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THE FOOTBALL SEASON, 1899-1900.

THE past football season has been a disappointment. Both the two great matches of the year were lost, and of others eight were won, seven lost, and five drawn.

We began by losing to Clapham Rovers. Then, after defeating a weak team brought by E. H. Winslow, we succumbed to a strong combination got together by H. O. C. Beasley—no disgrace, as it included W. J. Oakley, G. O. Smith, and other Corinthians. The next match against O.W.W. was spoilt by fog. Then came two really good performances—a draw against Old Carthusians and a win over Old Etonians. But after a creditable draw against L. J. Moon's team, we could only secure one

further success during play term—viz. against Old Felstedians. We lost to Emeriti, Christ Church, and University College, and drew with Casuals and Old Harrovians.

Lent term opened capitably with wins against Selwyn College and Emeriti, and a draw against almost a cup team of Old Etonians.

We were led to expect great things. But instead came a series of disappointments. Only two victories—viz. against L. A. M. Fevez's XI. and Old Malvernians—whilst Clare College and Eton were both victorious. We must not grudge the Etonians a victory which they owed to a very sterling defence. But the tables might have been turned had our forwards shown any ability to shoot. The Charterhouse failure we shall explain shortly.

CRITICISM.

To what must be ascribed this general failure? Of course a little must be put down to ill-luck. It was ill-luck to lose Jacob and Pashley, to have Harris ill a few hours before the Charterhouse match, to have Barnby damaged in the first few minutes of that match; but ill-luck won't explain everything. A good deal must be set down to slackness of attendance up-fields on the part of certain members of the team, a good deal also to shortened games. Irregularity in attendance produced want of condition in the guilty members and want of combination throughout the team generally, whilst three-quarters of an hour instead of full hour games were not calculated to bring about the best possible result. It is to be hoped that next year the games will begin at 2 o'clock sharp. The Charterhouse disaster had a special cause of its own. The snow which fell some three weeks before the match, and stopped all play for nearly a fortnight, ought not to have remained undisturbed for so long a time. One can only hope that in future years, if ever the same circumstances arise, someone will be energetic enough to see that a party is sent up from the School to clear the offending stuff away. Failure to clear away that snow, if it did not actually cause defeat, at any rate so crippled our team that it had practically to throw up the sponge at half time, when the score was 3-2 in favour of Charterhouse.

CHARACTERS OF THE XI.

In goal Anderson was all that could be desired. He was safe, and always very nice to watch: in the Charterhouse match really brilliant. Barnby was a dashing and reliable back. In the Eton match he was excellent. As captain he showed energy and discretion, and set a good example in regular attendance up-fields. He played in the first round of the London Cup. Both he and Stevens were inclined to get too far forward. Stevens was disappointing. Early in Lent term he was nearly Barnby's equal. Later on he seemed to lose confidence, and fell all to pieces in the Charterhouse match. However, he is a player full of promise. He was

unfortunate enough to get hurt in the final of the House matches. He must not think, however, that this accident is to keep him from playing next term, for the School simply cannot spare him. Foster was the best of the halves, though possibly Wynter excelled as a purely defensive player. Foster fed his forwards well, made good use of his weight, and was capital with his head. He was a most painstaking worker and always fit. Wynter was capable of a great deal. Had he practised oftener, he would have been as useful in the attack as he undoubtedly was in the defence. As it was, he usually gave one the impression of being a full-back playing out of his proper place. The third place in the half-back line fell eventually to Willett. Both Lock and Lewis were tried. Lock had to give up owing to a weak heart, whilst Lewis, as the end approached, went off as rapidly as Willett came on. Both must learn next year to pass more gently and with more precision. Lewis frequently gave away several good openings from his tendency to kick hard at everything. He must go up-fields more regularly next year.

The forward line ought to have been better than it was with three, and at one time five, old choices. Harris was the best of the five. He was a very good shot, and had, as a rule, complete control over the ball; but he had not the slightest idea how to use his weight. Had he only added more dash to his undoubted cleverness he would have been first rate. Most unfortunately for the School, he was taken ill before the Charterhouse match, and disappointed both himself and the spectators. He should do well at Cambridge. If Harris was the trickiest, Bompas was certainly the most dashing of the forwards. He was always a 'trier,' and never lost heart. His shooting was very good at times, but uncertain. Sheppard came on wonderfully at the last, and managed to secure his share of goals. He was as tricky as Coleby, and of course heavier. He passed well, shot fairly, but was lacking in pace and dash. Milne was decidedly the better of the outsides. He is a forward who will certainly improve, as he is fast and has a fair control over

the ball. At present he is inclined to centre too hard and too late. Kennedy was disappointing, and never seemed to get thoroughly going. He was not quite fast enough for an outside, and hardly up to Harris's form. Occasionally, as in the Emeriti match, he gave glimpses of what he could do. Bennett, who played once or twice for the School, had hardly enough command of the ball, and, like Kennedy, was not a sprinter.

