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EDITORIAL

The year of victory! What a full and wonderful one, and what varied experiences we have had, scattered throughout the world, and how much there is still to do.

True daughters and friends of St. Mary's Hall will feel that something is missing till the good old School is in working order again, with as much as possible of its old traditions. It is difficult to think of no S.M.H., and we must not let it happen. We do know though, that the Hall has doughty champions, and we must trust that the old grey building, standing high above its terraces, their borders gay with flowers, will soon be humming with activity, with its sunny formrooms, the Elliott Hall with its Scholarship boards, and elsewhere the sports groups and examples of artistic merit, all making familiar the names of bygone scholars, and calling for emulation. Then there are the gardens (at the moment piled high with logs against a town fuel shortage), the shady trees, the little individual garden plots, the tennis courts, and the playing

fields, all with happy memories, and awaiting enjoyment by other youngsters.

And behind, Sussex and the Downs for rambles, at hand Brighton, and to the South the sparkling English Channel.

The Editor apologises for the lateness of issue. She did give warning, on taking over, of expected pressure (removal) at the usual convenient time for collecting and collating the news, and sure enough, later on everyone became too busy with the term's work and then Christmas. It is kind of Miss Ghey to blame herself, but not necessary.

H.A.B.

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Blunt House,
Oxted.
January, 1946.

Dear Members of the S.M.H.A.,

I am afraid that some of you must with good reason have thought me the most negligent and ungrateful of correspondents during the past year or two, for my time seems to have been so over-full that only the immediate tasks of each day could be attended to. But I want you to know that all your letters are very welcome and greatly prized, and that when you have so generously shared with me your thoughts and joys and troubles, I have truly and in spite of appearances entered into them all. During the past few days I have re-read the letters of 1945, so that I feel that I have been holding converse with my friends and almost hearing your voices: and your Christmas cards with their loving messages brought further cheering reminders of the indestructible bond of friendship which unites us all. If I am not able to write to each of you personally (as I should wish), please take from this News-Letter in some degree an answer to what you have written, with my thanks and my love.

The Spring Re-union of the S.M.H.A., the party at Blunt House in July, and the meeting of the Home Counties Branch, brought great pleasure to all those who met together, and re-kindled that living sense of the reality of our memories, and our hopes, which helps us to believe that by some means the difficulties will be cleared away and St. Mary's Hall will come to life again. I wish I had good news to give you: but at present no decision has been taken, and the situation remains doubtful.

Our Chairman of the Governors, Lt. Colonel A. C. Elliott, has felt obliged to resign his Chairmanship now that he has left Surrey for Devonshire: and we owe him a great debt of gratitude for his friendship and care for the Hall during very many years. The closing of the School was a great grief to him, and it is a further sadness that he must lay down his office while it is still closed. No successor has yet been appointed and no policy has been formulated. We have a staunch friend in the Bishop of Chichester, who sent me a very kind message of thanks, on the eve of leaving for America, for the Resolution sent to him from

the April meeting of the S.M.H.A. : he has not relaxed his efforts to find some plan for the revival of the Hall. But it is very disquieting to know that the Governors have held no meeting for many months. A member of our Association wrote to me, "If only one person with real **vision**, **push**, and **cash**, could be found, it might start the ball rolling." Perhaps some light will have dawned by the time of our next April meeting. At the first sign of hope your Committee would meet, as we planned last year : but at present all is dark. Yet it is impossible not to feel that courage and resource could recreate what was so infinitely worth preserving.

I feel all the more keenly the inability to write hopefully, because so many of you have written to me of your wish to send your daughters to the Hall : and (as one of you wrote) the building and the garden, serene and dignified among all vicissitudes, seem to be "waiting quietly for their resurrection," and for the day when they shall see their children's children gathered in once more.

It was a great disappointment to me to hear that Mildred Riddelsdell must resign her position as a Governor, owing to intensified pressure of her important work in the Ministry of Insurance. It seemed especially hard that her period of service on the Governing Body should have coincided with so much anxiety and indecision. Her successor has most happily been found in the person of Mrs. Kenneth Broadley (Rosamund Venn Elliott), to whom, for her own sake and as "Founder's kin," we extend our very best wishes that in her time of office she may see the Hall re-opened.

We have to record with regret the resignation from the S.M.H.A. Committee a little time ago of Mrs. Capern, after very many years of kindest interest and support. She was a noble helper at the time of the Centenary celebrations, and her charming home in Sussex Square has been an open house for Sussex members. We do thank her for all that she has given to the Hall (including a daughter !), and we hope to see her at very many future meetings. We also thank most sincerely Mary Wall, for undertaking (although she is a busy London Headmistress) the task of editing with great efficiency the 1944 News-Letter, and Audrey Baron for being so kindly willing to shoulder the same task in 1945. The late appearance of this number is in no way due to any fault on the part of the new Editor, but must be attributed to the slowness of contributors, with myself as the Chief Snail.

We have also to record with regret the resignation from the Committee of Mary Ostle, who has retired from the Association. The vacancy has been filled by the election of Mrs. Knowles (Nell Montgomery Campbell), to whom we offer, with our welcome, our happy congratulations on the birth of her little daughter.

As we go to press, the news has been received of the serious illness of Dorothy Cross—now happily recovering—and in the name of all her friends I wish to send her a message of love and sympathy in her enforced withdrawal for a time from the School so dear to her heart, of which she has recently become Head Mistress. We do indeed wish her a safe and speedy recovery.

It remains now for me to try to tell you with what proud faith in you all I read the records and hear the echoes of the kind of

work you are doing, in your own homes or far from them, with such courage, kindness and patience, to help in a world which has become so puzzling as to be almost unrecognisable. Again and again among the dark forest of unwelcome news I catch a gleam of light from a letter or a message from one of you, and know that you are cleaving faithfully to the abiding values which nothing can destroy. For this hard time the inheritance we received from our Founder was preparing us, and that will stand firm whatever seems to perish. Let us in this New Year try to keep in closest touch with one another and hold on steadfastly to the things that are not shaken.

Miss Galton joins with me in sending the very best New Year wishes to you all.

Yours affectionately,
F. L. GHEY.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

St. Elphin's School,
Darley Dale, Matlock.
15th January, 1946.

My dear Old Girls,

A very happy New Year to you. It is wonderful to think that the war is really over. In spite of all the many difficulties lying before us we can hope that our efforts now may be constructive instead of destructive. I expect a great many of you are being demobilised and taking up civilian work again. It will be interesting to get your news.

I am hoping that in time I may be able to find a small flat in Brighton for the holidays, and if so I shall be delighted to see any of you who can come and see me there.

