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#### HOUSE NOTES.

LAST term A. C. P. Ward and P. H. Gaye left us and P. Talfourd Jones and H. J. James have come in their places. Ward and Gaye were not at Westminster for very long, but we are sorry to lose them, and wish them all success.

A. E. K. Salvi has come up from Hall to Outer.

W. E. Heard won the Clifton Gordon Reading Prize; he was also promoted to the rank of Under-Officer in the O.T.C.

How shall we rank thee upon glory's page? Thou more than soldier and just less than sage!"

- I. J. D. Wakely was confirmed in his award of the Hinchcliffe Scholarship, won his Cricket Pinks and also the Phillimore Prize for English.
- J. L. Hobman was awarded a Knapp Fisher Music Prize, and W. P. Mallinson a Marshall Memorial Prize.
- J. K. Luard regained his Cricket Pinks and C. E. Lonsdale and R. G. A. Colt-Williams won theirs. W. H. Wakely was given his Thirds and C. H. Hunter his Colt's Cap.

In the final of the Inter-House Fives Competition, our pair, K. J. Gardiner and D. A. Bompas, was beaten 3—0 by College (H. L. Jones and K. H. L. Cooper).

After beating Ashburnham in the first round of Seniors, we were beaten by Rigaud's in the Final. In Juniors we lost to College in the first round.

Owing to the hot weather the Boxing Competition was

again postponed, and we still have the Boxing Cup.

'The weather is beautiful; but as Noodle says (with his eyes beaming with delight), "We shall suffer for this, sir, by-and-by."

By the careful pursuit of a masterly policy of procrastination, our Chess representatives, aided by their occupation of the majority of the authoritative offices in the W.S.C.C., succeeded in retaining the Chess Cup communi consensu.

Never, we believe, has the assiduous cultivation of aquatic flora conducted up Grant's resulted in so splendid a display of blooms. D. E. Halahan regained his Pinks; A. E. K. Salvi and D. K. C. O'Malley won theirs, while J. S. Kennedy was a Pink and White, and spare cox at Henley. Unfortunately the principal races have been postponed until next term, when Halahan and Salvi will have left. It is sad that the competitions could not have been held before our garden suffered by the annual ravage of the pruning shears.

In the competition for the Inter-House Tennis Gup we were beaten by Rigaud's (J. W. M. and P. Aitken) in the first round. Our pair was E. G. E. Rayner and D. A. Bompas.

A new official, who ranks below the lag of Hall, has been appointed. He is known as "Caliban" and his duties comprise a daily visit to Mr. Luce's to fetch skyed yard-balls and the marking-out of yard before each yard-tie.

In the Final of the Cricket yard-ties K. J. Gardiner beat W. P. Mallinson after a prolonged battle.

The following Cricket School Colours are up the House:

Pinks. Pink and White. Third.

K. J. Gardiner W. P. Mallinson W. H. Wakely
D. A. Bompas
L. J. D. Wakely Colt's Caps.
C. E. Lonsdale J. S. Brown
R. G. A. Colt-Williams C. H. Hunter

"A man learns more easily what he laughs at."—HORACE.

THE 'Annals.' Mr. Sargeaunt's prose epic of Westminster, is the classical authority in all that concerns the history of the School; from it we, who are unfortunate never to have known Mr. Sargeaunt, may learn not only history, but also something of the author, undoubtedly one of the most outstanding and fascinating personalities Westminster has known in recent years. The qualities required for the writing of history are the subject of considerable discussion, particularly at the present time, but there is no doubt that a discreet sense of humour helps to gain and to keep the sympathy of the reader; one of the problems of the historian is to select for inclusion in his record incidents which, besides being amusing, are relevant to his main theme. How skilfully Mr. Sargeaunt and other Westminster historians have made this choice, how aptly they introduced their humour, it is the object of this article to suggest.

