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## THE MASTER'S LETTER

I don't know whether Old Castlemen – or young Castlemen for that matter – make New Year resolutions, but as I mention the subject you will appreciate that this letter is being written around the New Year which, as those of you who read last year's letter will know, is later than ever and means that I did not keep the resolution I made last year. I did in fact resolve to write it early in the Michaelmas Term; in the event, last term now seems quite some time ago and the new term all too close considering all the various little jobs that should be completed before then.

At the beginning of the year 119 Freshers entered the College. This figure is quite close to what is required to ensure that the College is full, or at least as full as we are presently allowed in the light of the University Grants Committee's restrictions on the numbers of students entering universities. These restrictions have now been lifted and the University will be increasing its intake slightly next year. As you are aware it has been getting steadily more difficult to get a place at Durham, it is certainly one of the most popular universities at present and the role played by old students in encouraging sixth formers to apply to Durham cannot be underestimated. Please continue to do so and, of course, ensure that they name University College when applying. There is always a danger that prospective students can be put off by the knowledge that it is difficult to get into Durham, and although the standard achieved by those admitted and by those applying has been steadily increasing, the number of applications has been falling. In this context I might mention that we often receive applications from the sons of Old Castlemen and are delighted to do so. If we know to expect them so much the better. We can then keep an eye open for their U.C.C.A. forms when they arrive in the office. Of course it does happen that from time to time we feel that we cannot offer them a place. This is always a decision which involves both the College and Department: it is never a decision we like taking and this is particularly the case when the son or brother of a Castleman is concerned.

The Freshers appear to have settled in well and were certainly able to enjoy and give a reasonably good account of themselves at this term's

College Dinner. The first term is always somewhat unreal and it must be difficult at times to realise that the University takes academic work seriously. However Collections at the beginning of next term act as a useful reminder and although many students never realise it, they act as a useful indicator of how they are likely to perform later on. It is very satisfactory to record this year that a record number of Castlemen achieved First Class Honours in the Final Examinations last year – 18 in all. I was particularly pleased that the results were so good in what was Mr. Ramsay's last year with the College. Mr. Ramsay came to University College in 1957 as Bursar and then moved to the post of Senior Tutor and Vice-Master. Alongside this position in College he was a Lecturer in the Department of Psychology and I know that he is missed there as much as in College. He took a keen interest in the College and its members and no doubt will continue to do so. I certainly enjoyed working with him. There are few in Durham who know the Durham college system as well, and his experience of University admissions was second to none. He and his wife have retired to a house in Norfolk, suitably close to a golf course!

Dr. Duncan Bythell has been appointed as Mr. Ramsay's successor. Dr. Bythell was a resident College Tutor for many years and no doubt many of you will remember him. He has settled into the job and the flat in Cosin's Hall with considerable ease, as is to be expected from one who knows the College so well. Considering the fact that he has also just taken over as Chairman of the Board of Studies in Economic History, this is nevertheless no mean feat. It is also pleasant to record at this point that two other ex Resident Tutors have been promoted by the University, Dr. Peter Rhodes to a Chair in Ancient History and Dr. Peter Collins to a Readership in Theoretical Physics. Both are still very active members of the College. The Reverend Peter Brett who was Chaplain from 1966 to 1972 has moved to be Canon Residentiary in Canterbury Cathedral and we wish him well in his new appointment.

At this stage I might mention that I spent a brief period in the Sudan last summer. This was arranged by Professor Robin Mills on behalf of the University of Gezira at Wad Medani. It was a very interesting experience, made more pleasurable by meeting old students from Durham. If I dare mention two Hatfield men(!) El Amin Sanouri and Miles Ruddock, who some of you may remember. It was also fun to meet two more recent students who I remember well – Rob Beckley who was Senior Man in 1980-

81 and Dave Porter who graduated the same year. Both went to the Sudan in 1982 to work as English teachers and are still there. Dave is still teaching but Rob has moved into administration and has the job of organising the entire programme for those who go out from the U.K. to assist with English teaching.

