the year, it can be said that Castle had a quite successful season. Four trophies were won and 15 different oarsmen rowed or coxed in winning crews. Added to this 3 Castlemen gained distinctions in the field of University rowing. We have lost only two oarsmen and have six promising maidens rowing. Therefore Castle can look forward to a successful year's rowing in 1956-57.

Last summer a new roof was put on the boat-house and various improvements, particularly to the plumbing have been made to the changing room. Also a new clinker fine was purchased and there is now little difficulty in keeping the increasing number of Castle oarsmen rowing regularly.

It remains only to offer the Club's thanks to our coaches Bill Burdus and Hugh Brown without whose help the present healthy state of Castle rowing could not be maintained. Congratulations are also extended to Bill who was married in July. Finally, the Club is also very grateful for the help and encouragement given by the Master, whose interest in Castle rowing is a great stimulus.

LAWN TENNIS CLUB

This season was a little disappointing. We started off hopeful of retaining the tennis trophy as we still had four of last season's players who were in the Colleges 1st VI and several gentlemen playing for the 2nd VI. In the first round we beat Bede by 6 rubbers to nil, and John's by the same margin, in the second round. The final was against St. Cuthbert's and was played under very windy conditions but both teams did their best and produced some interesting results.

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The Cuthbert's 1st pair were too strong for any of us but we hoped to get the necessary rubbers against their 2nd and 3rd couples. John Clark and Peter Dixon did their share but Neil Davis and myself slipped up against their 2nd couple who also proved too strong for our 3rd couple (Paul Ebling and Barry Knox) in a 3 set thriller that decided the match. The final score was St. Cuthbert's 5 rubbers, Castle 4.

The Colleges had a fair season and when it closed Castlemen were honoured with the following colours:—

Full re-award—J. L. Clark (Capt. D.C.L.T.C.). Full award—P. S. Dixon (Sec. D.C.L.T.C.). Half awards—F. D. Barnes.

N. K. Davis.

No new College colours were awarded this season and re-awards have been abolished in Castle.

Finally, Peter Dixon kept the Colleges Singles Trophy in Castle by beating F. D. Barnes in the final by 6-2, 6-2.

F.D.B.

HOCKEY CLUB

The Hockey Club again had a successful and unbeaten season, but owing to the weather and an unfortunate combination of circumstances the deciding replay with Bede could not be played, and therefore the Cup had to be shared. The numbers of Freshmen playing for both the College and Colleges is a healthy sign for the future, and there is the nucleus of a strong side for next season. J. Lesquereux, P. J. Saville and P. H. Dunkley have all played for 'Varsity and the last for his county. The first Trophy match was against Bede, drawn 0-0; a match characterised by the number of chances frittered away by the forwards in the absence of D. J. Day. St. Cuthbert's were beaten 1-0 but because of injury and other reasons we had to field a weakened team. St. John's were defeated comfortably 3-0, and Hatfield 2-0. This last match was the best of the season, the team playing well against a spirited Hatfield side with good combination among the forwards, and solid play from the defence. At the end of the season colours were awarded to D. J. Crump, I. B. Thompson and P. J. Saville.

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FENCING CLUB

This year the Club was considerably handicapped by lack of experience, and consequently, of coaching. In spite of this, however, it was possible to arrange a match with Hatfield in which Castle were beaten by only one point, the first year putting up a very heartening performance.

J. R. Bureau, captain, put in some hard work coaching the freshers throughout the year and we hope that his efforts will show in the coming year.

In the Colbeck Cup, Castle were placed third, John's and Hatfield being first and second respectively. This deplorable result was due to the absence of experienced fencers in the team, which consisted of Messrs. J. R. Bureau, K. Bamford, B. J. Norwood and J. Smith.

At a higher level, B. J. Norwood fenced regularly for Durham Colleges, and is to be congratulated on his being awarded Colleges half-colours.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

The success of the Association Football Club can best be measured by the achievements of the team as a whole and secondly by the achievements of its individual members in the Durham Colleges and 'Varsity elevens.

It is gratifying to report that we retained the Inter-collegiate Trophy which was won in the 1954-55 season. Moreover, it was retained in far more convincing fashion than it was initially gained. From the outset we were fortunate in having eight of last season's XI in College and in finding excellent players to fill the vacancies both among the freshmen and the other years. As a result the defence proved the strongest Castle have produced for many a season, keen in the tackle and with an admirable understanding. The wing halves were constructive and there was seldom that midfield gap between forwards and defence. Johncock sprang a surprise in the Epiphany

term by relinquishing his athletic activities in order to get a first (which he did). His position at right half was more than adequately filled by Speight, who hitherto had been hiding his light under a bushel.

The forward line took longer to settle down because of frequent changes that were made on account of injury and erratic form. Although it never did succeed in functioning in accord its attacks were speedy, thrusting and always dangerous. That was its merit.

As regards our record in the Inter-collegiate Trophy we dropped one point, and that to Bede in the first match of the season. It was gratifying to beat Hatfield 3-2, thus confirming our hotly disputed victory last season and avenging the 7-1 defeat we suffered at their hands two seasons ago. John's succumbed under the usual deluge while against Cuthbert's after a hard fought first half we won quite comfortably. Our one regret was that after several postponements for bad weather Chad's were unable to field a team against us. However we can now look forward to next season with the knowledge that the entire team is returning so everything looks set fair for another excellent season.

As regards the second measure of the season's success, it can be recorded that eleven Castlemen have played for Durham Colleges first XI, which regularly included five and on one occasion eight. This must be the first time Castle has produced eleven players in training! Three members have played for the Varsity and of these C. D. Smith played in almost every game, proving a profuse goal scorer at centre forward. Moreover towards the end of the season he played a number of games for the Universities Athletic Union XI.

One thing has marred the season. That is the peculiar way in which the Castle strip would disappear after each match, sometimes en bloc and sometimes separately to divers corners of the College, only to reappear at the next match unwashed and muddy. We hope that next season we shall be able to curb these vagrant garments from their untoward meanderings.

DURHAM CASTLEMEN'S SOCIETY RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31st March, 1956

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Audited and found correct, 19th April, 1956

J. C. R. FITZGERALD-LOMBARD.

Membership of the Durham Castlemen's Society is open to all members of University College, Durham, and to all members of the teaching and administrative staff of the Durham Colleges who at any time have been resident in the College.

The annual subscribtion is Ten Shillings and should be paid each year before the end of the financial year, March 25th. Life Membership is available on payment of £5 5s. 0d. It is particularly appreciated where members guarantee the arrival of their annual subscription by completion of a Banker's Order Form obtainable from the Treasurer.

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THE 1957 REUNION

The date of the next Reunion will be Friday and Saturday, 26th and 27th April, 1957. Members are welcomed at the College on the Friday and Saturday nights. The Annual General Meeting and Dinner will be held on Saturday evening. Notifications, with forms for replies, will be sent out by the Secretary.