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Military Wedding at the Guards' Chapel, Oct. 26, 1907.



THE BRIDE (MISS JEFFIE BAINBRIDGE),

daughter of Mr. Emerson Bainbridge, late M.P. for the Gainsborough Division of Lincolnshire.

Photo by Lallie Charles, London.

THE BRIDEGROOM (CAPT. W. H. V. DARELL),

of the Coldstream Guards, and a celebrated amateur oarsman, second son of Sir Lionel Darell, Bart., of Fretherne Court.

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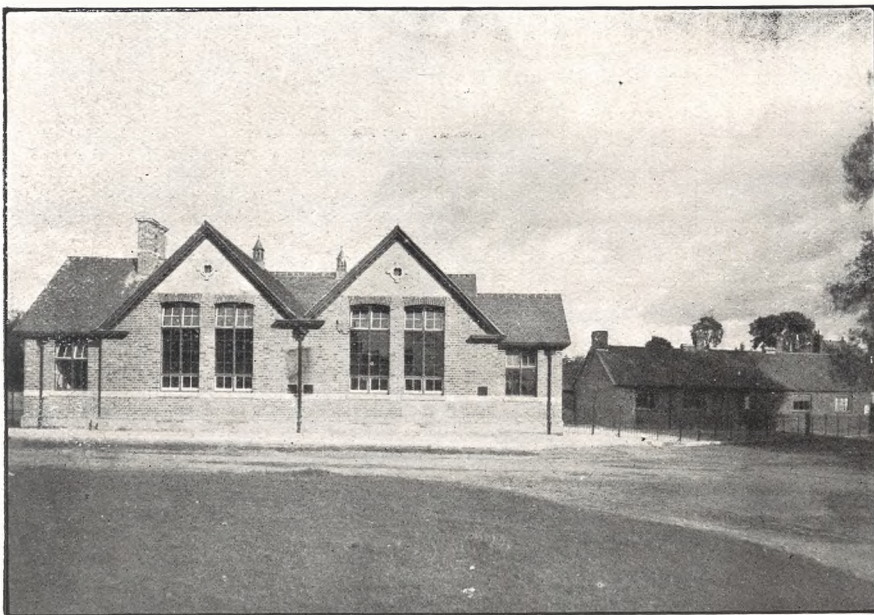
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SONS OF MR. R. A. MATTHEWS (KING'S NORTON), BROTHER OF MR. J. A. MATTHEWS, CHELTENHAM, ADMITTED FREEMEN OF GLOUCESTER OCTOBER 26, 1907.
 John Reginald Stuart Matthews (Moseley), George Frederick Cale Matthews (Stratford), Mr. R. A. Matthews (father, King's Norton), Harold William Gilbert Matthews (Moseley), Lewis Trevor Bamford Matthews (King's Norton), and Harry Charles Stanley Matthews (Moseley).



NEW COUNCIL SCHOOL, TWYNING.

This school has been erected by the Gloucestershire Education Committee on the site of the old school and master's house. The buildings comprise a schoolroom and two classrooms, with cloakrooms, etc., which will accommodate 170 children. The building on the right side of the photograph is a portion of the old school, which has been converted into rooms which will be used for classes in cookery and handicraft.

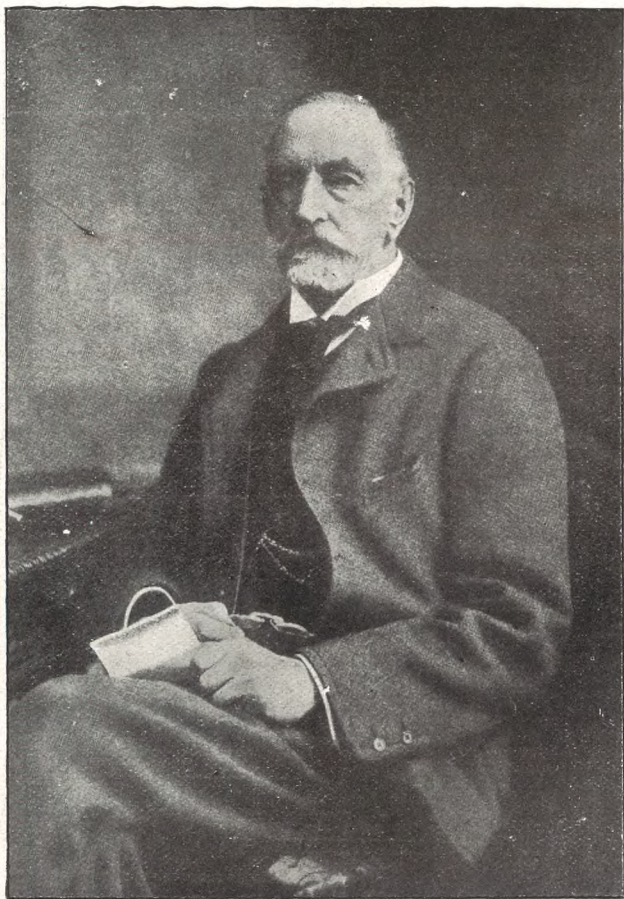
The school has been erected by Messrs. Collins and Godfrey, builders, Tewkesbury, from plans prepared by Mr. R. S. Phillips, architect, Gloucester.
 Photo by H. E. Jones, Northgate-street, Gloucester.



**REV. H. T. DIXON, B.D.,
 VICAR-DESIGNATE OF GREAT BARRINGTON.**

Mr. Dixon has served as curate of Nantwich, Birkenhead, and Blundellsands, and acted as assistant diocesan inspector of day schools in religious knowledge and examiner for Sunday school prizes.





The Right Hon. CHARLES PAGET FITZHARDINGE BERKELEY,
Third Baron Fitzhardinge.

[Reported dead by a Hereford paper, but happily alive and well.]



GLOUCESTER MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES.
MR. F. H. HOLE (C), TREDWORTH WARD.



A GOLDEN WEDDING.
MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM TANNER,
OF SIDDINGTON.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tanner, of Siddington, near Cirencester, celebrated their Golden Wedding on Oct. 20, 1907, when they received hearty congratulations from numerous relatives and friends. Mr. Tanner, who was born in 1835, is a native of Culkerton, and married his wife, who is now in her 70th year, at Ashley (Wilts) Parish Church. The couple, who are highly respected, have resided in Siddington for the past thirty-two years. They have had eight children, of whom four are now living.

Photo by Mr. T. Jones,
Newtown Buildings, Cirencester.



"CUTICOLA"

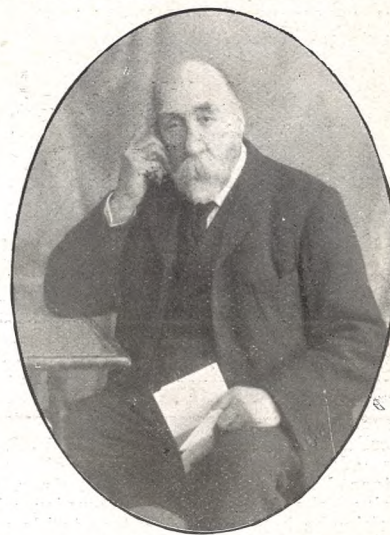
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MR. PHILIP J. W. COOKE,

Died at Little Cliff House, Dawlish, on
Oct. 22, 1907, aged 79 years.

Mr. Cooke was the senior solicitor at Gloucester, where he had held a number of clerkships—to the Kingsholm Local Boards, School Board, Incorporated Chamber of Commerce, Harbour and Pilotage Boards, and Conservative Working Men's Benefit Society, also to the Newent Bench of Magistrates.



Major S. G. RODWAY, Royal Marine Artillery.

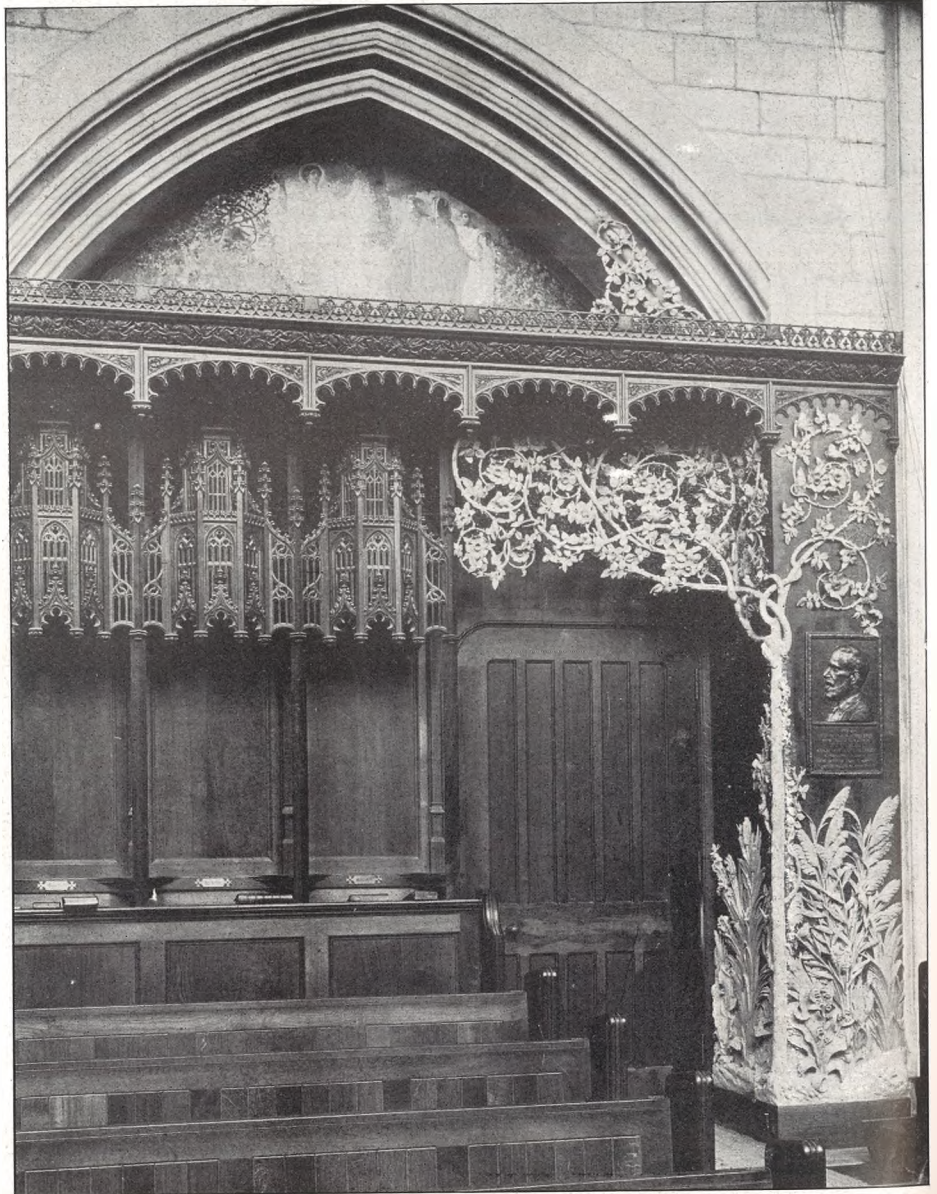
The subject of this sketch is one of Gloucestershire's sons who, by dint of perseverance and considerable ability, has attained to the rank of major in one of the most distinguished corps in the British Service.

Major Rodway was born at Lydbrook in 1855, but spent the earlier years of his life mostly in Gloucester and Cheltenham. He enlisted in the R.M.A. at Bristol in 1876. After completing his recruit and gunner course, he embarked in 1878 in H.M.S. Lord Warden, and remained until 1879. On being promoted to bombardier in that year, he returned to Eastney headquarters, and qualified in army signalling. In 1880 he embarked in H.M.S. Achilles, and in the following year was promoted to the rank of corporal, and shortly after appointed sergeant temporarily, and received the pay of that rank. He was confirmed in the rank of sergeant in 1882.

While serving in the Achilles he saw active service, and was landed at the occupation of Alexandria and the neighbouring forts. He did good work at Fort Mex by dismounting a 40lbs. B 4 from the casemate, and remounting it at the top of the fort, so as to command the approach and entrance to the fort. He also constructed platforms by making use of submarine mines and the flooring of the barrack-rooms lately occupied by Arabi's troops, so as to enable the men to fire over the top of the fort. For this he was specially commended by the officer in command. He received the Egyptian medal and the Khedive's bronze star.

In 1883 he qualified as instructor of musketry. He was promoted to 1st S.I. of Infantry four years later, and sent to the Depot at Walmer, where he remained doing excellent service as instructor until 1891. On his advancement to warrant officer he returned to Headquarters at Eastney, and took up the duties of sergeant-major, which position he held with advantage to his corps and credit to himself until the year 1897, when he received his commission as honorary lieutenant and quartermaster. On May 27, 1902, he was promoted to the rank of major and is still hard at work as ever.