Returning to University news I must first record the appointment of Professor Eric Sunderland as Principal of University College, Bangor. Professor Sunderland has been Chairman of the Board of Studies in Anthropology for I cannot remember how long and is presently the senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor. He is a very able Committee Chairman and a delightful colleague and we will all miss him very much in Durham. He is a fluent Welsh speaker and this will no doubt help in what will be a difficult job. I might also record that Professor David Clark Chairman of the Board of Studies in Chemistry, has resigned to take up an appointment as Research Director in I.C.I. Although we have lost his services in Durham I am sure he will still take an interest in his old Department.

I mentioned the effect of Government policy earlier when talking about admissions. To meet the reduced funding provided by the University Grants Committee the University had to reduce its activities across the board in quantity and quality. This has been achieved and, as far as possible, with as little change to the overall pattern of work within the University. But many of our colleagues have accepted early retirement or voluntary redundancy and others have been redeployed to fill different jobs in the University. I will not mention all those involved but it has not been an easy exercise. Fortunately we have not had to resort to compulsory redundancy but the University is now tightly constrained and it would be difficult to find ways to fund new activities. On a more cheerful note, the new University Library came into use at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term. This is built on the Science Site adjacent to and incorporating the existing Science Library. The whole unit has turned out very well and there have been no major criticisms. It is probably not big enough but in the present circumstances we are lucky to have any new building and cannot complain. The building is of course much farther away from College than the Palace Green Library which is now much reduced in scope and does not open in the evenings. It will be interesting to see if this has any significant effect on the pattern of life in College. I hope that those of you that come to this year's Reunion will take the opportunity to

visit the new Library. Those of you who were at last year's Reunion will also know that the new Common Room in College has been completed and is now fully furnished. This is proving a most useful addition to the College and I would like to thank all those who contributed to it in whatever way.

There have been other changes. The very fine elm tree which stood beside the path to the entrance of the Cathedral has had to be removed. During the summer (on Congregation Day) a large branch broke off and fell across the path. Fortunately no-one was injured but inspection showed the tree was unsafe. Certainly the view from Owengate and Palace Green has changed and the tree is much missed. In the same vein I should record that two well-known shops in Durham – Boydells and Greenwells – have both closed. Greenwells has been opened in a much smaller way under the umbrella of Archibalds but both shops are a considerable loss. It is rumoured that the Post Office will be moving from Claypath to the premises occupied by Greenwells.

Finally I must end on a sad note. As I write this I have received the news that Mrs. Pat Slater has died in hospital following a road accident before Christmas. I know that you will all join with me in extending our sympathy to Len and his family. Ralph Appleton has written a short appreciation and this expresses much better than I can the feelings of all of us. I shall certainly miss Pat very much. Her many contributions to the College and Castle will not be forgotten and provide a most fitting memorial. As you know she organised a Flower Festival in connection with the new Common Room and this was held last July. It involved a great deal of work by all concerned and was greatly appreciated by all those who visited the Castle or attended the various functions. Our thanks are due to all concerned but particularly to Pat Slater.

May I wish you all a very Happy New Year.

E.C. Salthouse

## MRS PAT SLATER

Pat and Len Slater were both injured as a result of being knocked down in a road accident in London on the 17th of December 1983. Pat died twelve days later. Her funeral in Durham Cathedral was a moving tribute to her memory and to her remarkable achievements.

Pat and Len took up residence in Durham in 1946. In that year Len became Vice Master of University College and assumed responsibility for the newly opened Lumley Castle. In truth it would be difficult to find anyone who did not enjoy their year at Lumley. One quickly learned to enjoy its special ethos and sense of belonging. To this end Pat Slater worked very hard, not only showing her pastoral awareness of us as students but demonstrating that the 'management' had understanding and at times a sense of fun. "This is one of my milder ones," she would say at one of her numerous and popular curry parties, as Len moved round administering a soothing ginger beer shandy. Her charm, dignity and common sense were very much in evidence as she moved towards that day in 1953 when she and Len took up residence in the Master's House at Durham Castle.

Len was Master for twenty years and this period brought not only increased responsibilities for Pat but also opportunities for involvement in activities outside the College. The League of Pity, later re-named as the Young League of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, was one such endeavour. Among her activities with the League were the Xmas parties for children held in Castle with a variety of dons acting as Father Christmas. Pat became a Governor of Alington House and gave much of her time to its work in the early days of youth activities and clubs in the area.

