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A College "Debater."

HAVING such an excellent Debating Society of their own, your readers will, I am sure, be interested in a short account of a College "Debater." Let me try to describe a meeting at which I happened to be present. Business starting at eight, at about five to the members began to troop into the Junior Common Room. The President sat at one end of the long table, the Secretary at the other. Of the other members some sat at the sides of the table, and others lounged in armchairs by the fire. Altogether there were about fifty present when the proceedings commenced. Private business was disposed of in five or ten minutes; and the President called upon a member to move the motion of the evening, viz.: "That a judicious system of infanticide should be introduced into this country." The mover, an unlucky "fresher," made a very fair speech. Among the advantages which, he claimed, would follow in the train of such a system, were the prevention of an undue increase in population, leading to a rise in wages and a decrease in the number of the unemployed, and, as weak and deformed children would be those chosen for sacrifice, a rise in the physical standard of the nation.

A senior member opposed the motion in a fiery and eloquent speech. He denounced it as proposing to introduce a cruel and cowardly system of murder, cruel and cowardly because its victims would be so utterly helpless. It would encourage vice, and, instead of settling the labour question, only shelve it for a time. He appealed to the house not to support a motion so inhuman and un-Christian. This brought to his feet a member who boldly asserted that the motion, so far from being un-Christian, was in accord with the highest principles of religion. By killing the babes immediately after baptism, and before they had time to commit any sin, we should render them certain of heaven. Whereas, if permitted to live, their chances of reaching that blest abode would be scarcely one in a hundred. Of course, in killing them we should commit a deadly sin and imperil our own chances. "But I beg of you," cried he, "not to let such a selfish, and therefore un-Christian, motive influence you in the slightest." The President followed, the chair being taken for the time being by the vice. As soon as he had said his say and resumed the chair, a would-be witty fresher gravely asked whether the remarks of "the last speaker" were in order, giving reasons why, in his opinion, they were not. The President, called upon to adjudicate upon his own speech, was equal to the emergency, and squashed the fresher by the reply, "Sir, not

only did the remarks of "the last speaker" entirely commend themselves to my judgment, but they are exactly those I should have made myself had I been in his place." This retort brought down the house. Scarcely had the applause subsided, when we were invaded by a group of men who had evidently been dining "not wisely, but too well." One of them immediately started to address us. In spite of continual interruptions he managed to forge along for some time, until he let fall the fatal remark, "I cannot quite see," alluding, I suppose to some argument brought forward by the opposite party. The house, however, took it as a confession that he was blind drunk, and burst into tumultuous applause. Again and again he tried to resume his speech; but, never getting beyond "see," at last gave it up, and resumed his seat.

More speeches followed of various degrees of merit. Just before ten, the leaders having replied, a vote was taken with the result:—*for* 12; *against* 38; and the house adjourned.

Literary and Debating Society.

A MEETING was held on November 2nd, Mr. C. M. Jones in the chair. There was an attendance of twenty-two, and two new members were elected: Messrs. J. W. Whipp and A. W. Orme. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, Mr. J. D. Lamb read a very interesting and exhaustive paper on the subject of Cremation. He began by tracing the system of cremation from the bronze age down to the present day. He objected to the system of burial on the ground that cemeteries occupy an enormous space which ought to be otherwise utilised; for instance, Anfield cemetery covers 120 acres. From these burial grounds foul gases are constantly rising and spreading the seeds of diphtheria, cholera, and typhoid fever; besides this, the water which we drink is often polluted by passing through these acres of corruption. On the other hand, although the two processes are the same in effect with the only difference of time and method, all that is left after the process of cremation is a little white ash, more pleasing than otherwise. The only objection that can be made against cremation is, that it would be difficult to detect poisoning in a cremated body. More care, then, said the essayist, should be taken in granting medical certificates, for thousands under the present system are buried without proper medical certificate. The paper was discussed by Messrs. A. P. Banks, H. Eggington, G. Bell, J. D. Crichton, W. L. Collins, C. M. Long, and P. J. A. Francis. After some noisy members had been called to order, the chairman made a short speech. The essayist then replied. After a unanimous vote of thanks had been passed to Mr. Lamb, the meeting was adjourned.

