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SUTTON HIGH SCHOOL MAGAZINE.

EDITORIAL.

Subscriptions for 1920 (1s. 9d. post free), are now due, and should be sent to Miss Tayton, at the High School. Will those subscribers, who have not already done so, kindly send their

Magazine subscription for 1919 at the same time?

The Final Report of the Girls' Patriotic Union of Secondary Schools has just been issued, as the Committee of the Association of Head Mistresses, who have guided the affairs of the Union, feel that it should now be dissolved. The fund reserved for the equipment of the corridor in the Star and Garter Home is to be handed over to the authority responsible for the organisation of the Home.

We have fully expanded, this term, into the larger life of the new buildings, and all that it entails, in new girls, new forms, new mistresses, and more elaborate organisation. The increased power and enthusiasm of the larger whole are most exhilarating, but the consequent increased need for each individual to walk warily confronts us with a somewhat sobering effect.

Instead of being marked, all our work is now graded into classes: Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair, Failed, indicated by the letters A*, A, B, C, D. Thus individual competition has been eliminated, and in future, form order will be alphabetical, and prizes will be awarded to all girls who attain a certain standard of work.

No Trust Scholarships or Exhibitions have been awarded this year, as no girl has fulfilled the

necessary conditions.

The Duirs' Memorial Prize for French has been awarded to M. Roden, and the McMorran Prize for English to M. Winthrop.

Weather Report.

The weather during the early part of the term was sunny and bright, but the wet weather of

December has almost made us forget this.

In October there were only four days in which rain fell; these were the 12th, 25th, 28th and 30th. The wind blew from the north or north-east most of the month. The highest temperature recorded was 61 deg., on 22nd; the lowest was 32 deg., on 27th. There were four foggy mornings.

November was colder and wetter; there were 12 wet days, and on two days the temperature

fell as low as 25 deg.

The early part of December was very wet. Rain fell every day from 1st to 8th; the amount of rain which fell was 1.8in., which was more than the rainfall for the whole of November. Of this 1.8in., .79 fell on December 1st, which was the wettest day of the term. The total rainfall for the term was 4.1 inches.

B. MARSDEN, M. JACKSON, L. BARKHAM.

Dorcas Meetings.

The Lower School Dorcas Meeting was held on Friday, October 3rd. Miss Bell read us three of "Jacob's Fairy Tales." The following Old Girls were present: M. Wilkinson,

R. Marsden, J. Martin, W. Jones, M. Gashion, V. Davey.

The Upper School Dorcas Meeting was held on Friday, October 24th. The Remove acted "The Mad Tea Party," from "Alice in Wonderland"; Form IV.b. acted "The Fairies' Motto"; the Sixth Form acted "Four Cautionary Tales and a Moral." G. Willmore was present.

Games.

At a General Games Meeting, held in the Hall, on Friday, September 19th, the following officers were elected:—

Captain of Games (Hockey) Club—C. Philip. Vice-Captain of Games Club—I. Windebank. Hon. Secretary of Games Club—M. Stevenson. Hon. Treasurer of Games Club—M. Warren.

Sub-Secretaries of Games Club-P. Gilbert and P. Mudford.

A Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, September 30th, to elect the Form Hockey and Netball Captains.

FORM HOCKEY CAPTAINS.

VI.—G. Wilkinson.

V.—C. Philip.

L.V.a.—J. Stephens.

L.V.b.—L. Palmer.

IV.a.—M. Redfern.

IV.b.—P. Mudford.

R.—M. Spencer-Jackson.

FORM NETBALL CAPTAINS.

VI.—M. Roden.

V.—J. Crick.

L.V.a.—J. Hobson.

L.V.b.—A. Comer.

IV.a.—P. Gilbert.

IV.b.—J. Hodges.

R.—B. Marsden.

Netball.

FIXTURE LIST.

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Date.	Against	Played at		Result.
October 17th	Croydon	Sutton	***	Won, 25-13
October 27th	Streatham Hill	Sutton	***	Won, 45—10
	(1st round Cup Match)			
November 5th	Bromley	Bromley		Won, 21—18
	(2nd round Cup Match)			
November 28th	Clapham	Sutton		Won, 14—6
	(Semi-final Cup Match)			
November 29th	St. Paul's			Scratched
December 10th	Kensington	Streatham Hill		Lost, 27—22
	(Final Cup Match)			
	Junior			
November 10th	Bromley	Sutton	***	Won, 16—11
	(2nd round Cup Match)			
November 21st	Clapham	Clapham		Lost, 19—9.
	(Semi-final Cup Match)			

SUTTON v. CROYDON.—At Sutton, on October 17th. Won, 25—13.