We are having a busy time with a very full school and a long waiting list. How I wish we could send some of those who are waiting on to St. Mary's Hall, as the two schools would have very much in common.

This is a very short letter, but it is just the beginning of a new term so I hope you will understand.

With love and good wishes to you all,

Yours affectionately,
E. E. STOPFORD.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Meeting was held at the Y.W.C.A., Great Russell Street, London, on April 14th, 1945, at 2.30 p.m. Miss Ghey opened the Meeting with prayers and remembrance of four dear friends of the school who had died: Miss Miles, Sister Farr, Miss Jessie Short, and Miss Scott.

Miss Ghey then thanked Olive Skene for the lovely flowers she had brought, and Elizabeth Moore for the splendid arrangements made for the meeting, and gave a welcome to all members.

She then read a letter from Miss Forrest, in which she stressed the courage, faith and patience, based on the past, that would be needed in the future, and how much the Association helped to keep people in touch, and ready to help when the School re-opened. The meeting decided to send a telegram of affectionate greetings to Miss Forrest.

There was a message from Miss Galton, who was unable to come until later owing to the death of her mother.

The minutes of the last meeting, having been published in the News-Letter, were taken as read, and duly signed.

Treasurer's Report. The Hon. Treasurer, Lucy Coe, stated that she had £20 9s. 6d. in hand. The interest on life subscriptions and donations, invested in P.O. Savings in Conversion Loan, amounted to £138. In 1943 and 1944, with the help of the Governors' Pension Fund, £45 had been sent to Miss Forrest, and £26 to Miss Austin. More contributions were hoped for. Letters of grateful appreciation had been received from Miss Forrest and Miss Austin.

Secretary's Report. The Hon. Secretary, Elizabeth Moore, reported many apologies for absence, and greetings. The list included the name of Miss Dry, who must surely be one of the Association's oldest members, being aged 91. She apologised for sending out the notices of the meeting so late, but there had been a hope that the Bishop of Chichester might attend, and she therefore had to wait, but members did know the date, as it was always printed in the previous News-Letter. She said she knew everyone loved the Hall as much as she did. The School had always stood for so much, and the principles learned there helped in life. She hoped that anyone with ideas for increasing membership would send them along.

Home Counties Branch. Miss Helen Potter reported that there had been no meeting during the year owing to flying bombs, but she hoped for a meeting this year, if a kind hostess could be found. E. Moore and Mrs. Archer willingly offered hospitality if Mrs. Lea-Thompson was unable. It was arranged for the end of September. She asked for any changes in addresses.

Sussex Branch. No activities to report.

News-Letter. The Editor was unable to be present, but Miss Ghey paid tribute to her valiant work, and much regretted that she could not continue, owing to pressure of work. Miss Ghey proposed that Mrs. Cunnew, A. Baron, or I. Laurence should be asked to take on. It was suggested that to save space, only immediate news of Old Girls should be included, but Miss Ghey felt that items about their parents were of interest.

Election of Committee. Miss Stopford proposed Mrs. Knowles (N. Campbell). This was seconded and carried. The resignation of M. Ostle had been accepted by the Committee. Miss Ghey hoped that, although D. Cross could rarely attend a meeting, she would be re-elected, as her advice was most valuable.

It was duly proposed, seconded, and carried, that the Committee should be re-elected en bloc.

Annual General Meeting. The next meeting was arranged for Saturday, April 13th, 1946, at 2.30 p.m. at the Y.W.C.A., Great Russell Street, W.C.1. The meeting voted that the General Meeting should not revert to its original January date.

Mrs. Bell said she would communicate with Mrs. Capern about possible activities of the Sussex Branch.

Party at Blunt House. Miss Ghey and Miss Galton gave much pleasure by saying that they hoped to give another party at Blunt House in July.

News of St. Mary's Hall. Miss Ghey then came to the most important part of the meeting. She had a message from the Bishop of Chichester, which said, "The Diocesan Finance Committee, in close association with the Governors of St. Mary's Hall, is trying to find ways and means by which a re-opening of the Hall as an Independent Day School for Girls can be secured in the course of the year."

Before the Bishop's letter was discussed, Miss Ghey said how sorry she was that M. Riddelsdell, owing to pressure of work, had to resign her seat on the Governing Body as the Association's member. Mrs. Broadley (Rosamund Elliott), a daughter of the Rev. Henry Venn Elliott, one time Vicar of St. Mark's, was willing to stand in her stead. Mrs. Broadley would be a valuable member of the Governing Body. It was duly proposed, seconded, and carried, that Mrs. Broadley should be elected. Miss Ghey also said that Mrs. Broadley's sister, Phyllis Elliott, had intimated her wish to resume her seat on the Governing Body.

In the long discussion about the Bishop's message which followed, all members showed extreme keenness that St. Mary's Hall should re-open in some form as soon as possible. Miss Stopford spoke of the financial security of her present school, St. Elphin's, Darley Dale, due to the lower fees paid by Foundationers being made up by the Diocese. Mrs. Davis asked if St. Mark's Church would be connected with the School, if it was only a day-school, and Miss Stopford replied that the school could attend at the great festivals which occurred in term time.

Mrs. Archer asked if the Hall buildings were much damaged, and L. Gunnery replied that the main staircase and the Elliott Hall floor were in a bad state, but the War Office would pay for some repairs. Miss Ghey said that dormitories could be turned into form-rooms, and space made for 250 pupils. The Sanatorium could serve as a science block. Houses outside could later on be taken for boarders. Both Miss Ghey and Miss Stopford felt that the Bishop was anxious to preserve the school, as it was the only one in the Diocese for clergy daughters, and that he would be encouraged by an expression of sympathy.

On a proposal by M. Riddelsdell, seconded by Mrs. Martin, that a letter should be sent by Miss Ghey voicing the feeling of the meeting, one was drawn up to the effect that, "The members of the S.M.H.A. present at the Annual General Meeting welcome with enthusiasm the news of the possible early re-opening of St. Mary's Hall. They wish to assure the Governors of their whole-hearted support of any measures thought best to secure this,

provided that the intentions of the Founder as regards foundation benefits are borne in mind, and every effort made to preserve the character and traditions of the school. The members of the Association much appreciate your own personal interest, friendship, and support."

Miss Ghey said that the Committee would meet again after the next Governors' meeting. She spoke of having met an unknown lady who knew her to be Miss Ghey, and who said that St. Mary's Hall girls were known all over the world for their integrity.

The meeting ended with a hearty vote of thanks, moved by Miss Stopford, to the Secretary and Treasurer, who were carrying on all the work of St. Mary's Hall at the moment.

