This officer was promoted to Rear-Admiral on the retired list in October, 1846; Vice-Admiral, September, 1855; Admiral, November, 1860; and received the C.B. in December, 1815. He died 3 June, 1861.

ALFRED B. BEAven.

The use of forks (11 S. vi. 89).—I can recommend to all readers an opuscolo by Commendatore Alessandro Lisini, who wrote two or three years ago a complete history of the fork, gathered from the ancient archives of Siena, so long under his capable charge. His work incidentally includes the Gargantuan banquets given on occasions of grand celebrations, thus recording, not only what rare and costly delicacies were eaten, but how they were conveyed more or less decently to the mouth in and before the spacious days of the Medici. My copy of this old friend's book is not just now at hand, but it may easily be procured from any of the good publishers at Siena.

WILLIAM MERCER.

T. CAMPBELL, c. 1729 (11 S. v. 509).—At my instigation Mr. Innes Addison, the courteous Registrar of our University, has examined his archives, and now reports as follows:

"I find that 'Thomas Campbell' matriculated at this University on 6th March, 1719, and that 'Thomas Campbell, Scottus' (probably the same person), laureated on 29th April, 1724. In neither of the entries in our records is the parentage or locality given."

THOMAS BAYNE.

Glasgow.

"VISTO" = "VISTA" (11 S. vi. 27, 95).—An earlier instance of the use of the form "visto" than any yet quoted is to be found in the 'Works' of Robert Gould, 1709, vol. i. p. 196:

Here Vistoe's, cut for many Miles out-right,
Open the distant Country to our Sight,
And fill the Eye with Wonder and Delight.

G. THORN-DRURY.

"Chalk Sunday" (11 S. vi. 90).—In Ennis, co. Clare, and the neighbourhood the first Sunday in Lent was called "Chalk Sunday." On that day children used to run about with pieces of chalk and make marks on the clothes of people passing by. It was said the idea originally was to chalk only those who, though old enough, had not been married the previous Shrove. When I was a child the custom was kept up, but I believe it has now completely died out.

ALFRED MOLONY.