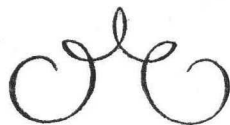


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FOREWORD

ALREADY our fifth issue of Tom Merry's Own.

Here are all our friends again: Harry Wharton and Co., of Greyfriars: with, needless to say, the one and only Bunter: Tom Merry and Co., of St. Jim's, and others whom we know and remember so well. They appear once more in modest but confident anticipation of the usual hearty greeting.

And this year, for the first time, Tom Merry's Own appears in company with a friendly rival: Billy Bunter's Own. Our readers seem to be of the opinion that one cannot have too much of a good thing: an opinion with which Frank Richards and Martin Clifford couldn't agree more!

Good luck, and—we hope!—good reading, to all of you.

MARTIN CLIFFORD

FRANK RICHARDS