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Editorial.

WHILE nothing of very tremendous interest has happened since our last issue, we believe a month of good steady work has been done on all hands. The Rugby Football Team has distinguished itself by two victories, one at least of which reflects the very greatest credit upon it; while the Association Club, as will be seen from our "Football Notes," is making good progress. The Harrier and Lacrosse Clubs have been fairly active; and of other Clubs and Societies we need only say that the hope we expressed in our December number—"that the vigorous activity and general interest would not slacken after the Christmas holidays"—has been amply fulfilled. But what, above all, is of absorbing interest is the nearness of the "Shield Matches;" up to the time of writing no intimation has been received as to the date of the first round, but we do not doubt that by the time this is in our readers' hands, everything will have been decided. We need scarcely remind our school-fellows of the Head Master's words in the Hall about the match with the Merchant Taylor's last year, and how the splendid play on that occasion was, in part, at any rate, to be attributed to the excellent turnout of the High School; we who are not footballers can, at least, do our best in shewing up at the matches and giving what help and encouragement we can by our presence and voices.

The month has been memorable by definite shape having been given to what we may term Mr. Wolseley-Lewis' legacy to us—the award of colours to prominent members of the first team, of which a full account will be found in another column; meanwhile we congratulate the happy possessors of the ribbon most heartily, and hold them up at once as an example and encouragement to their fellows.

We trust, also, that our articles are not, this month, below the average in interest; we would direct attention to that entitled "A Nautch Party," by one of the most distinguished and patriotic of our old boys; the continuation and eminently satisfactory conclusion of "The Study of the Classics;" the sympathetic notice from Mr. Burton of Mr. Sachs' death; and a vigorous letter from the standpoint of an anti-classic on "The Study of the Classics."

We conclude by most gratefully thanking all who in any way contributed to the success of our last issue.

Literary and Debating Society Notes.

FEBRUARY 4. A meeting was held on this date, J. H. Grace in the chair. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, the chairman called upon F. M. Baddeley to open the debate "Ought Museums and Art Galleries to be opened during certain hours on Sunday?" Having stated the primary object of the movement, viz.: to give suitable recreation to tired workers, he went on to speak of the elevating and refining influence of works of art. He demonstrated the fallacy of the argument that the movement affects the wrong class, asserted that no harm, but much good, was done, and controverted the statement that Sunday work would be increased. H. L. H. Millard replied. Having met various arguments of Baddeley, he explained the object of Sunday from his standpoint. He contended that there was no rest in the scheme, and no worship. No good effect, he maintained, was produced for either spectator or exhibitor, and further asserted that the opening of Museums and Art Galleries on Sunday did not attract the proper class, and caused work on Sunday. He closed by illustrating his remarks from speeches by the late Mr. Whitley, M.P., and the present Mayor of Liverpool, (J. de Bels Adam, Esq.), and by giving the opinions of the House of Commons, Mr. Broadhurst M.P., and the Council of Trade-Unions. On discussion being invited, Inman, C. M. Jones, Braham, and Mr. Harvey supported the affirmative, and Wolde, Marshall and Fall the negative. After the chairman had spoken and the leaders had replied, a vote was taken with the following result:—Affirmative 7, negative 13, negative majority, 6. The meeting then adjourned.

February 11. A meeting was held on this date, J. H. Grace in the chair. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, the chairman called upon J. H. Eastwood to open in the affirmative the debate "Ought the Church of England to be disestablished and disendowed?" He maintained that an established church injures religion and is not attended by success. It injures religion, he asserted, by fettering the action of the church, by discouraging liberality among churchmen, and by causing a state of religious inequality. He treated of each of these in a clear and able manner, taking occasion to emphasise the chief points of the Liberationists, viz., the securing of life interest for appropriated endowment and the uses to which the confiscated money would be put. In illustration of his remarks he quoted Mr. Henry Richard, M.P., the Bishop of Liverpool, and various tracts of the Liberationist Society, and closed by showing how good had been the result brought about by universal disestablishment in the United States. Wolde replied. He controverted the idea that the Church of England had ever been definitely established, and also affirmed that it was not a state-paid body. He asserted the historic continuity of the English Church, and in meeting various arguments against his side, more especially demonstrated the fallacies that it was "rolling in wealth," that its property was given to it on condition that it should continue in communion with the Church of Rome, and that church property was "national" property. He maintained that the constant suggestions in the services of the church that state and

church were connected was most beneficial, that disestablishment and disendowment would fall most heavily upon the poor, and lastly, that in no point, as was often stated, had the Church of England failed in her mission. The subsequent speakers were Braham, Marshall, and Millard for the negative, and F. M. Baddeley and Mr. Harvey for the affirmative. After the leaders had replied, a vote was taken with the following result,—Affirmative 6, negative 15, majority 9.