Pat's work with flower arranging and the administration of clubs and societies, locally, regionally and at national level, became well known. She was instrumental in planning a series of major flower festivals, which culminated in the fourth held in the summer of 1983. The breathtaking magnificence of the Heritage in Flowers in Castle was a great tribute to a truly gifted lady. Once again she had displayed her flair, not merely for organisation, but for involving others and demonstrating that what they

were doing was both worthwhile and enjoyable.

For a number of years Pat was not fully fit, but in the periods when she felt restored her activities would increase again and that cheerful influence be felt by those around her. She was someone who never stopped giving, whether it was to her family or to her many other concerns and interests. She was a superb hostess, an enthusiast who got things done, and above all a devoted wife and mother.

Pat Slater gave far more to life than she took from it. Her time with us all was spent well to profit others. Castlemen who knew her will share with Len and his family their grief at this time.

R.F.A.



## VIC HILL

Countless Castlemen who knew him will deeply regret to read here of the death of Vic Hill. His passing severs one of the few surviving links with the college of just after the First World War. He died on June 2, 1983, shortly before his 92nd birthday.

The Rev Victor Rowland Hill was an outstanding Castle character whose personality will remain vividly in the minds even of Castlemen who knew him only slightly. A foundation member of the Castlemen's Society, he never missed a reunion until only a year or two ago, when he felt he could not risk falling on the stairs not long after he had had a cataract operation – which proved, incidentally, a success.

Many will remember a trio at the reunions: Vic, the Rev Bernard Goodwins, and Reg Easthope, all of whom were up together in the early 1920s, and were still sporting their red blazers. Vic was often called upon as an impromptu speaker at the dinner. Even after he could come no longer, he was cheered and touched each year to receive a menu card signed by all at the dinner – a rare expression of affection and esteem.

Vic was educated at the Royal Masonic School at Bushey, Herts. Then he joined the Church Army, in which he worked until he enlisted in the Montgomeryshire Yeomanry during the 1914-18 war. He served in the Camel Corps in Egypt, and later joined the Royal Flying Corps. It was during the war that he felt the call to be ordained into the ministry of the Church of England. After demobilization, he went for preparatory training to the famous Ordination Test School at Knutsford, Cheshire, inspiringly run by Principal F. R. Barry, later Bishop of Southwell. The ordinands were housed in the prisoners' cells of Knutsford Gaol, and developed a corporate fellowship of deep personal conviction and devotion of lasting significance.

From Knutsford Vic came up to the Castle in Michaelmas term 1920 – on a bicycle, because of a transport strike. His rooms were where the college outer office now is, on Garden Stairs. In those days each Castleman had a study and separate bedroom, and one can still detect, at the far end of the

office, where a now-demolished wall partitioned off his bedroom. His coal fireplace has been filled in.

Although much older than the new generation of post-war students, Vic took a full part in college life. One recalls how he rose ever so slowly in JCR to make some devastating point in the minimum of words. Forty years and more on, he rose in the same characteristic manner to make similar points at the annual meeting of the society.

On one memorable occasion at Castle wine he climbed on top of a grand piano in hall and gave a hilarious impersonation of a spectator making a running commentary at a football match. On another he acted as defence counsel at a trial of a Castleman – held in the man's study at the top of Hall Stairs – who was accused of violating the strict rules of the SPGR (Society for the Promotion of Good Ragging). Vic's advocacy was brilliant but could hardly be successful, and the victim was sentenced to sit forthwith in his pyjamas in his tin-saucer bath while a ewer of cold water was poured over his head!

After graduating in June 1923, Vic went to Wells Theological College. He took the Durham DipTh in 1925, and proceeded MA in 1927. He was ordained deacon in Durham Cathedral in 1924 and priest the following year, having his curacy at St. Cuthbert's Hebburn, until 1927. Then he moved to the staff of Newcastle Cathedral until 1931, when he was offered the living of Matfen in Northumberland. He stayed there until he retired to Keswick in 1957.

Shortly afterwards he went to Carlisle, and was soon browsing in a bookshop. A big man, whose scarf inside his overcoat hid his clerical collar, came up and said: "I don't know you! Are you in this diocese?"

"I've just retired to Keswick from the diocese of Newcastle," replied Vic.

"And have you written to the Bishop asking permission to officiate in this diocese?"

"Yes, I have," said Vic, adding, "but the old buffer hasn't replied yet."

"I am he," said Bishop Bloomer.

