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MOTTO: "AIM HIGH, AND ALWAYS TRY ONCE OFTENER THAN YOU FAIL."

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✧ SCHOOL MOTTO FOR 1901. ✧

*“ Greatly begin : though thou have time
But for a line, be that sublime ;
Not failure, but low aim is crime.”*

TO OUR OLD PUPILS.

IN sending out this Fifth Annual News-Letter, I should like to take the opportunity of offering a warm greeting to all old pupils of St. Mary's Hall, and of assuring them of a cordial welcome whenever they can visit their old School. Now that Founder's Day falls in the Autumn Term, when it is very often impossible for those who are engaged in teaching to leave their work, we hope that many old pupils will be able to be present at the Garden Party (kindly given by the Trustees resident in Brighton) at the end of the Summer Term. As in the past, we shall be glad, as far as our room will allow us, to put up for the night those who live too far from Brighton to come and return in one day.

Miss Birrell gave us the great pleasure of a visit in January last, staying at the Hall from Saturday to Tuesday. We were delighted to have her with us again, and to see how well she was, and how much refreshed after her time of rest and change. On Sunday afternoon she spoke a few words to her "grandchildren," the present pupils, referring to the noble example of the Queen :

"A Queen on high enthroned

By right divine of duties well fulfilled."

A letter from her to the Old Girls is printed before the list of members of the Prayer Union. I hope that many who do not as yet belong to the Pupils' Association will be led to do so on reading her letter. That *esprit de corps*, which should be the bond of union between those who are fellow pupils at school, should also link them with the school and each other after they leave, and no better expression of this can be given than by Old Pupils' becoming members of this Association, and thus helping the School, and being kept in touch through the News-Letter with what is going on there. The minimum subscription to the Association is 2/6. Will not each member who reads this try to get another old pupil to join?

For various reasons, arising from special circumstances, the News-Letter has been sent to all old pupils during the last three years, the cost being largely met by friends. We feel that in future it should be self-supporting. Subscribers to the Pupils' Association of 10/-, or upwards, will be entitled to a copy ; other members of the Association should send 6d. for the Letter, together with their annual subscription ; and any other old pupils will receive a copy by sending in their names, together with sixpence in stamps, to Miss Helen Potter, at St. Mary's Hall, before Easter of each year. The record covers the time from

Easter to Easter, and the Letter will always be issued as early as possible in the Summer Term.

Again let me express the earnest hope that all the loving interest which old pupils feel in their School may take the practical form of a large increase to the numbers of the Association.

Perhaps no words better express the ideal spirit of union between past and present than those which we so often sing on Founder's Day :

“One the object of our journey :
One the faith which never tires :
One the earnest looking forward :
One the hope our God inspires.”

EDITH L. POTTER.

FOUNDER'S DAY.

Founder's Day was celebrated on October 17th, when a large number of old pupils and friends met together.

There was the usual Celebration of the Holy Communion at St. Mark's Church at 8 a.m., and at 12 o'clock Morning Service at St. Mary's Church, with a sermon from Professor Moule, D.D., on the subject of "Friendship."

Sir Charles and Lady Elliott afterwards welcomed a large party at lunch. It was a great disappointment that Miss Blanche Elliott was unable to be present on this occasion, which was the first Founder's Day on which she has ever been absent. Among those who were present during the day, were Mrs. Wilberforce (who brought a very kind message from the Bishop of Chichester), the Hon. Lady Cunningham, the Rev. Prebendary Snowdon Smith, the Rev. J. Barton, the Rev. C. E. and Mrs. Gaussen, the Rev. C. H. and Mrs. Griffith, and the Rev. H. V. Elliott.

The Concert was a most enjoyable one, and was followed by the Distribution of Prizes and Certificates by the Hon. Lady Cunningham, who afterwards addressed the girls in a few kindly and earnest words.

THE REV. PREBENDARY SNOWDON SMITH.

To our great grief our beloved Honorary Secretary has had to give up his Saturday afternoon visits to St. Mary's Hall. He celebrated his ninety-first birthday on December 1st, 1900, and at the beginning of the next term, he decided that the strain involved in his taking the weekly Bible Class was greater than he ought, at his age, to incur. For more than 20 years, Mr. Snowdon Smith has given this Bible Lecture to the whole School, and Saturday afternoons will for long seem very strange without him. The girls, through the Sixth Form, sent him a letter expressing their loving gratitude for the help which these Lectures had been in the past, and their regret that it was necessary for them to cease. The following reply to this letter was received from our Secretary :—

5
" 13 Norfolk Terrace,

" Brighton,

" March 15th, 1901.

" MY DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS,

" Many thanks for the *verba dulcia* received last evening. They were a great cheer in the *fugaces anni* of your old Secretary. I quite miss my pleasant preparation for the weekly reading and gathering—seasons which I have thoroughly enjoyed for some 21 years, and more—a great loss to me; but I believe that altogether it was better that I should knock under a little, while I shall take a warm interest in you all and the dear Hall, coming up when opportunity offers. Some of my happiest hours have been spent there, while I have abundant cause for thankfulness that I have been spared so long to do a little work, though so imperfectly done, in the dear Master's service.

" Well, dear ones, let us all endeavour to be employed therein earnestly, prayerfully, cheerfully to the end of the course, and then, as we get older, the retrospect will bring up pleasant memories, and the prospect, we humbly trust, savour of the bright and the blissful.

" Always yours affectionately,

" R. SNOWDON SMITH."

Mr. Snowdon Smith still frequently visits the Hall, and takes as deep an interest as ever in all that concerns it.

TRUSTEES' GARDEN PARTY.

A delightful afternoon was spent at the invitation of the Trustees resident in Brighton, on July 25th. We were experiencing what was perhaps the hottest spell of the Summer weather, and our shady garden was much appreciated by our visitors, many of whom had travelled down from the oppressive atmosphere of London.

After lunch, at which several friends and old pupils were present, there was a short Concert in the schoolroom, before people went to the garden. A Stoolball Match between the School and the Visitors resulted in a victory for the latter, which was largely due to the playing of the Rev. E. Luce, who also very kindly helped our Honorary Treasurer and Miss Hobbins in arranging the School Sports, which were concluded on this afternoon. The Mayor of Brighton and Mrs. Stafford favoured us with their presence for a short time at the end of the afternoon. Some of the races had to be postponed till the evening, and it was nearly dark when all the School, and those Visitors who remained, gathered on the lawn for the Distribution of Prizes, which took place amid hearty cheering, and with warm expressions of thanks to those who had done so much to make the day an enjoyable success. Special cheers were given for the Rev. C. H. Griffith, who had given us much kind help in the arranging of the Sports.

