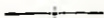


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EDITORIAL.

Subscriptions to the School Magazine for 1918 (1/7½ post free) are now due, and should be sent as soon as possible to Miss Callender, at the High School.

We greatly regret to record the death of Miss Mary Gurney, which occurred on Oct. 7th. We are reprinting below the resolution adopted by the Council of the G.P.D.S.T.:

"The Council desires to place on record its profound sense of irreparable loss to the Trust and to the cause of women's and girls' education, in the death of Miss Mary Gurney. She was one of the founders of the Girls' Public Day School Company (now the Trust), and for forty-five years she made their schools the chief care of a most strenuous and devoted life. The recognition, now general but long in coming, that girls no less than boys are entitled, both in their own and in the national interest, to the best and most thorough intellectual as well as moral training that can be given is largely due to the faith, the enthusiasm, and the untiring efforts of a few able women who were in advance of their time, and of whom Mary Gurney was among the chief. No one had a higher standard of education or a truer vision of what education means and her ideals were thought out, nor would she ever compromise them.

"Her great ability and the force of her personality, together with her thorough knowledge both of the schools and business of the Trust, made her through a long course of years probably the most influential member of the Council, and it always relied on her wisdom.

"But in paying homage to Miss Gurney's great character and services the members of her Council would wish to add a warm tribute of affection. She was in truth one of the most lovable of women. Her beautiful and entirely unselfish nature, her unfailing sympathy, and a wonderful tenderness, rare in so forceful a character, made it impossible for those who knew her not to love her, and among the mistresses of our schools as among her colleagues all hearts went out to her. Her death leaves a blank that can never be filled. But she died full of years and honour. She had lived to see her hopes and ideals for women well in course of fulfilment, and her work lives after her."

Weather Report. Autumn Term, 1917.

The total rainfall from July 1st to Dec. 14th was 10.61 inches on 48 days, which is above the average by 2.58 inches. The driest month was November, when 1.20 inches fell. The lowest temperature, 23°F, occurred on December 4th.

Dorcas Meeting.

The combined Upper and Lower School Dorcas Meeting was held this term on Friday, October 26th, at 2.30 p.m. We did not act plays this time, but Miss Bell read us instead two delightful stories from "The Scarlet Herring," by Judge Parry. The following old girls were present:

D. Browne, V. Henry, M. Oram, M. Price, I. Rose, H. Schafer, H. Stone, B. Taylor, P. Tayton.

The Distribution of Certificates.

On Friday, Dec. 7th, the Annual Distribution of Certificates was held in the School Hall, a large number of parents and friends being present. Dr. Hooper was in the chair, and Mrs. Harmer (a member of the Council) was also present. The proceedings opened with a musical programme, the Orchestra being under the direction of Miss Gwynne Kimpton, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., A.G.S.M., and the Singing Classes conducted by Miss Read, L.R.A.M.

"Air de Danse, Varié"	-	Salvayre	-	Ireland
Part Songs	-	Chaminade	-	Elvey

Dr. Hooper then called upon Miss Bell to read her report, which was as follows:

"Mr. Chairman (Dr. Hooper), Mrs. Harmer,

"For the fourth consecutive year this distribution of the Certificates gained during the last School year takes place in our own hall. Two years ago the Council decided to give certificates instead of prizes. A special certificate was designed with two branches of the wild olive at the top. To the ancient Greek athlete a garland of parsley or a spray of wild olive was a reward above gold or precious stones. We, in these days of storm and stress, must be satisfied with simple rewards for duty well done.

"During the School year, which ended last July, Phyllis Foucard gained a Higher Certificate of the Oxford and Cambridge Joint Board; Evelyn Hotchkin and Nancy Fawcett passed the London

Matriculation by means of the London Senior School Certificate, Nancy Fawcett gaining distinction in French; Edith Black passed the London Matriculation, and Helen Bourne the Previous Examination of Cambridge University; Rosemary Langton Cole passed Part I. of the Higher Certificate of the National Froebel Union, and Molly Hogan Part II. in Handwork and Class Teaching. First Aid Certificates of the St. John Ambulance Association were gained by Molly Coop and Grace Taylor. The School Scholarship was awarded to Ruth Marsden, and the Junior Scholarship to Dorothy Lufkin. The Duirs' Memorial Prize for French was gained by Edith Black; and the McMorrin Prize for English in the Sixth, which is given for the first time this year was awarded to Helen Bourne. Two old girls are up at Oxford and one at Cambridge.

