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FOREWORD

HERE we are again—the fourth issue of Tom Merry's Own, in happy time for Christmas.

Our first issue was received with flattering acclamation. But one fault was found : Greyfriars School was not represented among the rest. This omission was rectified in the second and third issues : in which Harry Wharton and Co. and Billy Bunter found their place along with Tom Merry and Co. of St. Jim's and Jimmy Silver and Co. of Rookwood. But there was still a fly in the ointment : not enough Greyfriars ! So it was decided that in the present issue the cheery chums of Greyfriars should have a really good innings, in a much longer story—more than half as long, in fact, as a whole Bunter Book ! And here it is !

So once more we offer our readers the “ mixture as before ”—Greyfriars, St. Jim's, Carcroft, and King of the Islands—but with the improvement that the stories about the favourite characters are of more substantial length : and in the hope that our kind and gentle readers will appreciate our efforts to please them, we remain,

Sincerely,

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