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THE MASTER'S LETTER

1977/78 has seen the completion of the final stages of the plans formulated in 1974 to restore our financial stability; and we have now begun to reap some of the benefits. With the completion of the Sutton Site building project giving us 127 new places at the base of the Keep mound behind Saddler Street, we gave up to the Graduate Society the 50 places we used to rent at Parson's Field House and to Hatfield the 50 places that had been built on the site of the old Hatfield property of Bailey House. Except for the minor incidents described in the Senior Man's letter, our occupation of the new rooms in Moatside Court and Northgate was much less troublesome than some of us had expected. Although many Castlemen have enjoyed their residence at Parson's Field House, as an earlier generation enjoyed living at Lumley, I think that most of us welcome the close proximity of the new accommodation to the facilities of the Castle, the natural centre of our corporate life. Now at last we are able to accommodate all the students who live in College in the immediate vicinity of the Castle.

During the Long Vacation of 1977 the alterations to the Junction, Keep and Owengate to create additional student places within existing areas and to meet the safety requirements of the local Fire Officer were completed on time and ready for the beginning of the new academic year. During the autumn the contractors followed a carefully phased programme to complete the final stages of alterations and fire protection work in the Norman Gallery and on Hall Stairs. This was all carried out with minimal disturbance, our students are now properly protected and we can have the fire protection certificate that we must have if we are to offer accommodation to tourist visitors during vacations. The College has continued to make substantial progress with redecorating and refurbishing the historic parts of the Castle. During 1977 the Senior Common Room was redecorated and in the early months of 1978 the bare boards of the floor of the Norman Gallery were covered with long-life nylon carpeting of the type that has been used suc-

cessfully for many years now in the University Library. It is a great success. It reduces noise both for the occupants of rooms on the gallery and for those in the State Rooms below; and it improves the general appearance of the gallery, providing an appropriate background for its magnificent Romanesque arcading. As a result of our close scrutiny and reappraisal of the use of existing accommodation we have been able to make available to the J.C.R. a small office at the top of the Black Staircase — created from a small bedroom that has been used as a store in recent years. This will enable them to conduct office business, duplicating, etc. in a more satisfactory way—instead of having to use the J.C.R. Secretary's room or the Norman Gallery itself, which of course lies on the visitors' route through the Castle. And by furnishing the gallery with some low tables, we have created a new amenity area that groups like the Bridge Club can use.

The College has at last managed to solve its refuse disposal problem, without replacing the inefficient incinerator in the West Courtyard. This has caused considerable trouble during recent years. We were obliged to burn a large amount of our combustible refuse. When the wind was in the wrong direction this was all too apparent both in the Hall and in the main Courtyard. On several occasions observant passers-by, noticing smoke rising from the Castle, have summoned the Fire Brigade. We have now found an excellent solution. The disused lavatories in the main Courtyard have been altered to make a refuse store (out of sight) for the large industrial refuse containers that the city is prepared to empty regularly. So we now have no need to burn any of our refuse and we were delighted to meet the Town Planning conditions imposed by the Local Authority—that we remove the remains of the old incinerator.

Members of the J.C.R. have again been active and successful in a wide range of sporting activities reported in the Senior Man's letter. And the refurnishing of the Undercroft Bar has made what must be one of the most attractive Junior Common Rooms in any College even more popular throughout the University. University College Theatre Club has again been active with a pantomime in the Undercroft at the end of Michaelmas Term and a most im-

pressive production of Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" in the Fellows' Garden at the end of summer term—a great success which was very much appreciated. The June Ball was once again organised in a most effective way to provide a memorable close to the term.