Mr. Sargeaunt is describing the régime of the energetic, unselfish Dr. William Markham. Upon his arrival at the School as a new boy, a certain nobleman's son asked the Head Master to show him the place appropriated for boys of his rank. "You, sir," the Doctor is said to have replied, "with more confidence and consequently less respect for me than you ought on this important occasion to feel, enquire for your proper place in the School. It is therefore my duty to inform you that here the only distinctions made are those which arise from superior talents and superior application. The youth that wishes to obtain eminence must endeavour by assiduity to deserve it. Therefore your place at present is the lowest seat on the lowest form."

"It was to Markham that Johnson bowed with 'such a studied elaboration of homage, such an extension of limb,

such a flexion of body as have seldom or never been equalled,' but in rotundity of utterance Markham must have been the Rambler's disciple."

As Mr. Sargeaunt says, the nobleman's son had learnt

his first lesson in equality.

"In the pronunciation of Greek there has been a change, for which there were adequate reasons. Busby spoke the tongue neither as an Englishman nor as a Greek." The great man who ruled Westminster for fifty-seven years had been taught to regard the mark of accent in Greek as a mark of stress, as it is in modern Greek; seventeenth century Westminsters were brought up in this error. "Perhaps the last survival of the theory was in a punning phrase, the traditional property of the Head Master. [Samuel Smith, 1764-88.] On Shrove Tuesday, if the cook's throw left part of the pancake on the bar, the Head Master ejaculated  $\Pi \alpha \nu \kappa \alpha \kappa \acute{o}\nu$ , and the sound was at least a passable imitation of pancake on."

The book is full of such passages, and they help to make it so eminently readable; but Mr. Sargeaunt must give way to Captain Markham, who came up Grant's in 1849. Choosing humorous incidents for an autobiographical record extending only over a few years is a task much easier than that which faced Mr. Sargeaunt, who in addition had the disadvantage that he was not a Westminster. Among many passages of particular interest to Grantites, none, perhaps, is better than the following story of Dr. Liddell, the founder of modern Westminster.

"The only epigram I ever heard read, and which was worth remembering—and it was really good—was recited before Liddell by Edward Waterfield, a town boy. . . .

The epigram ran thus:

"Two men wrote a lexicon—Liddell and Scott;
Some parts were right, some parts were not.
Now come, all ye wise men, and solve me this riddle:
Why the wrong parts wrote Scott, and the right parts wrote Liddell?"

"Liddell took it well, gave his usual scornful sniff, and presented Waterfield with his silver penny. The joke was, that often when at work with the Sixth, Liddell would object to the translation of, or use of, some word. The boy would reply, 'Please, sir, I found it used that way in your lexicon,' when Liddell would reply, 'Scott wrote that part.'"

Lastly, a very celebrated story with its rather less wellknown sequel from Mr. L. E. Tanner's book Westminster The chair used by the Head Master has always traditionally been said to have been presented to Dr. Busby by Charles II. Perhaps the representation was made after the famous visit of Charles II. to the School, when Busby kept his hat on in the royal presence on the ground that he could not allow his boys to think that there was anyone greater than himself in Westminster. . . This story was told by Dr. Gow, the Head Master, to King George V., when he visited the School in 1919, who thereupon commanded him to be covered! As there are already several versions of this story, Dr. Gow, shortly before his death, very kindly wrote to me the true version as follows: 'What happened was as follows: As we came down School I told the King of the Busby episode which I did not do before as the Queen was there. He immediately said, "Put on your hat, sir," 'and I wore it from the School to my house."

### CANTANTES ET CANENTES.

"Hell is full of musical amateurs. Music is the brandy of the damned." (Shaw.)

In the Music Competitions Grant's came third with 124 points; College were first and Ashburnham second. The majority of our points were gained in the combined events; 1st place in the Chamber Music class brought us 50, 1st equal with College in the Choir 25, 2nd in the Vocal Quartet 14, and 3rd in the Orchestras (equal with Home Boarders') 5. J. L. Hobman, the Head of the Orchestral Society and leader of Grant's music, won us 12 points in the individual contests, and J. Fouracre  $10\frac{1}{2}$ , J. Lewis got  $7\frac{1}{2}$  and Gedye 5.

