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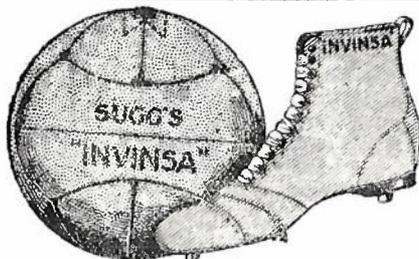
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### Editorial.

MUCH has been done during the past year of which the School may be proud. Its manifold successes have not been confined to any one department, but have been well spread over every branch of activity.

On the football field, it won its way through to the Finals of both Senior and Junior Championships—at once, a proof of present excellence and an indication of coming talent.

Its cricket team has an admirable record and remains unbeaten by any other school, with which it has met.

In the Inter-School Sports, the School again showed its superiority, by gaining second place in the Senior and first place in the Junior Championship. This also, gives us high hopes for the future of regaining a Shield which has long reposed in our midst.

Coming to the realms of intellect, there are heard records of Mods.' with distinction, a Newdigate prize falling to our lot, honours won in both scholastic and social spheres at Oxford, Cambridge and Liverpool—not, we are confident, the flicker of the moment, for during the past year, three scholarships have been won from the School to the older Universities, not exclusively in classics or in science, but including both.

The Schools social activity has been directed to the Florence Institute, an account of which may be found later in these pages. While the Old Boys have done their work well in managing the Club, the present members of the School have responded to the call for funds, and give promise of future support to that high cause.

Lastly, the School has witnessed the inauguration of a League of Nations Society amongst its many internal interests. It has well fulfilled its duty in the work of the District, and will do so in the future.

From a cursory survey therefore, there may be thus measured so much life in the Old School yet, but many difficulties have still to be faced. If these traditions are to be handed on, it is necessary for every member of the School, next year, to remember his little bit in pushing on in the progress. Only may the School so flourish, if both scholastic and athletic departments show signs of vigour and industry. The School itself has been badly treated in regard to athletics, but there is hope that the future may have something better in store for it.

If each but takes time to think about what has been done and what can be done, all will be well. Our affection for the old place must necessarily rouse this interest in us, if we can only leave for a short time, our multiple other attractions. We have something great and good to work for; we shall hand it on intact.

### Chat on the Corridor.

JAMES LAVER, of New College, Oxford, has won high honour for the School by gaining the Newdigate Prize for English poetry, with a poem entitled "Cervantes." We offer him our very sincere congratulations.



Our success in attaining 2nd place in the Senior and 1st place in the Junior Championship at the Inter-School Sports has somewhat comforted us in our defeat in both Senior and Junior Finals of the Football Cup.



The Swimming Club has become too exclusive for the Magazine, but there are hopes that something will happen shortly to inspire their siren. For the present, we hear that the School Gala is fixed for the 21st July, and the Inter-School Gala for the 19th July.



We extend our warmest wishes to Mr. Bain, whose long stay with us is to terminate shortly. We hope his retirement will be one of happiness and prosperity.



It is our pleasant task to offer our heartiest congratulations to yet another successful scholarship candidate—K. St. C. Thomas, who has been elected to an £80 Scholarship at Pembroke College, Oxford.



We are pleased to note that Lieut J. L. Hutchison, M.C. (P.W.O. Civil Service Rifles), London, a former colour-sergeant of the School O.T.C., has won the Prince of Wales' Cup and Gold Medal in the regimental championship competition.



We must also congratulate Mr. R. E. Williams on being elected men's secretary on the Guild Council of the Liverpool University.

The effects of the coal stoppage have been wide-spread and ruinous. We have been unable this year to hold our annual swimming gala.



The O.T.C. Camp is to be held this year at Strensall, near York. We wish the 60 cadets who are going there a happy holiday.



The Cricket Team, this term, deserves special mention, as it has not lost a single school match. Its only failures have been in the matches with Hightown Extra and Sefton Extra.



The School field still remains in a disgraceful condition. It is alleged by a certain person that he saw a Sunday School Treat being celebrated on it. We hesitate to mention the numerous charred remains of five, which suggest happy pic-nic parties and dainty teas.



It is not without pleasure, even excitement, that we have seen the notices warning allotment holders that their leases expire on December 31st, 1921. Already we have visions of extra football grounds to be rented during the winter.



It is merely "Institute" luck, we must conclude, that the Sports were held early in June, before this long hot drought set in, and on a day when it ceased raining only during the quarter-hour of the Prize Distribution.



University Results: Oxford Classical Moderations.—J. I. McKie, 1st; T. M. Knox, 2nd.



The School has had, this term, the pleasure of listening to a short address from Mr. Gibson (Rev. Canon Gibson, M.C.), who came to talk about the "World Service Exhibition" to be held in Liverpool from October 3rd to 16th. Mr. Gibson succeeded in capturing the interest of the School immediately, and delighted us all by his humorous remarks and his description of a boxing match at Leeds.

The volumes of the School Magazine since 1900 have been bound and placed in the Library. These, we believe, are the only modern books of ephemeral nature which have passed the scrutiny of the Library Committee.



We congratulate P. J. Baxter and E. S. Ball on being elected Captain and Secretary respectively of School Football for next year.



### Song.

Sweet is the winding English road, when noontide, in its glory  
 Bathes the rejoicing earth awhile in floods of heavenly light;  
 When night is half the world away, and fears are lost in story,  
 And river, slope and valley broad in green and gold delight.  
 While not a hedge or ditch, I swear,  
 But yields some treasure passing fair,  
 Or meadow sweet, or hawthorn, snow, or the wild, wild rose  
 so rare.

And sweeter yet are English roads when miles are lost in  
 gloaming,  
 And pink lined clouds in the sunset west glow, tinged with  
 darkling grey,  
 When the silence of earth is deepened by the cries of the birds  
 in homing;  
 And perfumed stock puts to tawdry shame the voluptuous  
 scents of day:  
 And drowsy sighs, in whispering trees,  
 Mark where the winds lie couched at ease,  
 Witched into rest by the still, pale moon as she sails into  
 star-lit seas.

But sweeter than hearts' desire in youth, or dreams of the years  
 long-ended,  
 Are the winding roads of England in the silvered hours of  
 night;  
 For then, me thinks, where moonlight pale with tender shade  
 is blended,  
 The fairy queen doth hold her court, safe hid from mortal sight;  
 While Philomel, in secret brake,  
 Outpours, as though her heart would break,  
 Such notes as teach the listening breast with joy and grief to  
 ache.

H.W.

### League of Nations Society.

**A**S usual, athletics and games are the chief enticements of the summer term. Would that they could be more so!

We have not, therefore, had a busy time with the Society. One meeting attempted to make up in quality what has been deficient in quantity, and succeeded finally in electing officers for the next School year, to wit, Fraser, L. M.; Kneale, W. C., and Ball, E. S. We hope the Society will prosper under their leadership and take its due place in School life. This is the sum total of our doings at School.

Fortunately, the district generally has not allowed the oppressive heat to damp its energy, and some of its work has come to our notice. Upon the Headmaster's proposal, a scheme for a mass demonstration of the district in the town was considered at desultory length, but did not meet with the support it deserved, and had to be abandoned. A less ambitious plan was however, executed subsequently, when a meeting was held on the Exchange Flags, at which the Head, Mr. C. Sydney Jones, and Mr. C. W. Brooks were the chief speakers. Despite the very short notice given, the meeting was quite successful, and gives hope for the future, when the idea of the League of Nations begins to permeate through to the general public and possibly the School!

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Horra has been able to undertake the duties of Secretary for the Correspondents' Committee. As the Head is also President of the District and the Secretary of the Junior Committee is a member of the School, we are well represented in the District work, and it may not be out of place to give a short account here of what the District Committee has been able to accomplish.

The Junior Committee is composed of two delegates from each of the schools in the District (about twenty-four in number), together with a Chairman and Secretary, the former appointed by the School at which the meeting takes place upon each occasion, and the latter permanent. The speeches at the Model Assembly meeting, which was mentioned in last term's Magazine, have been printed in pamphlet form, through the enthusiastic ardour of the headmistress of the Belvedere School, and copies may be obtained through the secretaries.

This Committee met at the Liverpool Institute on 3rd June, to discuss the scheme of a mass demonstration. Its value was shown by the fact that the members of the School branches themselves, gave accounts of the feeling in their respective schools, different to those given by the School Correspondents at the Senior meeting. Thus a lot of trouble was saved the Correspondents' Committee. The meeting was unfortunately composed only of School delegates, who were keen on the work, and other

schools were unrepresented. Almost unanimous decisions, however, were arrived at, and the opinion that a mass meeting without a procession should be held, was communicated to the Senior Committée, with the result that it was left to the Junior Committee to do what was possible in the matter.

A further meeting, therefore, was held at the Liverpool College, and it was found that support for the scheme was only provided by a few schools, and it was not considered advisable to proceed with the matter. Another meeting is to be held on July 15th to discuss next year's district programme, the election of a new General Secretary, owing to the resignation of the present one, and the formation of a constitution.

Arrangements are being made for members of the Junior District to participate in the activities of the Senior District during next year. It is sincerely to be hoped that all will take any opportunity of seeing the work of the Senior Branch.

There will probably be lectures again next year, and it is expected that several prominent speakers will be able to give addresses. The winter terms at least will provide time to attend these interesting and educative meetings, and the School are expected to lead the way in giving support to the district work. Now that the foundations are laid, we hope that the School Society will flourish. Everything connected with the League is of the highest interest, and work at School will give plenty of enjoyment, besides occasion to fulfil what is manifestly a duty to any member of a self-respecting school.

We confidently look forward to the new officers making the Society a living thing, and now that we ourselves are deprived of the privilege of doing our "bit," we appeal to everyone in the Upper School to give the Society at least their interest.

### Chronique Scandaleuse.

**F**ROM the umbrageous dales of the winding Wear Valley, there once emerged a man of might.

This, however, is a matter of conjectural history and the result of indefatigable research, the laboratory work of which, to so speak, it would be too laborious to describe. Suffice it to say that from the caliginous glades of the sinuous Wear dingle, there once emerged one of imposing stature, rich with dark locks and fair in the beholding thereof.

His was a brow of intellect, eyes of steel, build of lynx—this, conjectural, as aforesaid. The world was old when Polyphemus experienced ocular couterisation, which is an *à fortiori* proof that this momentous happening was of antediluvian antiquity. Hence the profound mystery by which it is enveloped, but—nil desperandum—the chronicle must be writ. What avails

the opinion of a historiographer? Truth and truth alone we seek.—“What is Truth?” said jesting . . .—Away with soliloquy, we must to the work.

In anthromorphic indagation the *modus operandi* is of a bipartite nature, physiological and psychological, unless recourse is made to physiological psychology. To proceed by the former alternative, there would naturally follow the statistical calculations compiled at a pedagogic palaestra which it was ever his *summum bonum* to attend *quam saepissime*, as Horatius Cocleus hath it.