A. S. Gaye must in no way be held responsible for the large number of goals scored against the Second XI. He played consistently and well throughout the season, and was extremely unlucky in not being better backed up by his defence.

The prospects for next season look none too rosy, if one may judge from the performances of the Second XI., which won only one match out of six played. But six months make a lot of difference, and Stevens has some fair material to choose from. Dickson seems to be the most promising of the goal-keepers, for Gaye unfortunately leaves us. He kept goal uncommonly well for Grants against Ashburnham. The best of the backs are Roberts and Powers. Both have still a lot to learn; Powers especially has to learn how to kick with his left foot. There are not many halves: Castle Smith, Kemp, and Oldham are all very fair. C. Smith strikes one as a natural half; he passes nicely, and does not get flurried. Kemp has much of Willett's style, and, like Willett, improved much last term. Oldham has his father's reputation to maintain, and will doubtless maintain it. Fortunately there are plenty of forwards. Coleby passes nicely and is very tricky. Last year he was hardly heavy enough to come off in the School matches. Next year, with more weight, he should make a good centre. Harrison in the trial games showed an inclination to get nervous on approaching an opposing 'Pink.' Unfortunately Pinks will be next year conspicuous by their absence, but Harrison will be bolder. He is heavy, and ought to make a good bustling forward. Perry is quite one of the most promising players in the School. He shoots well, centres well, and is fairly speedy.

Walker is a neat inside, but uncertain in his play. Like Harrison, he wants more determination. Battle came on rapidly at the last, but wants to improve in pace and dash.

It is to be hoped that next year the forwards will do all in their power towards getting well together. They might do worse than practise running up and down the ground for five minutes before every game. They must remember that only by strenuous exertions on their part can Westminster with its small numbers hope to vanquish its opponents.

School Notes.

WE heartily congratulate F. Waterfield and R. Truslove on obtaining Firsts in Classical Moderations at Oxford: also Hon. R. D. Denman on winning the Chancellor's English Essay Prize.

R. N. R. Blaker was captain of one side in the Cambridge Seniors' Match: he scored 37 and 49. F. Young was our only representative in the Freshmen's Match. Blaker is scoring well for Cambridge.

C. D. Fisher (captain of one side) and R. E. More played in the Seniors' Match at Oxford, and W. C. Stevens and B. H. Willett in the Freshmen's Match. Fisher has since played with success in the Trial Match.

H. Plaskitt has been playing Lawn Tennis for Oxford University with considerable success.

The Concert is postponed till May 25.

A considerable number of new shields have recently been painted on the panels 'Up School.'

There will be an Exeat this term from June 14 at 1 P.M. till June 19 at 9.15 A.M.

There are nine new boys this term.

The Challenge will take place this year on July 3, 4, and 5.

There are four Cricket 'Pinks' remaining from last year's team, namely, H. S. Bompas (captain), S. S. Harris, A. A. Milne, and A. L. Foster.

The following are the fixtures for the season :—

May 12	Sat.	v.	Harrow Blues.	Won.	Westminster, 209 ; Harrow Blues, 124 and 41 for 5 wickets.
" 19	"	"	R. E. More's XI.	Won.	Westminster, 288 for 4 wickets (inns. dec.) ; R. E. More's XI., 102.
" 26	"	"	Incogniti.		
June 2	"	"	Kensington Park.		
" 6	Wed.	"	Eton Ramblers.		
" 9	Sat.	"	I Zingari.		
" 20	Wed.	"	West Kent.		
" 23	Sat.	"	Oxford University Authentics.		
" 29	Fri.	}	v.		Charterhouse (at Godalming),
" 30	Sat.				
July 7	"	"	M.C.C.		
" 14	"	"	Old Westminsters.		
" 21	"	"	Old Carthusians.		
" 28	"	"	Essex Club and Ground.		
30	Mon.		T.B.B. v. Q.SS.		

It will be noticed that the Lords and Commons Match is not played this year, whilst Essex Club and Ground are met for the first time.

A Correspondent sends the following list of O.W.W. now in Burma :—Rev. A. W. Taylor ; E. U. Eddio ; Lieut. J. H. Peck, I.S.C., Burma Military Police ; Lieut. A. L. Longhurst, I.S.C., 1st Burma Gurkha Rifles ; David Shearme, I.C.S., Burma Commission ; E. Garnet Man ; C. Van der Gucht ; and Bryan Stapleton, P.W.D., Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways.

THE FIELDS.

FOOTBALL.

THE HOUSE MATCHES.

FIRST ROUND.

RIGAUDS (HOLDERS) v. ASHBURNHAM.

It was recognized from the first that Rigauds would have to fight very hard to retain the Shield this year, and, though the whole team worked hard, they proved unequal to it, as, after a well-contested game, they were defeated in the first round by Ashburnham, whose strength chiefly lay in the forward line, which was rather a weak point in the Rigauds team. S. S. Harris scored both the goals for the winners in the second half of the match. The teams were :—

ASHBURNHAM.—D. Wallis (goal) ; H. Day, W. Parker (backs) ; K. Schwann, R. Wynter, R. P. Mears (half-backs) ; R. H. Murray, S. S. Harris, E. A. Lewis, E. C. Walker, and H. Foster (forwards).