Those present were:—Miss Ghey (President), Miss Stopford (Vice-President), Mrs. Archer (R. Poyser), Mrs. Atkins (K. Kennelly), Mrs. Bell (M. Wade), Mrs. Chester (E. Spafford), Mrs. Davis (T. Bellhouse), Mrs. Hart (R. Harris), Mrs. Knowles (N. Campbell), Mrs. Martin (M. Hunt), Mrs. Ogden (K. Powell), Mrs. Rossi (M. Segall), Mrs. Scott (G. Robertson), Mrs. Smith (D. Lilley), the Misses Bolton, Galton, Morley, Potter, F. E. Smith, G. M. Smith, also B. Campbell, M. Campbell, L. Coe, P. Dorman, G. Geary, M. Gray, L. Gunnery, E. Moore, P. Poyser, Ph. Poyser, L. Raynor, G. Raynor, M. Riddelsdell, O. Skene, M. Smee, V. Strong, D. Williams. (37).

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER.

Subscriptions have not exactly poured in this year, and I do not feel justified in sending reminders to everyone; so if, on reading this, you remember that you have not sent yours for this year (or last!) will you please do so as soon as possible. I am pleased to be able to report that we have had six new members this year, two of whom are Life Members and that, in addition, five ordinary members have become Life Members, and two have rejoined.

Our balance in the Post Office Savings Bank amounts to £160; this being Life Membership subscriptions, donations, and anything that we can spare from the current account.

The Balance Sheet is not being printed this year, but there will be copies of it to be seen at the next General Meeting.

It may make it easier for members if I remind you that the Life Membership subscription is £3, and the minimum yearly subscription 4/-. This may be paid any time during the current year—I suggest on your own birthday—as our financial year is reckoned from January to December.

Will members please note that I have left Maidstone, and that my address now is **Wilford, Chichele Road, Oxted, Surrey.**

LUCY A. COE.

PENSIONS FUND.

Through the kind co-operation of many members, we have been able to send cheques to Miss Forrest and Miss Austin, which we hope may compensate for the loss of their pensions direct from the Governors of the Hall. There have been very grateful letters of thanks from both of them.

SUMMER RE-UNION.

What is commonly known as "Miss Ghey's Party," took place at Blunt House, Oxted, on July 21st. It has become such an institution now that it is difficult to realise that it did not happen before 1940. We had a fine, but not very summer-like day, and there were some fifty members of St. Mary's Hall, and, to everyone's delight, quite a number of children and grandchildren of ages varying from 4 months to 13 or 14 years. Perhaps it was this, or was it the knowledge of freedom from War in Europe, or was it something indefinable? **Something** made it quite the most enjoyable and friendly party that the Association has had. Miss Ghey and Miss Galton as usual welcomed us so warmly, and treated us so lavishly, that the time, as in children's parties, many years ago for some of us, went all too quickly, and there was the usual rush and scramble at the end to say, "Goodbye and thank you," to our dear hostesses, and to their beautiful Blunt House. Is it presumptuous to hope that they will invite us again next year?

L.A.C.

S.M.H.A. HOME COUNTIES BRANCH SUMMER MEETING, 1945.

The few who were able to accept Mrs. Lea-Thompson's kind invitation spent a most enjoyable Saturday afternoon at her Golders Green home on September 29th, though some of the enjoyment was damped by the unavoidable absence of Miss Ghey and Miss Galton, one of whom had hoped till the last morning to be able to come.

The day was fine and warm, and our hostess made us free of her sunny house and garden for indulgence in tea and talk. The Hon. Secretary of the Branch, after thanking Mrs. Lea-Thompson, on behalf of all, for her kind and welcome hospitality, and voicing the members' regret at Miss Ghey's not being able to join them there, announced that the Branch had a balance of £3 14s. 2d. in hand towards the expenses of the next meeting.

There were twelve members present, a welcome new-comer being Miss A. D. Neame, one of Miss Stopford's S.M.H. music staff.

H. R. POTTER.

IN MEMORIAM.

As the last News-Letter went to press, we received the tidings of the death, on November 27th, 1944, of Sister Farr, and all who knew her heard this news with sorrow for the loss of a faithful friend, and with deep sympathy for Miss Howard in the severing of a tie whose closeness had lasted ever since they were both at the Hall together. All memories of Sister Farr are of beautiful nursing, inexhaustible kindness, boundless sympathy with the joys and griefs of others, steadfast friendship, and humorous courage. After the severe car accident in which both she and Miss Howard were badly injured, she was not able to visit her friends, but we used to have kind messages from time to time, and she had still a very real part in our fellowship. She took keen pleasure in the fact that on her retirement the S.M.H.A. asked her to accept a Life Membership.

We grieve too for the loss of another very faithful friend, Miss F. P. Thornburgh, whose recent death at Malvern is recorded on another page. All who knew her, whether as spirited schoolgirl, as untiring teacher, as inventive Guide Captain, as sympathetic friend and counsellor, or as witty guest—and many must have known her in all those parts—share the living memory of a unique personality, who gave to St. Mary's Hall the best of her life and much of her heart. The present writer remembers how on the coldest winter mornings there was always a light in Miss Thornburgh's room by half-past six: and one realised how much of her gaiety and courage had its roots in that faithful keeping of the morning watch. It is hard to realise that that vivid presence has been withdrawn from this world; and our true sympathy goes out to the sisters and brother who survive her.

The Governing Body has suffered a severe blow, in the sudden death, in the early summer of 1945, of Sir Hubert Bond, who had been for many years one of the best and wisest friends of the School. To one who looks back on those years of hopeful growth that began under the Chairmanship of Sir William Mackworth Young, when the decision was taken to build up a School of 300-400 members, and continued with the help of Sir George Casson Walker, the Rev. H. V. Elliott, Canon Dawson, and Mr. A. F. Griffith, with the faithful support of the Ladies' Committee, it is strange to remember how again and again the hand of death has suddenly taken away one who was among our best helpers: and this has been once more the case, with our friend Sir Hubert Bond, who had supported the Hall with valiant faith and good will throughout his time as a Governor, and (in his daughter Margot's words), "looked forward so much to the happy day when it would re-open again." Ill indeed can such a friend be spared: and our debt of thankfulness to him can never be repaid.

F.L.G.

FLORENCE P. THORNBURGH.

Miss Thornburgh was one of five sisters, all educated at the Hall. She came in 1879, and was an Elliott Scholar from 1885 till she left in 1887. She returned as a Mistress in 1897 till 1917, when she undertook travelling work for the Girl Guides in connection with the Y.W.C.A. In 1921 she was ordained Deaconess, and served at Erith, then at Rusthall till her retirement.

