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Dear Member,

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Enclosed with this Newsletter is your Membership Renewal Notice. I am pleased to report that the 1986 subscription can show a modest reduction to £7.00 now that the pound has been improving against the U.S. dollar.

NEWS FROM MEMBERS

Dr N.A. Rance of 83 Ollerton Road, London N11 2JY, has an article entitled "Wilkie Collins in the 1860's: The Sensation Novel and Self Help" in a collection of essays on suspense fiction in the 19th Century. (Publisher - The Lumiere Press).

Virginia Blain writes from Macquarie University, Australia that she is progressing well with the new edition of No Name which she is preparing for the Oxford University Press.

Dr Selby Whittingham of Flat 2, Turner House, 153 Cromwell Road, London S5 0TQ is interested in any connexion between Wilkie Collins and the Geddes family. Specifically he asks:

1. The present whereabouts of the portrait by Andrew Geddes ARA of 'The Sons of William Collins, RA' exhibited at the RA in 1834. This was in the 1890 Wilkie Collins sale.
2. How was Mrs William Collins (Harriet Geddes) related to (a) Andrew Geddes ARA (b) Dr Alexander Geddes?

Any member with information can contact Dr Whittingham direct at his address above.

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In addition to the Wilkie Collins Society Journal, the Victorian Studies bibliography for 1984 lists the following works relating to Collins.

Bedell, Jeanne F. "Wilkie Collins," pp 9-32 in Twelve Englishmen of Mystery Ed. Earl F. Bargainnier. Bowling Green, OH: Bowling Green U Popular P. 325pp.

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- Frick, Patricia. "The Fallen Angels of Wilkie Collins." IJWS7:343-51.
- Frick, Patricia Miller. "Wilkie Collins's 'Little Jewel': The Meaning of The Moonstone." PQ 63:313-23.
- Gates, Barbara T. "Wilkie Collins's Suicides: 'Truth as It is in Nature.'" DSA 12 (1983): 303-18.
- Hennelly, Mark M., Jr. "Detecting Collins' Diamond: From Serpentstone to Moonstone." NCF 39:25-47.
- Lohrli, Anne. "Wilkie Collins: Two Corrections." ELN 22,1:50-53.
- Nadel, Ira Bruce. "Science and The Moonstone." DSA 11(1983): 239-59.

Members may also be interested in Heart and Science's mention in Coral Lansbury's essay. 'Gynaecology, Pornography, and the Antivivisection Movement in the previous issue of the Victorian Studies (Vol. 28, No. 3).

CALL FOR ARTICLES

As usual, Kirk Beetz in his capacity of editor of the Journal would be interested to receive any articles or essays for publication in the 1986 edition. Please write to him direct at 1307 'F' Street, Davis, California 95616, U.S.A.

Andrew Gasson has a spare copy of The Queen of Hearts available. This is the one volume 1875 Chatto and Windus "New Edition" in original green cloth. It is however in rather worn condition. At the same time, he is looking for Hide and Seek in the same series.

Andrew Gasson.