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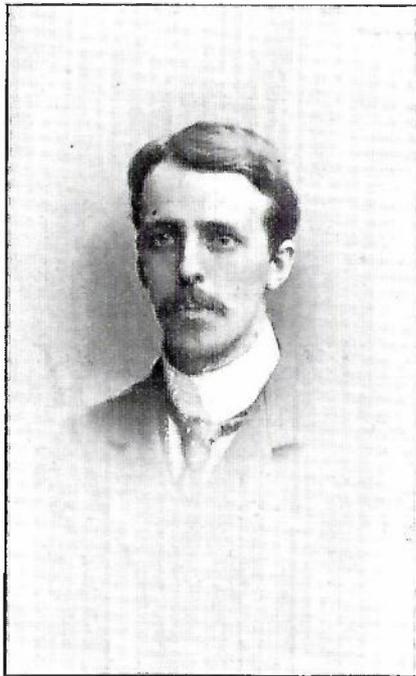
DECEMBER, 1904.

Mr. Rice.

ALL the school will join with us in congratulating our esteemed Science Master, Mr. Rice, upon his recent success in obtaining a Junior Fellowship of the Royal University of Ireland. We cannot fail to recognize that, apart from it being a personal honour, his association with this school renders it an honour in which the whole school participates.

Mr. Rice, whose portrait we give on the opposite page, has had an exceedingly brilliant career from the very outset. He commenced his education at Belfast, his native town, in the Belfast Institution. While there he obtained a Scholarship to Queen's College, the Belfast branch of the Royal University of Ireland. Here he obtained his B.A. after three years' residence, and graduated M.A. after yet another three years. On obtaining his degree of M.A., he commenced his scholastic career as Science Master at the Liverpool Institute, which post he has now held for three years. After many months spent in hard individual work, he has succeeded in obtaining the yet further honour of being elected Junior Fellow of one of the foremost universities of the kingdom. We sincerely hope he will go on achieving the still greater honours of which he is worthy, and in which all who have had the privilege of coming under the sphere of his influence will greatly rejoice.

W. E. G.



J. RICE, M.A.

JUNIOR FELLOW OF THE ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND.

Dr. Donald MacAlister.

LIVERPOOL readers, whose memories go back for thirty years, will learn with interest," we read in the *Daily Post and Mercury* of the 1st December, "that Dr. Donald MacAlister, of St. John's College, Cambridge, has been elected President of the General Medical Council, on the retirement of Sir William Turner."

It is surely with great pleasure and interest that all of us will learn this fact, even if some of our memories cannot yet go back for

thirty years; all connected in any way with the Liverpool Institute will be delighted to hear of the exceptionally great honour thus accorded to a former pupil of the School.

We read that in the early seventies Dr. MacAlister was placed first in England in the Oxford Local; subsequently going up to Cambridge and gaining the Senior Wranglership and Smith's Prize in 1877.

"After a brief interval," we further read in the paragraph, "he decided to gratify an early inclination, and to follow the profession of medicine. His work in the university has not been of the kind that brings public celebrity, but its value may be gauged by the fact that the profession have made him their titular chief."

An exceedingly great honour, indeed, both for the School and Dr. MacAlister; a fine crowning-point of an exceptionally brilliant career.

Poems by Wilfrid C. Thorley.

IT was with great pleasure that we received lately a little book of poems, the work of one who was a pupil in this school ten years ago. Mr. Wilfrid C. Thorley is indeed to be congratulated. On perusing his unpretentious but tastefully-got-up little volume, one is persuaded that throughout the whole of it there is to be found the genuine and unmistakable spirit of true poetry. His style is full and glowing; his imagery profuse; his vocabulary quite masterly and rich. The sonnet, the ballad, the song—the lyric in many and various forms—Mr. Thorley has tried them all, with distinct success. Due exactness, restraint, and especially due clearness of expression are inevitably the results of time and experience, of course. A man may be the fortunate possessor of a very fine Pegasus, brilliant in action, beautiful in form; but in the nature of things he must have a bit and a bridle, and reins to check him just a little; his glossy coat must be groomed too, and his flowing mane clipped now and then.