RIGAUDS.—A. C. Couchman (goal) ; A. C. Barnby and C. Powers (backs) ; C. M. Page, A. T. Willett, R. Fraser (half-backs) ; A. Beney, K. B. Anderson, R. D. Kitson, W. Myers, and L. H. Bennett (forwards).

GRANTS v. HOME-BOARDERS.

The score in this match was very one-sided, Grants winning easily by 7-0, while several chances were not accepted. Bompas (2) and Battle scored before half-time, and Whitmore, Woodbridge, Bompas, and Battle each added one more before the end. Teams :—

GRANTS.—S. A. Dickson (goal) ; E. C. Stevens and R. P. Rawlings (backs) ; P. N. Ashley, M. S. Oldham, and M. Castle-Smith (half-backs) ; L. Woodbridge, D. Whitmore, H. S. Bompas, C. W. Sheppard, and P. M. Battle (forwards).

HOME BOARDERS.—C. B. H. Knight (goal) ; A. L. Foster and J. Powell (backs) ; H. Macdonald, C. G. Wilkins, and R. Oppenheimer (half-backs) ; W. E. Perry, P. Napier, R. B. Scott, F. Vernon, and V. Knight (forwards).

FINAL ROUND.

ASHBURNHAM v. GRANTS.

The Final of the House Matches was played on Saturday, March 24, and ended in a win for Ashburnham, who thus secure the Shield for the first time. Grants had slightly the best of matters for the first ten minutes, several corners falling to them without result ; then, most unfortunately, Stevens put his knee out and had to be carried off the field. Castle-Smith went back and Bompas half-back till Lonsdale arrived at half-time to take Stevens's place, Harris having courteously allowed Grants a substitute. Though with only ten men, Grants were the first to put the ball in the net through Whitmore : the point, however, was disallowed for off-side. A little before the interval Lewis scored for Ashburnham from a pass by Harris. After half-time Ashburnham added another goal by means of Harris. Grants played up very pluckily, and from a long pass by Bompas Woodbridge rushed the ball through ; unfortunately the referee thought the ball had already gone behind, so no goal was allowed. The game soon after ended with the score 2-0 in favour of Ashburnham. The teams were :—

ASHBURNHAM.—D. Wallis (goal) ; H. Day and W. Parker (backs) ; K. Schwann, R. Wynter, and R. P. Mears (half-backs) ; R. H. Murray, S. S. Harris, E. A. Lewis, E. C. Walker, and H. Foster (forwards).

GRANTS.—S. A. Dickson (goal) ; E. C. Stevens and R. P. Rawlings (backs) ; M. Castle-Smith, M. S. Oldham, and F. N. Ashley (half-backs) ; L. Woodbridge, D. Whitmore, H. S. Bompas, C. W. Sheppard, and P. M. Battle (forwards).

Referee : A. C. Barnby.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

THE Sports were held this year on April 6 and 7, and, favoured as they were by pleasant weather, were quite a success. It is true that on the second day a little rain fell, but it did not last long. The attendance was excellent, though unfortunately the O.W.W. had arranged a football match for the Saturday, in consequence of which several well-known faces were missed.

Messrs. O. R. Borradaile and R. T. Squire again were kind enough to give their services as judges, and performed their duties to the satisfaction of all. The Stewards were:—A. C. Barnby, A. S. Gaye (Hon. Sec.), H. S. Bompas, A. L. Foster, F. G. Joseph, A. A. Milne, and S. S. Harris.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7.

1.—300 YARDS HANDICAP. OVER 16. HEATS.

Heat 1.—H. Kelsey, 1; R. Wynter, 2.

Heat 2.—A. A. Milne, 1; D. Whitmore, 2.

Heat 3.—H. J. Kemp, 1; H. S. Bompas, 2.

2.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. HEATS.

Heat 1.—F. Baker, 1; H. Connor, 2.

Heat 2.—G. Cooper-Willis, 1; Meredith, 2.

Heat 3.—P. M. Napier, 1; R. H. Mears, 2.

Heat 4.—G. C. Smith, 1; J. Vernon, 2.

3.—THROWING THE CRICKET-BALL. UNDER 15.

H. Logan, 1; H. Fleuret, 2.

4.—HALF-MILE WITH HURDLES. OPEN.

CHALLENGE CUP.

W. E. Perry, 1; L. H. Bennett, 2. Time, 2 min. 32 sec.

About twenty started, but most of these dropped out after the first lap. Castle-Smith, Perry, and Bennett were all close together at the beginning of the hurdles; the first-named did not attempt to clear the obstacles, but ran through them. However, he tripped over the last and fell, and Perry, who had jumped well and was close behind, finished first, Bennett being about three yards behind him.

5.—HIGH JUMP. UNDER 15.

