

## Staff Plays 1920s

### 1928

A.A. Milne's "**The Man in the Bowler Hat**" was performed and the participants were: Mr. Jenkinson, Mr. Crossland, Mr. Hyde, Mr. Collette, Miss Hanson, Miss Parkin, Mr. Shiells, Mr. Taylor, Miss Morgan Jones, Miss Robinson, Mr. Scott, Mr. Storer, Mr. Manning, Miss Shortridge, Miss Mullinder.

### 1929

Miss E.D. Robinson and Mr. J.A. Storer produced the Staff Play on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, 1st and 2nd May 1929 and also gave the proceeds to the Tennis Court Fund, (or Sports Fund.)

### Nothing but the truth

The second act "curtain" to this well-known farce was performed by the Staff to a large audience, and an examination of the cast list is a guide to who was on the staff at this time.

Van Dusen	Mr. L.T. Hyde
Ralston	Mr. J.A. Storer
Rev. Doran	Mr. L.N. Collette
Dick	Mr. R.T. Shields
Rob	Mr. T. Manning
Mrs. Ralston	Miss E.D. Robinson
Ethel	Miss E.V. Hinckley
Gwen	Miss E. Shortridge
Sable	Miss I. Quayle
Mabel	Miss D. Hanson
Martha	Miss D. Mullinder

Mr. Manning achieved a notable success as the "hero" and won roars of laughter. Miss Shortridge played her role with charm, and made the most of the emotional opportunities. Miss Robinson was outstanding, striking the right note of smugness and portraying the injured and jealous wife convincingly. Mr. Hyde's Van Dusen contrasted well to Rob, and showed self possession in difficult "situations". Mr. Storer did well in a difficult part, as did Mr. Collette, who proved equal to the demands of another exacting role. The high standard was maintained by Mr. Shields, Misses Quayle, Hanson, Mullinder and Hinckley, and the school orchestra played entr'acte music.