To those interested in shooting, Major Rodway's success as a marksman will be very familiar. Since the year 1887 he has been present at nearly all the great meetings at Wimbledon and Bisley. In that year he was Queen's Prizeman and champion shot of the Army, and succeeded in establishing a record score with the Martini rifle at 200, 500, 800, and 1,000 yards.



OLD CHELTONIANS' MEMORIAL TO F. W. H. MYERS

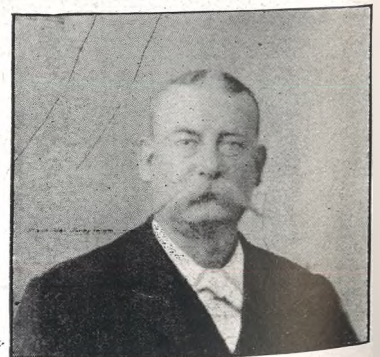
(Dedicated in the College Chapel, Nov. 1, 1907).

Twenty years later, that is in the present year, at the R.M. Rifle Association at Bisley he won the Gold Medal and made another record of four shoots at the range, in one day putting on the following scores: 96, 99, 101, and 103. He is in possession of fourteen bars, each of which denotes that he has gained the position of representative of his corps in the eight who fire in the contest for the U.S. Cup.

It would require quite a complete page of the "Cheltenham Chronicle and Gloucestershire Graphic" on which to enumerate the prizes, medals, etc., which Major Rodway has gained at various rifle meetings.

As a tribute to his steady and consistent shooting he was nominated one of the team to represent Great Britain in the shooting tour in Canada and Australia during the present year.

TEWKESBURY MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES.

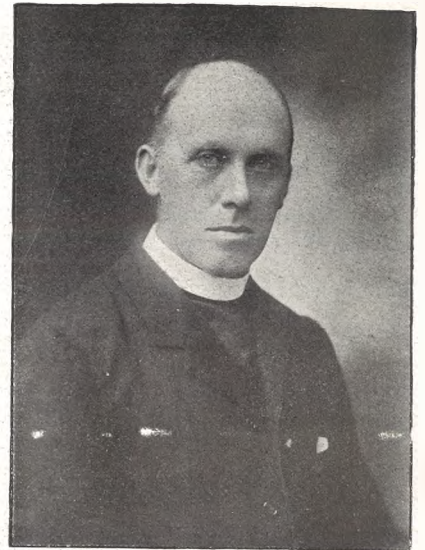


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MEMORIAL TABLET OF THE LATE F. W. H. MYERS
(part of the Memorial dedicated in Cheltenham College Chapel on Friday).



REV. ARTHUR J. MACLEAN, M.A.,
the new Vicar of St. Mary's, Norton, near Gloucester. He was formerly senior curate at Tewkesbury Abbey, and besides holding other livings in the county and in Kent, he has been in Australia. He takes a special interest in the Volunteer movement, and is the founder and president of the Tewkesbury Town Club.



COUNCILLOR JOHN WILLIS,
who was on Monday elected on the Tewkesbury Borough Council in place of the late Councillor Gardner. He beat the Conservative candidate, Mr. Cecil W. Jones, by 19 votes. He is the son of the present Mayor (Ald. Willis).
Photo by F. E. Organ, Tewkesbury.

A NEW POSTAGE STAMP.

It is announced by the Postmaster-General that a change in the colour of the three-halfpenny embossed postage stamp is to be made because the old colour (yellow) is not readily distinguishable by artificial light, especially when impressed on covers of the same or a similar hue. The difficulty is to be overcome by the adoption of a purple shade, rather deeper in tone than the six-penny adhesive stamp.

DISCOVERY OF A TUDOR HOUSE.

Five old tenements at Little Horkeley, Essex, were recently sold, and the new owner decided to restore them. It has now been found that the five were originally one house of Tudor origin. The rooms are covered with beautiful carving and panelling, which for generations had been covered up with plaster, whitewash, and wall-paper. One oak-panelled room has an Elizabethan fireplace and overmantel, artistically inlaid with old English woods.

ALLEGED ARTIFICIAL DIAMONDS.

At the last sitting of the French Academy of Science, the permanent secretary M. de Lapparent, exhibited certain small luminous crystals, said to resemble diamonds, which had been produced by a chemist, M. Aristide Charette. Two members of the academy were entrusted with the examination of those crystals both from a chemical and mineralogical point of view, and they have undertaken to furnish an analysis.



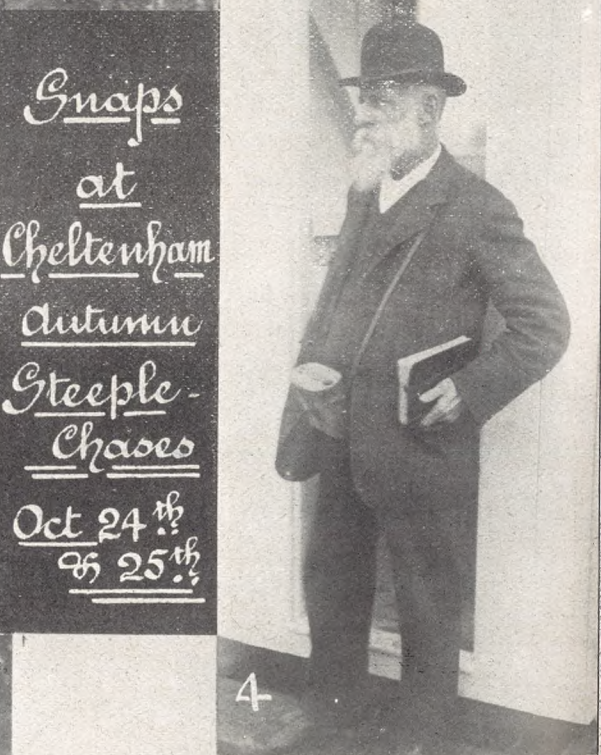
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1. Detectives in Paddock. P.C. Hopkins (Cheltenham), Bristol detective, Sergt. Corbett (Cheltenham), Birmingham detective.
2. Mr. W. Charters' Thermal coming in after winning Borough Selling Handicap Steeplechase.

3. Mr. J. Wilkinson's "Pretty Patsy," with F. Lyall (jockey), in the weighing enclosure after winning Cheltenham Handicap Steeplechase.
4. Mr. J. Pratt (judge).

5. Members of firm of Messrs. Pratt and Co., who are organising the Cheltenham Races on new lines. Messrs. Verrall, J. Pratt (principal of firm), and F. H. Cathcart (clerk of course).
6. Local bookies at new stand in ring.

Southam Rifle Club. First Rifle Prize Meeting at Southam de la Bere Range, Oct. 26, 1907.



Standing:—J. Coles, T. Insley, W. Insley, B. Arbuthnot, F. Larner, W. Earp, G. Stallard, H. A. Arbuthnot, W. Lane, C. Villar, H. Swift, C. Haines, W. Collier, F. H. Green.
Sitting:—Dr. Garrett, C. J. Ratcliffe (president), H. B. Stanley (hon. secretary).



SOUTHAM v CLEEVE. THE TWO TEAMS.
Standing:—C. Haines, T. Insley, W. Collier (Southam), H. Swift, Dr. Garrett, C. Villar (Cleeve).
Sitting:—G. Stallard (captain, Southam), H. B. Stanley (captain, Cleeve).

Delegates at the Annual Meeting of Cirencester Division Conservative Association at Cheltenham, Oct. 19, 1907.



In centre of second row in front, Lord Estcourt (president), with hands resting on stick, is seated; while to his left are the Hon. Ben. Bathurst (in cloth cap), Rev. A. Butt, and Mr. R. G. Francis; and to his lordship's immediate right are Earl Bathurst, Mr. F. W. B. Cripps, and the Hon. M. H. Hicks Beach, M.P.

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The 257th prize has been awarded to Miss Ruth Powell, of Ellborough Cottage, Charlton Kings, for her report of a sermon by the Rev. A. Beynon Phillips at Cambray Baptist Church, Cheltenham.

Entries close on Tuesday morning. The sermons will be found in the "Chronicle."

AMIR'S SQUEAKY SHOES.

Professor H. B. Procter stated at the annual conference of the National Federation of Boot and Shoe Retailers' Associations at Liverpool on Tuesday that a Northampton firm had received a large order for shoes for the Amir of Afghanistan, and that it was made a strict condition of the order that half the shoes were to squeak and the other half were to be silent.

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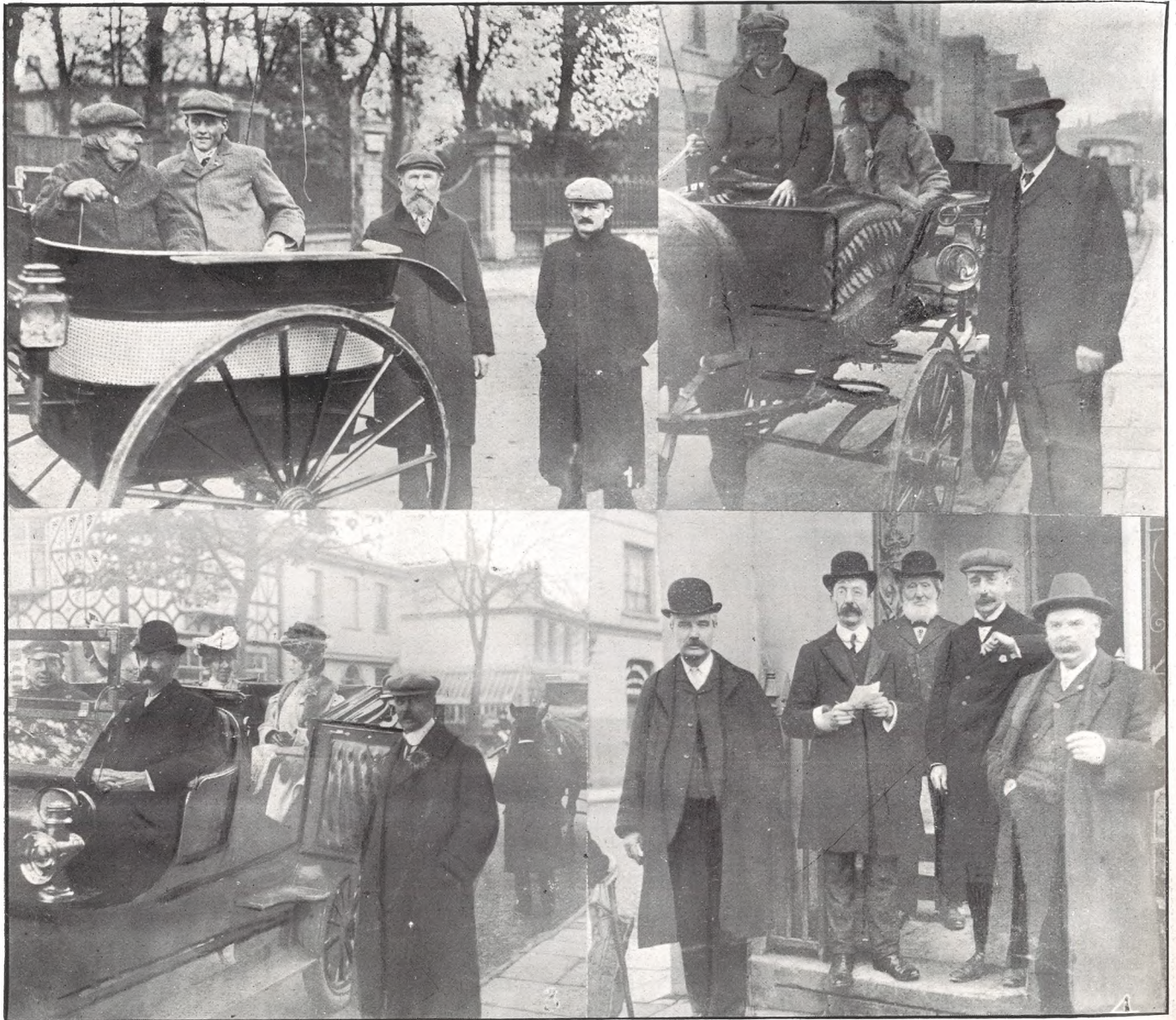
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 neck behind covered with ludicrously im-
 possible plumes and feathers of every
 description, to say nothing of immense velvet
 and silk rosettes and garlands of impossible
 roses three or four times their natural size.
 These hats are the fashion, but it is doubtful
 whether anyone really admires them, and
 certainly they will have to be much modified
 before English women will adopt them.—
 "London Opinion."



MR. JAMES HENRY DYER,
 OF CHARLTON KINGS.
 DIED NOVEMBER 5, 1907, AGED 56 YEARS.
 He was a long-service Volunteer, an active Conservative, and capable
 vocalist.

Cheltenham Municipal Elections, . . November 1st, 1907.



1. Seated in trap is probably the oldest voter in Cheltenham, Mr. Ingles, of Prestbury-road, aged between 95 and 96. He voted at St. John's Schools.

2. Mr. Rees Jones looking up voters.
3. Mr. Sears with his car giving Mr. Merrett a help.
4. Liberal workers in East Ward.

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The Hon. Walter Rothschild, M.P., has preserved the skin of a python measuring 28ft. 3in. in length and 2ft. 2in. in width.