H. Logan, 1; Lockton, 2. Height, 4 ft. 4 in.

Both Logan and Lockton jumped exceedingly well.

6.—THROWING THE CRICKET-BALL. OPEN.

S. S. Harris, 1; A. S. Gaye, 2. Distance, 88 yds. 2 ft.

Not so good as in recent years, partly owing to the wind, which was directly against the throwers.

7.—LONG JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

A. A. Milne, 1; A. C. Barnby, 2. Distance, 18 ft. 9 in.

Milne jumped very well, and was most unlucky in having his best effort disallowed, because he had just touched the line. It was very nearly 20 ft.

8.—150 YARDS. UNDER 14. HEATS.

Heat 1.—D. Hallett, 1; Budden, 2.

Heat 2.—V. Knight, 1; M. Noble, 2.

9.—100 YARDS. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP. HEATS.

Heat 1.—A. C. Barnby, 1; H. S. Bompas, 2.

Heat 2.—A. A. Milne, 1; H. J. Kemp, 2.

10.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP. HEATS.

Heat 1.—A. C. Barnby,

Heat 2.—P. H. Napier.

Heat 3.—S. S. Harris.

11.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. HEATS.

Heat 1.—H. Fleuret, 1; V. Knight, 2.

Heat 2.—H. Logan, 1; M. Shearman, 2.

12.—HALF-MILE HANDICAP. OPEN.

R. D. Kitson (55 yds.), 1; W. T. S. Sonnenschein (75 yds.), 2; R. H. Mears (45 yds.), 3.

As usual, a very large number started. Kitson won comfortably, and about 2 yds. separated Sonnenschein and Mears.

13.—SERVANTS' RACE.

Pennington, 1; Elson, 2.

14.—INTER-HOUSE TUG-OF-WAR. FINAL.

ASHBURNHAM.

RIGAUDS.

	st. lb.		st. lb.
Wynter, R.	13 5	Barnby, A. C.	12 8
Joseph, F. G.	12 10	Page, C. M.	12 2
Harris, S. S.	11 12	Kitson, R. D.	11 6
Watson, G.	11 13	Bennett, L. H.	10 9
Murray, R. H.	10 2	Willett, A. T.	10 6
Walker, E. C.	10 12	Anderson, K. B. ...	11 1

Rigauds won the first pull, but Ashburnham afterwards got better together and won 2-1.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8.

15.—300 YARDS. OVER 16. FINAL HEAT.

H. J. Kemp, 1; H. S. Bompas, 2.

16.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. FINAL HEAT.

R. H. Mears, 1; P. H. Napier, 2.

17.—THROWING THE HAMMER. OPEN.

CHALLENGE HAMMER.

A. C. Barnby, 1; A. L. Foster, 2. Distance, 59 ft. 7 in.

This event was to have been decided on the previous day, but the head of the hammer broke off and it was postponed. As the proper hammer was past mending, a more clumsy one was used, which accounts in some degree for the poor throw.

18.—440 YARDS. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

H. S. Bompas, 1; W. E. Perry, 2; R. Wynter, 3. Time, 57 sec.

Bompas ran splendidly, and Perry, spurring well, came in about two yards behind him.

19.—LONG JUMP. UNDER 15.

G. D. Johnston, 1; H. Couchman, 2. Distance, 14 ft. 10 in.

20.—440 YARDS. UNDER 16.

R. H. Mears, 1; P. H. Napier, 2.

21.—100 YARDS. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.

H. S. Bompas, 1; A. C. Barnby, 2; A. A. Milne, 3.

A very good race. Bompas won by about half a yard, and Barnby and Milne were equal for second place; later in the day they ran again, and Barnby won.

22.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. FINAL HEAT.

H. Fleuret, 1; H. Logan, 2.

23.—HIGH JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

A. C. Barnby, 1; K. B. Anderson, 2. Height, 5 ft. 1½ in. Anderson was a good second.

24.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

A. C. Barnby, 1; S. S. Harris, 2. Barnby won comfortably.

25.—150 YARDS. UNDER 14. FINAL HEAT.

V. Knight, 1; D. Hallett, 2.

26.—440 YARDS. UNDER 15. CHALLENGE CUP.

H. Logan, 1; M. Pemberton, 2.

27.—ONE MILE. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

L. H. Bennett, 1; W. E. Perry, 2; M. Castle-Smith, 3.

Bennett took the lead early, and won easily in very fair time. Time, 5 min. 1½.

28.—100 YARDS. UNDER 15.

G. D. Johnston, 1; H. Logan, 2.

A very good race, Johnston just winning from Logan, who unfortunately strained himself.

29.—120 YARDS. UNDER 13.

A. Scarisbrick, 1; G. Baker, 2.

30.—CONSOLATION RACE. (Winners excluded.)

J. Vernon, 1; Kent, 2.

31.—O.WW. RACE.

F. Street, 1; R. Truslove, 2.

32.—TUG-OF-WAR.