To treat the subject psychologically, would postulate an immediate foundering upon “*terra cotta*.” To a “brief survey” then *de tenero argui*, for so only, secrets will out. To investigate the militaristic complex which always affected his apprehension mass with the jaundiced eye of prejudice—there is a tradition that a certain nondescript Junior Corps erstwhile claimed his patronage. Fashioned therein according to the tenets of its all levelling, even soul-destroying organisation, he passed to the serried ranks of an Officers Training Corps wherein he rose with that consummate intrepidity, for which he is so justly famous, to the awe-inspiring height of Company Quarter Master Serjeant and Company Serjeant Major, only to have his insignia glorified by the scarlet embellishment of the sign of the Certificate A.

Despite his conservative tendencies, he was responsible for the demonstration of Hobbies by which the year 1921 was characterised. The glories of that memorable occasion still live green, even though the subterranean *estaminet*, upon whose Oriental illumination and secluded nooks, gossip ran wild beforehand, was conspicuous by its absence.

His education was sadly neglected, as all authorities agree. His mathematics was of the slightest and gained in difficulties. His *litterae humaniores* did not suffer equal neglect, for there are some who say that he began passing an examination termed the Higher School Certificate in 1919 and continued so doing without intermittence, until extraneous circumstances altered the direction of his learned saws. Scandal hath it that throughout, there lingered a cherished possession on his breast, upon which ever and anon he would gaze in admiration and sweet perplexity. Daring it would be to expose what IT was. It was not I.T. either. It was a thumb worn print of his heart's dearest idol, Browning who appealed to the morbid mysticism of his nature. Incidentally—it may be mentioned that he decided, one day, to go up, and subsequently came down, not in the conventional manner, but with an Exhibition to Univ. Coll. Oxon. at the holiday whereof his school-fellows were rejoiced exceeding glad, as say some.

His vocal powers were developed from his prehistoric adolescence. Upon one occasion he sang with pitiful pathos, a

dirge about Those Bottles on a Wall, or words to that effect—that, however, not at a public function, but, in order to ensure a proper and befitting atmosphere and *couleur locale*, at a clandestine and vespertine convocation of his military confederates. To his public demonstrations he brought but the product of finished art and industry, invincible to all but one House of immemorial fame.

His doings in the League of Nations Union may best be covered with a decent veil. He was an assiduous member of the Junior Committee of the Liverpool and Merseyside Public and Secondary Schools District of the League of Nations Union, and his calm commonsense could be trusted to shine through both idealistic fancy and materialistic pessimism.

As Head of the School, that steady character which was always his, made him a true leader. S. Milburn was one ever to be relied upon to check or to encourage, one of quiet, firm reliability.

McG.

### Library Notes.

WE have nothing to add to our notes of last term save this. Our honoured and respected Librarian, who has been our guide since the Library's opening in 1916, consequent upon his retirement from the Staff, will relinquish that post. We tender him our hearty thanks for the good work that he has done in the past, and wish him long life and happiness, and the satisfaction of knowing that he has fulfilled his duty. Mr. Horrax will take up the post of Librarian. We extend to him our good wishes.

### O. T. C. Notes.

BY the time these notes are in print, the Corps will have been inspected by Major Green. After that, the next most important item is Camp, which will be attended this year at Strensall, near York. About 55 cadets are already going and everyone who reads this, before it is too late, is advised to add his name to the list of the “fortunate.”

The activity of the O.T.C. has not extended beyond Tuesday parades this term. The coal strike has affected us badly. Our bolts and bayonets were removed from the armoury, as a measure of precaution, and train services have been so curtailed as to render a successful field day almost impossible. Next year, however, when more settled conditions may begin to prevail, there will be much more activity and indoor work.

A considerable part of the term was spent in getting the junior N.C.O's. used to their duties. Even at present the tone

of the orders to "too conversational." There is not enough noise made and hence confusion and bad drill. The Commanding Officer of the Liverpool University O.T.C. has commenced a practice which we hope will be continued. Invitations to a "sing-song" to be held by the University O.T.C. have been sent to members of the several junior O.T.C.'s. The connection between junior and senior O.T.C.'s. is at present very weak, and it is in the best interests of both that it should be strengthened. It must be to the members of the secondary and public schools' O.T.C.'s. that the seniors must look for recruits in the future. We may also add that members of the junior O.T.C.'s. have a good chance of becoming N.C.O.'s., if they join the University O.T.C.

Cpl. Ball must be congratulated on passing the Certificate "A" Examination.

Promotions: Cpl. Ball to be Sergeant from 8/3/21; Cadet Bell, J. A., to be Lance-Corporal from 11/6/21. c.s.m.

### A Summer Cycle Lay.

Full free of heart and blithe I dart,  
 Astride my steel-shod steed's poised back.  
 Speed up yon hill, fast-gliding wheel,  
 But slower up this level track!  
 I feel the thrill of living will,  
 Half airy as some passing bird.  
 Flocks in the fold I here behold:  
 Here, safely grazing, half a herd,  
 And feast mine eyes from o'er the rise  
 Upon the simple scenery.  
 Azure on high, the cloudless sky,  
 Beneath, a wealth of greenery.  
 Over all, the calm of Nature's balm,  
 The gentle hum of countryside.  
 My eyes delight in visions bright,  
 Where'er I meet them on my ride.  
 This humble cot, that leafy grot,  
 Yon stately spire half lost 'mid trees,  
 And, from the flow'rs in wayside bowers,  
 Sweet fragrance wafts the zephyr breeze. I.H.

### Hobby Show.

THE Hobby Show this year was interesting for more than one reason. Last year the exhibition of actual hobbies was omitted from lack of time of the committee; this year it was revived and showed the decrease in the numbers of

boys who have indoor hobbies. Thus either there is more outdoor sport—which is not likely—or more and more boys "go under" to the charms of the picture-drome, with its deadening effect on the mind. What entries were exhibited were of a high standard, being genuine hobbies and not models hastily thrown together in the previous week. The number of Meccano exhibits increases and the judging for prizes is consequently narrowed down. Scientific hobbies are evidently very popular. Three or four home-made sets of wireless apparatus were on show and must have confused visitors not a little with their intricate structure. As usual, lectures on any and every subject were given by boys during the evening in Mr. Elliot's room.

The chief attraction of the night, however, as formerly, was the Headmaster's exhibition of "Black Magic." After a few so-called simple tricks which succeeded in mystifying the audience, the Head went on to display some of his previously-unsuspected powers. With the troublesome assistance of two quarrelling attendants, he was able to decapitate a poor benighted wanderer from Mars. Fearing detection and retribution for this ghastly murder, he replaced the severed head and sent the "Marsian" rejoicing on his way. Not less wonderful and certainly more useful was the power he had of making one of his attendants to stand on the air—a performance which, though generally considered to be impossible owing to the effects of gravity, presented no difficulties. After having wonderfully interested the audience for an hour or so, "the magician bade them adieu and simply faded into the dark air."

Before the Black Magic, several musical items were rendered by members of the School, being the winners in the musical competitions, held in connection with the Hobby Show. The best House choir (Alfred Holt's) sang a part song, which was followed by two songs, sung with great spirit by K. St.C. Thomas. The first song, "Sea Fever," by John Ireland, was especially enjoyed by the boys, while the second one, "To Anthea," may have had more charms for the audience at night. Instrumental music, which was greatly appreciated, completed the programme.

The following were the prize winners:—

Photography: J. Renault.

Drawing: A. L. Parry.

Wireless: D. B. Wardle, D. H. Cadman.

Hobby Exhibit: F. Trinick, H. Jaspersen.

Singing: K. St.C. Thomas.

Instrumental Music: R. S. Brearey, G. Clitherow.

Literary Composition: I. Silverman, H. Worthington, J. Wignall.

Lectures: L. M. Fraser, R. J. Broadbent.



of his hills, and even had fondest thoughts for his own smoky town; the Midlander for his smiling and well watered meadows; the Southerner for his Downs of Sussex, Hampshire and the steep rock covered wastes of Devon and Cornwall. To each his own little spot was "Home" and that was the place he longed for whether he was mudlarking in France, killing mosquitoes in the Struma Plain or frying bully in a tin hat in the sweltering heat of the Jordan Valley.

Granted a successful conclusion—and did we ever think otherwise, even in the dark days of early 1918?—his home was safe, but what of the men whose homes had been swept away by the wave of war, which had rolled for 4½ years along that strip of land some sixty odd miles wide from Switzerland to the Coast of Belgium? To what were they going back? What was the prospect of the men whose homes had once been where, in the war, a little sign over a heap of débris said: "This was —." Truly a prospect to make the stoutest of hearts quail at the thought of it. We, in this country have for many hundreds of years been spared the presence in our midst of a hostile foe, but France has had, for a similar period, much bitter experience of the horrors of war in this shape, and the spirit which in 1871 revived and speedily paid off that crushing indemnity inflicted on her by the Prussians, is abroad in that country to-day and is pushing on the work of reconstruction with all speed.

There are those who say that the French ignore economical facts. That may be so, but an economic argument is cold comfort to a man whose house has been blotted out entirely, whilst those of his enemies whom he defeated in open conflict are scathless. This has to be rebuilt and somebody must pay for it. That "somebody" must be the Hun who did the damage, and that is the view of the average Frenchman to-day, and which of us, put in his place, would differ from that view?

Though of these opinions, the French are not idle, and in the expectation of the bill being met, they are pushing on the work of reconstruction as fast as possible, though it will be many years before the ravages of the war can be effaced.

I travelled via Hazebrouck and Béthune, through Vermelle, Loos, Lens, over Vimy Ridge, St. Vaast and on to Arras, and then on from Arras, skirting the Somme battlefields to Albert and Amiens. It was not a very long journey, but the route lay through places where some of the heaviest fighting of the war took place. The transformation already effected is amazing. The ruins, in many places, have been cleared away. The houses unfit for repair have been pulled down, whilst the damaged ones have been repaired. The old sites are being avoided and in each village have sprung up well built modern houses, properly planned and erected on new sites. Roads have been relaid and made into good highways. The trunks of the stricken trees which once lined the edges, have been removed and young saplings planted

in their place. Bridges have been rebuilt, railways relaid, electric power is available, and, in short, everything which is considered a necessary adjunct to a modern place is being re-made or established.

The land which we only knew as a honeycomb of shell-holes, stained in various colours and encumbered with the débris of war; stakes, barbed wire, shattered wagons and rotten sandbags have been cleared, the shell-holes, assisted by the healing touch of nature, have been almost obliterated and crops are flourishing. All this has not been accomplished without loss, and there have been many tragedies in ploughing operations owing to the machines coming into contact with what we once facetiously termed as "duds." It is a tragic fate for a man who, having survived the holocaust of Verdun, is killed whilst ploughing his own piece of land two years after the cessation of hostilities.

South of Arras, over the Somme battlefields the change is not so noticeable, though in effect it is just as great. Villages and towns are fewer and there are no industries to be re-established. It was, and is now again, an agricultural district and is rapidly assuming its pre-war aspect, except, of course, for the villages where the work of reconstruction is slow but sure. There are some parts, however, which will not change until it is effected in the course of time by nature, and those parts are the marshes and swamps near the river. This land was never of much use, except for cattle grazing, and shell-holes are still very evident. The woods, once leafy, cool and shady, are nothing but collections of stricken stumps, to which no verdure clings, and the visitor who knew not the nature of the land in which their boys fought, can, without exercising their imagination in the slightest, get a vivid idea of what our troops had to undergo.