The details of these Sports and the names of the winners will be found on a later page, together with an account of the Games Club.

EDUCATIONAL.

The members of the Sixth Form did very well in the Higher Local Examinations during the year. Jessie Short and Ella Davies both completed their Cambridge Certificate, and five of the VIa. passed in English and French in the equivalent Oxford Examination, Nellie Ash obtaining a first-class in English, and Minna Price a second. The alteration by which the age limit is removed in the case of the Snowdon Smith and Nellie Jones Scholarships, gives us a strong body of Scholars at the head of the School, and it is hoped that thus the influence of the Sixth Form will become more active and helpful.

Three girls entered for the Senior Oxford Examination, all of whom passed. Among the Juniors there were only five passes out of fourteen who entered. This was no doubt largely accounted for by the disorganization of the work of the Fourth Form, in consequent of the measles epidemic from which it suffered in the Spring. Further details about the Examinations will be found in the Report.

The first "Lady Elliott" Scholarship has been awarded by Sir C. and Lady Elliott to Margaret Young, who is now going through her Pupil Teacher Course at a Church School, previous to entering a Training College.

An Out-door Club has been started in Form IIIa., and a register of temperature, rainfall, &c., is kept each day. In addition to their usual Geography lessons, this Form has had the advantage of a series of lessons kindly given by our Honorary Treasurer during the Lent Term.

On July 26th, Forms I. and II., in their desire to display their progress in the language, invited Miss Potter to a French Tea Party, which was very amusing and enjoyable.

CHURCH NOTES.

The Bishop of Chichester held the Annual Confirmation at St. George's Church, on June 22nd. The following pupils were confirmed:—Violet Boulton, Hilda Edwards, Louise Barrett, Lucy Coe, Rowena Elwin, Isabelle Geary, Violet Jones, Nellie Giddens, Elsie Evans, Kathleen Taylor, Muriel Boulton, Winifred Snowdon Smith, Muriel Senior, Margaret Wanstall, Ida Heany. Including five others, who were confirmed at home during the Spring, the total number of girls confirmed during the year was 20.

The Rev. A. Morgan continued his Tuesday Morning Bible Classes, taking as his subject the Book of Revelation.

MISSIONARY NEWS.

The Missionary Working Party, begun last year, has been carried on this year on a rather different footing. Under the guidance of two of the Mistresses, a number of useful and pretty articles have been made. If any friends interested in Missionary Work would like to

further the cause here by purchasing some of these, either for presents or to give to the Sales of Work, Miss Webster or Miss Thornburgh will gladly send them a list of things in hand.

On November 20th the girls attended the Annual Meetings of the Church Missionary Society in the Pavilion. The speakers were Archdeacon Walker (of Uganda), and the Rev. A. Elwin (father of our old pupils Rose and Edith), who has lately returned from China.

The Bi-Centenary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel was celebrated in Brighton by a large Missionary Loan Exhibition in the Dome and Corn Exchange. The School spent a most interesting afternoon there on November 26th.

We heard from our Indian Orphan, Mary Elliott Hall, just before Christmas. Miss Daeuble kindly sent us a translation of her letter, part of which ran as follows :—"All the teachers and children send their salaams to you. Two of our sisters died a few months ago. We also have singing lessons ; every Saturday the Miss Sahib plays the harmonium and we have hymn practising ; every Wednesday the Fourth Class are taught the Articles of the Church of England. The Miss Sahib hears us repeat them and the texts that refer to them. In the Miss Sahib's Compound, the swings have been put up for us, and we all go and swing by turns on Saturday. We have Prayers at half-past five o'clock in the morning, and the teachers have Prayers at half-past nine. On Saturdays and Wednesdays we have drawing lessons. . . . The writer of this letter is your God-daughter, MARY ELLIOTT."

Miss Daeuble writes :—"Mary is getting on nicely with her studies, and is well and bright. She is now no longer a stranger to smiles and cheerfulness."

A work basket was sent to Mary for a Christmas present.

GENERAL NEWS.

On the evening of January 22nd, 1901, the news of our Beloved Queen's death was first made known to the School by the tolling of the St. Mark's Church bell.

The day of the Royal Funeral, February 2nd, was observed quietly at the Hall. The School attended the Memorial Service at St. Mark's at 3 p.m., and in the evening met in the large Schoolroom for the enjoyment of some appropriate music.

On Friday afternoon, January 25th, 1901, the School went to the Old Steine to hear the Proclamation of His Majesty King Edward VII.

The rejoicings over the Relief of Mafeking began at the Hall at 10 p.m. on May 18th, 1900, when the sound of the Church bells aroused the girls, and all were allowed to assemble in dressing gowns and slippers on the first-floor corridor, where they sang the National Anthem and other triumphant strains, and cheered wildly for Baden-Powell and other heroes. The next day the building was decorated with flags, and everyone enjoyed the holiday granted by the Trustees in honour of the event.

The Annual Conference of the National Union of Women Workers was held in Brighton, in October, 1900. This gave us the opportunity of once more welcoming Miss E. P. Hughes among us. She stayed five days, and found time between the Conference Meetings to see a good deal of the School, giving a Literature Lesson to Form IIIa., and to the Sixth Form a Talk on some Italian Pictures. Mrs. Bryant, D.Sc. (Head Mistress of the North London Collegiate School), also spent a night with us, and another visitor was Miss Richmond, who was visiting England in order to see something of girls' education, and carry back fresh ideas for her school in New Zealand.

Some of the elder girls attended a Meeting in the Dome, arranged for girls' schools by the Union, and heard some interesting addresses from Mrs. Creighton and others.

In the Lent Term we had a visit from Fräulein Hoffmann, who is also in England studying girls' education, and whose aunt has one of the foremost schools for girls in Denmark.

During the Autumn Term we had a series of interesting Lectures from the Rev. C. H. Griffith, entitled "A Thousand Miles up the Nile," illustrated by magic lantern views.

On the half-term holiday in the Spring Term, February 28th, 1901, another most interesting lecture on "Morocco, and a Journey to Fez," was given by W. Clarkson Wallis, Esq., who has spent many months in Morocco.

The thirteenth election for the Good Conduct Medal resulted in the choice of Ethel Collins, one which at the time gave the greatest pleasure both to girls and teachers, and which has been most amply justified during the year which has followed.

Hilda Fothergill was re-elected Birthday Mother.