Our representatives in the Chamber Music were Fouracre, Salvi, Lewis and Luard; as usual, and in spite of the judge, Mr. Goldsborough, they were a great success. Indeed the Grant's Brass Quartet have at Westminster a reputation second to none. We have not forgotten Dr. Buck's enthusiasm over their performance last year. The Vocal Quartet consisted of Clark, Gedye, Salvi and Howe; and the House Choir was conducted by J. L. Hobman, who earned praise from a judge who was by no means easy to please.

We must sound a warning note about Music up Grant's.

In the past we have been nobly supported by our friends and former allies from Busby's; seventy-five per cent. of our Brass Quartet came from Busby's and the other member, Salvi, will have left by next year. Unless someone steps into the breach and works like a Trojan to keep up our efforts, even if they are unsuccessful, the Music Competition will lapse into the position which the Corps Competition held in Grantite's eyes until last year. Let us at least make every effort each year to send in a good House Choir, lack of talent can be no excuse for failure to do that.

W. P. M.

# MILITANTES.

"The worse the man the better the soldier." (NAPOLEON.)

LITTLE happened in the O.T.C. this term, for we have but one parade a fortnight, nearly twice as many, however, as we had before the advent of the present Commanding Officer. It was a pity that only fourteen Grantites put down their names to go to camp; three of these were prevented by Doctor's orders from going. We were sorry that Major Troutbeck was unable to attend camp, but we had a very good time under Captain Murray Rust, and we all enjoyed ourselves very much. I hope that more Grantites will go next year, as it is essential to have been in order to pass the "A" Certificate Examination.

K. J. G.

#### NATANTES.

"No human being, however great, or powerful, was ever so free as a fish." (Ruskin.)

ON July the 17th, Rigaud's, Ashburnham and Grant's swam the preliminary round of the Inter-House Swimming Competition.

C. E. Lonsdale, who, it was hoped, would create a vortex of sufficient velocity as he struck the water immediately to account for his rivals, swam first. Unfortunately the wind resistance was so great that Lonsdale did not reach the water until his rivals were well under weigh. The efforts of D. E. Halahan, who swam second, caused our disadvantage of two yards neither

to decrease nor increase. N. Woodward, swimming third, valiantly brought Grant's ahead of Ashburnham and just behind Rigaud's. A. H. Roberts increased our lead over Ashburnham and finished only a foot behind Rigaud's. It was a very fine race, and, as Roberts and Lonsdale should be available next year, there seems good reason to look forward to shouting in the Swimming Cup.

W. P. M.

#### PILA LUDENTES.

Par nobile fratrum. (HORACE.)

ALTHOUGH beaten by Rigaud's in what turned out to be the Final of the Inter-House Lawn Tennis Competition, we put up a hard fight, and were very unlucky not to win at least one set, since we were several times within a point of doing so. The match was played under ideal conditions, and was remarkable for the unusually high standard of play, and for the long duration of the games. The deciding factors were, perhaps, the superior volleying and better team work of the Rigaud's pair.

Grant's were represented by E. G. E. Rayner and D. A. Bompas; and Rigaud's by J. W. M. Aitken and P. R. Aitken. The score was 7—5, 6—4, 6—4.

E. G. E. R.

#### SENIORS.

#### FIRST ROUND v. ASHBURNHAM.

THIS match ended in an easy victory for Grant's by an innings and 173 runs; on the first day Grant's scored 299 and dismissed half their opponents for 16 runs; the match was all but over on the second afternoon and the single outstanding wicket fell early in the following evening.

Ashburnham won the toss and put us in on a hard, fiery wicket. Bompas was caught and bowled off the first ball of the innings, which rose sharply, and 14 runs later Ryland bowled Colt-Williams. With the score at 22 Gardiner was

out in the same way as Bompas. Three wickets were down very cheaply when L. J. D. Wakely joined Luard, and between them they raised the score to 73 before Wakely was stumped. He had scored freely without taking risks, and, with Luard, had helped to lay the foundations for our excellent total. Luard played restrained, careful Cricket; when Lonsdale came in and settled down at once to an aggressive game, Luard began to score faster, but throughout his innings he scarcely took a single risk, displaying to the great advantage of Grant's his vastly improved defence. Lonsdale hit magnificently all round the wicket, he scored his 52 in half-an-hour; 32 of his, and 58 of Luard's runs came from boundaries. W. H. Wakely played a most valuable and steady innings of 60, and the last wicket partnership added 51.