No doubt Mr. Thorley knows all this. His poems bear witness to the fact. Many of them attain a high standard of excellence indeed—graceful fancy—artistic intensity and fire—striking and suggestive metaphor—beauty of thought and conviction, rising at times, we believe, to true nobility—varied and expressive rhythm—flawless rhyme—often a remarkably musical flow of language and metre. His work shows unmistakable signs of the literary student; he is fond of Tennyson, he admires Wordsworth, he loves Keats. Such, at any rate, is editorial belief.

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SANITARY PLUMBING, PLASTERING, AND
GENERAL REPAIRS.

Mr. Thorley is the first Institute poet? We hesitate to believe it, but if that be the case, and if, as we ardently hope, there are Institute bards yet unrevealed and unborn, then Mr. Thorley has struck in no uncertain and quavering fashion the first chord on the Institute lyre.

There are many passages one would like to quote; Mr. Thorley's poetical abilities are so varied. But, unfortunately, our space is not altogether unlimited. For this month's issue we must content ourselves with quoting *in extenso* the *Ballad of Guinevere*. It will repay a careful reading. Once read, it will not be soon forgotten. Haunting melody is there; a haunting picture, sweetly, strongly, pathetically drawn.

A BALLAD OF GUINEVERE.

Break not the waters of the mere,
Nor stillness of the summer cloud;
Break not the sleep of Guinevere;
Speak not aloud!

Full many a Lent she here hath lain,
Upon her head the fatal crown;
And still she feels the cold, cold rain
That filters down.

For here sweet Guinevere is laid;
She hears the murmur of the stream;
She sees the silent flowers fade:
The pale moonbeam

Sheds on her face its silver light:
And often, when the sun is low,
Her tranced figure, clad in white,
Moves to and fro;

And often when the breezes sigh
Among the reeds that wither soon,
She sings an ancient lullaby—
A haunting tune.

Of olden knights, of olden days;
Of pity for the lost Elaine,
And what high price a maiden pays
For hopeless pain!

Before her, ranked in ghostly file,
The dead knights pass in slow review.
First Galahad, whom no false guile
Could prove untrue.

Moves on full slowly, sword in sheath,
His fair face marked with warrior scars,
And o'er his head a clustered wreath
Of morning stars.

He stands alone of knights who found
Withal to sate their yearning sight,
His weary pilgrim eyes deep-drowned
In dawning light.

On Guinevere his glance is kind;
While, like a vapour floating free,
The pale shroud wraps her limbs. The
wind
Blows fitfully;

The moonbeam glitters in her eyes:
Her pallid bosom flutters bare.
"Ah! beauty that is true," she cries,
"Is beauty rare!"

Chat on the Corridor.

ON the 10th and 24th of last month, two delightful evenings were spent, when we were favoured with two of the most entertaining and instructive lectures that could well be desired. It was gratifying to see how the school turned out on each occasion, to welcome the gentlemen who so kindly and willingly gave their services, at the suggestion of our Headmaster. Such lectures cannot fail, by so delightfully combining instruction with entertainment, to help on considerably the wider life of the school; to increase our interest in what is taking place around us, and in the world at large; to widen our sympathies and enlarge our vision; to make us take a more intelligent and serious interest in things in

general. And if such lectures do fail to help on the accomplishment of so desirable a result, then it is simply and entirely our own fault, and we will soon have to face the consequences. We look forward to hearing other lectures in the future. We are sure they will more than fulfil our expectations. May we offer, in the name of the school, our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Bernard Pares, M.A., Trinity College, Cambridge, Staff Lecturer to the Liverpool University Extension Society; and to Professor J. Garstang, M.A., B.Litt., F.S.A., Jesus College, Oxford, Reader in Egyptian Archæology.

During the Summer months, and indeed till quite recently, our illustrious Debating Society has been, to all appearance, as dead as Queen Anne. Fine weather has in some degree contributed to this result; it was no use beginning the session until well on into the Autumn, in any case, also we have unfortunately lost two of our very best debaters, two of our most stalwart supporters. They are gone to wider spheres of action, we trust. Let us congratulate Middleton on his further success in winning a Liverpool City Senior Scholarship, and let us wish him and Hughes (now no longer, alas, on our Editorial Staff) all success in the future. We cannot but feel their loss; and have not two promising amateur actors left our midst, not very likely, to tread the Institute boards again? Exeunt Shylock and Bassanio; *loquitur solus* Antonio, quite naturally, too. But no more of this; *revenons à nos moutons*, I mean the Debating Society. (No offence is intended, gentlemen; perhaps it *was* a rather lamentable expression, all the same). For of course there are many others, able and ready to step into the breach. Our Society is not discomfited, far from it.