EXCURSIONS AND CONCERTS.

Owing to changes in the arrangements of the Railway Company, we were unable to have the pleasant afternoon excursions to Falmer, which, during the last few years, had become a favourite institution.

Instead of these, however, we had a long excursion on the half-term holiday, June 28th, 1900. The whole School and Staff, accompanied by our Treasurer, went by train to Bramber. We walked to a quiet spot on the slopes of the Downs, and had a picnic lunch there. In the afternoon parties were made up to go in different directions as fancy pleased; some went over the Downs towards Chanctonbury Ring, others preferred more shady walks in the valley, and a large number walked to Steyning and visited the fine old Norman Church there. All met for tea at Bramber, and before returning to Brighton we spent a little time exploring the old Castle Moat and the remains of the Keep.

During the Winter a good many members of the Upper School were able to be present at some of the Concerts given at the Dome and Pavilion. They heard two Oratorios:—"Judas Maccabæus," and Sir Hubert Parry's "Judith," given by the Sacred Harmonic Society; some heard Madame Albani and Madame Clara Butt, and a few of the best pianoforte players were present at M. Emil Sauer's Recital.

OUR SCHOOL MUSEUM.

Our grateful thanks are due to the Egypt Exploration Fund for a valuable Gift of Pre-historic Pots and Slate Palettes ; these will be placed in the Museum Case, which is being put up by old pupils and friends in the large Schoolroom, in memory of the Misses Newport. Contributions from old pupils towards our collection of objects for the School Museum, will be most gratefully welcomed.

THE GAMES CLUB.

The Annual Sports were held on Wednesday, July 25th.
The prize winners were as follows :

- Running*—200 yards (handicap) over 14—Isabel Geary.
Presented by Mrs. Griffith.
 „ 200 yards (handicap), under 14—Dorothy Cross.
Presented by Mrs. Griffith.
 „ 100 yards, under 12—G. Roper.
 „ 100 yards, under 16—G. Robinson.
 „ 200 yards, under 16—W. Howlett.
 „ Quarter-Mile (open)—A. Sweet (1) ; M. Venables (2).
Three-Legged Race, under 13—E. Coe and D. Howlett.
 „ (handicap), under 16—D. Bloomer and E. Snowdon
 Smith (1) ; M. Bloomer and A. Downes-Shaw (2).
Egg and Spoon Race, under 13—M. Ash.
 „ under 16—A. Head.
 „ over 16—E. Davies.
Obstacle Race, under 13—M. Ash.
 „ under 16—B. Binns.
 „ over 16—M. Boulton.
Potato Race, under 13—D. Howlett.
 „ under 16—A. Head.
 „ over 16—E. Davies.
Sewing Race, under 13—G. Roper.
 „ under 16—A. Head.
 „ over 16—K. Williams.
Sack Race, under 13—M. Ash.
 „ under 16—B. Binns.
 „ over 16—N. Ash.
Hopping, under 13—E. Chapman.
 „ under 16—M. Rust.
 „ over 16—L. Hunter.
High Jump, under 13—A. Rawson. Height, 3 ft. 6 in.
 „ under 16—(1) B. Binns. Height, 3 ft. 11 in.
 „ (2) M. Chute. Height, 3 ft. 9 in.

Long Jump, under 13—A. Rawson. Distance, 9 ft. 10 in.
 " under 16—B. Binns. Distance, 13 ft. 4 in.
Throwing the Cricket Ball.—Open (1) E. Shirt. Distance, 35 yds. 2 ft.
 (2) E. Chapman.
Skipping. (open)—L. Raynor.
Running—100 yards (Old Girls)—A. M. Hobbins.
Cricket Prize.—E. Shirt.

CRICKET, 1900.

Six Cricket Matches were played during the Summer Term.

First Eleven: Four Matches—Won 1; lost 1; drawn 2.

MISS WRIGHT'S SIDE *v.* MISS HOBBINS' SIDE.

| MISS WRIGHT'S SIDE. | | | MISS HOBBINS' SIDE. | | |
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| Miss Wright, c N. Ash, b N. Ash | 39 | | Miss Hobbins, b Miss Wright | 18 | |
| E. Davis, c B. Binns, b H. Fothergill .. | 2 | | H. Fothergill, c E. Davis, b E. Shirt .. | 19 | |
| E. Shirt, lbw, b H. Fothergill | 28 | | N. Ash, c E. Shirt, b E. Shirt | 11 | |
| M. Young, b H. Fothergill | 5 | | J. Short, c Miss Wright, b Miss Wright .. | 1 | |
| G. Malpas, c H. Fothergill, b E. S. Smith | 3 | | B. Binns, c E. Ash, b Miss Wright .. | 1 | |
| L. Barrett, b E. S. Smith | 0 | | R. Llewellyn, b Miss Wright | 0 | |
| E. Ash, b N. Ash | 8 | | E. S. Smith, c E. Shirt, b Miss Wright .. | 1 | |
| E. Taylor, c E. Kay, b N. Ash | 1 | | I. Heany, c Miss Wright, b E. Shirt .. | 6 | |
| L. Still, b E. S. Smith | 0 | | E. Chapman, c M. Young, b E. Shirt .. | 1 | |
| A. Downes-Shaw, not out | 0 | | M. Venables, c E. Shirt, b E. Shirt .. | 1 | |
| K. Cheshire, b B. Binns | 1 | | E. Kay, not out | 0 | |
| Extras | 5 | | Extras | 3 | |
| | 87 | | | 62 | |

ST. MARY'S HALL FIRST ELEVEN *v.* ROEDEAN.

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| E. Shirt, b E. Blest | 14 | | E. Blest, c and b H. Fothergill | 16 | |
| N. Ash, c C. Routley, b G. Ritson .. | 0 | | D. Deakin, b H. Fothergill | 6 | |
| E. Davies, c L. Sopper | 2 | | G. Ritson, b H. Fothergill | 0 | |
| Miss Wright, not out | 34 | | M. Routley, c Miss Wright, b H. Fothergill | 0 | |
| H. Fothergill, c G. Farrar, b E. Blest | 0 | | G. Farrar, b H. Fothergill | 2 | |
| M. Young, b J. Mackinley | 2 | | K. Bell, lbw Miss Wright | 6 | |
| E. Ash, b J. Mackinley | 0 | | J. Mackinley, lbw H. Fothergill | 17 | |
| W. S. Smith, b J. Mackinley | 1 | | E. Dempster, b Miss Wright | 6 | |
| I. Short, b J. Mackinley | 0 | | O. Smith, run out | 2 | |
| B. Binns, b E. Blest | 2 | | L. Sopper, b E. Davies | 0 | |
| G. Malpas, b E. Blest | 1 | | N. Shipway, not out | 4 | |
| Extras | 8 | | Extras | 2 | |
| | 64 | | | 61 | |

ST. MARYS HALL FIRST ELEVEN *v.* 17 LEWES CRESCENT.