When Ashburnham went in it was immediately obvious that no one would withstand L. J. D. Wakely on such a wicket. To make matters worse for them he was bowling at the top of his form, and he was backed up by some excellent fielding. McDougall and Bedford batted well, and Ryland made two full-blooded shots, but the others did not last long and the innings closed for 64. Wakely, Mallinson and Gardiner shared the wickets.

Following on, Ashburnham started to do better, 23 runs were scored in half-an-hour before Mallinson got Broadhurst caught at short-leg. Forty was on the board with only two men out, when Carter-Locke, who had batted patiently for 45 minutes, was snapped at the wicket. Then followed a complete collapse, five wickets fell for two runs, while four runs later Strain was well caught by Gardiner, and stumps were drawn for the day. The remaining wicket offered slight resistance to a new bowler, D. A. Bompas.

For Grant's this match was definitely encouraging; Wakely had bowled splendidly for 10 for 34, he is really fast and can use the new ball; Gardiner and Mallinson had done all that was necessary to support the chief bowler; our fielding was competent, and the catch of W. H. Wakely which dismissed Matthews in the first innings was quite brilliant. The batting after the early failures was distinctly good, and the fact that, at the same time as our game was in progress, Rigaud's were having a hard struggle with Home Boarders, raised high hopes of a victory in the Final.

GRANT'S

#### ist Innings D A. Bompas c. and b. Ryland n K. J. Gardiner (Capt.) c. and b. Charrington 10 R. G. A. Colt-Williams b. Ryland J. K. Luard c. Broadhurst b. C. Locke L. J. D. Wakely st. Barker b. C. Locke C. E. Lonsdale b. Charrington 86 31 52 W. H. D. Wakely c. C.-Locke b. McDougall W. E. P. Moon c. C.-Locke b. Ryland 60 5 C. H. Hunter l.b.w. C.-Locke o H. A. Burt c. Broadhurst b. C.-Locke 4 W. P. Mallinson not out 14 Extras 1.b. 3, w. 1, n.-b. 2, b. 28 34 299 ASHBURNHAM 2nd Innings 1st Innings H. B. C.-Locke b. L. Wakely M. Broadhurst b. L. Wakely c. Bompas b. L. Wakely o c. Gardiner b. Mallinson D. E. Barker (Capt.) c. Bompas b. L. Wakely o b. L. Wakely 6 H. F. Charrington c. Lonsdale b. L. Wakely o c. and b. L. Wakely 4 E. H. V. McDougall b. Mallinson 22 l.b.w. b. Gardiner 0 M. H. Matthews c. W. Wakely b. Gardiner 2 b. L. Wakely T 10 b. L. Wakely D. E. Ryland b. Gardiner o F. H. W. Bedford hit wicket b. Gardiner 15 b. Gardiner c. C.-Williams b. Bompas I. C. Bune l.b.w. Mallinson c. Gardiner b. L. Wakely M. K. Strain not out G. A. Jennings b. Mallinson 0 Not out l.b. 1, w. 2, n.-b. 1, Extras l.b. 2, w. 1, n.-b. 3, b. 5 11 b. 15 19 64 62 Bowling Analysis ASHBURNHAM 1st Innings R. Wd. N.-b.Μ. W. 0. Average D. Ryland 65 22 21.6 H. F. Charrington 2 73 2 1 2 20 36.5 H. B. Carter-Locke O 18 79 19.7 G. A. Jennings O 26 o 2 M. Broadhurst 9 3 GRANT'S

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#### SENIORS-FINAL.

The final was begun on July 21st and resulted in a win for Rigaud's by 130 runs. For the fourth consecutive time these two houses had met in the final and in this match no less than ten pinks were playing. No one could clearly forecast what was going to happen.