The object of lectures and Debating Societies is one and the same, as far as schools are concerned; to assist in our wider education, education in the most comprehensive sense of the word. Then let us make the most of our opportunities. Next term, with a competent Debating Society going hand-in-hand with a series of lectures and the like, there ought, indeed, to be great possibilities—greater chances than ever for us all.

There is little Old Boy news to chronicle in this issue. But we must all join in offering our very heartiest congratulations to Mr. T. Lodge, Trinity College, Cambridge, who has gained 51st place in the Home, India, and Colonial Civil Service Examination (First Class).

It seems a long time since last term's Local Examinations, and since the Liverpool University Matric. We have now the results of those exciting few weeks to chronicle—for exciting they were to many of us—more exciting, somehow, than for several years past. Perhaps the tropical heat was the reason, and the stir and hum in the air at the presence of royalty. What was it? And the festivity and fireworks peradventure. Are staid Sixth-formers influenced by such things? Surely, to some extent; even fireworks are a source

of delight when one has just finished the last paper of a long, stiff exam., cooped up, as some few of us were, morning and afternoon, doing German in a University class-room on the very day of their Majesties' visit, regaled now and then, during that time, with the rousing strains of the most distractingly sonorous brass band one ever remembers to have heard. But one could roam about afterwards, in the evening, and watch, *à la* Sixth-former, the merry-making of the crowd. Delightful, in its own way, is a stroll through such a crowd. Delightful, as unexpected, are the *rencontres* that may take place But now for the list of successful candidates.

Liverpool (Joint Board) Matriculation—Standard of First Class:—H. H. Mackney, W. W. Roberts, H. Parry. Standard of Second Class:—E. J. Watson, W. Ryder, J. M. Frank, R. F. Lodge, H. A. T. Smith, J. McGill, F. S. Milliken, R. J. H. Ellis, J. G. G. Johnston, W. H. Pierce, H. Goldberg.

Oxford Local Seniors—Passed:—E. Killip, C. M. Poulsen.

Oxford Local Juniors—1st Class Honours:—C. H. Jennings, J. G. Paterson. Second Class Honours:—T. R. Cowell, S. E. Waddington, I. C. S. Wynne, J. C. Lee. 3rd Class Honours:—L. Cohen, S. D. Hughes, R. G. Pulford, T. Whitaker. Passed:—A. E. Bagnall, A. E. Bate, H. T. Jones, R. W. Bray, W. F. Davies, A. K. Macpherson, C. W. Morrison, F. H. Crew, E. Gledsdale, W. Poulsen, L. Robinson, R. W. Sturgeon, S. Williams, T. Coulton, W. Masheder, W. C. Quayle.

If we remember rightly, we began these remarks by the mention of certain delightful evenings. So we conclude with the announcement of what will surely prove a *most* delightful evening, though of a nature entirely different to the others. On the 21st, the Juniors hold their exhibition of their hobby-work, and also give a dramatic performance, preceded by a vocal and instrumental concert. We have the pleasantest recollections of last year's performance, and look forward with confidence to another treat. May there be a good attendance; if possible, better than last time. We shall have the pleasure of meeting once again our "last year's friends": "Alice," the "Mad Hatter," and the "March Hare."

The Swimming Gala.

THE Annual Competitions promoted by the two School Swimming Clubs were held at Lodge Lane Baths, as usual, in October. The different events were keenly contested, and the closeness of the results in the various handicap races reflects great credit on the two handicappers, Messrs. Evans and Bickerstaff.