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| E. Shirt, not out | 46 | | Miss Tanner, c and b Miss Wright .. | 44 | |
| N. Ash c Miss Tanner, b Miss Tanner .. | 3 | | J. Adamson, c and b H. Fothergill .. | 2 | |
| E. Davies b E. Woolloton | 0 | | E. Woolloton, b H. Fothergill | 6 | |
| Miss Wright, b Miss Tanner | 1 | | W. Fell, b H. Fothergill | 1 | |
| H. Fothergill, b E. Woolloton | 0 | | E. Stephens, c M. Young | 1 | |
| M. Young, not out | 6 | | M. Leach, played on E. Davies | 26 | |
| G. Robinson | | | M. Stephenson, c M. Young | 1 | |
| E. Ash | | | J. Scott, b E. Davies | 0 | |
| B. Binns | | | M. Layton, b Miss Wright | 2 | |
| J. Short | | | K. Landon, c M. Young | 6 | |
| D. Young | | | M. Bowers, not out | 0 | |
| Extras | 4 | | Extras | 4 | |
| Total for 4 wickets | 60 | | | 89 | |

ST. MARY'S HALL FIRST ELEVEN v. ROEDEAN (RETURN).

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| E. Shirt, b J. Mackinley | 0 | D. Deakin, c Miss Wright, b H. Fothergill | 14 |
| N. Ash, b J. Mackinley | 3 | M. Routley, lbw, b H. Fothergill .. | 16 |
| E. Davies, c H. Routley, b G. Ritson .. | 0 | G. Ritson, b E. Shirt | 10 |
| Miss Wright, c O. Lupton, b G. Ritson .. | 0 | E. Blest, b E. Shirt | 6 |
| H. Fothergill, b E. Dempster | 13 | E. Dempster, c Miss Wright, b E. Shirt | 1 |
| W. S. Smith, b G. Ritson | 7 | J. Mackinley, lbw, b Miss Wright .. | 1 |
| G. Robinson, c and b E. Dempster .. | 0 | G. Farrar, c E. Shirt, b Miss Wright | 8 |
| E. Ash, c J. Mackinley, b E. Dempster .. | 0 | K. Bell, b E. Davies | 4 |
| B. Binns, b G. Ritson | 0 | V. Hubbard, b Miss Wright | 2 |
| J. Short, not out | 3 | O. Lupton, not out | 3 |
| G. Malpas, c G. Farrar, b J. Mackinley .. | 4 | O. Smith, c E. Davies, b Miss Wright | 2 |
| Extras | 3 | Extras | 1 |
| | 33 | | 62 |

ST. MARY'S HALL FIRST XI. v. 17 LEWES CRESCENT FIRST XI.

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| E. Shirt, c D. Woolloton, b Miss Tanner .. | 11 | M. Bowers, c N. Ash, b Miss Wright .. | 0 |
| N. Ash, c D. Woolloton, b Miss Tanner .. | 3 | E. Stephens, c E. Shirt, b Miss Wright | 0 |
| Miss Wright, b Miss Tanner | 8 | E. Woolloton, b Miss Wright | 0 |
| E. Davies, c and b E. Woolloton | 10 | Miss Tanner, run out | 24 |
| W. S. Smith, b E. Woolloton | 0 | W. Fell, c and b Miss Wright | 0 |
| E. Ash, b E. Woolloton | 0 | M. Layton, c J. Short, b Miss Wright | 31 |
| J. Short, run out | 0 | K. Landon, b E. Davies | 14 |
| M. Boulton, b Miss Tanner | 1 | M. Leach, b Miss Wright | 2 |
| A. Sweet, c and b Miss Tanner | 7 | M. Stephens, b E. Davies | 13 |
| D. Young, not out | 2 | N. Lathbury, b E. Davies | 4 |
| D. Bloomer, not out | 0 | D. Woolloton, not out | 6 |
| Extras | 9 | Extras | 4 |
| Total for 9 wickets | 51 | | 89 |

ST. MARY'S HALL SECOND XI v. 17 LEWES CRESCENT SECOND XI.

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| A. Sweet, b E. Bowers | 2 | M. Williams, b M. Boulton | 7 |
| L. Barrett, b N. Lathbury | 7 | M. Aikman, c V. Jones, b M. Boulton | 13 |
| G. Robinson, c E. Raw, b E. Bowers .. | 2 | N. Laithbury, b M. Boulton | 0 |
| V. Jones, b N. Lathbury | 0 | M. Matthews, b E. S. Smith | 6 |
| E. S. Smith, b E. Bowers | 1 | D. Averill, run out | 2 |
| M. Boulton, c and b N. Lathbury | 5 | D. French, c V. Jones, b M. Boulton | 25 |
| D. Bloomer, c D. Holzapfel b N. Lathbury | 1 | E. Bowers, b G. Robinson | 0 |
| M. Tugwell, b N. Lathbury | 0 | E. Raw, b G. Robinson | 6 |
| T. Geary, run out | 0 | N. Matheson, c L. Bavett, b M. Boulton | 4 |
| M. Pilger, run out | 2 | D. Holzapfel, b E. S. Smith | 7 |
| L. Coe, not out | 2 | T. Marshall, not out | 1 |
| Extras | 6 | Extras | 14 |
| | 30 | | 85 |

TENNIS, 1900.

ST. MARY'S HALL v. 17 LEWES CRESCENT.

SINGLES.

H. Fothergill v. D. French.

St. Mary's Hall, 2—1.

DOUBLES.

E. Davies. v. H. Conningham,
E. Shirt. N. Lathbury.

St. Mary's Hall, 2—1.

LETTER TO "OLD GIRLS."

6 KELVINSIDE TERRACE, N., HILLHEAD, GLASGOW.

April 30th, 1901.

MY DEAR GIRLS,

Although these words are dated from a northern latitude, do not suppose that they are written from any place so distant. It has been my experience, within the last few months to change my address at short intervals, and letters have sometimes reached me after long wandering. It is therefore safer to give my home address, to which also letters to my sister Kate should be directed. Since I last wrote to you, I have been pursuing my education under various teachers, studying still-life in the beautiful environment of Devonshire, and that remarkable development "The New Girl," from the somewhat detached standpoint of a teacher in a day school. I have more recently been studying human nature in the persons of my "Old Girls," of whom I have had the good fortune to see about fifty.