February 18. A meeting was held on this date, J. H. Grace in the chair. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, the chairman called upon Mr. L. D. Barnett to read his paper on "The Classics in their relation to Education." He treated first generally of education, which he defined to be that which should make a man think justly, wisely, and truly, and love good books. He spoke of the bad effect of specialisation, now so prevalent, and asserted that the corrective of this was a true recognition of the unity of knowledge. He maintained the absolute necessity of the rudiments of philosophy in teaching men to "know how to know." Speaking of the love of good books, he quoted from Milton's *Areopagitica*, and pointed out that though our literature was rich in what, in part, made Greek and Latin classics "good books," that was no reason for despising the older languages, the leading characteristics of which he then proceeded to give. He concluded one of the most excellent papers the Society has ever listened to by asserting the great superiority of Greek to Latin literature. The paper was then briefly discussed by Wolde, Marshall, Mr. Harvey, Braham, C. M. Jones, and Millard. After the chairman had spoken, and Mr. Barnett had replied, a very hearty vote of thanks was unanimously accorded him. The meeting then adjourned.

Chat on the Corridor.

THE Place-kicking Competition, which took place on Saturday 27th, was a painful proof of a very marked weakness in the team. We can point to at least two matches which have been lost merely for the want of a man who can kick goals with certainty. W. A. Jones decidedly deserves the first prize; he kicked four goals, and two other shots were very good indeed. Squires was the only man who could put the ball over from the touch-line, but the shots of both Ker and Jones were very good but lacked force.

In anticipation of the Shield Matches, which are very near at hand, colours have now been given to half the team. Ker of course comes first, and here we would mention that it was not only his position which gained him his colours. We can unhesitatingly say that there is no one in the team who does more hard work and who does it more unselfishly. Fall, as full-back, has done the team incalculable service; we owe many matches to the plucky way in which he picks-up or collars, when he is the last man to pass. R. J. Ewart, too, though he comes seventh on the list of colourmen, has done some very good work as forward, he

is inimitable on the loose, and knows the game better than the majority of our forwards.

This month we welcome a successor to Mr. Wolseley-Lewis in Mr. E. A. C. Stowell, B.A., of Queen's College, Oxford. Mr. Stowell was Hastings Exhibitioner and honorary Scholar of his College, and took an exceptionally good degree. We can express no better wish than the hope that the success which attended him at the University may also fall to his lot here.

We said last month, when we recorded Mr. Sach's sad death, that we had no doubt that a suitable successor to him would be found. This has been done in a way which we feel sure will be most gratifying to all. Mr. Book will take the German to the end of the present term, after which, Mr. Storrs, who, on leaving Cambridge, spent some time at Marburg University, will be installed as German Master. Mr. Book, we may add, will now spend the whole of his time at the Institute, the advantage of which we shall feel in more ways than one. We repeat, this arrangement is in every way excellent, and we respectfully offer our best congratulations to both our masters on their promotion.

We have received two contributions this month—both in verse—which it is a matter of great regret to us we cannot insert. We should like to have done so, but pressure of space absolutely forbids the insertion of any such *jeux d'esprit*. It must, indeed, be patent that, in this respect, we are miserably hampered, and are practically unable to insert what other school magazines, with more influence at their backs than we, can. Meanwhile, we appreciate keenly these efforts to help us, contrasted as they are with a carping criticism which demands from us what we cannot give, and persists in invidious comparisons most prejudicial to the interests of our journal.

We would call special attention this month to our articles on "A Nautch Party" and "The Study of the Classics." The initials at the foot of the first will give our readers a sufficient clue to its author, and, seeing how closely in many ways our school has been connected with India, the paper cannot fail to be interesting. Of "The Study of the Classics" it is hardly necessary to speak; but it will, no doubt, receive particular notice from the vigorous letter which we publish attacking the first part. We can safely promise an answer to that effusion in our April number, and will also gladly publish suitable letters from any other correspondents.

Most of our readers know, and those who don't know ought to know, that during the past month the oldest admiral, and perhaps even the oldest sailor in the Queen's service, died at the age of 101. We mean, of course, Sir Provo Wallis. He possesses a special interest for Institute boys, for in that memorable battle of the Chesapeake and the Shannon, which we hymn so lustily from time to time, Sir Provo Wallis was second in command, and, when "brave Broke" was killed, took the chief command.

Among the boys who have recently left us we notice that F. G. Arney, who won a foundation scholarship at Durham University, has been placed in the second class (Mathematics and Physical Science) in the first year examination for the B.A. degree. Arney held the Cochran Scholarship while at the Institute, and is much to be congratulated upon having found time in a specially busy profession to gain a scholarship and take a good place in his examination. Richard Roberts, formerly of this school, now exhibitioner of University College, Aberystwith, we also see with pleasure, has passed in the first division, the London Matriculation. A. Rasul, too, who left us for King's College, London, matriculated last month at S. John's College, Oxford. We wish this trio every possible success which can fall to their lot in whatever profession they may elect to take up.