Mrs. Quirk (E. Ash) writes:—"I first remember Miss Florence Thornburgh as my IIIa form mistress on my arrival at S.M.H. in 1899. From that year we have corresponded regularly up to the time of her death.

"There will always remain with me the memory of the twinkle of Irish humour in her eyes, her ready source of wit, and capacity for seeing the funny side of things.

"Once when I stayed with her in Surrey, I found an enormous pincushion full of pins on my dressing table. She told me with a twinkle she thought my clothes were probably pinned together instead of being mended, and I might need the pins!

"Later on, when I came to see Miss Thornburgh with more knowledge of her, I realised the spiritual life which was so strong within her, shining through those eyes and lighting up her whole face. Miss Thornburgh could be strict and severe, as I knew to my cost, during the many and various scrapes I got into throughout my school life; but after the punishment she was ready to encourage one to persevere, a great virtue in her eyes, perseverance, and to strive to improve. 'F.P.T.,' as she was familiarly called, was a great reader, and I, for one, shall always be grateful to her for helping me to appreciate books worth reading, most especially biographies, to see how the 'other person' lived and viewed life, and how their experiences helped to form character, etc.

"'F.P.T.'s' loyalty to S.M.H. was immense, and her interest in improving conditions of work, or enjoyment of leisure, led her to spend much time and thought on these things during her holidays. 'F.P.T.' loved babies, and I can well remember feeling over-awed at being taken by the hand from the end of The Crocodile, where I was 'walking with' her, to go over to speak to two babies in a pram. They were the Duchess of Fife's two daughters, who were often to be seen with their nurse on the front at Brighton. F.P.T. had made friends with them."

A. Baron writes:—"I must add something to the memories of Miss Thornburgh, who was, without doubt, a great force in the School. I too remember the twinkle, also the strict discipline. Her enthusiasm was great in all she did, and she expected equal keenness from others, whether it was lessons, or missions, or gardening, or Girl Guides (of which movement we were early members), where her varied gifts had great scope. And she never tired of upholding the honour of the Hall, and of instilling into us a sense of its great traditions. And all this for the further glory of God.

JESSIE SHORT (1882-1944).

In these days of questions about teachers and their importance to the community, it would seem a pity not to make special note of the loss to the teaching world in Jessie Short's death last year. As Babington and Elliott scholar at the Hall, she won the Gilchrist Scholarship to Holloway College, taking her B.A. Maths. there. Later she was senior student at St. Mary's College, Paddington. From 1906 to the day she went to Hospital seriously ill, she taught. There must be hundreds of her old pupils who know what they owe to Jessie. At her last school, the Southend School for Boys, an Inspector said of her that she was that rare phenomenon, a successful Maths. teacher in a Boys' School. I think her old school friends will remember most Jessie's unassuming readiness to help. I hope the Editor will allow me a personal note showing what she was to those of us so much beneath her in mental equipment. A Maths. lesson had been for me one of distress, I could not understand. Leaning towards me, she whispered: "I can explain it afterwards." She did, and I can understand now why her teaching was always so successful. That was Jessie, no display, but quiet, efficient help when needed.

MARY G. OSTLE.

NEWS OF OLD GIRLS AND STAFF.

Dulcie Adkins is a surgeon at St. Stephen's Hospital, Fulham Road, S.W.10, where she misses her countless friends in the East End.

Eirene Adkins has received the A.R.R.C. for her work as a Naval Nursing Sister.

Diana Ailden has been on farm work for three years. She is now at a dairy farm at Warninglid, where she does a morning milk round.

Carol Ailden is a driver in the A.T.S.

Mrs. J. d'Ambrumenil (E. Carnes) has her husband home repatriated from Germany.

Mrs. Anderson (M. Goddard) is living near Esher with her small daughter.

Mrs. Barnes (L. Hewetson), W.R.N.S., Brighton.

Audrey Baron. Since May, 1939, Secretary of the Boston and Holland Blind Society, which is the agent of the Holland (Lincs.) County Council for Blind Welfare.

Mrs. Barton (M. Lee) is living at Burpham, near Arundel.

Mrs. Bartrum (M. Burton), aged 88, helps with an annual missionary sale, and works in her garden.

Gladys Batson, Now School Nurse and Senior Matron at Hawnes School, Haynes Park, Bedford. Has been at Dr. Barnardo's.

Mrs. Bevan (J. Goddard) has returned to Cambridge with her husband.

Dorothea Bloss is Geography Mistress at Wimbledon High School (G.P.D.S.T.), and is very happy there.

Mrs. Blair (Muriel McDonald) is at 26, Grove Way, Esher. She has three daughters and a small son.

Mrs. Blunt (M. Hewetson) lives at Frome, and has a daughter, Jane.

Frances Boughton, in her 5th year with the Women's Land Army, is in a very responsible position in charge of the Finance Department (Leicester).

Mrs. Broadley (R. V. Elliott) has succeeded M. Riddelsdell as representative of the S.M.H.A. on the Governing Body of St. Mary's Hall.

Ethel Brownlow lives at 5, Grasmere Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth. Her sister Alice is caterer at a Boys' School in Highgate. Muriel and Kathleen are married, and Kathleen has a little daughter and son, Catherine and David.

Alice Bunch is teaching dressmaking and domestic subjects at a School at Oxshott.

Miss Burton, aged 87, is still doing G.F.S. and Mothers' Union work.

Joan Berwick. Now an H.M. Inspector of Schools.

Mary Broughton was in Colombo in June, having been three months in Cairo.

Bridget Campbell. Working as a gardener near Oxford.

Jane Campbell has been working for the L.C.C.

Mrs. Chapman (A. Sadgrove) would very much like to hear of an Old Girl who may be in need of a temporary home, who would live with her and Bishop Chapman, who is an invalid now. Audrey greatly needs a companion and helper living in her house.

Margaret Church is Assistant C.E.Z.M.S. organising secretary, and **Connie** is working temporarily in the Urban D.C. Office in Exeter.

Lydia Clarke is teaching music at St. Hilary's, Alderley Edge, Cheshire.

Vivien Claudet wrote last from the 45th General Hospital in Taranto, Italy, where she was working in the Physiotherapy department.

Joyce Colman has her release from the W.R.N.S., and is at present at home. She made the most of her leaves while in Ceylon, and climbed Adam's Peak, one of its highest points.

Mrs. Cooke (M. Podmore) is living at 8, Winchester Road, Oxford.