In the first half the game was close and well contested, and both sides scored in rapid succession, but after half-time neither team showed any energy. The Sutton team played a good game and combined very well.

SUTTON V. STREATHAM HILL (1st Round Cup Match), at Sutton on October 27th. Won, 45—10. The players in the centre were well matched, but Sutton undoubtedly possessed the better shooters, and soon the result was a foregone conclusion. The passing was good, but rather too slow. Our defence showed improvement. I. Crick gained her first mention.

SUTTON v. Bromley (2nd Round Cup Match).—At Bromley, on November 5th. Won, 21—18.

A very close and keenly contested game. The passing was, on the whole, swift and accurate, although the wet weather made the ball difficult to catch, and the three centres—C. Philip, M. Stevenson, and A. Comer—combined particularly well. Our shooting, however, was not as good as usual, and our victory depended, to a very great extent, upon the steady play of the defences.

J. McFarlane gained her first, and J. Crick her second mention.

SUTTON V. CLAPHAM (Semi-final Cup Match).—At Sutton, on November 28th. Won, 14—6.

During the first half Sutton gained the lead, and kept it throughout the game, though not without some hard work, as the Clapham defence was extremely good. The play in the centre, too, was very strenuous, and A. Comer had a difficult game to play against their centre attack. But our passing was the quicker, and this proved a decided advantage to us.

D. Bourne gained her first mention; J. Crick gained her third mention and shield.

Sutton v. Kensington (Final Cup Match).—At Streatham Hill, on December 10th. Lost, 27—22.

The game was an exceedingly quick one, and the two teams were very evenly matched. Kensington made use of long passes, which were effective on the whole, but would have been less so had Sutton jumped more for the ball; also, D. Bourne did not always keep her opponent well marked. J. Crick and J. Macfarlane played together very well as defence, although the former had some trouble in marking the Kensington shooter, who had little left to learn in the art of dodging. M. Roden shot particularly well, and in the second half seemed unable to miss, so much so that there seemed reason to hope we might catch up to our opponents, but the Kensington shooters were equally good, and we could not lessen the advantage they had gained in the first half.

J. Macfarlane gained her second mention.

The Netball Team.

(Those with stars have their colours.)

- *M. Roden (captain).—Attack; has worked very hard. Her shooting from all points in the circle is extremely good; she is quick on the ball and dodges well.
- *J. CRICK's goal defence play has been very good. She makes a steady defence, and it is only occasionally that she fails to mark her opponent.
- J. Macfarlane.—Defence; is improving, and on the whole combines well with J. Crick, but she could still do a great deal more work, especially if she were quicker.
- D. Bourne.—Centre defence; is quick at getting the ball, and combines well with her centres, but her play is variable.
- *M. Stevenson.—Centre; has very much improved, and makes a good and reliable centre. She is very much quicker on the ball, and her passing into the circle is always well judged.
- *C. Philip.—Centre attack; has done good work this term; her combination with the other centres is good, and she is nearly always exactly where she is wanted.
- *G. Wilkinson.—Shooter; combines well with M. Roden, and does a great deal of work in the circle. Her dodging is neat, and her shooting very good.

Junior Netball.

SUTTON v. Bromley (2nd Round Cup Match).—At Sutton, on November 10th. Won, 16—11.

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SUTTON v. CLAPHAM (semi-final Cup Match).—At Clapham, on November 21st. Lost, 19—9.

During the first half the play was weak, and Clapham easily gained the lead, but after half-time the Sutton team improved considerably, although they were never able to overtake their opponents' score. In the centre, E. Brannan played very well, and W. Baines did good work in the circle.

Hockey Fixture List.

Date.		Against	Played o	at	Result.
October 30th	222	Old Girls	 Sutton		Lost, 3—2
November 14th		Sydenham	 Sutton	***	Won, 3—1
November 21st		Wimbledon	 Sutton		Won, 3—2
December 6th		St. Paul's	 Sutton		Scratched
December 12th	***	Sutton Ladies	 Sutton	112	Lost, 9—4

IST XI. v. OLD GIRLS.—At Sutton, on October 30th. Lost, 3—2.