On the whole, comparing the swimming with that seen at former galas, one got the impression that, while the best swimmers—the champions of the two schools, for instance—were

probably not quite so good as the champions of former years, yet the general standard was higher. This is quite as it should be, and the "levelling up" would be more complete if some of the younger lads would not be in such a hurry to become "fast" swimmers rather than "good" swimmers. As has been said before, it is no use trying to run before one can walk, yet in swimming many lads, as soon as they obtain a little confidence in the water, and can move along just a little, immediately begin to try to imitate some well-known swimmer who uses the "trudgeon," or some other fancy stroke. They should try rather to imitate Mr. Robinson, who gave such an interesting exhibition, and develop a strong, steady breast stroke before attempting any of the others. It is well to remember that, except for actual racing, the "breast" stroke is much the more useful.

The diving this year was hardly so good as on former occasions; there was a tendency on the part of many of the competitors to bend the legs at the knees, thus causing an ugly splash. The two things necessary to a really good, neat dive are that the body, at the moment of entering the water, should be straight, *i.e.*, arms, body, and legs should be in one straight line; and, also, the correct angle at which to enter the water must be obtained. Constant practice is needed for both these objects, but, strange as it may seem, the former is much more difficult to attain than the latter.

It is impossible to conclude without mentioning the great kindness of Messrs. Robinson and Warriner, who again gave a most interesting display of fancy swimming; and especially Mr. Robinson's successful attempt to lower his own record, made in obtaining the 200 yards breast stroke championship. It is not often that one has the chance of watching really good swimmers, and those fellows who had the privilege of seeing Mr. Robinson's feat will do well next season to try and imitate his powerful stroke.

The following is a list of the winners of the various events:—

One Length Handicap (beginners)—

Group A—1st, W. E. Oglothorpe; 2nd, W. C. Wilkinson.

Group B—1st, W. Hill; 2nd, W. C. Pool.

Two Lengths Handicap—

Group A—P. Law, E. Gledsdale, equal.

Group B—1st, W. E. Leigh; 2nd, R. C. R. Shand.

*Four Lengths Scratch Race (under 15)—*T. J. Corkill.

*Four Lengths Scratch Race (over 15)—*W. M. Williams.

*Neat Dive (under 15)—*1st, W. Dowd; 2nd, E. Gledsdale.

*Neat Dive (over 15)—*1st, R. W. T. Middleton; 2nd, R. R. Paterson.

*Swimming on the Back, two Lengths—*J. G. G. Johnston.

*Clothes Race, two Lengths—*J. G. G. Johnston.

*Obstacle Race, two Lengths—*1st, J. G. G. Johnston; 2nd, W. Dowd.

*High School Championship, six Lengths—*1st (Directors' Medal), E. J. Watson; 2nd, R. F. Lodge

*Commercial School Championship, six Lengths—*1st (Directors' Medal), W. M. Williams; 2nd, H. E. Williams.

The Inter-School Squadron Race was won by the Commercial School with the following team:—H. E. Williams, W. M. Williams, T. J. Corkill, and G. E. Etherington.

*Old Boys' Race, six Lengths—*1st, F. Avison; 2nd, R. Lott.

The Gala was unusually successful in every way, and this was due in a great measure to the presence of Mr. W. W. Robinson, whose swimming formed the chief attraction of the evening, and the thanks of all concerned are due to him for the generous interest he has taken in the Clubs since the first combined Gala.

One of the most noticeable features in the Competitions was the promptness with which the events succeeded one another and the results announced. The credit of the excellent arrangements and the smoothness of working which characterised the affair belongs to all the masters, who so willingly and enthusiastically undertook the various duties. The most arduous part of the work fell, as in former years, to Mr. Ewart as starter, Captain H. R. Parkes as referee, and Mr. Bailey in the dismal dressing-room.

The behaviour of both schools was excellent and deserves very high praise.

For the first time in the history of the Clubs, a profit of £2 13s. 3d. was made, which has been handed to the Treasurer of the Games Fund.

Camera and Field Club Notes.

WITH short afternoons upon us, it seems somewhat out of place to record excursions that have taken place earlier in the season, but two more remain to be chronicled in continuation of the notes of last term.

The first was to Eastham Gardens and Village, where, at the former resort, Messrs. Ewart and Bain, who tried their best to persuade members of the party to go with them round the loop, were compelled to risk their lives by themselves. After this a move was made for the village, when the photographers had their turn, thence to the Ship Canal entrance, and back to Liverpool.