Hazel Cooke is working at the Y.W.C.A. in Brighton.

Peggy Cooper has been working hard all the war, first as an Inspector in Aircraft Factories and latterly in E.N.S.A.

Moira Corscaden. Teaching Domestic Science at the Tunbridge Wells County School.

Dorothy Cross, Head Mistress of Surbiton High School, has been very gravely ill with diphtheria, but is now (January 3rd, 1946) recovering. She is said to have been "a marvellous patient."

Mrs. Cox (E. Barff) lives in the Isle of Man, where her husband has a living. They have two little girls.

Ann Davis. For two years with the Canadian Red Cross in London. Now Mrs. Godfrey, and has gone back, with her husband, to Canada.

Phyllis Dorman, now 489423 A.C.W. Dorman, stationed at H.Q., 54 Wing, R.A.F., Egginton Hall, Derby.

Mary Downing has finished her training at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, and is now taking Midwifery Training at the Bearsted Memorial Hospital, The Green, Hampton Court.

Joan Duckworth, now Mrs. Cangle, was married to a Naval Officer in December, 1945. (Address wanted, please.)

Zoe Druitt. General Secretary to the Y.W.C.A., 106, Corporation Street, Birmingham.

Mrs. Eggington (M. Baron) is at present sharing her mother's home, but now that her husband is back from Italy, demobilised, they hope for one of their own soon.

Joan Eastham, House Property Manager with a private building firm at Exeter.

Joyce Fawcett (Mrs. Boylson) was one of the W.A.A.F. Officers who went to Marrakesh to work there during Mr. Churchill's convalescence.

Mrs. Footitt (M. Norris), Screddington Vicarage, Sleaford, Lincs., keeps busy with parish work, W.V.S., and W.I. Her son, Tony, is now ten.

Hildegard Francis. A Lance-Corporal in the A.T.S.

Mrs. Fuller (Eleanor Booth) was married in February, 1945, and helps her husband to run two nursery-gardens.

Stephanie Gasston is an Art Mistress at Roedean School, Brighton.

Grace Geary is in a solicitor's office.

Miss M. L. Gillett is a House Mistress at Cheltenham Ladies' College.

Mrs. Goshawk (E. Farrow) writes from Horbling Vicarage, Sleaford, Lincs. She gets "a lot of fun" out of lecturing on historical costume, to Schools, Clubs, the Forces, Women's Institutes, etc.

Elizabeth Guise is in Germany with the A.T.S.

Margaret Hargreaves is now Mme. Sikorski; her husband is in the Polish Air Force.

Joan Harries earned her "Blue Belt" at the Westminster Hospital in October, 1945.

Dorothy Heelas (formerly Newsom) is a Junior Commander in the A.T.S., and her address at Christmas, 1945, was H.Q., S.A.C.S.E.A., Singapore, S.E.A.C.

Mrs. Arnold Hellicar (Miss Fenby) has two sons and two daughters. They live at 60, Carberry Avenue, Bournemouth, where her husband is Priest-in-Charge of St. Christopher's, Southbourne.

Mrs. Herbert (J. Burton) writes that her husband has been appointed by the Crown to the Vicarage of the Parish Church at Nuneaton.

Evelyn and Winifred Hopley have returned from New Zealand and were among the so welcome guests at Blunt House in July, 1945.

Mrs. Hordern (J. Whitelaw) lives at Red Hill Cottage, Roedean Road, Brighton; she has twin daughters, Joanna and Virginia.

Barbara Hunt, Staff Captain in the A.T.S., has an appointment at A.F.H.Q., C.M. Forces.

Mrs. Irving (J. Bardsley) has accepted a teaching post in the Church School near her parents' home at Buckhurst Hill.

Ruth Ison, address wanted, please.

Mrs. Jennings (M. Whittington-Ince), Matron of Chacombe House Red Cross Convalescent Hospital, near Banbury.

Rosamund Kettlewell has a post at Lady Margaret School, Parson's Green.

Marion Kitching. Working at a Red Cross Hostel.

J. Lafford is in her sixth year in the Land Army.

Irene Laurence. Warden of the Y.W.C.A. Club at Riverdale, 1, Thames Street, Hampton, Middlesex. At end of September was acting organising secretary, Watling Community Association at Edgware.

Francesca Leeke, after two years at University College, London, passed out in her finals as head of the whole of London University in Chemistry, gained the Neil Arnott award, and is now doing research and some demonstrating in Gower Street. She is President of the London University Joint Union for 1945-6.

Anne Lockhart has been in the Motor Transport, and was head driver-instructor, and also instructor of motor-cycling.

Marion Lloyd is still in Ruanda.

Margaret Lloyd. In the Ruanda Mission Office.

Miss Mace, whose L.C.C. School was evacuated from Putney, is back, though school buildings are not yet ready after blitz. She is temporarily with Mrs. Williamson (Miss Stonehouse).

Mrs. Magee (B. Deane). Living at 5, Calverley Park, Tunbridge Wells.

Sheila Norman. Leading Wren, attached to Royal Marine Barracks, Eastney, Portsmouth.

Mrs. Parker (Jane Felton) is living in Oxford. Address wanted.

Mrs. Passy (S. Trott). Living in Putney with her little girl while her husband is in India. (Address wanted, please.)

Violet Podmore has reached home after internment in Hong Kong.

Margaret Rapp has been having most thrilling adventures, acting as private secretary to Mr. Rapp at Tabriz, when he was Consul-General in Persia, then doing administrative work with the Ministry of Information in Teheran—and incidentally re-organising the bread rationing system for 500 Europeans there—being in charge of all our courier lorries running to all parts of Persia, and later, when

Mr. Rapp was transferred to Salonika, working with the British Y.W.C.A. War Service, in charge of a large club in the desert near Cairo. We do not know where she is now, perhaps with her parents in Salonika.

Heather Rapp is a student at Oxford.

Mildred Riddelsdell. Now principal private secretary to the Minister of National Insurance.

Mrs. Rogers (R. Harris). New address: Dawlish House, 2, Kymberley Road, Harrow.

Jean Robertson hoped to finish her training at Dartford P.T. College last July.

Gertie Rosenau. Cook at Dr. Barnardo's, Barcombe, Lewes.

Margaret Miles is teaching music at The Manor House, Little Bookham, Surrey.

Elisabeth Miller was expecting to be demobilised from the W.R.N.S. at the end of December.

Mrs. John Miller (Miss Phyllis Wilson) lives at Bracknall, Oakfield Lane, Dartford, Kent.