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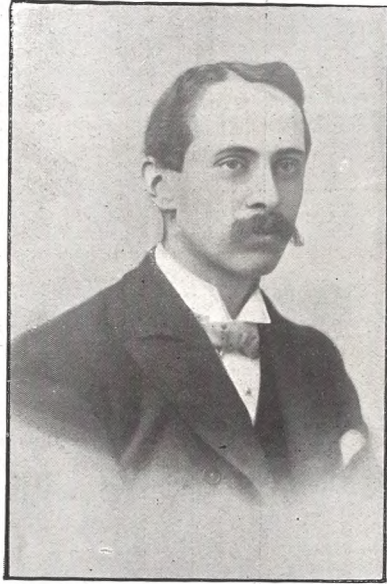
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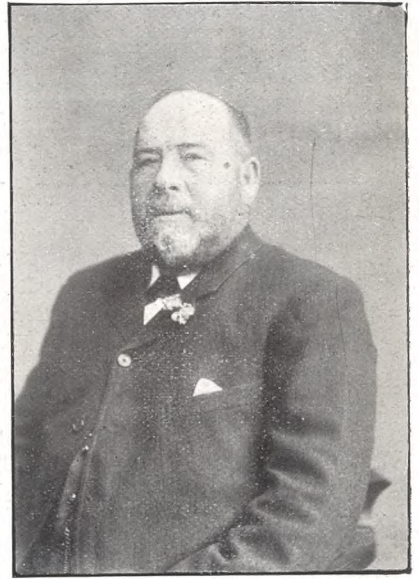
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MR. T. WILLIAMS (C),

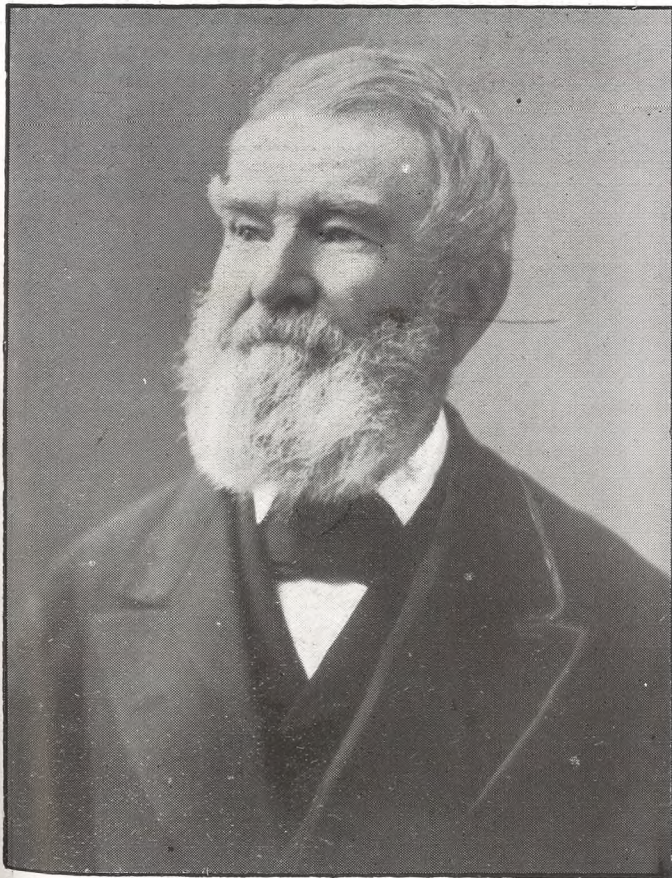


MR. W. H. HAYWARD (C),
Elected.

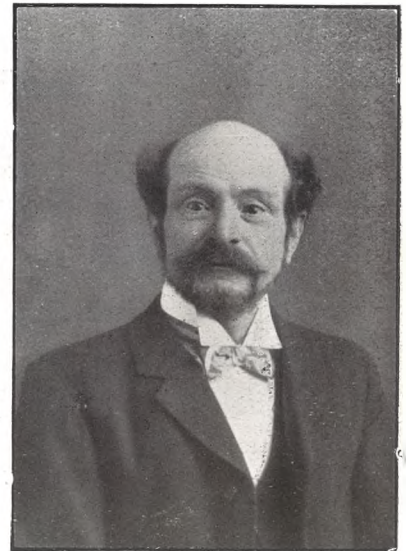


MR. W. BLOXHAM (C),
Elected.

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BLADINGTON'S OLDEST INHABITANT.
MR. CHARLES PHIPPS. DIED OCT. 29, AGED 93 YEARS.



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Mr. A. F. WAITE, of 10 All Saints' Road, Cheltenham, who won the Mile Championship of Cheltenham Swimming Club for the third year in succession, securing the Webb Cup outright. He has represented Gloucester County at water polo for the last five years without missing a match, the Western Counties for three years uninterruptedly, and this year played in International Trial Match, North v. South. He is 26 years of age, and acts as verger of All Saints' Church, Cheltenham.

Gloucester Municipal Candidates.



MR. TOM JARRETT (L),
Lower Barton Ward.



Cheltenham Root, Fruit, Grain, & Chrysanthemum Show, Nov. 6 & 7, 1907. * Judges, Committee, & Secretary.



Presentation of Union Jack to Cheltenham Schools by National Service League.

SNAPS AT ST. MARK'S SCHOOL, NOVEMBER 6, 1907.



SUBSCRIBERS AND FRIENDS WATCHING CEREMONY OF HOISTING FLAG. COL. CUNLIFFE MARTIN, WHO MADE THE PRESENTATION, IS ON EXTREME RIGHT.



GROUP OF SCHOOLCHILDREN ROUND BASE OF FLAGSTAFF.

In the Victoria water-lily house at the Botanic Gardens, Regent's Park, are a number of living leaf-insects from the Seychelles, which bear so close a resemblance to the leaves on which they feed that they can only be seen when moving.

Nova Scotia's postal revenue is increasing at the rate of over £160,000 a year.

A magnificent grotto, accessible at low tide, has just been revealed by a fall of rock at the Pointe du Talaud, in the French department of Morbihan.

The Garden City of Letchworth has now a population of 5,000.

The old bells of Tendering Parish Church, three of which bear dates between 1618 and 627, have been taken down to make way for a new peal.

GLOUCESTER MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES.



MR. J. O. ROBERTS (C), Elected for Lower Barton Ward.



MR. C. H. DEAVIN (L),
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MR. J. MINAHAN (L),
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HOWLERS.

Some months ago Dr. T. J. Macnamara, M.P., enlivened the world with some specimens of unconscious schoolboy humour. Here are a few more:—

One boy, in answer to the question "What is an angle?" said "An angle is the exclamation made by two lines meeting in a plain." Some other answers are:

"The battle of Hastings was fought at Shrewsbury."

"The Court of Common Pleas should be stationary and go through each county four times a year."

Some time ago the Fowey Council abolished the post of "official rat-catcher." Since then rats have so multiplied in the town as to become a danger to the public.

A runner bean twenty-four and a half inches in length is to be seen at the St. Breock Rectory, Wadebridge.

A total sum of £1,023 was realised at a sale of rare postage stamps concluded on Wednesday by Messrs. Puttick and Simpson.

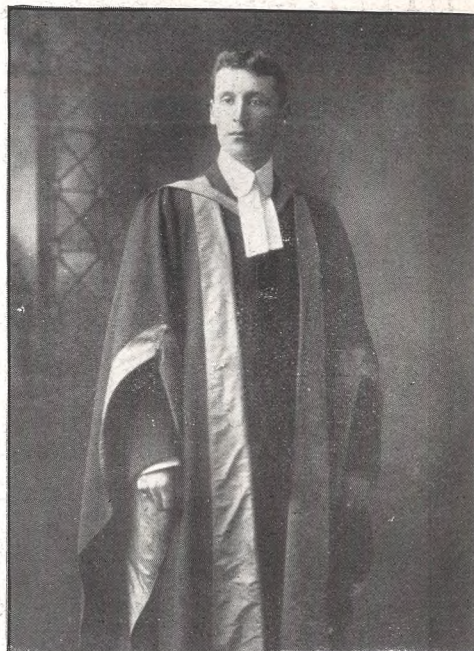
The prosperity of Coventry is shown by the fact that during the last six months only one rate defaulter has been executed payment on the ground of poverty.

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MR. H. T. BRUTON (C),
Re-elected for Alington Ward.

**CHELTENHAM
MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE.**



W. G. EARENGEY, B.A., LL.D. (L),
Elected for Central Ward.



MR. LESLIE REA,
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A GOLDEN WEDDING and A LONG SERVICE.

Few gamekeepers on the Cotswolds are better known than William Dance, of Colesborne. Born at Daglingworth seventy-four years ago, he might be taken for a younger man. But of recent years the twinges of rheumatism have slowly increased upon him, so that he is now seldom seen outdoors without his trusty walking-stick in his hand. During the month before his marriage, at Coates Church, on October 26th, 1857, he entered the service of Mr. J. H. Elwes, for whom he was a faithful and trusted servant thirty-one years. His engagement was continued by the present owner of the estate, Mr. H. J. Elwes, J.P., in whose employment he remained till his retirement four years ago. He has thus completed forty-seven years of service as gamekeeper at Colesborne. This is a record of which anyone might well be proud; and it must also be a source of great comfort to him and his better-half, who is a typical specimen of a gamekeeper's wife, and withal one of the best, to be able to pass their declining years in the village they know so well.

Always considered a first-class shot, there are few men in his native county to-day whose aim is so deadly, despite his age and complaint. But neither of these, as yet, preclude the enjoyment of a day's shooting now and then; for only a few weeks ago, on the invitation of that genuine sportsman, Major-General Sir F. Carrington, his was one of the guns at a "shoot" in the Hilcot preserves. But he is never idle, being a keen gardener and a frequent winner at the local Horticultural Society's show. He is also well known to the "fancy," and has more than once acted as judge at neighbouring shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Dance are greatly respected, and have received many congratulations and tokens of goodwill from relatives and friends. They have two sons and three daughters, all being married and away. The second son, Henry, a "chip of the old block," is now a gamekeeper on the estate of the Duke of St. Albans in Nottinghamshire. That Mr. and Mrs. Dance may be spared for many years is the earnest wish of all who know them.



**MAYOR-ELECT OF GLOUCESTER,
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An ex-Sheriff, Alderman, and Councillor of the city.

THE DYING BUFFALO.

With the march of civilisation the buffalo in the United States is fast dying out. Apart from the miserable specimens usually carted round by American circuses, there remain a few decrepid and fast-diminishing herds in parts, mostly "reared by hand." To such pass has the buffalo famine come that fifteen gaunt and miserable specimens have been taken from New York's chief park, bundled into crates, and despatched to Oklahoma by train. Their purpose in life (says the "Telegraph") will henceforth be to raise large families and prevent the extinction of their once noble race. In New York they were chiefly a target for small boys, and as much out of place as is the Red Indian with his feathers and war paint in an American city to-day.

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PRIZE COMPETITION.

The 259th prize has been divided between
 Miss H. M. Toms, 30 Promenade, and Miss
 Daisy Carpenter, Pine Villa, Belmont-road,
 Cheltenham, for reports respectively of
 sermons by the Rev. W. Harvey-Jellie at St.
 Andrew's Presbyterian Church and the Rev.
 P. Waller at Holy Trinity Church, Chelten-
 ham.



MR. MATTHEW HENRY GRIST,
 OF STROUD.
 NEW COUNTY MAGISTRATE.

❖ Flag Presentations by National Service League to Cheltenham Schools. ❖

CEREMONY AT ST. GREGORY'S (R.C.) SCHOOL, NOVEMBER 7, 1907.



VISITORS IN STREET WATCHING FLAG HOISTED.

Mr. Loftus Tottenham (bareheaded), who presented the flag, in centre, having on his left Mrs. Baker.
Col. W. E. Sturges (local hon. sec. of the League) towers above the ladies.

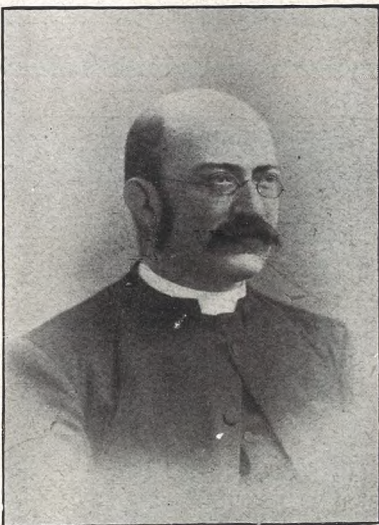


CHILDREN AND FRIENDS WATCHING FLAG HOISTED.

FLAG PRESENTATION AT ST. GREGORY'S (R.C.) SCHOOL.



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THE REV. F. W. MORRIS, M.A.,
 Headmaster of Katharine Lady Berkeley's
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 Rector-Designate of Harnhill-cum-Driffild,
 near Cirencester.

Among 3,940 visitors to Hawarden Church during the year ended last July were persons from Nigeria, Cyprus, Greece, and Siam.