The memory of their trials and privations must never be allowed to fade. Everyone of those hundreds of O.L.I.'s who served their country during the war, went through them ungrudgingly. Nearly 300 sacrificed their lives in so doing, and it is the duty of those who are now following in their footsteps through the old School to ensure that the ideals for which they died, are not forgotten and so make their efforts vain.

O.L.I.

## The Sports.

THE Weather Clerk misbehaved himself this year by giving us a damp Saturday sandwiched between two glorious days. In spite of the dampness, the Sports went off very well indeed, thanks to the ungrudging work of the staff. Considerable keenness was shown, and although very few people were

seen training, the entries were very numerous. The Senior Championship was gained by G. H. Cox, of Hughes House, who beat P. J. Baxter (also of Hughes House) by a fair margin: The Open Hundred Yards Cup was won by T. D. Anderson, of Tate House, and the Open Mile by G. H. Cox. The Middle and Junior Championships were won by I. Goldblatt and S. Jones, of Owen House, respectively. On the Wednesday, P. J. Baxter lowered S. T. Jones's record for the Hundred Yards under 16, to 11 sec., but he was unfortunately beaten by J. L. D. Lewis on the Saturday. Of the House Championship Shields, Owen won the Senior, Middle and Aggregate, Philip Holt winning the Junior. Hughes were second in each of the Divisions and the Aggregate.

We must thank Lady Danson, who very kindly presented the Cups and Medals, in spite of the adverse conditions.

We must also take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Tiffen, who always has gone to such a great deal of trouble in organising and executing all the Sports arrangements, and thanking Mr. Doughty, who performs his arduous task yearly in such an efficient manner.

#### SPORTS RESULTS.

**CRICKET BALL (Open).**—1st, P. J. Baxter; 2nd, G. M. Coomer; distance, 81 yards, 2½ ft. Under 15: 1st, Sanders, T. E.; 2nd, Dunn, C. E.; distance, 70 yards. Under 13½: 1st, Sweetenham, H.; 2nd, Thomas, D. A.

**LONG JUMP (Open).**—1st, Cox, G. H.; 2nd, R. W. Buckley; distance 17 ft. 8 ins. Under 15: 1st, Goldblatt, I.; 2nd, Wilson, F. A.; distance, 15 ft. 1 in. Under 13½: 1st, H. W. Haycocks; 2nd, Jones, G.

**HIGH JUMP (Open).**—1st, P. J. Baxter; 2nd, King, W. A.; height, 4 ft. 11 ins. Under 15: 1st, Strickland, W. K. R.; 2nd, Drinkwater, W. S.; height, 4 ft. 2 ins. Under 13½: 1st, Scott, J.; 2nd, Brearey, R. S.

**100 YARDS (Open).**—1st, Anderson, T. D.; 2nd, Cox, G. H.; time 11½ secs. Under 16: 1st, Lewis, J. L. D.; 2nd, Baxter, P. J.; time 11½ secs. Under 15: 1st, Goldblatt, I.; 2nd, Gleave, A.; time 11½ secs. Under 14: 1st, Smalley, M.; 2nd, Gornall, R. H.; time 12½ secs. Under 13½: 1st, Jones, S.; 2nd, McGowan, N.; time 12½ secs. Under 13: 1st, Hodgson, J. H.; 2nd, Myles, H. N.; time 12½ secs. Under 12: 1st, Kirby, T. H.; 2nd, Kitchen, A. F.; time 12½ secs. Under 11: 1st, Sturgeon, S.; 2nd, Hackett, R.; time 13½ secs. Under 10: 1st, Edwards, A. G.; 2nd, Goldblatt, J.; time 15 secs.

**220 YARDS (Open).**—1st, Anderson, T. D.; 2nd, Buckley, R. W.; time 26½ secs. Under 16: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Thompson, H. W.; time 27½ secs. Under 15: 1st, Goldblatt, I.; 2nd, Gleave, A.; time 28 secs. Under 14: 1st, Smalley, M.; 2nd, Gornall, R. H.; time 29½ secs. Under 13½: 1st, Jones, S.; 2nd, Sweetenham, H. O.; time 31 secs. Under 13: 1st, Moss, F.; 2nd, Baxter, A. D.; time 32½ secs. Under 12: 1st, Kirby, T. H.; 2nd, Kitchen, A. F.; time 31½ secs. Under 11: 1st, Sturgeon, S.; 2nd, Edwards, A. G.; time 34½ secs.

**440 YARDS (Open).**—1st, Cox, G. H.; 2nd, Bridge, S. K.; time 66 secs. Under 15: 1st, Goldblatt, I.; 2nd, Gleave, A.; time 66½ secs. Under 13½: 1st, Kitchen, G. R.; 2nd, Jones, S.; time 70½ secs.

**880 YARDS (Open).**—1st, Cox, G. H.; 2nd, Cashin, J. W.; time 2 mins, 15 secs.

**ONE MILE (Open).**—1st, Cox, G. H.; 2nd, Ball, F. A.; 3rd, Cashin, J. W.; time 5 mins. 23½ secs. Under 16: 1st, Lemon, W. A. P.; 2nd, Swan, S. R. B.; time 5 mins. 30 secs. Under 15: 1st, Jackson, W. H.; 2nd, Davis, W. N.; time 5 mins. 44½ secs.

**250 YARDS HANDICAP (Open).**—1st, Forrest, A.; 2nd, Musker, J. H. Under 15: 1st, Smalley, M.; 2nd, Davies, W. N. Under 13: 1st, Kirby, T. H.; 2nd, Burnett, S. E. Under 11: 1st, Murray, L. C.; 2nd, Miller, J. M.

**OBSTACLE RACE (Open).**—1st, Deacon, J. A.; 2nd, Thompson, H. W. Under 15: 1st, Rooksby, W. H.; 2nd, Dennis, P. W. Under 12½: 1st, Thomas, D. A.; 2nd, Kitchen, H. F.

**SACK RACE.**—1st, Forrest, A.; 2nd, Wilson, A. N.

**EGG RACE (Open).**—1st, Coutts, M.; 2nd, Taylor, H. M. Under 15: 1st, Williams, K. P.; 2nd, M'Arthur, J. R. Under 13½: 1st, Jones, J.; 2nd, Thomas, D. A.

**RELAY RACE (Senior).**—1st, Hughes; 2nd, Owen; time 60½ secs. Middle: 1st ; 2nd Junior: 1st, 2nd,

**TUG-OF-WAR (Senior).**—1st Cochran; 2nd, Hughes. Middle: 1st, Philip Holt; 2nd, Alfred Holt. Junior: 1st, Philip Holt; 2nd, Owen.

**OLD BOYS (220 Yards).**—1st, Mr. R. N. Black (C.); 2nd, Mr. J. C. Tucker (T.); time 25½ secs.

**CHAMPIONSHIP CUPS.**—Senior: Cox, G. H. (H.) Middle: Goldblatt, I. (O.) Junior: Jones, S. (O.)

**HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.**—Senior: Owen. Middle: Owen. Junior: Philip Holt.

**AGGREGATE.**—Owen.

#### AVERAGE MARKS.

##### SENIOR DIVISION.

Owen	8.73	Cochran	4.15
Hughes	6.55	Alfred Holt	4.03
Philip Holt	5	Danson	3.21
Tate	4.43		

##### MIDDLE DIVISION.

Owen	5.49	Cochran	2.87
Hughes	4.97	Tate	1.70
Danson	3.34	Alfred Holt	1.61
Philip Holt	3.04		

##### JUNIOR DIVISION.

Philip Holt	4.42	Danson	1.89
Hughes	3.87	Alfred Holt	.76
Tate	2.27	Owen	.76
Cochran	1.97		

##### AGGREGATE.

Owen	5.15	Danson	3.01
Hughes	5.13	Tate	2.87
Philip Holt	3.91	Alfred Holt	2.06
Cochran	3.10		

## Inter-School Sports.

THE Inter-School Sports were held at the Police Athletic Ground on Wednesday, the 22nd of June. The School were second in the Senior and first in the Junior Championships. The following are the places gained for the School by individual boys:—

### SENIOR EVENTS.

HIGH JUMP.—1st, King, W. A.; 3rd, Baxter, P. J.; height, 5 ft. 1 in.

HURDLES.—1st, Coomer, G. M.

ONE MILE.—1st, Cox, G. H.; time, 4 mins., 52 $\frac{3}{4}$  secs.

### JUNIOR EVENTS.

100 YARDS.—1st, Goldblatt, I.

220 YARDS.—3rd, Goldblatt, I.; time, 28 $\frac{1}{2}$  secs.

HIGH JUMP.—2nd, Strickland, W. K.

HURDLES.—2nd, Strickland, W. K.; 3rd, Smalley, M.

880 YARDS.—2nd, Davis, W. N.; time, 2 mins., 22 secs.

LONG JUMP.—2nd, Goldblatt, I.

CRICKET BALL.—2nd, Sanders, T. E.; 3rd, Dunn, C. E.

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## House Notes.

COCHRAN HOUSE.—This is the only term in which there has been a chance for the Houses to show their respective merits. In the Sports, however, Cochran has not done well. The Senior Tug-of-War was won by Cochran, against Hughes.

As the "Headmaster's Cup" has not yet been played, it is impossible to say how we have done. We wish the team best of luck when they come to play.

So far there is no mention of a Swimming Gala; here again Cochran is deprived of a chance of retrieving its low fortunes. The Gala, we hope, will be held next term, when what is left of this year's House must put out all their energies to encourage the new House Captain in his arduous task.

This is the last time we shall write these notes—the bane of a captain's life—and would conclude by wishing the House the best of good luck and success in the future.

S. M.

ALFRED HOLT HOUSE.—The House did well in the Hobby Show. The Choir Cup, and the lecture, literary composition, and both instrumental music prizes fell to its lot. We congratulate the prize-winners and hope they will have worthy successors from the Old House.

Our failure in the Sports was due to the work being left to a few enthusiasts. We are glad to think that these will be able again next year to "leaven the lump," make preparations early and thoroughly, and set the House in its due place.

For the cricket and swimming, especially swimming, competitions, we have high hopes. The delay in the House Chess competitions can only be attributed to the modesty of the Captain of School Chess.

The House will lose many of its senior and loyal members this term, and in September will find many in its midst, unused to its traditions and ignorant of what being in A.H. implies. We shall look forward with confidence to seeing it advance from height to height under the able leadership of its new Head and Athletic Captain.

G. S. C.

TATE HOUSE.—It is with pride, tinged somewhat with regret for what we might have done and have not done, that we look back on this last year. Our failures have been failures not of enthusiasm, but of talent; and after all, it is the enthusiast who gets the best out of life.

The House Choir maintained its excellent tradition, and on the first judgment was placed equal with Alfred Holt. On the second, however, owing no doubt to the fact that the bass was somewhat wobbly,\* Dr. Wallace adjudged Alfred Holt the winner. We offer no extenuation of that singer's failure.