Q.SS. T.BB.

	st.	lb.		st.	lb.
Harrison, F. I.	12	0	Barnby, A. C.	12	8
Adams, C. W.	12	2	Wynter, R.	13	5
Gaye, A. S.	11	8	Joseph, F. G.	12	10
Kennedy, S. D.	10	0	Harris, S. S.	11	10
Baker, F. D.	10	7	Page, C. M.	12	2
Highmore, J. A. C.	10	4	Foster, A. L.	11	8
Ford, G. N.	10	3	Bompas, H. S.	11	0
Ravenscroft, E. G. S.	10	5	Anderson, K. B.	11	1

T.BB. were nearly ten stone heavier than Q.SS., and won easily by 2-0.

When the Sports were over, the prizes were distributed by the Right Hon. James Lowther, M.P. (O.W.). The Headmaster then thanked Mr. Lowther in the name of all present, and in the course of his speech referred to the great advantages of sport at school. He also drew attention to the excellent fight made by the O.WW. for the London Cup, and finally called for three cheers for Mr. Lowther, which were heartily given. In replying, Mr. Lowther remarked that it was a great pleasure to him to come down to Westminster for such an occasion. He saw great improvements in Vincent Square since his own

boyhood, when football was not much encouraged and athletic sports unknown. Cheers having been given for the ladies and for the Headmaster, the proceedings ended.

CRICKET.

XI. v. NEXT XXII.

THIS match was played up Fields on May 5 and resulted in a draw.

The XXII. batted first, and Kennedy and Blane faced the bowling of Foster and Milne.

The latter bowled Blane before he scored, and Murray quickly followed him. Kennedy was caught by Knight off Foster's bowling for 12. After Milne had bowled Greene, Harris went on for Foster and succeeded in getting two wickets in his first over; 35 runs were put on for the seventh wicket, Lock, who was playing well, contributing most of them. No one else offered much resistance, Lock being bowled for a very useful 52. Although somewhat lucky at first, he played good cricket. Day and Parker offered some resistance for the last wicket, but the innings closed with the score at 158.

The eleven had about an hour and a half left for batting, and Milne and Bompas opened their innings for them. Milne was bowled by Kennedy for three, but on Harris joining Bompas runs came quickly, and 44 was scored before Bompas was caught at the wicket off Roberts for 22.

Harris was caught and bowled by the same bowler after making 18. Foster, after making two, was caught off a full toss, and Anderson tamely returned one to Roberts. Rawlings and Willett stayed for a short time, when Willett was bowled by Blane. Knight soon followed, and Harrison and Rawlings played out time, the match resulting in a draw.

XXII.

S. D. Kennedy, b. Foster	12
J. Blane, b. Milne	0
R. H. Murray, b. Milne	1
A. C. Barnby, c. Knight, b. Harris	4
W. A. Greene, b. Milne	7
P. F. Lock, b. Milne	52
H. A. Roberts, b. Harris	0
J. Logan, c. Milne, b. Knight	8
S. A. Dickson, b. Knight	5
H. Logan, b. Knight	0
E. G. S. Ravenscroft, b. Knight	0
C. M. Page, b. Powers	1
H. Kemp, b. Foster	2
A. Beney, c. Bompas, b. Milne	3
G. L. Crowe, b. Foster	4
E. C. Walker, b. Foster	0
F. D. Baker, b. Harris	4
H. D. G. Law, b. Knight	2
V. B. H. Knight, st. Bompas, b. Knight	0
Connor, b. Harris	6
W. Parker, not out	10
H. Day, b. Powers	7

Total 158

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. L. Foster	13	6	22	4
A. A. Milne	15	4	28	5
S. S. Harris	12	6	28	4
C. B. H. Knight	13	5	22	6
C. Powers	7	4	18	2
K. B. Anderson	2	1	7	0
R. P. Rawlings	2	1	3	0

XI.

H. S. Bompas, c. Barnby, b. Roberts	22
A. A. Milne, b. Kennedy	3
S. S. Harris, c. and b. Roberts	18
A. L. Foster, c. Blane, b. Roberts	2
R. P. Rawlings, not out	10
K. B. Anderson, c. and b. Roberts	1
B. H. Willett, b. Blane	10
G. Knight, c. Parker, b. Blane	3
F. Harrison, not out	4
C. Powers } did not bat.	
L. Bennett }	
Extras	3

Total 66

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
J. Blane	14	4	30	2
S. Kennedy	6	1	25	1
H. A. Roberts	6	1	15	4
W. A. Greene	1	0	3	0

WESTMINSTER S. v. HARROW BLUES.

This match was played on May 13 and resulted in a decisive win for the School.

S. S. Harris was unfortunately unable to play, so Bennett filled his place.

Westminster won the toss and Milne and Bompas started the innings. Milne, after making 5, was l.b.w. to Williams with the score at 26. Foster came in and runs came quickly, the 50 going up at 12.25. After making 29 in good form he was caught by Page off Tritton. Rawlings filled his place, but after making 6 was bowled. Anderson followed and played good cricket, Bompas completing his 50 shortly after. Luncheon was then taken with the score of 117. On resuming, Anderson did not stay long, being bowled by Powell for 18.