This was followed by the excursion of the season—to Chester—a fitting end to the summer term. Sixteen met at the Central Station at 2.30, under the leadership of the Headmaster. Soon Chester was reached, and with ideal climatic conditions (perhaps a trifle too warm), the party made a complete tour of the walls, and a thorough inspection of the curiosities in the museum at the Water Tower. The next halt was at the Cathedral, where the latter part of the service was attended, and afterwards a walk around the sacred edifice. Then tea, a stroll along the "Rows," and to the river, on which some would have been quite willing to have spent the whole time. Our Headmaster then had to bid us adieu, after seeing us safely embarked on a boat for a pull up the river. This was thoroughly enjoyed in the cool evening, and especially as the river was alive with craft of all kinds coming down from the Regatta. Alas! all pleasure has an end, and our turn came to hurry to the station, Liverpool being reached about 9 o'clock.

On a Wednesday afternoon, early in this term, the Club met at James Street Station, went by the Overhead Railway to Seaforth,

and then by car to Crosby. From there we walked to Ince Blundell, passing on the way the old windmill, where cameras were unpacked and operations commenced. The country is not very picturesque about here, owing to its flatness. The first feature that catches the photographer's eye on his arrival is the splendid entrance gate of Ince Blundell Hall, where, as it was a bright day, several good photos. were secured. We then turned homewards, across some fields, and so got on the Formby road.

On another Wednesday we embarked from the stage, bound for Birkenhead Park, where we spent a very pleasant afternoon, although it was rather dull and drizzly. It is a very fine park, with its winding paths, its trees, now almost leafless, and its numerous lakes and bridges, which showed themselves at their best on this dull but typical autumn afternoon. A number of photos. were taken, but were all rather under-exposed. The attendance was very meagre, but those who came were amply rewarded for turning out.

Several successful afternoons have lately been spent in the dark room enlarging, with some good results.

J. T.

Cadet Notes.

THE year which is just ending has been a most eventful one in the history of the 1st Cadet Battalion of the King's (Liverpool) Regiment. Early in the year, Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. Pride, V.D., took over the command of the Battalion, and at once began to make his influence felt in many ways. Then, on 19th July, the Battalion had the honour of joining in the welcome afforded to His Majesty King Edward VII. The Battalion on this occasion formed practically a Guard of Honour on the plateau in front of St. George's Hall, at the place where the Royal Carriage stopped while a bouquet was presented to the Queen.

At the end of the week in which the King's visit occurred, the Battalion marched out to what proved to be the most enjoyable and interesting week's camp since the School Company was formed. As in 1902, the Camp was at Irby, on the edge of Thurstaston Common, but the ground was so laid out this time that each company had much more room in its own lines, while the parade ground was hardly any smaller than in former years.

For the first time the Service in Camp, on Sunday, 24th July, was conducted by the Chaplain to the Corps, the Reverend J. M. Hannah, M.A., and was very successful. During the week, also, in addition to the ordinary routine of camp life, which, in the Cadet Battalion, always includes much exercise in attack and defence work over a large extent of ground, as well as the working out of tactical schemes, there were two new features. First, on the Wednesday afternoon, there was the "Visitor's Day," when between fifty and sixty of the friends of the Corps visited camp, and were

entertained by the Officers after they had inspected the arrangements and had seen some physical drill performed by some of the Cadets.

Then, on Thursday night, came the night attack by the Cyclist Companies of the 1st Liverpool and 1st Cheshire Volunteers. The first alarm was given about 10.30, but turned out to be a false one, owing to an over-eager sentry mistaking a stray horse from a neighbouring farm for a mounted officer. About 11.15 however, the sound of shots about a mile away, followed by the arrival of two members of a patrol, and the firing of signal rockets on two sides of the camp, caused the alarm to be sounded in earnest. The Battalion was soon under arms, each section had taken up its allotted position in five minutes from the first sound of the bugle, and a brisk fire broke out on two sides, gradually spreading right round the camp as the Cyclists tried to find a weak spot in the defences. This they were unable to do, but on the "cease fire" sounding, by order of the Umpire, they were invited into camp and refreshments provided for them before they commenced their ride home. The Cadets finally got to sleep about 2 a.m., but as the early morning parade was cancelled, all obtained a good rest, except, of course, the guard and sentries.