During the first half of the game the 'Old Girls pressed hard, and at half-time led by 2—o. In the second half, by thoroughly hard work, the School brought the score up to 2 all. In the last two minutes the Old Girls scored once more, winning 3—2.

The School team put up a very plucky fight against an exceedingly strong team, and, considering that the majority are young players, showed remarkable promise and spirit, never losing heart, inspite of the strength of the opposing team. Their principal weaknesses at present are lack of combination between halves and forwards, and weakness of attack in the circle. With more experience in match play, these should be overcome. I. Windebank did good work as centre-forward, and J. Macfarlane, as centre-half, played a very good game, but her hitting is not yet strong enough. J. Macfarlane gained her first mention.

Goals: I. Windebank, 1; G. Wilkinson, 1.

IST XI. v. Sydenham.—At Sutton, on November 14th. Won, 3-1.

The first half of the game was very slow; the hitting was weak, and neither side pressed with vigour or success until just before half-time, when I. Windebank scored the first goal. In the second half our forwards made a much more determined attack, especially G. Wilkinson and C. Philip, while the Sydenham defence showed hesitation in tackling, and were inclined to back into their circle. For our defence, J. Crick (left back) tackled early and with success, confusing the opposing forward combination, and J. Macfarlane (centre half) played a good game, for which she received her second mention.

Goals: I. Windebank, 2; G. Wilkinson, 1.

IST XI. v. WIMBLEDON.—At Sutton, on November 21st. Won, 3—2.

During the first half, the game was against Sutton; though the forwards constantly got the ball into the shooting circle, they failed to score, and at half-time the score was 2—0 to Wimbledon. In the second half Sutton played well; they put more vigour into their hitting and tackling. C. Philip scored a nice goal from the left wing, and G. Wilkinson got in two more shots. The opposing team were strong in the defence, especially in the half line. Their failure to score in the second half was chiefly due to the good work done by J. Crick, as left back.

Goals: G. Wilkinson, 2; C. Philip, 1.

IST XI. v. SUTTON LADIES.—At Sutton, on December 12th. Lost, 9—4.

From the first our team had no chance of victory against their much stronger and more experienced opponents, but they played a losing game with creditable courage and perseverance. As the score shows, it was a very fast one. At half-time, the goals were 4—2 against us, and by the end of the match, they had mounted up to 9—4. The harder hitting of the Sutton Ladies, especially in shooting, was most marked, and their skill in passing confused our defence. Of our forwards, C. Philip received special mention for good play, and I. Windebank also played a good game.

Goals: I. Windebank, 4.

I. WINDEBANK (Vice-captain) is leaving at the end of the term. She has been a great help to the club in every way, and we are very sorry to lose her.

Form Cup Matches (Hockey).

IV.b. L.V.b.	0 }	L.V.b.	2 L.V.1	b o	
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The present Fifth Form team are to be congratulated on winning the Form Cup, which they are holding for the third year in succession. Of the other teams, L.V.b. have done good work, and the Remove are distinctly promising.

FINAL.—V. v. L.V.b. The advantage throughout the game was with the Fifth Form, but their opponents gave them a very good match, and E. Morgan deserves special credit for her plucky defence.

Goals: C. Philip, 4; I. Windebank, 2; E. Gilbert, 1.

Gymnastics.

General Improvement badges for gymnastics have been won this term by the following girls:

LOWER SCHOOL.

Class I.—I. T. Cutler ... Highly Commended.—J. Last, M. Stevens. Class II.—J. Redman ... Highly Commended.—A. Hills, J. Whiter. Class III.—B. Marshall ... Highly Commended.—E. Dring.

UPPER SCHOOL.

Class I.—M. Pillinger ... Highly Commended.—D. Taylor, J. Hobson. Class III.—A. Collins ... Highly Commended.—L. Palmer, J. Crick. Class III.—B. Collins ... Highly Commended.—C. Philip, E. Gilbert.

Drill and Deportment Shield.

- 1. Form IV.b.—74 %. Good, hard work throughout the term.
- 2. Form IV.a.—72 %. Can do good work, but the whole Form does not always work its hardest.
 - 3. Form II.a.—70 %. Good, steady workers.
- 4. Form V.—68 %. Work should be very good, but it is too often spoilt by careless mistakes.