- " We are no longer playing matches away from Sutton, on account of the restrictions on travelling. The Competition matches against other schools of the Trust were discontinued at the beginning of the War. We continue to be the custodians of the Hockey Cup and of the Tennis Shield, both of which we won in 1913 and also in 1914. The old girls bring teams to play us in the various games when their limited leisure allows; and during the summer a Tennis match, Mothers *v.* School, was played. The Lower School Sports were held as usual, and badges instead of prizes were given. For the first time in the history of the School, Upper School Sports (organised by the Sixth) were held. An entrance fee was charged, with the result that £10 10s. were sent to the Children's Country Holiday Fund.
- " The chief School activities at the present time are connected with the War. In October, 1914, we joined the Girls' Patriotic Union of Secondary Schools, of which Princess Mary is Patroness. We set ourselves as a Union to collect £2,000 for the Star and Garter Home for disabled Soldiers and Sailors. When the fund was closed, the total amount collected was £5,459 8s. 3d. This sum will build the middle corridor on the left of the front door: it will consist of fourteen rooms, with rooms for orderlies, bath rooms, etc. A tablet in the entrance to this corridor will state that the rooms are the gift of the Girls' Patriotic Union. This autumn the Union is starting to collect £2,400, to build and equip thoroughly four huts: one for the Grand Fleet, one for the Troops abroad, one for Airmen, and one for the Mercantile Marine. The last hut will be in a place on the coast, the name of which we are not at present allowed to know. Sir John Jellicoe has specially asked for a hut there for sailors from torpedoed merchant ships. The scheme was submitted to Princess Mary for her approval, and the following letter written by a lady-in-waiting was received from her: 'I am desired by Princess Mary to send you a cheque for £5, as a contribution to the huts which the Girls' Patriotic Union want to provide this winter for our Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen. Her Royal Highness is deeply interested in this Scheme, wishes it every success, and is delighted to hear of the various and active energies of the Union.' My Staff decided that the proceeds of their admirable performances of 'The Rivals,' which most of you saw lately with so much pleasure, should go to the Hut Fund from our School. I am glad to state that the sum cleared was £46 14s. 11d. We have also sent donations to the New Hospital for Women, the Red Cross, Victoria Station Buffet, National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We have made and sent more than 1,500 cretonne bags to Lady Smith-Dorrien; we have knitted mufflers and socks for the Sutton Red Cross of wool which they supplied; and stamped envelopes with paper inside are sent to Benfleet Hall. Every Wednesday we pack up vegetables and fruit, which is sent to the Fleet. We are glad to receive fruit, vegetables, or money to buy them, from all who can and will help us. Just at this time we are also collecting old clothes to send to France for the men, women and children from towns and villages in the north of France which have been retaken by the Allies. I believe their condition is most pitiable. If anyone here can help me I shall be extremely grateful for any discarded garments.
- " The War Savings Association brings in on an average about £12 or £13 a week. We have bought 678 certificates for £525 14s., and allotted 622 certificates.
- " The Junior Branch of the Victoria League numbers 56 members, 35 of whom are carrying on an intermittent correspondence with girls of their own age in Canada and other parts of the Empire. During last year 597 newspapers were sent to Canada, and this School heads the list for newspapers sent abroad. The subscriptions from the Junior members during the last two years have been put together, and a picture is to be sent as a Christmas present to one of the Overseas Clubs in London. A donation was also sent to one of the clearing stations in France, to buy comforts for the orderlies. Two parcels of toys were sent in July to the Cree Indian children of Lac la Rouge native school in Canada. Up to the present no acknowledgment of their arrival has been received. So the Victoria League has been busy.
- " A small parcel was sent out last month to the Freetown Hospital, Sierra Leone; and we hope to send as usual this Christmas, toys and books to the children at the Queen Mary Hospital, Carshalton.
- " I am very proud of our old girls, the vast majority of whom are doing War Work in many varied fields. In these days it is well nigh impossible to get an Old Girls' Meeting together, so few have the leisure to come.

