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Editorial.

THE career of the modern schoolboy is decidedly and increasingly busy, bustling and crowded. So numerous, so necessitous, so imperative are the activities in which we are summoned to take our part that the phrase "I have too much on" very frequently rises to our lips, and is regarded as a legitimate and rational excuse for ignoring many of the important spheres of school life. Yet it is a cowardly plea, a lazy phrase, and quite unbecoming the unselfish spirit of good sportmanship for which the British schoolboy is famed. No schoolboy ever had to do more than he could accomplish, if he tried and willed to do his duty. "Time is everything," and time can be found for everything, and when life is full, when our energies are taxed to the uttermost, then only do we feel the pleasure of being alive.

"I have too much on" often contains an element of truth, although a rather unexpected and paradoxical element. The egoist always has too much to do *for himself*—the "ego" always has "too much on"—but we must not be tempted into the lazy comforts of self-interest, of selfishness. If, when asked to take an active part in any branch of school life, before answering, we ask ourselves "Am I to shirk this because of myself, or am I to do it for my school," our judgment will rarely fail to answer rightly. Our school must always come before our self.

"Participem esse omnium," to take an interest in everything, should be our motto, and the verb "to specialise" should be extirpated from our vocabulary.

There is a theory beloved of all educationalists to the effect that we should do one thing well, rather than many things feebly. In our audacity, we venture to disagree with that theory at least with reference to the modern schoolboy. If he were to do one thing well, he would do nothing else. He would develop into that vile reptile, of which our school has long been happily cleansed, the "bookworm," or else into the equally undesirable antithesis of the bookworm, the boy who plays football and does nothing else, loves cricket and hates all else, enjoys swimming and is bored at all else. If we take our part in everything that we possibly can we shall be on the right track, and even though individual activities may suffer, through lack of full attention, the sum total of school activities will benefit. Do everything even if

you only reach proficiency and prominence in few branches in our doctrine. It is a doctrine which has two merits. It is revolutionary and therefore attractive and not hide-bound, and it conduces to an interesting, beneficial, and busy school life. There is no fun during the winter months in moping for the days when cricket will return; it is painful to hear, in the summer time, the expert football player say that he "doesn't know anything about cricket, but it seems beastly slow." Nothing is slow into which we throw our whole energy.

School work is a dangerous subject on which to dwell, for in that domain tradition and custom of the ages is to be encountered. Yet even there we would preach our heresy and schism, albeit a little modified—"Do everything," or at least "do something." Slackness at school work never pays, as we all know though never confess, and it is quite possible to do well at both lessons and at play.

Home work is often decidedly annoying, school work is often very trying for the temper, yet if we could only take a little of the enthusiasm of the playing field into the classroom, even if a little of the boisterousness entered too, life would be infinitely more enjoyable.

Impositions, punishments, likes and dislikes, rebuke and praise, are the minor things of the true career of a schoolboy. The Joy of Life is the elixir we should strive to taste, the Joy of attempting all things, the Joy of succeeding in some.

"Sound, sound the clarion, sound the fyfe,
To all the sensual world proclaim—
One crowded hour of glorious life
Is worth an age without a name."

H.F.H.

—Says, very wisely, "It is ten o'clock;
Thus may we see," quoth he, "how the world wags:
'Tis but an hour ago since it was nine;
And after one hour more 'twill be eleven;
And so, from hour to hour, we ripe and ripe,
And then, from hour to hour, we rot and rot,
And thereby hangs a tale."

—As You Like It.

Although, from its appalling and wearisome love-passages, "As You Like It" is, amongst boys, one of the least popular of Shakespeare's plays, yet for some of its sayings it deserves to be recommended to them. The well-meaning examiners are fond of it; and accordingly a boy who stays in school any length of time will probably be wearied to the point of extinction by Rosalind and Corydon, and the notes on "poor a thousand," and the interminable controversy about the *exact* locality of the Forest of Arden, a matter of very great importance; for it is surely essential to know the *exact* place in which an incident which did not happen actually occurred. And, in time, we find ourselves wearied by this play, and turn to King Lear and Coleridge. We admit, however, that Jacques as a character is a redeeming feature.

Some years ago there appeared in this Magazine a leading article entitled "The Fourth Dimension"; a very apt title, we think, although to do so is to agree with Mr. H. G. Wells. The article, we recollect, dealt mainly with passing events, and contained no word of Mathematics or Science. And so we are brought back to our quotation from "As You Like It." I had intended this article to be an editorial; but I fear it lacks that unity of concord which is to be found in the works of the great literary persons, and which forms such a splendid ground of controversy for those who know everything, or who teach it to others.

It is said elsewhere in this Magazine that genius is akin to madness. This is a common saying; but it is not nearly so widely recognised how near to madness the rest of us are. That is to say, that even to the wisest there is a limit to his wisdom; and it is unwise to push comparisons too far. There is no connection, for instance, between the mathematician who persists in regarding $22\frac{1}{2}$ as, for some purposes, a convenient number, and the supreme and ridiculous person who decreed that in dealing with a unit of area $30\frac{1}{4}$ should be chosen as a fit multiple.

We deduce, however, that Shakespeare's view is that all things are useless, and maturity only leads to decay. Gray expresses the same thought. Quite what the last line means, we cannot discover. From the rest of the speech, we gather that Jacques had a high opinion of Touchstone's wit; it is a proverb that it takes a wise man to be a fool. It is not every fool that is wise, however; see Jack Point.

The moral is easy.

"It is ten o'clock;
'Tis but an hour ago since it was nine;
And after one hour more, 'twill be eleven."

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Obiter Dicta.

ON Friday morning, May 23rd, we had the privilege of hearing Lieut.-Comm. Collingwood Hughes lecture on "The British attack on Zeebrugge Harbour." He explained how the attack was split up into three parts and discussed each in detail. His account of the exploit of the submarine in destroying one part of the Mole was particularly vivid; and the story of the "Vindictive," "Iris" and "Daffodil" scarcely less so.

At the conclusion of a most entertaining lecture, the Head handed the gallant officer a cheque as the school's contribution towards the fund for building a memorial to those who lost their lives in the action.



The cricket eleven deserve congratulations on their many distinguished successes this season; and commiseration on their unfortunate defeat at Birkenhead. It is a pity that we are to lose the exertions of Hutchison and Howard at the close of this term. They are very worthy of the school's thanks for their unflagging enthusiasm.



We congratulate T. M. Knox on winning an open classical scholarship at Pembroke College, Oxford, and H. M. Turner on achieving an open science scholarship at Hulme Hall, Victoria University.



It is worthy of note that parallel with these scholastic successes we won both inter-school sports championships.



We offer our congratulations to those who gained it for us by their athletic prowess, and our thanks especially to Holmes, whose continued keenness and enthusiasm went far to gaining for us a rather unexpected victory.



We bid farewell to a large number of people at the top of the school this term. Whether their immediate future lies along the paths of University, commercial or sordid ease we wish them all well, and hope that they will be successful in achieving their aim.



And those of us who now depart and who "quasi cursores vitai lampada tradunt" may perhaps be allowed to exhort their followers to remember that it is a torch that is handed to them, and to remember to keep it brightly burning.

House Notes.

COCHRAN HOUSE.—The House may look back upon its work of the last term with more pride than it has done for some time. In the Gymnasium Cup Competition last March it is true that our team was fifth; but as a whole it worked well, and deserved a higher place. We were also fifth in the competition for the Singing Cup, but there our failure was not on account of lack of merit, but because of nervousness. The Choir tried by far the hardest piece, and on its practices it would have been deemed one of the best.

Our prospects for this term, moreover, are encouraging. In the Sports we were fifth in the Senior, and second in the Middle and Junior divisions; and the whole House was second on its total of marks. Both Senior and Junior Cricket Teams have done well so far, the Senior team having attained to the final for the Headmaster's Cup, where they hope to meet Hughes House some day.

As, unfortunately, at the end of every School year, the School is bound to lose many of its boys, so it is doing now; and the members of the House who are leaving this term wish for its success in the future. For myself, I wish to thank the House for its support in the past, and to leave with it the message:

You have done well; do better.

R. G. B.

TATE HOUSE.—At the end of last term and throughout this term the House has shown itself very alive and keen, and may justly be proud of itself. Although it did not win the Horsfall Cup, we put up a very good fight for it, and at one point in the game we looked as if we should win. The House may also compliment itself on winning the Gymnasium Cup. We must congratulate C. Morland on gaining highest individual marks in the competition.

The House did fairly well in the Sports, although there was no outstanding performance. The Senior and Middle were second and third in their respective divisions. The Junior were fifth owing more to the scarcity of good runners than from the lack of entries.

In Cricket the House has not done so well again, owing to the scarcity of good players. We were knocked out in the Semi-final of the Headmaster's Cup by Cochran.

It is our very pleasant task to congratulate Knox, our House Captain, on gaining a classical scholarship to Pembroke College, Oxford. We are very sorry to lose a House Captain who has done so much to bring it to its present position. We wish him the best of luck in his future career.

H. E. H.

PHILIP HOLT HOUSE.—Although we have no really brilliant successes to record, we have every reason to be proud of our House.

In the Hobby Show, the House Choir maintained its usual standard. We must congratulate Woolley on gaining a prize for original music.

The slackness of the Senior division of the House in the Sports was really lamentable, but the Junior and Middle divisions compensated for this lack of keenness by carrying off the shields for their respective divisions.

It only remains for the House to buck up and show a little more keenness, in order to regain its former premier position.

In conclusion, it is our sad duty to say farewell to Howard, Head of the House, and the two House Prefects, Pym and Woolley. We wish them every success in their future careers.

HUGHES HOUSE.—The House has every right to be proud of its recent achievements. This year it has been even more successful in the Sports than last year. It has won the Senior Shield and the Total Aggregate Shield; three Hughes members, Rome, Baxter and Trainor, have won respectively the Senior, Middle, and Junior Championships, and Rome a further success in the Open Mile Cup. Out of eighteen competitors entered for the Inter-Schools Sports, six were from Hughes, namely, Civil, Rome, Baxter, Cox, Milton and Lindholm. Cox and Rome were respectively 1st and 2nd in the Mile; Baxter came first in the High Jump and 2nd in the Long Jump; and Milton came 1st in the Junior Quarter Mile. Under the enthusiastic captaining of Coomer, the House has won its way to the Final of the Headmaster's Cup, beating Alfred Holt in the first round and Philip Holt in the Semi-final. In the League, the Senior team has won all its matches but one, and the Junior team has not lost one. We hope that under the captaincy of Charlton the House will be as successful as it was last year. With regret we must bid farewell to Musgrave-Brown, who leaves us for his Army career. We wish him every success.

C. C. C.

ALFRED HOLT.—Our efforts in the cricket world have not been crowned with the success they deserve, for in the first round of the Headmaster's Cup Competition we were unfortunately defeated by a very narrow margin. Coomer's swift straight balls seemed needlessly to terrify our batsmen, and there were several instances of bad luck during our innings. In league cricket we are doing fairly well and there is good hope that the Shield will be ours. In the Sports our entries were very good and we were as successful as we ever were in this direction.