We hear with very great gratification indeed of an Institute boy who has been distinguishing himself in the highest manner possible. J. H. G. Wood, aged fourteen, of the Commercial School, has lately been presented with a testimonial of the Royal Humane Society's Medal for saving the life of a drowning man at Milford Haven. His pluckiness reflects the greatest credit on himself and on the Swimming Club of which he is a member.

It is with very great pleasure that we have to announce that Dr. R. J. Lloyd, late president of the Institute, is writing an operetta to be performed by the boys of the school. It is entitled "Wednesday," and contains characters for two or three boys, select choruses for the High School Choral Society, and general choruses for the whole school. The music is being written by Dr. Lloyd's son, Mr. Francis Lloyd.

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following subscriptions:—Messrs. Henry Young, T. C. Ryley, R. R. Meade-King, R. W. Jones, T. F. Abraham, J. A. Peil, P. Hebblethwaite, M.A., and Dr. R. J. Lloyd.

We beg to apologise to the Choral Society for having in our last issue put down the attendance on one occasion as 23 instead of 35.

A Nautch Party.

"**S**ETH JACHMAN DAS requests the favour of Mr. —'s company at a Nautch Party, at his house, on the 15th instant, at 9 p.m., on the occasion of his son's marriage."

The above was handed me the other day, as I came back from office, and as the only Nautch I had ever seen was in the Liverpool Exhibition, in 1887, the invitation was accepted. About 9.30 we drove up to the Seth's house, which was brilliantly illuminated, having got the roadway cleared by the shouts of our driver, as it was crowded with small carriages and people. The collector and two senior civilians had taken

me with them, and the Seth himself came out to welcome us, and, while he was bowing and salaaming, someone caught hold of my hand and shook it vigorously. I smiled and said, "Good evening, how do you do?" He smiled back, and said something I could not understand, and then we went in. The Nautch had already begun, and was taking place in the large audience hall, which was gaily decorated with all sorts of bright stuffs, and lit up with lamps having shades of all colours. Chairs were arranged for the visitors and the more important natives, while the others squatted round on the floor, which is their favourite position, their gay dresses and the scarlet coats of the English officers relieved by the dark evening dress of the civilians, forming a mixture of colour, certainly, but not unpleasing.

The first performers were two Madrasse girls, dressed in tight bodices of dark green, thickly embroidered with jewels, and with their legs swathed in a gauzy material, with gold thread interwoven. They danced to the music of a tom-tom, a sort of clarionet, and a kind of cymbals, which consisted of two pieces of silver the performer struck together. At intervals, too, the musicians sang. It was a very graceful dance, and represented kite flying. One girl danced to and fro, and moved her hands as if working the string. Then, suddenly she let go, and sank down weeping and wringing her hands, the string of the kite having cut them. The other came up, and, kneeling by her, tried to comfort her. After a time she succeeded, and they both danced together again in a joyful manner. They were followed by three old women, very fat and very ugly, covered with dull coloured shawls, and so enveloped in them, that they could only waddle like a lame duck. They sang themselves, reminding one of a donkey with a bad cold braying through its nose. Their music, too, was not pleasing. The other men had played "We won't go home till morning," and another English tune, but these were thoroughly Indian. The chief was a man with an instrument like a guitar, but played with a bow, which he used as vigorously as a saw, producing a somewhat similar sound.

The natives sat looking on quietly without ever applauding, though they may be supposed to have enjoyed it, as they will sit for hours and watch this kind of entertainment. The Seth's wives, and female relations and friends, were, of course, not visible, being in a gallery protected by lattice-work from the eyes of strangers. The boy whose wedding was the reason for the entertainment was sitting on a chair, and looking the picture of misery. After a little time I discovered the cause. He was not used to a chair and wanted to sit on his heels on the ground; his younger brother, who sat by him, solved the problem by tucking up his feet on the chair underneath his long gown. They were both horribly fat and unhealthy looking, and when the elder was marched off to bed, I expected every minute his legs would double up under him, and he would go squat like an over-ripe plum. During the whole performance attendants brought round champagne, coffee, and cigars, and as we got up to go they gave us ottar of roses on our handkerchiefs, and a gilded leaf containing betel nut, while the Seth put round our necks a collar of gilt stuff, with a large tinsel pendant, so that we looked like a lot of Lord Mayors. The Seth then conducted us to our carriage, shook hands

with us, and went back, no doubt very glad to get rid of us, as the presence of Europeans is rather apt to *génér* natives.

R. B.

The Study of the Classics.

A SYMPOSIUM.

"I think I shall try to do my Latin better next time," said Jones. "As I've got to do it somehow, I may as well do it respectably after all. But in spite of all you say, Robin, I still think it's all rot."