The athletics of the House, though not giving us the Challenge Cup, maintained a fair level. The House Sports Captain acquired the Cup which was offered for the 100 yards open, and won the 220 yards in great style.

For the rest, "Hope springs eternal," and we shall look to the Junior and Middle sections to retrieve our technical failures. To those who will leave us this term we wish not success, but happiness—to those who have yet years of school before them we leave the message—"Play up, play up, and play the game."—[\*T. not A.H. bass, we presume.—Ed.]

HUGHES HOUSE.—Since the last publication of the Magazine we are able to say that we have again won the Horsfall Cup, beating Danson in the Semi-Final after a draw, and Owen in the Final by 5 goals to 4.

In the Sports this term our entries were below the average, and consequently we lost the Senior Division and Aggregate Shields. For both these we stood a very good chance. We must congratulate Cox, G.H. on his two splendid performances (i) of winning the Open Championship Cup, and (ii) of winning the Open Mile Cup for the second successive year. P. J. Baxter was a fairly good second in the Open Championship and won the

medal presented by Mr. G. H. Rome (also an old Hughesite) for the runner-up. The most creditable performance among our juniors was that of G. R. Kitchen, who ran very well indeed.

In the Headmaster's Cricket Cup we have to play Tate House, and it is up to all members to practice so that the House may not be let down.

The Swimming Gala is also upon us, and we hope that our team, under the leadership of Cox, will be able to carry on their successes of former years.

Among the "leavists" this term is our very popular House Captain, G. M. Coomer, whom we wish to thank for all his work in the past. Another notable absentee next term will be Cox, and to these two and all others who may be leaving we extend our hearty wishes for the future.

**PHILIP HOLT HOUSE.**—We must congratulate the Juniors on winning the Championship of their division in the Sports. This has been a very quiet term as regards House activities, and we have therefore nothing else to chronicle. We hope, however, that the House will regain the position which it held in the palmy days of the House Games System, a restoration of which is promised for next term.

**OWEN HOUSE.**—This, our first summer term, has been up to now very successful. We certainly had hard luck in the Horsfall Cup last term, being beaten in the final by Hughes; and our House Choir claim to have got highest marks in one of the songs, which I am afraid we will have to take their word for.

We made a good start in the Sports by winning three out of four shields—the Senior, the Middle and the Aggregate. We congratulate Goldblatt, I., on winning the Middle Championship Cup, and Jones, S., on winning the Junior Championship Cup.

Our outlook for the rest of the term is quite bright. We have quite a good cricket team, and may entertain hopes of winning the Headmaster's Cup.

The Swimming Gala which takes place on the day before we break up, offers us a chance to win another shield, and it is hoped that the House will enter for it with the same enthusiasm as they entered for the Sports.

R.H.M.

**DANSON HOUSE.**—After entertaining such hopes for the Horsfall Cup we were unfortunately beaten by Hughes in the replay of the semi-final.

However, there is a good outlook for House Cricket this term. We won our first cricket match, and also had a practice match which has shown that we can produce a fairly good team and that we stand a fair chance of obtaining the Headmaster's Cup.

We were rather unfortunate, however, in the Sports, for owing to the lack of runners in the Senior part of the House, we came fifth in the list, but we will hope for more next year. In conclusion we will wish all those who are leaving us every success in their future career.

F.R.B.

## Education.

I HAD a queer dream last night; the beginning thereof was especially curious, for I dreamt that I had done well in the exam. This, I suppose, lead me on to School topics, for I—, but here's the thing just as I dreamt it.

An inspector came to the School, and a queer sort of chap he was too—wanted to "go round the School accompanied by one of the boys themselves—he wished to get at their view of things." I happened to be the first he came across, so I was booked for the job. I did the thing in style, for I had an axe to grind, and this fellow seemed just the sort for putting an edge on it. He didn't seem as "thick" as most responsible people, if you follow me. First of all I showed him the "digs" and he enthused over the genius who had lately made some additions to them. Working upwards, according to my scheme, I did the same with the gym. and the donor thereof, the organ and the benefactor connected therewith, and soon, ended up with the P.R. and the Library. And then the trouble began.

By this time, the inspector, or scholar, as the modern people would say, was in quite a good humour. "You boys ought to be very grateful for the benefits which have thus recently been conferred upon you," he said at the conclusion of a long and enthusiastic speech. "Undoubtedly," I said, but I was thinking about a "benefit" which had been conferred upon us in ages past and which we had not yet succeeded in getting rid off. (We'll come to that later however). Anyhow I was feeling rather doleful at the time and so, I continued, "There's one thing however, in connection with this place which makes me feel rather sad you know." "Oh," said he, "that seems rather strange—except, perhaps, yonder writing desk is just a little out of keeping with the rest of the place, I—" "No," said I, interrupting him, "it's nothing like that, but I've just heard that the cold storage people are taking this over for the winter—at a good price—for, of course, they don't need to provide any plant—they just keep the door shut and—" He fainted, and before he could recover I had blindfolded him and rolled him down sundry staircases to a certain well-known place in the basement.

When we stood in the corridor outside, I took off the bandage.—“Goodness, Gracious, what’s this?” said he. “Have I been buried alive, or is Einstein’s theory actually working, or what is it?” I was, of course, surprised at such a person thinking anything so preposterous. “Buried alive in the Liverpool Institute?—Ridiculous!” said I. “You’d think we were just an ordinary school—and we’ve not really, you know, for we’ve something here which is possessed by no other school founded since the fine old barbed wire and slow fire toasting days of the gay cavalier—but you must come and see it,” I added.

As we walked along the cold, dismal corridor aforementioned, the sun outside was shining brightly like the famous lighthouse light. I recited the “Burial of Sir John Moore, at Corunna,” whistled “Whispering,” trolled off this year’s Certificate questions, and in fact, did everything to make the poor man’s flesh creep. Then I threw open the door and we entered

“This,” I said, in tones worthy of the ghost of Christmas past, “is the School Mortuary.” “But—” he protested feebly. “O hush thee my baby,” I said fiercely, for long use had robbed the chilly atmosphere of its effect on me, while the poor man was under its influence by now and past taking offence. “When Dotheboys Hall was finally condemned by the police,” I continued, “a kind benefactor of the School—a follower of Diogenes’ philosophy (as applied to others) and a great believer in discipline (with the same reservation) secured this thing at enormous expense, and had it carried off en bloc and deposited here. The only use that could be found for it was the one which I have mentioned. You see those three tables,” said I, now warming to my subject, “but do you know that when any unfortunate person, after a painful interview in the P.R. loses his balance, and topples over the bannisters when any nervous youngster with a fondness for grandmother’s yarns, is overcome with grief at forgetting a French impost, when anyone fails to understand the Head in Hall, when any poor soul, weak, after a long illness, returns to School without a note—when any of these sad things happen, I say, and they bring the unfortunate one down here, they lay him gently on one of these, and there he reposes, until his last domicile is built—I allude, of course, to the coffin in which others are to carry him to his final resting-place.”

“Do you know,” I began again in the divinely inspired tones of an old bard or prophet, “I—” but the poor Scholar was too far gone, so I desisted. He had collapsed into the Hudson’s dry-soap box so kindly and thoughtfully provided by the authorities. Now, as in the approved style, he slowly raised his dying head, he gazed upon me with a look which might have

drawn pity from a French master, petrol from a motor-scooter and, so sincere, so full of pain it was, even sympathetic understanding from the gifted barrel organist, who so kindly obliges the School every Tuesday afternoon.

“One thing before I die,” he said, in a thin drawn voice, “would you mind lighting the gas, it is so very dismal here.” I did so. Sighing, he observed it and said, “I’m sorry, I thought they were to give light, I see now they’re only here to rob the air and so, all chance of life from those brought here to die.”

The man was raving, so I resolved to do something, and to relieve him of his misery. “I am afraid I have been exaggerating,” I said, “this is merely the place where pupils may partake of light refreshment. I quote the prospectus, which, I may add, does not give the relative sizes of this place and of the School—this is merely—the School Tuck-Shop.”

And his lifeless body lay,  
A worn out fetter that the soul  
Had broken and thrown away.

“How extremely awkward,” I muttered, and went upstairs for a game of bunkers.

### House and Form Cricket.

THIS term has been most successful as regards cricket other than for the XI’s. Form cricket is in progress every evening and House practices on Friday evenings. The forthcoming competition for the “Headmaster’s Cricket Cup” is to take place at the end of the term and the trial will no doubt be keen. It is hoped that by the end of term the form leagues will be complete. The full tables will be published next term.

D.A.H.

### School Cricket.

SCHOOL Cricket, this season, has shown a marked improvement on last year’s standards. The members of the Elevens have availed themselves of the ample opportunities for practice provided by the introduction of three new nets and a fielding machine, and consequently their batting and fielding has improved considerably. Several Masters, of whom we wish particularly to mention Mr. S. V. Brown, have helped us at net practice, but what is essentially needed is the cricket energy and coaching of a Mr. Broom, whom we miss more and more as time goes on.

The First Eleven, up to the time of going to press, have been very successful. The batting especially has improved greatly, and

the chief cause of their success is that there is no "tail." Every one of the Eleven is more or less a batsman. In two matches, against Wallasey and Collegiate, we have had to rely on our so-called "tail" to carry us through. Dunn, Roberts, Buckley and Coomer have been the most consistent scorers. Coomer has made the highest individual score (80) and is the only player to have passed the half-century. Dunn and Coomer have borne the brunt of the bowling, which has been quite good. The fielding has been erratic but, on the whole, good; but more attention should be paid to backing-up and throwing-in. A fielding prize is to be awarded at the end of the season.

Of the eight games played, seven have been won and one lost.

The Second Eleven has had a very unsuccessful season. They have suffered through the want of a good Captain. The batting, with two or three exceptions, has been very poor. The "exceptions" are Worgan, Youngson and Ball, E. S. Mason and Keedwell, with more practice, might develop into good bats, but at present they are in the "raw state." The latter is also making a name for himself as wicket-keeper. On the other hand, the bowling has been very good. Hutchison and Elliott share the bowling honours and both have excellent averages. The latter should develop into an excellent slow left-handed bowler and, with his field well placed, should capture any amount of wickets. The fielding has been disgraceful. Catches without number are dropped and little or no attention is paid to backing-up and covering. If the Second Eleven wish to see any caps, this serious defect must be remedied.

We wish to thank most heartily Mr. R. E. Williams, Mr. S. V. Brown, and all those Masters who, by their umpiring and their advice, have helped to make School Cricket a success.

#### CRITIQUE OF FIRST ELEVEN.

- COOMER, G. M. (Capt.)**—A hard working and capable Captain. When set is a very forceful batter. As a bowler has been very successful this season with his "swerve." Undoubtedly the finest fielder in the XI. Played his best game at Oxtou, where he made 80 runs and took 6 wickets for 40.
- DUNN, F. W. (Sect.)**—Is to be congratulated upon the excellent way in which he has performed his Secretarial duties. An excellent swift bowler with a good length and a natural leg-break. A forceful batsman who is always good on the off, but should practice leg strokes more.
- THOMAS, K. St. C.**—A moderate batsman who has not met with much success this season. Treats all bowling with contempt and wants to hit every ball that comes along. Is a good ground fielder, but a poor catch.