- " To-day, I offer my very sincere thanks to the parents of my girls for their help and support in the many demands which come from the School. It seems to me I am always asking for something, and always getting what I ask for.
- " Last year I had to report that the Domestic Classes at Fernwood would be closed for the duration of the War probably, owing to want of students. At the time I regretted it deeply. But during the year I have been thankful to turn the rooms used by the Domestic Classes into class rooms, as owing to the increase of numbers—we are about fifty more than we were this time last year—I have been obliged to make a new form this side, and have the Lower First Form as well as the Kindergarten at Fernwood.
- " It is impossible for me not to refer to-day to the great loss which the education of women in general and the Council and Schools of the Girls' Public Day School Trust in particular have sustained by the death, on Oct. 7th last, of Miss Mary Gurney, who was a member of the Council throughout 45 years, from the very beginning of these schools up to the day of her death. It is some years since Miss Gurney was able to attend our Prize-givings. But I think that there are here to-day some parents who have met her at functions here in this hall, or at Prize-givings in the Public Hall. I am glad to say that a movement is on foot to raise a sum of money to endow a scholarship in her memory, for girls belonging to the schools of the Trust.
- " This is the only occasion during the year that I have an opportunity of stating in public how greatly I am indebted to my Staff for their loyal support and unflinching help. The main burden of the work—and it is by no means light—falls upon the Assistant Mistresses, But however great the burden may be my Staff never fail in loyal co-operation with me, or in kindness and devotion to the children under our care.
- " We are very glad to welcome Mrs. Harmer to-day. She has visited the School on business more than once, but never before has she been present at any function. I hope another year, in happier times, she will come to a different kind of Prize-giving. It is a pleasure to see Dr. Hooper in the chair. It is his first visit to the School, and I feel sure, and hope that it will not be the last."

CERTIFICATES.

Mil. Harbinson	Piano (Primary)	I. Courtin	- Drawing, Stage 3
D. Roach	- 2 Piano (Elementary, Lr. Division)	I. Clifton	- Drawing, Stage 3, distinction
A. Martin	- Drawing, Stage 3	M. Dixon	- Drawing, Stage 4
M. Church	- Piano (Lower Division), Drawing, Stage 3, distinction	M. Roden	- German Languages Association
B. Kelly	- Drawing, Stage 3	E. Wright	- German Languages Association
J. Shears	- Drawing, Stage 3	N. Fawcett	- Drawing, Stage 3, London Matriculation, Council Certificate (Senior School Certificate)
C. Inkster	- Drawing, Stage 3		

PRIZES.

L.I.—		L.V.—	
E. McLeod	- Form	E. Lovell	- Piano (Higher Division), Drawing, Stage 4, Form, Languages, and English
B. Marshall	- Arithmetic	H. Lufkin	- German Languages Association, Mathematics
I.—		V.—	
M. Malcolm	- Form	W. Jones	- German Languages Assoctn. Prize, Form, Mathematics, Geography
M. Jackson	- French	R. Marsden	- Languages, Trust's Scholar
II.—		J. Martin	- English
P. Williams	- Form	VI.—	
M. Reavell	- English	E. Hotchkin	- Drawing, Stage 5, German Languages Association, London Matriculation, Council Certificate (Senior School Certificate), German
III.—		H. Bourne	- Upper School Scripture, McMorran English Prize
C. Sharp	- Form	P. Foucard	- Joint Board Higher Certificate, Council Certificate, Head of the School.
E. Brannan	- Mathematics		
G. Harbinson	- French		
J. Stephens	- Botany (Lower School)		
H. Ferguson	- Piano (Primary), Scripture (L.Sch.)		
R.—			
D. Lufkin	- Form and Languages, Junior Scholar		
B. Collins	- Piano (Lower Division), Drawing, Stage 3, 2nd Form		
IV.—			
N. Willson	- Form and Mathematics		
G. Wilkinson	- Languages		
G. Adshead	- Drawing, Stage 3, distinction, Science		

Next followed the distribution of certificates, which were presented by Mrs. Harmer, who afterwards addressed the girls. In commenting on the variety of School interests and activities both at home and abroad, as shown in Miss Bell's report, she told a most interesting story of the discovery of a fish, by the natives of Zanzibar. The markings on it formed certain distinct Arabic words, which may be taken to foretell the downfall of Prussianism. Thus, she concluded, this great War has drawn together all parts of the Empire as links in a common chain, and even the fish from Zanzibar becomes a British Ally.

