HIGH STORRS CENTENARY 1880-1980 EXTRACTS FROM SCHOOL MAGAZINES 1880-1969

In 1933 the school moved into its new buildings at High Storrs. The estate had been acquired for £11,400, the building cost £95,000 and the furnishings £7,000. The architect was the City Architect, W. G. Davies. There was accommodation for 670 boys and 640 girls in 39 classrooms standing in 36 acres. The altitude is 750 ft.

The official opening was by the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Percy Greenaway. The ceremony took place in the afternoon on June 28th 1933, and the procession came to High Storrs from the Town Hall. The Lord Mayor of Sheffield came first in a motor car followed by the Lord Mayor of London in the purple and gold state carriage drawn by 4 chestnut horses. The Lord Mayor was wearing his ceremonial dress of black and gold and wore a cocked hat. There were also two sherriff's carriages in the procession and at the rear of all three there was a postillion in brilliant dress. The ceremony took place in the assembly hall, now the library, where there was room for 750 people. There was no room for the 1800 scholars who were in the dining halls and quadrangles. The spee3ches were relayed to them.

The Lady Mayoress was given a bouquet and the Lord Mayor a stainless steel bladed knife with a new silver alloy haft that had recently been invented in Sheffield. The Lord Mayor gave to both the girls and the boys school a copy of Hunters Hallamshire. One copy of which is still in the school library. After the ceremony the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress planted oak trees in the grounds using a stainless steel spade. The Headmaster was Mr. Luther Smith and the headmistress Miss E. M. Jackson.