- SHANKLAND, J.**—A good change bowler who has not had many opportunities of displaying his prowess in that direction. A batsman whose real game is hitting and who gets some power behind his strokes. Is a moderate fielder.
- BUCKLEY, R. W.**—A new member of the XI. who has played consistently well throughout the season. Is a defensive bat who is inclined to poke too much. Has fielded very well at short-leg.
- ROBERTS, G. N.**—Another new batsman who has played well but has been exceedingly lucky. Would do better if he did not "scoop" so much. Has at times fielded brilliantly in the slips and at other times has been painfully weak.
- AKED, R. D.**—Has greatly improved as a batsman this season, but still suffers from nerves. Is an excellent catch, but is very slow in picking up a swift ground ball. A useful change bowler.
- COX, G. H.**—A batsman who "stonewalls" with a certain amount of success. Has no scoring strokes on the off, but is quite good on the leg. A good fielder who would do much better if he "used his head."
- LOUGHLIN, E. J.**—A hard hitter who has played some good games. Has an exceptionally good eye and pulls every ball round to leg. He should, however, learn to keep them down. An excellent field at point.
- BAXTER, P. J.**—Is essentially a hitter, but has unsuccessfully tried to play carefully in one or two matches. Has fielded very well at 3rd man and long-field, but throws in too vigorously.
- SMITH, S. B.**—A fairly good wicket-keeper. Generally manages to stop a ball but is very slow in "stumping." Might become a batsman if he practised more. Played an exceedingly good innings against the Old Boys.

#### SCHOOL v. HOLT SECONDARY SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, on Wednesday, May 4th.

Coomer won the toss and decided to bat first on a rather dead wicket. Our innings opened merrily, Thomas scoring 11 in quick time, but was caught at point after a feeble stroke. After this, runs came none too freely, and we had only reached 29 when the fifth wicket fell. Cox and Loughlin then made a short stand and brought the score up to 46 before they were separated. Loughlin was in his element and compiled a merry 18 before he was clean bowled by Milne. At the other end Cox was content to stonewall, and had only succeeded in making two when he was also dismissed by Milne. Our "tail" wagged considerably and we were all out for 66. For the Holt, Milne bowled well throughout the innings, and secured eight wickets at the cost of 20 runs.

The Holt started well and had scored 21 for the loss of three wickets. Dunn and Coomer then found their length and began to play skittles, the whole side being dismissed for 25. The former

bowled very well, taking six wickets for seven runs. Our fielding was quite good, several hard catches being taken by Loughlin and Aked.

Our batting manifested great lack of practice, but this is only to be expected at the beginning of the season.

SCHOOL.		HOLT SECONDARY SCHOOL.	
K. Thomas, c Lawton, b Milne ...	11	Lawton, c Aked, b Dunn .....	0
R. D. Aked, b Milne .....	4	Milne, c Loughlin, b Dunn .....	5
G. M. Coomer, b Milne .....	0	Walton, b Dunn .....	10
F. W. Dunn, c Williams, b Lawton	4	Ford, c Thomas, b Coomer .....	2
J. Shankland, c Jones, b Milne ...	5	Jones, c Loughlin, b Coomer ...	1
E. J. Loughlin, b Milne .....	18	Baugham, b Dunn .....	1
G. H. Cox, b Milne .....	2	Williams, L., b Dunn .....	1
R. W. Buckley, not out .....	5	Williams, G., b Coomer .....	1
P. T. Baxter, b Milne .....	7	Cliffe, b Coomer .....	0
D. A. Hutchison, c Baugham, b		Holgate, b Dunn .....	0
Milne .....	0	Deyes, not out .....	0
S. B. Smith, c Williams, b Walton	4		
Extras .....	6	Extras .....	4
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>66</b>	<b>Total</b> .....	<b>25</b>

Bowling:—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. W. Dunn.....	6	3	7	6
G. M. Coomer ...	5.1	2	14	4

SCHOOL v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.

Played at Oxtou, on Saturday, May 7th.

Birkenhead batted first, but Coomer bowled with such effect that they were all out for 78. Those who had the pleasure of playing on the same ground last year were rather cheered by this comparatively low score. Thomas vented his joy in a mighty hit which fell just short of the boundary. He and Aked then gave a display of the art of "pinching" runs. Their speed between the wickets is remarkable, ranging chiefly between "dead slow" and "stop." A partnership between Dunn and Coomer, who was batting very confidently, had produced about 50 runs when the former was bowled by Austin. Loughlin then made 20 but gave too many chances by "skying" the ball. Coomer continued making runs freely, but in playing forward took his foot off the crease and was stumped. His innings of 80 was well-nigh faultless, and included one 5 and 10 fours. Added to his bowling analysis of six wickets for 40, it constitutes a very successful afternoon's play. Stumps were drawn with our score at 187 for seven wickets.

SCHOOL.		BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.	
K. Thomas, c Kerr, b Austin .....	12	E. N. Willmer, b Coomer .....	5
R. D. Aked, b Roberts .....	12	W. S. Priestly, b Coomer .....	0
G. M. Coomer, st Willmer, b		O. W. Roberts, lbw, b Dunn ...	5
Roberts .....	80	D. K. McMinn, b Coomer .....	0
F. W. Dunn, b Austin .....	26	T. R. W. Deakin, b Dunn .....	16
J. Shankland, c Cooke, b Roberts	10	E. B. Clarke, c & b Coomer .....	22
E. J. Loughlin, c Green, b Dowse	20	A. G. Cooke, c & b Coomer .....	10
G. N. Roberts, not out .....	6	J. M. Kerr, b Shankland .....	4
R. W. Buckley, c & b Deakin ...	4	B. L. R. Dowse, b Coomer .....	1
P. J. Baxter, not out .....	4	R. D. Green, b Shankland .....	0
G. H. Cox, did not bat .....		B. E. Austin, not out .....	0
S. B. Smith, did not bat .....			
Extras .....	13	Extras .....	7
<b>Total (for 7 wickets) .....</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>Total</b> .....	<b>70</b>

Bowling:—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. W. Dunn.....	9	2	25	2
G. M. Coomer... 12	3	40	6	
J. Shankland ...	3.5	1	6	2

SCHOOL v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, on Wednesday, May 18th.

Wallasey went in to bat on a hard wicket. They batted fairly steadily, and had scored 49 for the loss of four wickets when Davies joined Lunt. These two players appeared quite at home with our bowling, and although two change bowlers were tried they were not separated until the score was 69. Wickets now fell rapidly, and Wallasey were all out for 79. Lunt played admirable cricket and was next-to-last man out, being dismissed by Coomer with his score at 34.

Our innings opened disastrously. Wickets fell in quick succession, and we were only 20 with half our wickets down. Dunn and Buckley then put up a short stand, carrying the score to 45, when Buckley, after a good display, was bowled. Dunn continued to score freely, particularly on the off side, but with his score at 30 he was caught at mid-off after a brilliant and invaluable innings. There was great excitement when, with the score at 78 for 8, Cox was bowled, but, fortunately for us, on the last ball of the over. Roberts thus had the bowling to face, and he drove the first ball he received to the boundary amidst great cheering. With the score at 91 our innings closed. Roberts being caught with his own score at 24. He had played sound cricket, and is to be congratulated on his display.

SCHOOL.		WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.	
K. Thomas, b Smith .....	0	Smith, c Roberts, b Coomer .....	13
R. D. Aked, c Llewellyn, b Smith	0	Lunt, b Coomer .....	34
G. M. Coomer, b Smith .....	2	Thompson, b Dunn .....	4
F. W. Dunn, c Thompson, b		Loneragan, c Roberts, b Coomer	9
Davies .....	30	Macadam, b Dunn .....	2
J. Loughlin, b Smith .....	0	Davies, c & b Coomer .....	8
J. Shankland, b Smith .....	2	Penley, b Dunn .....	0
R. W. Buckley, b Smith .....	12	Llewellyn, b Dunn .....	1
W. N. Roberts, c Abell, b Smith	24	Abell, b Dunn .....	0
P. J. Baxter, b Davies .....	0	Tyson, not out .....	0
G. H. Cox, b Davies .....	1	Webster, c & b Coomer .....	0
R. B. Smith, not out .....	4		
Extras .....	10	Extras .....	8
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>91</b>	<b>Total</b> .....	<b>79</b>

Bowling:—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. W. Dunn.....	14	2	27	5
G. M. Coomer... 13	5	30	5	
J. Shankland ...	2	0	4	0
E. J. Loughlin... 2	0	10	0	

SCHOOL v. LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, on Saturday, May 21st.

Coomer lost the toss and Collegiate went in to bat on what appeared to be a batsman's wicket. Their batting was, frankly, quite feeble, and they were all out for the meagre total of 19. Coomer was in form with his "leg swerves," and took 8 wickets for 7 runs. Our batting, with one exception, was also poor. Half the side were out for 10 runs, but Buckley with an excellent and valuable innings of 19 saved the situation, and our innings closed at 35. The first innings was finished at the ridiculously early hour of 4.15 so we decided to play a second innings.

The Collegiate's second innings looked like being a repetition of the first, when 7 wickets had fallen for 13 runs. However, Corran and Unsworth by virtue of some lucky "slogging" carried the score to 36 for 8. With the score at 46, their innings was closed by Roberts making a brilliant catch in the slips. Loughlin and Baxter opened our innings. Baxter surprised us by playing a careful steady innings of 6 runs before he was caught at point. With the score at

32 for 1 wicket, we declared, leaving us winners of a curious game by nine wickets. Loughlin's contribution of 22 towards the required 32 consisted of 5 fours and 1 two.

SCHOOL.

1st Innings:		2nd Innings:	
K. Thomas, b Moore	6	G. N. Roberts, not out	2
R. D. Aked, b Moore	0	E. J. Loughlin, not out	22
G. M. Coomer, b Farrel	1	P. J. Baxter, c Connary, b Moore	6
F. W. Dunn, b Farrel	2		
G. N. Roberts, c Pape, b Moore	1		
E. J. Loughlin, b Farrel	0		
R. W. Buckley, b Hetherington	19		
A. C. Worgan, lbw., Hetherington	4		
S. B. Smith, c Kirkbridge, b Hetherington	0		
G. H. Cox, c Connary, b Pape	0		
P. J. Baxter, not out	0		
Extras	2	Extras	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>Total (for 1 wicket)</b>	<b>32</b>

LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

1st Innings:		2nd Innings:	
Farrel, b Dunn	5	Farrel, c Cox, b Coomer	0
Hetherington, c Loughlin, b Coomer	0	Hetherington, b Dunn	0
Treedy, run out	0	Treedy, c & b Coomer	0
Pape, c Aked, b Coomer	6	Pape, b Dunn	4
Kirkbridge, b Coomer	1	Kirkbridge, b Coomer	2
Roskell, b Coomer	0	Roskell, b Dunn	3
Moore, b Coomer	2	Moore, b Coomer	1
Corran, b Coomer	0	Corran, b Coomer	16
Unsworth, b Coomer	3	Unsworth, c Coomer, b Dunn	10
Calvey, not out	0	Calvey, c Roberts, b Dunn	0
Connery, c Loughlin, b Coomer	2	Connery, not out	0
Extras	1	Extras	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>

Bowling:—				
F. W. Dunn	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. M. Coomer	19	4	33	6
	17.1	6	29	13

SCHOOL v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Wallasey on Wednesday, May 25th.

