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THE PAST CRICKET SEASON.

IN accordance with the established custom we take up our pen to discuss the past cricket season, to teach the lesson of experience, and give a few words of friendly advice for the future.

The season of 1885 is an important one—more important than the successes actually gained, considerable as they have been, would seem to warrant; but it is an important season, and one long to be remembered as a turning point in the history of the cricket of Westminster School. Hitherto cricket has been an effete institution at Westminster, an artificial growth artificially kept alive; it has now taken root throughout the School, and will in future, we trust, flourish and increase of its own accord. And we are encouraged in this belief by various signs: the increasing interest and energy with which the body of the School has taken up the game, the great promise shown amongst the

smaller boys, the sound and steady cricket shown throughout the Eleven, the successes which we have gained during the past season while labouring under the disadvantage of a scarcity of good bowling, and the marked improvement in catching and fielding which has been shown in all the matches. In our pardonable (as we hope) exultation over this happy state of affairs, we must not forget the authors of it. There are two names in especial which Westminster boys should remember in connection with Westminster cricket: that of an able captain and splendid cricketer whose brilliant performances we still remember; and that of one whose absence we all regret so much this term, and whose devotion to the cause of Westminster cricket was so unflagging.

But to turn to the actual results of the past season. Westminster has won five matches, drawn four, and lost three. The season was opened by the School with a victory over Mr. Tanner's Eleven by two wickets, after a closely contested match. The meagre score compiled in the match *v.* Old Haileyburians must be

accounted for by a swamped wicket and a certain amount of nervousness, almost necessarily attendant on the first really foreign match. The score of 50 for the loss of three wickets was respectable after the large score of the Kensington Park team; but, though respectable, it left but little doubt as to what would have been the ultimate result if the match could have been finished. The Orleans Club team included several most distinguished cricketers, and though the score of 66 was not all that could be desired, it was certainly a very creditable performance to dismiss such a formidable array of batsmen for the comparatively small total of 249. This is the first occasion on which the School has met the Orleans Club, and we sincerely hope that it will not be the last. The two victories over O.W.W. and Lords and Commons followed, in which the play of the Eleven in every department of the game showed improvement. Time rescued the School from defeat at the hands of the Old Carthusians. Why, oh, why do we so often seem to show our worst against the O.C.C.? Next followed a disastrous defeat at the hands of the Authentics, which was atoned for, though not wiped out, by the decisive defeat of the Incogniti. This was soon followed by another victory, that over the M.C.C. and Ground; and the form displayed by our representatives in these two matches led us to hope the Charterhouse would have to succumb to Westminster, but this was not to be. The match against the Masters' Eleven was left a draw on really even terms. Although we dislike making excuses, still we may plead the loss of the toss and the baking heat as an excuse for our Eleven not obtaining, at any rate, a more favourable draw in the Charterhouse match. But we do not hesitate to give our opinion, which is also the opinion of many competent judges, that the Westminster Eleven would have been quite able, if the luck had been even, to have held their own. But no important match should be decided on the first innings, and we cannot hope for a really good contest with Charterhouse until two days are allotted for the match. We hope that the general feeling to this effect which is rapidly spreading will have brought this change about before this time next year, and that Westminster *v.* Charterhouse will have become a real test of the abilities of the combatants.

And this on the whole has been a very fairly successful season, even if viewed on its own merits.

We can scarcely thank the Elizabethan Club

too much for their great generosity; their gift of funds was most timely and of great service in enabling the youngsters to be coached, and it has done much to promote the success of the School cricket.

We are happy to note how thoroughly satisfied everyone is with Harris, both as a coach and as ground man; throughout the long drought the pitches have been, under his superintendence, consistently good, and to this fact we attribute the absence of any 'funk' in the Eleven this season.

We have, we think, ourselves to blame for the scarcity of good bowlers, and we should like to see this remedied. The younger bowlers should be given more opportunities for steady practice, and should be met with more encouragement. If this is done in future we shall see the Westminster bowling as good as the Westminster batting.

The past season has been fairly good; let us hope the next season will be better. The tide is with us; let us make every use of it while we can, and let the Westminster cricket world strain every nerve and let their every aim be to bring the School to the front in cricket as in all else, and to put her in the position which her ancient name and fame deserves.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

No. 3.—THE REV. DR. MASKELYNE.

As the neglect of the exact sciences is one of the complaints most often heard on the deficiencies of our Public School system, Westminster may point with some pride to the subject of this memoir, not the least powerful or least successful of the great discoverers and mathematicians who have held the post of Astronomer-Royal.