Mrs. Meadows (Margaret Ives), 11a, Glebe Road, Bedford. She has three sons. She and her husband came home from India in 1944, but Mr. Meadows has had to return to his work in Cochin.

Captain Milns, R.A. (husband of Nancy Milburn) has been mentioned in despatches and awarded the M.B.E. (Military Division).

Mrs. Moody's (A. Ehrmann) husband is Director of Religious Education for Bath and Wells.

Elizabeth Moore has a new post, in charge of a Nursery School.

Pamela Morley has been ill, and wrote last from Blue Ridge Sanatorium, Charlottesville, Virginia, U.S.A.

Marjorie Newbery is working on the massage staff of the Red Cross Clinic for Rheumatism, in Marylebone Road.

Mrs. Nolda (J. Drury) has a 3-year-old daughter, Rosemary. They spent part of June, 1944 at Saltash with Mrs. Barton (M. Darroll-Smith) and her two little girls.

Mary Noble is a nurse in training at St. Thomas's Hospital.

Olive Sarel (who was in The Ballet Rambert). Now Mrs. John Andrews.

Sheelah Sarel. Now Mrs. Fergus Ling. Has a little son, Anthony.

Joan Sarel. Now Mrs. Dick Knott. Has two little daughters.

M. Senior is teaching at Blackheath.

Gyda Scott (née Robertson) has been working with the Malayan Planning Unit since May, 1944, and has now left for the East. She hopes to return to Malaya as soon as possible.

Margaret Schurr spent six months at Ashridge Hospital, where she was in charge of a 40-bed military ward on night duty. She hoped to return to University College Hospital at the end of January.

Mrs. Smith (D. Lilley). Hon. Secretary S.S.A.F.A. for Welwyn Garden City area.

Mrs. Smith (Ruth Webb) writes from The Rectory, Halton Holgate, Spilsby, Lincs. She has two sons and two daughters. She suffers very badly from rheumatism, but can knit, sew and write.

Enid Smith is working at a Y.W.C.A. Centre, Duke Street, Reading.

Frances Smith (married name unknown), is living in Canada and has two little daughters, twins.

Mrs. Snow (J. Way) lives at Sutton Cottage, Charterhouse, Godalming. Her husband is the Chaplain at Charterhouse.

Mrs. Sumner (Louisa Law) had the pleasure of seeing her son receive the Distinguished Flying Medal from H.M. the King on July 24th, 1944.

Mrs. Thomson (K. Seth) is now in Australia, recovering from serious illness, having spent three years in bed in Hong Kong internment camp.

Miss M. P. Thorne is leaving Nottingham, to live near London. (Address wanted, please.)

Mrs. Tredennick (M. Phair) and her husband have moved back to London, and their three children are home from Canada.

Una Trott. Games mistress in a Boys' School.

Mrs. Turner (Mary Newman) has been visiting Brighton with her little son, and gave an S.M.H. tea-party to Miss Bolton, Miss Smith, and Miss Wisdom, to meet Freda Fotheringham. (Addresses wanted, please.)

Joan Wallis-Beer is an assistant nurse at Redhill County Hospital.

Mrs. Wells' (A. Norris) husband, Wing/Com. Wells, M.C., is still serving in the R.A.F., and was given the M.B.E. last year. Their three daughters were all married during 1945, two from Mrs. Hart's (D. Moore) house.

Monica Wells, The Chalfonts, White Rose Lane, Woking, is working as a Health Visitor with Dr. Norah Weatherhead.

Mrs. Williamson (Miss Stonehouse) still lives at Wimbledon, and has been very busy with her teaching, besides running her household. Her son, Martin, now 18, is in the Marines.

Norah Wilkin is now a Petty Officer in the W.R.N.S., H.M.S. Collingwood, Fareham, Hants.

Audrey Wilmott continues to be happily busy at Allerton High School (near Leeds), teaching Physical Training and producing plays.

Many of these items have been extracted from letters received during the year, so some may now be out of date.

MISSION WORK AMONG THE MAORIS.

After a year's pioneer work in Te Araroa, I went to Manutuke, a very different place, being an old-established Mission. It was quite country, but with the advantages and disadvantages of being only $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Gisborne, a pretty seaside country town. Manutuke had a beautiful church built entirely in Maori design, with carved walls and paintings. Sometimes it was called the Maori Cathedral.

We were fortunate in having an early service every Sunday, not possible in the "back blocks" of Te Araroa. At Manutuke we had to do everything, housework, cooking, gardening, and running the Mission. It was hard work, but the mission work was varied and very interesting. Our working hours would not be acceptable to the trade unions, as they began between six and seven in the morning till anything between nine and ten at night. Sometimes we had night work too, but not very often. One night at about 11.30 p.m. I had to search out a Maori woman, and take her to her husband lying critically ill in Gisborne Hospital.

We lived in the midst of Maoris, the Pa with its Meeting House being just opposite. They would drop in and out any time, and we kept ourselves supplied with all kinds of first aid requisites, the District Nurse being twenty miles off.

Children came in on their way to school for a Bible lesson, except on the day we went to the school. The authorities allowed us half-an-hour a week for the most important lesson in the world. It was very pleasant teaching the Maori and other New Zealand children. They were mostly very intelligent and attentive. It all depended on the schoolmaster whether the class was in school hours or not. If in school hours everything went well. I had one class of about seventy children, aged from five to eight. Every scrap of sitting space and floor covered with them, and yet peace reigned the whole half-hour. I think we all enjoyed it.

In Manutuke the Maoris always expected the Mission Workers to attend Tangis. A Tangi is similar to an Irish wake, and one is described in the account of the raising of Jairus' daughter. I did not like going, but I had to. When a Maori dies, he or she is taken to the Maori Pa, and placed in a tent outside the Meeting House, surrounded by relatives and mourners. Maoris then flock in from neighbouring PAs, sometimes miles and miles away, to pay their respect to the dead, and to comfort the mourners. As you approach, the mourners utter an indescribable wail, and you stand waiting until you are signalled to approach. You then greet all around the dead in Maori fashion or otherwise, and pass on into the Meeting House, where friends from far and near are gathered laughing and talking, and the children playing about as if there was nothing amiss. At night mattresses are put down, and they sleep there, covered in blankets, all night, and sometimes night after night. One Tangi went on for a month. Even after the funeral friends continue to come, and the wail is heard day after day, and on into the night. They are religious folk, and every evening the Maori clergyman has a service in the Meeting House. Once he had to go elsewhere, and I was asked to take it. Happily, I knew the service by heart, so did not fail them.

Maoris will make speeches and listen to them for hours at a time. Many are made at a Tangi, and women sing dirges. One gets up and begins, and is gradually joined by one after another.