The Swimming Gala does not hold out to us a hopeful prospect of any cups—we are becoming rather sated of such things. Seriously, though, we must not allow ourselves to become self-complacent selfish pot-hunters. Cups are not the greatest things which school life has to offer.

The Magazine Club, as is natural during the summer term, has languished, but be assured it has not died; it will have its Spring in Winter!

Hutchison, Hutchinson and Scott, J. H., will be leaving this term, and the thanks of the House are due to their efforts, their successful efforts, at keeping up that enthusiasm and keenness for which Alfred Holt will always be famed. J.W.B.

DANSON HOUSE.—The House is showing signs of new life in its various spheres of activity. In the School Sports the Senior and Middle divisions of the House tried well and, in spite of a lack of talent, gained the third and fourth places respectively. The Junior division, however, pulled the House down and we were bottom in the "aggregate mark list."

In House cricket we are doing quite well. The Junior division (as this goes to press) have played two matches and won both. I hope that the Juniors will keep up this keenness and secure the Shield. In the name of the House I wish good luck and success to all its members who are leaving the House and School this term. In particular, E. S. Roberts deserves the best wishes of the House. He has been in Danson House since he first joined the School (six years ago) and has taken a full share in the life of the House, both as a member and as a Prefect.

This is the last time I shall write these notes, but I leave the House in the full confidence that under its next captain it will continue to strive in work and games to live up to our motto:

"Mens sana in corpore sano."

H.M.T.

Evening.

'Tis evening, and the sun glows red
Above those hills of verdant green.
The shades grow long, all life seems dead,
And over all the sky is seen
Pale light.

Such art was pictured in that sky.
With rosy tints and golden hues,
That I could scarce restrain a sigh
To think such beauty many lose
Each night.

J.C.W.

Hobby Show.

LAST year the House system was introduced into the Hobby Show, and a great increase in the number of entries was the result. This year it was proposed to have the same arrangement, but owing to the regretted absence of Mr. Willis, the scheme could not be carried through, and so it was decided not to hold a Hobby Show as such, but in its place to have a Variety Entertainment. The credit for the organisation of this concert must be given to Mr. S. V. Brown, whose energy and patience were rewarded by the great success of his scheme.

The chief alteration from the normal order of things was that there was no display of exhibits. The competitions for prizes were not altogether dropped, however, but were retained in the sections dealing with Music, Illustrated Lectures, Recitation, and Original Composition. The Entertainment itself was held on the evening of Tuesday, April 8th, 1919; but the competitions in these sections were decided a week previously.

The House Singing Cup was awarded to Danson House, their Choir being the best of a number of almost equally good ones. The performances of the others were mostly praiseworthy, but for amateurs judging was rendered difficult by the fact that each Choir could sing any two of six pieces, and the selections were, naturally, by no means alike. The two favourite pieces, however, seemed to be "The Belfry Tower" and "Departure"; but "O Lovely May," although perhaps more difficult, deserved more notice than was taken of it.

The attendance at the Entertainment was nearly 900; and in anticipation of this large number, the programme had been divided into two parts, exactly alike, since it was impossible for many more than 400 people to see the main part of the Entertainment, the Hall performances, at once; accordingly, the

Variety Entertainment in the Hall was performed twice, and during each performance accommodation for the people who were not admitted to that performance was found in various lecture-rooms in the School. The lectures given in these rooms were mainly of a scientific nature. Illustrated lectures on geographical subjects were given in one room, and chemical demonstrations in another. Mr. Thorpe explained the colours of soap films, and Baxter, R. G., showed a few simple dynamo experiments. The most popular lecture, however, was that given by Mr. Doughty and Mr. Reece on "Liquid Air."

Contemporaneously with these diversions there was a triple-barrelled entertainment in the Hall. The winners of the School musical competitions entertained the assembled multitude, a few of the staff acting in a farce amused them, some prehistoric tableaux frightened them. To consider the matter more in detail: The music was much appreciated, as it deserved to be. The singing of "O Lovely May" left nothing to be desired; and many of us were amazed at the development of Turner's voice; his rendering of "Tom Bowling" was superb.

"The Rest Cure," considered as a dramatic work, lacks that spiciness associated with the successful farce; and, frankly, as such it left us cold. Mr. Hicks, however, as the distressed patient, involved the audience in frequent mirthful spasms, an occupation in which he was ably assisted by Miss Makins. Miss Wilson, Miss Smith, and Miss Hudson all performed their parts ably, but they had no scope for the demonstration of histrionic ability. Parts of the dialogue were clever, but that fact could scarcely be the redemption of a piece of extravagant buffoonery. Without the extremely clever acting of Mr. Hicks and Miss Makins we fear that it would have fallen flat.

The prehistoric tableaux skilfully devised, and as skilfully carried out by Mr. S. V. Brown, gave vivid representations of our (rather remote) forbears—so vivid that some parts of the audience quaked. For they knew the habits of these ancient Britons, and they dreaded the velocity of and the force residing in one of those playthings of theirs—should one become angry and aim at the audience an elliptical billiard ball. In spite of the cannibalistic grins on the face of some of the actors, the qualms of the onlookers were allayed by their desire to vent their visible feelings—and so each tableaux gained a well-merited round of laughter and applause.

The whole entertainment was a great success—many were frustrated, sorrowing, in felonious attempts to gain admission to both first and second houses—and it is a monument to Mr. S. V. Brown's enormous organising genius. We hope that it will not be long before it is again similarly employed. R.G.B., T.M.K.

The School Library.

THE affairs of our Library have never hitherto intruded themselves upon these pages, but it is most certainly necessary that they should do so.

The Library, which, be it ever remembered, is the generous gift of an anonymous donor, is for the use of the Senior School, and its rules allow the Sixths and only 1st class boys of the Removes and Vx, to have admittance. Other boys may also be admitted if by express permission of the Library Committee. This information is volunteered because many of the School seem to be unaware of the existence of such rules.

The stock of books is not quite complete, and in order to fill some gaps, another anonymous friend of the School has presented the Library Committee with the sum of £325, and the books required are now on order. The School is indeed rich in its many kind and generous friends, and we here publicly offer our thanks for this recent gift.

The Library Committee has been mentioned above. To many this is a mysterious creation, and enlightenment is needed. It consists of the Headmaster, Mr. Groom, Mr. Tiffin, Mr. Hickinbotham, Mr. Bain (Librarian), R. G. Baxter, T. M. Knox, H. F. Hutchison (Hon. Secretary), G. W. Pym, E. Scott, and J. W. Brown, and is supreme, being executive, legislative, and administrative. It meets once at the beginning and once at the end of every term, and suggestions may be made to this Committee by means of the Suggestions Book in the Library.

So far, the Library has been very well used, but we are afraid that, amongst certain classes, it has been used more often, not as a library, but as a convenient meeting place for combined home-work. This is a state of affairs which should not exist, and as we do not wish to rule the Library on the methods of a military despotism, it should not be necessary for anyone to interfere. Those who use the Library should see to it themselves that home-work does not take up all their time, and although there is no objection to certain home-work being done in the Library, let us found the good tradition that serious, good reading is the main object of our presence there.

May.

Oh! month beloved of poets, said to be
 A time when all the joyous world's at play,
 Called "sportive," "laughing," "Merry month of May."
 What have I done that all your pleasures free
 Should with a lavish hand be spread 'fore me
 Unnoticing? What though your ev'ry day,
 In vain, attempts to lure me far away
 Into the country's heart, where's not a tree
 But, white with bloom, transformed by magic seems
 And meadows sweet with blossom's scent appear
 So fair, methinks I'm lost in wondrous dreams.
 This is the time of all the glorious year
 That youth should reign supreme, and ne'er a care
 Be felt—and yet, like Fate, exams. are drawing near!

J.W.B.

The School Sports.

ONCE more the Clerk of the Weather has been kind to us, in favouring us with fine weather on all three days of the Sports. The ground was hard and made running better. The running was of quite a high standard, although no records were broken, and more than anything else the competition in all three divisions of the running was very keen. This year the number of entries show a new record, there being over two thousand entries, and over five hundred and seventy entrants. The three individual Championships were again won by members of Hughes' House, Rome, G. H., winning the Open Championship and also the Mile Cup, and Baxter, P. J., and Trainor, C. W., winning the Middle and Junior Cups respectively. Of the House Championship Shields, the Senior went to Hughes', and the Middle and Junior to Philip Holt. Hughes' House also gained the shield for the highest aggregate marks, with a lead of 99 points over Cochran, who were second. One of the chief features of the Sports this year was the presence of Mr. Owen and of many Old Boys who have served in the Forces, also the number of entrants for the Old Boys' Race, which was won by Mr. Tucker. On the whole the Sports passed off very successfully. The thanks of the School are due to Lady Dale, who so kindly distributed the prizes. They are also due to the members of the Staff, especially to Mr.

Tiffen, who did so much in the organisation of the Sports, and to Mr. Doughty, who had the arduous task of recording the marks.

RESULTS.

CRICKET BALL (Open).—1st, Howard, S.; 2nd, Morland, R.; distance: 79 yards, 3 ins. Under 15: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Franks, S. H.; distance: 69 yards, 3 ins. Under 13½: 1st, Sanders, T. E.; 2nd, Wicks, D. M.; distance: 58 yards.

LONG JUMP (Open).—1st, Hutchinson, F. J.; 2nd, Holmes, H. E.; distance: 17 feet 9 ins. Under 15: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Jones, W. P.; distance: 14 feet 10 ins. Under 13½: 1st, Searle, F.; 2nd, Jackson, W. H.; distance: 13 feet, ½ in.

HIGH JUMP (Open).—1st, Scott, E., and Turner, H. M.; height: 4 feet 6 ins. Under 15: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Ball, E. S.; height: 3 feet 11½ ins. Under 13½: 1st, Jarvis, E. H.; 2nd, Kneale, W. M.; height: 3 feet 10½ ins.

100 YARDS (Open).—1st, Holmes, H. E.; 2nd, Anderson, T. D.; time, 11½ secs. Under 16: 1st, Eden, P. H.; 2nd, Tarshish, J.; time, 12 secs. Under 15: 1st, Holland, A. E.; 2nd, Lindholm, J. R. A.; time, 12½ secs. Under 14: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Griffiths, W. A.; time, 13 secs. Under 13½: 1st, Lewis, J. L. D.; time, 13 secs. Under 13: 1st, Ellis, R. A.; 2nd, Jarvis, E. H.; time 13½ secs. Under 12: 1st, Gornall, R. H.; 2nd, Smith, W. K.; time 14 secs. Under 11: 1st, Brearey, R. S.; 2nd, Burnett, S. E.; time 15 secs. Under 10: 1st, Kirby, T. H.; 2nd, Leaman, W. H.; time 14½ secs.