Nevil Maskelyne was born in London on the 6th of October, 1732, and entered Westminster as a Town Boy in 1741. He early displayed a taste for science, but it was the great solar eclipse of 1748 which finally determined him to devote his life to the study of astronomy. That eclipse would seem to have done great service to science, for it also, according to tradition, convinced Lalande that his true vocation was the study of the stars. From Westminster, Maskelyne proceeded to Catharine Hall, Cambridge, whence he migrated to Trinity College, graduating B.A. in 1754, and obtaining a fellowship in 1758. For some years he held a curacy at Barnet, prosecuting his astronomical studies the while under the direction of Bradley, the Astronomer-Royal, who held that post up to his death in 1762.

In 1761 Maskelyne was sent to observe the transit of Venus at St. Helena by the Royal Society, of which he had been elected a member two years previously; and in 1764 he was sent to Barbadoes by Government to test Harrison's chronometer, then just invented. The House of Commons had offered a reward of £20,000 for a chronometer 'or any other method which would discover the longitude within thirty miles.' Harrison's chronometer in this voyage was never more than eighteen miles out, and he accordingly claimed the reward. The Commissioners, of whom Maskelyne was one, refused to certify his claim to the money until he delivered full specifications of his invention. This he refused to do, probably wishing to retain the monopoly; but as Maskelyne persisted in his demand Harrison published an angry pamphlet, in which he charged the Astronomer-Royal (for Maskelyne had received that appointment in 1767 on the death of Mr. Bliss) with gross and intentional unfairness. Maskelyne's reply was full of documents and free from passion—two very good signs in a controversial pamphlet. Harrison eventually owned himself in the wrong by complying with the conditions prescribed by Maskelyne; whereupon he received the reward without, as far as one can see, withdrawing the grave and altogether baseless charges he had brought against the Astronomer-Royal. Maskelyne was not, however, of a nature to be affected by such slander, for he was almost entirely wrapped up in his studies. For forty-seven years it is recorded that he hardly ever left his observatory, except to attend the weekly meetings of the Royal Society, and so industriously did he attend to the minutiae of his work that he never put the Government to the cost of more than one assistant. In 1772 he made a journey to Scotland to test the density of the earth by measuring the attractive power of Schiehallion, a Perthshire mountain well known to all readers of Professor Aytoun's lays. This journey, and the first forty-eight volumes of the Nautical Almanac, which he corrected and edited, were the chief substantial results of his labours.

Dr. Maskelyne did not publish much himself, but he was the cause and promoter of many publications by others, and was in constant correspondence with all the chief astronomers and mathematicians of Europe. Many improvements in astronomical instruments were discovered by him, and his celebrated catalogue of the positions of the thirty-six principal stars was remarkable for a precision far in advance of his age.

He held good Church preferment from his college, and was besides in easy circumstances. He married late in life the daughter and co-heiress of Lady Booth, of Northamptonshire. His sister was married to Lord Clive. Maskelyne died in 1811, at the age of seventy-nine.

'Thus,' says Dr. Hatton, 'we have described the philosopher—but the man, the father, the friend was not less valuable. Every astronomer, every philosopher found in him a brother.' 'All the astronomers in Europe regarded him,' says Delembre, 'as their

doyen.' Not the least pleasing part of Maskelyne's character is the generous zeal with which he procured rewards for the labours of such men as Edouard Meyer. He was practically the founder of the National Observatory, and as such and as a simple-hearted and honest investigator of truth he deserves not the lowest place among 'Westminster worthies.'

School Notes.

At the close of last term the School lost the services of Mr. Freeman and Mr. Blackburn, who resigned their Masterships in order to undertake a preparatory school. Mr. Freeman was educated at Uppingham and Pembroke College, Oxford, and came to Westminster in January, 1874; he became Master of the Sixth in the Play Term of 1883. Mr. Blackburn, who had been at Winchester and Corpus Christi College, Oxford, took charge of the Under School in January, 1881, after Mr. Ingram's retirement from the post of Under Master. But it is not in school only that we shall feel this loss. Mr. Freeman and Mr. Blackburn were both ardent cricketers, and invaluable members of the Literary Society, and both have spoken more than once on the Debating Society; while, as a member of the Games Committee, and as the originator and chief organiser and administrator of the Glee Club, Mr. Blackburn has always set an example of untiring energy, which all who remember him would do well to follow. The gratitude and good wishes of all at Westminster will follow Messrs. Freeman and Blackburn to Tunbridge Wells, the site of their future labours, and, we confidently hope, success.

Mr. Freeman's post as Master of the Under Sixth has been taken by A. G. S. Raynor, Esq., who has taken a First Class in the Classical Tripos at Cambridge. Mr. Raynor was at Repton School, and thence went as a scholar to St. John's College, Cambridge.