During the past year the Senior Common Room has seen more changes than usual. We have to congratulate Dr. N. Bolton on his election to the Chair of Educational Psychology at the University of Sheffield, to Dr. P. Beaumont on his election to the Chair of Geography at St. David's College, Lampeter and to Dr. D. J. A. Matthew on his election to the Chair of Mediaeval History at the University of Reading. The Reverend Alan Nugent who has been joint Chaplain of University and Hatfield Colleges for the past six years left in the summer term to take up his appointment to the living of Christ Church, Bishopwearmouth, and at one of the parties arranged in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Nugent we witnessed a remarkable assembly of Chapel Clerks who had served the College during recent years. We have also lost through retirement one the most senior Professors in the University, Professor H. S. Offler, F.B.A., who has been a member of University College since he first came to Durham in 1947, and has held the Chair of Mediaeval History since 1956. To mark the occasion members of the S.C.R. entertained Professor and Mrs. Offler to a farewell dinner in the Senate Suite. Earlier in the academic year Mr. Solan our day porter also retired and was succeeded by Mr. Parker who exercises the same type of firm but friendly control of the Lodge and guards the Castle against unauthorised intruders.

The College has now fully implemented the series of measures planned in 1974. Careful management of the whole process of admitting visitors to the Castle in the summer months now gives the College a substantial net income which is available to meet major items of expenditure in the historic areas of the Castle on the guided tour route. A new Chaplain, the Rev. Philip Thomas, has been appointed from 1st October 1978 on a part-time basis and we hope that the Solway Fellowship will now be available to support the chaplaincy when a further appointment is made. The final stages

of the internal conversions to create additional student places within the existing areas of the Castle and Owengate have been completed. As a result of all the measures that have been taken over the past five years, the staffing, services and general *modus operandi* at University College, in terms of cost per student place, have been brought into line and are now no more lavish than at other Durham colleges, though of course we exercise our right to spend more on some items, such as provisions and formal meals, making counter-balancing savings on others such as administration, within an acceptable overall total unit cost. The catering, housekeeping and domestic staff have continued to work together most effectively under the guidance of the Bursar, successfully maintaining and increasing the volume of vacation earnings in spite of the building alterations that continued into 1977/78. The College is indeed indebted to their hard work and enterprise for a most important element in College revenue. The accounts for 1977/78 reflect this new and greatly improved situation and as a result the College was able to break even financially in 1977/78 after it had made full provision both for immediate liabilities and for reserves and replacements on the scale recommended for all Durham colleges in the recent report of the Bursars' Committee. This is indeed most commendable and all sections of the College community again deserve full credit, the Bursar's staff for their hard work and both senior and junior members of the College for their willingness to accept necessary changes to maintain a financially strong and solvent College.

During the autumn of 1977 the Council of the University introduced new financial arrangements for Council colleges, taking account of the changed financial circumstances of University College. It wound up the old Balancing Scheme, agreed to pay catering subsidy for catering services provided at all colleges on the lines now permitted by the U.G.C. and undertook to meet all loan charges on the Sutton Site buildings as a prior charge on this catering subsidy account before the balance was distributed. In return Council colleges will no longer be eligible for any University funds from the Minor Works Programme or Equipment Fund and will be expected to meet such items from their own resources. In the case

of the Castle, Council generously agreed to write off the accumulated deficit at University College and has allowed us to retain the sums we held in notional reserve accounts at 31st July 1977. It has moreover given the College the sum of £10,000 to increase its reserves in recognition of the £10,000 that the College appeal had raised for the Sutton Site project. As a result the College now has the backing of some of the positive reserve funds that are necessary for the healthy financial management of its affairs—the sort of assets that the newer colleges have been able to build up since their foundation. The College can therefore now face the future with confidence from a firm and satisfactory financial basis. We should be able to maintain and improve the distinctive facilities for study and communal life that we value as the ethos of the College. We must however hope that our successors are astute enough to diagnose changing economic circumstances quickly and are prepared to modify college arrangements in good time, preserving the simple but cardinal virtue of containing expenditure within income.

