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I

The Splendour and the Power have passed away.
Sunk is their glory in a realm of light ;
The Majesty that was of yesterday
Reft from our mournful sight.

II

Dread Death opes his dark portal to disclose
Man's common heritage of dismal Doom ;
And folds her limbs in well-deserved repose
In their last rest—the tomb.

III

Her light is quenched : and the great peoples
mourn
With one unending, universal cry ;
And on the wind a whispering is borne
With this melodious sigh :

IV

' Peace, for an end is here of all her cares,
In Death's sad Valley are her sorrows cast :
Her God has heard all those uplifted prayers ;
Peace ' ; and the voice was past.

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'TEMPORA MUTANTUR.'

BARELY eight short weeks have passed since our last number was published, but what changes, great and small, have crowded upon us since then! In the first place, we may draw attention to the fact that *The Elizabethan* begins a new lease of life. This is, however, merely a conventional change, and will not be accompanied by any material alterations; it is not for us to be dissatisfied with methods which have brought success for upwards of twenty-five years. We therefore begin a new volume on the lines of the nine which have preceded it.

In the second place, the Christian world has begun a new century. This also is purely conventional, though it has afforded ample opportunities to our contemporaries for soliloquising, moralising, and forecasting, pessimistically and otherwise. That the School, at any rate, will in the twentieth century lose the place which she has held for upwards of 350 (or should we say 550?) years, there seem little grounds for fearing.

In the third and last, but very far from least, place, the British Empire has begun a new reign. This transition, at least, is anything but conventional. It is not for us to attempt either to amplify or comment on it. The School, like the world, has been deeply moved. Her emotion found expression in the wreath which was sent to the funeral at Windsor 'As a token of respect from the King's Scholars and Town Boys of the Royal College of Westminster.' A great part also of the School was included in the vast crowd which witnessed the solemn procession through London on February 2, a sight which is not likely to fade from the memory of any who were present. Seats were also allotted to the K.S.S. in the sacarium of the Abbey for the 2 P.M. service on the same day, and full advantage was taken of them.

That the School may remain as loyal throughout the reign of His Majesty King Edward VII. as she has during that of her late benefactress must be the hope of every *alumnus*.

ANNUAL RECORDS.

It is hoped that any omissions in this list will be pointed out. The Army record is probably defective, and the Medical Profession should be largely represented.

1900.

ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD, &c.

Sir F. W. Maclean, K.C.I.E., Kaiser-I-Hind gold medal; Lord Stalbridge and Sir C. E. Howard-Vincent, Knights of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

THE CHURCH.

A. B. Cartwright, Archdeacon of Malta; R. W. P. Circutt, Vicar of Brixham.

Ordinations.—H. W. Waterfield, F. P. Farrar, E. G. Phillimore, and F. J. S. Gardiner.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The Rt. Hon. James Lowther, Isle of Thanet; Sir R. U. Penrose Fitzgerald, Cambridge; W. E. M. Tomlinson, Preston; Sir Howard Vincent, Central Sheffield.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

A. J. S. Milman, C.B., Clerk of the House of Commons; J. R. Dasent, C.B., Assistant Secretary to the Board of Education; G. B. Piggott, Acting Assistant Judge at Zanzibar; E. H. Marsh, Assistant-Secretary to the Secretary of State for the Colonies; E. H. Waterfield, E.I.C.S.; G. H. Bernays, Indian Police; J. F. Waters, Board of Trade; R. Balfour, Board of Education.

Entrance.—W. R. le G. Jacob, India Woods and Forests; S. H. Langston, E.I.C.S.; A. R. Astbury, India Public Works.

THE ARMY.

Major-General A. E. Turner, C.B., to be Inspector-General of Auxiliary Forces; Major H. C. Dunlop, R.A., to be Lieutenant-Colonel; Major C. B. Vyvyan, the Buffs, to be Station Commandant in South Africa; Captain W. C. A. Radcliffe, R.A., to be Major; Captain P. H. Whiston, A.M.S., to 'The Imperial Representative Corps' (Australia).

The following Lieutenants to be Captains:—C. L. Macnab, Border Regiment, to the Northumberland Fusiliers; W. C. C. Ash, Middlesex Regiment; the Hon. A. H. Maitland, Cameron Highlanders; A. R. Hoskins, North Staffordshire Regiment; R. W. R. Barnes, 4th Hussars; H. M. Davson, R.A.; R. W. Knox, I.M.S.

The following Second-Lieutenants to be Lieutenants:—D. Clapham, R.A.; N. W. Gardner and I. G. Sewell, Royal Fusiliers; W. S. W. Browne, Liverpool Regiment; T. C. Greenway, South Wales Borderers; A. A. L. Stephen, Scots Guards; E. A. Underwood, Shropshire Light Infantry.

Brevet.—Captain A. R. Hoskins, Aide-de-Camp, 16th Brigade in South Africa, to be Brevet-Major.