The School went in to bat on a hard wicket and in glorious sunshine. Thomas and Aked opened our innings. Both were soon disposed of and two wickets were down for 11 runs. However, Dunn and Coomer made a short stand and took the score to 38 before Coomer was caught in the slips. Loughlin did not last long, being given out l.b.w. before he had scored. The remaining batsmen batted extremely well, and all, with the exception of Cox (who was "not out"), reached double figures. Roberts and Buckley were the chief scorers with 31 and 24 respectively, but their innings were spoilt by frequent "lives" in the slips. Dunn played sound cricket for his innings of 23 and was bowled by the best ball of the match. We were all out for 157—a very good performance.

Wallasey opened their innings none too confidently, and three wickets were down for 29. Then followed a stand which brought the score to 63. Dunn was not up to his usual form and although several change bowlers were tried, none of them, with the exception of Aked, were successful. The latter bowled fairly well and took two wickets for 8 runs. The remaining batsmen were content to "stone-wall" and were not at all anxious to score runs. They were all out for 83, taking the same time to make it as we did to make 157. The slowness of the cricket may be judged from the fact that the last

five overs that Coomer bowled were all "maidens." Our fielding was not too good and several easy catches were missed in the slips.

SCHOOL.

K. Thomas, b Thomson	10	Loneragan, b Coomer	12
R. D. Aked, c & b Davies	1	Lunt, b Dunn	2
G. M. Coomer, c Llewellyn, b Davies	16	Thomson, c Aked, b Coomer	6
F. W. Dunn, b Llewellyn	23	Macadam, b Aked	27
E. J. Loughlin, lbw, b Davies	0	Davies, b Coomer	10
R. W. Buckley, c Tyson, b Penley	24	Penley, c Buckley, b Coomer	3
J. Shankland, b Llewellyn	14	Foster, c Buckley, b Aked	2
G. N. Roberts, b Penley	31	Llewellyn, c & b Coomer	4
P. J. Baxter, b Penley	12	Tyson, not out	1
G. H. Cox, not out	5	Abell, lbw, b Coomer	0
S. B. Smith, b Tyson	14	Webster, c Loughlin, b Coomer	0
Extras	7	Extras	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>83</b>

Bowling:—				
F. W. Dunn	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. M. Coomer	19.16	9	18	7
R. D. Aked	6	1	8	2
J. Shankland	4	1	23	0
E. J. Loughlin	2	2	0	0

SCHOOL v. HOLT SECONDARY SCHOOL.

Played at Calderstones on Saturday, May 28th.

Coomer won the toss and sent Holt in to bat on a sticky wicket. The Holt's batting was not very good, but mainly through good running, and bad fielding on our part, they ran up the respectable score of 52. Both Dunn and Coomer were out of luck, chiefly through dropped catches. However, the change bowlers, Shankland and Edge, easily disposed of the Holt "tail"; the former took three wickets for five runs and the latter two for one.

Our innings opened well, Buckley and Cox making a stand which realised 27 runs. The Holt bowling was not very good and gave us little trouble. Cox, playing his usual steady game, compiled a good 41 which was only marred by one difficult "life" at point. He is to be congratulated on his performance and to be consoled in not reaching his 50. Coomer had a short and sweet innings, while Dunn, after scoring three, was out with an unlucky l.b.w. We declared at 72 for 5, leaving us comfortable winners by 20 runs and 5 wickets.

SCHOOL.

R. W. Buckley, c Eldridge, b Williams	8	Lawton, c Dunn, b Shankland	25
G. H. Cox, c Lawton, b Holgate	41	Milne, b Coomer	0
G. M. Coomer, b Lawton	11	Walton, b Coomer	0
F. W. Dunn, lbw, b Holgate	3	Eldridge, c Coomer, b Shankland	2
R. D. Aked, b Milne	2	Ford, c Coomer, b Shankland	1
J. Shankland, not out	0	Jones, b Coomer	1
G. N. Roberts, did not bat		Baugham, c & b Coomer	2
J. M. Edge, do.		Williams, b Coomer	7
A. C. Worgan, do.		Holmes, c Roberts, b Edge	1
P. J. Baxter, do.		Cliffe, b Edge	6
S. B. Smith, do.		Holgate, not out	1
Extras	7	Extras	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>

Bowling:—				
F. W. Dunn	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. M. Coomer	11	5	16	0
J. M. Edge	16	3	24	5
J. Shankland	1.4	1	1	2
	7	3	5	3

## SCHOOL v. LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

Played at Fairfield on Wednesday, June 8th.

The School batted first and batted very poorly. Only Dunn, Buckley and Coomer played anything like decent cricket. Far too many of the team evinced a desire for mere "slogging" and consequently were soon bowled or caught. It is true that they managed to scrape together a few runs, but that was more by good luck and bad fielding than anything else. Smith also might be mentioned as playing well for the short time he was at the wicket. Our innings closed at 57, of which Dunn compiled 16 and Coomer 13.

The Collegiate batting was, if anything, worse than ours. Nearly all their batsmen were mere "swipers" who wanted to hit every ball that came along. Their wish, however, was not granted, for they rapidly succumbed to Dunn's good bowling. Our fielding was not good; too many runs were given away in "overthrows," chiefly through nobody's troubling to "back-up."

SCHOOL.		LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.	
K. Thomas, c Farrel, b Moore...	0	Hetherington, lbw, b Dunn .....	12
G. H. Cox, c Treeby, b Moore .....	0	Kirkbride, b Coomer .....	1
G. M. Coomer, b Moore .....	13	Pape, c Roberts, b Coomer .....	0
F. W. Dunn, run out .....	16	Farrel, b Dunn .....	0
R. W. Buckley, b Moore .....	7	Roskell, b Dunn .....	0
G. N. Roberts, b Hetherington...	5	Daugherty, b Dunn .....	11
J. Shankland, b Farrel .....	1	Treeby, b Dunn .....	0
E. J. Loughlin, c Kirkbridge, b		Corran, b Dunn .....	7
Moore .....	4	Moore, b Dunn .....	0
J. M. Edge, b Hetherington .....	3	Unsworth, not out .....	3
P. J. Baxter, c Farrel, b		Connery, b Dunn .....	0
Hetherington .....	1		
S. B. Smith, not out .....	2		
Extras .....	5	Extras .....	4
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>57</b>	<b>Total</b> .....	<b>38</b>

Bowling:—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. W. Dunn.....	6	0	17	8
G. M. Coomer...	5	0	14	2

## SCHOOL v. OLD BOYS.

This 12-a-side match was played at Greenbank on Saturday, June 11th.

The Old Boys fielded a strong team, which included eleven First Eleven colours. Buckley and Cox opened our innings to the bowling of Hall and E. Jones. Buckley opened well, scoring 5 off Hall's first ball, but was caught at point in the next over after a feeble stroke. Considering that most of the Old Boys had not played cricket for some time, their fielding was excellent—both Holmes and Christian picked up swift ground balls in delightful fashion. Cox and Coomer were batting quite confidently and scoring fairly quickly when Pullan went on to bowl. He was immediately successful, bowling Cox in his second over, while Dunn was well taken in the slips the same over. Then misfortune seemed to dog us. Thomas played an off-ball into his wickets, Aked was bowled off his pads the next ball, and in the next over Coomer played-on in exactly the same way as Thomas. Thus 6 good wickets had fallen for 43 runs. Loughlin and Edge were soon disposed of and then Smith and Roberts made a short stand. Both played confidently, but Roberts was rather lucky. Disaster befell us when Cosnett went on to bowl for he dismissed Smith in his first over. Hutchison did not last long, and our innings closed at 77. Low and Ward opened the Old Boys innings. Ward had the misfortune to play one of Dunn's balls into his wicket. Low, after scoring 13, was clean bowled, and a few minutes later Cosnett was dismissed in the same manner. Thus with 3 wickets

down for 28 we were still hopeful of a victory. Our hopes were not fulfilled, for Biglands and E. Jones made a long stand which brought the score to 83 when the latter was caught. Jones did all the hitting, but was rather lucky, while Biglands played sound, careful cricket. Then a rot set in and the next three wickets fell rapidly. Meanwhile Biglands was scoring steadily and, with a 4 to the leg, completed his 50, but after scoring another single was out l.b.w. He played an excellent innings, marred only by one "life" in the slips. McGhie and Pullan made a short stand towards the end of the innings, while Ellison and Christian decided to run for everything they hit. They were all out for 145, Edge taking the last 3 wickets for 6 runs. Our fielding was, on the whole, good, but marred by Dunn, Thomas and Cox in turn, missing easy catches. This is our first defeat of the season, and we hope it will be the last.

SCHOOL.		OLD BOYS.	
R. W. Buckley, c Hall, b Jones	5	R. Low, b Coomer .....	13
G. H. Cox, b Pullan .....	6	D. C. Ward, b Dunn .....	1
G. M. Coomer, b Christian .....	19	E. Cosnett, b Coomer .....	5
F. W. Dunn, c McGhie, b Pullan	0	J. R. Biglands, lbw, b Edge .....	51
K. Thomas, b Pullan .....	3	E. Jones, c Coomer, b Dunn .....	31
R. D. Aked, b Pullan .....	0	R. Morland, c Coomer, b Dunn...	0
G. N. Roberts, c Hall, b McGhie	21	H. E. Holmes, b Dunn .....	4
E. J. Loughlin, c Morland, b		F. H. Hall, b Coomer .....	0
Christian .....	1	D. McGhie, c Coomer, b Edge...	14
J. M. Edge, c Biglands, b Pullan	0	J. D. Pullan, c Loughlin, b Aked	11
H. B. Smith, b Cosnett .....	9	N. W. Ellison, c Coomer, b Edge	6
P. J. Baxter, not out .....	0	A. F. C. Christian, not out .....	0
T. A. Hutchison, b McGhie .....	0		
Extras .....	13	Extras .....	13
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>77</b>	<b>Total</b> .....	<b>145</b>

Bowling:—				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
F. W. Dunn.....	14	2	44	4
G. M. Coomer...	17	1	60	3
D. A. Hutchison	6	1	16	0
J. M. Edge ...	4.2	0	6	3
R. D. Aked.....	3	0	7	1

## FIRST ELEVEN BATTING AVERAGES

(To June 14th).

	No. of	Times	Most in an	Average.
	Innings.	Not Out.	Innings.	
G. M. Coomer	8	0	80	18.50
G. N. Roberts	7	2	31	18.00
F. W. Dunn...	8	0	30	13.00
R. W. Buckley	8	1	24	12.00
E. J. Loughlin	8	1	22*	9.29
G. H. Cox ...	7	1	41	9.16
H. B. Smith...	6	2	14	8.25
J. Shankland	6	1	14	6.40
K. Thomas...	7	0	12	6.00
P. J. Baxter...	8	3	12	5.20
R. D. Aked ...	7	0	12	2.71

Also Batted—

A. C. Worgan	1	0	4	4.00
J. M. Edge ...	2	0	3	1.50
D. A. Hutchison	2	0	0	—

\*Signifies "not out."

