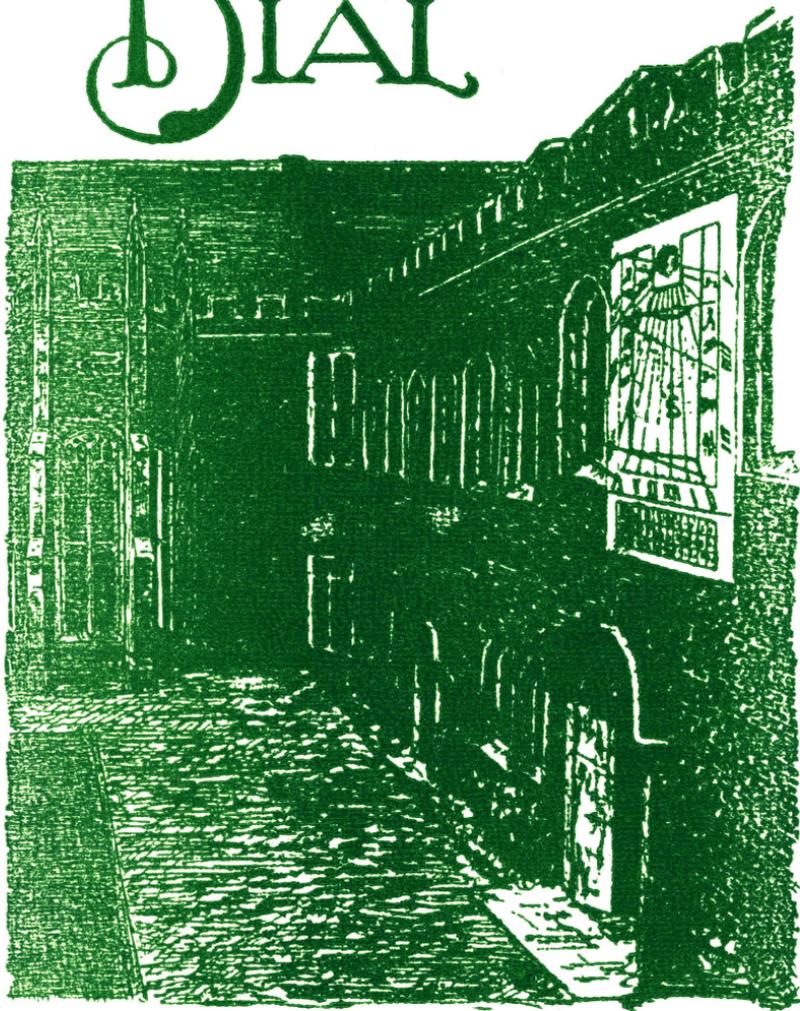


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Editorial.

THE Michaelmas Term has always, by its position in the Academic year, provided the resourceless editor with one theme on which to prologuise, if he has nothing more to exercise his wits than the contemplation of constant change. He is wont to mourn the loss of men who after distinguishing themselves have gone down to enter a larger sphere, and to offer a welcome to those who have thronged up to fill their place. This leads him, if he is really resourceless, to expatiate on that unfailing topic of uninspiring conversation—the season. True he does not prophesy rain for the morrow, perhaps because there is no interlocutor to assent while remarking inanely that there is every prospect of a fine day. However that may be, we are wont to read—or rather perhaps not to read—many variations of this theme of change.

Nevertheless we are willing to incur the charge of treading a beaten track; for surely never was change so apparent, or desolation so vast. We would not wax

sentimental, but we are touched by the sight of these empty courts, emptier than ever before. Last term there were a few veterans who actually remembered the palmy days of pre-war University life, but now they too are gone. Our members have been dwindling gradually, and each time we have persuaded ourselves that this must be the lowest ebb. Now we are thirteen all told

But if Cambridge is not here—and surely this cannot be Cambridge—it is still alive. When blinded almost into pettiness by present conditions we should look into the larger world; we shall see the light blue wherever the khaki is leading on to victory. And while we regret the days of yore we must remember that

“The old order changeth, yielding place to new
Lest one good custom should corrupt the world.”

Progress is the essence of life and we cannot always look back.

If we have wearied you with these reflections you will at least join with us in a hearty welcome to our first old Queens' man returned from the turmoil of battle to witness the change which has come over our University. For the rest, we are trying to carry on as best we can, and it is hoped that with the support it deserves, *The Dial* may still make an appearance at least twice a year.

Dialtana.