As evidence of means, a creditor in the Westminster County Court said the debtor was a motorist and always paid his police-court fines.

Green top-boots are being bought by society ladies of New York for their pet dogs.

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"Did he strike you as being drunk?" a solicitor on Tuesday asked a boy who was giving evidence at Willesden. "No, he did not hit me at all," was the reply.

During last year mushrooms to the value of £115,000 were exported from Japan.



GYMNASIUM SCENE IN "THE DAIRYMAIDS,"

to be performed next week at Cheltenham Opera House.



Ald. J. B. WINTERBOTHAM, of Cheltenham, New Magistrate.

THE COUNTESS OF CREWE, President Liberal Social Council.



ANNIVERSARY OF BAPTIST CHAPEL AT WINCHCOMBE, NOVEMBER 13, 1907.



Mrs. C. P. ALLEN, wife of the Member for Stroud Division.



THE LADY MAUD PARRY, President for Gloucestershire.



THE HIGH SHERIFF OF GLOUCESTER,
MR GEORGE ALDRIDGE.



MR. G. RADWAY, of Ampney Crucis, died Nov. 3, aged 79.

CHELTENHAM CHRONICLE AND GLOUCESTERSHIRE GRAPHIC, NOVEMBER 16, 1907.
 COUNTY FOOTBALL MATCH IN CHELTENHAM.



DEVONSHIRE TEAM AND OFFICIALS.

Top row:—E. Mallett (Newton Abbot, reserve), T. Lean (committee), A. L. Sloper (referee), R. Waycott (committee), H. Floyd (committee), T. C. Pring (committee), W. White (committee), E. Carter (committee).
 Second row:—J. Cummings (Plymouth), Lieut. Hughes (Plymouth), A. Wilcocks (Plymouth), C. T. Ley (London Devonians), A. J. L. Darby (R.N. College, Dartmouth), R. Gilbert (Albion), S. K. McSaunders (Paignton), all forwards.
 Third row:—W. Conybeare (Plymouth, $\frac{3}{4}$), G. Gibbs (R.N. College, Dartmouth, $\frac{3}{4}$), T. S. Kelly (Tiverton, forward), W. Hyam (Plymouth, $\frac{3}{4}$), T. Mills (Plymouth, $\frac{3}{4}$), W. Hosking (Plymouth, back).
 Sitting on ground:—A. Carlisle (R.M. College, Dartmouth, $\frac{1}{2}$), J. Peters (Plymouth, $\frac{1}{2}$).

FLAG PRESENTATION AT ST. GREGORY'S (R.C.) SCHOOL.



GENERAL GROUP.

COUNTY FOOTBALL MATCH IN CHELTENHAM,

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1907.



GLOUCESTERSHIRE TEAM AND OFFICIALS.

Top row (standing):—A. J. Lawes (Bristol), C. J. Woolf (Lydney), J. W. Jarman (Bristol), W. Stinchcombe (Lydney), A. Lewis (Lydney), A. Teague (Cinderford), W. Johns (Gloucester), J. Nelmes (Lydney), F. T. Boucher (Clifton), V. F. Eberle (Clifton), F. J. Hannam (Clifton), E. S. Bostock Smith (Clifton, president G.C.R.U.), A. Cromwell (Gloucester), E. W. Moore (treasurer Cheltenham R.F.C.)

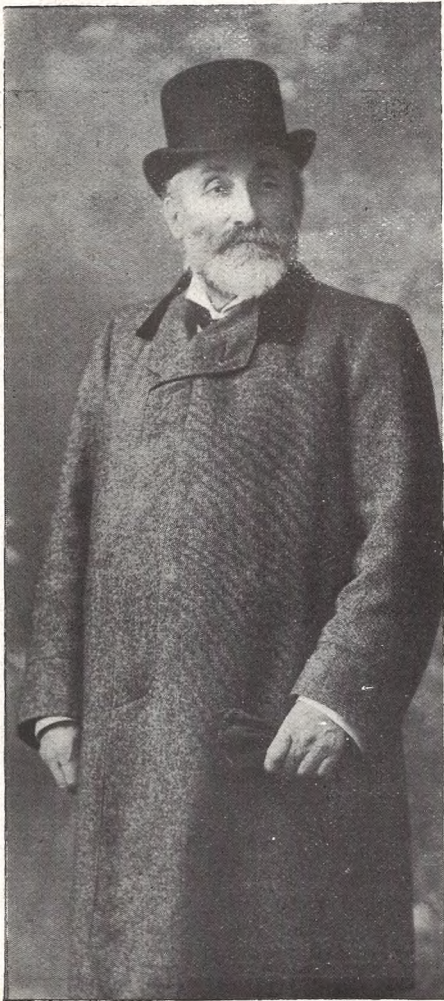
Second row (sitting):—D. Hollands (Gloucester), W. E. Meyer (Bristol), M. Neale (Bristol), J. L. Mathias (Bristol, captain), A. Hudson (Gloucester), A. E. Wood (Gloucester), R. A. Roberts (Gloucester, hon. sec. G.C.R.U.)

Front row:—D. R. Gent (Gloucester), F. Niblett (Cinderford).

FLAG PRESENTATION AT ST. GREGORY'S (R.C.) SCHOOL.



EIGHT LITTLE MOTHERS.



STROUD'S GOOD KNIGHT,
SIR ALFRED APPERLY.



COUNCILLOR W. A. BAKER, of Cheltenham, New Magistrate.



MR. AND MRS. C. R. WOODMAN,
of Ampney Crucis, near Cirencester, who
have just retired from the positions of head-
master and infant mistress of Ampney
National Schools, after a period of twenty-
four and twenty years respectively. Mr.
Woodman, who will be 65 years of age on
November 25, is retiring on superannuation.
Mr. and Mrs. Woodman are leaving the
Cotswolds to-day for Tyneham, Dorsetshire,
where they will live in retirement with their
daughter, who is taking charge of a school
in that district.



BADGER HUNT ON LORD SHERBORNE'S ESTATE
A badger hunt took place on Lord Sherborne's Lodge Park estate on Monday last.
The badger was unearthed and killed after three hours' digging. He scaled over 30lbs.
and gave great sport in the woods where unearthed before he was killed. The names
(reading from left to right) are: Sandles (deer park keeper), Lord (keeper, in cutting),
Mr. Bowe, Mr. John Evans (head gamekeeper), Mr. W. Attwood, and Mr. J. Evans, Jun.
Photo by Barry Burge, Northleach.

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At the Piano: MR. ADOLPH MANN.

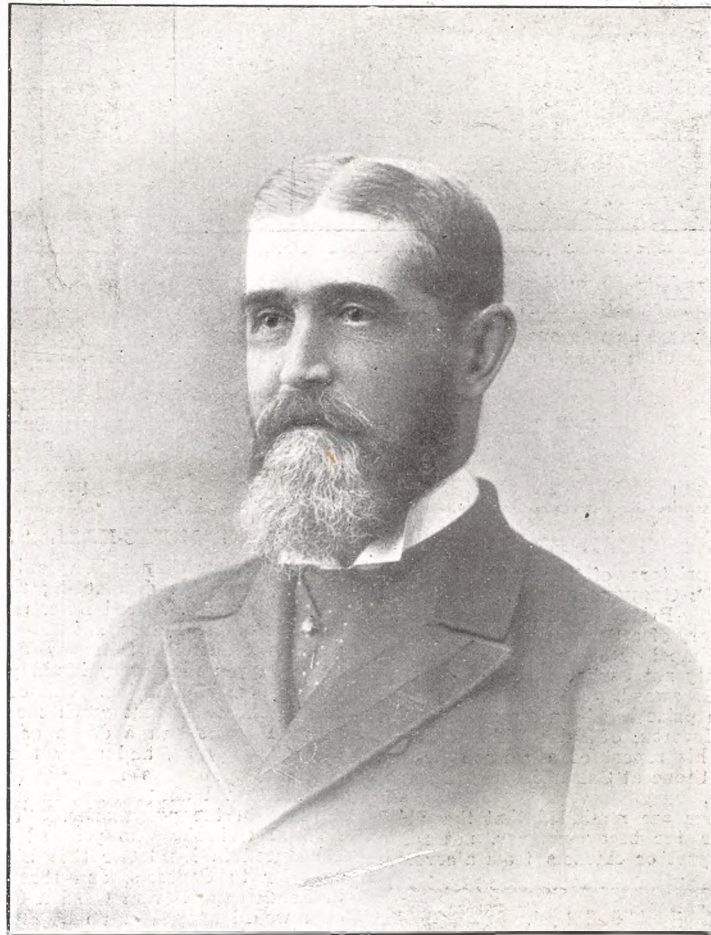
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WEST-COUNTRY MENU.

At the annual dinner of the West of
England Association, held at Capetown, the
included Cornish pilchards, Torbay
soles, Somerset ham, apple dumplings and
cream, Devonshire junkets, and Gloucester
and Cheddar cheese. Cider was the prin-
cipal drink, and after dinner "church-
warden" pipes were smoked.



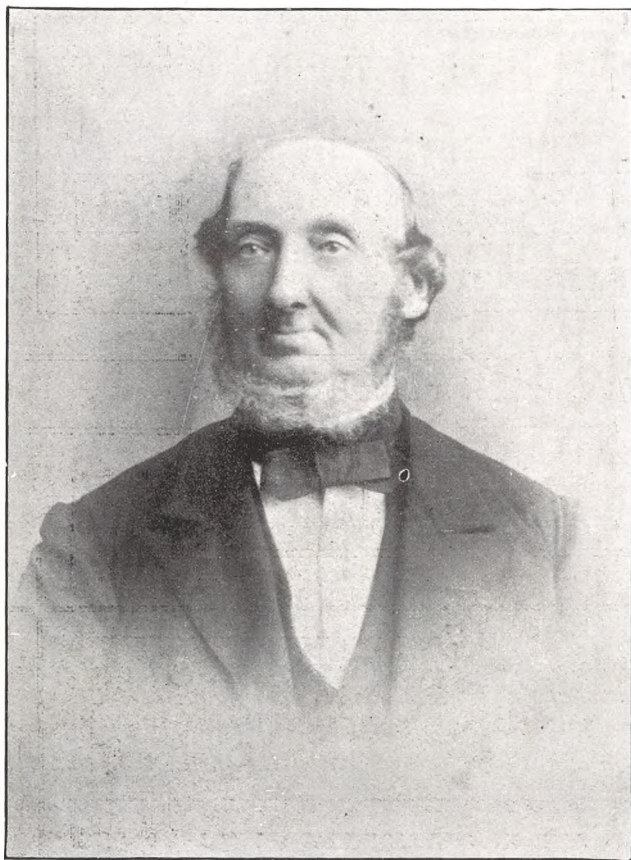
COLONEL E. GORDON LILLINGSTON,
Of Cheltenham, Died November 15, 1907, aged 70 years.

A beautiful white diamond of 220 carats
has been picked up in the river diggings at
Klipdam, near Kimberley.

According to a return just issued the
potato acreage in Ireland has decreased from
1,133,004 acres in 1851 to 586,107 in 1906.

The Royal Masonic Institution for Girls
has declined to benefit in any way by the
will of the murderer Brinkley.

A Cardiff inventor has patented a device
for delivering milk through a hole in the
front door.



MR. HENRY (JOHN) SHERWOOD,

Died at King's Norton November 17, 1907, aged 82 years. For several years he was one of the Conservative members for the West Ward on Gloucester City Council.



MR. SAMUEL MILLS,

uncle of Mr. Brignall, manager of Smith and Sons' Bookstall at Cheltenham M.R. Station, with whom he had lived for the past ten years, died Saturday Nov. 16, aged 96 years, and was buried on Monday at Prestbury. Deceased was a familiar figure at the station during the summer months, and used to delight to tell passengers of his early experiences in the coaching days, and how he remembered them blasting the rock for the Box Tunnel on the G.W.R. He lived under the reign of five Sovereigns, and preached the Gospel in the Baptist denomination for over 60 years.



PRIZE COMPETITION.

The Proprietors of the "CHELTENHAM CHRONICLE & GLOUCESTERSHIRE GRAPHIC" offer a Weekly Prize of Half-a-Guinea for the Best Summary of a Sermon preached in any church or chapel or other place of worship in the county not earlier than the Sunday preceding the award.

The 260th prize has been awarded to Mr. Frank H. Keveren, of Stoke Villa, Charlton Kings, for his report of a sermon by the Rev. C. E. Stone at Salem Baptist Church, Cheltenham.

Competitors are reminded that the prize is given for the best summary, not for a verbatim report or extracts from a sermon.

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FINDING MUSIC-HALL "STARS."