On November 9th there was an attendance of thirty-five, the largest meeting the society has ever yet seen (perhaps also the

noisiest). The following were elected members:—Messrs. F. J. Owens, J. A. S. Clague, C. E. Turner, H. R. Hurter, S. J. Roberts, H. H. Hipwell, and W. H. Gem. Mr. J. D. Lamb was appointed vice-chairman, in the room of Mr. N. C. Miller, resigned. A vote of censure brought against the Editors of the *Magazine* by some members of the Lacrosse Club for cutting down their report, though it caused some amusement, was not carried. Mr. C. H. Grimshaw then opened in the affirmative of the debate "Was Wellington a more skilful general than Napoleon?" He gave a short history of Wellington's life, the difficulties which he had to contend with in the Peninsula and in his Indian campaigns from scarcity of provisions, etc. A comparison of the generalship of Napoleon with that of Wellington brought his paper to a close. Mr. F. J. Bradburn replied. He confined himself to a description of Napoleon's generalship; the rapidity of his movements; the accuracy of his plans; his brilliant career. There was now only time for two gentlemen to speak. Mr. A. P. Banks spoke for the negative, Mr. J. D. Lamb for the affirmative. After the chairman had spoken, and the two leaders had replied, the vote was taken, with the result:—Affirmative 12; Negative 11. The meeting then dispersed.

On November 6th Mr. Burton kindly took the chair. There was an attendance of thirty-one, including six masters of the school. After the minutes had been read and confirmed, the chairman called upon Mr. Snow to read his Paper. He thereupon read a delightfully interesting essay on the subject of "Reading." This paper will probably appear in the next issue of the *Magazine*. The following gentlemen addressed the meeting:—Of the masters, Messrs. Harvey, Caldicott, and Storrs; of other members, Messrs. A. P. Banks, G. Bell, J. D. Crichton, C. M. Long, and P. J. A. Francis. The chairman also made a short speech. After Mr. Snow had replied, a unanimous vote of thanks was recorded to him, whereupon the meeting broke up.

"The Dusky Day."

To the tune of "The Dusky Night."

The dusky day begins to peep,
Grey clouds the East adorn;
The night-policemen homewards hie;
The milk-carts swift go lumbering by;
With light put out the gas-lamps die
To usher in the morn.
And at nine a.m., you know,
To the Institute we go;
If cold or hot, it matters not,
In sunshine, rain, or snow.

Chorus—

For at nine o'clock, you know,
To the Institute we go;
If cold or hot, it matters not,
In sunshine, rain, or snow.

The postman briskly moves along;
Her broom the housemaid plies.
In small back-yards crows many a
cock;
On bedroom doors comes many a
knock,
"You boys, it's half-past seven
o'clock!"
Mamma severely cries.
And we take a plunge so bold,
In the bath so nice and cold;
A jolly cold tub, and a jolly good rub,
Are worth their weight in gold.

Chorus—For at nine o'clock, &c.

Mamma, so brisk, is always down
To breakfast sharp at eight.
The scholars one by one appear
With hair a little rough, I fear,
They've overslept themselves it's
clear,

And so, of course, are late.
I'm sure it's not too soon
To get up at six in June,
But when you've to meet fog, drizzle,
and sleet,
You'd like to wait till noon.

Chorus—For at nine o'clock, &c.

With sundry boiling cups of tea
Our breakfast down we wash;
But then occurs the old mishap;
"I've lost my exercise or map!"
"I'm blest if I can find my cap!"
"Where is my mackintosh?"
"And I feel a little sick;"
But papa says "Fiddlestick!"
"You've a fine appetite, so you must
be all right,
Be off, sir, double quick!"

Chorus—For at nine o'clock, &c.

Although to school we creep like
snails,

It's really all pretence.
Your British school-boy, as a rule,
Will say "he hates the name of
school,"

But still he is not quite a fool,
He has some common sense.
And of learning's day pursuit
He will reap one day the fruit,
And he'll never forget, to acknowledge
the debt

He owes the Institute.

Chorus—For at nine o'clock, &c.

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The boy grows up a business man,
His brougham now he drives.
No "smash" his credit ever shook:
If you could take one little look
Inside his private banker's book,
You'd see how well he thrives.
And his boys, I need not say,
Come here to school to-day,
And it must be confessed they are
doing their best.

For they know that it will pay.

Chorus—For at nine o'clock, &c.