THE Rev. Professor Kennett has undertaken the arduous task of vicarial duties at the Church of St. Mary, Bury St. Edmunds, so that for this and next term we only see him one day a week when he comes over to lecture.

Pending the arrival of the new Missioner, our College Mission is being carried on by B. S. Maine. This is no sinecure, and visitors to the mission at 47 Rotherhithe Street, S.E., will no doubt be very welcome.

Congratulations to A. H. Sewell on his appointment to a resident clerkship at the Colonial Office.

The attention of readers of *The Dial* is directed to our College War List published with this issue of *The Dial*. The War List has been revised, as far as possible, up to date, and can be obtained at the cost of sixpence.

Our Cadets.

We would like to congratulate our Cadets on their excellent concert and dramatic performance given this term in aid of the local Red Cross Hospitals.

Also on their successes in the Athletic world. They have won the Cup for Rugger and Boxing, and though our O. T. C. triumphed in the cross country run, they number among themselves the man who came in first.

Obituary.

BY the death of William Gibson the College has lost a devoted friend. He took his degree in the year 1869, which gave us two Fellows, Waymouth who was fourth wrangler and Gibson who was bracketed tenth. Neither of them held office in the College and Waymouth was soon carried off by typhoid fever during a vacation holiday in Switzerland at a time when he held the post of Professor of Mathematics in the University of Durham. After taking his degree Gibson never resided, but he came up thrice every year to attend College Meetings and he took an active part in the government of the College, particularly in the appointment of George Pirie as second Tutor, which brought new life into the lectures.

Gibson sent two of his sons to the College after becoming partner in the leading firm of solicitors known as Clayton and Gibson of Newcastle upon Tyne.

When it was proposed to build the new Chapel, Gibson was one of the first to contribute. Soon afterwards he presented the window on the north side, which bears his name. All the windows on that side and at the east end were designed by Kempe under Mr. Bodley's direction. The only condition that Gibson made was that the inscription should be in English, whereas all the other windows have a Latin inscription.

Gibson in his younger days had a frolicsome turn and loved practical jokes. One of these, though perfectly innocent in itself, caused so much annoyance to the victim, that all my powers of persuasion were needed to keep him from migrating. Had he done so, we should have lost a man, who afterwards became an active leader among the clergy of London.

Among Gibson's recreations a prominent place must be given to shooting. I have several times shot with him and with his sons over their Northumbrian preserves which marched along the Old Roman Wall. There I brought down my first grouse and first black cock. I stood next to him when he killed a mallard, which was flying towards him at a great height, too difficult a shot for me. On another occasion a number of birds walked past us in a violent rain storm, as we were cowering under a stone wall. They were in a miserable plight. Their feathers were drenched and none of us could decide what they were. One man in the party—not a Gibson nor I—was rash enough to fire, and stopped what proved to be a half-grown hen pheasant—on the twelfth of August!

THE Rev. John Agg Large, Vicar of St. Anne's Holloway, while walking in the streets of London, on returning from spiritual work in his parish, was knocked down and killed on the spot by a motor bus.

He entered the College in October, 1885, was elected to a Sedgwick Exhibition, read Classics, Hebrew and Theology with me, proving himself a good worker, and took his degree with a second class in the Special in Theology in 1888. He then went to Wyclif Hall, Oxford for a year. He was ordained Deacon by the Bishop of Exeter and Priest by the Bishop of Worcester. After holding several curacies he was appointed vicar of S. John Evangelist, Sandown in the Isle of Wight. He held this Vicarage ten years until he was appointed in 1916 to the charge in Holloway. Quite recently he had arranged for his eldest son to enter the College in October next subject to the claims of the war.

A. WRIGHT.

Roll of Honour.*Killed.*

Bone, H., R.E., (Chemists'), Corps, D.C.M. Aug. 1917.

Buckley, E. J. K., R.N.A.S., Sub.-Lieut. Oct. 1917.

Unofficially reported killed in a flying accident.

Cohen, J. I., East Lancashire, 2 Lieut.

John Icely Cohen, who died of wounds 24 August, 1917, entered Queens' as an Exhibitioner in 1911, proceeding to his degree in the Classical Tripos, 1914. He obtained his commission 17 Oct. 1914, was promoted lieutenant 1 Nov., 1915. He had taken part in the Greek plays at Bradfield and was chosen to act in the Agamemnon when it was last performed here.

Doggett, G. P., West Riding Rgt, 2 Lieut.