Rigaud's won the toss for the fourth time in succession and decided to bat. Graham and Hollings opened to Gardiner and Wakely. Nothing seemed wrong with the wicket, but Graham was clear bowled by a beautiful ball from Wakely with the score at 4. Four runs later Wakely bowled Hollings, so that in his first three overs he took two wickets for no runs. Symington then joined Page and both batted well. Shortly after 50 was reached, Wakely bowled Page and Byrne, and lunch was taken at 55 for 4 wickets, all Wakely's wickets. After lunch he made a brilliant catch in getting rid of J. W. M. Aitken; P. R. Aitken stayed with Symington to raise the 100. Finally the innings closed at 176, of which Symington had made a chanceless 77, though he never seemed confident against Wakely, who took 5 wickets for 45.

There seemed every prospect of Grant's gaining a big lead, when Mallinson and W. H. Wakely opened the innings. They were playing confidently when Mallinson was bowled by Symington and Wakely was stumped. After that P. Aitken proceeded to dismiss all our most distinguished batsmen for very moderate scores. Lonsdale alone shewed confidence and hit light-heartedly in his best style, and he put a much better appearance to the score. With the score at 154 for 9, stumps were drawn. Play was continued on Monday evening and the innings was quickly finished off. P. Aitken took 6 for 69. Grant's were 13 behind and the result was still in doubt when Rigaud's went in for a second time.

With the score at 3 Hollings was caught in the slips by

Burt, a great catch, and Page was caught wicket at 20. Graham was soon out, l.b.w. to Wakely, but Byrne batted stubbornly until he was out (by Mallinson) to a high onehanded catch in the slips. And then came the turning point of the game, with the score at 90, of which Symington had made a lucky 49; he lifted a forward shot into mid-off's hands, the ball was dropped, went for a single, and Symington had made his 50. He might also have been run out. On Tuesday, things went from bad to worse, our fielding went to pieces and many catches were dropped; both Aitkens and Parkyn took liberties with our fielding, while Symington at last regained his confidence and scored freely all round the wicket. Our bowling seemed weak, it depended almost entirely on Wakely, who had to bowl 36 overs. He took 5 wickets for 103: Moon was the most successful of the change bowlers. The innings closed at 322, the last 5 wickets having made 220.

When Grant's went in on Thursday afternoon there seemed little prospect of making the runs on a crumbling wicket, on which a spin bowler like Aitken might do anything. Three wickets had been lost the evening before, Bompas after balling beautifully being caught off the last ball of the day. The rest of the innings was an exhibition of dogged defence, while Luard made a final magnificent effort. He batted slowly and steadily and after making 50 he hit finely. Aitken was again in form and he helped his captain to dismiss Grant's for 205, of which Luard had made 110. One pleasing incident was the brilliant 6 hit by Moon, on to the payilion roof.

We had our opportunities to win—we ought to have established a lead in the first innings—we ought to have got rid of Symington for 49 and dismissed Rigaud's for under 200.

Our change bowling was rather disappointing, Gardiner and Wakely could not bowl for ever, and both had so many catches dropped off them that it was surprising that they did not become disheartened. They stuck to it and finally got Rigaud's out, mainly by hitting the wickets. The fact that we lost the toss was an obvious disadvantage, for the wicket became steadily worse throughout the match. Gardiner, Wakely, Luard, Mallinson and Moon are leaving Grant's, while only J. W. Aitken and Page are leaving Rigaud's; nevertheless, with good fielding and good fortune we may win next time.

RIGAUD'S						
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#### SENIORS CRITICISMS.

- **K. J. Gardiner** (Capt.). He has not yet settled on the batting style which suits him best; a brilliant stroke player, he was apt to play steadily and carefully until he had made between 20 and 30 and then to make a rash shot and get out. He is a natural fieldsman and a steady bowler. W. P. M.
- **D. A. Bompas.** By far the best bat in the School. In no less than four of the School matches he made 50. It is very sad that he did not quite keep this form up in Seniors. His wicket-keeping, however, is not so good this year as last, but still he has been a great help to me in School and House Cricket.
- J. K. Luard. A very useful player. He is a good bat, although rather slow at times, and he can hit the ball very hard when he gets set, but he will never be really good until he can avoid being caught in the slips so often, because he will not get his left leg over to an off ball. A very good field.
- L. J. D. Wakely. A lion-hearted cricketer, who never gives up until the match is lost. He has kept up a really fast pace for incredibly long spells of bowling, and in Seniors was invaluable. A good bat and a fair field.
- C. E. Lonsdale. A very aggressive batsman, who has improved his batting enormously during the latter part of the season. At one time he was solely a hitter with no defence, but by hard practice, he has learned how to play back and now is a very reliable batsman. A good field.