"It certainly isn't that," said Robinson, "or people wouldn't have gone on reading Virgil all these hundreds of years."

"Well, if it isn't rot, it's useless to me, which comes to the same thing."

"I don't think that's true," said Brown, "for after all you aren't everyone, you know, Jones."

"You know very well what I mean, Brown," said Jones, who seemed to be rather annoyed by the last remark, "I mean that Latin and Greek are no use to fellows like me, who are going into business."

"I said just now," said Robinson, "it might be of use to you without your knowing it."

"I don't see how that can be," remarked Jones, who, though he scorned to read Horace, resembled the poet's ideal in being *tenax propositi*, and stuck to his conviction that learning Latin and Greek is a useless occupation.

"You're very good on the parallel bars, aren't you," inquired Robinson, with apparent irrelevance.

"What's that got to do with Greek and Latin?" retorted Jones.

"Doesn't practising on the bars make you able to play football better and fitter in every way? Learning something of the classics, even though you aren't going on with them all your life, makes your mind fitter and able to do its work better; just as a man may be stronger when he's fifty than he would have been otherwise, all because he used to do gymnastics when he was a boy."

"I see what you are driving at," admitted Jones, "but then I like the gym., which makes all the difference."

"No, it doesn't," said Brown, "for some fellows hate the gym., and yet it does them good."

"And, perhaps," continued Robinson, "you might get to like reading Greek and Latin if you could read them a little easier."—Jones and Brown both shook their heads.—"There are some things in Herodotus which are awfully interesting, and I don't remember anything more exciting than the story of Odysseus and the Cyclops, which we read about in Homer the other day."

"Yes, that is rather good," owned Jones, somewhat reluctantly, "I read it in Church's *Stories from Homer*, which I had given me at Christmas. But still it won't do me any good to know that the Cyclops had only one eye in the middle of his forehead, and that sort of thing."

"That won't in itself," replied Robinson, "but the trouble of learning to read about it in Greek wouldn't be wasted if you were never to open the book again."

The boys had apparently exhausted every side of the question that they could appreciate; for they sat silent for some time, Jones steadfast and ready to offer the same dogged resistance to any fresh argument Robinson could produce; Brown wavering a little, but inclined to support Jones's position as being more sportsmanlike; and Robinson collecting his forces for a fresh attack. At last he said:—

"At any rate, if learning the classics doesn't do you any good, I'm sure it doesn't prevent you from doing as well as you would have done without it. There are hundreds of men who are as successful in every way, in spite of having learned some Greek and Latin, as they could possibly have been if they had learned nothing but mathematics and modern languages at school. And, talking about modern languages, Latin is of the very greatest help in learning French and Italian, with which I suppose you will have something to do in your shipping office. But what I mean is that if you only stuck to what is the direct preparation for your business, your time at school would be very hard to fill up. Fancy spending all your time on Commercial Correspondence and Book-keeping! You would soon want an hour or two of Virgil again, old fellow."

"I shouldn't wonder if Robin's right," said Brown. "If learning Greek and Latin doesn't prevent your getting on, very likely they help you without your knowing."

"I'm just as certain about it as ever," said Jones, steadfast to the end, "but you always were a fellow for jawing, Robin; there's no getting to the end of you."

By this time the omnibus had reached the terminus; and, waiting till the three controversialists had got to a safe distance, I climbed down and began my walk, during which I had plenty of time to reflect upon the conversation which I have tried to repeat. I am afraid Jones is still unconverted, but certainly Robinson's arguments have had some practical effect, as the Virgil always goes off respectably now, and sometimes Jones so far forgets his principles as to ask a question or make a remark which betrays an intelligent interest in the immortal story.

Football Notes.

RUGBY.

DURING the past month the weather has been so unsettled that it has greatly interfered with both matches and practices. Early in the month the Institute had six men playing in the United Schools Match, which resulted in a very close game.

Marshall having resigned, Fall has been elected to the post of sub-captain, while Dale takes the latter's place on the Committee.

A meeting was held on Thursday, February 11th, when Mr. Ewart presided over an attendance of sixty members. The chairman having

announced the resignation of A. C. Marshall, Fall and Armour received an equal number of votes for the sub-captaincy. Subsequently Fall was decided upon by the Captain and Chairman. J. Dale was then elected to the vacant place caused on the committee by Fall's promotion, by a majority of six votes over A. P. Ker. After some remarks by Mr. Snow, the meeting terminated.

A place-kicking competition was held in Sefton Park, on Saturday, 27th, when the following was the result: W. A. Jones 15 marks, J. Dale 15, W. L. Ker 15, H. C. Squires 15, A. C. Armour 11, R. J. Ewart 10, A. P. Ker 7, S. Fall 5. On re-kicking for the first place, W. A. Jones obtained 9 marks, Squires 4, Ker 2, Dale 1.