Honorary, Local, and Temporary Rank.—Lieutenant R. B. D. Blakeney, R.E., to be Major while in command of Balloon Section in South Africa; Captain E. T. Logan, Cheshire Militia, to be Captain in the Army; Captain W. H. Brailey, West Surrey Volunteers; Lieutenant A. E. Stewart, Renfrewshire Volunteers; Captain J. W. G. Simonds, Northumberland Volunteers, and Lieutenant R. d'A. C. Harley, York and Lancaster Regiment, to be Lieutenants in the Army.

First Commissions.—H. G. de Watteville, K. H. Stening, S. M. Anderson, and C. E. L. Johnston, R.A.; C. St. J. Lynch and H. S. Gaskell, R.E.; E. H. Lynch, the Buffs; H. G. Quin, Northumberland Fusiliers; H. J. Kirkpatrick, Yorkshire Regiment; R. D. Whigham and H. C. Smith, Lancashire Fusiliers; T. Fitzjohn, Worcester Regiment; G. A. D. F. Cunningham, Essex Regiment; J. P. B. Robinson, Royal Dublin Fusiliers; H. E. Weekes, West India Regiment; A. D. Reid and A. C. L. Wood, Indian Staff Corps; and A. C. Barnby, Royal Marines.

Entrance.—W. H. Myers, E. C. Walker, E. M. Little, and K. G. Bittleston, R.M.A.; A. D. Reid, N. G. B. Lechmere (*bis*), and A. C. Barnby, R.M.C.

The following are to be added to the list of those serving in S. Africa:—

Captain the Hon. A. H. Maitland, Cameron Highlanders.
E. H. Lynch, 2nd Lieut., the Buffs.
G. A. D. F. Cunningham, 2nd Lieut., Essex Regiment.

THE UNIVERSITIES.

University Prizes.—R. K. Gaye, Cambridge: Porson Prize and Chancellor's Medal. Hon. R. D. Denman, Oxford: Chancellor's Prize (English Essay). H. L. Henderson, Oxford: *proxime* to the Hertford Scholarship.

Fellowship.—R. Balfour: King's College, Cambridge.

First Classes.—R. K. Gaye, Cambridge: Classical Tripos, Pt. II. R. Truslove and F. Waterfield, Oxford: Classical Moderations. E. Hackforth, Cambridge: 8th Wrangler.

Second Classes.—C. D. Fisher, Oxford: Litt. Hum. J. H. Reynolds and K. H. Stenning, Oxford: Modern History. J. Aston, Oxford: Classical Moderations. B. S. Boulter, Cambridge: Classical Tripos, Pt. I. H. C. Lecky, Oxford: Natural Science.

Third Classes.—W. H. Lonsdale, Cambridge: Junior Optime. F. R. Mills, Cambridge: Law Tripos. S. H. Langston, Oxford: Litt. Hum. A. L. M. Lefroy, Oxford: Classical Moderations. O. J. R. Howarth, Oxford: Modern History.

Scholarships.—F. G. Joseph, L. H. Bennett, and E. G. S. Ravenscroft: Christ Church, Oxford (*Election*).

Exhibitions.—A. S. Gaye, Scholar of Trinity, A. A. Milne, and S. D. Kennedy: Trinity College, Cambridge (*Election*). H. R. Kirby, H. Day, and O. G. F. Luhn: Christ Church, Oxford (*Election*). B. S. Boulter, C. W. Adams, and P. T. Browning: Trinity College, Cambridge.

MEDICINE.

A. R. Brailey, Senior Science Scholarship, Guy's Hospital. *Qualified.*—T. C. English, F. W. Longhurst, C. A. R. Nitch.

ATHLETICS.

C. D. Fisher and R. E. More, O.U.C.C.; L. J. Moon and R. N. R. Blaker, C.U.C.C.; L. J. Moon, R. N. R. Blaker (capt.), and F. Young, C.U.A.F.C.; H. Plaskitt, O.U.L.T.C.; R. F. Doherty, Lawn-Tennis Championship (*quater*); R. F. and H. L. Doherty, Lawn-Tennis Championship (*ter*); H. L. Doherty, Lawn-Tennis Championship at Paris Exhibition; H. W. Beveridge, O.U.G.C.

School Notes.

OUR hopes of last number are now realised in that we can welcome back Mr. E. Hackforth (O.W.) as a master in Mr. A. C. Jones's stead. We also welcome Mr. E. C. Sherwood from Magdalen College School, who is filling the place left by Mr. Winder. Mr. Just is absent, owing, we fear, to ill-health, and Mr. A. C. Nesbitt (O.W.) is taking his duties.

We are pleased to see that Mr. H. F. Manisty (O.W.) has taken silk.

Mr. A. W. Williams-Wynn is this year High Sheriff of Merionethshire.

The School Photographic Society held an exhibition at the end of last term. The quality of many of the exhibits seemed extremely high.