- R. G. A. Colt-Williams. A very disappointing player. He has got most attractive style and has many scoring strokes, but just when you think he is going to make a large score he gets out. His fielding, however, leaves much to be desired.
- W. P. Mallinson. A very erratic bowler, who, owing to his very awkward action, is unable to keep a steady length, but he sometimes bowls a ball good enough to defeat any batsman. His awkwardness comes out again in his fielding and batting, but he should not give up his batting, as he could be very useful in an emergency to play out time.
- W. H. D. Wakely. A sound bat, who, during the last season, has learned many fine scoring strokes. He will, however, never do well until he improves his fielding immensely.
- W. E. P. Moon. An aggressive batsman, who knows which ball to hit, but his defence at present is very uncertain. His fielding also leaves much to be desired.
- H. B. Burt. A very keen cricketer, but his capabilities have not as yet come up to his own ideals. As batsman he knows a great number of strokes, but however long he stays in, he never seems to get his eye in, so getting no confidence in himself, which is essential to a good batsman.
- J. S. Brown. A very keen young cricketer who bowls and bats with fair skill. In bowling he must not be tempted to pitch the ball short when he gets hit, and in batting he must refrain from losing his head and hitting across a straight ball well-pitched-up.
- **C. H. Hunter.** A very good little player, who watches the ball on to the bat very carefully, but his powers of scoring are handicapped by his lack of strength, which will be remedied with years. A very promising young cricketer.
- I should like to add that I think the main reason why we lost the Final of Seniors, was the bad fielding in Rigaud's 2nd innings. Between ten and fifteen catches must have been missed and the ground fielding was never clean. I am afraid Old Grantites will attribute this to my negligence in not giving sufficient fielding practice, but I hope that this was not the case.

K. J. G.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Catch not at the shadow and lose the substance."—ED.

#### THE WATER.

### ELECTION TERM, 1928.

Most of last term was taken up, to the exclusion of everything else, by the first three eights. Grant's was well represented in all of them, in fact we had no less than three men in the first, one, the cox, in the second and the stroke of the third eight. This is quite creditable considering that there were only seventeen watermen up the House. Incidentally this is the first time that Grant's has had three Water Pinks since rowing was re-started at Westminster.

Towards the end of the term, the Junior-Senior fours began to get together, in sliding clinkers. In this event the smaller houses are hard put to it to find people of suitable skill and physical development. There is usually a certain percentage of ineligible old men and a gathering of fixed seat exponents, but there are never any medium sized people. This year we had a promising stroke in Tetley-Jones, but just as we were getting together Busby's claimed him, putting us in a very difficult position. However, in spite of all this, we carried on, both on the tank and the river, and, although the style was never very great, the boat occasionally moved quite well.

The two bow men seemed to find great difficulty in getting the time together at the finish; in a four it is the most important part of the stroke, and consequently the boat received no drive forward to carry it along, whilst the blades were off the water.

At the beginning of a paddle it was quite fair, but immediately they began to tire the crew became ragged and uncontrolled. It was mainly due to this lack of cohesion that we were beaten in the first round.

G. E. D. H.

### JUNIORS.

### FIRST ROUND v. K.S.S.

As last year, the preliminary rounds of Juniors were played as one-innings matches. We drew K.S.S., whom we thought to be the strongest side, and although in the end we were beaten by 18 runs we gave them some very anxious moments.