During the year the University had no major building project in progress. In spite of the high priority and urgent need for a new library on the Science Site, no programme allocation has yet been received for this. The U.G.C. recognise that we have a high priority but the resources allocated for University building programmes are very strictly limited. The University has therefore been planning a number of small projects which will alleviate the worst problems facing the library in the next few years. The Union Society has left its traditional home and occupies instead the upper floor of the Pemberton Building as a debating chamber and part of the old almshouses on Palace Green as its coffee bar. There appears to be even greater support now for the Society and attendance at debates has been better than previously. The old Union premises now provide additional library space for the law collections and make it possible for students of Politics and Administration to study the University's large collection of official papers and records. The negotiations to incorporate the College of St. Hild and Bede within the University have progressed well, but it is now clear that the University will require a considerable sum of money to bring

the premises to the standards required to satisfy the new regulations on fire precaution and safety. Provided these important financial questions are resolved, the merger will probably take effect for the academic year 1979/80.

There have not been many changes in the city. Everyone seems to like the imaginative pedestrianisation of Silver Street, Elvet Bridge and the Market Place. Traffic in Saddler Street remains a problem, and the City Council has now set up a Study Group to consider ways in which the position can be improved. Two censuses have been held of vehicles entering the peninsula; and the college along with the Cathedral, University and other interested parties, made submissions for consideration by the Study Group. It is particularly difficult to find a reasonable solution for the peninsula traffic problem that would not bear unfairly on some of the interests involved. So those of us who find the fumes of vehicles particularly obnoxious are careful to make sure that we use the footpaths along the Banks and Prebends Bridge. There has however been a major change and improvement in the rail connections of Durham with both London and Edinburgh. The introduction of the 125 train service has reduced the journey time from King's Cross to a mere three hours and the new rolling stock almost rivals an aircraft cabin in comfort and amenity.

For me, this is the last Master's Letter that I shall contribute to Castellum. Early in the summer I was invited by the Court to become Assistant Director of the Polytechnic of North London and I shall be taking up my new post early in 1979. While I am naturally looking forward to my new and challenging appointment — at an institution with twice as many students as the whole of the University of Durham — I am naturally very sorry indeed that the time has come for me to leave so pleasant a post as the Mastership of University College and so delightful a place as the City of Durham. But a number of factors have made it more or less inevitable that my wife and I should leave Durham sooner or later—the problems of living in a tied house, the difficulties in retaining my family home some 250 miles away, our concern that our daughters should enjoy the facilities offered by my wife's old school and the fact that my

own academic research in Numismatics makes it necessary for me to work extensively in the collections and libraries in and near London. It has been a great privilege to have been Master of University College for five critical and formative years. I believe that I am leaving for my successor a College that is now financially sound and in excellent spirits. And although I shall no longer be responsible directly for it in the future, I hope that I shall continue to have a close association with it through the Castlemen's Society.

D. W. MAC DOWALL.

Len Slater has been appointed a Lieutenant of the County of Durham.

RON BRADLEY 1952-55

Ron Bradley died suddenly in Northern Ireland on 6th January, 1978, leaving a wife and three young sons. He was a stalwart member of Castle during the halcyon days of the early 50's, an excellent all-round sportsman, keen geographer and a most friendly and likeable man. Ron played rugby for Castle, Colleges and the University and was a hooker in the varsity rugby side which won the U.A.U. Championship in 1955. He was also a leading light in the Social Scene at Lumley and in Bailey House.

After graduating he took a Dip.Ed. and then entered the Royal Air Force as an Education Officer. He retired from the R.A.F. in 1972, and became warden of the Bryansford Field Centre in Northern Ireland. Here he was able to indulge in his love of outdoor pursuits and to transmit his enthusiasm and knowledge to countless young people. Ron Bradley was totally genuine, he spoke his mind, he was always willing to help others and he was a true friend. It was my privilege to be at Castle with him and to enjoy that friendship until his tragic death.

IAN FORSTER.

DURHAM CASTLEMEN'S SOCIETY APPEAL

At its Annual General Meeting in April the Castlemen's Society was very pleased to report that its appeal for the Sutton Site building project had raised a sum slightly in excess of £10,000 and that this had played a significant part in making the project possible with the other grants that had been made available by the University Grants Committee, the Wolfson Foundation and the Department of the Environment. The Committee of the Castlemen's Society and the Governing Body of the College are most grateful to all those who have subscribed and made the project possible. The new accommodation is now finished and being used for students from Michaelmas Term 1977.