After camp, the one remaining event of importance was the "Annual Inspection," which took place in September last. Major Richardson, an officer who served through the Boer War with distinction, was the Inspecting Officer, and in his official report praises the Battalion highly for its keenness, discipline, excellent marching, and smartness in carrying out the small tactical scheme set.

With regard to the School Company, it has again kept its position as the most efficient in the Battalion, though in point of numbers it has dropped to second place, and has lost the Cohen Cup to B Company, who won it by a narrow margin at the last Shooting Competition. It is to be hoped that after Christmas more fellows in the school will join the Corps. Any who intend doing so, should join as early as possible, in order that they may make themselves fully efficient before next year's camp.

Visit from Mr. Haldane.

ON Saturday, 12th November, we were honoured with a visit from the Right Hon. C. Haldane, K.C., when, on the invitation of the President, he delivered a most interesting address in the hall.

Mr. Haldane spoke to us of the great advantages we had as secondary schoolboys, as it was a good education that fitted boys for success in life, whether professional or commercial. He impressed on us the idea that our duties, our responsibilities, and our opportunities, were HERE and NOW; that it was school that made

the character of the man; and that we ought to neglect none of the chances here afforded us of fitting ourselves for the battle of life.

At the close of his address, the school gave three hearty cheers for Mr. Haldane, who, in replying, asked the president to give us a half holiday, a suggestion gratefully welcomed by all.

The headmaster, in thanking Mr. Haldane, told the school how profoundly interested in education Mr. Haldane had shown himself to be, and that he would probably be the Minister of Education in His Majesty's next Government.

Junior School Notes.

It is proposed to repeat the little exhibition of hobby work which has been held during the last two years. This time, boys in the third forms are also permitted to exhibit. Insistence is laid on the fact that the work should be done by the boy himself. The exhibition will take place on Wednesday, December 21st, at 7 o'clock. There will be a preliminary "sing-song" on the evening of Friday, December 16th, at 4.30.

The number of boys who have attended the indoor games after school on Thursdays has been much smaller this year. Is it because the boys are smaller too?

We have played three football matches, one of which has been lost, and the other two drawn. D. Fox, J. Fox, C. Webster, and Boyle, seem to show the best promise.

Games Reports.

FOOTBALL.

A MEETING was held in Mr. Whiting's room at the commencement of the term for the purpose of electing a Captain, Sub-Captain, and Secretary for the coming season: Probyn was elected Captain; Lee, Sub-Captain; and Milliken, Secretary.

INSTITUTE v. COWLEY SCHOOLS.

The first match of the season was played at St. Helens on 5th October, with the following team:—Muir, goal; Bradshaw and Plastow, backs; Milliken, Lee and Schweitzer, half-backs; Coulton, Scaife, Rumjahn, Probyn and Leece, forwards. Probyn won the toss, and the School assumed the offensive almost immediately.

Cowley put out a much weaker team than that of the previous year, although their defence was considerably strengthened by the acquisition of two old boys as backs. The play during both halves was mainly on our left wing, and Cowley occasionally made ineffectual rushes on the visitors' goal.

The score at full-time was 4-1 in our favour; an additional goal was scored in the first half of the game, which was for some unknown reason disallowed.

INSTITUTE v. COLLEGE (COMBINED).

The above match was played at Wavertree, our team being represented by Muir, goal; Plastow and Bradshaw, backs; Milliken, Lee and Strype, half-backs; Coulton, Scaife, Rumjahn, Probyn and Leece, forwards. The College won the toss, and Rumjahn kicked off against the slope. From the first it was apparent that the teams were evenly matched, and, during the first-half, several exciting moments ensued in both goal mouths. Half-time came with no score to either side. After the recommencement of play, the College goal was subjected to great pressure, and was only saved by the creditable performance of their goal-keeper. A run up by the College left-wing resulted in a tame goal being scored. After this event the home team made great efforts to equalise, and at length a pass from the wing was converted into a goal by Probyn. The ball was centred, our forwards soon obtaining possession of it; a smart run down then took place, and Scaife sent in a shot which completely beat their goal-keeper. The Institute was still pressing when the whistle went for full-time.