C. C. E.

score. On the same day Northumberland with four three-quarters met the South of Scotland with three, and at half-time led by 12 points to *nil*. Scotland then called a forward out, and in the second half scored a try while Northumberland failed to score. I was playing in that match, and we found the eight Scotchmen just as bad to beat as the nine. These figures cannot be explained away.

The mistake clubs make is that they try the system once, the team don't know how to work it, and of course it is a failure. The essential points to be borne in mind are these:—

1. The forwards must "get possession" at once, and heel out smartly.

2. The backs must go down the field *in a line* (the fliers waiting for the slower men) about 6 yards apart.

3. The pass must be given *before* the man with the ball is tackled or is seriously pressed. Of course the pack must break away as soon as possible, and try and go down the field with the backs.

Above all, no man must play for himself, brilliant, dodgy runs are of no use on the attack, and every man must work for the team.

If this is done the new system makes the game faster, more open, and more scientific.

TYNESIDER.

The Four Three-Quarter System.

MUCH has been written on this subject, but as the School has at length decided to give the system a trial, a few remarks from one who has had three seasons' experience of it, both as forward and three-quarter, in club and county matches, may not be out of place in a School Magazine.

When first introduced to the system I, like most other players, was strongly prejudiced against it; now, however, I am one of its warmest adherents, and for the following reasons.

In the first place it must not be thought that we are strengthening the back division at the expense of the forwards, for this is not so. Four three-quarters should theoretically beat three, both in defence and attack; but I have no hesitation in saying that eight forwards are every bit as good as nine.

This view is accepted by such authorities as Wm. Cail (President of the Rugby Union.) F. H. R. Alderson (late Captain of the English XV), Arthur Budd, and many others, including the Welsh Union, and, I believe, "Dicky" Lockwood.

But a little fact is worth a lot of theory, so let me give you some facts:—On November 5th last year, Yorkshire and Durham met, the former with three and the latter with four three-quarters, and at half-time the score was in favour of Durham by 7 points to *nil*. Yorkshire then drew a forward out to help the backs, and in the second half knocked up 13 points, while Durham were unable to

"The Sixth Form's Weekly Dread."

'Twas late upon a Wednesday night,
By the dim candle's flickering light,
Ere the first streaks of dawn had
borne
The tidings of approaching morn.

A youth strode up and down his room,
Thinking of his impending doom;
A small red book was in his hand,
And Bud's Idioms its brand.

Then to the land of dreams he hies,
Till the awakening slavey's cries
Arouse him from his nice warm bed,
To find he has an aching head.

He gets him up, to school he goes,
In spite of every wind that blows,
In Mr. Burton's room he waits,
Invoking his propitious fates.

The hour bell clashes harsh and loud,
Five minutes more he'll be allowed;
The interval flies swiftly past,
And then,—the time has come at last.

He to the French room *slowly* walks,
He neither jokes, nor laughs, nor
talks,
But in his fear and sick'ning dread,
He goes on with a heart of lead.

He hears—it sounds like his death
knell—
"I hope you've learnt your Idioms
well,"

Alas! his face begins to lower,
As Mr. Book says "Take an hour."

But ah! at last the hour bell rings,
And *from* his seat he *promptly*
springs;
He rushes madly to the door,
Glad that the weekly dread is o'er.

J. R. H.

Chat on the Corridor.

The number of *Magazines* sold last month was considerably less than in October, indeed the two schools only bought about 350 copies. We are glad to be able to state, however, that we made a small profit on last month's issue.

Owing to a superabundance of matter, and a lack of space, we are compelled this month to keep the "Chat on the Corridor" short, and to omit "Our Contemporaries" altogether. It is a great pity that we should be compelled to crush everything into twelve pages, but it is entirely owing to the lack of adequate support among the boys. While so many boys have not even 2d. to spare, we cannot afford to have sixteen pages again as we used to have.

The article on "A College Debater," in this issue, is by a distinguished old boy who has not long left us for Oxford. We publish also an article on "The Four Three-quarter System," which has been written for us by another old Institute boy, who is fully qualified to speak on the subject, as he played for Northumberland during the last two seasons; and has had numerous opportunities of discussing this subject with those who are acknowledged authorities.

We must congratulate the Debating Society and the Chess Club on the great increase in the number of their members. We hear that the Debating Society has now more members than it ever had before. As the meetings become better attended, however, they seem also to become much more noisy. This should not be, and if such conduct be persisted in, an example ought to be made.