Early in January, I found that I should be disengaged for a term, and resolved to take the opportunity of visiting friends in London and the neighbourhood. Taking Brighton *en route* from Devonshire, I spent some happy days at the Hall. One missed many dear familiar faces, both among teachers and pupils, but superficially all looked so exactly as when I left it in 1899, that one might have imagined one's self a new Rip Van Winkle who had fallen asleep and waked up after a considerable interval. I was much struck to find that, apparently, neither ink-spots nor finger-marks marred the fresh beauty of the new rooms, which looked even more sunny and charming than I had pictured them! I had tea in the Sixth Form Room, and could not help remembering that, when I last sat in the arm chair by the fire-place, I had been presented by some of the same girls with the unique Album which I shall always prize as one of my greatest treasures.

It was delightful to see how happy were the relations between Miss Potter and her "children," whom I regard as my "grand-children," and love as such.

"Old Girls" who were bequeathed to me in 1884 by Miss Newport, will read with affectionate regret, that she has been "called home" to rejoin those dear ones to whom she devoted herself, after leaving St. Mary's Hall.

On leaving Brighton, I paid a round of visits, beginning at Keston, Tooting, where Mrs. Greenwood arranged an "At Home" for me, so that I saw quite a large party of "Old Girls" at the outset. We also visited together several married pupils, who live within easy reach of Tooting. It may interest some of you to see a list of those whom it has

been my good fortune to meet. I give in full the address of each, as sometimes "Hall Girls" may be near each other without knowing it, and thus lose the companionship they would enjoy. It shows the mutability of earthly affairs that four have changed their addresses during these brief weeks!

It will be seen that most of them have some useful calling, or are preparing for it. Some are settled in homes of their own; others, not the least useful, are helping their parents at home. It is an unspeakable satisfaction to me to see how habits of order and method and steady industry are helping them in their work, and that their ideals of life and standards of conduct reflect credit on the "Hall," to which they look back with affection and gratitude.

The list, unfortunately, does not include all whom I had hoped to see, as I had to leave London rather suddenly to take up the work at Maidstone, in which I am now engaged.

Just a word in conclusion to remind "Old Girls" of the "Pupils' Association," with its minimum subscription of 2s. 6d., which serves to link all in the effort to help the funds of their School. Such subscriptions can be sent either to me or to Miss Potter. I promise a letter in return.

Believe me to be yours with unalterable affection,

C. M. BIRRELL.

LIST OF OLD GIRLS, WITH DATE OF MEETING.

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| Jan. | 26 | FLORENCE THORNBURGH, Resident Teacher, St. Mary's Hall. |
| Jan. | 29 | MINNA GILDEA, Resident Teacher, St. Mary's Hall. |
| Feb. | " | AGNES HOBBS, Resident Teacher, St. Mary's Hall. |
| Feb. | 3 | LUCY DAWE (Assistant to Dr. Rice Oxley), Trained Dispensing Chemist, Conisboro', St. Julian's Road, Streatham. |
| Feb. | 6 | MURIEL OSTLE, The Vicarage, St. Bartholomew's Hospital. |
| " | " | MRS. VICTOR HANSARD (<i>née</i> Amy Sparks), 28 Albert Mansions, Battersea Park. |
| Feb. | 7 | MRS. BECK (<i>née</i> Mabel Hall), 40 Effingham Road, Lee, S.E. |
| " | " | MRS. CAPERN (<i>née</i> Connie Thompson), 50 Hamden Road, Lee. |
| Feb. | 9 | FLORENCE KYLE (Clerk Prudential Insurance), 5 Beverley Road, Anerley. |
| April | 17 | " |
| Feb. | 9 | EDITH CHARLTON (Governess in family), 6 Elmfield Road, Balham, S.W. |
| " | " | MAGGIE BARBER (Teacher of Pianoforte), 2 Sutton Place, Hackney, N.E. |
| " | " | MAGGIE CHURCH (Training to be Missionary, C.E.Z.M.S.), The Olives, Lyndhurst Gardens, West Hampstead. |
| Feb. | 23 | ROSE ELWIN (Missionary, C.M.S.), The Olives, Lyndhurst Gardens, West Hampstead. |
| Feb. | 9 | EDITH ELWIN (at Home), 32 Thicket Road, Anerley, S.E. |
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| " | " | KATE JENNINGS (at Home), St. Clements Parsonage, Barry Rd., Dulwich. |
| Feb. | 15 | MRS. J. HARWOOD (<i>née</i> Marion Hall), Lyndhurst, Harlesden Road, Harlesden, N.W. |
| Feb. | 17 | EDITH TAYLOR, (Probationer), Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street. |
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| Feb. | 25 | ISABEL GILLETT, 23 Gayton Road, Hampstead. |
| " | " | MAUD GILLETT, " " " |

