

Fairfield House

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The
Entrance
Hall, guides
Mary in red
and John



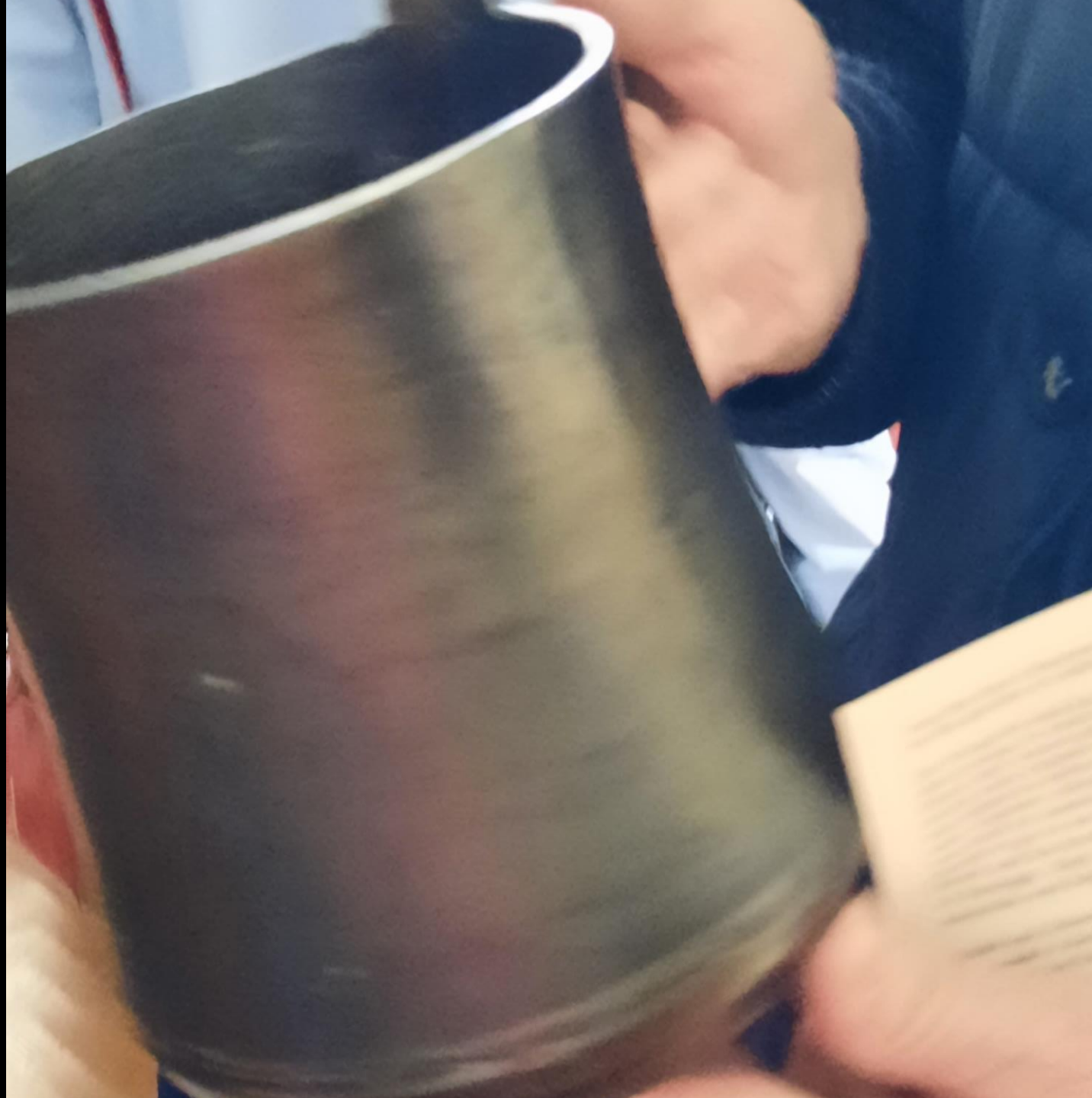
Coats of arms
in windows –
including the
Verney ferns







Curious carved chairs in the hallway – with the odd pedestal cutout on the front...to be explored!



A poor photo of
the tankard
made from the
cannon from
Stogursey
Castle

VIEW OF STOKE-COURCI CASTLE, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET



as Palmer of Fairfield Esq. F.R.S.
 spect is most gratefully Inscr^d by
 his much Oblig^d & very humble Serv^t
 Sam^l & Nath^l Buck



THIS CASTLE of Stoke was the Head of the Barony of Robert & William de Curci Seniors & Maud of Empress, &c. In the time of King John Falke de Breant was possess^d of it in the Reg^y of his Wife, Granddaughter of W^m de Curci, & made it a Garrison; by w^{ch} means it became such a grievance to the Country, that in the 12th of King Henry III. the Sheriff was order^d by an express W^{rit} from the King to destroy it. In the Reign of King Edward I. it was the Barony of Rob^t Fitz P^{er}ce from him, with the Title of Lord Fitz P^{er}ce descended to Eleanor Wife of Hen^{ry} Percy of Northumberland. In the 33^d of King Henry VI. (in her life time) it was surpris^d & burnt by Lord Bonville, & has ever since lain in Ruins but continued part of the Possession of the Family of Percy till the Year 1682

J. & N. Buck Delin. et Sculp. 17







Picture of Samuel (?
Alexander) Hood – in the
Hallway before losing his arm!

The bed clothes etc. of the
miraculous triplets



This are the sheets the
the 3 boys that were born
following 5. 12. 17
John Palmer did
in Thomas Palmer with
his Mary Palmer sister
They were born to the
and Alice daughter of
Sir William Clinton etc.
marked by Elizabeth
when she was 17

1757
VILS
OBC





Interesting empty clock case – left from one of the recent forebears clock interest – date on side was 1600 something



Richly carved pieces of furniture – some of which may have been taken from the “panelled room” when dismantled.









Portraits of Elizabethan
adventurer – including
Hawkin – I forget the other's
name





Elizabeth Verney
Palmer – god-daughter
of Elizabeth I, infant
heiress. In the “Billiard
Room”







The Salon



As I recall this is Mildred de Moleyns – wif of Alexander Acland-Hood. The vase in the portrait in by the fireplace in the Salon.



Dress swords – interesting,
but nothing of real note



A better view of the vase
– and the amazing piece
of mother of pearl in the
fireplace!



One of two over-mantels in
the old entrance lobby, rear
vestibule. Chough and
Anchor – Hood motif,
Peregrine – Acland motif





The death of one of the Samuels or Alexanders – following a successful assault (Mars vs Hercules)?? Can't recall details



A rather lovely and very old china doll, and a rather good picture of the House by a relatively well-considered artist – all in the old entrance back lobby out of the light



So this is Alexander (on the right) – one of the first of the family to join the navy, and rose to Admiral on the sponsorship of a clergyman his father helped in a sticky situation



And I think this is Samuel on the left...





The dining room.



The picture painted by
the Italian POW.



Distant view of
Stogursey School,
as built by Sire
Peregrine Palmer
Acland – it is a grand
gothic confection!