The number of people who imagine that they are capable of amusing the public is astonishing, Mr. Alfred Butt, the managing director of the Palace Theatre of Varieties, says in "Cassell's Saturday Journal." I may tell you that every Monday morning I hold a sort of audition. Out of the countless applications that reach me during the week, I select half a dozen or a dozen as the case may be, and allow the writers to submit their shows for judgment. It is seldom that I am justified in offering them a place in the programme. There was a man at Grimsby who yearned for a trial. He stated in his letter that his voice was superior to Caruso's, and that if he sang in London the Covent Garden Opera Syndicate would snap him up at once. On my consenting to hear him, he wrote informing me that he would call on the following Monday week. In the meantime, however, as he was only a working man, would I lend him sufficient cash to enable him to purchase a dress suit and a return ticket? This I declined to do, upon which the budding Caruso advised me through the post that I was a stiffer of genius.



A peal of minors in which one ringer has rung two tower bells throughout, has been performed for the first time in the history of change ringing, by a member of the Herts Association of Change Ringers.

IN A NEWSPAPER OFFICE.

An excited-looking man called at a newspaper office the other day and announced in determined tones that he wished to see the editor. He was confronted with that long-suffering gentleman. "Look here," he began, blusteringly, "I want to talk to you. I—" "Very good," replied the editor, calmly: "pray come inside." He led him along a passage and down a stair to the printing department, where a big machine was thundering along printing copies of the paper at twenty thousand an hour, and the noise was simply deafening. "Now, sir," he bawled into his visitor's ear, "what have you got to say?" The interview was extremely brief.



Mr. H. Lyell Taylor, of London, was on Tuesday appointed musical director of the Buxton Pavilion Orchestra.

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GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL TEAM,

AS OPPOSED TO CHELTENHAM ON SATURDAY LAST ON THE ATHLETIC GROUND.



Top row:—D. Hollands, W. Johns, B. Parham, F. Pegler, H. Quixley, H. Collins, R. Craddock, and G. Matthews (all forwards).
Second row:—T. Huggins (linesman), E. Hall, C. Smith (three-quarters), G. Vears (capt., forward, who was unable to play owing to an injury), A. E. Wood (full back), G. Cook, A. Hudson (three-quarters), and T. Bagwell (trainer).
Bottom row:—D. Gent and J. Stephens (half-backs).



A LINE-OUT AT HALF-WAY.

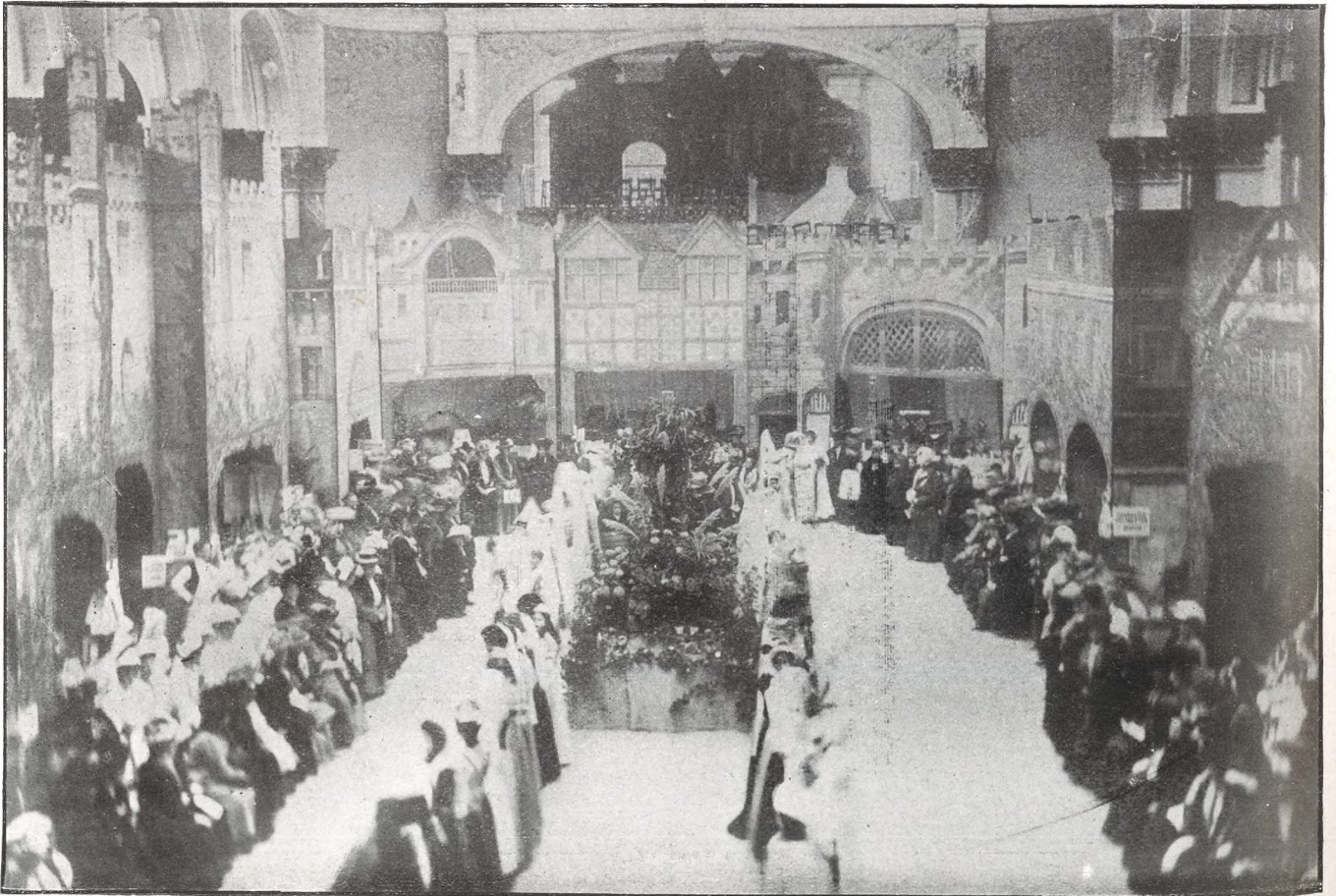
Gent in the outfield, Goddard first at the line, Williams, Parham, Matthews, and Tinson in first group, Fry and Hollands in second group, with W. N. Unwin (in white knickers) coming for the ball.

Historic Bazaar in Cheltenham Town Hall.

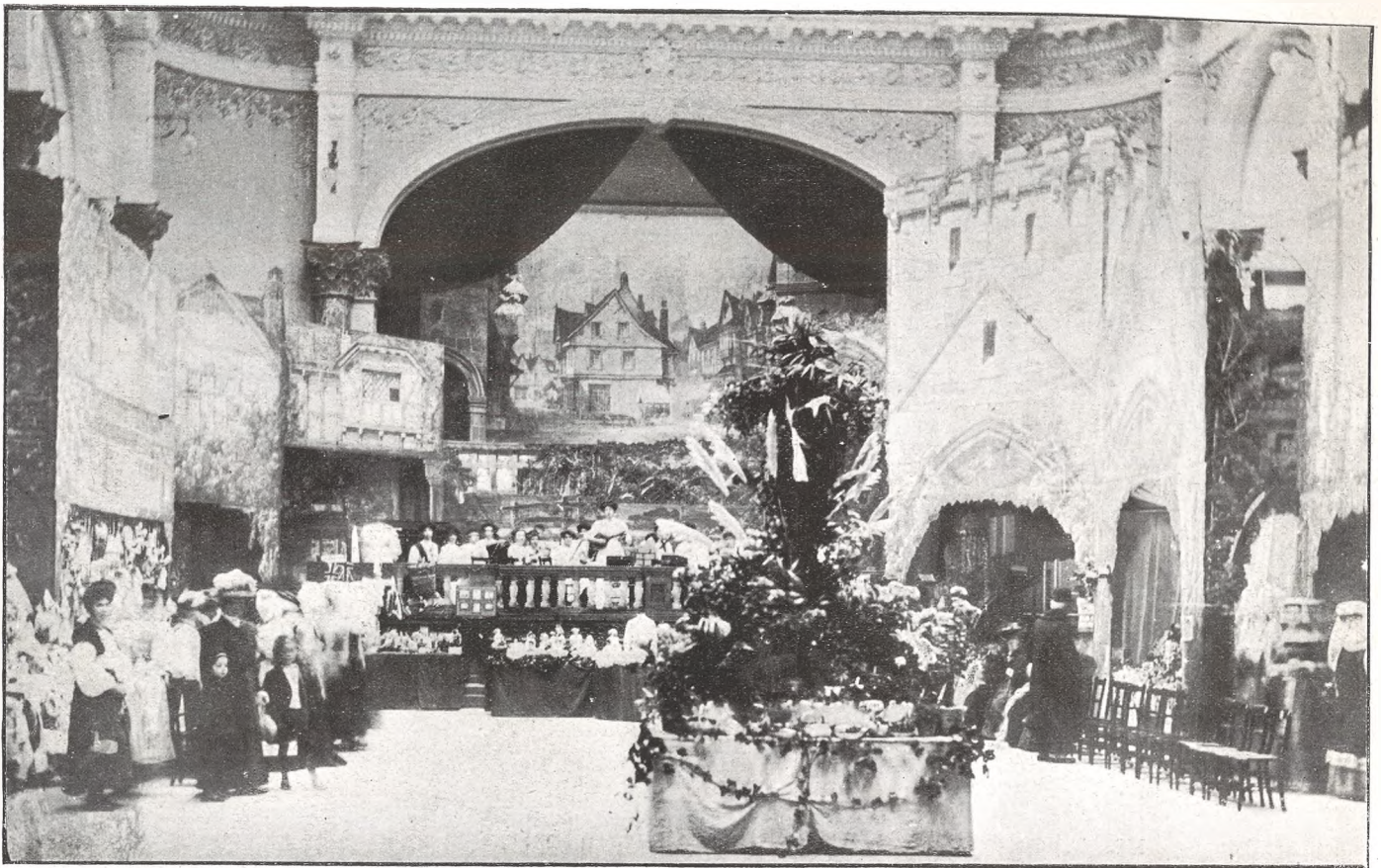
IN AID OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND HOME FOR WAIFS AND STRAYS
NOVEMBER 19, 20, AND 21, 1907.



GROUP OF LADY STALLHOLDERS IN THE COSTUMES OF THE PERIODS OF THE SEVEN EDWARDS.



OPENING CEREMONY AS VIEWED FROM THE ORCHESTRA.



VIEW OF THE BAZAAR FACING ORCHESTRA.

INFLUENCE OF THE MIND ON HEALTH.

Dr. Schofield, of Harley-street, in an address on "The Influence of Mind on Health," which he delivered at the Institute of Hygiene on Tuesday, said that man was composed of spirit, soul, and body, and that the brain was in three parts which roughly corresponded to these—the upper, middle, and lower. Health to be perfect must pervade all three parts; disease affected all three in varying degrees; the cure must therefore reach all three. All were governed by the mind, of which, however, only a small part was in full consciousness; another part was sometimes so (the sub-conscious), and the rest was never in full consciousness (the unconscious). They must remember, too, that health (body), wholeness (soul), and holiness (spirit) were all essentially the same, though now divorced from one another. The

mental process of cure might be divided into the natural and artificial. The natural was the power inherent in the body to cure; the artificial such things as drugs, auto-suggestion, and the influence of the doctor. Mental force could be stimulated artificially, as stated, by suggestion, either direct or indirect—direct by hypnotism, or by simple personal influence. The indirect, however, was easier to use, at all events in this country. Suggestion, indeed, resembled the nitrogen in the air, and required to be wrapped up as a compound in order to be assimilated, as in food. These indirect suggestive influences included environment, personality, etc. Drugs, indeed, were often simpler and quicker to use, especially in the case of pain, sleep, and digestion, and for the heart and liver. It must be borne in mind that no moral or religious question was involved in using the mind any more than with drugs, and hence Christian science had no connection with the subject under discussion. Dr. Schofield, in summing up, emphasised the fact that conscious effort was futile, direct suggestion difficult, and auto-suggestion generally impossible. He concluded by saying that he thought none doubted the hygienic influence generally of a sound mind and of perfect harmony both within and without, and that this should be a condition easily reached by the majority of his hearers.

London's population will be 8,000,000 in 1916, and 16,000,000 in 1960, according to experts of the London Water Board.

An ostrich chick with three toes instead of the usual two on each foot has been sent to Rhodes University College, Grahamstown, Cape Colony.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE & HEREFORDSHIRE FEDERATION OF FREE CHURCH COUNCILS.

VISIT of DR. RENDEL HARRIS (President of the National Council) and REV. F. B. MEYER, B.A., to CHELTENHAM, on WEDNESDAY NEXT, November 27th, 1907.—11 a.m., Highbury Congregational Church. Address by DR. RENDEL HARRIS.—3 p.m., Cambray Chapel. Sermon by REV. F. B. MEYER, B.A.—5 p.m., TEA at Rodney Hall. The REV. F. B. MEYER presides. Tickets 6d each from Mr. Jas. Anderton, 145 High Street.—7.30 p.m., MASS MEETING at Salem Chapel. Chairman: PROFESSOR BLUNDELL, of Gloucester. Addresses by DR. RENDEL HARRIS and the REV. F. B. MEYER. Special Music by the Augmented Choir. Collections for expenses will be taken at the Meetings. c533

Sir Lees Knowles has won a wringing-machine in a Limerick competition at a bazaar he attended at Pendleton.