The following is the Football Card filled in up to date:—

		1900.	
Sat.	Sept. 29	.	Clapham Rovers. (Lost 2—3.)
"	Oct. 6	.	R. N. R. Blaker's XI. (Lost 2—9.)
Wed.	" 10	.	Old Carthusians. (Lost 0—7.)
Sat.	" 13	.	Emeriti. (Lost 0—4.)
	2nd XI.	v.	Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. (Won 5—4.)
"	Oct. 20	.	Casuals. (Lost 0—1.)
	2nd XI.	v.	London Hospital 2nd XI. (Won 5—2.)
"	Oct. 27	.	St. John's College, Oxford. (Scratched.)
	2nd XI.	v.	A. B. Challis's XI. (Lost 2—3.)
"	Nov. 3	.	Old Foresters. (Scratched.)
Wed.	" 7	.	R.M.A., Woolwich. (Lost 4—6.)
Sat.	" 10	.	Christ Church, Oxford. (Lost 0—4.)
"	" 17	.	New College, Oxford. (Lost 0—3.)
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Foresters 2nd XI. (Lost 1—6.)
"	Nov. 24	.	Old Harrovians. (Lost 1—3.)
"	Dec. 1	.	Old Westminsters. (Won 1—0.)
"	" 8	.	Old Felstedians. (Lost 0—5.)
	2nd XI.	v.	Technical College 2nd XI. (Scratched.)

1901.

Sat.	Jan. 19	.	Clapham Rovers. (Lost 1—2.)
"	" 26	.	Old Wykehamists. (Scratched.)
	2nd XI.	v.	Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. (Scratched.)
"	Feb. 2	.	Selwyn College, Camb. (Scratched.)
	2nd XI.	v.	O.W.W. 2nd XI. (Scratched.)
"	Feb. 9	.	University College, Oxford.
Wed.	" 13	.	Old Etonians.
Sat.	" 16	.	Old Westminster.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Foresters 2nd XI.
"	Feb. 23	.	Charterhouse (at Godalming).
"	Mar. 2	.	Old Brightonians.
Wed.	" 6	.	L. A. M. Fevez's XI.
Sat.	" 9	.	An Eton XI.
"	" 16	.	Casuals.
"	" 23	.	T.B.B. v. K.SS.
Dates not fixed.			{ H. O. C. Beasley's XI. L. J. Moon's XI.

The following is the Card of the Debating Society filled in to date:—

January 24 and 31.—'That this House does not disapprove of professionalism in sports.' Proposer, T. M. Mavrogordato; Seconder, C. Powers; Opposer, H. A. Roberts. (Lost, 10—12.)

February 7.—'That in the opinion of this House Oliver Cromwell was largely instrumental in laying the foundation of the British Empire.' Proposer, C. M. Page; Seconder, P. M. Battle; Opposer, W. T. Kennedy.

February 14.—'That in the opinion of this House, in the present state of affairs the decline of Great Britain among the civilised nations seems likely to occur during the twentieth century.' Proposer, C. W. Adams; Seconder, A. G. Sefi; Opposer, G. N. Ford.

February 21.—'That in the opinion of this House the Army is greatly and urgently in need of reform.' Proposer, J. A. C. Highmore; Seconder, E. O. Bartlett; Opposer, A. Beney.

February 28.—'That in the opinion of this House an alliance with Russia would be a highly diplomatic proceeding for Great Britain in the present circumstances.' Proposer, R. D. Kitson; Seconder, F. H. Nichols; Opposer, C. B. H. Knight.

March 7.—'That in the opinion of this House a classical education is preferable to a modern one in the case of the average Englishman.' Proposer, G. K. A. Bell; Seconder, W. T. S. Sonnenschein; Opposer, P. T. Browning.

March 14.—‘That in the opinion of this House the quantity of modern literature is detrimental to its quality.’ Proposer, C. W. Adams; Seconder, J. B. Whitmore; Opposer, W. A. Greene.

March 21.—‘That in the opinion of this House the influence of the Press on the Public exceeds that of the Public on the Press.’ Proposer, D. H. Whitmore; Seconder, M. C. Smith; Opposer, W. E. Carsley.

March 28.—‘That in the opinion of this House the attainments of the School and of O.W.W. during the past civil year have been entirely satisfactory.’ Proposer, E. C. Stevens; Seconder, F. W. Hubback; Opposer, T. M. Mavrogordato.

THE ELIZABETHAN CLUB RECEPTION.