- March 7 } MARIE BARBER, L.R.A.M. (Student at Royal Academy), c/o Mrs. Wright,
 May 2 } 23 Mecklenburgh Square.
 „ MAY JACKSON, (Student, R.A.M.), c/o Mrs. Wright, 23 Mecklenburgh
 Square.
 March 8 MAUD ASTON (C.M.S. Missionary, China), St. Kilda, Hervey Road,
 Blackheath.
 March 13 } ETHEL LOVELOCK, (at Home), Emneth, Longlands Park Road, Sidcup.
 March 15 }
 March 14 } MAY CHANCELLOR (at Home), Elcot, St. Mildreds Road, Ramsgate.
 March 15 } GERTIE RAYNOR, Danson Villa, Welling, Kent. (At Home).
 March 15 } EMILY CURTOIS (Superintendent of Junior School), Little Highfield,
 March 18 } Hendon.
 March 21 } MRS. A. BARTON (*née* LILIAN WYATT), Belcamp, Thornton Hill,
 Wimbledon.
 March 30 MORFYDD DAVIES (Worker, Dr. Banardo's Homes), Mossford, Girls'
 Village Homes, Ilford, Essex.
 March 31 MAY HUTCHINSON (Artist, in design), 25 Brooke Street, Holborn.
 April 2 IRENE DAVIES (Governess in family), c/o Miss Burton, 21 Finsbury
 Square, E.C.
 „ AMY WHITAKER, (Governess in Family), c/o A. Sherwood, Esq., 14
 Tweedie Road, Burnley.
 „ NELLA SMITH (Teacher in Kindergarten), 2 Belmont Road, Bushey.
 April 2 }
 April 3 } JULIA NEIL (at Home), St. Mary's Vicarage, Stamford Brook, W.
 April 2 GRACE ROCK (Probationer), St. Mary's Hospital, Plaistow, E.
 April 3 ALICE EACOTT (Charge Nurse), St. Mary's Hospital, Plaistow, E.
 „ MRS. TRIMMING (*née* Florence Neil), 26 Woodstock Road, Poplar, E.
 April 4 ELLEN BECKER (Student, College of Pharmacy), 9 Westbourne Park
 Road, London.
 „ { JESSIE THOMAS (Artist), The College, Bromley, Kent.
 „ { NELLIE THOMAS (at Home), The College, Bromley, Kent.
 „ { MABEL KEANE, Bryansford House, Hope Park, Bromley.
 „ { MAUD KEANE (at Home), Bryansford House, Hope Park, Bromley.
 „ { ELSIE STRINGER (at Home), Portsdown Vicarage, Cosham, Hants.
 „ { LIZZIE ADAMSON (Probationer), Homeopathic Hospital, Great Ormond
 Street.
 April 11 GRACE WENSLEY (Clerk, Prudential Insurance), The College, Bromley,
 April 19 } Kent.
 April 13 JENNY OSTLE (Probationer), King's College Hospital, London.
 April 19 EDITH DAWE (Governess in family), c/o Mrs. Spencer Smith, Maiden-
 stone Heath, Bursledon.
 „ JESSIE DAWE (Governess in family), c/o the Rev. E. Rainbow, Vicarage,
 Peel, Isle of Man.
 April 27 EMILY GILLETT (Governess in family), c/o the Hon. Mrs. Curteis,
 Windmill Hill Place, Hurstmontceux, Hastings.
 April 28 MARY OSTLE (Student in Kindergarten), St. Peter's, Ashdell Mount,
 Sheffield.
 May 1 LILIAN BROOKE WEBB (Trained Nurse), The Chelsea Infirmary, Cale
 Street, Chelsea.

NOTES ABOUT OLD PUPILS AND OTHERS.

MISS CHURCHER spent the early weeks of the year 1901 in Shanghai, but has since returned to her post at Chefoo. She is practically the head of the China Inland Mission School for Missionaries' daughters there, for though she only accepted the post temporarily a year ago, another head has not yet been sought. All fear of risings

among the Chinese, so far as the country round Chefoo is concerned, seems at an end, but many in the school have suffered such terrible losses that the remembrance of the past is very vivid. Some two or three of the children who have, apparently, no friends left, have been handed over to Miss Churcher's care. She seems to be wonderfully happy and well in the work.

Miss Churcher sends us graphic accounts of the stirring time through which she passed last summer. The following extract will give an idea of the state of anxiety in Chefoo in June, 1900 :—

“It is said that June 14th is fixed as the day on which there is to be a general rising, and all foreigners are to be killed. Although people differ as to the likelihood of real danger, in the face of what is happening in the North, it is felt right to take every precaution: the settlement people have all been provided with arms, and a Volunteer Corps has been formed, which patrols at night. Temple Hill is guarded by fifty Chinese soldiers, and some have also been patrolling at the back of our compound—to the great indignation of our watchman, who told them we could guard our own gates! The Consul is a little anxious about us up here, because we are so utterly unprotected. We are two miles from the settlement, and we have not even a wall round the compound on two sides, while the large, straggling houses, with countless doors and windows, would make an easy prey. In case of danger arising in the settlement, the Consul is at once to hoist three red flags (if by day), or three red balls (by night), and at this signal we are all to hurry down to the beach and take refuge in the boats at once. The masters take it in turns to watch, and at the first intimation of danger we are to get the children dressed as far as possible, make them each seize a blanket and anything they can carry, and hurry them down to the Boys' School to wait till they can be put into the boats.

“The ‘Phoenix’ (British gunboat) is to be anchored as close to us as possible, and at the signal she is to send a pinnace for us at once, and, if necessary, twenty-five marines to cover our embarking. Gardner's steam launch is to be just round the point, and is to come at once to our rescue: and we have our own boats at hand.

“The one thing to do is to get on the sea, the next step will have to be decided by circumstances. Many think there is no fear, but, though I do firmly believe God will not let harm come to all these children, yet I think He would have us get ready as far as we can, and then rest in peace, leaving the rest to Him.

“*Tuesday, June 12th.* Last night, as I was in my first sleep, I was aroused by the opening and shutting of a door below me, and a man's steps ascending the stairs. Of course I thought of a Boxer, but it was only one of our men with a telegram from Hong Kong, from the father of one of our girls, saying, ‘Chefoo reported attacked: is all safe?’ I had to get up and send a reply to the effect that we were all safe. The reports have evidently gone South very much exaggerated. We are wondering what has got into the English papers.

“*Friday, June 15th, Foundation Day.* We are still safe, thanks to our Heavenly Father's watchful care. If there *was* any intention of rising, He has frustrated it. Several of us sat up all night and

watched, but nothing happened, though we did get one fright when one of the teachers in another room had night-mare and screamed in her sleep! We heard next day that the plan had failed because the contingent expected from the North had not arrived."

MAUD ASTON, in consequence of the trouble in China, has unexpectedly been in England during the last few months. She hopes, before the summer is over, to visit her old School and tell us something of what she has seen in China since she went out in 1899 as a Missionary under the Church of England Zenana Society.

MARGARET CHURCH is still at "The Olives," preparing to begin her work abroad next Autumn. She has been accepted by the Church Missionary Society, and is appointed to the Fuh Kien Province.

ROSE ELWIN is also at "The Olives."

LUCY DAWE has an engagement as Dispenser, and finds her work most interesting.

MAUDE CROSSLEY is nursing at the Lewes Hospital.

MARGARET BAKER is on the point of returning to England, after being three years abroad. For the last year and nine months she has been at Zürich at the Pension Boos-Jegher, where Mary Coe preceded her as English teacher.

KATIE ANDERSON writes in October last, from Cloncolmeg, Dunmurry: "I am very busy, and have been since the beginning of March, and have had really more work than I could altogether get through; so I think I may safely say that I have established a Gardening Practice for myself."

ALICE SIBTHORP writes from "The Hostel," Salisbury, and says: "I am going to S. Gabriel's College, Camberwell, on September 10th, Miss Bishop (late Principal of the Royal Holloway College), is now Lady Principal of it.