The Society thought it appropriate to close the Sutton Site appeal now that it has achieved its object, but has decided to ask subscribers to renew their covenants for a further seven years to provide a fund that would be available for minor projects to improve the facilities that the College can provide for its student members. The project that is probably most required at present is the building of common room space in the West Courtyard adjacent to the present Junior Common Room in the Undercroft. During the past four years the number of students resident in college buildings immediately adjacent to the Castle has risen from 200 in 1973 to 330 in 1977 and the principal requirement of the College is now to have some extension of the social facilities available to students within the area of the Castle itself.

New subscribers are of course also welcome and the necessary forms will be sent from the College Office on request.

THE J.C.R. REPORT

Though we have had our ups and downs, the year 1977/78 has been an enjoyable and successful year for the Junior Common Room of University College. At the last Old Castlemen's Reunion, I heard it said that 'Castle is not what it used to be'. With respect to the physical size and shape of the College I would agree with such a statement, but I am very glad to report that the spirit of Castle is as strong as it ever was.

The major factor in 'Castle life' this year was the upheaval in the accommodation. At the beginning of the Michaelmas Term the Sutton Site—or Moatside Court and Northgate as the two areas are now called—were occupied by Castlemen for the first time. After the many years of planning and building, with most of the arguments for or against the development over, the first year of occupation was nearly trouble-free and relatively painless, far less than feared and definitely less trouble than the occupation of Bailey Court. There were small problems, the first rearing its ugly head on the 'Coming-up Sunday', when the Freshmen arriving to take up residence in Moatside, blocked Saddler Street, with their unloading of goods and chattels! So great did the traffic jam become with cars trying to get on and off the Bailey that the Police gave up trying to sort it out!

The rooms are small, this is a fact of life, even if you sleep in your bed which is perched on the top of your wardrobe, as at least one undergraduate did this year. The rooms are also quite noisy, as was expected, but this has solved the problem for those who do not have Hi-Fi systems at college, they just listen to the one three doors away four floors down!

There were two major incidents that merit a few lines in this report. The first concerns the sewer system. If fact be known the site's main sewer is some feet below the main city sewer in Saddler Street. This means that the sewage has to be pumped out of the site. In the Michaelmas term the pumps broke down, under the strain, which was unfortunate for the Castlemen in Moatside Court

and especially for those who occupy the floor below ground level. The problem was quickly dealt with, even before the College Dung Disposer could get to work.

The other incident also involved the plumbing and was far more serious. In the Christmas Vacation a joint in the central heating system failed and sent water gushing out onto the sixth floor and of course down to the fifth and so on. It was only due to the hard work of Mrs. Vine and the cleaners in the Sutton Site that the Accommodation was dried out and ready for when term started.

Before leaving the topic of the Sutton Site for other matters, may I again thank you the reader for the help you gave to this development, on behalf of all those who will benefit from its existence.

It is with some sadness that I have to report that this was also the first year without any Castlemen in residence out at Parsons Field House. P.F.H. is now totally the property of the Graduate Society. I hope that the building will serve them as well as it did the Castle and the many generations of Castle/P.F.H. men.

This year saw a systematic redevelopment of rooms within the Castle itself and in Owengate. In the long summer vacation prior to the year certain rooms in the Keep, Junction and Owengate were altered. The main alteration being the splitting up of 'sets' into separate rooms, thus providing more single rooms in preference to shared double rooms.

In the Michaelmas term the sets on the Norman Gallery were the next step in the room alteration plans. All the rooms along the Gallery, with the exception of number 17 were split from sets to single rooms. To many this was the Symbolic act of converting the Castle from the home of the small College to the home of the large College it has become. Later on in the year further improvements were made to the Gallery, including the carpeting of the total floor area of the Gallery. This has produced a very pleasant area which I hope the J.C.R. will make good use of in years to come.

The final stage of the room alterations, on the top floor of Hall Stairs, were speedily completed in the Epiphany term with little inconvenience to the College or J.C.R.