By kind permission of the Governing Body and of the Masters, the Elizabethan Club gave an Evening Reception to Old Westminsters, Up School, on the 19th of December. The guests were received in behalf of the Club by the President, Sir Clements Markham, K.C.B., and the Committee. Nearly 250 Old Westminsters accepted the Club's invitation, among them Lord Justice Vaughan Williams, the Right Hon. James Lowther, the Head Master, Mr. G. A. Henty, and others, and a very large sprinkling of young Old Westminsters. A string band played at intervals at the upper end of the schoolroom, and some admirable glee singing was performed by members of the Abbey Choir, notwithstanding the tobacco fog which rendered them almost invisible. The room was decorated with flowers and palms, while arm-chairs and tables were placed about, and the Scott Library was thrown open for the occasion. Refreshments were served in Ashburnham House. On the whole the verdict seems to have been that the evening was a great success, and afforded a better opportunity for general conversation than the Club dinners generally do. The Committee's great aim was to bring as many generations of Westminsters, and especially young O.W.W., together as possible, and we think their object was attained with striking success. These gatherings would probably be very popular, and bring many recruits to the Club, if they could be made to take place annually.

A number of letters were received from Old Westminsters regretting their inability to attend, including Lord Stalbridge, Mr. E. F. Knight, and several recently returned from the front, as well as from the Dean of Westminster, who, with other members of the Governing Body, was invited. Several very interesting letters from Old Westminsters, regarding some of their recollections in early days of the nineteenth century, were laid upon one of the tables. The evening concluded at a late hour.

OLD WESTMINSTER FREEMASONS.

A REGULAR meeting of the Old Westminsters' Lodge, No. 2233, was held at the Café Royal, Regent Street, on Tuesday, December 18, 1900. The Lodge was unusually well attended, the number of members present perhaps constituting a 'record.' The following were present—Members: W. Ashton Ellis, W.M., J. Barnes Liberty, S.W., F. G. Hallett, J.W., Sir T. T. Bucknill, P.G.W., W. E. M. Tomlinson, M.P., P.G.D., P.M., R. J. Mure, P.G.D., P.M., Thomas Wakley, junr., P.M., F. J. Pearse, P.M., Rev. E. M. Tomlinson, P.M., C. W. Stephenson, P.M., S. H. West, P.M., H. Sutherland, P.G.D., W.M. Elect, H. F. Manisty, Walter Tomlinson, W. E. Horne, Philip S. Lee, W. J. Armitage, Thomas S. Lee, A. B. Horne, W. M. Meredith, R. G. Thornton, C. C. Sharpe, and C. W. Grant-Wilson. The guests were: C. R. D. Biggs (Apollo Lodge), G. Simonds (Grand Steward's Lodge), F. J. Wethered (University of London Lodge), T. Tadbury (St. Clement's Danes Lodge), Lucius F. Crane (Isaac Newton Lodge), F. L. Brown (Isaac Newton Lodge), J. Gibson Harris (St. Andrew's Lodge), E. Humphery (Grand Steward's Lodge), H. W. Kiallmark, P.G.D., L. W. Harris (St. Andrew's Lodge), Thomas Barlow (Electric Lodge), and T. C. Walls (Grand Steward's Lodge).

Mr. Charles Westbrooke Grant-Wilson (O.W.) having been regularly proposed, seconded, and duly elected, was admitted into Freemasonry by W. Bro. Ellis, W.M.

W. Bro. Henry Sutherland, P.G.D., having been duly elected to the office at the last meeting, was then installed as Worshipful Master of the Lodge by W. Bro. Ellis.

The Worshipful Master then appointed and invested his officers as follows:—

J. Barnes Liberty, S.W.	W. J. Armitage, <i>Secretary.</i>
F. G. Hallett, J.W.	Philip S. Lee, S.D.
Rev. E. M. Tomlinson,	Thomas S. Lee, J.D.
<i>Chaplain.</i>	W. E. Horne, I.G.
Thomas Wakley, junr.,	A. B. Horne, <i>Director of Ceremonies.</i>
<i>Treasurer.</i>	W. M. Meredith, <i>Steward.</i>

The following brethren were elected members of the Audit Committee:—

W. E. Horne.	A. B. Horne.
C. C. Sharpe.	

The brethren and their guests afterwards dined together, and a pleasant evening was enjoyed.

OXFORD O.WW. DINNER.

A MOST successful gathering of Oxford O.WW. was held in the Town Hall at Oxford on December 5. Two years had elapsed since the last meeting of the kind, and efforts had been made that the dinner might be as representative as possible. The Headmaster very kindly consented to come down, and among others present were the Rev. H. L. Thompson, Rev. T. B. Strong (Senior Censor of Christ Church), C. C. J. Webb, Esq., J. Sargeant, Esq., F. W. Hall, Esq., C. E. Bichmore, Esq., and W. James, Esq., together with some forty young O.WW. now in residence. The chair was taken by Dr. C. R. Shadwell, whose enthusiastic assistance went far towards making the evening so great a success. The committee consisted of Messrs. C. D. Fisher, R. E. More, H. McKenna, R. Truslove, and M. L. Gwyer, hon. sec.

After the toast of 'The Queen,' given by the Chairman, the Hon. Sec. proposed 'Westminsters at the War,' referring to the fact that over sixty were now at the front.