Dr. Hooper then followed with an interesting and inspiring address. He spoke of the good work, both physical and mental, that was being done in the School, and of which ample evidence was given in Miss Bell's report; and, in alluding to Miss Gurney, expressed the wish that some such benefactor might arise, who would organise day schools round London for boys, as she had done for girls. He urged the duties of courage, patience, and perseverance; and the value of school training and discipline as a preparation for later life and its difficulties; and spoke in high praise of the good work that has been done and still remains to be done by women in every sphere of life.

The proceedings ended with two Union songs:

"Miss Poppy" - Goodspeed Christmas Songs - Cocking
GOD SAVE THE KING.

Hockey.

There are now 50 members of the Hockey Club. The number of beginners this season was very large: they are very keen and show great promise. The practices have been good, and both the style and pace of the game are improving.

1st XI. v. Staff & 2nd XI. 1st XI. won, 6-nil.—Quite a good game, and more exciting than the score denotes. The School forwards had good practice in circle work: their shooting is not strong enough. For the 1st XI. E. Hotchkin gained her 2nd mention, G. Wilkinson her 1st mention, and the following gained their places in the XI.: W. Jones, R. Collins, I. Clifton, C. Philip, G. Wilkinson. For the 2nd XI. G. Woolf in goal played well.

1st XI. v. Staff & Old Girls. Staff & O.G. won 2-1.—This was a most exciting match. The 1st XI. started a little shakily, and in the first five minutes two goals were scored against them. The team soon picked up, and scored once after hard work in the circle. After this there was no more scoring, and the game kept up and down the field, both side pressing hard but failing to score. The School forwards played well together, but their shooting still needs practice. E. Hotchkin as centre keeps her forwards well together: she will be a loss to the team. The halves and backs did splendid work. E. Whiter cleared well, and with practice will be a really reliable goal. J. Crick, R. Collins, and I. Windebank gained their 1st mentions; E. Hotchkin her 3rd mention and shield. P. Foucard (who already has her colours), G. Wilkinson, C. Philip, W. Jones also played a very good game.

Netball.

The members of the Netball Team have been fortunate in securing three matches against the Old Girls this term. A match was also played against the Second Senior Team, and another against the Staff. In the latter M. Stevenson gained her 2nd mention, and P. Foucard her 3rd mention and shield.

Thursday, Nov. 8th. 14-19. A very exciting match. The passing in the centre of the field was good, and at half-time the School was leading by one goal. In the second half the Old Girls scored rapidly and kept the lead to the end. M. Roden gained her first mention.

Saturday, Nov. 24th. 7-10. A good match, but the shooting was spoilt by a very high wind. Our defences played an excellent game, but the dodging in the circle was poor and the centres did not combine well. P. Foucard gained her 2nd and M. Stevenson her 1st mention.

Saturday, Dec. 8th. 20-21. At the beginning of the game the passing was inclined to be rather wild, but our shooting was steady all the way through. At half-time the School was leading by 14 goals to 7; but in the second half the Old Girls pressed us hard, and the result was a win to them by 21 goals to 20. M. Roden gained her 2nd and C. Philip and M. Redfern their 1st mentions.

Characters of the Netball Team.

* Have gained their colours.

*E. HOTCHKIN (captain) has done exceedingly good work as captain. Her play as centre has very much improved. She is quick on the ball and her passing is swift and accurate. She is always to be found exactly where she is wanted, and she is an important factor in the good combination of the team. Her lack of perseverance which used to go against her has entirely disappeared.

*P. FOUCARD (goal-defender) plays a very good game as defence. Her play has also much improved, being steadier and surer than it used to be. Her long balls clear the circle well and nearly always reach their mark.