220 YARDS (Open).—1st, Holmes, H. E.; 2nd, Rome, G. H.; time, 36½ secs. Under 16: 1st, Tarshish, J.; 2nd, Cox, G. H.; time 27 secs. Under 15: 1st, Kennan, J. M.; 2nd, Lindholm, J. R. A.; time, 29½ secs. Under 14: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Griffiths, W. A.; time, 28½ secs. Under 13½: 1st, McIlwaine, H.; time, 31 secs. Under 13: 1st, Ellis, R. A.; 2nd, Jarvis, E. H.; time, 31½ secs. Under 12: 1st, Gornall, R. H.; 2nd, Sanders, T. E.; time 33½ secs. Under 11: 1st, Kirby, T. H.; 2nd, Blake, G.; time, 34½ secs.

440 YARDS (Open).—1st, Scott, E.; 2nd, Rome, G. H.; time 61 ¾ secs. Under 15: 1st, Baxter, P. J.; 2nd, Milton, E.; time 68½ secs. Under 13½: 1st, Poadham, T. E.; time, 71½ secs.

880 YARDS (Open).—1st, Rome, G. H.; 2nd, Holmes, H. E.; time, 2 mins., 19½ secs.

ONE MILE (Open).—1st, Rome, G. H.; 2nd, Scott, J. H.; 3rd, Keown, R. E.; time, 5 mins., 21½ secs. Under 16: 1st, Cox, G. H.; 2nd, Tarshish, J.; 3rd, Burns, C. D.; time, 5 mins. 17½ secs. Under 15: 1st, Watterson-Thomas, I.; 2nd, Abraham, H. J.; 3rd, Baxter, P. J.; time, 5 mins., 32 secs.

250 YARDS HANDICAP (Open).—1st, Wilson, B. L. Under 13: 1st, Gornall, R. H. Under 11: Cohen, A.

OBSTACLE RACE (Open).—1st, Ellison, N. W.; 2nd, Jones, W. G. Under 15: 1st, Hutchins, J. S.; 2nd, Ball, F. A. Under 13½: 1st, Kneale, W. M.; 2nd, Hill, N. W.

SACK RACE.—1st, Danks, A. G.

EGG RACE (Open).—1st, Hutchinson, F. J. Under 15: 1st, Coutts. N. Under 13½: 1st, Kneale, W. M.

SQUADRON RACES.—Senior: 1st, Tate; 2nd, Cochran; time 1 min., 0½ secs. Middle: 1st, Cochran; 2nd, Tate; time, 1 min., 8½ secs. Junior: 1st, Philip Holt; time, 1 min., 10 secs.

TUG OF WAR.—Senior: 1st, Cochran; 2nd, Hughes. Middle: 1st, Philip Holt; 2nd, Tate. Junior: 1st, Philip Holt; 2nd, Alfred Holt.

OLD BOYS' RACE (100 Yards).—1st, Mr. Tucker (Tate); 2nd, Mr. Black (Cochran); time 11½ secs.

CHAMPIONSHIP CUPS.—Senior: Rome, G. H. (Hughes). Middle: Baxter, P. J. (Hughes). Junior: Trainor, C. W. (Hughes).

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS.—Senior: Hughes. Middle: Philip Holt. Junior: Philip Holt. Highest Aggregate: Hughes.

SENIOR DIVISION AVERAGES.

HUGHES	...	10.5	Alfred Holt	...	6.2
Tate	...	8.2	Cochran	...	5.6
Danson	...	6.4	Philip Holt	...	1.1

MIDDLE.

PHILIP HOLT	...	5.6	Danson	...	3.8
Cochran	...	5.1	Hughes	...	3.3
Tate	...	4.5	Alfred Holt	...	2.8

JUNIOR.

PHILIP HOLT	...	5.6	Alfred Holt	...	3.1
Cochran	...	3.6	Tate	...	1.4
Hughes	...	3.2	Danson	...	1.05

TOTAL POINTS.

HUGHES	...	689	Alfred Holt	...	489
Cochran	...	590	Philip Holt	...	474
Tate	...	573	Danson	...	415

The Inter-School Sports.

THE School has once again won the Senior and Junior Championships of the Inter-School Sports' Competition, also the Tug of War, in which they pulled the Catholic Institute, the Holt Secondary School, and finally the Liverpool Collegiate School. The thanks of the School and School representatives are due to Mr. Tiffen, who gave the runners such excellent advice on

running and jumping, and who gave so much of his valuable time to arrangements,

The following are the School successes:—

Senior—High Jump: F. J. Hutchinson, 2nd.
 Long Jump: F. J. Hutchinson, 1st.
 100 Yards: H. E. Holmes, 1st.
 220 Yards: H. E. Holmes, 3rd.
 440 Yards: E. Scott, 3rd.
 Mile: G. H. Cox, 1st; G. H. Rome, 2nd.
 Hurdles: F. J. Hutchinson, 2nd (13 points).
 Relay Race: School 3rd.
 Championship: School 1st (43 points).
 Tug-of-War: School 1st.

Junior—High Jump: P. J. Baxter, 1st.
 Long Jump: P. J. Baxter, 2nd.
 440 Yards: E. Milton, 1st.
 Relay Race: School 2nd.
 Championship: School 1st (19 points).

Tug of War Team: Morland, R., Scott, E., Civil, C. C., Scott, J. H., Brown, F. C. M., Tarshish, J., Baxter, R. G., Holmes, H. E., with Roberts, E. S., as "exhorter."

The O. T. C.

TOWARDS the end of last term a route march was held in the neighbourhood of Mossley Hill and Allerton. It was very rowdy and very enjoyable, particularly as such delights are now all too rare. Capt. Ellis, M.C., was with us as O.C., and he was very pleased with his first outdoor parade with us. On the same evening, the annual Corps' Sing-song was held. It was a very successful, and, as Lieut. Doughty pointed out, a historic event in the life of the Corps, for on that occasion Capt. Ellis was formally welcomed back as O.C. of the contingent. At the end of the evening, Sergt. Hutchison attempted a speech welcoming Capt. Ellis, and at the same time thanking Mr. Doughty and Mr. Brown for the manner in which they had so ably carried on during the war. The hearty cheers both for Capt. Ellis, Mr. Brown and Mr. Doughty, effectively covered up any oratorical defects in the speaker.

This term, which is usually a most active period in the life of the Corps, has been rather slack, chiefly owing to our being deprived of rifles until a week before the inspection. The weather until quite recently has been glorious, but we have as yet had no field-days. However, now that the inspection is over, we hope and trust that the joy of at least one field-day will be ours.

Many of us are looking forward with eagerness to the Annual Camp, which is to be held under pre-war conditions at Welbeck, in Nottinghamshire, from July 28th to August 8th. Welbeck is in the heart of the "Dukeries," and is part of the Sherwood Forest district, where the ghosts of Robin Hood and his Merry Foresters still haunt the enormous old oak trees. The country is fairly flat and well wooded, and with good weather the Camp should be glorious. However, a camp run by the War Office with something like 4,000 cadets there under regular officers, will be vastly superior to Ilkley Camp, although that, despite the food, was enjoyable.

On June 24th, 1919, we were inspected by Lt.-Col. Burnell, D.S.O., O.C. the Sherwood Foresters, stationed at Crosby. The weather was none too good, but owing to the gale of wind the rain kept off. The usual routine was gone through. Col. Burnell, after the general salute, inspected each platoon separately, and then the Company took up its position for the March Past. With the band playing, and the identification badge of the R.W.F. fluttering in the wind, we marched past in column. The line was kept exceedingly well. After a very "posh" unfix—another excellent importation from the R.W.F.—a skeleton company was formed, and there followed a very good display of Company Drill under Sergt. Hutchison and Cpl. J. H. Scott.

The Corps next split up into sections, and each section was told off to do a particular duty—musketry, section drill, open-order drill, manual, etc. The Inspecting Officer walked round and watched the various sections at work, and we understand that his scrutiny at No. 1 Section, No. 1 Platoon, was all too keen—he discovered how little of musketry they knew!

The Company was then formed up along two sides of a rectangle for an address by Col. Burnell. He assured us that he was very pleased with our smart soldierly appearance, and congratulated all concerned therein. We were exhorted to keep up our "esprit de corps," our enthusiasm, and our keen efficiency. He pointed out that the Great War of 1914-19 would not be the last war, and quoted Lord Roberts' warning after the Boer War,

"We must prepare for the next." He referred to the fact that at Marlborough he had been in the O.T.C., and had never regretted the fact, for in every way it had enabled him to take his place more efficiently as a good citizen of his country. Apparently, in those days Col. Burnell was very small, and he encouraged the younger ones of our Corps to remember that "everyone has to make a beginning." Capt. Ellis called for three cheers which were heartily given, and the Inspecting Officer, together with Capt. Ellis drove off. Lt. Doughty dismissed the contingent.

The Corps carried itself very well, and despite, or indeed on account of, the lack of preparation, the Inspection compared very favourably with those of past years. The credit for this is due, especially, to all our officers.

The Signallers and Scouts are now non-existent, but steps are being taken to reorganise them in view of Camp.

Shooting, so far this term, has not been too keen, chiefly as we are not permitted to go to Altcar. The Sir Alfred Jones' Shooting Shield Competition will have been fired, and both the Capt. Hutchison Cup and the Capt. Wheeler Cup Competition will have been held before these notes are read in print. It is to be hoped that Sections will be as keen as usual.

About half the present N.C.O.s, including the four sergeants, will be leaving at the end of term, so that there will be many vacancies next term for those aiming at a L.-Cpl.'s stripe.

The Corps is entering upon difficult days, for the glamour of khaki has gone, and our "morale," our enthusiasm, is on the wane. If the Corps is to continue in its present efficiency, we must keep up that spirit which has been and is its life. Those who are, colloquially, "fed-up" with the Corps should leave it and keep quiet, while those who are keen should keep keen and spread their keenness.

The following promotions have been made since the writing of last term's magazine:—Cpl. F. C. M. Brown to be Sergeant; L.-Cpls. Francis, F. C., Hutchinson, F. J., Scott, J. H., and Turner, H. M., to be Corporals.

H.F.H.

School Swimming.

IT is hoped to hold the Gala at the end of this term. As far as swimmers were concerned, last year's Gala was a success but there was a poor attendance of visitors. This can be remedied.

The Swimming Club is flourishing. We need, however, to remind the School that the object of the Club is to improve the swimming of the School, not merely to hold an annual performance at which the School may cheer.

House Cricket.

SO far this term, the House Cricket has been very satisfactory. Only one match has been spoilt by the failure of a team to turn up in sufficient numbers. Two rounds of the Headmaster's Cup Competition have already been played. The final match will be between Cochran v. Hughes.

The results of the League Competition cannot as yet be ascertained.

S.M.

School Cricket.

UNLESS the summer season really determines not to wear a wintry smile, cricket is marred, but this year we cannot grumble at the weather, although the farmers may—yet if the weather is good for corn it will be bad for some other produce of the agriculturist, who is never satisfied. The only match that we have been forced to postpone was the Master's Match; however, an opportunity will be afforded them of attempting our defeat on July 5th.