4. Form V.b.—68 %. Good work, on the whole, but more sustained effort is needed from every member of the Form.

4. Form L.I.—68 %. Work can be good, when everyone tries her very hardest.

7. Form VI.—67 %. Work lacks energy and smartness.

7. Form Remove.—67 %. Some girls work very hard, but there are too many lazy girls in the Form for very high marks to be gained.

9. Form L.V.a.-66 %. Work is sometimes very good, but it is too often spoilt by

careless mistakes.

9. Form Up. I.—66 %. Must learn to work all together, and to pay attention throughout the whole lesson.

11. Form II.b.—65 %. Lack of interest on the part of some girls spoils the work of the Form, which would otherwise be good.

Drill and Deportment Badges.

Form VI.—None. Form V.—D. Warren. Form L.V.a.—J. Hobson. Form L.V.b.—None. Form IV.a.—None. Form IV.b.—None.

Form R.—None. Form III.—E. Warren. Form II.a.—E. Thomas. Form II.b.—T. Whiter. Form Up.I.—J. Redman.

News of the Term.

On October 27th Miss Bloxam took 16 members of the Afternoon Drawing Class up to the British Museum, to see the sculptures.

On Tuesday, November 4th, Miss Henry, Miss Tayton, Miss Richardson, Miss Smith, and four of the VI. Form went to Clapham High School, to hear a lecture on "Nursery Rhymes,

with Musical Illustrations, by G. Shaw, Esq.
On October 29th, the Bishop of Sierra Leone visited us. He told us all about the children among whom he works, and appealed for dolls and toys to be sent to them at Christmas. At the end of November, a great number of dolls and toys were sent to Sierra Leone.

Mademoiselle Berst took a large party up to town, on the 19th November, to see "Le

Bourgeois Gentilhomme."

Eleven pounds were collected and sent up to the "Save the Children" Fund.

On December 3rd, Miss Virgo took some members of the VI. Form to the British Museum, to see the Elgin Marbles.

Certificates for holiday drawings have been awarded as follows:-

Landscape.—C. Philip, Marjorie Redfern.

Still Life.-W. Oakley, N. Chown.

Mrs. Price has kindly given £1 to Mademoiselle Berst, to buy books for the Lower V.a. Library.

Portraits of Dr. Johnson, Erasmus and Napoleon, presented to the School by Mrs. Morrish, have been hung in the corridor of the new building. They are intended to be the nucleus of a collection of historical portraits.

Sierra Leone.

One Wednesday morning in October, Bishop Walmisley, of Sierra Leone, spared some of his valuable time to visit the School and thank us for the present of money which was collected and sent out last autumn to the Princess Christian Mission Hospital. He was given a very hearty reception, and much amused us by his racy anecdotes of his adventures. He appealed to the School to send out some dolls to the Hospital, and this request received a most generous response, for no fewer than 150 dolls have been brought, and two packing cases full have been sent out to the Hospital.

Victoria League.

There are now 59 Junior Associates in the School, 39 of whom correspond with members abroad.

During the term, 122 newspapers have been sent to Canada.

War Savings Association.

This term, 170 War Savings Certificates have been bought.

The Association has now purchased 2,328 Certificates, which represent £1,804 4s.

Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme.

Mercredi, le dix-neuf novembre, Mademoiselle Berst a amené la sixième et la cinquieme à Londres pour voir le Bourgeois Gentilhomme. Nous nous sommes bien amusées, et quoique les omnibus fussent remplis de monde, nous sommes arrivés au théâtre sans aucun accident. Nous avons remarque comme le Français est harmonieux. Nous avions lu la comédie afin de pouvoir suivre les dialogues. Covielle nous a fait éclater de rire par ses drôleries et ses cabrioles. Notre sympathie est avec Madame Jourdain à cause de son malheur d'avoir un mari ayant de telles idées sur "les gens de qualité." Nous ne pouvions pas décider lequel de tous les caractères était le plus attrayant. Même Dorante, le bel aristocrate avec tous ses défauts, était charmant. Après avoir pris le thé, nous avons marché par le "Mall," et bien qu'il fît nuit noire, personne n'était perdu. Nous sommes arrivées chez nous à sept heures et demie après une après-midi absolument charmante et nous remercions beaucoup Mademoiselle Berst de nous avoir procuré ce plaisir.

Nous prions tout le monde de nous pardonner d'avoir décrit si faiblement une pièce si

exquise.

Competitions.