Mr. C. D. Fisher then proposed the health of the 'Guest of the Evening.' His speech, which was much applauded, assured the Headmaster of the affection of O.WW. towards him, and spoke of the deep regret with which all had heard of his coming resignation.

The Headmaster, who was very warmly greeted, made a long and most interesting reply, recalling all his early associations with Oxford, and mentioning the fact that he was matriculated by Dean Liddell. He also spoke of the future that awaited the School, and of the debt it owed in the past to Oxford and Oxford men. The cheers amid which he concluded testified to the pleasure felt by all present at seeing him amongst them once more.

The next toast was 'Oxford O.WW.,' proposed in a witty and felicitous speech by Mr. Sargeant, who drew a delightful picture of the Oxford undergraduate of past time. Mr. Sargeant's gifts as an orator are well known, and they have been seldom displayed to better effect.

The Rev. H. L. Thompson, who replied for those present, made a most amusing comparison between Oxford and Westminster of to-day with those of his own school and undergraduate career, and spoke eloquently of the traditions inherited by all Westminsters.

Finally, Mr. C. C. J. Webb proposed 'The Chairman,' eulogising his enthusiasm for his old School, and speaking of his efforts to keep in touch with successive generations of Oxford O.WW.

Dr. Shadwell replied in the retrospective and anecdotal tone which characterised the evening. He abjured innovation, and expressed undying confidence in the future of Westminster and Westminsters.

Before separating, 'Auld Lang Syne' and the National Anthem were sung by all.

It is hoped that an Oxford dinner will take place annually. Judging by the numbers present, O.WW. in Oxford are only too pleased to have an opportunity of meeting together, a thing which is almost impossible except on such occasions, so many are the colleges over which they are scattered. We can only wish that future dinners may be as pleasant as the last, and that it may be our lot to hear so excellent a collection of speeches again in one evening, difficult though that would be.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER v. CLAPHAM ROVERS.

IN the absence of Stevens, Willett won the toss, and Brown kicked off for the Clapham Rovers from the hospital end at 2.53. The Clapham Rovers ran down from the kick-off, but shot behind. A few minutes later Baker saved very well from a hard shot. The Clapham Rovers still continued to press, but all their shots went behind. They forced a corner which proved fruitless. From the kick-off Beney ran down on the right and scored with a brilliant high dropping shot (1-0). The School after this began to press, and Coleby sent in a good shot which just skimmed the cross-bar. The Clapham Rovers retaliated and scored their first goal (1-1). After half-time the game was more even, and it was not till near the end that the Clapham Rovers scored the second goal (1-2). There was no further score, and the game ended in a win for the Clapham Rovers by 2-1. For us Baker, Page, and Vernon were good. For the Clapham Rovers the three inside forwards combined well.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	COLLEGE	GRANT'S	ASHBURN-HAM	H.BB.	RIGAUD'S	Pts.
COLLEGE.	—	L 0-2	W 3-1	W 4-0	W 3-1	6
GRANT'S.	W 2-0	—	D 1-1	W 3-2	L 0-1	5
ASHBURN HAM	L 1-3	D 1-1	—	D 0-0	W 3-1	4
H.BB.	L 0-4	L 2-3	D 0-0	—	W 2-0	3
RIGAUD'S	L 1-3	W 1-0	L 1-3	L 0-2	—	2

THE WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

THE following are the results of the League matches to date :—

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
A	—	L 0-4			W 4-0		W 4-2	W 3-1
B	W 4-0	—			L 0-1	W 3-1	W 2-0	
C			—	L 0-5	W 2-1	D 1-1		D 0-0
D			W 5-0	—		L 0-2	D 4-4	L 1-5
E	L 0-4	W 1-0	L 1-2		—		L 0-2	
F		L 1-3	D 1-1	W 2-0		—		W 1-0
G	L 2-4	L 0-2		D 4-4	W 2-0		—	
H	L 1-3		D 0-0	W 5-1		L 0-1		—

Captains :—

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| (A) Blane, J. P. | (E) Law, H. D. G. |
| (B) Sefi, A. G. | (F) Lowe, S. P. |
| (C) Mavrogordato, T. M. | (G) Dickson, S. A. |
| (D) Hubback, F. W. | (H) Sonnenschein, W. T. S. |

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE Society met on December 13, 1900, to discuss the motion :—'That the Underground Railways should be compelled to use electric traction.'

THE PRESIDENT, who proposed, made a very long speech. He considered himself particularly qualified to speak on this motion, as he had come to School by the Underground Railway ever since he had been at Westminster, and had found it very injurious to his health. Common sense played a great part in this question, for with regard to the public it was certain that they infinitely preferred electric traction, as was shown by their support of the Twopenny Tube, which was not only much faster than the Underground Railway in general, but far more comfortable. The speaker then quoted statistics to prove the success of the undertaking, both in the view of the public and the companies, who were about to accelerate the three-and-a-half minutes service to one of two-and-a-half. Seeing the unprecedented success of the Twopenny Tube, even the Metropolitan and District Railways had decided to act, and had invited

tenders from leading electric firms. Numerous other such lines were projected, so that in a short time electric traction would be used everywhere in London.