## FIRST ELEVEN BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
G. M. Coomer	... 104	... 29	... 230	... 45	... 5.11
F. W. Dunn...	... 87	... 22	... 189	... 32	... 5.90
J. Shankland	... 17	... 5	... 38	... 5	... 7.60
<i>Also Bowled—</i>					
J. M. Edge	... 6	... 1	... 7	... 5	... 1.20
R. D. Aked	... 9	... 1	... 15	... 3	... 5.09
D. A. Hutchison	... 6	... 1	... 16	... 0	... —
E. J. Loughlin	... 4	... 2	... 10	... 0	... —

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### Walking Down.

I ALWAYS think that the man who has to walk to School scores heavily over the seemingly more blessed creature whose way lies on a direct car route. True, he may be late without excuse a little more frequently—he can never reap the advantages of fogs, curtailed services, the running over of dogs and the like; he can never offer that eternal excuse—"The car broke down," be he as fond of lolling in a recumbent position as he may. Yet he never has that always-the-same old round feeling so common to the user of these municipal privileges. There is always something new or amusing in the way down—if it be nothing but a dog-fight or aldermanic-looking specimen chasing a sportive hat. Personally, I enjoy my walk down to School; there is always something for speculation, humorous or merely pleasing, to be obtained on the way.

The first thing of note which I pass, is the shop of the Cannibalistic Hairdresser. Strange as it may appear in this respectable country, he openly declares himself for what he really is. There on his plate-glass window, in glaring, white-enamel letters, he brazenly sports the legend—

WILLIAM JULIUS.

ET. 1885,

HAIRDRESSERS.

On what distinct occasion or occasions this enormous feat was performed, he does not say; but I hope that he partook of his victims during a longer space of time than his notice would lead one to suppose.

I must admit that his spelling is on the weak side, and that his spacing makes it appear that the sign had been tampered with, and originally was simply an abbreviated form of the date of establishment of his business, and not account of the business itself. But then, I mistrust people with such large appetites, and maintain that he only gives this impression to escape from the fate which usually overtakes people blessed with such tastes as his own.

Speaking of signs, I always think that the folly of humanity is nowhere indicated more surely than on its notice boards. Grocers and people with grievances against dogs are, perhaps, the most afflicted. Nothing makes me more wild than to see an entire shop-window blocked up with some such legend as this—

NOTICE.

"IRWIN'S BUTTER,"

or

"OUR OWN JAMS."

What about it, I always feel like shrieking to these idiots. Everyone knows you sell butter!! Why can't you say something about it, or forever hold your peace. Suppose I went along the street shouting Paul's Female Gardener at the top of my voice! What d'you think would happen? I'd get "run in" of course! Yet here you are yelling your infernal "Irwin's Butter" at every passer-by and not a word said. But enough of this. As I say, the strongest and most silent of men would have cause to grunt at this.

The dog people are worse! Haters of the animal, they probably scoff at all yarns about his intelligence, and yet by their very notices they show their great opinion of his mental powers. Such things as—

DANGEROUS FOR DOGS

and

NOTICE.

DOGS WILL BE SHOT!

are calculated to rouse the ire of every dog lover; personally I always feel like boiling these vile notice-owners in their own backyards and then telling them, just before they die, that they should have put themselves in the fourth dimension when they saw what was going to happen. It's the same sort of thing.

The shops in Paddington, through which, unfortunately, I have to pass every morning, need no signs however. They always inform you, themselves, that they are there. (For the convenience of those fortunate persons who do not know the region, I may say that the majority, or at any rate the more noticeable of the Paddington 'keepers are engaged in selling the products of the labour of those engaged in piscatorial pursuits.) In summer they leave the said products in the full glare of the sun, and as far out upon the pavement as the arm of the law, in the shape of the "Paddington Peeler" will permit; in winter, if it is freezing, they throw water over the pavement for the convenience of the relatives of the passers-by, assuming that such are insured; if it is merely raining they hang out things to catch the wet and drop it down the back of your neck as you

splash along. Indeed, a very pushing lot are these Paddington people: but not quite so forceful, individually, as the person into whom you run when you have escaped from their clutches.

A street organist, this chap, who can only play two tunes. One of them is an unknown thing; I've never been able to puzzle it out. And yet what a haunting tune it is. You can never get it out of your head until you're out of range. And so varied! Sometimes it seems like a ragtime; on one horrible occasion I thought it resembled "Swanee," (but I never saw much positive beauty in Swanee and I may have been biassed); sometimes it sounded like a Hottentot funeral dirge and sometimes like an Eskimo wedding feast (though this last mainly happens during a beer shortage or other such time of national tribulation and distress). His only other item, which he renders with great skill and enthusiasm, is that wonderful, little lyric known as the "City of Horrible Beers." The organist himself cuts a melancholy figure, with his dusty and tattered bowler and equally dusty and more ragged coat; his scraggy side-whiskers and his old, wrinkled hands. Covered from tip to toe with a sort of whitish dust, picked up no doubt in country lanes on some forgotten holiday, and yet, his proboscis still shines with undiminished vigour in vain imitation, I suppose, of the eternal "Lighthouse Light." Much as I should have liked to do so, I have never rewarded this "poor old cove" for his efforts to cheer me on my way, for I feared that it might encourage him to stay longer than his wont, and then I should never have the pleasure of missing him on those very rare occasions when I am guilty of a slight lapse from strict punctuality.

Apropos of punctuality, I wish Shakespeare could come to the corner of Mt. Pleasant and Brownhill Hill some evening. Talk about the puling schoolboy crawling unwillingly to school, or whatever it is, I wish he could see the way those fellows run when they find it's after 10 past by the 'Varsity Clock. And a pleasant sight it is when you know that with your superior size you can get in by simply walking. You stroll on and make the usual jokes about the handy accommodation for poor old students so kindly provided by the Powers That Be when they built the 'Varsity, so obligingly near the workhouse.

You enjoy watching the smaller brethren run and never gain much on you, until you find yourself opposite the Philharmonic. The Hall, I mean, not the other place, and then you wish you could have dropped your dignity and sprinted with them.

I verily believe that a man could get more excitement in five minutes at this corner of Liverpool than he could get in five years hunting grizzly bears or collar studs, riding a motor scooter, or charry-bang. If any man wants real excitement, let him swear to cross this end of Myrtle Street five times after 9.15

a.m. and then get into Hall in time for prayers. But first let him register himself as a regular reader of the "Daily Mail!" There are still a few more sights to be seen in the last short stretch to school, but it's a very respectable place this. Let us not shock the natives by announcing their faults to the world.



## Camera and Field Club.

**A**S is usual during the summer term, our activities have been very much upset from various causes. Up to the present we have not been able to hold any rambles. One or two excursions had been arranged, but for diverse reasons—in one case the inclemency of the weather—they could not materialise.

Early in the term, a visit was paid to H.M.S. "Valiant," in the Mersey. A large party, accompanied by several members of the staff, went aboard the battleship. The party was originally divided into two sections, each section having a guide; but later in the afternoon, small groups of two or three were wandering about the ship. One thing is certain, however, and that is that everyone who went aboard spent a thoroughly enjoyable and interesting afternoon.

We would like to tender our sincere thanks to the Commander of H.M.S. "Valiant" for his kindness in permitting us to visit his ship.

It is to be hoped that during the remainder of the term we will be able to hold two or three rambles and cycle rides.



## L. 3. Photographic Society.

**T**HE activities of the above Society this term have been so numerous as to make the task of writing notes a tedious one. Suffice it to say that the Society this term has been more than doubled in numbers as compared with last term. The Dark Room is in continuous demand, and up to time of going to press, the Room has been used over 40 times. Such is proof of the desire in the School for photography. Next term we hope to have an increased membership, and if this is so, there will be no piece of apparatus necessary for the ordinary amateur that we shall not possess.

The subscription for next term will be 3d. to the C. and F.C., and an additional 6d. for the P.S. Both are payable to the secretary of the C. and F.C.

## L. J. O. B. A.

I N the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to "—well! our colours have been seen among the white dresses on the tennis-courts in Sefton Park, as well as on cricket grounds, and no doubt also at many a seaside resort. Meanwhile, the Association takes a rest, its only function being to provide a cricket team to tone down the conceit of the first eleven during a successful season. That A. F. Christian's XI did this effectively may be read elsewhere in these pages. A fair number of our members also renewed former experiences of the possibilities of the weather on Sports' Day, and endured manfully with the rest. Others must have regretted that June is the month chosen by examiners to test the value of the past year's work. We trust that they will have their reward, and each add something to the list of honours which has been so brilliantly started by Laver's winning the Newdigate. This, like Morris' presidency of the Cambridge Union, is an honour of which the value is not "in the far, far north" so highly appreciated as it deserves to be.

At the Florence Institute there has been "nothing doing," except by the Swimming Club, and even that has suffered, owing to the coal strike. In a summer such as we have had, a boys' club may as well close its doors, and our workers have been taking a well-earned rest, and it is to be hoped, have been enjoying the satisfaction of work well done. It will be a pleasure to them to know that at the Annual Meeting their services were generously recognised, and we hope next winter to build successfully on the foundation which has been laid.

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### University Letters.

Oxford Union,  
16 June, 1921.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

Once more the time has come to forget the problems of world politics with which we have been oh! so recently engaged, and to turn to the more congenial task of talking about ourselves. After a strenuous week, writing six hours a day on the most varied topics without ever being able to impress my individuality on the papers, it is a relief to do so. The reactionary clauses of Magna Charta leave singularly little scope for intimate personal revelation. Our corporate life this term has not been strong; we have waved exultant or deprecatory hands at one another from the tops of the barges or exchanged limp smiles in the porch of the schools.

Eights Week has passed, and the member from New College was not more than usually offensive over his College being Head of the River. He was at all events considerably chastened by the week of white ties and flat hats which followed. Now he is a trifle sad at the thought of parting for ever from the nice little gown which made such a convenient muffler—none of your flowing scholar's things. The member from Corpus has played cricket in a lordly way, and he of Pembroke has played Schumann for his soul's health. Mr. Harvey has been most busily engaged acting as an efficient Bradshaw and Cook's tour, and initiating people into the mysteries of Exeter.

Of interesting, and at times, alarming visitors this term there has been no lack. Strange potentates have come suddenly round corners or fired off pistols on the river. Yesterday Einstein was seen lurking in the public streets. But "what do they care for Einstein, who only classics know," as I hear murmuring in fancy my contemporary at Cambridge. The most pleasant part of this letter is my task of congratulating Nilburn and Thomas on their scholarships.

This also is egotistical, for shortly they too will be ourselves. In fact the terrible thing is that they will soon be the only "ourselves" there is.

