

Maypole Dancers - Boys

Episode 11: AD 1593. Sir Walter Raleigh Comes to Sherborne

At the end of episode 11 and while the chorus sings 'the Triumph Song' a Maypole is set up. The chorus then begins to sing 'With a laugh as we go round' from Sir Sterndale Bennett's 'May Queen', and the children dance around the Maypole. They are dressed as Shepherds and Shepherdesses.

The dance was choreographed by Amy and Eliza Langdon



Adams, Harold (1899-) age 6	Nephew of Emma Adams of 'Purbrook', Sherborne.
Andrews, George	<u>Unknown</u> possibly George Fred Andrews son of Edward and Susan Andrews 22 Ludbourne Rd, Sherborne died WW1 21.8.1915 Gallipoli
Anstey, Edgar Whittingham (1895-1962) age 10	Son of Samuel and Alice Anstey, baker of Cheap Street, Sherborne.
Blake, Leonard (1896-) age 9	Son of Henry Edward Blake, Glove Manufacturer of Coldharbour, Sherborne.
Cheeseman, Albert Victor (1895-1994) age 10	Son of Albert Louis Cheeseman, Coldharbour, Sherborne.
Cheeseman, Archie Louis (1894-1978) age 11	Son of Albert Louis Cheeseman, Coldharbour, Sherborne.
Crocker, Reginald Alfred (1894-) age 11	Son of Sidney William Crocker, Hound Street, Sherborne.
Guy, Harry (c.1893-) age 12	Son of David Guy, grocer, Hound Street, Sherborne.
Hann, Bertie (c.1894-) age 11	Son of Walter Edwin Hann, plasterer and tiler, Westbury, Sherborne.
Lamb, Bertie Ernest (1898-) age 7	Grandson of Thomas Lamb, gardener, Long Street, Sherborne.
Lane, William (c.1895-) age 10	Son of John Lane, groom, Newland, Sherborne.
Little, Frederick (c.1894-) age 11	Son of Frederick Little, groom, Long Street, Sherborne.
Palmer, Francis Reginald (1894-1917) age 11	Son of Annie and Arthur Palmer. <u>SEE INDIVIDUAL PROFILE</u>
Sly, Percy (c.1892-) age 13	Son of Tom Sly, Clifton Cottage, Acreman Street, Sherborne.
Stewart Charlie (possibly 1896 -) age 9	<u>Unknown</u> possibly Charles Edward Stewart Kings Road, Sherborne. Enrolled and withdrawn Nov/Dec 1902 Foster's School born 1896 father commercial traveller
Turl , Arthur (c.1893-) age 12	Son of Joseph Turl, Railway Inspector of Permanent Way, Wingfield Road, Sherborne.

In the delightful photograph above taken by J Benjamin Stone it is possible to see nearly all the faces of thirteen boys. Sixteen boys signed their names in the Pageant Album and looking very closely at the photograph of the actual dance around the maypole (on the right) sixteen boys can be seen dancing. So far we have identified only one boy - the young man in the front row with arms folded is Reggie Palmer. Harold Adams is by far the youngest taking part, aged only six, so could that be him right at the front?