INSTITUTE v. CALDAY GRANGE G. S.

This match was played at West Kirby, our team consisting of Muir, goal; Bradshaw and Plastow, backs; Milliken, Lee and Strype, half-backs; Coulton, Scaife, Rumjahn, Probyn and Leece, forwards. The Institute began the attack, and the home goal-keeper brought of some excellent saves. The Grammar School then made several attempts to break away, but were effectually checked by our defence. The Institute had the most of the play, and two goals to their favour when half-time came. During the second-half, however, the Grammar School were quite as good as their opponents, urged on, doubtlessly, by the enthusiastic support of the spectators. Their efforts were eventually rewarded with success, thus bringing the score to 2-1. The play was now keenly contested on both sides, Probyn succeeding in adding another goal to our score a minute before the finish.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. BOOTLE TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

Our team journeyed to Bootle on Wednesday, October 19th, to play this match, which proved to be a very interesting one, and in which, although the score would read otherwise, we had considerable difficulty in keeping our colours flying.

Although the lot of the school reporter is by no means an easy one, yet is the task very much lessened with regard to remembering who won the toss by the fact that it is on very rare occasions that the Institute win it, and though our memory fail us, yet do we not consider it at all a hazardous guess to say that the first kick of the game fell to Rumjahn.

In the first half the Institute's defence was not called upon to do very much work, as the play was mostly confined to Bootle's end. The first goal of the day came as a result of a splendid shot from J. Lee into the corner of the goal, beyond the goal-keeper's reach. A very similar shot from Rumjahn shortly afterwards

secured us a further lead. It may here be added that the two new players, Paterson and Mackenzie, were playing very well. Rumjahn added a third goal, with a low swift shot, before the interval. Bootle crossed over with three goals against them, and apparently a determination to die hard. It was in this half that they gave Muir an opportunity to reveal his capabilities, and we venture to say he could not have done better. We give Bootle every credit for their display in the second half, and confess they really deserved the one goal they secured, and, as we mentioned before, were only prevented by our goal-keeper's excellence from scoring more. Before the final we had the good luck to score two more goals, as we had by no means the best of the play. Final score:—Institute, 5 goals; Technical School, 1 goal.

INSTITUTE v. COLLEGE (M. S.)

The match was played at Wavertree, the teams turning up at 3.15 p.m. The Institute put out the following team:—Muir, goal; Milliken and Strype, backs; Mackenzie, Lee and Paterson, half-backs; Coulton, Scaife, Rumjahn, Probyn and Leece, forwards.

The home team won the toss, and the College kicked off with the sun in their eyes. The play, for some time from the commencement, was in the Institute half, a corner being forced which proved fruitless. Our forwards gradually made headway, and several futile rushes were made on the visitors' goal. During a scuffle in the College goal, the ball dribbled out to Cowell, who neatly put it through. The whistle blew for half-time shortly afterwards. Play was resumed almost immediately, the ball being carried into the visitors' half. Our team was playing more carefully, and some neat combination near their opponents' goal resulted in the ball being netted by Probyn. The ball was again centred, and the School soon appeared to have the upper hand. The opposing forwards made one or two disorganized runs down the field, but were easily repulsed. Some smart work on our right wing put Scaife in possession of the ball, and, being near the College goal-mouth, he promptly placed it out of the goal-keeper's reach. The visiting team then ran down, and Muir cleared easily. After neat play by our halves, Coulton obtained the ball, and, running down, shot, the ball hitting one of the College backs and going through. The game was concluded shortly afterwards, the score being 4—*nil* for the Institute.

LIVERPOOL INSTITUTE v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Wavertree, on 16th November. Result, Liverpool 4 goals; Manchester *nil*.

The conditions were favourable, and promised a fast and even game, for the ground was dry and the wind never so strong as seriously to interfere with play. Under these circumstances, the play proved somewhat disappointing to one who remembered the fierce tussle of last year. Then a gallant uphill fight by our team annulled a deficit which, at half-time, amounted to 3 goals to 0.