Wickets then fell quickly, Bompas staying in and doing most of the scoring. At 3 o'clock he completed his century, and was shortly afterwards bowled by Stogdon for 106. His runs were made by good sound cricket, the only chance he offered being soon after he had made 50. Knight made 10, and Bennett and Harrison put on a like number for the last wicket, the innings closing at 3.30 for 209.

Page and Stogdon opened the batting for the visitors, the latter being soon dismissed by an excellent catch by Gaye. Bompas then caught Page, who had made 21, at the wicket, two wickets being down for 34. Williams was bowled by Foster, the total standing at 48. Beamish and James were quickly dismissed, but Nash and Paravicini made a useful stand, the former being leg before to Knight for a useful 32, the latter being bowled by Foster for 25. The last three wickets fell quickly, the innings closing for 124 at 5.10, leaving Westminster victorious by 85 runs. A. L. Foster bowled well, getting 5 wickets for 45. Harrow Blues followed on, but wickets fell easily, four wickets being down for 32. Shortly before six stumps were drawn, five wickets having fallen, with the score at 41.

HARROW BLUES.

First Innings.

Second Innings.

A. Page, c. Bompas, b. Foster ...	21	
J. H. Stogdon, c. Gaye, b. Knight	4	b. Foster 3
L. Arbuthnot, b. Milne	21	
C. D. Williams, b. Foster	2	c. Bennett, b. Knight 18
Hen. W. James, c. Bennett, b. Milne	9	
E. H. Nash, b. Foster	25	
A. E. Beamish, c. Foster, b. Gaye	0	not out 6
P. J. de Paravicini, l.b.w., b. Knight	32	l.b.w., b. Rawlings 0
C. B. Tritton, b. Foster ..	4	b. Knight..... 3
C. F. Powell, not out	0	b. Rawlings..... 8
D. Ramsey, b. Foster.....	0	
Byes 5, w. 1	6	Byes 3
Total	124	Total (5 wkts.) 41

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

HARROW BLUES.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wicket
A. L. Foster.....	12.3	3	45	5
C. B. H. Knight ...	9	1	39	2
A. A. Milne	7	1	22	2
A. S. Gaye	4	0	13	1

WESTMINSTER.

H. S. Bompas, b. Stogdon	106
A. A. Milne, l.b.w., b. Williams	5
A. L. Foster, c. Page, b. Tritton	29
R. P. Rawlings, b. Williams	6
K. B. Anderson, b. Powell	18
P. F. Lock, c. Nash, b. Powell	11
A. S. Gaye, b. Powell	4
A. J. Willett, c. James, b. Williams	0
C. B. Knight, l.b.w., b. Beamish	10
L. H. Bennett, b. Stogdon	5
F. L. Harrison, not out	10
Leg-byes 3, w. 2	5
Total	209

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	WESTMINSTER.			
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Williams	21	0	108	3
Beamish.....	12	5	20	1
James.....	6	3	4	0
Tritton	5	1	14	1
Powell	13	4	43	3
Page	2	1	1	0
Stogdon.....	5.2	2	15	2

House Notes.

COLLEGE.—We sincerely sympathise with Mr. Raynor on his most unfortunate accident; we hope that by the time this appears he will be quite recovered. We met with little or no success at the Sports; and, as expected, lost the Tug. Harrison and Lock are to be congratulated on a first appearance for the School against Harrow Blues. H. F. Jacob has been restored to us after a long illness, and we are sorry to hear that W. T. Kennedy has broken his arm again. The Literary Society has read *Two Gentlemen of Verona*, and is now reading *She Stoops to Conquer*. The Chess Club is having a 'close' time.

GRANTS.—Our numbers are 40 this term, as C. Sheppard and J. Britton left last term, and we have had no new boys. We did moderately in the Sports, being third house. H. S. Bompas and H. Logan gained us most of our points. Mr. Sargeant has temporarily taken up his residence up Grants, as Mr. Tanner, owing to Mrs. Tanner's unfortunate illness, is not sleeping at Westminster. J. Blane, S. A. Dickson, and J. and H. Logan were our representatives for the XXII. versus the XI. We congratulate W. C. Stevens on playing in the Oxford Freshmen's match. E. C. Stevens has not returned this term, but we hope to see him with us again shortly.

RIGAUDS.—Though important events since the last number are very scarce, we have none the less some pleasing intelligence to record. Thanks mainly to the endeavours of A. C. Barnby, who won no less than three Open Challenge events, we were able to win the Sports Cup for the second year running. In the House Tug-of-War we succeeded in pulling over H.BB., but were in turn pulled over by Ashburnham in the final. For the XI. v. XXII. we had four representatives—namely, K. B. Anderson, L. H. Bennett, A. T. Willett, and C. Powers—and in the XXII. we were represented by A. C. Barnby, C. M. Page, and A. Beney. We congratulate all the above, and the first three for a further appearance for the School v.