I am, Mr. Editor,

Yours Sincerely,

J. I. NOXUCHLAVE.

Somewhere,

Brownhill Hill,

21st July, 1921.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

The end of all things has come . . . . Imagine then with what diffidence we turn to the usually pleasant task of writing to you, on this, the eve of Degree Day! We simply will not attempt to say clever things as an introduction, we will not philosophise about 'Varsity letters in general (and nothing in particular!). This letter—we give you fair warning—this letter will be a list (of successes); what else can it be, anyway?

Well then, to plunge *in medias res*: Mr. Cosnett soon deserted the billiard room, and trained hard on bridge, for the value of which in training he is prepared to vouch. Mr. Rulance too made but little progress in the noble art, and that too when he had no exams. Mr. Kenyon ("Bunny" of that ilk) is now a B.A. (Commerce); but we are pleased to hear that he is coming up again next year. Some lucky ones had no exams. at all, Messrs. Roberts and Pym were among this happy band; Mr. Roberts has not been at a loss to fill in his spare time.

Of the Scientists, Mr. Leask has been seen out once or twice at Calderstones. His latest feat is Inter. It is also whispered that he is in the corps . . . ! But this is only scandal. The Sphinx has first finished a successful year under the able editorship of Mr. R. F. Williams, who has just been awarded his hon. degree in Physics. We were relieved to see that he managed to find a few seconds in which to take his exam. He is now secretary of the Guild for next year. Mr. Stern has shown no signs of abating, despite our last notice. Mr. Rosney, too, has popped up again; it is said that he has taken to Philosophy as a hobby.

The Medicals next year will be without Captain McKie Reid, who goes down with several degrees, and things. We hope they will be all right. It is a pleasure to us to be able to record the salvation of Mr. Tarshish, that serious lapse of last term did not go unnoticed. He too, has this time trained on bridge, with the result that he has passed something.

Even third year meds. have to suffer the indignity of exams. But they have done well. Mr. Tumarkin has two distinctions, and "he of the two pipes" is through—and everybody else.

We are afraid Mr. Stringer will be leaving us; he has just got a first in the Honours School of Engineering (a performance which, we hope, Mr. Hutchinson will repeat next year). Messrs. Power and Lloyd are (among other things) going for M.Eng.

There remains but to speak of one small band, whose achievements receive all too little recognition in this materialistic age. Of this small body of classicals (for it is to them that we refer). Mr. Onian is the leading light; he has just passed his Part I Honours, but to the disappointment of all, he did so badly as to get less than 95 per cent. in one paper! Mr. Russel too, managed to pass the same exam, in which the younger generation hope next year to show their prowess.

But, it is most amazing . . . Everybody has passed! Not a soul with whom we may commiserate—except you. Your trials are yet to come—ours are done. Everything is done, so Good-bye and Good-luck.

TUISSIMUS,

V.R.C.—T.

The Union Society,  
Cambridge,  
July, 1921.

To the Editor of the *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

Curious are the ways of the Cantab.

I am not putting this forward as a claim, or even as an excuse: I am merely stating a common or garden matter of fact. The whole air of this place is one large enigma; a very

anagram of complexity. For one can just vaguely distinguish possible resemblances to things and dreams, without ever laying one's hand on the solid; yet we are assured that it is all there, and that patience is necessary for a complete solution. The complementary function is easy to see, but the particular . . . Dear me, this is no way to begin a University Letter.

The truth is, there is nothing for us to tell you at all, Mr. Editor; except one thing. If a man suddenly discovered that he was not merely twins, but triplets, he would be surprised, would he not? In the same way, we are astonished not a little at finding ourselves to be a community of five, and not four, as our modest calculation had assured us. In brief, we learnt at the beginning of this term of the presence in our midst of another O.I. Let us introduce him: Mr. Editor, Mr. H. P. Griffiths of Selwyn College, and a worthy Liverpudlian.

And moreover, we are glad to see back with us Mr. C. T. Musgrave Brown, at Emmanuel.

Have you ever thought, Mr. Editor, what a lot of waste labour there is? A man has no time to do anything in (let alone write silly letters). This, at any rate, is the case here. We get up, and some hours later we go to bed. In the meantime we are supposed to work. Useful work, I mean. But do we? There are few people in Cambridge at the moment, and consequently fewer calls upon our time; but do we do any more work thereby? And (still assuming work to be of primary importance) are we greatly more edified in our spare time? Never go to a University, Mr. Editor, if you want to do any work, or if you want to be uplifted mentally.

Tut, tut, this is no matter for a School magazine. We had better "tell no longer tale."

Ever your faithful servants,

Valete.

Milburn, S.—Entered 1913 (Ia, Tate); Prefect 1918 (Tate); House Captain 1919 (Cochran); Head of School 1920-1; Organising Secretary, House Football 1919; Organising Secretary, House Cricket 1920; O.T.C. 1916; Lance-Corporal 1919; Corporal 1920; Sergeant 1920; C.S.M. 1920; Cert. "A" 1921; Senior Oxford Local 1917; Matriculation 1915; Higher School Certificate 1919-20; Open Exhibition, University Coll. Oxford 1920; Assistant Editor of School Magazine; Vice-President Lit. Deb. Soc. 1920-21; School War Memorial Committee 1920-21; Committee Library 1920; League of Nations Committee, Junior Branch, Merseyside District 1920-21.

Clouston, G. S.—Entered 1914 (3a, Alfred Holt); Prefect 1919, March; Secretary to Prefects 1919; House Captain (Alfred Holt) 1920, March; O.T.C. 1918; Lance-Corporal 1919; Corporal 1920; Sergeant 1920; Resigned 1920; Sub-Editor of School Magazine 1920, March; Editor 1920-21; Oxford Senior Local 1917; Matriculation 1918; Higher Certificate 1919-20; Committee Lit. Deb. Soc. 1918; Secretary 1919-20; Vice-President 1920-21; Committee Camera and Field Club 1918; Treasurer 1919; Secretary 1919-20; Committee Photographic Society 1919; Committee Library 1920-21; League of Nations Society Secretary 1920-21; League of Nations Committee, Junior Branch, Merseyside District, Secretary 1920-21.

Thomas, K. St. C.—Entered 1915 (3x, Alfred Holt); Prefect 1919 (Alfred Holt); House Captain 1920-21 (Tate); O.T.C. 1918-19; School Certificate 1918; Higher Certificate 1920; Scholarship, Pembroke Coll., Oxford 1921; 2nd XI Cricket Colours 1918; 1st XI Cricket 1920; Secretary for Cricket 1921; House Cricket Captain (Alfred Holt) 1920; (Tate) 1921; Library Committee 1919; Secretary 1920.

Coomer, G. M.—Entered 1915 (3x, Hughes); Prefect 1919 (Hughes); House Captain 1920 (Hughes); School Certificate 1918; Higher Certificate 1920; House Cricket Captain 1919-21; 1st XI Cricket Colours 1918-21; Secretary for School Cricket 1920; Captain 1921; House Football Captain 1919-21; 2nd XI Football Colours 1917-18; 1st XI 1918-21; Secretary for School Football 1917-20; Captain 1920-21; O.T.C. 1918-19; House Gym. Captain 1920-21; School Gym. Secy. 1920; Captain 1921.

Gross, J.—Entered 1914 (3a, Philip Holt); Prefect 1919 (Philip Holt); House Captain 1920-21 (Philip Holt); O.T.C. 1916-18; Sub-Editor 1920; Lit. Deb. Soc. Committee 1919; Secretary 1920; Library Committee (1920); Secretary Swimming Club Committee 1920; Secretary Chess Club 1920; Secretary League of Nations Society 1920; League of Nations Committee, Junior Branch, Merseyside District 1920-21.

Miller, R. H.—Entered 1915 (3x, Alfred Holt); Prefect 1919 (Tate); House Captain 1920 (Owen); O. T. C. 1916-19; Matriculation 1920; Higher Certificate 1921 (distinction in Physics); Senior City Scholarship (resigned) 1920; State Scholarship 1920; Schreiner Scholarship, Downing Coll., Cambridge 1921; Camera and Field Club Committee 1921; Photographic Soc. Committee 1921.

Aked, R. D.—Entered 1916 (3x, Alfred Holt); Prefect 1920 (Alfred Holt); 2nd XI Cricket Colours 1920-21; 2nd XI

Football Colours 1919-21; O.T.C. 1918-19; School Certificate 1919.

Jermy, T. A.—Entered 1916 (3x, Hughes); Prefect 1920 (Philip Holt); School Swimming Captain 1921; O.T.C. 1916-21; L.-Coporal 1920; School Certificate 1919.

Anderson, T. A.—Entered 1916 (3y, Tate); Prefect 1920 (Tate); O.T.C. 1916-21; School Certificate 1919; 100 Yards Open Championship Cup 1921.

Dunn, F. W.—Entered 1916 (3x, Alfred Holt); Prefect 1920 (Alfred Holt); 2nd XI Cricket Colours 1919; 1st XI 1920-21; Secretary for School Cricket 1920-21; 1st XI Football Colours 1919-21; Sub-Captain 1920-21; House Cricket Captain 1920-21; House Football Captain 1920-21; O.T.C. 1918-21; School Certificate 1919; Photographic Soc. Com. 1920-21.

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### Correspondence.

University of Liverpool,

June 16th, 1921.

To the Editor of the *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR SIR,

I understand that there were considerably more than two thousand entries for the School Sports this year; there were seven Houses competing, each in three divisions, and there was a difficult marking system in vogue, complicated by allowances for standards; in spite of this, the heats were run off on the Monday and Wednesday with practically never a hitch, in perhaps six to seven hours altogether; and on Saturday the finals were run off, the marks totalled, the individual and House championships decided, and the medals and cups for all events distributed, between half past two and five o'clock. So far, so good. Listen to the sequel.

On Monday last I went to the Police Athletic Grounds, Fairfield, to see the heats of the Inter-School Sports. There are perhaps ten schools competing, perhaps fewer, and each school sends two representatives for each event, excepting, of course, the Tug of War. The proceedings were scheduled to begin at 6.45, and consisted of six heats for the quarter mile, an Open Cricket Ball Throw, a Junior Cricket Ball Throw, and five or six tugs. We finished at nine o'clock. Only towards the end of the quarter mile heats were any stewards around the course to

judge possible fouls; the judge of the Tugs was receiving continual advice from the crowd which surged around him during the pull; there being no line for the competitors to throw from in the Cricket Ball event, they had to run downhill on to the edge of the sand-pit—a most unsatisfactory state of affairs; but the finishing touch was in the judging of the Cricket Ball. Nobody seemed to have any lists of competitors, and the arrangements for making throws were primitive to a degree. After some throws there were almost unseemly squabbles amongst the judges (about twenty in number, again assisted by volunteers), and nobody seemed to have a tape to measure, and so decide knotty points. In short, it seemed everybody's business to do everything and nobody's business to do anything particularly or properly.

At Greenbank, in Sports week, those events would have been cleared in half an hour, sir, particularly as only two throws were allowed in the Cricket Ball.

I only trust that the finals will be better arranged; but this alone calls for some revision if proceedings are not to be farcical. I do not know how these sports are supposed to be run, but either somebody has not the ghost of a notion of running sports, or somebody's ideas are being travestied by a multitude of "helpers."

I am,  
Yours faithfully,  
ROBERT E. WILLIAMS.

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