The whole School seems intensely keen on cricket, and the ground at Greenbank is hopelessly inadequate for accommodating the large numbers who wish to play. On one occasion, besides the 1st XI., there were seven minor games playing on the ground! Perhaps when the allotment holders are forced to relax their tenacious grip on public park-land we may be able to secure another ground. The spirit of the players is indeed willing, but, unfortunately, there is little opportunity for directing and guiding their enthusiasm, and, with only two very dilapidated and

almost useless nets, practice in the evenings suffers. Several masters, of whom we wish particularly to mention Mr. Hall, have helped us at net practice, but we do miss the energy and enthusiasm of a Mr. Broom on the cricket field.

It has been the guiding policy this season to war against the cult of the "slogger." Slogging may occasionally score runs, but it is of no real benefit to anybody, and colours this season will be awarded not on those detestable averages—even as detestable as marks in schoolwork—but as far as possible on the quality of cricket displayed. This method has always been theoretically employed, but it is feared that averages have influenced the award of colours more than they ought.

Five "fifties" have been scored this season, two by Howard, two by Hutchison, one by Cosnett.

Many of the 1st XI. will be leaving at the end of this season and, unfortunately, the Captain and Secretary will be among the number. Hutchison has been Captain for the last three years, and Howard Secretary and Sub-Captain for the last two. School cricket will appear to suffer from their departure, but the good effect of their work will surely be felt by future generations of cricketers.

We wish to thank Mr. Hicks for the trouble he has taken with the affairs at the ground, and also our new groundsman, Neil, who ably fills the place of good old Kemp, while Mr. R. E. Williams must be mentioned as the faithful henchman of the cricket team of his old School, for which he constantly umpires with an accuracy and knowledge of the rules which baffles and amazes the ordinary cricketer. It is believed he fainted with delight on hearing that the "two minutes" rule had been adhered to in first-class cricket—he had better not attempt to apply it in our games!

Colours will be presented, we hope, now that peace is near, in the form of caps, on the last day of term, but if the 2nd XI. wish to see any colours at all, they had better wake up and attempt to be much keener and to play better cricket.

CRITIQUE.

H. F. HUTCHISON (Captain). — An extremely capable and efficient "skipper." During his three years as Captain has handled the team with perfect judgment. Has batted excellently and is to be congratulated, especially on

his well-deserved 51 and 62 (both not out) at Crosby and Birkenhead respectively. An excellent field at point. Will long be remembered as one of the most successful Captains the School has ever had.

S. HOWARD (Sub-Captain and Hon. Secretary).—An excellent bat with a sure defence and some good scoring strokes. Has played consistently well, and is to be heartily congratulated on his play and for his admirable advice as Sub-Captain and his able methods as Secretary.

E. COSNETT.—Early in the season was not too successful, but is a very good bat and usually opens the innings with Howard. Has blossomed forth into an excellent slow-break bowler, and in this capacity has done great execution. An excellent fielder at cover-point. Played his best innings at Birkenhead.

G. M. COOMER.—Has lost some of his good style and must try to curb his propensities for mere swiping. Has been fortunate and has given some good displays. He played very well at Merchants. Has been a very good wicket-keeper.

F. J. HUTCHINSON.—A new member of the Eleven who has played some good innings. Should practice leg strokes more, and must learn to pick up a swift ground ball.

H. L. BEST.—A useful bowler with a good length. He should learn to vary his balls more. A forceful bat, who can hit very hard and also poke effectively.

A. T. WOOLLEY.—A good bowler of leg-breaks. Has a curious style as a bat, but has kept his wicket up successfully against some good bowling.

H. E. WICKES.—A very good batsman, who spoilt himself early in the season by poor fielding, but who has much improved. Can bowl.

F. E. D. DAVIES.—Can bat well, but is very slow. A lazy field. Is capable of much better things if he would only keep alive.

J. W. BROWN.—Can bat, but needs more practice, and has had little opportunity of showing his prowess this season. A poor fielder.

J. H. SCOTT.—A hard hitting left-hand bat who fields well.

N. W. ELLISON.—A curious bat who can bowl and who fields excellently.

FIRST ELEVEN BATTING AVERAGES.

(To June 25th.)

	No. of Innings.	Times not out.	Most in an Innings.	Total.	Average.
Howard, S.	10	3	53*	228	32.57
Hutchison, H. F.	10	2	62*	155	19.37
Coomer.	10	0	49	169	16.90
Best.	8	1	33*	112	16.00
Wickes.	7	2	15*	58	11.60
Cosnett.	10	0	52	103	10.30
Hutchinson, F. J.	9	0	36	92	10.22
Woolley.	5	3	9*	16	8.00
Davies, F. E. D.	6	1	8*	24	4.80
Scott, J. H.	4	1	4*	9	3.00
Brown, J. W.	4	0	1	1	.25
Also batted—					
Ellison.	2	0	12	12	6.00
Baxter, P. J.	1	0	2	2	2.00

* Signifies "Not Out."

FIRST ELEVEN BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
Woolley.	59	8	163	21	7.76
Best.	77	11	229	29	7.89
Cosnett.	81	12	256	31	8.26
Coomer.	23	3	72	8	9.00
Also bowled—					
Wickes.	3	1	2	2	1.00
Hutchison, H. F.	3	0	11	2	5.50
Davies, F. E. D.	4	2	7	1	7.00
Howard.	3	0	29	3	9.67

FIRST ELEVEN RESULTS.

	SCORES.				
	School.		Opponents.		
Liverpool Collegiate School, at Greenbank.	Won...	46	10	30	10
Alfred Holt, C.C., at Greenbank.	Lost ..	23	10	60	10
Caldy Grange Gram. School at Greenbank ...	Won...	134*	4	30	10
Merchant Taylor's School, at Crosby.	Draw...	136	5	156	10
Caldy Grange Gram. School, at West Kirby....	Won...	123	10	22	10
Liverpool Collegiate School, at Fairfield.	Won...	104*	6	47	10
Wallasey Grammar School, at Wallasey.	Won...	184*	7	92	10
Birkenhead School, at Oxtou.	Lost...	174*	5	183	6
Merchant Taylor's School, at Greenbank.	Lost...	96	9	108	10
Holt Secondary School, at Greenbank.	Won...	89	10	78	10

* Innings Declared.

SCHOOL v. LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, May 7th, 1919.

Owing to many hindrances to our practice, our hopes of defeating our rivals, the Collegiate, were not very high. Nets had been unavailable in the absence of our new groundsman and, also, several members of last season's Eleven were unable to play, so that we

seemed lamentably short of good bowlers. Our hopes almost touched zero when our first few men returned defeated in the first quarter of an hour. The Collegiate fielded very well, but Howard kept our team together as well as possible. His innings, resulting in 23 runs not out, was well played and exceedingly valuable; especially as the rest of us only scored 12 altogether!

Woolley as a bowler surprised us, and the effect on the Collegiate was even more pronounced. Their batsmen were the reverse of brilliant, and they rapidly succumbed to his good bowling. Cosnett amused us all, and discomfited the Collegiate with superhuman off-breaks, which were pitched wide yet broke in upon the wicket.

We won—a pleasant surprise. The team as a whole showed promise of better things.

SCHOOL.

Howard, not out	23
Cosnett, b Hetherington	0
Coomer, b Lesser	0
Hutchison, b Lesser	2
Scott, J. H., b Lesser	1
Davies, F. E. D., b Hetherington	4
Brown, J. W., c & b Crystal	0
Woolley, b Hetherington	2
Wickes, b Hetherington	0
Baxter, P. J., retired hurt	2
Ellison, b Lesser	0
Extras	12
Total	46

Bowling:				
Woolley	10	1	7	7
Davies	4	2	7	1
Ellison	4	1	12	0
Cosnett	2	1	3	1

SCHOOL v. ALFRED HOLT C.C.

Played at Greenbank, on May 10th, 1919.

We had heard awe-inspiring tales of the might of the opposing team, and we knew that it would be a difficult task to beat them. They batted first and, when they had scored 30 for 1 wicket, it seemed that we were out for an afternoon's prolonged "leather-hunting." However, their inevitable lack of practice began to tell, as also did Cosnett's wonderful slow off-breaks. A rot set in, and their tail did not seem to wag much, despite the heroic efforts of Mr. Astbury, whom Mr. Sawyer's careful attention prevented from indulging in his old tactics of running people out! Woodley's bowling was not good, but for lack of a better, or an equal, he had to continue. Cosnett was splendid.

Our first few men played very good cricket, and Howard, as usual, "nibbled" usefully. Most of our runs were scored through "byes." Half way through our innings a remarkable phenomenon was observed. The score board registered 28 for 5, and a little later 28 for 10. The only explanation that can be offered is that there was too much wind about, and our silly tail could not summon up courage even to shiver, let alone to wag.

It must, unfortunately, be remarked that our fielding was very bad.

SCHOOL.

Howard, b Wilson	6
Cosnett, c b Wilson	7
Coomer, b Wilson	0
Hutchison, c b Sawyer	1
Hutchinson, b Wilson	2
Davies, c b Sawyer	0
Wickes, b Sawyer	0
J. W. Brown, b Wilson	0
Woolley, not out	0
Ellison, b Wilson	0
Baxter, P. J., c b Wilson	0
Extras	12
Total	23

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Leckie, s, b Cosnett	20
Tucker, c b Woolley	16
Leonard, c b Cosnett	0
Wilson, run out	4
Blackburn, b Cosnett	4
Ward, b Cosnett	0
Weir, b Cosnett	4
Astbury, lbw, b Cosnett	3
Sawyer, c b Cosnett	4
Belbryton, played on, b Woolley	0
Harvey, not out	2
Extras	3
Total	60

Bowling:				
Woolley	10	1	32	2
Cosnett	9	0	25	7

SCHOOL v. CALDAY GRANGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, May 14th, 1919.

Hutchison won the toss, and with Howard went in to bat on a hard batsman's wicket. The partnership was quickly broken, and Howard and Coomer began to play cricket. Scoring, even with Howard, was fast, and the Calday bowling was not good. Coomer, however, was well caught, after a good though lucky innings, in the long field. Cosnett quickly followed, and then Hutchinson (with two "n's") did some hard hitting and compiled a quick 22. Howard and Best then settled down and both scored rapidly. When 4 o'clock arrived, Howard was just 50 not out, and Best 33 not out. Howard had played sound cricket, and his splendid display well deserved his ovation on returning to the Pavilion.

Calday batted poorly, and soon succumbed to Best's "sharpshooters" and Cosnett's ridiculous off-breaks. Our fielding showed signs of improvement, though it was not too brilliant.

Calday batted again, and there followed a magnificent display of really good bowling by Howard and Hutchison. Howard's saturnine features terrified the batsmen, while Hutchison's clever full-pitched and wide balls afforded a good test to the long field. It is remarkable that two such geniuses should have remained undiscovered so long.

The School won very, very comfortably.

SCHOOL.