I only once went to a wedding. The couple were married in our Maori Church in the usual way. After this we adjourned to the Meeting House, where there was a table down the centre on which presents were placed. We sat on forms around the room, with the bride and bridegroom by themselves at the head of the table. Then speeches began, and continued, with intervals for meals, till 9 p.m., when dancing started.

After 2½ years I went on to Tokomaru Bay. Here I had the most interesting time as regards Maori work, though the most uncomfortable otherwise. However, the interest outweighed the discomfort. My work there was chiefly itinerant, on week days holding Bible Classes in several different day schools, and on Sundays running two Sunday Schools one week, covering 22 miles, and three another, covering 44 miles, and mostly with no help.

Again I never had to keep order. The children were really interested, and the time passed quickly. I also spent time in a small hospital near, and between my schools I visited the Maoris in their homes, and was always made welcome.

There is a good deal of the "tribal" still left in the Maoris in spite of their contact with the white man. In religion, courtesy, hospitality, and general good manners, they have more to teach than to learn. They lack stability, and are like children in money matters, spending all their well-earned wages at once, leaving nothing for a rainy day. They have much to learn about health and sanitation, but withal they are a most lovable race, and I left the work with regret after my five years among them.

EVELYN M. H. HOPLEY.

A GLIMPSE OF A LONDON HOSPITAL IN WAR-TIME.

Dulcie Adkins writes:—"I am now at St. Stephen's, Chelsea, where I am doing surgery. I think I shall like it when I get settled down, but I do miss the cheerful East Enders, who always had a joke and an answer to everything one said.

"From the beginning of the time of the flying bombs I was working in St. Leonard's (L.C.C.) Hospital, Shoreditch, and only left there in October. We had quite a number of bombs near us, and a few rockets, and on several occasions had up to a hundred casualties. The people were wonderful; even when badly injured they were always able to joke, like one old man who said he had only bought a pair of boots the day before, 'and now they are no good.'

The Medical Staff of that Hospital reminded me of the League of Nations. We had a French-Canadian surgeon, a German Jewish refugee, a Persian girl, a young man from Jamaica, and an Indian from Malaya, besides ourselves from parts of the British Isles."

BIRTHS.

- Bowesman**—On May 21st, 1945, to Joy (Barton), wife of Dr. Reginald Bowesman, of Grenfell, Billericay, Essex—a daughter.
- Boylson**—On November 29th, 1944, at Mount Alvernia, Guildford, to Joyce (Fawcett), wife of Flt. Lt. W. W. Boylson, D.F.C., R.A.A.F. (missing June, 1944)—a daughter.
- Burwell**—On April 17th, 1945, to Margaret (Stanham)—a son.
- Beach**—On April 26th, 1945, at 7, Sussex Square, Brighton, to Jean (Holt), wife of Lt. D. E. Beach, a son.
- Conlon**—In October, 1945, to Helen (Seth), a second daughter.
- Cox**—On November 4th, 1944, at the Jane Crookall Maternity Home, to Edith (Barff), wife of the Rev. F. Ingram Cox, St. Thomas's Vicarage, Douglas, the gift of a sister for Ruth.
- Elsden**—On August 16th, 1945, at the Beacon Maternity Home, Brighton, 6, to Patricia (Carton), wife of Lieut. J. A. Elsdén, R.N.V.R.—a son.
- Eggington**—On June 27th, 1945, to Margaret (Baron), wife of Rev. W. C. Eggington, C.F., a daughter (Margaret Ann).
- Franks**—On January 9th, 1945, to Lorna (Champion), a brother for Valerie (Christopher Leslie).
- Fish**—On August 31st, 1945, to Esther (Lloyd), a son, Christopher Ian. Address: Christ Church Hostel, Jerusalem.
- Fleming**—On September 12th, 1945, to Hope (Lambrick), wife of Lionel T. Fleming, of Park Lodge, Park Village West, N.W.1—a daughter.
- Gurney**—On December 21st, 1945, at the Middlesex Hospital, to Margaret (Gale), late P.M.R.A.F.N.S., a daughter (Patricia Ann).
- Jackson**—On January 25th, 1945, to Monica (Dobson), wife of the Rev. J. Wilson-Jackson, a son (Christopher John).
- Knowles**—On September 25th, 1945, at Royal Free Hospital, W.C.1, to Nell (Montgomery Campbell), wife of Flt. Lt. R. B. Knowles—a daughter.
- Loasby**—On September 20th, 1945, at Central Middlesex Hospital, to Winifred Mary (Walmsley), wife of the Rev. E. H. Loasby—a daughter.
- Hassall**—On March 5th, 1945, to Jean Sydney (Tyrrell), wife of Alan Hassall, a daughter (Bridget Ruth).
- Moody**—On June 25th, 1944, to Agnes (Ehrmann), wife of Rev. A. J. Moody, a daughter (Angela Catherine).
- MacLennan**—On October 23rd, 1945, at Arundel Hospital, to Margery (Elliott), wife of Capt. A. MacLennan, a daughter.
- McDonagh**—On March 18th, 1945, at Danehurst Maternity Home, Sidcup, to Jean (Galbraith), wife of Lt. R. P. McDonagh, R.A.S.C.—a son.
- McAdam**—On August 13th, 1945, to Hrothgrade (Gibson), wife of Dr. Ian McAdam—a son. 30a, Fountainhall Road, Edinburgh.

- Mala**—On December 21st, 1945, at East Grinstead, to Joan (Young), a daughter (stillborn).
- McDowell**—On November 26th, 1944, at the Caerthillian Nursing Home, N.W.2, to Vivien (Onslow), wife of Johnston McDowell—a daughter.
- Meredith**—On October 15th, 1945, at Shrewsbury, to Elizabeth (Watson), wife of Lt.-Cdr. (A) M. H. Meredith, D.S.C., R.N.V.R. a son (Michael David).
- Porter**—On January 18th, 1945, at the Richmond Nursing Home, Bexhill, to Pauline (Davies), wife of Lt. J. R. Porter, Royal Signals—a son.
- Perfect**—On May 29th, 1945, at The Rectory, Courteenhall, Northampton, to Eileen (Martin), wife of the Rev. Ronald Perfect—a son.
- Russell White**—In July, 1945, to the Rev. and Mrs. Russell White (Margaret Bunch), Twickenham, a daughter, Mary Elizabeth. She already has three sons.
- Tolputt**—On March 13th, 1943, at Sappington Court, Petham, to Invicta (Kent), wife of Nelson Tolputt, a brother for Sheila (Richard).
- Van Der Byl**—On November 1st, 1945, at 5, The Avenue, Fareham, to Yvonne (Crocker), wife of Commander V. J. H. Van Der Byl, D.S.C., R.N.—a son.
- Waller**—On March 18th, 1945, at Fulmer Chase, to Sheila (Butler), wife of Lt. A. R. Waller, R.N.V.R., a son (Paul Raymond).