The following colours have been awarded:—(3) A. C. Armour, (4) H. C. Squires, (5) J. Dale, (6) W. A. Jones, (7) R. J. Ewart, (8) F. Cheeseright, (9) W. K. Williams.

FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. WATERLOO HIGH SCHOOL.

Played at Waterloo, on Saturday, January 23rd.

The Institute went up with a very weak team, being short of Armour, Millard, and Squires. Soon after starting Ker ran in, and converted the try. During the whole game the ball scarcely ever left the Waterloo's 25, and tries were freely scored. At half-time the figures were, Liverpool Institute, 2 goals 4 tries; High School, *nil*; and the final, Institute, 6 goals 5 tries; High School, *nil*. The tries were as follows, W. A. Jones 6, W. L. Ker 3, J. Dale 1, F. Cheeseright 1.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.

Played at Sefton Park, on Wednesday, January 27th, in a deluge of rain.

The Institute were four men short, and borrowed two forwards to make the sides equal. The play was of a very even nature, neither side scoring during two twenty minutes.

LIVERPOOL UNITED SCHOOLS v. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

Played at Penny Lane, on Wednesday, February 3rd. The following was the Schools' Team:—

Full Back:

F. Wilson (c.)

Three Quarters:

E. E. Irving (c.) J. Frazer (c.) G. Todd (c.) W. L. Ker (r.)

Halves:

A. C. Armour (r.) T. T. Crane (r.l.)

Forwards:

H. C. Squires (r.) F. Cheeseright (r.) S. Fall (r.)
R. J. Ewart (r.) S. Wood (c.) T. Bradburne (c.)
E. Glynn (c.) W. Dawes (u.r.)

Ker having won the toss, kicked off for the Schools, a good return having been made, play settled down at half way. The College were very

superior in their forwards, and soon carried the ball dangerously near the Schools' lines by a series of scrimmages, but the backs rose to the occasion and relieved grandly, first by the capital play of Irving and Frazer, and then by some neat passing between Ker and Todd, and managed to hold their own until half time. Soon after the restart, Pearson broke through the Schools' defence, and scored between the posts, the try being unconverted. Then Kidd, after a very neat run, was brought down in fine style by Wilson. Soon after Todd, after a grand run nearly the whole length of the field, gained a fine try, which was unconverted. The College then pressed hard, and after some dangerous rushes, MacMaster scored for them, and Pearson converted. Play then remained of a fairly even nature until a few minutes before time, when Irving obtained a second try for the Schools, which again remained unconverted. The whistle sounded, leaving the College winners of a hard game by 1 goal 1 try to 2 tries.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. HOYLAKE SECOND XV.

Played at Sefton Park, on Saturday, Feb. 6th. The Institute having won the toss, Squires kicked off, and, no return being made, play settled down in the Hoylake 25. Within a short time of starting Dale, after a magnificent run, scored behind the posts. Marshall converted. After lining out, the ball remained nearer home for some time as the Hoylake forwards pressed. But Fall relieved grandly, and Williams and Ewart by a combined dribble carried the ball down the field, and Cheeseright scored near the touch line. The kick at goal failed. Soon after, the whistle sounded for half-time. On restarting, the Hoylake men tried hard to retrieve their fortunes, but were unable to make any headway against the capital scrimmages which our forwards formed in spite of their inferior weight. Our men then broke away, with Ewart at their head, and carried the ball up the field, where Ewart, after a capital run, obtained the third try which was unconverted. After this, play was of an even nature, and the whistle sounded, leaving the Institute winners by 1 goal 2 tries to nil. Ker was unable to play.

We greatly regret that pressure on our space renders it impossible for us to print reports of the second and third team matches.

The treasurer begs to acknowledge subscriptions from F. Cheeseright, C. H. Cox, F. P. Cox, J. J. Bell, and R. L. Shaw.

ASSOCIATION.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. WALTON JUNIORS.

This match was played at Aintree on Feb. 3rd. C. Neal kicked off for the Institute against a very strong wind. The visitors left wing got possession of the ball, and J. Carmichael centered, but no one was up to meet it. After some midfield play the home team rushed up the field, and a scrimmage took place in goal which ended in the Juniors drawing first blood. Play continued pretty even for a while, Carruthers playing in fine style at back. The visitors' forwards got possession of the ball, and went down the field in fine style, and C. Neale just missed scoring.