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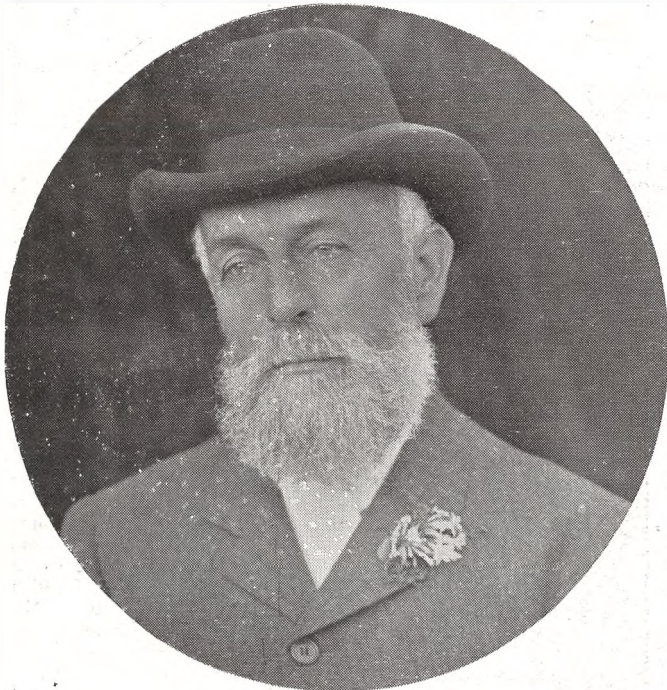
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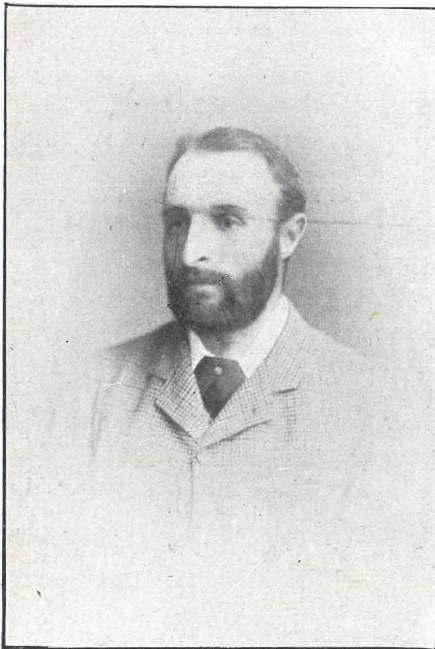
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In the plans of new schools to be erected at High Wycombe, provision is made for the storage of bicycles.

Examination of a valuable emu which died at Melbourne Zoological Gardens showed that death was due to copper poisoning caused by a penny found in the bird's stomach.

"I hope you won't take to public-houses, as some ex-officers do," said the Bradford magistrate in bidding farewell to two police officers who had resigned.

For arousing the neighbourhood with his loud haw-haw, Harry Green, a negro, afflicted with a laughing disease, has been sent to prison at Washington.

A brilliant engraving of Mrs. Siddons, as the Tragic Muse, by F. Howard, after Sir Joshua Reynolds, was sold for £126 on Monday at Sotheby's.

With the sanction of the Bishop of London, a number of ladies are being trained at the Church House for the purpose of giving missions to women in factories.

RE-OPENING OF NAUNTON BAPTIST CHURCH,
NOVEMBER 20, 1907.

Gloucestershire Gossip.



Rev. F. T. Smythe (Nailsworth), who preached the sermon, Rev. C. Bartlett (Cutsdean), Mr. W. Worvall (Lower Guiting, a deacon), Rev. H. F. Chipperfield (Pastor).



VIEW OF RENOVATED CHURCH.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

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A foreigner who has been paying a visit to these shores assures me, after keen observation, that the Englishman's chief peculiarities are: (1) his aversion to shutting the doors behind him, and (2) his preference for riding backwards in trains. With regard to the first the foreigner remarks, "I have stayed at several hotels in London during my visit, and a dozen times daily I have had to get up and shut a door to keep the draught away. The offenders were invariably English people, not other foreign guests. It didn't

make any difference whether it was a servant of the establishment or a visitor who went through, the door was left open. I noticed the same thing in railway carriages, and hotels of smaller towns. The other peculiarity is, that the Englishman will make for the seat with its back to the engine every time, settle down in it with every appearance of comfort and look, wonderingly on anyone who picks out a seat facing the direction in which the train is going. Not once, while travelling in England, did I see a native choose a seat facing the front of the train.— "P.T.O."

The great "Druce Mystery" case has arrived at another interesting stage; but as the matter (a prosecution for perjury) is sub judice, it would be improper and risky for any outsider to express in print an opinion as to the merits or demerits of the extraordinary revelations. I shall content myself by pointing out an interesting fact in connection with the several titles of the Duke of Portland, which, together with the vast family estates, are, claimed by Mr. G. H. Druce, the eldest son of the late T. C. Druce, whom he alleges to have been the double of the 5th Duke of Portland. This fact is (and I don't think it is generally known in this county) that a subtitle of the dukedom is "Baron of Cirencester." The first creation was Earl of Portland, Viscount Woodstock, and Baron of Cirencester, in 1689. And among the thirteen clerical livings that used to be in the patronage of the Duke is the rectory of Bredon, just on the northern borders of Gloucestershire. It is a most valuable benefice (gross income £1,600 a year), and since the year 1881 has been held by the Rev. H. G. Cavendish-Browne, a distant relative of the Portlands. And Stroud folk may be interested to learn that his Grace has in turn the rectory of Gotham, Notts, in his patronage. I observe that the Portland motto is "Craignez Honte" ("Fear disgrace") and if the fifth Duke did lead a double life, it has a peculiar appropriateness in his case.

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It does not seem nearly three years ago (yet it is) that the King and Queen of Portugal paid a visit to the Duc and Duchesse d'Orleans, their relatives, at Wood Norton, and that his Majesty kept up his reputation as a crack shot by contributing in no small measure to the 4,169 head of pheasants (to say nothing of hares, rabbits, and wild ducks) that fell and swelled the total of the two days' battues. And now history has repeated itself in a measure in the same district, not far removed from the north-eastern boundaries of Gloucestershire. For last week the Queen of Portugal re-visited Wood Norton, and the King and Queen of Spain were also there, together with a host of princes and princesses of former French royalties, to assist at the wedding (a most brilliant affair) of the Princess Louise (the youngest sister of the Duc d'Orleans) and Prince Charles of Bourbon. Some of my readers may remember that the outbreak of the war, in 1870, between France and Prussia prevented the Duc d'Aumale (uncle of the Duc d'Orleans) from accepting the mastership of the Cotswold Hounds.

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The form of the tangible memorial to the late Miss Dorothea Beale that the Ladies' College Guild proposes to place in Gloucester Cathedral is still in statu quo, i.e. unsettled. The suggested new statue of the deceased lady in the Lady Chapel is regarded (and I think rightly so) by the Cathedral authorities as incongruous with the antique surroundings. Under the circumstances I venture to reiterate my opinion that a fitting and useful memorial to her would be the installation of electric light in the nave. In reply to an objection raised that the electric light would not be a sufficiently distinctive memorial, I would point out that this could be met by a commemorative tablet in a conspicuous part of the nave being an indispensable part of the scheme.

GLEANER.

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To his favourite horses, Tiny and Rose, Mr. A. J. Andrews, of Washington, U.S.A., has bequeathed £3,000.

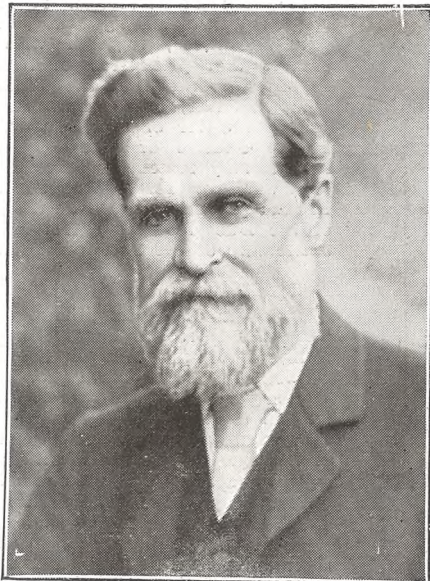


MR. THOMAS WARD,

Licensed Lay Reader at Holy Trinity Church, Cheltenham, to whom was presented a wallet containing the sum of £67 5s. by the parishioners, in recognition of his twenty-one years' service in that capacity.



Lord Duncannon and Major G. A. Peake (President of the Club) watching the Cheltenham Football Match.



DR. RENDEL HARRIS,

A notable Nonconformist who will be in Cheltenham next week at the conference of the Gloucestershire and Herefordshire Federation of Free Church Councils.



GLOUCESTER TUG "RESOLUTE,"

which was recently awarded £900 for salvage services rendered to the steamship "Indrani," which had grounded on the Prinn Sands, in the River Severn, when about to enter Sharpness.

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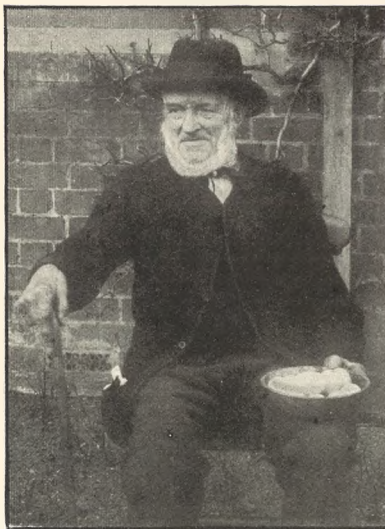
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MRS. SARAH TEAL,
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MR. THOMAS MIDWINTER,
DUMBLETON'S OLDEST MALE
INHABITANT.
Born at Lower Guiting April 14, 1819.

A USE FOR THE SPARROW AT LAST.

As the sparrows in their own feathers are not very often found in the London shops, it can be no very inaccurate surmise that their ultimate destination is to be served to the customers at the cheaper restaurants under the description of "larks on toast." Would that the sparrow, who is a thief unworthy to be apologised for, more frequently suffered this fate.—"Country Life."



MR. and MRS. A. J. HALL,
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SCHOOL FOR NURSEMAIDS.

A school for nursemaids is being started in Brussels. It is hoped to recruit the nurses largely from the orphan asylums. The young nurses will practice on the children of a creche, which is to be instituted near the nurses' home, and where, under the charge of doctors, they will be thoroughly instructed in the care of the young.

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WANE OF THE HONEYMOON.

Honeymoons are going out of fashion, and will probably eventually disappear—at present they are often shortened to four or five days, or even a paltry week-end; and, after all, these protracted wedding-trips, though generally the event of a married woman's life, were often boring to a man. Marriage is getting to be looked upon in a more matter-of-fact way; and, though this may easily be overdone, it is, no doubt, well that the romantic girl should not expect absolutely unreachable things of wedded bliss.—"The Bystander."

During the hearing of a milk prosecution at Bolton it was stated that the defendant's daughter told the inspector that they were obliged to put water in the milk, as they were always short!

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 Second row:—Miss Bishop (cook), J. Tibbitts (attendant), Miss Wickenham (attendant), Miss Randall (attendant), Mrs. Mundy (industrial trainer), Nurse Sansum, Nurse Fisher, Nurse Short, Miss Hill (attendant), F. Matthews (master's clerk).
 Bottom row:—W. Payne (surveyor), H. St. G. Rawlins (clerk to the Guardians), Mrs. Hall (matron), Master Leslie Hall, A. J. Hall (master), Mrs. Martin (assistant matron), G. Martin (porter).

Gloucestershire Gossip.

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I regret that I was not wrong in my anticipation of August 31st last, that, having regard to his advanced age, it was very improbable that the Earl of Ducie would accept the ex-officio presidency, as Lord-Lieutenant, of the County Association to be formed under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act. I observe that his lordship pleaded this identical reason for not taking office at the preliminary meeting that he convened on Nov. 18th last to put the Act in operation. I endorse the expressions of regret that Lord Ducie found himself unable to act. His lordship, however, suggested an excellent substitute in Earl Bathurst, the nomination of whom as president found ready acceptance. As colonel of the 4th Gloucesters, Lord Bathurst has proved himself to be a very capable leader of Militiamen, while his high position in the county and the very active part he has taken in the management of its affairs, combined with his popularity and the further recommendation that he is in the prime of life, all mark him as the right man.

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The success of the Act will mainly depend upon the thorough and efficient way in which the County Associations discharge their statutory duties. The names of the thirty-six

gentlemen who will "territorialize" for our county are not yet settled, but I have no doubt they will substantially be those who were called to the meeting. I do hope that a number of our shrewd and successful business men who served in the Militia or Volunteers in their earlier days will not be overlooked. One of the chief duties of the Association is the control of recruiting. Glendower, in "Henry IV.," says: "I can call spirits from the vasty deep," to which Hotspur rejoins: "Why, so can I, or so can any man; but will they come when you do call for them?" The Association can, and will, call for recruits, but I "ha' me doots 's" that they will come in sufficient numbers without some mild form of compulsion. Already there are significant statements that M. Government find the Act more costly than they anticipated. The setting up of Associations and their staffs, I quite see, will entail expense; but I trust that this needed decentralization will be followed by a corresponding saving at the War Office, that hot-bed of centralization.