Howard, not out	50
Hutchison, b Goodwin	0
Coomer, c b Goodwin	27
Cosnett, c b Hyslop	0
Hutchinson, b Hyslop	22
Best, not out	33
Jones, D. L., did not bat	0
Brown, P. W., did not bat	0
Wickes, did not bat	0
J. H. Scott, did not bat	0
Ellison, did not bat	0
Extras	2
Total for 4 wickets	134

CALDY G. G. SCHOOL.

Robertson, c & b Cosnett	0
Ashcroft, c & b Best	12
Goodwin, b Cosnett	0
Cooke, c & b Best	1
Milne, c b Best	0
Maw, b Cosnett	1
Kitchen, b Best	0
Lang, b Best	0
Hyslop, b best	0
Parry, not out	11
Kelly, b Cosnett	6
Total	30

Bowling:				
Cosnett	9	4	19	4
Best	9	3	11	6

2nd Innings—Caldy 14 for 5 wickets. Howard 3 for 3, Hutchison 11 for 2!!!

SCHOOL v. MERCHANT TAYLOR'S SCHOOL.

Played at Crosby, May 17th, 1919.

As Howard had brought a mackintosh and a certain pair of socks, the adverse effect—speaking meteorologically—of the Captain's straw hat was neutralised; in other words, the weather was splendid. Merchant's won the toss and went in to bat on a batsman's wicket. They were an excellent batting side as usual, and still had seven of their last year's colours in the team. Cosnett's slow breaks were useless on the hard wicket, and Best's efforts were not too successful. Runs were steadily amassed, and owing to the very short boundary on the Pavilion's side, scoring was often very rapid. Howard replaced Best, but when three six hits in succession followed, he deemed it the wisest plan to retire. Probably, with a longer boundary, one of these six hits would have meant a wicket. Woolley bowled well, but the hard wicket was against him. Our fielding showed further improvement. Merchant's were all out for the formidable total of 156.

After the tea interval, Howard and Cosnett opened our innings. They both played steadily, but through bad luck both retired early. Coomer and Hutchison then made a long stand, both scoring well. Coomer was out for 47 through a snick and a catch behind the wicket. He is to be congratulated on his display. Hutchison carried his bat for 51. At 7 p.m., when we were due to finish, we were 126 for 5 wickets. It was an excellent game, and thoroughly enjoyable—we always look forward to real cricket with Merchant Taylor's.

SCHOOL.	MERCHANT TAYLOR'S SCHOOL.		
Howard, lbw, b Rhodes	8	Dean, b Best	24
Cosnett, c b Smith	5	Robertson, c b Cosnett	3
Coomer, c b Smith	47	Dickson, run out	13
Hutchison, not out	51	Hay, c b Best	35
Best, c b Niblock	1	Smith, c b Woolley	14
Hutchinson, s, b Smith	4	Rhodes, b Woolley	0
Woolley, not out	4	Gibson, c b Best	12
Wickes, did not bat		Wallace, c b Best	24
Brown, J. W., did not bat		Thomson, not out	15
Ellison, did not bat		Baird, b Woolley	2
Scott, J. H., did not bat		Niblock, b Woolley	14
Extras	17		
Total, for 5 wickets	136	Total	156

Bowling:	O.	M.	R.	W.
Best	11	2	15	4
Cosnett	7	0	16	1
Woolley	12	4	37	4
Howard	3	0	26	0
Ellison	1	0	12	0

SCHOOL v. CALDAY GRANGE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Calday, on Saturday, May 24th, 1919.

The weather was brilliant, which made cricket very pleasant, but the walk up Calday Hill very dusty and tiring. We venture to believe that Davies' natural languor developed into real sloth, for it is understood that he commended a very youthful spectator to carry his bag to the ground! We batted first, and Howard and Coomer made a long stand. The bowling was rather weak, and the batting quite good, although Coomer had an unusual quantity of good luck.

Best enjoyed himself with some hard hitting, and Hutchinson gave a good display. Howard batted steadily, and thanks to Ellison's keeping his wicket up in an extraordinary fashion, he made his second 50 this season. We congratulate him heartily.

Calday batted none too well, they seemed baffled both by Cosnett and Woolley. There were several quite good catches made, and our fielding was up to standard. The wickets fell fast, and we won by a large margin.

On leaving Calday our team split up, the good ones immediately going home, the bad ones touring West Kirby and Hoylake. The sensible ones were those who sipped cooling beverages and consumed cold paste (not ice-cream), and in general took life easily. The train journey home was distinctly funny and very crowded.

SCHOOL.	CALDY GRANGE G. SCHOOL.		
Howard, not out	53	Robertson, c b Best	3
Coomer, c b Hyslop	30	Ashcroft, b Cosnett	1
Cosnett, c b Hyslop	0	Kelly, c b Best	0
Hutchinson, b Milne	1	Cooke, b Cosnett	7
Hutchinson, played on Milne	0	Goodwin, b Cosnett	0
Best, b Hyslop	6	Milne, b Cosnett	4
Woolley, run out	1	Maw, not out	3
Davies, F. E. D., run out	9	Parry, b Best	1
Brown, J. W., b Goodwin	1	Long, b Best	0
Scott, J. H., lbw, b Goodwin	0	Hyslop, c b Cosnett	2
Ellison, c b Ashcroft	12	Kitchen, c b Cosnett	0
Extras	5	Extras	1
Total	128	Total	22

Bowling:	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cosnett	6	0	14	6
Best	6	0	7	4

SCHOOL v. LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

Played at Fairfield, on Saturday, June 7th, 1919.

Again the Clerk of the Weather smiled on us; indeed, his was almost a scorching smile! The Collegiate batted first and wickets fell very rapidly indeed. Woolley bowled very well. Their caudal appendage, however, persisted in wagging, and though they were only 8 runs for 7 wickets they were 49 all out! This was the result of some poor fielding towards the finish.

Our batsmen were not troubled by the Collegiate's bowling, pure bad luck taking at least two wickets. Howard and Cosnett both batted well, and Wickes was shaping well when Howard played on, having made 40 runs. At this point we declared, our total being 120 for 6. Twice this season the Collegiate have given us very little trouble, despite the good bowling of Lesser.

SCHOOL.

Howard, played on, Lesser	40
Cosnett, b Moore	18
Coomer, hit wicket, b Moore	0
Hutchison, played on, Lesser	0
Best, c & b Hetherington	10
Hutchinson, c b Hetherington	14
Wickes, not out	7
Woolley, did not bat	
Dunn, did not bat	
Buckley, did not bat	
Baxter, P. J., did not bat	
Extras	15
Total for 6 wickets	104

Bowling:				
Woolley	O.	M.	R.	W.
Best	10	1	23	5
Wickes	7	0	20	3
Wickes	3	1	2	2

SCHOOL v. WALLASEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Wallasey, on Saturday, June 11th, 1919.

Drought seems to have a bad effect on the crops, but it does benefit cricket! Again, the weather was superb. Wallasey, who were reputed a very strong side, batted first and batted very well. Neither Cosnett nor Best were too successful, and when six wickets had fallen, Hutchison took Coomer's place behind the wickets, and allowed the latter to bowl. He bowled well, and Wallasey were all out for 92.

Howard and Cosnett, as usual, opened our innings, and both played well. Howard playing his usual steady game compiled a good 33, which was unfortunately marred by one difficult "life" in the slips. Coomer enjoyed the bowling, and had a merry but lucky innings of 49, when he was caught out after a feeble stroke. He is to be consoled in not reaching 50. Wallasey's bowling went hopelessly to pieces and our score rose rapidly, chiefly owing to the efforts of Hutchinson, who made a rapid 36. Our innings was declared, with the score 184 for 7 wickets.

SCHOOL.

Howard, b Stanway	33
Cosnett, b Meadows	6
Coomer, c b Dean	49
Hutchison, b Meadows	8
Best, c Clayton	15
Hutchinson, c b Leech	36
Wickes, run out	14
Davies, not out	8
Brown, J. W., did not bat	
Thomas, N. L., did not bat	
Scott, J. H., did not bat	
Extras	15
Total for 7 wickets	184

Bowling:				
Best	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cosnett	16	4	40	4
Coomer	12	3	44	3
Coomer	3	2	5	3

LIVERPOOL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.

Hetherington, c b Woolley	0
Williams, B. A., b Woolley	2
Williams, R., b Woolley	0
Foggo, c b Best	1
Clibbett, c b Best	4
Lesser, c b Best	1
Farrel, c b Wickes	2
Wearing, c b Wickes	18
Owen, c Woolley	0
Jones, P. F., b Woolley	13
Moore, not out	4
Extras	2
Total	47

SCHOOL v. BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.

Played at Birkenhead, on Wednesday, June 18th, 1919.

Winning the toss we went in to bat on what was a hard, batsman's wicket, despite the rain of the previous night. Howard and Cosnett, as usual, were our first two men, and we were dumbfounded on seeing the first ball of the match neatly cause Howard's off-stump to do the prone-falling exercise in perfect style. Coomer also did not last long. Hutchison and Cosnett then made a long stand, which resulted in 120 runs. Both seemed quite at home, although they were rather worried by the well-pitched balls of the opposing left-hander. Cosnett, having scored a good 52, was caught. Best had a merry five minutes, in which he rapidly scored 15 runs, but was then unfortunately run out. Wickes and Hutchison then continued our innings until tea, at five o'clock, when both carried their bats, having scored 15 not out and 63 not out respectively. We were 174 for five wickets on declaring.

Birkenhead were not much troubled by our bowling efforts. Marsh and Morris made a very long stand, the former scoring 90 and the latter 58. Marsh's hitting powers we know of old, and he was in form. Wickets fell more rapidly when this firm partnership had been broken, and towards 7 o'clock the excitement became intense. Birkenhead just won about 1½ minutes from time. However, it was a keen and exciting game, and our's was an honourable defeat, as Birkenhead were 183 for 6 wickets.

Our fielding was on the whole very good, and naturally very keen indeed towards the finish.

SCHOOL.

Howard, b Evans	0
Cosnett, c b Marsh	52
Coomer, b Marsh	3
Hutchinson, not out	63
Best, run out	15
Hutchinson, c & b Evans	0
Wickes, not out	15
Woolley, did not bat	
Brown, J. W., did not bat	
Davies, F. E. D., did not bat	
Scott, J. H., did not bat	
Extras	27
Total for 5 wickets	174

BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.

Kerr, c b Woolley	1
Priestley, c b Woolley	1
Marsh, c & b Coomer	90
Morris, stumped, b Cosnett	58
Gibson, c & b Cosnett	8
Hughes, not out	15
Rayner, not out	4
McNeill, did not bat	
Wilmer, did not bat	
Thompson, did not bat	
Evans, b Coomer	1
Extras	6
Total for 6 wickets	183

Bowling:				
Woolley	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cosnett	10	0	36	2
Best	17	0	71	2
Coomer	9	1	27	0
Coomer	11	0	47	2

SCHOOL v. MERCHANT TAYLOR'S SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, on Saturday, June 21st, 1919.