Harrow Blues. Our numbers this term remain thirty-six, as we lost two fellows last term and two new boys have come up this term.

H.BB.—Our numbers are one less this term. Six fellows, including Powell and Williams, have left, and Goldschmidt and Stoker gone up Rigauds, and we have five new fellows. We congratulate C. B. H. Knight on playing for the School, and hope to see him playing regularly. V. B. H. Knight and Connor played for the XXII. The concert is being vigorously entered for by a large number of the junior members of the House, and we hope they will do their best to make it a success.

ASHBURNHAM.—Three fellows left at the end of last term, but five new boys have taken their place; our numbers are thus increased to fifty-two. We shall greatly miss the services of Wynter, to whose exertions we are greatly indebted for our success in winning the Shield last term. We celebrated our victory by a house-supper, which was in every way a great success. Mr. Fox kindly consented to occupy the chair. Our performances in the Sports were not quite as good as we had hoped, but we partly atoned for this by winning the Tug after an exciting struggle. Our cricket prospects are brighter than usual, and we ought to do well in the Juniors under the new regulations. In the match between the XI. and the XXII., S. S. Harris was our representative in the XI., and W. A. Greene, R. H. Murray, H. Day, E. C. Walker, and W. Parker played for the XXII.

WESTMINSTERS IN THE WAR.
THIRD LIST.

At School.

1883-87.—T. H. STAPLETON, Border Mounted Rifles.
1888-91.—L. H. STAPLETON, Lord Methuen's Force.
1890-95.—J. W. G. SIMONDS, Ammunition Supply Column.

We have reason to believe that we were not correct in placing on this list the name of C. W. S. Barwell.

POETRY.

DARK.

οὐ γὰρ ἄνευ τοῦ ἐάντος ἐν ᾧ πεφαιτισμένον ἔστιν
εὐρήσεις τὸ νοεῖν. PARMENIDES.

I WOKE on darkness, with each tingling sense
Acutely strained and staring eyes, to see
The gloom take shape, and from its nullity
Beget a crowd of terrors thronging dense,
Dread unimaginable forces, tense
With evil life. Closer they pressed on me
And ever nearer swirled in hideous glee,
Until I swooned at the danger's imminence.

But when I questioned what the sight might mean,
A voice made answer: 'Dost then thou make
moan

That these should be which are through thee
alone?

For all thoughts are, and these that thou hast seen
But for thy thoughts' informing ne'er had been:

Evil they may be, but they are thine own.'

YAMANDE.

TO LEUCONOË.

Oh! seek not thou ('twere sinful search) to know
what end for me, for thee;

The gods have fixed Leuconoë, nor cast Chaldean
horoscopes.

How better far to calmly bear our destined fate,
whate'er it be!

If Jove has other winters yet in store for us, or our
sole hope's

That one which on triumphing reefs now shatters the
Tyrrhenian sea,

Be wise, strain well thy wine, and, seeing soon we
must resolve to dust,

Enjoy to-day, in vague to-morrow placing not the
slightest trust.

I LEX.

MAWLD BROWNING.

A BLANK-VERSE 'POET'S' RECOLLECTIONS.

(AFTER 'C. G.')

My name, good sirs, my name is Browning, and
I think I ought to say for the sake of
My reputation that I really have
No sort of a connection with the man
Called Robert Browning—deemed by some a poet.
My Christian name is Mawld—a curious one,
Perhaps you say; well, does it matter if
It is? And so my name and trade in full
Is thus: 'Mawld Browning, Poet'—nothing else.
My style is quite unique. The points about
It are, in short, as follows: lend your ears.
There is a proverb saying it is good
To kill two birds with but a single stone.
Well, that is the chief point about my style.
My poetry is equally as good
If read as prose! Just try above and see.
In fact, my poetry is often thought
To be a highly finished piece of prose.
My mode of work you may, perhaps, find of
Some interest to you. It is like this—
I first write out in baldest prose what I
Have got to say: the next thing is to touch
It up with here and there a metaphor
Or two—some old and stale and some new-dropped.
This done, I cut the stuff into strips
(Ten syllables to each); put one above
The other; head it, 'Blank-Verse, please' (this helps

The printer) and—well, there you are, my friends,
Your recollections (wonderfully made
And tough as leather) rest in calm repose!

And so, whatever else I may have, or
May not have, yet I claim at least that I

For blank verse, foully murdered in cold blood,
Have gained at last possession of 'the cake.'

A. K. M.

OLD WESTMINSTER FREEMASONS.

A REGULAR meeting of the Old Westminsters' Lodge,
No. 2233, was held at the Café Royal, Regent Street,
on Friday, May 4. The following members were
present: W. Ashton Ellis (W.M.), J. Barnes Liberty
(S.W.), F. G. Hallett (J.W.), Thomas Wakley, jun.
(P.M., Treasurer), Henry Sutherland (P.G.D., Secretary),
C. W. Stephenson (P.M.), Philip Stirling Lee
(J.D.), W. J. Armitage (I.G.), Thomas Stirling Lee
(D.C.), W. E. Horne (Steward), Walter Tomlinson,
R. G. Thornton, and C. C. Sharpe. The visitors
were Bro. P. C. Probyn (O.W.), and Bro. J. J. de Z.
Marshall.