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The command of the King that in future a commission as Deputy-Lieutenant shall be conditional on the person granted it having been an officer in one of the Forces for not less than ten years or rendered "eminent services" in the formation of his County

Association, reminds me that before a Lord-Lieutenant can appoint one of these functionaries the Sovereign signifies that he "does not disapprove of the appointment;" a somewhat negative way of assent. In this county there are about thirty Deputy-Lieutenants, of whom half have no military qualification; but, perhaps, they may be able to justify their position by rendering "eminent services" in the formation of the County Association. GLEANER.

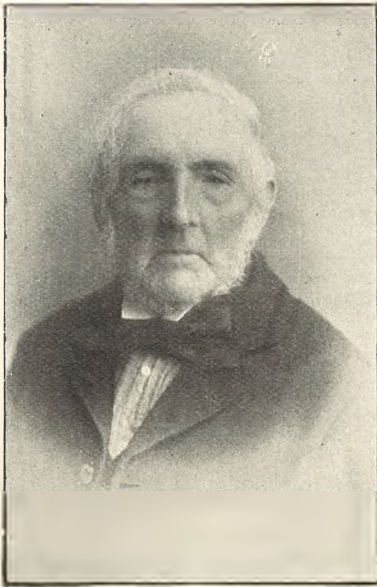
PRIZE COMPETITION

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The Proprietors of the "CHELTENHAM CHRONICLE & GLOUCESTERSHIRE GRAPHIC" offer a Weekly Prize of Half-a-Guinea for the Best Summary of a Sermon preached in any church or chapel or other place of worship in the county not earlier than the Sunday preceding the award.

The 261st prize has been divided between Miss Jones, 1 Paragon-parade, Cheltenham, and Miss Ruth Powell, Ellborough Cottage, Charlton Kings, for reports of sermons respectively by the Bishop of Gloucester at St. Luke's, Cheltenham, and by the Rev. A. B. Phillips at Cambray Baptist Chapel, Cheltenham.

Competitors are reminded that the prize is given for the best summary, not for a verbatim report or extracts from a sermon.



Tewkesbury's Oldest Inhabitant

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MR. JOHN ROGERS.
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Mr. John Rogers, the oldest inhabitant of Tewkesbury, who was christened in Tewkesbury Abbey, attained on Wednesday, Nov. 20th, his 99th birthday, and has passed practically all his life in the old borough. In his day he was reckoned a skilful hand in wrought iron work, and signs of his industry remain in the Cemetery gates at Tewkesbury, which have opened and shut on the living and the dead for half a century. At Gloucester, too, the Cemetery gates are his handiwork, and we are informed that the ornamental setting of the Crimean Memorial at Cheltenham, opposite the Queen's Hotel, is a specimen of his craft. The old gentleman has for years past kept a locksmith's and bellhanger's shop in Barton-street, but has ceased to actively follow his trade, though still attending to customers. Until quite recently, when he had an illness, he was in the habit of taking regular walks, and prides himself on being an abstainer and a non-smoker. At the last dinner of the Independent Englishmen's Friendly Society, of which he has been a member for seventy years, sympathetic and kindly reference was made to him by Mr. Pullin, the secretary. His interests have not been confined to business alone. At one time on Sundays he gave readings at the Workhouse, until some other arrangement was made by the authorities. As a young man he frequently held services in the country districts, and is still an attendant at Tewkesbury Baptist Chapel. He is also still a director of the local Building Society and the Victoria Coffee Tavern. He married twice, his second wife being a Miss Potter, who has left behind her relatives living in the town. The approaching centenarian is the uncle of Councillors G. P. and J. W. Howell and of Mr. Hubert Howell, one of the borough auditors.

"My wife," exclaimed a man who was charged on his own confession with embezzlement at West London on seeing his wife enter the court. Before anyone could stop him he leaned over the dock, drew her to him, and kissed her passionately.



. . Mrs. & Miss Noel Slade, . .

WHO ARE PROCEEDING TO SOUTH AFRICA TO-DAY PER "WALMER CASTLE"—MISS SLADE TO BE MARRIED TO MR. E. OFFER.

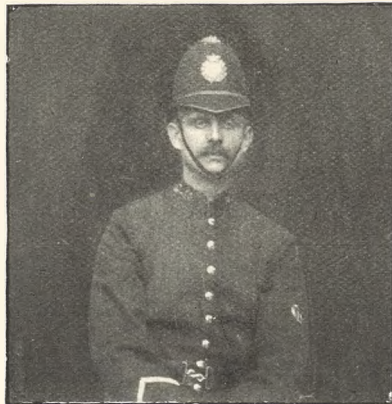
NEW DISEASE.

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"I-MEAN-TO-SAY-MIA."

The following letter appears in the "Daily Mail":—

"I think public attention should be drawn to a new and insidious disease which has found its way into England, and thence spread to all parts of the earth.

"I refer to the obsession which, for the purpose of classification, I shall designate 'I-mean-to-say-mia.' This does not look much like an English word, but as it has 'crept into the language' and is used by a large number of individuals of all ages and both sexes, due provision must be made for (or against) it. I have been travelling abroad lately, and have been shut up in trains and carriages with all sorts of varieties of 'I-mean-to-say-miacs.' The effect has been prejudicial both to morals and health. When the species is found singly it is offensive; when it travels in battalions it is insufferable.



P.C. Charles Edward Gabb,
of Horsley (formerly of Cheltenham).
Died suddenly Nov. 26, 1907, aged 44 years.

"Imagine being confined in a railway carriage with six persons all talking something like this: 'I mean to say, don't you know, that Jones walked up that mountain by himself; you know, that is, of course, I mean to say, nobody in his senses should try to climb up a place like that without a guide. Do you follow me? I mean to say, a fellow should always take a guide up a mountain in the event of getting lost, don't you know; that is, I mean to say, a fellow's people get very anxious if he gets lost in the mountains in that way: besides, it's very foolish. I mean—,'" and so on.

"We have asylums for other kinds of lunatics, and don't you think, I mean to say—! Horror! the cursed thing's contagious. "PONS ASINORUM.

"Kobe, Japan."

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WILL IN A BLOTTING PAD.

In a successful action for the establishment of a will at Liverpool on Tuesday it was stated that the will was written on half a sheet of notepaper and placed between the leaves of a blotting pad. After the death of the testator, who was a retired hairdresser, his aunt went to the blotting pad to write a letter to her daughter. She found the half-sheet of nottpaper, and used it for her letter. After filling up the blank side she turned the paper over, to find that it was her nephew's will.

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GROUP ON CAMBRAY CHAPEL STEPS,
taken on November 27, 1907, before the service. Rev. F. B. Meyer, B.A., who preached, marked x.

TRAPPING A TIGER.

Infinitely more bloodthirsty and daring than the lion, the adult-caught tiger is less proud and sensitive than his magnificent half-brother, and less apt to die owing to captivity. For this reason, and because of facilities for safely transporting these heavy, mighty beasts to near-by seaports, the monarch of India is frequently trapped even when full grown.

Into the heart of the tiger district the intrepid hunter plunges, news of his coming mysteriously flying ahead of him from village to village, where natives are only too anxious to decry the cattle-killing marauder. But how to capture one of these suspicious, treacherous, seven-hundred-pound cats, and cage him or else lead him through a hundred or more miles of jungle, is a problem that might puzzle anyone but an East Indian or a wild animal trapper. The trap, known as a "pitfall," is excavated within convenient distance of the tiger lair, and near a watering-place, where footprints betray where the animal drinks. The trapper sits, rifle across knees, and eyes and ears strained for a surprise, while two brown men sink the "pitfall" wherein the beast will be decoyed to hurl himself. Down goes the huge bottle-shaped hole, ten feet deep, ten feet in diameter at the base, and seven feet across at the surface, while a third native weaves cane and bamboo into network to cover the gaping mouth of the trap. A kid with a stone tied to it is secured to the middle of the frail cover, which is then shoved across the opening.

The unfortunate kid bleats piteously as the men withdraw. Far into the jungle the mournful sound penetrates almost incessantly—for hours, sometimes for several days, before the lazy slayer stirs. Then he comes, noiseless as a shadow. The thickest cane, through which it seems only a hare could squirm, the lithe magnificent beast pierces without the rustling of a leaf. Guided by sound and scent he approaches nearer and nearer, white belly to the ground. Whether attacking man or beast, his attack is a surprise and a spring. He could advance in the open and out-distance even the fleetest buck in a few bounds; but this is not the nature of the beast, even when attacking a tethered kid. Crouching low, nervous quivers running across his specklessly groomed skin, and eyes gleaming, he aims. A crash—the great body describes a long wide arc, and with a snarl he lands on his prey, dashing headlong, kid, network, and all, into the dark pit. Surprised, frightened, and maddened, the trapped brute unreasonably fights right and left, tearing the kid, splintering the fatal network, and attacking the walls of the pit. When his first fury is expended, he spies the opening overhead. With all the experience and cunning and wonderful agility of the beasts of his family, he estimates and tries to spring out of the hole; but the overhanging walls lend no foothold, the feat being even more difficult than that of a man jumping out of a hog's head. Again and again the animal springs, bringing down clawfuls of dirt and stone, until he begins to be exhausted, and, snarling, paces his narrow prison, seeking an exit.—"Strand Magazine."

ROCKEFELLER'S COURTSHIP.

There is an amusing incident in connection with the engagement of John D. Rockefeller to Laura Spelman. When news of the proposed alliance first went the rounds, one of Miss Spelman's intimate friends—a man who had assisted her father in the anti-slavery and temperance movements, in which Mr. Spelman was greatly interested—asked her about the rumour he had heard. She blushing gave it the stamp of her authority, whereat her friend remarked: "Well, I congratulate you. John Rockefeller is a fine lad, and he deserves a fine lass. But, Laura, I hope it is a case of love for love's sake for I fear he will never be very well off in this world's goods." Which shows what rare judgment this friend exercised in not taking up the business of fortune telling.—"P.T.O."

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the Cheltenham Tramways foreman killed
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IT SOMETIMES HAPPENS.

[BY ANDREW LINDSAY.]

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For more than a month the doctor had known that his patient would not recover. He had done his best for him, but he knew there was no hope. The man had too long neglected his bodily ills, which at first had not been serious, and he had only consented to call in a doctor when he found himself unable to attend to his business. Constant worry about his affairs had at last utterly prostrated him, and, judging by appearances his financial affairs were in equally hopeless case.

The man, Langley, was a small grocer in an unimportant street. He lived over a shop with his family, which increased all too rapidly for the father's equanimity; twins had been born to him some six months before, and ever since the event Langley had appeared more discouraged than ever. For several years affairs had not been prosperous, and now they looked their gloomiest with the grocer lying upstairs seriously ill. As the doctor stood at the bedside gazing down at his patient, a wave of sympathy, of unusual strength, swept over him for this passing failure of a man. Afterwards, in considering the case, the doctor thought Mrs. Langley's pale, set countenance, and dark-ringed questioning eyes, might have had something to do with it, for she was a pathetic figure as she glanced from husband to doctor, and back again to her husband. Her tragic picture of helplessness sat heavily on the doctor's mind. From the first she had been silent as to questions, but she had listened attentively to his orders, and had rigidly carried out his instructions. During a visit, when the doctor had caught a glimpse of the twins being crooned over by a tiny girl of seven, he had suggested a nurse, but Mrs. Langley had shaken her smoothly-arranged head and said firmly:—

"I can do all that is necessary."

When the doctor spoke of the care of the twins, she replied—

"Annie will help me to mind them."

Then, as if to apply a further test to the woman's courage, he asked—

"But who will look after the shop?"



MR. G. TREVOR WELLINGTON

(elected for the Tuffley Ward).

"George came home from Mr. White's today," she said. "He is fourteen, and will leave school now—at least, I fear he must," she concluded, in a low voice, looking at the man lying with wide-open eyes in which there was a settled remoteness of expression, as if he had finished his task. His thin frame, outlined under the bed-coverings, showed the pose of a world-weary man resting.

At the end of the month's close attention to his patient, Doctor Owen grew as interested in the woman as in his "case," her husband. How did she manage to accomplish it all? Never was the smallest detail neglected in the care of his patient, and he was always met by her in the sick-room, neatly dressed, hair carefully arranged in plait after plait of dark luxuriance, crowning her small head, and giving her a somewhat stoical appearance.

"When do you rest?" the doctor asked one day, for he had never been able to discover even the meanest "slavey" on the premises.

"George watches sometimes, and I sleep—

when I can," she added in a whisper, glancing at the quiet figure on the bed.

At last there came a day when all was over, and the doctor left the house sadly enough.