The Juniors played a fine game, and just before half-time scored a second goal. On changing ends the Institute changed the position of their players: Carruthers and West going forward, Brown and Neale taking their places at back. The Juniors started the ball, but the Institute at once got possession and ran down the field, W. Neale scoring the first goal for the visitors one minute after restarting. This seemed to give the Institute courage, for within five minutes Carmichael scored the second goal. The Juniors worked hard, but the Institute played up in grand style, and W. Neale getting possession, had a shot at goal, which would have scored had he been playing Rugby. The Juniors were determined not to let the visitors have all their own way, and their right wing scored the 3rd goal for the Juniors about twenty minutes after the kick off. Almost immediately afterwards West equalized. The Juniors again commenced the attack, and a foul was given against West right in front of goal from which the Juniors scored the fourth goal. The Visitors now played up with renewed vigour, and after some fine passing by the forwards Mitchell scored the fourth goal for the Institute. The Institute now had it all their own way, and confined the play to the Juniors' quarters, and A. Dickson scored the fifth goal just on time. When the whistle sounded the Institute left the field winners by 5 goals to 4.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. ORMSKIRK GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

These teams met at Stanley Park, on Wednesday, 10th. J. Douglas was the only absentee from the home team, E. Mitchell taking his place. Promptly at 3.30 C. Neale kicked off for the Institute against the wind, and the home team at once made tracks for the visitors' goal, J. Carmichael being loudly applauded for neat play and good passing. Play reigned pretty even for awhile, when the home forwards rushed down the field, T. Brown scoring the first goal for the Institute amid tremendous cheering. On restarting, the visitors' right wing ran down the field and had a shot at goal, but Mitchell cleared in fine style, and Fulton getting possession passed to C. Neale, who ran down the field and scored the second goal for the Institute. The Grammar School tried hard to score, but found the home-backs more than a match for them. Up to half-time the game continued very even, and when half-time was called, the Institute crossed over leading with two goals. On restarting, the home team had the wind in their favour, and at once commenced the attack, and Ulyett just missed scoring the third goal. The Institute seemed to be having it all their own way, Fulton scoring the third goal shortly after the kick off. The Ormskirk boys seemed to be done up, and the home left, after some pretty play, centered the ball, C. Neal heading the fourth goal. On the ball being started again, it travelled to the visitors' goal once more, and W. Neale added another goal, which was followed by another from C. Neale. The home team seemed to be enjoying themselves, for three more goals were added in quick succession by A. Carruthers C. Neale and J. Carmichael. The visitors now tried a change in their team which certainly made an improvement in it, for their right wing went down the field in splendid style, and Mr. Trotter passed Mitchell with an easy shot, scoring the first goal for Ormskirk

just on time. When the whistle sounded, the Institute left the field winners by 9 goals to 1. The following is the Institute's Team:—Goal, Mitchell; Full Backs, A. F. Carruthers and T. West; Half Backs, Parry, Fulton, Dickson; Forwards, W. Neale, Ulyett, C. Neale, T. Brown, Carmichael; Referee, Mr. Bain.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. NEWBY JUNIORS.

This match was played at Stanley Park, Feb. 24th, before a goodly number of spectators. Carmichael kicked off for the Institute down the hill, and at once made tracks for the visitors' goal, but were pulled up by the full backs and compelled to retire; the Juniors visited the home goal and had a shot, but Douglas kicked clear, and Fulton getting possession ran along the right wing and centered, but no one was up to meet it. The Juniors again visited the home goal, and the home backs had a lively time keeping the ball out of goal, Douglas being called upon several times to save, but try as they would the Juniors could not score. The game continued very even, both goals being visited in quick succession, but neither club could score. When half time was called, both clubs changed ends with a clean sheet. On restarting, the Institute at once visited the Juniors goal, and J. Carmichael scored the first goal for Institute five minutes after the kick off. The Juniors tried hard to score, but the home defence was too much for them. The home forwards played well, J. Carmichael scoring the second goal shortly after the first. The Juniors played up well, giving the home backs some trouble, and calling on Douglas to clear, but luck seemed against them, and they could not score try as they would. The home forwards paid another visit to the visitors' goal, J. Carmichael scoring the third goal. The play continued pretty even, the Juniors having if anything the best of game, and at one time they had very hard lines in not scoring. When time was called, the Institute, were again the victors, winning by 3 goals to nil.

Obituary.

In Memoriam.

FRIEDRICH A. SACHS,

Died 26th Jan., 1892.

TEACHER OF GERMAN IN THE LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE
FROM 1864 TO 1892.

It is fitting some further notice of Mr. SACHS, our late German Master, should appear in this Magazine than the necessarily short one given last month.

Mr. Sach's connexion with the Institute began in the year 1864, under the Head-Mastership of the Rev. Joshua Jones, D.C.L., and terminated with his death on the 26th January last.

He was the only child of well-connected parents, an exceptionally intelligent and gentle creature. When he competed for a Scholarship at the University of Bonn, and won it by a long interval, there was much rejoicing amongst his friends. But an immediate obstacle presented itself. He was not able to pass the medical examination required in Germany before a student can proceed in his career. Much interest was excited on behalf of young Sachs, and, by special indulgence, he was permitted to enter upon his residence.

He came to Liverpool more than thirty years ago, where his credentials and attainments gave him a foremost place among the teachers of German here, and certainly his intimate acquaintance with the German language and literature made him one of the best exponents of that language in the country.