Bro. Thornton and Bro. Sharpe were admitted to
the third degree. Business being concluded, the
brethren and their guests dined together and a plea-
sant evening was spent.

Obituary.

WE have to record the death of an octogenarian
Westminster. JOHN CLERK was the third son
of the Right Hon. Sir George Clerk, Bart., M.P.,
and was admitted to the School in 1828. He
was afterwards called to the Bar and took silk in
1868. He died on April 10 on the verge of
his eighty-fifth year.

WE have also to record with regret the death
of JAMES PRIMATT SARGEAUNT. He was the
third son of John Sargeaunt, Rector of Stan-
wick, was admitted in 1845, and became Q.S. in
the following year. After graduating from Jesus
College, Cambridge, he became a clerk in the
War Office in 1854. Here it fell to him to
decipher the despatch announcing the fall of
Sebastopol. He was afterwards an Inspector of
Army Schools, and took an active part in the
county business of Gloucestershire. He married
in 1855 the only child of Joseph Shapland, of
Tewkesbury Park. Mr. Sargeaunt, who had for

some years past been kept from our anniversaries by failing health, died on April 26, in his seventieth year.

We have also to regret the loss of a third Westminster in the war. FREKE LEWIS PROTHERO was the eldest son of Francis Thomas Egerton Prothero, of Malpas Court, Monmouthshire, was born in June 1868, and was at the School from 1882 to 1887. From the School he passed into Sandhurst, and was gazetted to the Welsh Regiment in 1889. He served in the Tirah Expedition in 1897-98, and obtained his company last year. Captain Prothero was wounded in action at Karriefontein on April 22, and died on the 24th.

We have also to lament the death of a yet younger Westminster. HORACE FULTON CARR was the elder son of Francis Thomas Carr, and was at the School from 1887 to 1892. After graduating from Christ Church in 1895 he was admitted a solicitor, and a promising career is prematurely closed. Mr. Carr was in his twenty-sixth year.

We have also to regret the death of CHARLES BUNFORD WASHINGTON CREWS. He was the eldest son of Mr. Charles J. D. Crews, of Billingbear Park, Berkshire, and was at the School from 1877 to 1882. He died on May 12, in his thirty-sixth year.

The Rev. ROBERT FAWSETT, formerly Ward, sometime Rector of Salmonby, who died lately, was at the School during part of 1847.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

O.W.W. CRICKET.

Levington, St. Mary Cray, May 18.

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly allow me space in your paper to draw attention to the very unsatisfactory state of O.W.W. cricket? On the list of members there are 242 names, not a very good list for a public school, and of these very many are not playing members. But worse remains. Only thirty-seven members took part in the twelve matches played last season; and of this very small number only seventeen can be said to have played at all regularly, *i.e.* three innings or more! And, again, many of those who did turn out have arrived at a 'non-stooping' age as regards cricket, and ought only to be called out as reserves. Now, Mr. Editor, is not this rather a disgrace to the School? What on earth becomes of the young cricketers who leave the School every year? Please try in your paper to

arouse them to a sense of their duty. Now that the standard of the School cricket has so much improved, we might reasonably expect a corresponding improvement in O.W.W. cricket.

Mr. J. G. Veitch will be only too happy to enrol members, and still happier to see them playing.

If no better support is forthcoming, it would seem best to let the O.W.W. C. C. die a natural death, rather than drag out a miserable existence as a laughing-stock to the not very formidable clubs which we now try to make a game with. Hoping that you will take up the matter strongly,

I remain, yours truly,

R. BERENS.

P.S.—Record of last season needs no comment: three wins, six defeats, three draws; and Capt. A. G. Prothero not available this season!

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I presume you are always ready to consider a suggestion, and I hope you will not think the following an unreasonable one. At the commencement of each season you insert amongst the 'School Notes' the 'fixtures,' both in cricket and football; but, without in any way interfering with this useful and proper announcement, my suggestion is that there should be inserted in addition *each month*—also among the 'School Notes'—a list of the 'fixtures' affecting the School for the succeeding month, or until the issue of the next number of your paper, and that the list should include not only cricket and football, but the Sports, the Play, Election Dinner, etc. Besides the obvious convenience of seeing at a glance each month the coming School events, I think it might in some cases have the result of a larger attendance at School functions or games of O.W.W. who, not caring to search back in your paper to ascertain the dates, miss the opportunity through ignorance, and when they read the result in the *Elizabethan* regret that they did not know that such and such a match or function was 'on.'

I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

TONYWIGS.

[The *whole* cricket or football card is always printed in each number, but we will endeavour to draw more notice to other forthcoming events, as our correspondent suggests.—Ed. *Elizabethan*.]

Our Contemporaries.

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