Geare, Rev. W. D., Chaplain to Forces.

William Duncan Geare was instantaneously killed in Flanders by a shell on 31 July, 1917, while ministering to the wounded at a regimental aid post on the battlefield. He was educated at Westminster School and Queens', where he took his B.A. degree in 1912, and both coxed and rowed in his college boat. He passed on to Leeds Clergy School, and was ordained deacon in Ripon Cathedral in December, 1913, and was licensed as curate to St. Margaret's, Ilkley; the following year he was ordained priest in the same cathedral, and in January, 1915, took his M.A. degree. In May, 1916, he was gazetted Army Chaplain, and was appointed to the R.A. and R.E. Depôt at Ripon. In September of the same year he was ordered to the front, and was attached to the King's Liverpool Regiment, with which he served to the end. The senior chaplain writes:—"He was absolutely regardless of danger, always anxious to be with his men wherever they went, and he never spared himself in his anxiety to serve them. His bravery and example have been an inspiration, and his work all the time he has been out here has been splendid." An officer writes:—"He insisted on living with us in the trenches and sharing our common dangers, and he was always doing good in one direction or another. Almost every day he went round some



W. D. Simpson,
Killed in action August 24th, 1917.



J. I. Cohen,
Died of wounds August 24th, 1917.



E. J. W. Buckley,
Killed October, 1917.



Rev. W. D. Geare,
Killed July 31st, 1917.

part of the trenches on his own account, and whenever there was a raid on he was off like a shot to the dressing station to see what he could do for the wounded."

Hope, R. A., North Staffordshire, Lieut.

Johnstone, A. L., London Scottish.

Lomax, E. H., Lancashire Fusiliers, Lieut.

Moxon, H. C., Bedford Rgt.

Died of Wounds.

Rutherford, H. G. G., Fusiliers.

Wounded and missing, believed killed.

Simpson, H. D., King's Royal Rifles, Lieut.

Hugh Delafosse Simpson, who was killed in action 24 August, 1917, was the eldest son of the Rev. R. H. B. and Mrs. Simpson, of Old Richhurst, Dunsfold, Godalming. He came up to Queens' in 1914, and obtained his commission 18 December, 1914. He was badly wounded in October, 1915, and attached to a Reserve Battalion at home in 1916. He returned to the front January, 1917. He was killed by a sniper during an attack on August 24th.

Stuckey, R. A., Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

Died of Heatstroke.

Thompson, H. B., Royal Berks Rgt., 2 Lieut., M.C.
March 17.

Wilkinson, M. L., Northumberland Fusiliers, 2 Lieut.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE ORDER.

August, 1917.

Case, H. A., Dorset, Lieut.-Col.

(Wounded and mentioned in Despatches.)

DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

August, 1917.

Bone, H., R.E. Chemists' (*Killed*).

CHEVALIER DE LA COURONNE.

*September, 1917.*Veitch, J. L., R.H.A., Lieut., (*Wounded*).

MILITARY CROSS.

July, 1917.

Andrews, Rev. L. M., Chaplain attd., Royal Fusiliers.

(Wounded September 17.)

He carried a wounded man $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile under heavy shell fire. He returned six times, and carried wounded men to safety, still under heavy shell fire.

Cassels, W. C., Worcesters, Capt.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty whilst in command of an advanced post. When almost surrounded in a heavy counter-attack he withdrew his post to a prepared position in rear and aided in repelling the counter-attack.

Ellison, H. S., R.F.A., Lieut., (*Wounded*).

He did splendid work as F.O.O. during the attack. He took over at dusk and pushed forward, where throughout the night and following morning he sent back much valuable and accurate information.

September, 1917.

Hoare, F. O., R.F.A., 2 Lieut.

Kidson, N. S., London Rifle Brigade, 2 Lieut.

Smith, Sidney, R.F.A., and R.F.C., Major.

Watson, R. M., R.H.A., 2 Lieut.

November, 1917.

Chase, Rev. G. A., Chaplain to Forces.

Goddard, E. T., R.E. Signal Service, Lieut.

BAR TO MILITARY CROSS.

M.C. April, 1917, Bar September, 1917.

Macdonald, R., Royal Lancaster Rgt., 2 Lieut.

(Wounded and mentioned in Despatches.)

MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.

July, 1917.

Burton, G. D., R.E., Lieut.

July and November, 1917.

Cooke, Rev. H. R., Chaplain at Rouen.

August, 1917.