He always regretted coming here, for having found how ill the English people pay their teachers, he was aware that he might have pursued a more profitable career in his own country. And when, through the many changes in the educational institutions that have taken place in Liverpool of late years, he suffered in income, he became very unhappy and anxious. Of late he was much depressed, and it is to be feared that when the insidious disease that has attacked so many laid hold on him, he had no vigour of constitution, or even a desire for his own part, to resist it.

Mr. Sachs was known and esteemed by a large circle of pupils and friends who loved him for his gentle forbearance, and for his lavish expenditure of time and energy for the benefit of those he taught, as well as for his excellence and simplicity of character.

Cricket Club.

AT a General Meeting held on Thursday, 11th February, the following officers were elected:—Treasurer, Mr. Snow; Captain, W. L. Ker; Sub-captain, W. A. Jones; Committee-men, S. Fall, H. L. H. Millard, W. Beatty, R. J. Ewart; Secretary, J. H. Addinsell; Sub-secretary, A. P. Ker. The subscription was fixed at half-a-crown. The meeting then terminated.

A large number of fixtures have been arranged for both first and second elevens; and, as we have entered for the Cricket Shield, which brings with it eleven silver cups, it is hoped that Institute boys will not let the Club fall to the ground this year.

The Treasurer will be glad to receive subscriptions as early as possible.

Chess Club.

AT the end of last year we had a tournament for prizes, to which Mr. Hughes kindly gave 10/- . The result was as follows :—

1st Prize, value 10/6	...	...	T. Hinde.
2nd " "	3/9	...	G. J. Nickson.
3rd " "	2/9	...	B. J. Wood.

BEGINNERS' PRIZES.

1st Prize, value 3/9	...	...	F. Cheeseright.
2nd " "	2/9	...	P. J. A. Francis.

The prizes were distributed by Mr. Hughes on the breaking-up day, December 17th.

Afterwards there was a match between the High and Commercial Schools, which resulted in a win for the Commercial School by 3½ to 1½. Appended is the score :—

HIGH SCHOOL.	COMMERCIAL SCHOOL.
J. H. Addinsell 0	T. Hinde 1
F. J. Bradburn 0	G. J. Nickson 1
R. J. Ewart 0½	B. Wood 0½
R. Lumgair 0	P. Fisher 1
F. Cheeseright 1	E. Langley 0
Total 1½	3½

On January 12th there was a general meeting held in Mr. Eaves' room, at which the following officers were elected :—B. J. Wood, hon. secretary, P. Fisher and F. J. Bradburn committee-men.

December 10th. We played the Imperial third team, the result being a draw by 3 games to 3. Mr. Burton, Mr. Eaves and B. Wood won their games.

January 26th. On this date we played the North End third team, and owing to the splendid play of J. Wood we won by 4 to 3.

February 9th. We played the Kirkdale Y.M.C.A. and lost by 2 to 1. F. J. Bradburn won his game.

High School Choral Society.

MEETINGS of the above Society were held on the evenings of the 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd inst., and were, on the whole, very well attended.

Another glee, "The March of the Men of Harlech" (arranged by Barnby) was introduced on the 15th, and was greatly appreciated by the members.

A notice of the Operetta, written by Dr. Lloyd, will be found in another part of the Magazine, and therefore need not be mentioned here.

Harrier Club.

OWING to the bad weather, the Club did not meet on the 10th and 17th. However, fortune favoured the brave, and a run took place on the 24th. The roads were so bad that it was decided not to run beyond the outskirts of the park, but to keep nearer in. The total number of members present, including the hares, was eight, a state of affairs which was lamentable to see. The hares, Crabtree and Baddeley, set off at 3 o'clock, laying the track over the bridge, through Aigburth Vale, and skirting Fulwood Park ; the hounds followed in eight minutes, and this band of faithful few plodded manfully on, arriving about five or six minutes after the hares. The run was very enjoyable, and lasted about an hour. Outram and Hyde were the first to arrive, running a dead heat, closely followed by Norman Jones. Messrs. Bickerstaff, Bailey and Blundell kindly acted as pacemakers.

Swimming Club.

COMMERCIAL SCHOOL.

ON Friday, 1st April, the members of the Commercial School Swimming Club will hold their first practice at Cornwallis Street Salt Water Baths, at 4.45 p.m. The annual subscription is 1s., payable in advance. Members requiring the club bathing costume must pay 1s. extra. All boys are invited to join and make themselves proficient in swimming exercises. Non-swimmers will be taught by Mr. Bickerstaff, who personally attends all club practices. The funds of the club are specially devoted to the purchase of Gold and Silver Medals, which are awarded annually to successful competitors. The Liverpool Shipwreck and Humane Society also offers a valuable Medal and framed certificate for competition among the members of this club. Water Polo matches will take place occasionally. Mr. Bickerstaff will be pleased to receive the names and subscription of intending members as early as possible. Balance of cash in hand £1 6s. 8d.