Besides the two articles mentioned above, we also publish this month two humorous poems. The first, "The Dusky Day," was written by Rev. C. C. Elcum, author of "An Institute Idyll," etc. Mr. Elcum kindly sang it for us, with great success, at a meeting of the two schools in the Hall on Monday, 13th November. The other poem, we are glad to say, is by a boy in the school. We feel that we can truthfully assure the author that his poem will be thoroughly appreciated by all members of the Sixth Form, and we advise the Lower Forms to learn it by heart, and to look on it as a picture of what they will themselves soon have to endure.

Three old boys of the Institute have recently taken degrees at London:—Mr. J. B. Dale, of St. John's College, Cambridge, first division, B.A. Mr. S. R. Jenkins, of University College, Bangor, was placed in the second division of the same examination. Mr. A. J. Ewart, of University College, Liverpool, was placed in the first division in the B.Sc. examination.

At the annual meeting of the Statistical Society, the Howard Medal was presented to Dr. Hugh R. Jones, an old Institute boy, for his prize essay on Infant Mortality.

We are pleased to announce also that the new Mayor of Bootle, Mr. S. B. Johnson, is an old boy of the Institute.

The Institute Football Jersey, advertised for sale in the November number of the *Magazine*, is still unsold. For particulars apply to the Editor.

Club Reports.

RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB.

FIRST FIFTEEN MATCHES.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. NEW BRIGHTON 3RD XV.

Played at Liscard, on Saturday, November 4th. The Institute had a very weak team, being without no less than eight first fifteen men. Squires lost the toss, and kicked off up the hill. Although the opposing team had a great advantage in size and weight, our forwards managed to hold the "scrums" tolerably well. After some heeling out, the ball was taken to the New Brighton "25." Play remained even for some time, till Stap ran in and scored for New Brighton. The try was not converted. On resuming, the ball was again carried to their "25," but nothing further was scored before half-time. The Institute forwards were now strengthened by the addition of Fall and Humphreys, who had mistaken their way and so arrived late. Our opponents' halves were frequently nonplussed by the excellent play of Raleigh and F. P. Cox, and Brettargh's tackling was also good. Langdon and Squires made some good runs, but did not succeed in their endeavours to score. Before call of time, Stap again scored for New Brighton by dropping a goal. Thus the Institute lost by 1 goal (dropped) 1 try to *nil*.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Rake Lane, Liscard, on Wednesday, November 8th. Squires having won the toss, the Grammar School kicked off. Play immediately settled down about midfield, but the Institute forwards gradually worked their way down towards their opponents' goal. They were almost on their goal line, yet they would not heel out, but persisted in trying to rush the ball over the line. A judicious kick at length relieved the Grammar School, and play settled down about midfield. Both sides made some good runs, but excellent tackling, especially on the part of the Grammar School, prevented any great advance being made. Before half-time the Grammar School made one rush into our "25," but were soon repulsed.

On resuming, the Grammar School played a really brilliant game. Their forwards got possession and their three-quarters made several excellent runs. Indeed they were only prevented from scoring by the admirable coolness of Raleigh. Shortly afterwards Squires got the ball, and made a splendid run, scoring right behind the posts. The place kick, however, failed. For the remainder of the time the Institute kept the ball in their opponents "25," but we did not score again before call of time. Squires and Raleigh played a good game, while Brettargh's tackling was conspicuous. Crichton also deserves a word of praise for his work in the "scrums."

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. PARKFIELD OLD BOYS.

Played at Sefton Park, on Saturday, November 11th. Shortly after the start play settled down on the Parkfield ground, and the Institute managed to hold their own in the "scrums," notwithstanding the heavier build and superior strength of the Parkfield men. The Institute played well for a time, but were gradually taken to their own "25," where one of our forwards virtually threw away the game by passing to a Parkfield man who, having no one to oppose him, ran easily in. The place kick failed however, and nothing further was done before half-time.

On resuming, the Institute played up and pressed, and at length their efforts were rewarded by Squires making a good run and scoring, Brettargh converting an easy place kick. After this the Institute seemed to think the game was safe, but the Parkfield team by some good runs got into our "25." A free kick awarded to us seemed about to bring relief, but unfortunately Hawkes did not get the ball into touch, and one of their men caught it and dropped a goal. The Institute being only two points behind made several excellent attempts to score again, but time was called before they were able to do so.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. LIVERPOOL COLLEGE (UPPER SCHOOL).