We had been looking forward to this match, as we always enjoy a good tussle. Merchant batted first, and scored consistently well. Our fielding lapsed a little from its usual efficiency, and Woolley did not turn up, so that Cosnett took the brunt of the bowling, and carried it well. Our opponents were all out for 108, which was a good total for what was not an excellent batsman's wicket. Indeed, it must here be mentioned that the pitch was appalling, even dangerous. It gave the appearance of not having been cut and of but little rolling.

Our innings opened very badly, the first few wickets falling very quickly. Hutchison and Wickes then made a very useful stand, both batting well and wearing down the bowling.

The major portion of our tail, with the exception of Hutchinson, did not wag too vigorously. As we approached the end of our innings—we only had 10 men—excitement increased, for we were also approaching Merchant Taylor's total. Loughlin, who was only in the team because of two regrettable absences, surprised us by scoring 8 runs. However, he was eventually bowled with our total 96.

The end of the game was comic and exciting, and, again, the pitch was exciting and dangerous—to which latter fact several players, including the captain, suffering from severe bruises, will bear witness.

SCHOOL.		MERCHANT TAYLOR'S.	
Howard played on	2	Robertson, A. R., c b Cosnett	17
Cosnett, b Hay	12	Escolme, A. T., b Cosnett	5
Coomer played on	7	Smith, A. F., b Best	15
Hutchison, c b Smith	17	Hay, A. E., run out	5
Best, b Hay	4	Dean, H. S., b Coomer	15
Wickes, lbw, b Dean	17	Dickson, D. A., c b Cosnett	11
Hutchinson, c b Smith	13	Rhodes, A., c & b Cosnett	9
Scott, J. H., not out	4	Thompson, R., not out	3
Davies, F. E. D., c b Hay	3	Gibson, J. F., b Cosnett	2
Loughlin, b Smith	8	Niblock, F. A., c b Cosnett	2
Extras	9	Wallace, J. A., c b Cosnett	18
		Extras	6
Total	96	Total	108

Bowling:	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cosnett	13	0	59	7
Best	8	1	33	1
Coomer	4	1	10	1

SCHOOL v. HOLT SECONDARY SCHOOL.

Played at Greenbank, on Wednesday, June 25th, 1919.

We batted first, in dull, ominous, cloudy weather. The pitch was fair and on the hard side, but the light was very bad. Howard and Cosnett again opened, and both played well. Coomer did not last long, and Wickes was unfortunately bowled by an excellent leg break. Hutchison and Best then made a stand, and the latter scored rapidly. Our tail did none too well, although runs were fairly frequent. Several players appeared unable to curb their desire for swiping, and the inevitable consequence followed—they were clean bowled. Our total was poor—89.

Holt's first man soon retired, to catch by point, and then there was a long and good first wicket stand. Woolley's bowling was off, and although no runs resulted from Cosnett's bowling, no wickets resulted either. Our fielding was poor at times—two catches being dropped. Best and Coomer, after the first wicket partnership had been broken, did good execution. Holt were rapidly approaching our insignificant total, and we were all very nervous as to the result. However, the fielding was better and Holt's tail did not wag vigorously, and they were all out for 78.

We won, but it was not a satisfactory win, as we are so apt to take things easy with the Holt.

SCHOOL.		HOLT SECONDARY SCHOOL.	
Howard, c b Lawton	13	Milne, c b Best	20
Cosnett, c b Lawton	3	Maraden, c b Woolley	0
Coomer, b Williams, R. G.	6	Lawton, b Best	28
Hutchison, b Lawton	13	Williams, R. G., b Best	8
Wickes, b Williams, R. G.	5	Kelly, c & b Best	0
Best, c b Williams, R. G.	28	Kenyon, b Best	9
Hutchinson, b Williams, R. G.	1	Le Brun, c b Coomer	2
Brown, J. W., b Williams, R. G.	0	Williams, R. G., b Best	8
Woolley, not out	9	Burkitt, not out	5
Scott, J. H., b Lawton	4	Ford, H. C., c b Best	2
Davies, F. E. D., b Lawton	0	Hitchlock, c b Coomer	0
Extras	7	Extras	4
Total	89	Total	78

Bowling:	O.	M.	R.	W.
Woolley	7	1	28	1
Cosnett	8	4	5	0
Best	7	0	26	7
Coomer	53	0	15	2

Gymnasium Competition.

THE Competition for the Plevin-Grieve Gymnasium Cup was held on the evening of Thursday, March 27th, 1919, in the Gymnasium. There was a large attendance, and the Headmaster and Mr. Groom were present.

The standards of the teams' performances were mostly quite good. Some of the Swedish drill, we confess, could have been better, and so could some of the individual displays; but on the whole the teams worked together and showed evidences of good and keen training. The results were as follows:—

1.—TATE	260	4.—Alfred Holt	243½
2.—Danson	251	5.—Cochran	240½
3.—Hughes	247½	6.—Philip Holt	205

The best individual performances were : Morland, R. (T.), 37½; Civil, C. C. (H.), 36½; Ellison, N. W. (D), 36.

Chronique Scandalense.

[See notes at foot of article.]

THE calendars, the almanacks, and the diaries which are to be found in every British home, record that on May 31st, 1902, the Peace of Pretoria was signed, bringing to a close the guerilla warfare against the Boers whose fate Lord Roberts had previously sealed. It is quite true that this Peace was signed on May 31st, but it seems perfectly incredible that those who are responsible for the said calendars, almanacks, and diaries should record this Peace and omit to mention the all-important, the most astounding, the ever-mentionable fact that on May 31st, 1901, this genius was born. The omission seems inexcusable (*a*) and we trust that all who read this touching history will always remember the fact that although then the Boer War finished, on this same memorable date this mysterious HE was born.

His early years were spent in the quiet seclusion, the sunny "Groves," the glorious "Avenues," the deceitful "Crescents," and the winding "Lanes" of the far-famed Park of Orrell — Roads, mere roads are not tolerated there. We cannot ascertain in which particular sunny Grove, or in what definite winding Lane he first saw the sunlight, but one of the time-worn registers of the ancient College of G——, which was founded, we believe, in the year 1900 (although it does not advertise the fact, on its stately portico and on its diminutive salt-spoons, that it was "estab'd." in that year) for the purpose of instructing "Young Ladies," bears witness that he spent many hours of several of his early years within its doors. We must state that he was in the Preparatory department, and that his connection with the "Young Ladies," we are told to his great grief, did not last long. He was soon to be called away from Orrell's salubrious clime to the murky atmosphere of Mount Street. Here, again, we must express surprise at the astonishing remissness of the editors of the School Magazine for the year 1910, who actually omitted to proclaim this entrance into the Liverpool Institute! However, such a brilliant star could not remain for long unperceived by the powerful spectacles of the staff. He rapidly rose to fame, honour and distinction. Every Speech Day saw him step up on to the platform, amid the resounding cheers of his enthusiastic but less fortunate schoolfellows, to receive his well earned prizes (*b*), and as more serious examinations loomed near, it was felt that this "sun of Orrell" would bring honour to his school in the public as well as the private arena.

The Oxford Senior Local Examination Calendar for 1914 has been consulted, and it is found that in that volume is the record of the fact that he passed brilliantly at the ridiculously early age of 13, a phenomenon about which the "secretary to the Delegacy," so well known to modern schoolboys, still talks after dinner.

This was the first (*c*) of a long series of never-ending successes. The Matriculation possessed but little terror for him, and his name became a bye-word, amongst other things, for astounding genius.

It must not be thought that the scholastic world was the only sphere which hailed him as a king, for he was, if not a king, at least a prince in many other realms. The Literary and Debating Society always gave him a hearty reception and was always rewarded by his playful tactics and his amusing eccentricities. This Society invested him with the distinguished title and thankless office of secretary, and then the fun commenced. His minutes would have done justice to the apparent lunacy, but the actual intellect of an Oxford Don. His secretarial duties were performed so much to the satisfaction of the members of the society that he was elected to the sinecure of a vice-presidential chair, in which he did not often sit owing to other pressing engagements.

In the swimming bath he showed to great advantage, and always recalled to mind that well-known ditty "The Torpedo and the Whale"—his evolutions were a combination of the antics of both.

His swift "crawl" and his deceitful "overhand" (*d*), together with his talent for organisation, procured him the honour and the worry of school swimming captain, and two galas have been successful under his careful supervision and with his personal competition.

Of late, he has taken to playing cricket, and of his powers in this direction we reserve judgment, for his innate talent for the game has not yet shown itself.

The great McKie departed at his country's call, and his post as Head of the School has since then been worthily filled by this versatile phenomenon. His power over every prefect and every boy in the school can only be adequately described in the words of the poet:—

"He holds him with his skinny hand,"
"He holds him with his glittering eye."

His musical tendencies also support our theory that genius is akin to madness. His piano-playing is quite rational—even mathematical, but his vocal efforts—oh!! Witness a certain Soirée!! We must mention two minor examples of his seeming lunacy before we mention the greatest. He revels in microscopic writing which, besides being irrational, is annoying, (*e*) and he reads calculus in the train!

We should have previously stated that his genius is somewhat one-sided and biased, for he is a mathematical and physics fiend, and so the pride of the utilitarian side of the school as opposed to the ideal classical side. Now his passion for Mathematics and physics has caused him to make the first false step in his brilliant career. He worked hard, in a strange, original, and eccentric way, for a scholarship to a College founded by a certain Downing in 1800 as a part of the University of Cambridge. Oh! lackaday! He won that scholarship, and he is to be consoled rather than congratulated on the fact that that wonderful intellect has been betrayed (*f*) into entrusting itself to the wiles of the Cantabs. instead of the gentle mediæval, (*g*) illustrious methods of the Oxonians, that wonderful intellect of R.G.B.

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[Ed.: We trust that a "chronique" of the Head Boy will become a regular feature of the School Magazine.]

NOTES.

[I have only allowed this article to be published in order that the unparalleled veracity of the race of Editors may be set forth to the world in the columns of the Press.]

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- (a) We also seem to recollect that on May 31st, 1916, there was some battle, or something.
- (b) I have been up *twice* only.
- (c) For "first" read "second." (The author seems to wish to be exact.)
- (d) The author, being a notable cricketer, is, I fear, labouring under a confusion: "overhand" is a *cricket* word.
- (e) It is better to be precise and neat than sprawling and untidy.
- (f) The author is wrong. I spent three and a half years in the classical removes and upwards, and was in no sense "betrayed."
- (g) Insert "prehistoric."

Literary and Debating Society.