Perhaps the most important area to be redeveloped this year, certainly from the J.C.R. point of view was the Bar and Undercroft. Much negotiation with the College led to the ideal Bar for our differing uses and with further discussion an amicable financial deal was worked out. The work on refitting the Bar was completed in the week before the Reunion last Easter. The first teething trouble was that some one took the bar keys on the Saturday of the Reunion, but after new locks had been fitted the opening night of the Bar, at the reunion was a great success. The bar has gone from success to success and I am now told that it is the bar in Durham. Further work has been carried out this summer to refurnish the Undercroft including a new carpet and new lighting. All this work being financed by both J.C.R. and College resources. I am looking forward to the coming reunion to witness what has been achieved by the very healthy atmosphere of co-operation between the various groups in the College that now prevails there. Much of this atmosphere, it must be stated, being generated by the Bursar, Mr. Hugh Price and I would like to thank him for all the help he gave to the J.C.R. last year and continues to give to successive generations of Castlemen.

Before I leave the domestic side of 'Castle-life', I would like to thank Mr. MacMorrow and Mr. Watson for their help throughout the year not only with the Catering but also with the Bars at dances and many other things as well. To Mrs. Vine again many thanks for looking after the household of the College, and thanks too to Mr. John Atkin and the girls in the Servedy for the friendly atmosphere and good humour shown to the J.C.R. again this year.

Perhaps the only thing that rivals the bar in most Castlemen's interest is sport. This year our sporting record was filled with great success and some disappointment. The Boat Club had a good season and must be congratulated on the hard work put in throughout the year. Many good efforts were rewarded at the end of the year with

a winning crew in the Durham Regatta. Thanks must go to the captain, Nigel Pratt, for the successes of the year came through his leadership and drive.

The Rugby Club did not do so well this year, mainly due to our star players being taken by the University squads. But if the season was not altogether successful I am told it was enjoyed by the players and those involved with the club. Thanks must go to Terry Thatcher the Captain and the Club Secretary Jimmy Askew.

Perhaps our two greatest triumphs on the sports side of College life this year were the Trophy victories in the Table Tennis and the Water Polo competitions. The Table Tennis team, under the fine leadership of John Mohan, worked hard throughout the winter months slowly demolishing all who stood between Castle and the Cup. The feat is all the more commendable as Castlemen have no arca left in the College where the Table Tennis table may be put up for practice or pleasure.

The Water Polo team was hurriedly gathered together in the last week of the year for the Trophy Contest held on the last Sunday of the year. This team, led by one of our University Swimmers, Richard Gould, demolished all their opponents to become the champions on only one night's training!

On the University Sports scene, the Castle has been well represented in the University Teams in many sports. Mentioned already the rugby players from Castle were in all four of the University sides. Golf too saw most of the University side being Castlemen. We were also well represented in the Palatinate and Half-Palatinate awards. George Tee must be mentioned for two such awards in Cricket and Hockey. The University Captain of Judo this year was Castleman Alan Birchall, who along with his University activities, also rebuilt the Durham City Judo Club adding to the good Town-Gown relationship that the University has with the City. Congratulations on getting your Palatinate.

Having dealt with the domestic and social sides of Castle, I turn now for a moment to the Spiritual side. This year saw the College Chaplain, the Rev. Alan Nugent, finish his six-year contract

with the College. I would like to thank Alan for the years of pastoral care and guidance he gave to the College as a whole and wish him well in his continuing ministry at the Parish Church of Christchurch, Bishopwearmouth.

Of the new Chaplain, the Rev. Philip Thomas, I shall say little as a first hand description of his first year at Castle will appear in the J.C.R. report next year, but I do hope that he and his family are enjoying life in Durham and especially at Castle.

Before I leave the chapel I would like to thank the Chapel Committee and especially Jim Hamilton-Thorne, the Chapel Clerk, for the work put in to keep the Chapel running without a Minister. Especial thanks too to the Rev. Canon Gordon Berriman, who took most of the services in the absence of the chaplain and who continues to help in the chapel.