Played at Sefton Park, on Wednesday, November 15th. R. Dale having won the toss, the College kicked off. For a short time the Institute forwards played up and let the three-quarters have the ball, the latter making some good runs. At length, after some scrummages and some good passing by the College, our three-quarter missed Kidman, who easily scored. The place kick failed, and on resuming, play settled in our "25." Before half-time the College scored two more tries. They also scored a penalty goal, and when the whistle went were leading by 1 goal 3 tries to nil.

After half-time the Institute played much better, and their opponents could not do anything against them. Beatty and Brettargh were particularly good at tackling, and Raleigh did well at half. Unfortunately Wood, one of the College men, fell on his shoulder and broke his collar-bone. The game was then abandoned as a draw.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.

Played at Birkenhead, on Wednesday, November 22nd. Squires having won the toss, Birkenhead kicked off with the wind. Play at once settled down in the Institute "25," and after a few scrummages one of the Birkenhead men ran in, but the place kick failed. The Institute now settled down to work, and despite the superior size and weight of the Birkenhead forwards, our men held the "scrums." Our three-quarters made some good attempts to get away and we managed to get past the half-way flag, but we did not remain there long. The Birkenhead three-quarters made some good runs but were brought down in time, their forwards also often gained a distinct advantage by quick following up, and they managed to press us and drive us into our own "25," but our backs brought relief in time and nothing was scored.

On resuming, Squires kicked off, but our opponents' full back muddled the ball, and our forwards were on him before he could kick. Crichton missed an excellent chance of scoring, but this made no difference, for after a few "scrums" near their goal line, Collins got the ball and dropped a goal. On restarting, play remained even for a time, although Squires and Beatty made some excellent runs. Near the end of the game it was evident that the Institute forwards were tired out, and the School pressed us but did not score, owing principally to the excellent tackling of Beatty. Eventually the Institute won a well contested game by 1 dropped goal to a try.

SECOND FIFTEEN MATCHES.

The second fifteen has played two matches this month, and lost them both. Our fellows play a good game, and it is a pity they have to encounter opponents who are quite twice their size.

On Wednesday, November 1st, they played Parkfield First XV, and lost by 2 goals 4 tries to *nil*.

On November 15th, they were badly beaten by the Merchant Taylors, by 6 goals 7 tries to *nil*.

WINTER SWIMMING CLUB (C. S.).

The first practice of this club was held at the Pierhead salt-water baths on November 3rd, when 17 members were present. The Club has now about 58 members, the average attendance at the baths being 20. The water at the baths is very warm, and there are fires in two or three of the large rooms so that there is no fear of catching cold. As an inducement for boys to go down regularly, prizes will be given to those who show the best attendance. An arrangement has been made by which Mr. Bickerstaff will be able to go down with the club every Friday.

J. SHANKLAND, *Hon. Sec.*

COMMERCIAL SCHOOL FOOTBALL MATCH,

3RD FORMS v. 4TH FORMS.

This match was played on Wednesday, November 15th, at Bootle Park. The 4ths won the toss and kicked off. Immediately the ball was rushed to the 4ths goal, Jones saving finely. From a foul, Henderson opened the score with a splendid long shot. The play all the time was around the 4ths goal, the defence being very poor. A few rushes were made by the 4ths, but Little and Douglas saved well each time. Half-time—3rds, 5 goals; 4ths, *nil*. After half-time, shots were sent in to the 4ths goal from every quarter, but Jones saved finely. From a mistake by Humphreys, the ball was rushed up the field and the first point was scored for the 4ths by Podmore. Final Result—3rds, 12 goals; 4ths, 1 goal.

HIGH AND COMMERCIAL SCHOOLS' JUNIOR
FOOTBALL CLUBS.

On the 15th November, a match was played between these clubs, at Sefton Park. The Commercial School kicked off, and both sides played a vigorous and fast game. Shaw, Herivel, and Manning for the High School, played very well, and for the Commercial School, Colquhoun and Curral did good service. At half time neither side had scored. Soon after changing sides, the High School managed to score a goal, after which there was no more scoring, and the final result was, High School, 1 goal; Commercial School, *nil*.

CHESS CLUB.

Those interested in the Chess Club will, no doubt, be glad to hear that this club has during the past month undergone a decided change for the better. This is perhaps due to the Editors' remarks on our behalf in last month's issue, and we have to thank them and the members of the 1st Class (Commercial School) for the increase in our members.