At Durham Vic fell love with Lorna Leatham, a Home Student, who graduated in 1925. They were married in 1928, and had a daughter, Vicki. For many years they had to live on a desperately inadequate income, and it was not until money came in from Lorna Hill's highly-successful children's books that they were free from the strain.

In his last years Vic had to endure increasing feebleness—except of his mind—and frustration over his health, but he never grumbled. Asked how he was on the day before his death, he replied, “I’m very fit, thank you,” although he was so weak he could hardly whisper. Those were his last words. He is survived by Lorna, whose devotion to him was intense, and by Vicki, who is married, with two sons.

Vic was a fine Castleman, through and through. All who knew him during any of the long years have been enriched by his personality.

Reginald Easthope

## HISTORY OF R.A.F. CADETS 1941-45

As members will recall Roy Heady has agreed to prepare an article on the History of the R.A.F. Cadets 1941-45 for inclusion in Castellum. He is hoping that this will be ready for inclusion next year but has asked me to mention in Castellum that contributions from members attending 4, 5, 6 or 7 Courses, or anyone who was in the Squadron but not an R.A.F. Cadet, would be most welcome. Photographs, if available, would be particularly useful.

## An Old Castleman Out of the Perpendicular Ted Hardy

In response to your last editorial, appealing for articles of interest from Old Castlemen, I thought that it would be worth while recommending a book I have recently read, written by a former Castleman for whom the epithet ‘Old’ is apt indeed. It is called *The Leaning Tower, or Out of the Perpendicular*, and is written by Arnold Mallinson BA (Dunelm.), B.Litt.(Oxon.), Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, Fellow of the Royal Numismatic Society, and for many years Vicar of St. Frideswide’s, Osney, and Perpetual Curate of St Margaret’s, Binsey.

Born in 1896 and still going strong, Mallinson has achieved both fame and

notoriety for his extraordinary eccentricity, as well as for his immense collection and knowledge of coins, his vast store of acquired knick-knacks and miscellaneous paraphernalia, each with its own story, and his mind stuffed full of bits and pieces of interest or amusement, picked up here and there from a lifetime spanning all that we have had so far of this century. He took part in the Battle of Jutland (1916) and went up to Durham in 1919, in the days when one had 'rooms' in the Norman Gallery, along with coal, Gyps and everything else. As he says (page 69), 'A man's grasp must exceed his reach or what's the Norman Gallery, Durham Castle, for?'

Things have changed since then, but the interest of the book grows upon one. Very easy to read (an excellent loo or bedtime book), it rambles on through the maze of an enormous mind, with little that's very serious, and with plenty of illustrations, bits of poetry, photographs and especially details of coins, to prevent any threat of boredom.

The description on the jacket conveys the right impression: 'What if fleas were dinosaur-size? What is Truth? What happens to the wedding-rings on corpses? What has the Princess of Wales to do with Yarnton Manor? Why does a fez have no brim? What happened when Charles II opened Barbara Villier's closet to help himself to cherry cordial? Was Prince Albert hen-pecked? What did the cardinal say when he tasted the Chianti at Montefiascone? All these and many other questions are raised – and some of them even answered – in this unique "gallipot gallimaufrey" of a book, as the author calls it, written over a period of six years between the ages of seventy-nine and eighty-five. This is a ramble through Arnold Mallinson's extraordinary early-morning musings, a stream of wildly eccentric consciousness, a form of raw oral history presided over by a great love of people, places, and above all coins.'

Durham features but does not dominate: the thing about universities is the sort of minds they produce, rather than the specific studies of buildings that go with them. Here is displayed such a product: fascinating, amusing, totally individual, and constantly surprising. You have never read anything quite like it.

*The Leaning Tower, or Out of the Perpendicular*, a 248-page hardback, can be purchased from the publisher, Robert Dugdale, Corpus Christi College, OXFORD, OX1 4JF, by sending a cheque in advance for £7.95 (includes postage and packing), made out to Robert Dugdale.

## J.C.R. REPORT

In keeping with the usual practices, I prepared for writing this report by reading the previous one. As it turned out, this wasn't such a good idea as it forecast much gloom and despair for the year ahead. I'm glad to say that the year 82/83 didn't hold out to the forecast, the J.C.R.'s financial and material state prospered greatly. Many new ideas were implemented, laying solid foundations for future years to build upon.