K.S.S. won the toss and decided to bat on a wicket rather unpleasant after the rain. Brown and Colt-Williams opened the bowling against Milne and Engleheart, who was dismissed in the latter's first over, while in the next over Brown obtained the wickets of Argyle and Rich with consecutive balls, thus 3 wickets had fallen for 5 runs. then stopped play and on the next day with the wicket playing more easily, runs came much quicker and Milne and Pagan put on 100. Pagan batted extremely well and after he left the batting collapsed. In his 82 Milne played a useful innings which was a mixture of good and bad batting, he gave a number of chances which were not taken. Our fielding on the whole was bad. Latey fielded well and Lawton kept wicket quite well in Latey's place, while Munro held two quite excellent catches. Brown, who took 5 for 50. was the best of our rather erratic bowlers.

Grant's started their innings steadily, Lonsdale was bowled by a shooter, after which Colt-Williams and Hunter batted very well indeed and raised the score to 79. With Brown to go in victory seemed possible, but the next two wickets fell rapidly and on the last day Grant's were left with 55 to make with 5 wickets in hand. The task proved beyond them and Argyle, bowling splendidly, spoiled all our chances. Brown batted pluckily after a weak start. Better fielding, more enterprising batting and more intelligent running between the wickets might have won us the match.

A difference of opinion has been expressed concerning the score, the Grant's version is as follows:

W. E. H.

#### K.S.S.

Milne (Capt.) c, Munro b. Labertouche	82
Engleheart l.b.w. b. CWilliams	0
Argyle l.b.w. b. Brown	0
Rich b. Brown	0
Pagan b. CWilliams	38
Doll b. Brown	4
Stevens b. CWilliams	ö
Vigor b. Brown	1
Cheadle b. Brown	0
Stephenson not out	3
St. Paer c. Munro b. Labertouche	ŏ
Extras, byes	25
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GRANT'S	
C. H. Hunter b. Argyle	34 5
E. H. Lonsdale b. Milne	5
R. G. Colt-Williams (Capt.) b. Argyle	37
J. S. Brown c. and b. Argyle	32
J. R. Moon b. Rich	o
J. Latey c. Doll b. Argyle	4
D. O. Nares run out	10
I. C. Munro b. Argyle	0
P. Labertouche b. Argyle	0
P. Evetts b. Argyle	4
P. C. Lawton not out	4
Extras, byes	4 5
	135

Bowling: Grant's: Brown 5-50. Colt-Williams 3-40. Labertouche 2-6. K.S.S.: Argyle 7-37. Milne 1-47. Rich 1-35.

## JUNIORS CRITICISMS.

- R. G. A. Colt-Williams. See Seniors Criticisms.
- J. S. Brown. See Seniors Criticisms.
- C. H. Hunter. See Seniors Criticisms.
- **J. R. Moon.** An unconventional batsman, but often very effective. However he cannot be of any great value to a side until he improves his defence. A poor field.
- E. H. G. Lonsdale. A useful bat, as he has good defence, but his means of scoring are as yet not great. A good field.
- **P. Evetts.** A good bat with very fine style. His bowling is also quite effective, although rather erratic. A very promising all-round cricketer.
- **P. C. F. Lawton.** Owing to an accident to our wicket keeper, he had to keep wicket, and did his work very well, considering how difficult it is to fill this position without practice. His batting is of a rather too rustic nature.
- P. N. Labertouche. A fair bowler of medium pace, but he should try to put some variation of speed into his balls. His batting is rather unorthodox, and his fielding leaves much to be desired.
- J. K. Munro. A very promising young cricketer, who has command of quite a number of very fine scoring strokes. As a bowler he is far too inclined to bowl too fast, so losing length, which is essential to a good bowler.

- **D. O. Nares.** A very stylish batsman, who pays rather too much attention to his style, instead of making every effort to score; but by this I do not want him to forsake his style to become a hitter, which would be a fatal mistake to a boy of his physique. Quite a useful bowler.
- J. B. Latey. It was unfortunate that he was unable to keep wicket, but he deserved his place for his batting alone. He should practise his bowling, as he has great promise in this line.