A MEETING of the Society was held on Tuesday, March 4th, in the Masters' Common Room, at 7-0 p.m. Mr. Hickinbotham, as usual, took the chair, the minutes were read, and the Society interestedly awaited developments. Brown, J. W., with blushing modesty led the way, as always; but his motion was lost. Roberts, E. S., then made a poor attempt to follow in his footsteps. The minutes, he averred, had been inaudible at the previous meeting, and therefore he proposed to remove the word "clearly" from the phrase in which it was commemorated that the secretary "clearly enunciated" the minutes. This was inaudibly seconded. The meeting passed the motion with one accord. Roberts therefore had another try. Past and future were the only times he recognised, he declared, with the bliss of innocence, and on these, to him, entirely satisfactory grounds, he desired the deletion of the words "and other" in the phrase "previous and other occasions." This was scarcely expected, even of him. The meeting saw the flaw in his argument, and the motion was rejected. Clouston then pronounced his name for the benefit of the secretaries. Finally, when everyone was satisfied with the minutes, there was nothing left but to pass them. The Society, therefore, to show their independence, rejected them. A dramatic pause ensued, the Chairman spoke, a recount was demanded, and the meeting, satisfied that it had done everything within its power, passed them unanimously.

Hutchison, H. F., then read his paper on "Sir Walter Scott." After the customary self-depreciation, he stated his intention of offering a bird's-eye view of Scott's career and achievements. He acknowledged his indebtedness to Lockhart and Laing, and gave a summary of Lockhart's "Life of Scott," dwelling more particularly upon Scott's success with the ballad, and illustrating his remarks with select passages from his works. He showed that Scott was the true herald of the Romantic Movement, and though surpassed by his rival Byron, was worthy of no mean place in poetry, even as the poetic medium through whom that interest was directed to the poets of the Romantic School, which enabled them to achieve success and fame.

Hutchison next turned to the novel, and pointed out that Scott, though subject to many faults, was yet the pioneer in the development of the historical novel, and that therefore his achievement was the more wonderful. In his master hands, the novel gained a vividness, a reality, and a brilliancy hitherto unknown, although it must be confessed that he often entirely neglected historical accuracy. Finally, his abiding glory is the

creation of a world of infinitely varying characters, and of this the carping envy of hypercritical cranks can never deprive him. He then gave an appreciation of Scott's separate novels, and ended an interesting paper with the story of his heroic struggle to pay off the load of debt with which he suddenly found himself saddled, and which, though success attended his efforts, ultimately cost him his life.

Knox, T. M., opened the discussion with a few comments on ancestors, and after detailed criticism of the paper ended with the significant remark that "appreciation of Carlyle shows that one is becoming a fossil." Brown, J. W., and Scott, E., also spoke, and the Chairman thanked the reader of the paper and proposed a vote of thanks which, after many vicissitudes of fortune and in spite of the unwitting opposition of one of the secretaries, was successfully seconded and passed. The meeting then adjourned.

Some few members were present at the last meeting of the session; we will not pry into their motives. The President took the Chair, and in his presence the many schemes arranged as a final proof of goodwill towards the almost expiring secretaries somehow were not brought forward. The minutes were then read and passed!

Mr. Reece then opened a discussion on Spiritualism, by deprecating his qualifications for the task. He had, he said, attended *only two* séances. At the first of these nothing of importance had occurred; the second might aptly be described as a "howling success" owing to the presence of an infant which greatly disapproved of the proceedings. The great question of to-day, he said, about which a furious controversy is at present raging is whether Spiritualism is science or superstition. He instanced the "Magic Pendulum," one of the chief attractions of a French Court of Law, produced some home-made (metaphorically speaking) specimens and allowed certain misguided individuals to strain the muscles of their forearm in an attempt to carry out his instructions.

Here Mr. S. Brown interrupted dramatically and with the assistance of four unwilling accomplices, chosen at random, briefly entertained the meeting. McKie's performance deserves especial praise. Resuming, Mr. Reece popped the question "Is there another subliminal self which knows better than one's conscious self?" and then mentioned the Divining Rod and Planchet. There were with these, he said, no ordinary means in which we could call our senses to our aid; we therefore had no right to ridicule the medium, for what he or she is not responsible. On this very account it was difficult to sift the true from the false.

This subconscious self was shown more easily when the normal conscious self was not so prominent, as when going to sleep or in a trance. He recalled the infant prodigies who, while children, performed marvellous arithmetical feats in their heads but lost their power on growing older, and the "willing game," or the inexplicable exhibitions of thought reading.

Even when people had had real power at this last, he said, by overstraining their power they had, on occasion, lost it, and therefore had had recourse to trickery; when this was discovered, the whole thing was discredited.

Passing on to Telepathy, Dreams, and Crystal gazing, results argued something more than coincidence. In conclusion, he declared that all these apparent phenomena seemed to point to some other self, which it was the business of Science to investigate, and sat down amid much applause.

Civil, whose behaviour for some time had attracted attention, justified the high hopes entertained of him, and thrilled the meeting with a graphic account of the sexometer. D. A. Hutchison aggravated his reputation as a speaker. E. Scott said that in his opinion many psychic phenomena could not be explained, as was often attempted, merely by the parrot-cry "Telepathy!" Baxter asked difficult questions which Mr. Reece cleverly evaded; and he also showed how he was haunted by the feeling that he'd done it before. Keown frightened the meeting by tales about the family banshee, and its predilections for breaking the family crockery. McKie said, very sensibly, we think, that the two greatest difficulties in the matter were the prevalence of deceit and chicanery, and the fact that in attempting to make facts fit preconceived notions we are apt to deceive ourselves.

As it was now 9 o'clock, at the suggestion of the President, the time was extended for half an hour.

Ellis, A. R., imitated Edgar Allan Poe unsuccessfully; his tales appeared to lack both mystery and imagination. Fraser, we discover from our notes, mentioned Neptune. The President commented on the presence of the subconscious minds, pointed out the difference between those coincidences readily and satisfactorily explained and those apparently inexplicable; referred to startling and ludicrous parts of Raymond, and gave strange instances selected from a wide experience of occult phenomena. C. T. N. Brown mentioned a unique photograph of a spirit occupying an apparently empty chair. Brown, J. W., said that details apparently irrelevant seemed to him of paramount importance. He then proposed a very brief but very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Reece, which was as heartily seconded; and passed, as a member of VI. A.M. justly remarked "with great éclat and abandon."

Thus ends the record of the Society's doings during this session, and thus, indeed, ended the session itself. Before making their final bow, however, and retiring before more worthy, but they believe no more diligent successors, the secretaries wish to thank the officers and members of the Society for their hearty co-operation and help. The opposition which their predecessors encountered at the hands of the more adventurous spirits of the Society seems to have given way to a kindly regard and solicitous care for their welfare, which has this session born fruit in two votes of confidence. A painful duty yet remains, that of recording the total disappearance from the meetings of the Society of one of their most familiar features—the vote of censure. This benignant sign of watchful interest, which was once the unfailing reward of the secretaries at each meeting, has finally fallen into disuse, and the last session has been entirely unfruitful of votes of censure. May the star of the secretaries continue in the ascendant until votes of confidence fill the gap, and testify as eloquently, if more gently, that the Society is "alive."

The unpromising opening of the session has by no means fulfilled its evil augury, and the debates have been as well attended and as keen as ever, if somewhat less stereotyped and orthodox. That on "Vegetarianism," called forth a flood of eloquence, and of well-meant, if sometimes abortive, humour, whilst the discussion on "Spiritualism" was so long and animated as to necessitate an extension of time from 9 to 9.30 p.m. The standard of debates and papers, further, has been well up to that of former years, and it is the hope of the secretaries in laying down their office, to have left the Society in a position to continue the steady upward tendency of the last few years, and to gain in the future that pre-eminence among school organisations which it ought rightly to occupy.

E.S., J.W.B.

The Camera and Field Club.

THE Club was very sorry to lose F. C. Musgrave-Brown during the current term. They take this opportunity of thanking him for his valuable services in the past, as a member of the Committee for over three years, and as Photographic Secretary, and to wish him success in his future career.

R. E. Keown has been elected to take up the duties of Photographic Secretary.

Towards the end of last term, a large number of boys had the privilege of visiting the "Queen Elizabeth," while on its visit to

Liverpool. After a long, cold wait near the majestic man-of-war, the party were enabled to embark. They spent a very enjoyable afternoon on board, during which the battleship was examined from stem to stern. After some very daring manoeuvring, some of the party succeeded in returning to Liverpool by five p.m.; others were not so successful.

On the 11th March, some members of the Club had the pleasure of listening to a lecture by an ex-Secretary newly returned from service with the B.E.F., upon "An Attack in Flanders." Mr. Harrison describes the preparations for, and objects of the attack on Passchendale Ridge; how the Division had spent five days in shell holes, waiting for their time, and finally, how they attacked, with the help of artillery and aeroplanes. However, before the Canadians relieved them, they had to repulse a determined German counter-attack, and then were harangued by Sir Douglas Haig. The lecture, so simply yet so graphically delivered, was very well received, and the meeting adjourned after congratulatory speeches had been made by Mr. Hickinbotham, Mr. Elliott, E. C. Thomas, and F. C. Musgrave-Brown.

An informal meeting of the Club was held a month later, at which the President gave a lecture upon "Tunes" to over thirty members of the Sixth and Removes. All present were very grateful to the lecturer for the insight which he gave them into the structure and real beauty of "good music." The lecture was accompanied by musical illustrations, which were also much appreciated.

The last lecture of the Easter Term was one given by Mr. Elliott on "The British in the Mediterranean." This proved exceedingly interesting and instructive, and with the help of numerous lantern slides, our Vice-President minutely described the various British possessions in the Mediterranean. The meeting closed after a hearty vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Hickinbotham and seconded by the Secretary, had been passed.

Before proceeding to describe this term's activities, one may be excused for mentioning how difficult it has been found to organise any excursions. The inclement and unsteady weather, numerous holidays, and high railway fares, were amongst the numerous difficulties besetting the Club; finally, the School sports occupied more than the usual two half-holidays, for such was the eagerness shown for "training," that it was found impossible to collect sufficient numbers of boys to take part in rambles. However, a small party, accompanied by Mr. Stell, set out from Knotty Ash car terminus on June 4th. The weather was perfect, and the ramble was a very enjoyable one. The party visited Toxteth Woods, and were very well pleased with the afternoon's walk.

It is hoped to arrange a few more excursions before the end of the term, if examinations will permit, and, of course, the time-honoured annual excursion to Chester. It would be desirable to see a larger number of boys supporting the Club by coming to the excursions, as the summer term ought to be the time of the Club's greatest activity.

We beg gratefully to acknowledge the following donations:—
J.I.M., 5/-; F.C.M.B., 10/-.

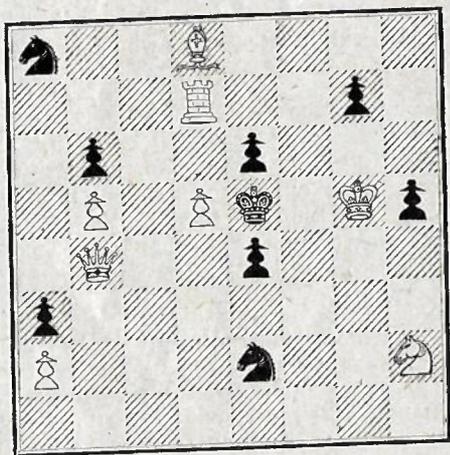
During the term, the Club has acquired an Honours' Board, exhibiting the names of the past and present officers of the Club, and it is hoped that this will soon make its appearance in Mr. Elliott's class-room.