Another farewell was said at the end of the Michaelmas Term. Michael Solan, the College Porter, who had stayed on an extra term finally retired. Michael will be remembered for his cheerful nature, always ready to help yet quick to guard the Castle against Tourists or Hatfieldmen. As we said good-bye to Michael, we said hello to Ron Parker, who has been quick to get into College life and used to the Undergraduate mentality, I hope he has an enjoyable time at the Castle. Another person must be thanked at this point. Day in day out she opens up in the morning and locks up at night, always ready to help or to inform, thank you again Miss Cicely Shaw.

As I draw to the end of the report I must praise and thank a few more people, who have helped in many ways to keep the J.C.R. running smoothly. My thanks to Miss Jean Oliver, the Master's Secretary. To the Vice-Master, Mr. Ramsay, whose good guidance has often helped. My thanks to the Master and commiserations and congratulations, on leaving the Castle and Durham, and on your new post at the North London Poly, respectively.

It is especially enjoyable to write these final thanks to everybody in the J.C.R. who helped to make a very good year in Castle. My thanks go to the Executive Committee for all their hard work,

especially mentioning: Bill Worswick, the J.C.R. Secretary; Jeff Smallwood, the Treasurer; to Roger Hill and Chris Wilcox for their work with the bar especially the success achieved in the Bar alterations; and to Barrie McWhirter who could always be called in when help was needed.

In conclusion, the J.C.R. continues from strength to strength, this year it is being well led already by the new Senior Man, Phil Elsegood, assisted by a very active Executive Committee. My good wishes to them and I look forward to seeing them as well as you at this year's reunion.

PHILIP THICKETT (Senior Man).

DATES OF 1980 REUNION

Friday, 11th April to Sunday, 13th April, 1980, the Reunion
Dinner being on Saturday, 12th April, 1980.

1978 RE-UNION

He was standing on the steps,
bitter, glassy eyed—
stroking his chin—
boiling within
(one never cries).

Spotting my collar—
he almost did 'holla',
anticipating sympathy—
perhaps some advice!

Then he broke silence;
with four withering words—
like rapier swords
(shades of 'Excelsior')
(wait for it Castlemen):
"THE MARQUEE IS MISSING".

Believe it or not gentle reader—
but I instinctively gazed up—
(thinking 'it may be a pup')—
relying on hopes, to see
poles, pegs, and ropes;
or a speck of off-white—
in the blue dome of night.

B. M. GOODWIN (1920-23).

P.S.—No prize for solution.

A.G.M.

The Master presided at the 32nd A.G.M. of the Society held in the Undercroft on April 15th, 1978. 49 Members were present.

Matters Arising: The J.C.R. had expressed the desire for a larger Common Room and it was felt that the income from renewed Covenants could help in this direction. After discussion it was agreed that the money should not be earmarked for any specific project, but await developments. The Master reported that the success of the Appeal Fund had greatly helped him in his dealings with the Council of the University.

The appeal fund £10,000 had been granted to the University and as a result the College had been given a gratuity of £10,000, and moreover the cost of the whole Sutton Site would now be levied on all Colleges.

Governing Body was not in favour of two representatives from the Society.

Naming of New Buildings. The Council decided not to alter the name of the new development, but agreed to allow part of the College to be named after Col. Macfarlane-Grieve.

The Accounts were accepted. The slight loss on the year was due to the printing of the Address List.

Election of Officers:—

Secretary/Treasurer: J. Spedding.

Editor of *Castellum*: D. Holbrook.

Governing Body Rep.: Canon G. R. Berriman.

2 Members of Committee: D. C. Cramb and R. D. McKenzie
(D. J. Mallett and C. S. Metcalfe retiring).

Changes of address and list of new members would be printed in *Castellum* which ought to appear in January.

The 1979 Reunion will be from 16th March to 18th March.

1979 REUNION

The Thirty-third Annual Reunion of the Society will be held on Saturday, 17th March, 1979.