Correspondence.

To the Editors "Liverpool Institute Schools Magazine,"

GENTLEMEN.—I was much interested by the article entitled "The Study of the Classics," which appeared in your last month's *Magazine*, and with your permission would like to discuss it. Of course, it could not be expected that such *very* imaginary schoolboys would shew much argumentative capacity, more especially if their reasoning powers were benumbed by the excessive study of Latin and Greek.

To apply as an argument for the continuance of the study of Latin and Greek, the fact that some people will become teachers of it is a true *reductio ad absurdum*, for in this way one could advocate the universal learning

of any comparatively useless subject. Wherein lies the supposed special educational value of Latin and Greek? How much education does a boy derive from learning a Latin or Greek grammar off by rote, from looking up thousands of words in a lexicon, and jumbling them up together to form the most stilted and unnatural English possible? I unhesitatingly affirm that it is impossible for any boy under sixteen, who is not a genius, to translate a Latin author into good English; so that the sole educational value of Latin which indeed it merely possesses in common with almost any other modern or ancient language, practically vanishes.

More than that, the dreamy retrospection induced by an excessive study of classics unfits a boy for an active commercial or scientific career. If the study of languages is an essential part of a boy's training, let it be confined to his own and to modern languages, which are of practical as well as educational value. How many people, do you suppose, who are not teachers of classics, will ever reach such a pitch of perfection that they can read and enjoy the beautiful thoughts and exquisite imageries of any good classical writer, as well and as easily as they could those of an English author?

What classical author, however good, can compare with Shakspeare, Milton, or Bacon, or even with the lesser stars adorning more modern times? What need is there of learning an utterly alien and obsolete language when our own affords us a wealth of literature which a single lifetime, nay a hundred lifetimes could not hope to exhaust?

Yours, &c.,
ANGLO-SAXON

Events for March.

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| <i>Wed.</i> | 2nd... | FOOTBALL: 1st XV. v. Merchant Taylors' School | | Waterloo |
| <i>Thurs.</i> | 3rd... | L.I.L.D.S.: Paper—"Food and Digestion" ... | .. . | Mr. A. J. Ewart |
| <i>Sat.,</i> | 5th... | FOOTBALL: 1st XV. v. Royal Institution | ... .. . | Home |
| | | 2nd XV. v. Parkfield School | ... .. . | Sefton Park |
| <i>Mon.,</i> | 7th... | CHORAL SOCIETY (H.S.): "Sweet and Low," "March of Men of Harlech." | | |
| <i>Wed.,</i> | 9th... | FOOTBALL: 3rd XV. v. Liverpool College (U.S.)... | ... .. . | Home |
| <i>Thurs.,</i> | 10th... | L.I.L.D.S.: Debate—"Ought the Parliamentary Suffrage to be granted to Single Women and Widows?" ... <i>Af.</i> —F. Wolde; <i>Neg.</i> —D. D. Braham | | |
| <i>Frid.,</i> | 11th... | CHESS CLUB: Kirkdale Y.M.C.A. | | |
| <i>Sat.,</i> | 12th... | FOOTBALL: 1st XV. v. next XVIII. | | |
| <i>Mon.,</i> | 14th... | CHORAL SOCIETY (H.S.): "Canadian Boat Song." | | |
| <i>Tues.,</i> | 15th... | CHESS CLUB: Hudson's | ... .. . | Away |
| <i>Wed.,</i> | 16th... | FOOTBALL: | | |
| <i>Thurs.,</i> | 17th... | L.I.L.D.S.: paper—"Some Victorian Poets" ... | .. . | Mr. E. J. Phillips |
| <i>Sat.,</i> | 19th... | FOOTBALL: 1st XV. v. Liverpool College (U.S.)... | ... .. . | Fairfield |
| <i>Mon.,</i> | 21st... | CHORAL SOCIETY: Some Choruses from "Wednesday." | | |
| <i>Tues.,</i> | 22nd... | CHESS CLUB: North End 3rd | ... .. . | Away |
| <i>Wed.,</i> | 23rd... | FOOTBALL: | | |
| <i>Thurs.,</i> | 24th... | L.I.L.D.S.: Debate— | | Mr. F. E. Marshall and J. H. Addinsell, |
| <i>Sat.,</i> | 26th... | FOOTBALL: 1st XV. v. next XVIII. | | |
| <i>Mon.,</i> | 28th... | CHORAL SOCIETY: Choruses from "Wednesday." | | |
| <i>Wed.,</i> | 30th... | FOOTBALL: 2nd XV. v. Cambridge House | | |
| <i>Thurs.,</i> | 31st... | L.I.L.D.S.: Paper by Mr. J. B. Dale. | | |