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HISTORIC ENGLISH COFFEE HOUSE CHANGES HANDS

Place With Many Literary and Political Associations Dating from the Days of Queen Anne—The Cocoa Tree Headquarters of Many Famous Personages—Was the Scene of Many Orgies and Gambling Bouts.

Never before have so many famous estates and ancient landmarks of England been offered for sale as at the present time. In a recent issue of a London paper were put up half a dozen castles known from one end of the country to the other, and some of them celebrated in history. A place having many literary and political associations which recently changed hands was the property in Blue Ball Yard, St. James Street, London, which included the Cocoa Tree Club. Originally an offshoot of the Tory Chocolate House of the days of Queen Anne it became one of the most noted political headquarters in England. There is a reference to it by Horace Walpole in 1746, which proves that by that time it must have become firmly established. He writes: "The Duke has given Brigadier Mordaunt the Pretenders coach on condition that he rode up to London in it. 'That I will, sir,' said he, 'and drive till it stops of its own accord at the Cocoa Tree.' It must not be inferred from the name that the Cocoa Tree was a temperance house. Like its contemporaries Almanack's, Brooke's and White's, all spoken of as coffee houses it was the scene of notable orgies and gambling bouts.

In the social records of that period no figure stands out more prominently than Charles James Fox, one of the most reckless gamblers of the age, as well as an orator and statesman of the very highest rank. Walpole writes that in the debate on the Thirty-nine Articles, Fox did not shine and continues: "Nor could it be wondered at. He had sat up playing at hazard at Almanack's from Tuesday evening the 4th, until 5 in the afternoon of Wednesday the 5th. An hour before he had recovered £12,000 he had lost and by dinner which was at 5 o'clock he had ended by losing £11,000. On the Thursday he spoke in this debate; went to dinner at half-past eleven at night; from thence to White's, where he drank till seven the next morning; thence to Almanack's where he won £6,000, and between three and four in the afternoon he set out for Newmarket for the races. His brother Stephen lost £11,000 two nights after and Charles £10,000 more on the 13th. So that in a few nights the two sons of Lord Holland, the oldest not yet 25, lost some £32,000."

Fox occupied lodgings close to Brooke's and as soon as he arose which was naturally very late, he went to the club where his political associates would gather to discuss their plans. A contemporary writer says: "His bristly black person, and shaggy breast, quite open and rarely purified by any ablutions, was wrapped in a foul linen nightgown, and his bushy hair disheveled. In those cynic weeds and in epicurean good humor did he dictate his policies." His whole time was divided between the gambling clubs and the House of Commons. Like every other gambler, he was frequently hard up, lacking even the odd shillings to supply his daily needs. He might lose a thousand pounds or ten thousand pounds, which he very frequently did, and then have to borrow some loose change from the waiter. There is a well authenticated story that on one occasion he played cards with Fitzpatrick at Brooke's from ten o'clock at night until nearly six the next afternoon, a waiter being employed to stand beside the table to tell whose deal it was, the players themselves being so sleepy that they

did not know.

It is probable that Fox's upbringing was as much responsible as his inherited character for the excesses of which he was guilty. His father, Lord Holland, once said: "Let nothing be done to break his spirit; the world will do that for him." On his death he left his son about three-quarters of a million dollars to pay his debts. The sum was immediately swallowed up, and in a few days Fox was as needy as before. Fox was by no means singular in his generation. High play and deep drinking were fashionable. Lord Carlisle lost £10,000 one night and owed the house the entire sum. At one time he stood to win £50,000 on the turn of a card. We refer again to Walpole: "John Dandier and his two brothers have contracted a debt one can scarcely be expected to believe out of England—£70,000. Can you believe that Lord Foley's sons have borrowed money so extravagantly that the interest they have contracted to pay amounts to £18,000 a year?" It all went over the card tables in these fashionable London clubs.

Walpole records that there was a east at hazard in the Cocoa Tree. "The difference of which amounted to £180,000. Mr. O'Brien, an Irish gamester had won £100,000 from a young Mr. Harvey who had inherited an estate from his brother. O'Brien said: "You can never pay me." The youth replied: "I can, my estate will sell for the debt." "No," said O'Brien, "I will win ten thousand. You shall throw for the odd ninety." So they threw and Harvey won. Gibbon was a member of the Cocoa Tree, and in his journal relates that every evening there one might see twenty or thirty of the first men in the kingdom in point of fashion and fortune supping at little tables covered with a napkin, in the middle of a coffee room upon a bit of cold meat or a sandwich and drinking a glass of punch. Lord Byron also was a member and indeed most of the celebrities of the day were proud of their membership in what nowadays would be considered a "joint," and would speedily be raided by the police.

NOTICE

Fredericton, May 6, 1920.

Dear Sir, We, the undersigned directors of the Fredericton Park Association, do hereby under the authority vested in us by the by-laws of the said Association, call a meeting of the shareholders of such Association for 8 p. m. Friday, the Fourteenth day of May instant, at the Mayor's office, City Hall. Business general, including the election of officers and a board of directors for the ensuing year.

All the shareholders are respectfully urged to attend.
Dated at the City of Fredericton, this 5th day of May, A. D. 1920.

W. B. LINT,

G. C. MCCOY,

M. J. MORGAN,

M. C. JEWETT.

The Third Estate

Schreecham: He was a wise poet who remarked that in this world a man must be either anvil or hammer. Peacham: Oh, I don't know! It seems that most of them are merely bellows.

As a rule the kind of workmen who talk of revolting, are.

TO THE PUBLIC

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MAIL CONTRACT.

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St. John, N. B., April 7th, 1920.
Post Office Inspector's Office,
H. W. WOODS,
Post Office Inspector.

BLACK EYES FOLLOWED BAIL

Lynn, May 11.—Having been bailed tonight after his arrest for larceny, Thomas M. Page left the station-house determined to keep out of the "cooler." But his determination went for naught. Three minutes later on Olympia sq he heard Sergt. Arthur M. Flanagan telling his pal, Michael Russo, to move on.

An argument ensued between Sergt. Flanagan and Page. In the discussion Sergt. Flanagan blacked both of Page's eyes.

Now Page is again in jail and will appear in court tomorrow.

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THERE will be sold at public auction at the City Hall, Fredericton, on the 12th day of May, 1920, at twelve o'clock noon, the public wharves and anchorages of Fredericton, from May 1, 1920, to April 30, 1921. Conditions and terms will be announced at time of sale.

G. R. PERKINS,
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