W. T. S. SONNENSCHN, in opposing, made a speech that was far from convincing. He said, though the electric railways paid better, it was very doubtful whether the Metropolitan Railway could afford the change. The speaker had very peculiar views as to the smoke of the Underground Railways, which he considered healthy. Foreigners liked a change from the Continental electric railways. The fact that the proposer had brought forward statistics was a sign of weakness.

THE SECONDER (G. N. FORD) was as usual short. He declared that the extra outlay referred to by the Opposer would at once be repaid by the resulting increase in traffic. He begged to differ from the Opposer with regard to the health-giving properties of smoke. The great advantage of the electric railways was the absence of dirt.

H. A. ROBERTS said that the Twopenny Tube would in time be as dirty as the Metropolitan Railway. Chills were caused by the Twopenny Tube, owing to the lowness of the temperature.

W. A. GREENE rose to support the Opposer's views on smoke.

The House then adjourned.

AT the next meeting of the Society, held on December 18, a short debate took place, when the House divided. For the motion, 9; against, 2. The motion was therefore carried.

THE Society met on January 24, to discuss the following motion :—'That this House does not disapprove of professionalism in sports.'

IT is interesting to notice that the House, in Play 1895, carried a similar motion by 13 votes to 5, while this year the motion was lost by 12 votes to 10. The motion produced a very interesting debate.

THE PRESIDENT, in proposing, made out a very fair case for the professionals. He was afraid that the House was prejudiced against professionalism, especially in football. But yet it was an honest means of livelihood, for if a man could not afford to play for nothing, surely there was no reason why he should not be paid to play. The professional, although he was little more than a slave, was soon to be relieved by the League. He then expressed his opinion that amateurism in sports was but a name. The professionals were an excellent class of people, not only in football, but in billiards, in lawn-tennis (in which there were only a few), and in cricket.

H. A. ROBERTS, who opposed, complained that he had received too short notice and had had no time to collect himself. He said that the increase of professionals was likely to prove a bad thing for the amateurs, for some amateurs would have no time for the game, which would then be confined to the professionals, a state of things which was already

often seen in county cricket and first-class football. Had the amateurs sufficient leisure they would prove their superiority over the professional, which was shown by the fact that the amateur figured most conspicuously in the batting averages and the professional in the bowling. The meanness of professionals was seen in the Australian match, when several English professionals refused to play without more money. The time had come for professionalism to be abolished. If a professional was thrown out of the game there was always considerable distress, as was recently seen in the case of Mold.

C. POWERS, the Secunder, made a very short maiden speech. He said that when he wanted to see a good game he went to a professional game. There was no harm in a man making his living out of a game just as from anything else.

C. M. PAGE pointed out to the House that professionals were necessary for coaching and for keeping the grounds. It was just as hard for a man thrown out of work in another profession as in cricket or football. The only professionals he objected to were path-racing ones.

W. T. S. SONNENSCHNEIN defended professionals. He gave instances of cricket professionals who also belonged to other professions, such as journalism. The amateurs were too lazy to bowl; they preferred batting.

W. A. GREENE said that the amateurs were not encouraged to bowl in county matches. There was no reason why professionals should ever get into the game, for they were only necessary for coaching.

The PRESIDENT rose to correct the Opposer's statements. Mold had been convicted of throwing, and had been discharged just as other offenders in other professions. Four of the professionals quoted by H. A. Roberts did play in the Australian match after all. If the amateurs were good they had all the chances of the professional, but they would not avail themselves of these chances, so it was their own fault if they failed.

The House then adjourned.

At the next meeting of the House, on January 31, H. A. ROBERTS seriously censured the professional clubs' action in not scratching their matches the Saturday following the Queen's death, and quoted the *Referee*, *Daily Mail*, and other papers in support of this view. Professional running was quite unnecessary. He had it on good authority that professionals had not improved the science of football for twenty years.

C. B. H. KNIGHT reminded the House that the directors rather than the players were responsible for the playing of the matches on January 26.

W. A. GREENE pointed out that sport was not a matter of money-making.

The PRESIDENT declared that the directors had come to their decision not to scratch the matches

from a spirit of obstinacy and independence rather than disloyalty.

After a short speech by the VICE-PRESIDENT, the House divided. For the motion, 10; against, 12. The motion was therefore lost.

House Notes.

COLLEGE.—There is very little news to chronicle this month, though what we have is very satisfactory. We congratulate the Junior College team and its captain (F. W. Hubback) on winning the Junior House matches. Roberts, Coleby, Harrison, and Baker played for the School against Clapham Rovers. The Chess Club is completing the third round of a new tournament, and Fives Ties are progressing very satisfactorily. The Literary Society has finished 'As You Like It,' and it is now reading 'King Lear.'