This term a competition was held for original stories, plays, and poems, for the School Magazine. Miss Hughes judged the Upper School, and Miss Baker judged the Lower School. Certificates of merit have been awarded to the following:—

LOWER SCHOOL.

Play.—E. Walsh, Form II.a.

Poem.—J. Acklam, Form III.; N. Baker, Form Upper I.; E. Palmer, Form III.; M. Siebold, Form Upper I.; M. Whitbourn, Form III. Story.—E. Osmond, Form Upper I.

UPPER SCHOOL.

Play.—W. Oakley, Form Remove.

Poem.—G. Cressy, Form L.V.a.; P. Gilbert, Form IV.a.; N. Hutchinson, Form V.; N. Maddock, Form L.V.b.; D. Roach, Form IV.b.; B. Robins, Form IV.b. Land Jenny.—I. Courtin, Form V.

We print below the eight best poems:-

THE FAIRIES' RING.

In a valley of brightness, Where there always is lightness, The little fairies dance and spring In a sparkling fairy ring.

In their golden hair doth gleam, As the sparkling of a stream, The golden diamonds' dazzling light, I never saw such a beautiful sight. In the moonlight up they spring, Dancing in a fairy ring, Round and round and round they go, Till their little fingers glow.

In a valley of brightness, Where there always is lightness, The little fairies dance and spring, In a sparkling fairy ring.

NANCY BAKER, U.I.

THE ENCHANTED CASTLE.

All is silence, still as death,
Grapes hang ripening on the walls,
Waiting till the spell is o'er,
Waiting till the ruin falls.
In that garden once so fair,
Weeds run riot everywhere,
Tall grass has grown on smooth-cut lawns,
Poppies nod their bright red heads,
Racing, chasing o'er all things,
Happy weeds on garden beds.
Where the little streamlet runs,

Dragon-flies flit to and fro,
Shining brightly in the sun,
Flashing here and there they go.
Now the ruins dark and tall,
Rotted columns, rotted stairway,
Up towards the sky they stand,
Dark, forbidding, looming grey.
While on roll the years of time,
Grapes hang thickening on the walls,
Waiting till the spell is o'er,
Waiting till the ruin falls.

EILEEN PALMER, III.

THE VALLEY OF DIAMONDS.

There lies a vale of diamonds, rarer far, Than all the precious jewels Sinbad saw. Beside a dark red river, up a hill, There is a great wide entrance, 'neath a rock. Great crowds are always jostling to get through, The weaker ones are ofttimes pushed aside, The dew that falls is not real dew, like ours, But dazzling diamonds, melting not away. Red-crested serpents twine themselves in trees, All dark, and gnarled, and gloomy. T'other side, Gold mountains ever tower until they split. Up, ever up, stretches a winding maze, And, at the end, there is a mighty throne, Where sits in state the king of all the vale. Around him, other thrones, false visions these; Because of these, poor strugglers strive to climb, 'Neath falling glaciers, ofttimes men are crushed. The weaker ones, who first were pushed away, Rejoiced in the end they did not go. But, if men reach the top with covered eyes, They find a way through which they may escape.

MARGARET WHITBOURN, III.

THE DESTRUCTION OF POMPEII.

In ancient days Pompeii stood Upon Italia's coast; So like fair Rome itself was she, The populace did boast. Alas! Pompeii is no more!

Alas! Pompeii is no more!
A tragic end had she;
Lava and dust and molten fire
Descended instantly.

The people perished at their games,
The children while in bed;
Some houses soon were wrapped in flames,
Cattle and horses dead.

Soldiers were buried at their post,
Still faithful unto death
They did their duty, at the most
Courageous, their last breath.
MARGARET SIEBOLD, Up. I.

THE MOON.

The moon sees many things at night,
Evil worked and darker deeds
Than any pressman had to write
About the murders that one reads.
The moon sees other things as well,
Fairies dancing on the green,
Goblins playing in the dell
And witches flying, black and lean.

Some nights the moon is very sad,
For rain-clouds cover up her face.
She cannot see the good and bad,
Which on the earth is taking place.
And when the daylight comes again,
The moon is loth to take her flight;
The flowers open in the lane
And welcome back the morning light.
Dulcie Archer, IV.a.

A DOUBLE DELIVERANCE.

There lived in Queen Victoria's time, A wealthy Khan, of India's clime. The Fortunes had been pleased to shower On him vast riches, pomp, and power; But even yet he wished for more, And had proclaimed from shore to shore, In towns and hamlets, tents and caves, That in exchange for native slaves, If men or women, young or old, He would give sums of purest gold.

