

FELLOWSHIP IN JURISPRUDENCE

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Mr. F. A. R. Bennion, who assumed the duties of Lecturer in Jurisprudence only a year ago, has been appointed an Assistant Parliamentary Counsel to H.M. Treasury and has accordingly tendered his resignation to the Principal and Fellows. In view of the great importance of the new position offered him, they have had no option but to accept his resignation with the deepest regret. In so doing they would express the Hall's best thanks to Mr. Bennion for the admirable way in which, in so brief a space of time, he has organised the instruction of the ever expanding army of young lawyers at the Hall: the results in Schools have already begun to give proof of the excellence of his teaching. Mr. Bennion, it should be added, has generously consented to continue as Lecturer until his successor can enter upon office. To assist him, the services of Mr. N. C. H. Browne-Wilkinson, of Magdalen College and Lincoln's Inn, at present working at the Bar, have been secured at week-ends. Mr. Browne-Wilkinson is the son of an Aularian, Canon A. R. Browne-Wilkinson, M.C., M.A., Precentor of Chichester Cathedral and Provost of the Southern Division of the Woodard Schools, and while up at Magdalen obtained his Blue for Squash as well as a First in Jurisprudence.

In view of Mr. Bennion's impending departure and the number of men reading Law at the Hall, the decision has been taken to establish a Fellowship in that subject. This is a step of far-reaching importance, involving as it does a strengthening of the governing body as well as an enlargement of the teaching staff; and it is perhaps a token of the Hall's generally robust and healthy condition at the moment that it finds itself able to enter into such a momentous, expensive commitment. It is understood that, when the freshly created post was advertised in Trinity Term, the field of applicants proved large and of gratifyingly high quality. The choice of the Principal and Fellows has fallen on David Charles Miller Yardley, who was educated at Ellesmere College and then proceeded to Birmingham University, where he graduated Bachelor of Laws with a brilliant First Class. After doing his National Service in the R.A.F., in which he gained his commission, he

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entered Lincoln College two years ago in order to pursue research with a view to a doctorate. He has completed his thesis this summer, and the Board of the Faculty of Jurisprudence has recommended him for the degree of D.Phil. Mr. Yardley has had the distinction of being awarded the Byloe Teaching Fellowship at the Chicago Law School; and in view of this the Principal and Fellows, while dating his appointment as Fellow of the Hall as from Michaelmas Term, have given him leave of absence for a year in order that he may benefit to the full by the experience which a year's residence in that famous centre of juridical learning is bound to impart. When he takes up his work at the Hall in Michaelmas Term 1954, he can be sure of meeting with a warm and encouraging welcome from all its members, senior and junior.

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