RIGAUD'S.—Our numbers this term are just the same as last, but Powers has come up as a boarder. We regret to say that our House-master met with a nasty accident during the holidays which necessitated his absence from school during the first week of the term, but has now, we are glad to say, resumed his usual duties. In the final round of trials last term we were unfortunately defeated by Grant's after an even game by 3 goals to 1. In the only match played so far this term against Clapham Rovers, we had four representatives, and we must also congratulate B. H. Willett on playing for Oxford University against Tottenham Hotspurs.

GRANT'S.—Misfortunes never come singly. Last term Ashley, whom we welcome back again, fell a prey to a hitherto undiscovered disease; now E. C. Stevens has renewed the injury to his knee, and will be unable to play again this term. This, we need scarcely add, will seriously affect our chances in our attempts to regain the Shield; we hope, however, cricket is not also denied him. Another old Granite, in the person of Newton, has gone to the Front. We have no new boys this term, which leaves our numbers the same, as, though Dugdale is missed as a boarder, no one has left. The Literary Society has recommenced its readings with 'As You Like It.' Although there was no particularly prominent rendering, the reading maintained a fair level. We won the trials by beating Rigauds in the final by 3-1. Whitmore shot all our three goals. The Granite contingent of five in the School Debating Society has been greatly to the fore of late.

H.B.B.—This term we are glad to be able to record the continuance of keenness in Fives, as we

have twenty entries for the House Ties. We believe it is a new departure to have H.BB. Fives Ties in Lent Term, since in previous years the Ties commenced in Play Term, were dragged out to the Lent Term, and sometimes even to Election. P. H. Ormiston has been made a monitor. Our numbers this term are fifty-seven, showing an increase of two on last term, since we have three new fellows, and G. Wilkins has left; before leaving he received his House colours, on which we congratulate him; also J. C. Vernon on playing for the School *v.* Clapham Rovers, when he received his House colours. In the Juniors, though without Napier, we succeeded in defeating Rigaud's by 2-0, this being our first success in these matches. We also congratulate O. J. R. Howarth (O.W.) on his literary achievements; the articles by him which recently appeared in the *Daily Mail* were read with much interest.

ASHBURNHAM.—We have lost Lewis and Wallis this term, which will considerably alter our chances in the Shield matches. Altogether four fellows have left us; but as we are reinforced by six others, our numbers will remain much about the same. We congratulate Schwann and Ross on winning the Fives Ties, after a keen struggle with Parker and Conolly. We lost to College in the final of the Juniors, after a good game. Edmunds also comes in for a share of our congratulations, as he took first prize in the photographic exhibition for the second time in succession. Greene also sent in some creditable attempts. Altogether we anticipate a successful term.

Marrriages.

MORRIS—LLOYD.—On December 11, Arthur, only son of Sir Lewis Morris, to Maude, eldest daughter of Thomas F. Lloyd.

CORFIELD—BURN.—In December, Edward Caruthers-Corfield, M.R.C.S., to Helen Beatrice, daughter of W. Barnett Burn, M.D.

Obituary.

We have to record with regret the death of a very old Westminster. EDWARD JOHN WROTTESELEY, the only son of Commander Edward Wrottesley, R.N., was born in 1814, admitted in 1826, and chosen K.S. in 1829. He was elected to Trinity in 1833, but went to University College, Oxford. He was ordained in 1838, and for nearly thirty-eight years past was Vicar of Brewood, Staffordshire. He died on January 19.

We have also to record the death of WILLIAM GRAHAM GREEN, who was born in 1827, and admitted in 1842. He graduated from St. John's College, Cambridge, and being ordained in 1850 was for thirteen years a chaplain R.N. He was afterwards Vicar of Holy Trinity, Minorities, and of Leaton, and from 1888 was Chaplain at Kensington Palace, where he died.

Notes.

IN reference to the subject of 'O.W.W. of Fiction,' which has been discussed in the last two numbers of *The Elizabethan*, we may note that two other letters bearing on the same question will be found on p. 369 of Vol. VIII. and p. 70 of Vol. IX.

We are greatly indebted to two correspondents for the index to Vol. IX.

As the King's accession alters the title of the scholars of St. Peter's College, it may be of interest to record that there still live, after an interval of sixty-three years, some who were King's Scholars in a former time. Amongst them are Mr. James Banks Stanhope, sometime M.P. for North Lincolnshire; Mr. Henry Richard Farrer, sometime Fellow of Merton; Mr. Thomas Lett Wood, sometime Puisne Judge of the Straits Settlement; Mr. Frederick Luttrell Moysey, sometime Vicar of Sidmouth; Mr. George Day, sometime Rector of Baldwyn-Brightwell; Mr. George Henry Drew, sometime a Taxing Master in the High Court of Justice; and Mr. Henry John Ellison, Honorary Canon of Christ Church.