  K. J. G.

#### THE OLD GRANTITE CLUB.

On October 4th the 5th dinner of the Club was held at the Florence Restaurant. Seventy-one members were present, easily a record number; Sir F. Villiers Forster, Bart., was in the Chair, and Mr. J. S. Rudwick, House Master of Grant's in Play Term, 1924, was the guest of the Club. After dinner a certain amount of Club business had to be done; the President, Sir F. Villiers Forster, and Vice-President, G. E. Mills, Esq., O.B.E., were re-elected, and the Committee was re-elected en bloc with the addition of Mr. A. M. Shepley Smith. The offices of Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer, which had previously both been filled by Mr. W. N. McBride, were divided on account of the growth of the Club, and of the very large number of subscribers to the GRANTITE. Mr. McBride becomes Hon. Treasurer and Mr. W. P. Mallinson, Hon. Secretary.

A Supper is to be held up Grants in December similar to that of last year.

#### OLD GRANTITES.

Lord Phillimore has been created a G.B.E. in recognition of his services as President of the Naval Prize Tribunal, 1918-28.

- Mr. R. A. Frost has been elected a University Fellow of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A.
- Mr. W. L. Hartley and Mr. R. W. Hartley won the London Amateur Foursomes for the third time. They were also members of the English team against Ireland.

#### BIRTH.

SWAYTHLING.—On August 6th, the wife of Lord Swaythling, of a son.

#### MARRIAGES.

LEWIS—COOPER.—On June 28th, Oswald Lewis, of the Manor, Davies Street, W. 1, to Frances Merriman, eldest daughter of Dr. Harold M. Cooper, of Hampton-on-Thames.

TUNNICLIFFE — WILLIAMS.—On July 18th, Gerald England Tunnicliffe to Mary Frances, daughter of Arthur Warren Williams, of Queen's Gate Gardens, Kensington.

#### OBITUARY.

WE regret to have to record the death of Col. Henry Cleland Dunlop, who was up Grant's from 1869 to 1872. After leaving Westminster he obtained a commission in the R.A. and retired with the rank of Brevet Colonel in 1905. During the war he commanded a Brigade of Artillery and subsequently became an Inspector of Munitions at Woolwich. He died on August 12th.

Canon Gerald Victor Sampson was a son of the late Lt.-Col. Thomas Sampson and was admitted up Grant's in 1874, becoming a Q.S. in 1879. From 1902 to 1911 he was a residentiary Canon at Truro. He was appointed Vicar of St. Paul's, Beckenham, in 1915, and had held the living since that date.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

DUNCROFT COTTAGE, CAPEL, SURREY.

September 17th, 1928.

DEAR SIR.

I have just come across a copy of some "Poetry" which I was guilty of writing when I was in the Remove in 1873. The subject given was that of the death of Cicero. The master, Bird, generally affectionately known as "The Dodo," said to me "Denman, I cannot but think that you

got a Biographical Dictionary and a Rhyming one, and so composed these lines"! I replied that that course was exactly what I had done. My pride was knocked out of me. Would this "poem" be considered as useful to come under the head "In Lighter Vein" in the Grantite magazine? if so I would send you a copy for your consideration. It is not long, some thirty lines. They greatly amused Sir Robert Phillimore, father of the present Lord Phillimore.

Believe me,
Yours very sincerely,
FRANCIS L. DENMAN.

# DEATH OF CICERO.

Alas! the famous Orator of Old Was far too soon consigned to earthy mould. Usurpers agreed his life to obtain That their proud designs might always remain. He and sixteen others doomed were to die, And no kind fate seemed to be nigh. For ruthless agents forthwith were despatched Those to kill to whom no wrong was attached. Though care was taken the secret to seal, Soon faithful friends it to him did reveal, At Tusculum of the danger was warned Before morning light on the earth had dawned. Instantly set forth he did for the coast. Of his precious time to collect the most. At Antium in a boat he did embark, And reached Formiæ before it was dark. Diseased in body, oppressed in his mind, He felt that nothing could his fate unbind, And noble resolved his death to endure. Which he knew would soon come, certain and sure. The soldiers sent in quest at hand close were, On which he was forced himself to prepare A litter to enter by an old slave, That he his life might endeavour to save. To the shore as they onwards were pressing From the Gods he then asked a last blessing, And to his slaves though unwilling "Stop" said, Then for the blow bravely stretched forth his head. Thus died the famous Orator of Rome, A Statesman, kind, indulgent in his home.

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