The J.C.R. Executive consisted of hardworking, dedicated and individually competent people but the most important factor was that we worked together as a team, with all efforts directed towards the same goal (most of the time!). I'd like particularly to thank Alex Nelson who put in an unbelievable amount of work as J.C.R. Secretary, and without whom much of what we did would never have happened. He also, deservedly, obtained first class honours – a splendid achievement considering the time he spent in J.C.R. affairs. The financial state of the J.C.R. now looks much better than ever before, thanks to the knowledge and experience of treasurer Tom Chambers. His skilful management of J.C.R. money (and, occasionally, Scrooge-like tendencies) allowed us to direct more money into providing useful facilities for the undergraduate members.

The Undercroft Bar showed a large profit this year. As ever also the range of beers has been considerably expanded and the cellar refrigerated. Mark Winlow (Bar Chairman), Andy Bell (Vice-chairman) and Nick Hornsby (Treasurer) conspired together to run the bar efficiently and profitably – they should be congratulated on a job well done. The Social Chairman, David Simonson, tackled his duties in a diligent and responsible fashion, organising a number of successful social events during the year.

On the sporting scene, the football team captained by Neil Colthup reached their second successive trophy final but unfortunately lost to Grey after a replay. Rugby, under Stuart Hutchinson and Farlane Harris, battled hard against Hatfield in their semi-final but were narrowly defeated. They also organised a successful tour to Oxford. Guy Deacon's Boats had a year of mixed fortunes, but a notable first was the appearance of a University College VIII in the world famous 'Tideway' regatta. The darts team, managed by Steve Clark, won their league and the Badminton team also

distinguished themselves by winning the trophy competition. The multi-talented John F. Delahunty led the volleyball and basketball teams to courageous defeats but his efforts and contributions to all aspects of college life were greatly valued.

This year saw publication of the JCR 'Alternative Prospectus' – an undergraduate guide to life and facilities at Castle. Many hours of hard work went into this excellent brochure which was well received by the college authorities and potential applicants. To help those coming for interview, the 'Interviewee Scheme' was introduced whereby Castlemen show prospective students around the college, and provide them with a voucher for a drink at the bar. The scheme was long overdue and many people, particularly Tim Leftley and John Dyson, put in a tremendous amount of time to ensure that it ran smoothly. It is to their credit that a number of letters of thanks were received by the college.

The "Luncheon Exchange Scheme" with St. Mary's College also got off to a flying start this year – here, Castlemen could opt to eat in St. Mary's on nominated days and in return, the ladies could eat at Castle. The idea proved to be popular but was seen by the Master as the first sure step along the road to going mixed. This subject aroused much discussion towards the year end and a subtle shift of opinion was detected amongst the JCR members.

The much awaited West Courtyard Common Room was completed in late March, but unfortunately, the furniture and carpets were somewhat delayed and the room only became fully operational last summer.

The Theatre Company produced a very entertaining Christmas pantomime and, for the first time ever, an Easter revue. Adrian Strain, as director, put in a great deal of effort and all productions, including the summer Shakespeare and associated tour, were well received.

On a University-wide basis, Castle was always strongly represented. We had players in almost all the major sports teams and participated in many other activities. The Senior Men and Women negotiated a rise in the maintenance fee of 4% (equivalent to the student grant rise); they also introduced a new way of allocating money coming from the University to the colleges (ensuring that those most in need gained most benefit), and, less successfully, a scheme to provide books for colleges. The topic of 'living out' generated much discussion, particularly at a 'Master's Question Time' held during one of the more lively JCR meetings.

It is often said that life at University is sheltered; to some extent this is

true and we are well looked after by many people at University. It often surprises me that these are hardly ever spoken of, or thanked in public. I'd like to set this record a little straighter now by saying thanks to Cicely, Mike and Ray for putting up with the Lodge, to John and Dave for the food and to all the other catering and domestic staff who make Castle life comfortable. This year, we also welcomed Peter Hiscock as Chaplain; he has played an extremely active role in college life, and it's been a pleasure to see him at many JCR social events. We hope he continues to enjoy his time in Durham.