"According to the new code there will only be one Certificate Examination at the end of a two years' training. Before this alteration, there were always two Certificate Examinations, known as the First Year's Certificate, and the Second Year's Certificate. The First Year's Certificate Examination was held in the July following the September that the students entered College. It was a Government Examination on all the first year's College work. The Second Year's Examination is held the following year in July. It is absolutely necessary to pass in these two examinations, especially the latter, because otherwise the students could not take posts as 'Certificated Head Mistresses.'

"At S. Gabriel's College they combine the London Degree work with the 'Certificate' work, for girls who are sufficiently advanced to be likely to take their degrees. Of course that is a very cheap way of obtaining one's degree, for the College fee at S. Gabriel's for a year (which includes everything except stationery) is £15.

"It is so very difficult to explain the full meaning of Elementary School work in writing. I am very fond of the work now, and would not give it up for anything, although I thought at first that I should

hate it. After the two years' College Training course is over, schools are found for each student. The majority of them prefer to take posts as Certificated Assistants for about half a year, before they take the responsibility of a Head Mistress-ship.

"There are about twelve or fourteen ladies at present at S. Gabriel's, and Miss Bishop is doing all she can to make it entirely a Ladies' College. I believe the College is a very nice one. They hope, when funds allow, to build a permanent chapel, gymnasium and swimming baths."

MARGARET MAYNARD writes from Belsize House, Gloucester : "Last summer I had the cheering news that I had succeeded in getting my two First Class Diplomas in Cookery and Dress-cutting : but as the necessity of taking up House-wifery was greatly urged upon me, I settled to come back for six months to do it. After I had been working for about a month, the Head Teacher offered me four dress-cutting classes a week, in villages near Gloucester, by which I made sixteen shillings a week. As they were all evening classes, I went on with my training at the same time. I found it rather nervous work at first, but soon got most interested in it, and found the women most appreciative and pleasant. Towards the end of the course, (ten weeks), Miss Baddeley came to inspect the work, and seemed very pleased with their progress. There seemed great need of teachers the next term, and so I was offered a post at Hatherop, on the Cotswold Hills, for ten weeks after Christmas, and although I had not finished my training, I thought it would be such good experience, that I took it. I had seven Dress-cutting and two Cookery classes in the week at different villages round, and had a trap at my disposal each day. I started off about one o'clock, took a Dress-making class from two till four, came back for tea, and had another class from six to eight, or seven till nine. The women seemed so very nice to deal with, and so much interested in their work. They made dresses, blouses, skirts and children's clothes, and seemed especially grateful to learn renovating. We made all kinds of new clothes out of old ones. Out of a top hat we made children's slippers, and bedroom slippers. Some of the women are too poor to bring new material, and are specially glad to learn to make up old. The Cookery classes were demonstrations, and were quite a novelty in that part. I am now finishing my House-wifery training, and next term hope to get my fourth Diploma for Laundry, and then I want to get a permanent post.

"I certainly *very* strongly advise this training for girls : there are many teachers needed, and the work is most interesting."

Other details relating to Old Pupils will be found in the list which Miss Birrell has sent of those who had the pleasure of seeing her in London this spring.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE PRAYER UNION.

- Miss Elliott, Newholme, Addlestone, Surrey.
 Miss R. Hughes, The Shrubbery, St. Peter's Road, Croydon.
 Miss H. Bagley, Pattiswick Rectory, Braintree, Essex.
 Miss D. Brown, Maitlands, Colchester.
 Miss L. Eastman, 8 Gain's Road, Southsea.
 Miss Hanham, c/o the Rev. C. Thornton, Northwold Rectory, Norfolk.
 Miss F. Hornbuckle, 3 Alexandra Villas, Brighton.
 Miss Daeuble, Bhagalpur, India.
 Miss Hobson, Uppington Vicarage, Wellington, Salop.
 Miss D. Donne, 9 The Close, Lichfield.
 Miss F. Kyle, 5 Beverley Road, Annerley, S.E.
 Mrs. Roper, Langmere, Brigstock Road, Haywards Heath.
 Mrs. Sharpe, Elmley Lovett Rectory, Droitwich.
 Mrs. Chancellor, { Elcot, St. Mildred's Road, Ramsgate.
 Miss Chancellor, {
 Miss F. Brewer, Powys Court, Eastbourne.
 Miss E. Tunnicliffe, Prospect House, Earlsheaton, Dewsbury.
 Miss E. Snowdon Smith, 19 Marmion Road, Sefton Park, Liverpool.
 Miss L. Coombes, St. Hugh's Hall, Oxford.
 Miss Gledhill, Ripponden Vicarage.
 Miss E. Lovelock, Emneth House, Longlands, Park Road, Sidcup, Kent.
 Miss M. Church, The Olives, Lyndhurst Gardens, Hampstead, N.W.
 Miss C. Church, The Dell, Bonchurch, Isle of Wight.
 Miss L. Stringer, Portsdown Vicarage, Purbrook.
 Miss K. Anderson, Dunmurry, Cloncolmeg, North Ireland.
 Miss K. Darby, Marklye, Warbleton, Heathfield.
 Miss R. Warren, Steeple Bumpstead Vicarage, Haverhill.
 Miss A. Pearson.
 Miss Churcher, China Inland Mission, Chefoo, China.
 Miss F. Thornburgh, {
 Miss A. Hobbins, { St. Mary's Hall, Kemp Town, Brighton.
 Miss Webster, {
 Miss A. Dry, Rushall Rectory, Pewsey, Wilts.
 Miss L. Adamson, The Vicarage, Old Ford, London.
 Mrs. Doolan, Corscombe Rectory, Dorchester.
 Mrs. Lewis, Violet Cottage, Llandoverly.
 Miss E. Taylor, The Parsonage, Polegate, Sussex.
 Miss A. Hunt, Church High School for Girls, Tewkesbury.
 Miss E. Sibthorp, c/o the Rev. Canon Bernard, The Close, Salisbury.
 Miss M. Coe, c/o the Rev. E. C. Nightingale, Escot Vicarage, Ottery St. Mary.
 Miss C. Hughes, Llancarfan Vicarage, Cowbridge, Wales.
 Mrs. Clement Aitkens, Orpington, near Chislehurst.
 Miss Annie Ashwin, Training Home for Missionaries, Baranagore, Calcutta.
 Miss Rose Elwin, The Olives, Lyndhurst Gardens, Hampstead, N.W.
 Miss Maud Aston, St. Kilda, Hervey Road, Blackheath.
 Miss E. Curtois, c/o Miss Metcalfe, Little Highfield, Hendon.
 Miss G. Raynor, Welling, Kent.
 Miss Hobbins, Newlands, Middlesborough.
 Miss Margaret Baker, Matlock Bath.
 Mrs. Milne, Somerford, Christchurch, Hants.
 Miss M. Maynard, Belsize House, Gloucester.
 Miss S. Evans, St. Faith's Seaford, Sussex.
 Mrs. Stewart, Park Nook, Kenilworth Avenue, Wimbledon.
 Miss Mary Ashwin, Quadring Vicarage, Spalding, Lincolnshire.
 Miss R. Taylor, The Priory, Blakeney, Norfolk.
 Miss C. Eacott, Roslyn House, Thornton, Yorkshire.
 Miss M. Billing, The Vicarage, St. Mary Platt, Sevenoaks.
 Miss C. M. Birrell, {
 Miss C. J. B. Birrell, { 6 Kelvinside Terrace, North Hillhead, Glasgow.

