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REPORT ON TRIP TO ENGLAND

This is a brief report on the very happy three weeks Janet, our son Dan, and I spent in England, May 28-June 18.

We were overnight guests of Olivia and Isolde Wigram at their beautiful cottage in Sussex, which included a "proper" picnic in a rhododendron wonderland, Sheffield Park Gardens. And we attended a party at their London home, where we had the pleasure of seeing Patrick Bacon again, and Judge and Mrs Lybarger, Joyce Melluish, Mireille Kerr-Ritchie, and Winifred Evans who played the part of Margaret of York in Olivia Wigram's play "Sun of York," when it was produced in London.

We also spent an interesting day with Phyllis and Sue Hester, where we met Valerie Giles just back from a vacation in Belgium.

Miss Kerr-Ritchie devoted a day to introducing us to Kensington Park and Palace and the London Museum where a diorama displays a London being constantly consumed by the Great Fire of 1666.

Our other Ricardian events included a visit to Warwick Castle, an outstanding example of medieval military construction, with its Clarence Tower, built by Richard III's brother George, Duke of Clarence, and the "Queen's Beasts" in London's Kew Gardens, a remarkable and impressive row of large statuary animals represented in the arms of England's ruling families, including the Falcon of Plantagenet and the "Yale" (a mythological creature) of Beaufort. We have slides of all of the above and are preparing to bore our friends at our next meeting of our Washington, D.C. Chapter of the Society.

I also photographed a plaque on the walls of All Hallow's Church, near the Tower of London, stating that Richard III founded a Collegiate Church there. I believe that Isolde Wigram has some doubts about the authenticity of this attribution.

Our trip also included an idyllic five days in Stratford and three days in Cambridge, where we canoed -- not punted -- on the Cam; and we racked up $2\frac{1}{2}$ performances of Shakespeare's plays (we had to leave after the Act I performance of "All's Well That Ends Well" in the beautiful Clare College Gordens in Cambridge because it got too cold!) and Mozart's "The Magic Flute" by Sadlers-Wells in London.

We are indeed indebted to Olivia and Isolde Wigram, to Miss Kerr-Ritchie, and to Phyllis and Sue Hester for helping to make our visit to England so pleasant and rewarding.

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ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

BOOKLETS: The Parish Church of St. Lawrence, Ludlow.

The Abbey Church, Tevkesbury

RICHARD III - AGAIN - disparaging article by Harriet van Horne, THE NEW YORK POST, August 26, 1968

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-EDITOR

This will be the last issue of the REGISTER until after the Annual meeting. I cannot urge you too strongly to attend, and I hope to meet you there. Hopefully, this will be the last issue of the REGISTER which I will be editing. I would like to hear from anyone who would be interested in taking over the job. It seems that we are going to be able to buy our own mimeograph machine for printing. If you think you would be interested, please write to me.

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ANCIENT DOCUMENTS

Extracts from Sir George Buck, HISTORY OF RICHARD III, 1647, by William Snyder Extracts from Horage Walpole, HISTORIC DOUBTS ON THE LIFE AND REIGN OF RICHARD III,1768 Extracts from Domenico Mancini, THE USURPATION OF RICHARD III, trans & ed. by C. A. J. Armstrong (Oxford University Press, 1936.)

EXTRACTS FROM HARLEIAN Mss. 433: grants and varrants in the time of Richard III relating to the works within the castle of Windsor and the chapel, manors, and lordships pertaining thereto.

Letter of Richard III to his mother, Harl. 433 (spelling modernized); also photostatic copy of the original

Letter of Richard III to his chancellor, the Bishop of Lincoln, relating to Mistress Shore, Harleian Library, No. 2378 (spelling modernized)
Extract from a warrant of Richard III, Harl. 433 (spelling modernized)
Richard III's offer to Elizabeth Woodville, Harl. 433 (spelling modernized)
Extract of CHRONIQUES DE JEAN MOLINET regarding the death of the Princes and the coronation of King Richard; the death of Richard and the coronation of Henry VII (Tutor Propaganda line - in French)

Photostat of letter to Sir William Stonor showing Richard's signature as Duke Epilogue to ORDER OF CHIVALRY by William Caxton, dedicated to Richard III Copy of Grant by Richard III to the Mitton family, Harl 433, and notes Extracts from YORK RECORDS pertaining to Richard as Duke and King, and after

Bosvorth, also the arrest of Bishop Stillington and Sir Richard Rutcliff Extracts from HISTORY OF THE CIVIL WARS OF ENGLAND, London, 1641 (More More) "Titulus Gegius" ROTULI PARLIAMENTORUM, Vol. VI, as per Halstead Letter of Richard III to the Bishop of Lincoln requesting the Great Seal,

12 October 1483, photostat

"The Rous Roll: the English Version" by C. E. Wright, British Museum Quarterly, Vol XX, No. 4, 1966

Exerpt from Heywood's APOLOGY FOR ACTORS, 1612, regarding Edward IV's patronage of dramatics (Letter from Julie Henderson)

"A Husband for Elizabeth of York?" by V. B. Lamb; analysis of an entry in Harl. 433, letter from Richard III to the Earl of Desmond.

Political ballad relating lineage of the Duke of York

Dedication to Richard III of Pietro Carmeliano's poem "The Life of Catherine of Egypt"

Complete peerage of England as of July, 1483

Coronation address of King Richard III as reconstructed by Patrick Carleton Coronation address of King Edward IV as reported by Philip Lindsay A Prayer of Richard III, from his Book of Hours

THE LITTLE PRINCES AND THE BONES:

"Who Killed the Little Princes?" summary of a lecture given by Prof. S. T. Bindoff in report from the Folger Library, 22 April, 1961, and related articles; his candidate for murderer is John Howard, Duke of Norfolk.

Summary of Dr. Lynn-Pirkis' discussion of the anatomical evidence of the bones supposed to be the sons of Edward IV, as given by Professor Wright in July 1933, ARCHAEOLOGIA, LXXIV

Full text of Dr. Lynn-Pirkis' talk on the bones given to the Society
Two articles by Olivia Wigram (one brief, one longer) giving an explanation of
the mystery of the Princes in the Tower and the bones.

"Who Murdered the Little Princes?" term paper by Edward Klein Horendous article in THIS WEEK, March, 1905, by Richard Harrity.

"Did the Duke of Buckingham Murder the Two Princes?" by R.J.A. Bunnett

"Did the Princes Leave the Tover?" paper by R.J.A. Bunnett