

AROLD and Cedric, the sons of the Earl of Chatteris, were at the School in the Fens, where, along with other Saxon boys, they were being brought up in the Saxon way of life. This was in the days after the Norman invasion in 1066, and the boys were on the way to meet Hereward the Wake, the protector of the school in the Fens.







Hereward explained that t was because the boys knew Benwick that he had sent for them. The Wake's men were strangers to that part of the country. The Normans had destroyed Benwick. village, but Garth had managed to escape, bringing the news that two boys were sheltering in a woodman's hut near the village.