The following honours have been gained by Westminster since our last issue:—H. R. James, First Class in Lit. Hum.; L. Parker, First Class in Law Tripos; J. Lavie, Third Class in History, Final School. F. T. Higgins, O. Scoones, A. G. L. Rogers, and J. R. Pryce, Second Class in Classical Moderations; W. C. Dale, Second Class in Classical Tripos; R. H. Williams and G. V. Sampson, Third Class in Classical Moderations.

The Societies are in process of resuscitation. It is to be hoped that the Debating Society will acquit itself better this year than it did last, when it chiefly engaged itself in passing, in sweet vicissitude, first a vote of censure on, then of want of confidence in, the then Government.

The Chess Club's prospects do not seem to be altogether so satisfactory as we could wish. No doubt all those who have any skill in chess-playing find it a great boon; but the primary object of such a club is to ensure the *spread* of chess in the school in which it is started. This our institution is hardly doing. It has not enough members in the lower part of the School. This is certainly not owing to any deficiency in the administration; abundant opportunity is given to any aspiring youth who is desirous of joining. We fear it is the fault of the fellows themselves, who, from a most misplaced bashfulness, or some equally foolish reason, seem to hang back from this most excellent and praiseworthy club. Perhaps an improvement might be made in this if the subscriptions were slightly lowered.

The Bell Ringing Society will, we suppose, continue its melodious struggles with the 'Plain Hunt' and the 'Grandsire Peal.' We wish them all success.

It is hoped that the Glee Club will be got into working order again. The leaving of Mr. Blackburn, who started the institution, and spent endless time and trouble on it last year, makes this rather a difficult matter. But with a little energy and a not too hypercritical audience, much can be done; and it would be a great pity if the Wednesday afternoon entertainments, which met with so universal approbation last year, were allowed to drop.

The Literary Society had several most successful meetings last term. 'Coriolanus,' 'The Taming of the Shrew,' and 'Macbeth' were read. The last-named play was especially successful, the parts being as follows:—Macbeth, Mr. Freeman; Lady Macbeth, Mr. Blackburn; Macduff, H. M. Brown; Duncan, H. Harrison; Donalbain, E. Jervis; Malcolm, H. Withers; Banquo, L. James; the Three Witches, F. M. Yglesias, R. H. Bellairs, and H. B. Street.

Little Dean's Yard has rather changed its appearance during the holidays. The lower story of Ashburnham House has been re-faced, and is much improved by the change. Moreover, Grant's Steps have been removed bodily, and a new arrangement has been substituted by which there is an entrance for the boys below that which is used by the Master of the House.

A collection was made during the School Service on St. Michael's day, and amounted to £22.7s.9d. The money will be devoted to the parish of Christ Church, Watney Street, which was recommended to the benevolence of the School by the Rev. Canon Rowsell, and received a contribution from us, last term. This collection shows a marked improvement, and it is hoped that, if this improvement continues,

the long-cherished dream of a Westminster School Mission may be realised.

An examination was held at the beginning of the term to fill the vacancy in College. A. Y. G. Campbell was the successful candidate, C. A. Phillimore *proxime accessit*.

With much pleasure we reprint the following extract concerning a most distinguished Old Westminster:—

THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS.—The Master of the Rolls, whose elevation to the House of Lords receives the hearty approbation of the legal profession, is to take the title of Lord Esher, from the well-known village in Surrey, in which he formerly lived, and where his brother, Major Sir Wilford Brett, K.C.M.G., lives. His predecessors in office who have been made peers are not numerous. They are Lords Romilly, Langdale, Gifford, Colepeper, and Kinloss. The last-named, who lies in the Rolls Chapel under his effigy in his robes of office, was Edward Bruce, a Scotch lawyer, who came to England with King James. Lord Colepeper was Master of the Rolls in days when law gave way to arms, and earned his title for his services in the field to King Charles I. The rest of the peers named were, like the new peer, distinguished lawyers. The eldest son of the Master of the Rolls is Mr. Reginald Brett, M.P. for Penryn and Falmouth, and formerly private secretary to the Marquis of Hartington. The creation not only bestows a well-earned distinction, but secures to the public in the future the services in the highest court in the country of one of its ablest lawyers.—*Law Journal*.

CRICKET.

WESTMINSTER *v.* INCOGNITI.

THIS annual encounter came off on Saturday, July 4th, and ended in an unexpected win for Westminster by 27 runs. Sherring and Harrison commenced batting on behalf of the School, Soames and Lloyd-Williams sharing the bowling for the Incogniti. Runs came very freely at first, and Lloyd-Williams retired in favour of Cowper, after sending down only three overs. With the score at 53 Harrison was caught in the slips for a well-made 22; Sherring soon followed him, his score of 34 comprising a 6 and three 4's. After this the wickets continued to fall, and runs came slowly until Moon and Gibson got together, and the score was raised to 136 before Moon was unfortunately l.b.w. to Bircham. Probyn and Balfour both showed good form, and our innings closed for the creditable total of 185.