"What will become of them—a widow and six helpless children? God only knows," he said to himself as he drove away, for circumstances made it impossible for him to help them.

"At least I shall never trouble her to pay for my services," he said, as he took out a pocket-book and made a memorandum to that effect.

It was more than a year later when, one morning, the doctor was surprised to receive a note which read:—

"Dear Sir,—

Will you be kind enough to let me know the amount of charge for your attendance on my late husband, Geoffrey Langley.

Yours truly,

KATHERINE LANGLEY.

In the stress of a busy, anxious life, the Langleys had been forced from the doctor's mind, and he had to think for some moments before he remembered the little run-down



MR. T. C. WEBB,

Thirty-six years Headmaster of Chandos Grammar School, Winchcombe (retires at Christmas); twenty-four years Churchwarden (resigned Easter, 1907); twenty-one years Secretary to Winchcombe Conservative Benefit Society (retires at Christmas).



MR. E. JACKSON,

Newly-appointed Secretary of Winchcombe Conservative Benefit Society.

grocer's shop and the widow with six children. He did not answer the note, but when he had finished his calls that day he told his coachman to drive to the street where the grocery shop stood. It was evidently the same place, but so great a change had been effected that, but for the name, the doctor would not have recognised it. There was an unmistakeable look of prosperity in every part of it. The building had been repainted, and everything had an air of a well-managed prospering business.

The doctor entered the shop, where he found Mrs. Langley seated at her desk. Her smoothly-plaited hair, and her whole appearance, was as neat as he remembered; and the surroundings harmonised with her, for everything inside the building looked as flourishing as the outside. The dark tragic-looking rings had disappeared from the woman's eyes, and the hitherto rigid features with the pained expression were now a softened, contented look, and there was even a shadowy smile hovering round her lips, which, however, when she raised her head and recognised Doctor Owen, quickly disappeared, leaving a tinge of sadness in its stead. She came hastily out of her box-like desk and held out her hand to the doctor.

"You have come in response to my note?" she said quietly, "It is very kind of you to call, Doctor Owen."

"I've always been meaning to look you up," he said, "and I thought to-day was a good time to do it." He flushed a little as he realised that the widow might think he had come post-haste for his money.

Mrs. Langley led the way to a small sitting-room at the back of the shop, and the doctor's acutely-trained professional eye noted with kind-hearted satisfaction that compactness and order and cleanliness reigned everywhere. The trim eldest girl, little more than twelve, was serving a customer, while George, the eldest son, was placing packages in a smart delivery cart at the door, with the name "Langley and Co., Grocers and First-class Provision Merchants," painted on the side of it.

"Well, Mrs. Langley," said the doctor, "things have changed somewhat since I last saw you, and whether you are flourishing or not you certainly look like it. Tell me how you have managed it?"

"Oh, we are reasonably successful," said the widow. "Everyone has been very kind, and my boy and girl have taken a keen interest in helping. They are all I could wish them to be, doctor."

"Ah," he replied, in a pleased hearty tone. "I am glad to hear it."

"When poor Geoff died," Mrs. Langley said, with a tremor in her voice, "the business was rather in disorder, but gradually we have managed to straighten it out, and now we are going on very smoothly and quite profitably."

"Good, very good indeed! And the twins; how are they?"

"Splendidly well, doctor. I hope they will come in before you go; they are really gratifying to look at. If poor Geoff could only see them," she said—and then continued, in a more business-like way: "I would like to write you a cheque, doctor. You have been most considerate to wait so long."

"I'm in no hurry, Mrs. Langley. In fact, I never meant to send in the account."

"But the firm of 'Langley and Co.' always pays its debts," protested the widow, "and thereby we hope some day to get a good place in the 'Commercial Register.'"

"I think it very likely that you will get into the good books of others as well as the 'Commercial Register,'" said the doctor. "How did it all come about, anyway?"

"I don't really know," said the widow, in the slow undecided tone of one to whom an unconsidered problem is put for the first time. "As I said, I think it is chiefly because people have been kind, and given a deal of custom that otherwise we could not have expected, and then, we did everything we could think of to make them satisfied. We are always planning how to make things look better."

"Ah!" ejaculated the doctor, as he bent a questioning glance upon the woman who seemed all unconscious that she was an example of the gospel of success—work.

"Poor Geoffrey never had any luck," she continued, "and then he was timid afraid to spend money to make the shop look nice. Then he wasn't well during the last year of his life. Poor Geoff!" she said softly, turning towards the window, and the doctor knew by the movement of her arm that she was drying a tear of genuine affection and regret. He marvelled at the woman's simplicity and obliviousness to her valuable possession, the true business instinct. That her success was due to any effort of her own never seemed to strike her. She had merely done the obvious thing.

"You know, doctor, she said earnestly, "we are going to place a cross at poor Geoff's grave, and we want to feel we are doing things in their proper order, so I wrote for your account before we bought the stone. It is a labour of love to all of us to pay this account, and we are grateful for your long forbearance."

"Oh, if you put it that way, Mrs. Langley," said the doctor, "you shall hear from me presently," and he rose to go.

He drove away, thinking it was a pity the dead man had been unaware of the energy and persistence at his side, although stress of circumstances had undoubtedly developed it.

"It often happens," he said to himself, "some men are as blind after marriage as many are before."



Seven sovereigns were found in a mattress purchased at a Greenwich auction sale for 2s. by a poor widow.

"To judge from appearances in this photograph, he can pay," said the judge at Clerkenwell County Court, when asked to look at the photograph of a debtor and his family as evidence of the man's means. An order was made.

THE EVOLUTION OF THE WALL-PAPER INDUSTRY.

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From the remotest antiquity man has striven to decorate the walls of his dwelling, be it cave, mud-hut, or more substantial abode. Many ages before wall-paintings and sculptures were even in their nascent dream-stage—for everything that is was first a dream—our remote ancestors employed skins of animals and trophies of the chase wherewith to embellish their habitations. The extreme antiquity of these decorative methods has received abundant confirmation from the labours of the Egyptian Research Department, at Heirakonopolis, where wall-paintings have been discovered in an ancient tomb which is probably not less than 7,000 years old, as also by the discovery of ancient buildings under the sand dunes of the Sahara desert. The painted mural decorations in some of these archaic dwellings—to-day so far removed from habitable and cultivated land—have been preserved by the dry sand, and remain almost as fresh as when they left the artist's hands, far back in the dim twilight of the centuries.

Many old writers have averred that block-printing was practised by the Chinese several centuries before the Christian era, but it does not appear to be possible now to obtain any undeniable confirmation of the statement, while the evidences of the use of tapestries to cover up bare walls are mentioned by the ancient poets.

The beautiful wall-paintings of Pompeii have furnished us with examples of decorative art which have served as models to generations of architects and decorators, while in more modern times tapestries—usually the work of ladies whose lords were engaged in warlike expeditions—were carried about from place to place for the decoration of the houses of the great. Of these, probably the oldest now extant is the celebrated set of pieces known as the Bayeux Tapestry.

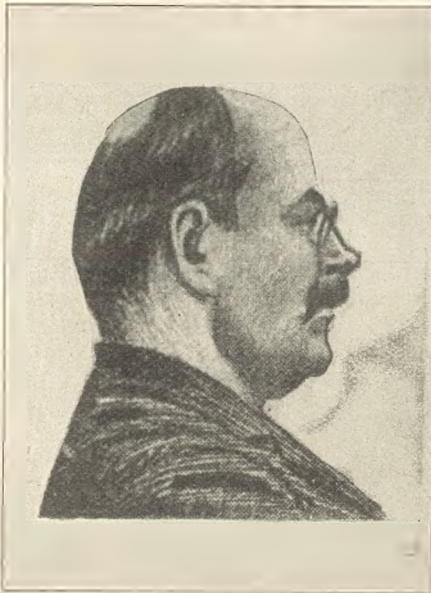
Decorations of this character, having the advantage of portability, and often descending as heirlooms from sire to son, were yet very costly, and it was the constant aim of merchants and traders to discover something of a less expensive nature to answer the same purpose, and yet to come within the means of a greater number of their patrons. The first step in this direction was the importation by the Dutch, about the middle of the sixteenth century, and by the gentlemen adventurers of the time of good Queen Bess, of painted hangings from China and the East. It is most probable that they originally came to us through Persia, for the word "chintz" is of Persian origin, and in the French language woven fabrics and wall-paper, printed with many colours, and somewhat similar in design to these old painted hangings, are known by the name of "pereses." The employment and study of these imported paintings in England soon passed to France, and thence into Germany and other Continental countries, leading by steady progression to the first crude beginnings of the art now called paper-staining in Europe.—"Magazine of Commerce."

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Birmingham charities benefit by £5,000 under will, proved on Monday, of Miss Grigg, of Edgbaston, who left £38,499 gross

A blackbird twenty years old, belonging to Mr. R. Cathey, of Leyton, has just died. It ate enough to keep a three-year-old child.

So effective was a strike of beer drinkers at Genck, North Belgium, against an increase in the price of beer that the brewers and retailers have had to lower it.



GUY RICHARD ROY PRESTON
(formerly of Cheltenham),

one of the principals in the Alleged Cheque Forgeries under investigation at the Central Criminal Court.

CATCHING LION CUBS.

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To steal a litter of lion cubs is not so difficult a feat as might be supposed. In the heart of the deepest, darkest tangle of cane, thorn, and bushrope, the lion mother has worked a clearing and scratched and gathered a nest of leaves and grass upon which to bed her young. Here the yellow babies lie, huddled and mewling, or sprawling over one another in kitten play, while the anxious mother, fawning close beside her magnificent lord and master, lies, chin on forepaws, eyes closed and ears alert and twitching. Not in the wild world, it would seem, was family ever so protected. And yet, safely hidden in a thicket to leeward, where no wind can carry the strong human scent, recognisable to almost every warm-blooded creature except man himself, the trapper is hard at work. Beside him is a pair of Kaffir hunters with his guns and repeating rifles, and hour after hour the men sit silently until the lion parents, unsuspecting of impending danger, depart to hunt for their meal. Often, as a preliminary, the male lion lowers his nose toward the ground and emits that terrifying, reverberating bass roar that strikes panic to the hearts of all living things within ear-shot and startles them to a betraying flight—the very object of the roar, it is supposed. The crack of a dried twig sounds sharply; scarcely more than as if wafted by a sudden breeze and bushes rustle and part, and the kingly head uplifted and nostrils scenting, the magnificent monarch steps, soft-padded and noiseless, through the thicket, followed by his legal spouse.

One hour, two, and even three may pass before the lions have struck down their buck; and the kidnapers, making sure only that the formidable beasts have gone, move to their robbery. On hands and knees, creeping and crawling as only experienced hunters can, noiseless and ever ready for sudden attack, the men progress through the maze of cane and vine and bush until they come to the thicket where the young ones lie asleep.

They may be kittens, with eyes scarcely more than open, and may be picked up and bagged before they can stagger away on tiny legs; or they may be four-week-old whelps, lively and frisky, showing their inborn hatred of man by spitting and trying to scratch when picked up in arms. Four, five, even six young lions may be gathered up in this way to be borne to the nearest station and raised in captivity, while out of the depths of the jungle, deep into the night, roll the rumbling challenges of the bereaved parents.—"Strand Magazine."

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SUBTLITIES OF SPEECH.

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What a strange unlooked-for meaning can be put into the two little words "my dear." Considered dispassionately, says a writer in "Black and White," they have an affectionate sound, and their signification is tenderness itself, but through the innate perversity of human nature they are almost always used to convey reproof or criticism. "My dear, you are late." "Really, my dear, I can't truthfully say you are looking your best." Sweet little syllables, put to "uses vile." When a man says "dear" to his wife it merely implies his habitual consciousness of their relation; when he says "darling" he is again the lover of the honeymoon; but when he says "my dear" he is asserting his dignity as head of the household. This subtle distinction reminds me of a quaint speech made years ago by a ten-year-old country lassie. "When mother calls to you 'Come, honey!' you know it's cake or something good; when she shouts 'Come, Lizzie!' it may be dinner or just nothing; but when she calls out 'Come, Lizzie Briggs!' well, then, you'd best look out!"

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HOW TO SUCCEED IN THE LAW.

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Sir J. Gorell Barnes presided at a dinner of the Birmingham Law Students' Society on Saturday night, and advised students to try to get a sound knowledge of the law and not take a mere cursory glance at it. They should also have a good sound business knowledge and training, and a good grip of commerce from the point of view of book and account keeping. It was not entirely brains that made a successful lawyer. If a man looked forward to standing at the top of his profession, he wanted character, which meant honesty, trustworthiness, and the capacity to give the right advice.

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It was stated at an inquest near Ruabon on a child who had fallen into a bucket of boiling water that flour and treacle were at once placed on the wounds.

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Admiral Sir Michael Culme Seymour has been awarded the good service pension of £300 a year, in the vacancy caused by the death of Admiral Sir F. Leopold McClintock.

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In fining the owner of a dog for allowing it to be at large without a collar bearing his name and address, the Mayor of Lowestoft expressed the hope that a similar law applying to cats would soon be in operation.