FRIDAY, 16TH MARCH

4.30 p.m. Tea (Hall)
7.00 p.m. Dinner (Hall)

SATURDAY, 17TH MARCH

8.30 a.m. Communion Service (Tunstal Chapel)
9.00 a.m. Breakfast (Hall)
10.00 a.m. Committee Meeting (Master's Office)
* 1.15 p.m. Lunch (Hall)
4.00 p.m. Tea (Hall)
5.30 p.m. Annual General Meeting (Undercroft)
7.30 p.m. Reunion Dinner (Hall)

SUNDAY, 18TH MARCH

9.00 a.m. Breakfast (Hall)

* The Durham University Society lunch will be held in St. Mary's College on Saturday, 17th March (12.30 for 1 p.m.). The cost per head will be £3.50 which includes pre-lunch sherry, table wine and coffee. All Castlemen will be welcome whether they are members of D.U.S. or not. Bookings should be made in writing to Mr. W. J. Dey, Copmanroyd, Sharrow, Ripon, N. Yorks. (with accompanying cheque made payable to D.U.S.).

The charges for the Reunion will be:—

	£
Friday:	
Tea	0.25
Dinner	1.00
Bed and Breakfast (Fri./Sat.) ...	3.00
Saturday:	
Lunch	1.00
Tea	0.25
Reunion Dinner	4.50
Bed and Breakfast (Sat./Sun.) ...	3.00

A very special invitation to attend the Reunion this year is extended to those who were up at the Castle in 1929, 1939, 1949, 1959, and 1969.

If you intend to be present at the 1979 Reunion you should complete and return the tear-off slip to the Master by March 12th at the latest. Accommodation in College will be available on Friday and Saturday nights. If anyone wishes to stay on in the College after breakfast on Sunday would he please ascertain in advance from the Master that this can be arranged?

J. SPEDDING,

Hon. Secretary D.C.S.

DURHAM CASTLEMEN'S SOCIETY

ANNUAL REUNION 1979

I propose to attend the Castlemen's Reunion and shall require:—

Friday, 16th March: Tea, Dinner, Room overnight.

Saturday, 17th March: Breakfast, Lunch, Tea, REUNION DINNER, Room overnight.

Sunday, 18th March: Breakfast.

I enclose a cheque (payable to Durham Castlemen's Society) for £ .

Name

Years of residence

DURHAM CASTLEMEN'S SOCIETY

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 1978

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
1976/77	£	1976/77	£
520.27	Reunion Expenses	537.70	Reunion, 1977
248.36	Printing: 'Castellum', 1977		Subscriptions and contributions towards 'Castellum'
16.00	Address List		Subscriptions and contributions in arrears
	Envelopes, etc.		
52.00	Postages		
2.76	Stationery	285.84	Less received in advance
		12.02	Interest on Investment
		3.83	Balance being excess of expenditure over income for the year
<u>£839.39</u>		<u>£839.39</u>	
			549.41
			243.91
			305.50
			13.29
			165.68
			<u>£1,093.97</u>

Balance Sheet as on 31st March, 1978

LIABILITIES	£	£	ASSETS	£	£
Sundry Creditors:			Investments:		
University College	209.82		Northern Rock Building Society		
G. Bailes & Sons Ltd.	295.65		Preference Shares—		206.46
D. F. Cook	13.20		As on 1st April, 1977		13.29
	518.67		Add Interest		219.75
Contributions towards 'Castellum' received in advance	243.91		Sundry Debtors:		
Capital Account:			University College		24.00
As on 1st April, 1977	318.39				
Add Donation from Mr. R. E. H. Heady to	3.83		Cash at Bank		675.37
meet 1976/77 deficit	322.22				
Less Excess of expenditure over income	165.68				
for the year	156.54				£919.12

NOTE: There is a contingent liability in respect of producing future copies of 'Castellum' for both life members, during their first six years of membership, and contributors paying in advance in the estimated sum of £354.00. I have examined the books of account of Durham Castlemen's Society and confirm that the foregoing statements are prepared in accordance therewith.

11th April, 1978.

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