A neighbouring governor would fain Have sold his men this wealth to gain; For, aged scarce one score and ten, He did not think like older men, More level-headed, would have done, That Indians, each and every one, Would rather their last breath have drawn, Than be of precious freedom shorn. His mind, in cultured England reared, Despised these dark-skinned men, and feared Their loyalty; nor did believe That every member of their race, In spite of wild and savage trace, Has also that fine inborn trait That Westerners so under-rate, Of being able, in this life, So full of facts and constant strife, To see where e'er they look around, More beauty in each shape and sound, More wonder in these lovely things Given by that great King of Kings.

All through the long, hot Eastern day,
The reckless ruler made his way,
To carry out his purpose grim,
To sell the men who trusted him.
Now where the creepers grew and 'twined,
A snake lay; worst of all his kind,
And when he heard approaching tread,
He raised his fearsome, spotted head,
And ere his prey one blow could deal,
His leg was grasped in grip of steel.

Careless Jane was most forgetful,
The things she did were really dreadful.
For each morning she would say—
"I do not know my work to-day."
"Why don't you know your lesson, Jane?"
Her teacher said, with looks of pain.
Said Jane, "I quite forgot to find
A lesson-book of any kind."
In consequence, each day at school
She sat upon the dunces' stool.
Her poor mamma was quite distraught,
To see each term Jane's bad report.

The terror-stricken ruler bade His followers to give him aid; But horrified at such a sight, They turned and fled in trembling fright. Thus all his piteous cries were vain, For they would not come back again. He ceased to call; thought none would hear. Then suddenly upon his ear, Struck soft, clear notes, so sad yet sweet, He felt as wafted off his feet Into the realms of pure delight-And surely the grasp was not so tight Upon his ankle? It was true, The snake had been enchanted, too; And with a sinuous, supple grace, The reptile then began to trace A kind of rhythmic dance, in time To the music sounding so sublime. And as its trance-like moves increased, So, gradually, the music ceased; And when its magic spell was o'er, The dazed creature thought no more Of the man from whom, that very day, The music had him wiled away.

The moment that the music ceased, The ruler, from its charm released, Vowed he would search for miles around, Till he who played those notes was found. It took not long, for in the shade Of a giant tree, a Hindu lay; A little, low-caste Hindu lad, A simple pipe of reeds he had. And at the sight, the Englishman Was filled with shame at the slave plan. He seized the small, dark hand, and cried: "To think I was so full of pride; So sure the West excelled the East In art and learning, man and beast. But, lad, to play as you have played, To make such music as you made, Shows talent equal to the West. Yes, equal to it at its best! And think not that it saved but me, It also made your people free!" MARGARET BARBER, L.V.a.

CARELESS JANE.

One day mamma said, "Jane, go down, And buy for me some things in town; I want some poison for the mice, And also a new tin of spice."
Alas! poor Jane, she quite forgot Which was poison and which was not; And as she ate not of the spice, But poison bought to kill the mice, Alack! 'tis very sad to say, After much pain, she died next day.

TIME.

Time is flying,
Never still.
No use sighing,
Work with a will.

Early mists,
Pink-tinted dawn;
Golden sunset,
Day is born!
Birds are singing
Songs of Fate.
The hand of Time
Will never wait.
Busy noon,
Mocks idle men;
Hurry, hurry,
Hurry, then.

Twilight creeps,
Ah! six o'clock!
See, the shepherd
Drives his flock.
Firelight dances,
Shadows fall;
Warmth and comfort
Shelter all.
Moonbeams, laughing,
Stars betray,
The ending of
Another day.

Time is flying,
Never still;
No use sighing,
Work with a will!

EVELYN LOVELL, VI.

S.H.S.O.G.A.

THE ALL HALLOW E'EN PARTY.

On October 29th was held an All-Hallow-E'en Party, at which about 80 Old Girls were present.

The programme was as follows:—Witches' Cauldron and Fortune-Telling Spider; Bobbing Apples and Ducking Apples; Musical Chairs; Blind Man's Buff in the Dark; Ghost Hunt; Refreshments and Roasting Chestnuts; Business Meeting; Dancing; Auld Lang Syne.