The tournament is now in full swing. All desiring to join are requested to give their names to the secretary as soon as possible.

On Friday, November 10th, in the School of Art, we met the Balfour Institute, and drew the match with 5 games to 5. C. H. Stewart, J. N. J. Wood, H. A. Simon, E. Tebbutt, and J. Wright won their games.

On Tuesday, November 14th, we played the North End 3rd at their rooms, and were defeated by $4\frac{1}{2}$ games to $2\frac{1}{2}$. J. B. Tayler and T. Hinde won their games, and J. Wright drew his.

On Tuesday, November 21st, at the North End rooms, we met the Hebrew School, and were defeated by 5 games to 2, two games being lost by absence. C. H. Stewart and W. J. Roberts won theirs.

LACROSSE CLUB.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

Played on the College ground, on October 28th, and after a good game resulted in the defeat of the Institute, who were much the lighter team, by 5 goals to *nil*.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This tie in the North of England Schools' Shield Competition was played at Wavertree on November 1st, the Institute winning easily by 8 goals to *nil*. For the greater part of the game the Institute attacked, Wilkie, Beatty, and J. B. Tayler scoring in the first half, and Wilkie (3), Beatty, and Grimshaw in the second half, which was played in a storm of rain. The passing on the Institute attack showed very great improvement. The defence also was quite safe, Turner and Gem being most prominent.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. WEST DERBY 2ND.

At West Derby, November 4th. Though playing against a considerably heavier and older team, the Institute made a very creditable fight, only losing by 3 goals to 5.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. CHORLTON HIGH SCHOOL.

Played at Withington, Manchester, on November 8th. The Institute were one short, but at first they looked like making a good fight. After Chorlton High School had scored their second goal, however, the Institute went altogether to pieces, hardly any one playing up to his true form; the one exception being Turner, but for whose steady play at point the score would have been even larger. As it was, Chorlton High School scored 7 times in each half, and won by 14 goals to *nil*, their first home playing splendidly, and scoring from almost every chance.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. BIRKENHEAD JUNIORS.

Played at Birkenhead on November 11th. The Institute won by 8 goals to 4, after a very good game. The Institute were without Beatty and Jones, but the attack played excellently, 4 goals being scored by Wilkie, who, as usual, was the mainspring of the attack; while Grimshaw scored the other 4 by some remarkably good shots.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. WOODLANDS SCHOOL.

On November 15th the Institute again travelled to Manchester, but unfortunately with a weak team, five of the regular team being absent, and the team being two short. Woodlands, however, equalised sides, and a pleasant game was played. At one time, thanks to 3 fine goals scored by Wilkie, the score was 3 all; but, after this, Wilkie was carefully watched, and, in spite of some

excellent play by the Institute defence, the Woodlands attack added goal after goal, and finally won by 14 to 3. Though playing a losing game, the Institute defence never lost heart, Gem clearing splendidly, while Jones and Hurter did very good work, and Hooper in goal stopped many shots very coolly.

Obituary.

It gives us great sorrow to announce the death of Dr. G. F. KNIFE, an old boy of the Institute. He left the school from the sixth form in 1886, to take up the study of medicine. For some years he was resident physician at the Royal Infirmary, and nine months ago began to practise on his own account at Huyton. On the 23rd November he died from a severe attack of typhoid fever at the early age of twenty-five.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER, 1893.

- 4th, Monday—Chess, Liverpool Institute v Merchant Taylors', at Crosby.
 6th, Wednesday—Rugby Football, 1st team, Liverpool Institute v. Merchant Taylors', at home.
 2nd team, Liverpool Institute v. Waterloo High School, away.
 Lacrosse, Liverpool Institute v. Woodlands School, at Wavertree.
 7th, Thursday—Liverpool Institute Literary and Debating Society. Debate: "Should Britain extend her Colonies?"
 9th, Saturday—Lacrosse, Liverpool Institute v. Platt 3rd, at Wavertree.
 14th, Thursday—Liverpool Institute Literary and Debating Society. Paper: "The work of George Meredith."
 18th, Monday—Chess, Liverpool Institute v. Merchant Taylors', at the Institute.

Editorial Notices.

All communications must be accompanied by the writer's name, and should be written on one side of the paper only. Secretaries reports must be sent in at least ten days before the end of the month.

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