Miss H. Potter, } St. Mary's Hall, Kemp Town, Brighton.
 Miss Potter, }
 Miss Blanche Williams, joined Autumn, 1900 ; died March 1st, 1901.

NAMES OF OLD TEACHERS AND PUPILS WHO ARE MISSIONARIES ABROAD.

Miss A. Ashwin, Training Home, Baranagore.
 Miss Daeuble, Bhagulpur.
 Miss S. Daeuble, Katni-Morwara, Central Provinces.
 Miss Reuther, Narowal, India.
 Miss Churcher (C. I. M.), Chefoo, China.
 Miss Maud Aston, Dang-Seng, China.

NAMES OF OLD PUPILS WHO ARE GOING OUT AS MISSIONARIES NEXT AUTUMN, 1901.

Miss M. Church to Fuh Kien.
 Miss Ethel Edwards.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

BIRTHS.

BRAINE-HARTNELL, Florence (*née* Barker), the wife of G. M. P. Braine-Hartnell, M.R.C.S., of a son, August 18th, 1900, at Powick, Worcester.
 HARWOOD, MARION (*née* Hall), the wife of J. E. Harwood, of a daughter, March 4th, 1901, at 50 Crownhill Road, Harlesden, N.W.
 NEUKOMM, ALICE (*née* de Jersey), the wife of Edward Neukomm, of a son (Jacques), May 8th, 1901.

MARRIAGES.

DE JERSEY, ALICE, daughter of M. le Pasteur de Jersey, to
 NEUKOMM, EDWARD-JACQUES, of Mont Plaisir, pres Nancy, on July 12th, 1900.
 GORDON, MARY, daughter of the late Rev. W. Gordon, of Manchester, to
 SNELL, BERNARD ALFRED, of Mowden, Lansdowne Place, Brighton, at St. Nicholas Church, Brighton, on April 9th, 1901.

DEATHS.

In Memoriam.

MARIA NEWPORT.—Entered into rest October 13th, 1900, aged 74 years.
 LUCY NEWPORT.—Entered into rest February 8th, 1900, aged 66 years.

Daughters of the late Rev. John Newport, of Worcester College, Oxford, and for many years Curate-in-charge of Hazleton-cum-Yanmouth, Gloucestershire.

LUCY MARY HITCHCOCK (*née* Newport), niece of the above sisters, and daughter of the late Rev. Henry Newport, of Pembroke College, Cambridge, and formerly Rector of Tarrant Hinton, nr. Blandford. Entered into rest, October, 1892.

St. Mary's Hall can never have more devoted friends than these two sisters (Maria and Lucy Newport) who have been called away during the last year. Their whole energy was given to the interests of the School, and, with natures of extreme unselfishness and generosity, they thought always first of those under their care.

Miss Maria Newport was amongst the earlier pupils of St. Mary's Hall. A few years later she took a post as Assistant Mistress in the School, and subsequently became Lady Principal, which appointment she held from August, 1862, till July, 1884. Brought up under the direct influence of the revered Founder, Miss Newport's chief desire was to uphold the principles he had always inculcated, and she endeavoured, by precept and example, to encourage both Mistresses and Pupils to aim at the highest standard of right in all things. It became necessary, in course of time, to reorganize the School under new management and on more modern plans, but it is doubtful whether any generations of scholars can produce a greater number of whole-hearted and capable Christian workers, at home and abroad, than were sent forth during Miss Newport's time as Lady Principal.

Miss Lucy Newport, also a pupil at the Hall, was for 22 years Mistress of the highest class. Ever a true and loyal helper to her sister, she was also a most patient and successful teacher. Her pupils were never allowed to think the smallest details unimportant, and her gentle firmness had usually a wholesome effect on the least ambitious member of her class. Several "St. Maryans" are now holding useful and, in some cases, important positions in the Educational World, who owe much to the thoroughness of Miss Lucy's instruction and training; and many more have profited by the good influence she invariably exercised over her pupils.

A Museum Case has been presented to the Hall by some former pupils and friends as a Memorial to the Misses Newport, and it is hoped that others who appreciated their efforts and kindness in the past, will also do what they can to increase the efficiency of this Institution, where the sisters laboured for so long, and which they loved so well.

"Miss Lucy Mary" (Newport), afterwards Mrs. Hitchcock, a niece of the above, who for some years was a Music Mistress at the Hall, will also be remembered with affection by many. It may not be known to all her old friends that she passed away in October, 1892, after a short but happy married life.

SNEYD.—On September 13th, 1900, of typhoid fever, at Wirksworth Vicarage, Derbyshire, the residence of her Aunt, Dora, the youngest daughter of the Rev. C. B. Sneyd, aged 17 years.

Dora entered St. Mary's Hall in 1895, and was to have left in December, 1900. It was with the deepest sorrow that we heard of her death just when we were reassembling after the Summer holidays. Her school life had been a happy one, and she had a quiet influence for good on all who came into touch with her. There are many in the school who remember with thankfulness her cheerful sympathy and bright example.

WILLIAMS.—On March 1st, 1901, in Chester Infirmary, of Pneumonia, Blanche Williams, aged 29 years.

CHURCHILL.—On Sunday, January 20th, the Rev. Cameron Churchill, Vicar of Crockham Hill, Kent.

MILWARD.—On July 4th, 1900, Mary Jane Milward, of 18 Myers' Road, W., Crosby, Liverpool; a former member of the Staff of St. Mary's Hall.