During Blind Man's Buff in the Dark, two whitely luminous and ghostly figures entered the hall by stealth and circled round the Blind Man. Shrieks of horror rent the air, until one of the bolder guests crossed the creatures' path, when they disappeared through the folding doors.

The lights were turned up, and Miss Virgo proclaimed that a reward would be given to anyone who tracked the apparitions to their lair. The School was scoured, but no trail found.

The Business Meeting was brief but effective. Miss Bell drew the attention of the meeting to the United Girls' School Mission, and suggested that any Old Girl who had leisure would find interesting and useful work to do at the Mission centres.

Marian Berry (Secretary of the Women's Local Government Society), who took an evening off from her Municipa lElection work to come to our All Hallow-E'en revels, advocated the formation of a Reading Circle, for the study of Civics and Economics. She also suggested a "Modern Poetry Society."

It was decided to combine her proposals by means of a Debating Society, which should discuss both economic and literary subjects.

Bessie Saunders, proposed by M. Homersham, seconded by V. Henry, was unanimously elected Secretary of the Debating Society.

The revival of the Dramatic Society was then proposed by Nora Pryce, seconded by Dorothy Champness, and carried nem. con. Dorothy Champness and Estelle Foucard were elected Joint Secretaries.

After the Business Meeting, P. Tayton kindly played several waltzes, which went off quite smoothly; but the disturbances of the evening were not an end, for during Sir Roger the lights went out, and a ghost, of quite different aspect from its horned predecessors, appeared in the gallery, heralded by a gentle tinkling of a small bell. Flashing a blue light, it moved its arms in weird gestures of despair, and moaned piteously for some considerable time, after which the tinkling of the bell grew fainter, and the unfortunate creature disappeared, presumably to the Parish Church Yard, which, of course, is comparatively close at hand.

Needless to say, we had lost our interest in Sir Roger, and after singing Auld Lang Syne in a

melancholy tone, we departed with heavy hearts to our respective homes.

M. Homersham, Hon. Sec., S.H.S.O.G.A.

The Old Girls' Dramatic Society.

At the last General Meeting of the Old Girls, it was decided to revive the "Sutton High School Old Girls' Dramatic Society." A Committee was formed, with Miss Bell as President, and it is hoped that as many Old Girls as possible will join.

The subscriptions is 1s., as before, and names should be sent to E. Foucard, "Pourville,"

Cheam, or H. Bourne, "Farmside," Sutton.

The Society hopes to produce "Pygmalion and Galatea," on May 13th, 14th, and 15th, at 8.30 p.m., in the School Hall, by the kind permission of Miss Bell. The tickets will be 2s. 10d. (numbered and reserved), and 1s. 3d. (unreserved), including tax, and can be obtained from the Secretaries—E. Foucard and H. Bourne.

Old Girls' News.

Phyllis Foucard will be teaching next term at Lady Marner's School, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

Mary Glover is training at the Dartford Physical Training College.

Mona Price is studying medicine at Bedford College, London, and is in the London University Hockey Team.

Gwen Powell is training at the Froebel Institute.

Doris Pillinger is studying Photography at the Regent Street Polytechnic.

Dorothy Sprules has been appointed Head-mistress of the Haberdashers'. Aske's Acton Girls' School.

Olive Windebank is training at the Reading Agricultural College; and Irene is leaving

this term to join her.

Margaret Carlton has passed the London B.Sc. Examination, with Honours in Chemistry, and is now about to do research work at the Royal College of Science, South Kensington.

Births.

To Captain and Mrs. Hugh Reid (Joyce Read), a daughter-Roberta Joyce.

To Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Harman (Winifred Leigh), a son—John Leigh. To Captain and Mrs. Arthur Wood (Miss Hamilton), a daughter—Molly.

To Lieut. and Mrs. Valentine Searles-Wood (Sibyl Read), a son-John Valentine.

Marriages.

On July 29th, at Christ Church, Sutton, by the Rev. Courtenay Gale, Mr. Kenneth Lindsay to Kate Mary Woodroffe.

On November 8th, at All Saints', Carshalton, by the Rev. G. B. Vaux, Mr. Thomas H.

Cottington Taylor to Dorothy Gale.

On November 19th, at the Wesleyan Church, Sutton, by the Rev. F. Green, Mr. Raymond Charles Green to Doris Eden Comer.

Death.

On November 29th, at Norbury, Winifred, wife of Mr. F. H. Harman.

Old Boys' News.

Ramo Price has won his "Rugger" blue at Oxford.