MARRIAGES.

- Butler : Weatherhead**—On December 12th, 1945, at Lahore, Major E. G. R. Butler, to Eileen Mirembe Weatherhead.
- Clarke : Sarel**—On April 25th, 1945, at St. Dunstan's, Crambrook, Kent; Gerald L. Clarke, R.A.F., to Erica Sarel, daughter of Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Sarel.
- Fuller : Booth**—On February 8th, 1945, at Southover Church, Lewes, Stuart H. W. Fuller, to Eleanor Lechmere Booth, daughter of the late Rev. W. Booth and Mrs. Booth.
- Gosnell : Moore**—On June 16th, 1945, at St. James', Weybridge, Captain Hylton Gosnell, R.A.S.C., to Diana Moore.
- Gurney : Gale**—On February 8th, 1945, at Little Stanmore, Major R. F. G. Gurney, Royal Signals, to Margaret Catherine Gale, P.M.R.A.F.N.S., younger daughter of the late Rev. J. S. and Mrs. Gale.
- Jackson : Broughton-Thompson**—On November 14th, 1945, at Brewood Parish Church, Lieut. Horace Aubrey Jackson, D.C.L.I., son of Thomas Jackson, Esq., and the late Mrs. Jackson, of Penzance, to Beatrice Mary Broughton-Thompson, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. C. Broughton-Thompson, of Brewood Vicarage.

Knowles : Montgomery Campbell—In December, 1944, at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, Flt./Lt. Robert Knowles, R.A.F., to Eleanor, second daughter of the Bishop of Kensington and the late Mrs. Montgomery Campbell.

Linforth : Weatherhead—On August 15th, 1945, at All Souls' Church, Woking, Lt. F. E. Linworth, R.N.V.R., to Sheila Mary, third daughter of the late Canon Weatherhead and Mrs. Weatherhead.

Mayo : Beaghen—On October 2nd, 1945, at Malmesbury Abbey, the Rev. James Hellier Randall Mayo, only son of Canon and Mrs. H. R. Mayo, of The Rectory, Yatton Keynell, to Joy Mary Beaghen, eldest daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. A. Beaghen, of The Abbey Vicarage, Malmesbury.

Regan : Armitage—On August 18th, 1945, at Theydon Garnon, Essex, Sqdn. Ldr. V. O. Regan, to Katharine Lucy, daughter of Rev. R. H. Armitage, Rector.

Whalley : Watson—On April 28th, 1945, at Wittersham, Lt. J. P. Whalley, Royal Signals, to Maureen, daughter of Rev. W. E. and Mrs. Watson.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

Elliott : Beeching—On December 19th, 1894, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Ven. Archdeacon MacCarthy, assisted by the Rev. C. Palmer, Chaplain, Lt. Alfred Charles Elliott, Assistant Commissioner, Punjab Commission, son of Sir Charles Elliott, Lieut.-Governor of Bengal, to Maud, eldest daughter of the late Thos. Beeching, Esq., J.P., of the Manor House, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

DEATHS.

Allen—On December 4th, 1944, Herbert William Allen, M.A., Canon and Succentor of Salisbury Cathedral, dearly loved husband of Amy Allen, passed peacefully away.

Bloss—On November 28th, 1944, suddenly, at his residence, The Red House, South Mimms, the Rev. W. Escott Bloss, Vicar of St. Thomas's Church, Arbour Square, Stepney, aged 67, father of Dr. J. F. E. Bloss, of the Sudan Medical Service, and of Dorothea W. E. Bloss.

Bond—On April 18th, 1945, suddenly, at St. Annes-on-the-Sea, Sir Hubert Bond, K.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P., the beloved husband of Janet Bond and the dear father of Margot Child, of 30, Rowsley Road, in his 75th year.

Clarke—On September 1st, 1945, in an aircraft accident in England, F./O. Patrick Lovell Aldford Clarke, R.A.F.V.R., aged 22, beloved second son of Molly Clarke (née Platts), 30, Sussex Mansions, 81, Old Brompton Road, S.W.7, and brother of Michael and Geoffrey.

- Ebbs**—On May 19th, 1945, at Rodmell, the Rev. John Webber Ebbs, Rector of the Parish, 1928-43.
- Fotheringham**—On October 24th, 1945, at Ashford, Emily Mildred, widow of Rev. D. R. Fotheringham, Vicar of Charing, and dearly loved mother of Elaine.
- Heelas**—In January, 1945, at Teddington, very peacefully, the Rev. Newton Heelas, aged 80.
- Lawrence**—On November 8th, the Rev. George Henry Lawrence, lately Rector of Chesham Bois, Bucks. (1923-45), aged 71.
- Leadbitter**—On March 19th, 1945, Walter Ferguson Leadbitter, Priest, Rector of Banghurst, and late Rector and Rural Dean of Woolwich.
- Mahon**—In July, 1945, Mr. Mahon, husband of Mildred (Shildrick).
- Martin**—On June 30th, 1945, at the R.N. Hospital, Devonport, Dr. Martin, husband of Margaret (Hunt).
- Meyrick**—On January 10th, 1945, Frederick James Meyrick, Prebendary of Chichester, formerly Canon of Norwich Cathedral, and Vicar of Hove, aged 73.
- Moilliet**—On July 23rd, 1945, at Well Cottage, St. Mary-in-the-Marsh, Kent, Sophia Harriet, widow of James Keir Moilliet, in her 92nd year.
- Oxley**—On November 24th, 1945, at Horsmonden, Kent, Lily, beloved wife of Dr. W. H. F. Oxley, of Poplar.
- Peacock**—On December 2nd, 1944, at Berrydown, Cliffe Avenue, Margate, the Rev. Charles Alfred Peacock, C.B.E., M.A., late Assistant Chaplain-General, dearly loved husband of Kathleen, and father of Viva Simpson, in his 77th year.
- Scott**—Miss E. M. (at St. Mary's Hall 1865-1871), in June, 1944.
- Snowdon Smith**—On October 10th, 1945, at The Gowrey, Formby, Lancs., Charlotte, wife of the late Rev. E. Snowdon Smith, aged 91.
- Thornburgh**—On November 24th, 1945, at West Malvern, Florence P. Thornburgh, Deaconess.

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