All in all, the academic year 82/83 was a year of subtle change. Instead of doing everything in the same tried and tested, boring ways we've tried to incorporate new, but not necessarily original ideas. It wasn't possible to change everything, of course, but I think the ball has started rolling. Many people, usually when campaigning for elections of some sort, tried to make out that change could be instant – only to find a 150 year old university doesn't respond so quickly. Change is coming to Durham, but slowly, and I think it's change for the better. Some undergraduates will have a large part to play in that process but their views would be more respected when they organise, and show that they can organise their own affairs properly. Some choose to get heavily involved in college, university, political or sporting affairs to the severe detriment of their academic studies. Some choose to go the other way, and in so doing miss out on a significant part of University education. Both routes show a lack of organisation; it is possible to work hard *and* play hard – Durham University is the ideal setting for these activities; Castle the ideal college.

I sincerely hope that the many good friends I made at Durham enjoyed themselves as much as I did. I wish them every success in their chosen careers and hope also that we can meet again at some future time.

David Coward B.Sc.

Senior Man 1982/83

## REUNION DINNER

It is regrettable that Castellum rarely does full justice to the Reunion Dinner. It is an occasion and a time of feeling rather than words.

On the other hand, each year an Old Castleman is dragooned, semi-willingly, to toast the College. And the Master or a member of the College's staff feels bound to up-date us about the College in a reply.

Speeches result which are both delightful and absorbing. But they merge with the effects of the food and, especially, the wine. Your humble reporter is left, months later, looking helplessly at notes which begin confidently and at the end trail away, reflecting precisely in their growing illegibility and incompleteness the growing incoherence of the occasion and the growing incompetence of the editor.

This year John Robson (1949-52) proposed the toast. He entertained us all, using Castellum as his source material as well as his memories.

The Bursar replied. My notes here become hopeless. I have a reference to John Hollier and a double bed, but beyond that no record and a total loss of memory. There is a reference as well to Ralph Appleton either having lunch with, or it might be lived with, a widow in Hawthorn Terrace. The mind boggles. There is a later reference to 'going mixed', but whether this had anything to do with the previous references I do not know.

I do know that a good time was had by all, especially in the double bed and with the widow.

D. Holbrook



# Durham Castlemen's Society Reunion

## The 37th A.G.M. – 16 April 1983

### *In the Chair*

The President, Dr. E. C. Salthouse, Master of University College.

### *Present at the Meeting*

The President welcomed the 54 members present.

### *Apologies*

N. G. Bostock, J. H. Bruce, G. E. Mallory, D. C. Martin, D. R. Morgan, J. M. Rutter, J. M. Heyes, B. Siffleet, C. Watson, P. J. Tribe.

### *Minutes*

The Minutes of the 1982 A.G.M. were accepted and signed as a correct record.

### *Matters arising*

Canon T. H. Corden and Mr. W. R. A. Easthope reported that Vic Hill was very frail but in good hands.

That the Secretary be asked to write to him conveying the best wishes of the Society – Agreed.

### *Appointment of Senior Tutor to the College*

The President reported that Dr. Duncan Bythell had been appointed Senior Tutor in succession to Mr. S. G. Ramsay who was retiring.

### *Annual accounts*

- 1) That the accounts be accepted – Agreed.
- 2) The Bursar reported on improved investment areas.
- 3) The President stated the accounts showed that expenses were being covered and that at present there appeared no reason to put up subscriptions.
- 4) The President and Bursar agreed to consider investment in Premium Bonds and report back.

### *The Appeal*

- 1) The President stated he was pleased that the Appeal will raise some £20,500 plus £2,000 in cash donations.

- 2) There had been 101 covenants taken out.
- 3) It was a disappointment that reserve money had been used to complete the project.
- 4) Mr. J. Hollier (Appeal Director) thanked those who had helped in collecting a substantial sum though it was a pity it did not reach the target.
- 5) The President thanked Mr.J.Hollier for his work as Appeal Director.
- 6) Mr. R. P. Wright explained that an alternative donation scheme, based on a cash donation as a lump sum payment which was lent free of interest, enabled the donor to claw back 30%. This he suggested was a very good way of raising money, i.e. Deposited Covenant – Noted
- 7) The President explained that the toilets adjacent to the West Courtyard would be a subsequent mini-project if funds allowed.
- 8) That a small plaque be placed associating the Society and J.C.R. with the project – Agreed.