- M. STEVENSON has played defence this term with very good result. She guards her opponent well and is steady and reliable. She sometimes makes the mistake of coming too far out of the circle, but her play on the whole is very good indeed. She has gained one mention.
- M. RODEN (attack) dodges wells and shoots well, her long shots being especially good. She might think out some plan by means of which she could recapture the ball for a second throw for goal. She has gained two mentions.
- D. BOURNE (goal-shooter) is quick, but she must show more judgment in her dodging, and her shooting is unreliable.
- C. PHILIP (centre attack) plays a good game, combining well with the other centres, but is inclined to be too wild in her passing into the circle. One mention.
- M. REDFERN (centre defence) is improving. She combines better with the other members of the team than she did, but is still a little inclined to leave too much to other people. One mention.

Form Drilling Shield.

Form	Term's Drill	Marks	GENERAL DEPARTMENT: <i>Maximum 50</i>		Total	
			<i>a</i> Sitting positions	<i>b</i> Department		
Upper V.	...	520	...	20	...	545
VI.	...	508	...	15	...	538
Lower V.	...	480	...	20	...	520
IV.	...	500	...	8	...	518
Upper I.	...	494	...	10	...	514
Lower I.	...	497	...	5	...	512
III.	...	500	...	5	...	510
II.	...	485	...	10	...	505
R. B	...	480	...	5	...	490
R. A	...	470	...	10	...	490

- Upper V.—Have worked splendidly throughout the term. General department is good on the whole.
- VI.—Have done good work, but the movements need more precision and finish to be really good. General department fair: sitting positions especially need great care.
- Lower V.—Have worked well, but the drill lacks spirit. General department good.
- IV.—Have done good drill, but have lowered their place considerably by careless department in class. The department in the passages is improving, but still needs great care.
- Upper I.—Did not start well, but have done very good work latterly. The drill and department is spoilt by one or two very thoughtless and inattentive people.
- Lower I.—Have worked well and show great promise. Sitting positions need great thought and care.
- III.—Would have gained a much higher place had the general department been better. The Form works well together in drill and does really good work.
- II.—Did not do their best until the second half of the term, since when they have done well. General department needs great care, especially in the passages and on the stairs.
- Remove B.—Are capable of doing very good drill, but do not always do it. General department is very poor.
- Remove A.—Can reach a very high standard in drill, but are not sufficiently keen to maintain that standard throughout the term. General department needs great care.

News of the Term.

The Duirs' Memorial Prize for French has been awarded to E. Black.

The following have passed in the Associated Board Local Schools Examination:

Pianoforte: Higher Division—E. Lovell Lower Division—M. Church, B. Collins, D. Roach
Elementary Division—D. Roach Primary Division—H. Ferguson, M. Harbinson

The total amount collected in the Form Boxes this term is £7 13s. 10½d.

We have again sent sacks of wastepaper to Phillips, Mills & Co., Ltd., for which we have received £1 6s. 6d.

The collection made for the R.S.P.C.A. amounted to 13s. 11d.

Gymnastic Badges: Lower School—Kindergarten Division ... Evelyn Jones
Division II. ... Margaret Mitchell-Dawson
Division I. ... Phyllis Gilbert
Upper School—Division I. ... Eileen Brannan
Division II. ... Joan Crick
Advanced Class ... Ivy Clifton

In June, Molly Hogan passed in Class Teaching and Handwork (1st Class), Part II. of the National Froebel Union Higher Certificate Examination.

This term, for the first time, Forms VI. & V. read a different holiday book from the rest of the School. The prize for "Shirley" was won by Form VI., and for "Old Mortality" by Form IV.

500 sugar bags have been collected this term. Some have been torn up by the Kindergarten for the Hospital Supply Depot, to be used for Papier Maché articles. 420 have been forwarded to Miss Hoole for the Infant Welfare and Maternity Centre.

During October and November, chestnuts were collected both at the School and at Fernwood, and a great number were sent to Mrs. Perrott (the local collector), at Carref, Mulgrave Road.

Holiday Sketching Club.—Some very good Holiday Sketches were sent in. The drawings were not placed, but excellent work was done by K. Baker and M. Church, and J. Shears sent some very dainty paintings.

The Rivals.