In conclusion, the Club wishes heartily to thank the members of the staff who have taken part in the term's activities. G.S.C.

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Chess Problem.

BLACK (9)



WHITE (8)

White mates in two moves.

Of course there have been no activities of the Chess Club this term. Next term, however, and during the winter, we hope the Club will continue to flourish as it did last winter.

University Letter.

University of Liverpool,

June 20th, 1919.

To the Editors of the *Liverpool Institute Magazine*.

DEAR SIRS,

We are shaking down; to use the Sergeant-Major's phrase, we are "getting together." The recently omni-present khaki has succumbed, and in its place the light grey of summer, together with the much decried blue and white hatband of the Varsity have appeared; not that we have had much time to settle down to anything. It is an all-too-short summer term. Six weeks, and—presto!—the term is flown, and examinations, from having been a distant cloud, are a very obvious thunderstorm. Your humble servant, however, is one of few who (to milk the metaphor dry) are provided with an ample umbrella against the ravages of the weather. In other words, he is excused the "Inter."

The first fierce rush of examinations is over, and only a few "orals" and lab. days remain. Then for a round of gaiety! We have only a few days to spend before the results are out, and if we have passed—well, we shall have to start earning a living; if we haven't—well, there is the worse job of explaining to an irate parent why not! Your student is ever a pessimist!

But he is also an epicure;

"Eat, drink and be merry, for to-morrow the exam. results are published!" Such is life.

The excitement of trying to do a year's work in a fortnight has even preyed upon John Scott; the pipe [or pipes?] is [or are?] not so much in evidence lately. Mr. Kennedy [late of the artillery] must, I think, have been so misguided as to work for his Inter., he is so disgusted at the easiness of the papers. Imagine Mr. Kennedy working; shade of Archimedes!

Hearty congratulations to the School on its victory at the Inter-School Sports for the fourth year running. Cox's mile alone was worth coming to see. The Blue and White was much in evidence there—and at Greenbank.

The gradual appearance of two huts—late American Y.M.C.A., in the quad., is an outward sign of the shortness of accommodation from which we are suffering. It is difficult to see in what direction the 'Varsity is to expand. Downhill, one would hope—the property below is anything but Utopian; but can you build an A1 University on the site of a C3 fried fish shop? Perhaps Mr. Lloyd George will tell us. The elegant architectural edifice over the way might make room for us, too.

Despite the shortness of accommodation, however, we hope to see a large proportion of the 15 Senior Cities fall to Mount Street. Whether you join the ubiquitous Medical mob, the noisy Engineers, the exclusive Arts, the Chemistry crowd, or the noble army of Physicists, we will welcome you.

Yours, *ad infinitum*,

R. E. W.

Old Boys' Association.

WE are on the threshold of the most critical period of our existence. During the war our members have been scattered far and wide, and we have been able to do little but offer a hearty welcome when they were home on leave. For those who were still too young for service we have started a gymnasium class, and arranged occasional informal concerts in the School Hall.

Now our older members are for the most part at home again, and we hope that they will devote some serious thought to the question of the future of the Association. There are possibilities in many directions. On the athletic side we hope to see the gymnasium classes much enlarged and developed. On the social side we must have opportunities for the interchange of ideas and experiences acquired during the last five strenuous years. For the social service side there seems likely to be an unparalleled opportunity. This branch was doing some useful work before the war, and now there is a chance of its being put in charge of a large boys' club in the city, with an admirably fitted building and a paid organising secretary. If we can provide half-a-dozen voluntary workers for each evening of the week—say some thirty workers in all—we may get the place for our own enclave, and make it a School institution for generations to come. As the offer is part of the scheme of reconstruction after the war, the chance is not likely to occur again. Have we the energy and self-devotion necessary to enable us to accept the offer this autumn?

Lastly, there is the pressing question of placing in the School some suitable record of the part which its sons have played during the war. It is not for us to boast of their achievements, but we feel sure that every one of our members will desire that it should be a worthy memorial of those of their comrades whose loss we all deplore.

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BAXTER, R. G.—Entered 1911 (IIIa.). (Cochran, 1913). Prefect, 1915 (Cochran); House Captain (Cochran), 1917. Literary and Debating Society Committee, 1915-16-17; Secretary, September 1916, and 1917-18. Vice-President, 1918-19. O.T.C., 1914; Lance-corporal, 1916; Corporal, 1917; Sergeant, 1918. Oxford Local Senior, 1914; Matriculation, 1916; Higher School Certificate (Distinction in Physics), 1918; Liverpool University (Bartlett) Scholarship, 1918; Minor Scholarship in Mathematics and Science, Downing College, Cambridge, 1919. House Football Captain, 1917-18; House Sports Captain, 1918; House Gymnasium Captain, 1917-18-19. House Swimming Captain, 1917-18. Senior House Swimming Captain, 1918. Captain of School Swimming, 1918-19. Head of the School, 1918-19. Camera and Field Club Committee, 1918-19; Library Committee, 1918-19. Assistant Editor, Magazine, 1918-19.

KNOX, T. M.—Entered 1914 (Rac.). Prefect, 1915 (Alfred Holt); 1916 (Tate). House Captain (Tate), 1917. Literary and Debating Society Committee, 1915-16-17; Secretary, 1917-18; Vice-President, 1918-19. O.T.C., 1916. Oxford Local Senior (First Class Honours), 1915 (exempt from Matric.). Higher School Certificate, 1918. Cheshire County Scholarship, 1918. Foundation Scholarship in Classics, Pembroke College, Oxford, 1919. Three Latin Copies, 1917-18. English Prize, 1918. Latin Prize, 1918. Library Committee, 1918-19. Assistant Editor, Magazine, 1918-19.

HOWARD, S.—Entered 1912 (IIIa.). (Cochran, 1913). Prefect, 1916 (Cochran). House Captain (Philip Holt), March, 1918. Literary and Debating Society Committee, 1916-17. Cricket Colours (2nd eleven), 1916; (1st eleven) 1917-18-19; Secretary for School Cricket, 1918, 1919. Sub-Captain of School Cricket, 1919. O.T.C., 1914; Lance-corporal, 1917-18-19. Matriculation, 1916. Higher School Certificate, 1918. House Cricket Captain, 1918-19. House Football Captain, 1918. House Gymnasium Captain, 1918-19. Advertisement Editor, 1918; Assistant Editor, 1918-19.

ODDY, J. R.—Entered 1912 (IIIa.). (Danson, 1913). Prefect, 1916 (Hughes). House Captain (Hughes), 1918. Oxford Local Senior, 1915. Matriculation, 1916. Higher School Certificate, 1918. Literary and Debating Society Committee, 1917-18. Organising Secretary for House Games, 1918-19.

HUTCHISON, H. F.—Entered 1913 (IIIa.) (Danson). Prefect, 1917, May (Danson). House Captain (Alfred Holt), 1918. O.T.C., 1914; Lance-corporal, 1915; Corporal, 1916; Sergeant, 1917; Senior Sergeant, 1918. Cricket (1st eleven) Colours, 1915-16-17-18-19. Secretary for School Cricket, 1916. Captain of School Cricket, 1917-18-19. Football (2nd eleven) Colours, 1917-18. Literary and Debating Society Committee, 1917-18. Vice-President, 1918-19. Library Committee, 1918; Secretary, 1918. House Football Captain, 1916-17-18. House Cricket Captain (Danson), 1917-18; (Alfred Holt) 1919. House Sports Captain, 1917; House Gymnasium Captain, 1917-18. Advertisement Editor, 1917; Assistant Editor, 1918; Editor, 1918. Oxford Local Senior (First Class Honours), 1916 (exempt from Matric.); Higher School Certificate, 1918; Liverpool University (Rathbone) Scholarship, 1918; Open Exhibition in Modern History, Corpus Christi College, Oxford, 1918. Navy League Essay, Third Prize, 1919.

TURNER, H. M.—Entered 1913 (IIIa.) (Tate). Prefect (Tate), 1917. House Captain (Danson), 1918. Senior Oxford Local (First Class Honours Matric. exemption), 1916. Higher School Certificate, 1918. Scholarship, Hulme Hall, Manchester, 1919. O.T.C., 1914; Lance-corporal, 1918; Corporal, 1919. Cricket (second eleven) Colours, 1917. House Gymnasium Captain (Tate), 1917-18; (Danson), 1918-19. House Sports Captain, 1919. House Swimming Captain, 1919. House Cricket Captain, 1919. Camera and Field Club Committee, 1918-19. Photographic Society Committee, 1918-19.

ROBERTS, E. S.—Entered 1913 (IIIa.) (Danson). Prefect (Danson), 1917. O.T.C., 1916 (Easter); Lance-corporal, 1916; Corporal, 1917; Sergeant, 1918. Oxford Local Senior (Second Class Honours, Matric. exemption), 1916; Higher School Certificate, 1918. Secretary to Prefects, 1918-19. Organising Secretary to House Games, 1918. Literary and Debating Society Committee, 1918-19. Hobby Show Committee, 1918-19.

BROWN, F. C. M.—Entered 1911 (Ic.) (Hughes) 1913. Prefect (Hughes), 1917. O.T.C., 1913; Lance-corporal, 1916; Corporal, 1918; Sergeant, 1919. Oxford Local Senior (Third Class Honours), 1917. Photographic Society Committee, 1918; Camera and Field Club Committee, 1915-16-17-18-19. Photographic Secretary, 1919.

Dec., 1918.—ROUTLY, A. B.—Entered 1917, Jan. (VIbm.) (Philip Holt); Prefect (Cochran), 1917. Camera and Field Club Committee, 1917-18; Secretary, 1918. Photographic Society Committee, 1917; Secretary, 1917-18. Oct., Jan., 1917.

April, 1919.—MACLAY, W. A.—Entered 1913, January (IIc.) (Danson). Prefect (Philip Holt), 1918. Football Colours (second eleven), 1915; (first eleven), 1916-17-18-19. Cricket Colours (second eleven), 1916. House Football Captain (Danson), 1918; (Philip Holt), 1918-19. Oxford Local Senior, 1917.

Editorial Notices.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of the following Magazines:—Glasgow High School, Wallaseyan, Birkenian, Liverpool College, Esmeduna, Kelly College Chronicle, Ulula (Manchester), and apologise for any omission.

We stated last term that we hoped to publish this term a complete Roll of Honour. This has been done, but the list is inserted separately, for greater convenience.

We regret to notice the absence of any correspondence. After all, the Magazine is the best place for public expression of opinion, more so even than the Literary and Debating Society; and we hope for some more views next term.

It is usual, at the end of the School year, to publish the accounts of the Sports and Art Club. This year it has been found impracticable to do so; they will, however, be posted in School early next term, and will be published in the Magazine in December next.