Simmons, C. E., Supply Transport Corps, Indian Army,
Lieut.

November, 1917.

Keane, R. E., Lieut.

Old Queens' Men.

Clerical:

Rev. F. R. Farmer, has been appointed to the living of Whitley Lower, Dewsbury.

Rev. H. G. Horton is retiring from Oakington Parish owing to ill-health, and is succeeded by Rev. A. Littledale.

Rev. J. R. Sutherland, is now Curate at St. Mary's, Peckham, London.

C. S. Kew, has been studying at Bishop's College, Cheshunt, and hopes to be ordained this Advent.

College Societies.

OWING to our small numbers it has been impossible for the S. Bernard Society to hold any debates this term. The terminal sale of papers, however, was quite a success.

The Q.C.C.U. has endeavoured to carry on with the Tuesday evening Devotional Meetings, but no General Meeting has been possible.

Tripos Results.

Classical, Part I.

A. N. Phillips, III. 1.

Theological, Part I.

H. Parnell, II.

R. Ayres, III.

E. L. Fuller, III.

Economics, Part II.

S. S. Dar, II. 1.

M. Tin Tut, II. 2.

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THE ORDERLY ROOM.

QUEENS'

*November, 1917.**To the Editor of the "Dial."*

SIR,

If one were hurriedly travelling through a strange land and had no time to acquaint himself with the social qualities of the people, their traditions, their arts and sciences, their progress, their industry, he would still find something to arouse his interest in the geographical features that extended along and around his path. He would be awed, perhaps by massive towering mountains, o'ercapt with cloud or snow; or dejected by a barren flatness unrelieved by varied features and framed by a low horizon; or again, pleased by the domestic details of a

“smiling land.” Whatever his impressions were, however superficial and scanty, they would ever afterwards colour his notions.

So, as a traveller viewing the noble summits of learning and achievement which are present to the imaginative Cadet during his brief (all too brief, alas!) sojourn in Cambridge, he is perhaps awed by their vicinity, and wonders by what cunning paths their crests are scaled. The dwellers on the mountain heights are like a strange people, richly clothed, and if one of them pauses for a moment to enfold some of the wisdom he had acquired the Cadets who have caught his honeyed accents are like the humble folk in Goldsmith’s “Deserted Village”

And still they gaz’d, and still the wonder grew
That one small head could carry all he knew.

But, sir, I think I may venture to continue the simile and say that it will not be until we are leaving the mountains in the receding distance, that we shall come to see their vast extent and their full grandeur. While we stand beneath them, we can only see such beauties and marvels as present themselves to our partial view. Later, when we look back, we shall have a vision of them surrounded by fertile vales and pleasant hills, and enveloped in the mellow haze of reverence and admiration, and we shall take along with us recollections of a charming land.

Breaking away from the parable, let me add a short appreciation of our reception in your University and more especially in Queens’. Most of us had but the dimmest notions of what a centre of education and culture Cambridge really is. We have come to find an institution which is a storehouse of traditional and current knowledge and also in the front of the march of progress in experimental and scientific knowledge, and this might the more easily realise, I suppose, if we were able to understand its full resources, tendencies and aspira-

tions. We have come to find the traditions of Cambridge being maintained, her treasures being increased, and her record of common service being gloriously added to. We have come to find such a contrast to the terror and rage of war that we would e'en renew our resolution to force the insolent Hun to his knees lest he should destroy and ravage this seat of learning as he has wantonly and criminally destroyed and ravaged famed cities in other lands. From the hell of the battle-line we have returned to find quiet, restful places, the hallowed haunts of learning.

We come not, unfortunately, to ask all that your University can give, but we can share and enjoy many of the privileges which it offers. We do in some measure assimilate the *genius loci*. While we cannot learn in your Colleges and Halls, or stimulate our minds by the intercourse with and guidance by your great intellectual leaders, we do feel an influence from them, and what is more, we do most heartily enter into the spirit which manifests itself on your playing fields and in all your sports. Feeling this, we shall carry away with us some great advantages, and those of us who shall win in this great struggle will ever remember with gratitude our stay within the precincts of your splendid College.

I am, Sir, yours etc.,

WALTER BEAKLEY.

Cadet.

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The Committee of *The Dial* have in their possession back numbers covering all the issues since its first publication excepting Michaelmas 1914, Lent 1915, and Michaelmas 1915, and will be pleased to sell such at usual price.

News of Old Queens' Men, extracts from letters of those on military service, and corrections of the War List will be particularly welcomed.