This year we took the lead early in the game, and easily maintained and increased it towards the end. Apparently, the changes of a school year have wrought havoc in the Manchester team, and though we also have suffered severely, we seem to have been more successful in filling up the vacancies, and adapting ourselves to the new conditions. Very probably, too, they will give a far better account of themselves on their own ground, and later in the season, for their backs showed some sound defence, and it appeared no easy task to keep a close watch on their left wing forwards. In our team, we incline to think that it was the half-backs who were mainly responsible for the completeness of the victory. Though they never joined the forwards in that perfect combination which we still hope to see, their marking of their opponents was decidedly good. The centre-half must learn to glut his appetite for work, without trespassing on the domain of the forwards, but the wings may just go on as they have begun, only remembering never to head when they can kick, and that it is their duty ever "to work for other's gain." The full-backs, though never very severely pressed, did their work well, and are inspiring us with a confidence in their ability which we did not feel a month or two ago. Muir of course, we know of old, and we can recommend a little experience of his goal-keeping as a tonic to any nervous spectator. It is among the forwards that we look for most improvement; they score goals, and they win matches, but they are not as yet a team. The out-sides do not work sufficiently hard, while the centre is more often conspicuous by brilliant, but frequently futile rushes, than by the steady combined work which should make his post the most important on the field.

Thus, at least one of the two goals which Rumjahn scored before half time was more the result of an opponent's mistake than of real skill on our part; while in the second half it was one of Probyn's fine long shots which was successful, and Cowell scored the fourth point out of a scramble in front of goal. These, however, are not the highest product of the forward's art. That comes from the perfect combination in which each takes exactly his own place in a combined advance, and also knows exactly where to place the ball so that his comrade may obtain possession of it to the best possible advantage. When time and practice have given us this, we shall have no fear about that revenge which Manchester are, we hope, promising themselves, nor shall we dread the coming of the struggles which shall decide whether we are to keep the Shield for another year.

Correspondence.

To the Editors of the "Liverpool Institute Magazine."

GENTLEMEN,—Let me hasten to apologise for a sin of omission. In your last issue I wrote concerning the art of going to school. A very important person was not honoured with a place amongst the

types. He is a rather curious creature. The interest of him to boys is that he is an irritant to masters. Whether it be that he retains that trait in the character of the lower animals which leads them to delight in persistent mastication, or whether it be that his melancholy condition is due to an overplus of pocket-money, the reader must decide. But he certainly seems to possess an unlimited appetite. He is by no means an epicure, though his tastes certainly do wander in the direction of highly-coloured—may one say venomous—sweets. He is, sirs, the despair of dentists, the ruination of copy-books, this—the Ever-hungry.

Allow me to make a correction. "Fag" form should have read "Fog" form.—Believe me to remain, yours loyally,

SERGIUS CICER.

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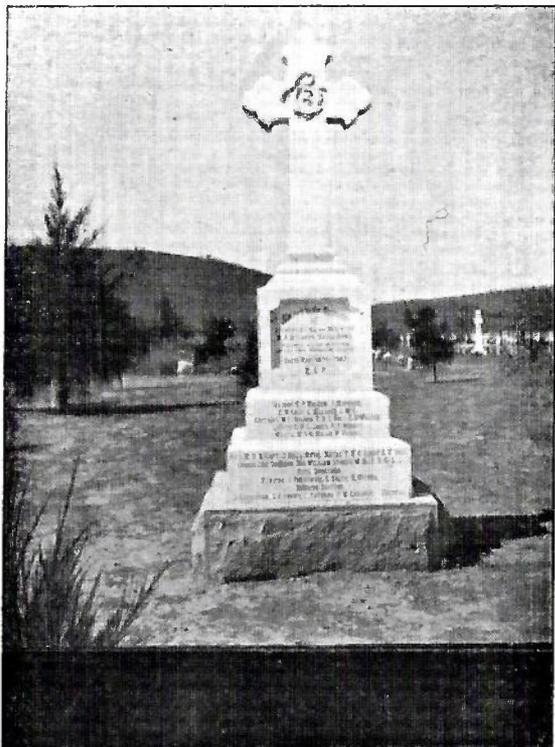
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