—Interminable (terminus); intermit’tent (milto); interne’cine (neco); sa’cristan (sacra). Elegant speakers always say contemplate (templum), not contemplate. This latter form, however, I admit is used by “the million.”

J. L. C. S.

Johel de Totnes (5th S. ii. 288, 374.)—Vide Mon., iv., 628, 630, and v., 196, 198; Ellis’s Introduction to Domesday, i., 108, 141; Quarterly Review, cx., 439; Madox, Firma Burgi, 16, and Baronio Anglica, 45, 64, 91, 92. F. L.

Arthur Matynwaring (5th S. ii. 288, 374.)—An account of his life will be found in The Memoirs of the Members of the Kit-Cat Club, published in 1821; see also Noble’s Continuation of Granger (1806), vol. ii., p. 290.

Charles Wylie.

J. T. Serres (5th S. ii. 289, 346, 397):—

“Thursday died Dominic Serres, Esq., Royal Academician and Marine Painter to His Majesty, father of Mr. Serres, drawing-master of this city. He was one of the first forty artists who established the Academy.

The above is copied from the Bath Chronicle for the 14th of November, 1793. W. P. Russell. Bath.

“The Butterfly’s Ball” (5th S. ii. 327, 352, 372.)—I beg to correct an inaccuracy in my reply to this query. I wrote hastily, having just returned to town. Mrs. Dorset was undoubtedly the authoress of The Butterfly’s Ball and The Peacock at Home, but she was not “Charlotte Smith.” Mrs. Smith was her sister, a notice of whose death, and that of her husband, will be found in the Ann. Reg., xlivii. 515 and 563. I believe Mrs. Dorset’s maiden name was Turner. My family was acquainted with her, and I can just recollect her in her house in West Street, Brighton.

S. D. S.

There must have been a perfect mania for imitating Roscoe’s Butterfly’s Ball about the year 1808, for, in addition to those already mentioned, I have seen The Horse’s Levee, The Whale’s Jubilee, and The Wedding of the Flowers. Most of them have some clever lines; but those are exactly what the children, for whom they profess to be written, would not be able to see the point of.

P. P.

Sir Edward Hungerford (5th S. ii. 229, 293.) —Beckington will find the old story of Sir Edw. Hungerford having lived to the age of 115 disposed of, it was hoped for ever, if he will refer to “N. & Q.,” 4th S. vi. 454. J. E. Jackson.

“Lucus a non Lucendo” (5th S. ii. 205, 272.)—To my mind neither Shem nor Mr. Charnock has hit the blot. I much rather symbolize with White and Riddle. They say, sub voce, “akin to Sanscrit, root li, Gr. λι-ω, scindere; cf. Pott, Elym. Forsch., i. p. 209. A place cleared by cutting, &c., hence an open wood.” In λυ βο we get the religious notion = to loose, in the sense of ransom or redeem:

Παύε δι μοι λύσατε φίλην, κ. τ. λ.

II. i. 20.

Whence lucus came to mean a sacred grove,—lucus est arborum multitud cum religione,” as Servius Maenus explains it.

The quotation from Livy, the wording of which Shem pronounces not “exact,” seems to me as exactly to describe this lucus as the quotation from Cicero has nothing in the world to do with it. Cicero is relating how he found the tomb of Archimedes at Syracuse, which, by long neglect, had become so overgrown with thorns and brushwood that its very existence was unknown to any of the citizens, upon which he moralizes in the usual strain of “sic transit gloria mundi;”—“Ita nobilissima Graeciae civitas, quondam vero etiam doctissima, sui civis unius sacrum testem monumentum ignorasset, nisi ab homine Arpinate didicisset.”

Edmund Tew, M.A.

Bedell Family (5th S. ii. 8, 334.)—The will of a James Bedell was proved in London on January 3, 1574. By it he left some land in the village of Duxford, Cambridgeshire, the rent of which was to purchase herrings to be distributed among the poor of the parish in the season of Lent in every year. The above peculiar charity was discontinued for about ten successive years; but ten years ago, through the exertion of some kind friend of the poor, it was made known to them and revived. Probably the donor may be of the same family as the Bedells mentioned in the Parish Register of Wooton, Beds.

H. C. Lofts.

Y. S. M. may add the following entries from the Wooton Registers, co. Bedford, concerning the Bedell family:

“Baptisms.”

1592. Sept. 24. Marie Bedells, dau. of Henric Bedells, the younger.


1598. May 7. Winifred, dau. of Thomas Bedells.
1612. July 5. George, son of George Bedells.”

“Marriages.”

1579. The xxth day (no month). Willm. Bedles and Mary Cartwright.

NOTES AND QUERIES.

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