In aid of the fund which is being raised by the Girls' Patriotic Union, to provide Y.M.C.A. huts, performances of "The Rivals" were given by the Staff, on Nov. 17th, 19th, and 22nd. It was at first intended that there should be two performances: one on Saturday at 5 p.m., and the other on Monday at 8 p.m. But as there was a great demand for tickets, and it was not possible for all those who wished to see the play to get seats, a third performance was eventually arranged for Thursday evening, Nov. 22nd, and took place at 6.30 p.m. The prices of the seats were 3/- (reserved, including Government Tax) and 1/3 (unreserved); and the sum of £46 14s. 11d. was cleared, and was sent to Miss Gadesden, Treasurer of the G.P.U.

Each night the hall was filled to overflowing, with an appreciative and enthusiastic audience, and when the curtain fell for the last time, on Thursday night, there was no doubt left as to the success of the venture. The thanks of all those concerned are due to our many kind friends, who helped us in so many ways. We have to thank Mr. Fawcett for having the inside leaves of the programmes typed for us, Dr. Willson for the loan of the carpet for the stage floor, Mrs. Martin for the loan of curtains, Miss Bell for the loan of furniture, Mrs. Langton Cole for the loan of furniture and the pistol used in the duel scene, and Mr. Homersham for the loan of the silver 18th century inkstand with sand-sifter. We wish also to offer our thanks to all those girls who made programmes, to the Sixth Form for selling the tickets, to Phyllis Foucard who acted as prompter, and Evelyn Hotchkin who managed the curtain, to the Orchestra (under Miss Ridout) who gave us their help on four nights, to Miss Leonard for superintending the sale of tickets and arrangement of the Hall, and to Mademoiselle Berst and Miss Francis for their valuable help behind the scenes.

We may add that all the programmes were hand-made, and the sales of these alone (the prices ranging from 3d. to 1s.) brought in over £8. The cast was as follows:

Sir Anthony Absolute	- J. M. Bloxam	Sir Lucius O'Trigger	E. L. Jameson	Lydia Languish	- P. J. M. Tayton
Captain Absolute	- E. S. C. Rose	David	} - E. Cruttenden	Julia	- E. M. Virgo
Faulkland	- V. Henry	Coachman		Lucy	- S. Barrow
Acres	- L. D. Collins	Mrs. Malaprop	- C. M. R. Callender		

SIXTH FORM CAREER. EVELYN HOTCHKIN.—Entered School in Sept., 1908, in L.I., Left, Dec., 1917. Arithmetic Prize in II. Form Prize in R. Form and Mathematics Prizes in IV. Form and English Prizes in L.V. Mathematics and Geography Prizes in V., German Prize in V. Junior Scholarship, 1914-16. Pianoforte, Primary Division, 1911. Drawing Certificates, Pass in Divisions II., III., IV. & V. Swimming, Beginners' Cup and Medal, 1909. Life-Saving Certificates: Elementary, 1911, Proficiency, 1912. Gymnastics Badge: Spring Term, 1909, in Kg. Division; L. School II., Spring Term, 1912; U. School II., Spring & Summer Terms, 1913; Advanced, Spring Term, 1917. German Languages Association, Senior Pass, 1917. Senior School Certificate and Council Certificate, 1917. Junior Netball Team, 1912-13; Senior Netball Team, 1914-17 (Shield, 1916), Captain, 1917. 1st XI. Hockey Team, 1914-17 (Shield, 1917).

Old Girls' News.

R. L. Cole is at St. Hilda's College, Cheltenham. H. Schafer is studying at the Birkbeck College, London. B. Black is at Holloway College. S. & J. Read are working at the War Office. J. Iago and J. Horn are at an Art School in London. K. Homersham is doing munitions work.

Edith Overton is working in connection with the Student Christian Movement, and is managing The Student Movement House, at 32, Russell Square. She writes to Miss Bell: "We have moved our Book Trade here, and I have Mildred Garner as saleswoman. . . . It has occurred to me that from your Domestic Science School I might meet another congenial worker—to cook and run my refectory."

MARRIAGE.—On Sept. 22nd, at the Parish Church, Horsham, by Rev. C. Carey Taylor (Vicar of Benhilton, Sutton), assisted by Rev. John Bond (Vicar of Horsham), Ernest Percival Colson, Second Lieutenant R.F.A., to Marjorie Gall.