Among surviving T.BB. of the former time are the Earl of Devon, the Duke of Richmond, and Mr. Robert Henry Hurst, sometime M.P. for Horsham.

Correspondence.

[WE regret to say that the following letter from our Oxford correspondent arrived too late for publication in our December number.]

[FROM OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.]

To the Editor of '*The Elizabethan*.'

DEAR SIR,—It is long, I fear, since the pages of *The Elizabethan* contained a letter from your Oxford correspondent, and though, so far as I know, no extraordinary efforts have been made by the editors to obtain one, I think that it is time that our doings should find some space once more in your columns.

The first term has been in many ways a sad one for Oxford, and more especially for Christ Church. We have to mourn the death of Professor Max Müller, of Sir W. D. Acland, and, most of all for the present generation of House men, of Mrs. Paget. The last is still too recent to be written of without emotion; 'Oxford, and a very wide Oxford' (to quote the words of the *Magazine*), is in mourning for the gracious lady who presided with such charm and tact over the hospitality of the Deanery.

To turn to topics which are more nearly connected with Westminster. The Oxford O.W.W. dinner on December 5 was a great success, but as an account of it appears elsewhere, it may be dismissed briefly. We were extremely fortunate in

having the Headmaster and Mr. Sargeant among us, and also in having the opportunity of showing the former how deeply we all regret the circumstances which have determined him to leave Westminster. We can only wish him a complete restoration of health, and hope that he will now at last be able to give to the world at large the ripe fruit of those labours of which at present Westminster has had almost the entire monopoly.

In the world of Athletics, More played several times for the 'Varsity at the beginning of the term, and also, in company with Willett, Taswell, Plaskitt, and Truslove, helped to bring the House into the semi-finals of the Cup-Ties before being defeated by Oriel. On the river, Berens instructs the Pembroke Freshmen in the art of rowing, and Dalston the same for St. John's.

We are almost sixty in number at present, though only seven came up last term. Johnston is going down from Balliol to go into the Artillery.

News has been heard of Hogarth, who went out in April with the Bucks Yeomanry. He has seen a great deal of fighting, and there is a rumour abroad about him which we hesitate to mention before receiving confirmation, but which we can only say we sincerely hope is true.

We condole with the XI. on its bad luck 'Up-Fields' last term, but hope for improvement before Charterhouse. We also regret the absence of the Play. Perhaps, though it is heresy to say so, the time has come to reconsider the traditional usage on these occasions; nowadays the omission can scarcely be called the mark of sympathy it once was.

Believe me, Sir,

Yours very truly,

EX AEDE CHRISTI.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—The sports are not here yet, but, as Time always flies quickly, it is as well to take him by the forelock. I therefore propose that there should be added to the programme next March the following:—(1) An Obstacle Race; (2) a Three Mile Flat Race. On the latter I would lay especial stress. Oxford and Cambridge include it in their programmes; why not we also? It might be run to keep up the interest while the Under Fifteen High Jump is being conducted.

I am, in all seriousness,

ΦΘΑΝΩΝ.

O.W.W. FOOTBALL.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—May I add my testimony to that of your correspondents, R. R. Campbell and H. O. C. Beasley? I was Hon. Secretary to the O.W.F.C. at the period when it emerged into life, a period of so remote an antiquity that the world was still waiting, sir, to hear your first infantine screams. If you are blessed with a sufficiently brilliant imagination (and some journalists are), you may picture us in those far-off days playing the rudiments of football in tail-coats and toppers. Did we also play cricket matches in cloisters, and marbles in Little Dean's Yard? On these and some other points my recollection is hazy. But what I well remember are the difficulties I used to encounter in raising a good representative team of O.W.W.—difficulties that would often make me boil with 'loyal indigna-

tion.' Many a time would I have given my eyes—yes, and my spectacles too—to have secured the services of those eminent professors, to wit, A. Rotter and A. N. Other. How the telegrams, the letters, and the postcards flew—to Oxford, to Cambridge, to the suburbs of London—cajoling or threatening, according to the nature of the beast (for he often was a beast) for whom the bait was set.

But now, sir, in my portly middle age I have my reward; for do not my dim eyes, peering through my tear-dimmed spectacles (I am glad I did not part with them), read twice over in one single page of *The Elizabethan* that the O.W.W. have been 'singularly fortunate' in their secretaries. If in all, then in each. I blush and I bow; and I pray that the little bantling club, which I nursed through its teething and early convulsions, and which now stands firm on its legs, a young giant among men, may grow and flourish for many years to come till it strikes the stars with its forehead. (If the allusion baffles you, call in 'Slopper.') Floreat Footer!

Your obedient servant,

P. G. L. WEBB.

[Even 'Slopper' cannot explain the allusion. Theories as to its origin will be welcomed.—ED.]

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