#### *Recommendations from Committee*

- 1) That the receptions for students continue – Agreed.
- 2) That members living a reasonable distance from Durham may wish to attend and should give their names and addresses to the Secretary – Agreed.
- 3) The President reported on the Berriman Memorial.
  - a) The Junior Common Room had contributed towards the Cathedral Fund.
  - b) The Senior Common Room had provided Chant Books for the College Chapel.

Discussions took place on a possible Society response. It was decided to take a collection at the Dinner and allow the Committee to consider matters further.

- 4) The President reported on the address list.
  - a) The University computer was unsuitable.
  - b) The College Office was under increasing pressure.The members discussed word processors and a variety of possible solutions.  
That any further suggestions be given to the Secretary – Agreed.

#### *Election of Officers*

- 1) Secretary/Treasurer – Mr. R. F. Appleton – re-elected

- 2) Editor of Castellum – Mr. D. Holbrook – re-elected
- 3) Governing Body Rep. – Mr. R. F. Appleton – re-elected
- 4) 2 Members of Committee

Retiring

- a) Mr. J. H. Bruce
- b) Mr. D. C. Martin

Members elected:

- a) Mr. J. Hollier
- b) Mr. K. Hawes

*date of the 1984 Reunion*

Friday, 16th March to Sunday, 18th March – the Reunion Dinner on Saturday, 17th March.

*Any other business*

- 1) Canon F. S. M. Chase – that the collection at dinner should be a joint one in respect of Jack Spedding as well as Gordon Berriman – Agreed.
- 2) Mr. W. R. A. Easthope expressed his thanks on behalf of members present who were at University College in 1923.
- 3) The President suggested that useful articles for Castellum might derive from
  - a) The 'history' of the railway line up into the Keep.
  - b) Research and subsequent advice on the R.A.F. Short Courses in Durham during World War II. Mr. R. E. H. Heady, a former member of such a course based at Castle, had kindly agreed to work on this.
- 4) Some members pointed out that the Senate Shield was no longer on display. The President agreed to look into the matter.
- 5) Mr. J. Price reminded members of the College Choir and its achievements. An L.P. record was on sale.
- 6) The President reminded members of the Heritage in Flowers– July 2nd -4th 1983 – which would be held in the Castle. Half of the proceeds were to be donated to University College.
- 7) Mr. J. Hollier expressed his delight that the wine list for the 1983 Reunion was a distinct improvement on that of 1982.

## DATES OF 1985 REUNION

Friday, 19th April to Sunday, 21st April 1985,  
the Reunion Dinner on Saturday, 20th April 1985.

Balance Sheet as on 31st March 1983

	£	£
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Contributions towards Castellum received in advance . . . . .	191.91	
Capital Account as on 1st April 1982 . . . . .	1201.61	533.18
LESS Excess of expenditure over income for the year	259.54	43.95
	942.07	577.13
	£1133.98	556.85
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Investments:		
Northern Rock Building Society . . . . .		
Preference Shares as on 1st April, 1982 . . . . .		533.18
ADD Interest . . . . .		43.95
Cash at Bank . . . . .		577.13
		£1133.98

Notes:

1. Printing costs of Castellum 1981 included in 1982-3 accounts. This results in excess of expenditure over income for 1982-3.
2. Higher interest share accounts in Building Societies available only to private investors.
3. Includes charges for distribution of Castellum for 1982 and 1983.

I have examined the books of account of Durham Castlemen's Society and confirm that the foregoing statements are prepared in accordance therewith.

A. Falconer AAI  
11th April, 1983

Old Shire Hall, Durham

**DURHAM CASTLEMEN'S SOCIETY**  
Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 1983

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
1981/82	£	1981/82	£
921.55	1517.76	910.00	1499.41
Reunion Expenses . . . . .			
Printing:			
	1131.20	Subscriptions and contributions	1208.66
	63.91	towards Castellum . . . . .	19.90
	231.84(3)	"    in arrears . . . . .	1228.56
41.18	34.75	Less received in advance . . . . .	52.00
48.89			1176.56
37.60			
	34.75		
	34.75		
931.29	£2979.46	41.24	43.95(2)
		Interest on Investments . . . . .	43.95(2)
		Balance being excess of expenditure	259.54(1)
		over expenditure for the year . . . . .	259.54(1)
	£2979.46		£2979.46
£1980.51		£1980.51	

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