Pontifex and Martin opened the Incogniti innings, but at 18 Martin was l.b.w. to Fevez. Cowper followed him, and the score rose rapidly to 40, when Pontifex skied a ball of Fevez's and paid the penalty. Bird was bowled by Fevez for 10, but Lloyd-Williams and Cowper brought 110 up on the telegraph, and things were beginning to look ugly for Westminster. Harrison, Gibson, and Sandilands, all

tried in vain to separate the batsmen ; Balfour, however, proved himself fully equal to this difficult task. He clean bowled Williams with his first ball, and discomfited the new comer in exactly the same way with his second.

With five wickets down for 113 runs, the match seemed to be very even, and our fielding became smart and good. Moon caught Colonel Bircham at the wicket and Soames at cover-point with only 10 runs added ; and when Cowper was l.b.w. to Balfour with the score at 122 victory was secured to Westminster. Bradley, Tritton, and Grant-Wilson all played pluckily, but the innings closed for 158.

The credit of the victory lies mainly with Balfour, who bowled most brilliantly ; and Fevez, who got six wickets for 66 runs, deserves great praise for his steadiness when the match was going against us.

SCORES.

WESTMINSTER.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
C. A. Sherring, c. Martin, b. Cowper	34	not out	9
H. Harrison, c. Cowper, b. Soames	22		
W. R. Moon, l.b.w. b. Bircham	30		
R. Sandilands, b. Soames ...	0		
A. R. Hurst, b. Cowper.....	5		
A. L. Fevez, b. Soames.....	12	c. Lloyd-Williams, b. Pontifex	24
C. Gibson, l.b.w. b. Bircham	23		
P. C. Probyn, b. Soames ...	20		
J. Veitch, c. and b. Soames...	5		
A. M. Balfour, b. Cowper ...	13		
H. Berens, not out	0	not out	1
Extras	21	Extras	5
Total	185	Total	39

INCOGNITI.

Colonel Bircham, c. Moon, b. Fevez	1
D. D. Pontifex, c. Sherring, b. Fevez	19
O. B. Martin, l.b.w. b. Fevez	8
C. J. H. Cowper, l.b.w. b. Balfour	57
W. Bird, b. Fevez.....	10
Lloyd-Williams, b. Balfour	23
'L. Mahcrib,' b. Balfour	0
Soames, c. Probyn, b. Fevez	0
Bradley, not out.....	13
H. B. Tritton, b. Fevez	7
C. Grant-Wilson, run out.....	11
Extras	9
Total	158

WESTMINSTER *v.* AUTHENTICS.

On Saturday, June 27, the Authentics, who were on a tour, with a strong Oxford team, paid their first visit to Vincent Square.

Westminster went first to the wicket, and, although 40 runs were compiled for the 1st wicket, we only just scraped together 100, the last five wickets putting on only 7 runs.

Ingram and Dobinson opened the Authentic

innings. Dobinson was caught at the wicket for 9, but Holmes was by no means so easily disposed of, and stayed with Ingram till the score was 130. This long partnership quite demoralised our fieldsmen, and Ricketts, Castens, Smith, and Ware all smacked merrily. Brilliant fielding was, however, shown at times. Harrison dismissed Ware with a fine catch at point, and Wilson did good service in the deep field.

SCORES.

WESTMINSTER.

C. A. Sherring, c. Ware, b. Castens	26
H. Harrison, c. Castens, b. Jardine	12
W. R. Moon, b. Ware	6
H. B. Tritton, c. Dobinson, b. Castens.....	8
R. Sandilands, c. Hood, b. Castens	3
A. L. Fevez, b. Ware	23
A. R. Hurst, c. and b. Castens	0
C. Gibson, b. Ware	11
E. Man, not out	0
P. C. Probyn, b. Ware	2
C. Grant-Wilson, b. Ware	0
C. Barwell, b. Ware	0
Extras	9
Total	100

AUTHENTICS.

F. M. Ingram, b. Hurst	66
H. H. Dobinson, c. Sherring, b. Hurst	9
E. B. Holmes, c. Wilson, b. Hurst.....	86
G. W. Ricketts, b. Fevez	26
D. Horndon, b. Fevez	0
H. H. Castens, c. Sherring, b. Hurst.....	21
P. C. Smith, not out	47
H. J. Stone, b. Fevez	2
H. A. Hood, not out.....	3
J. H. Ware, c. Harrison, b. Tritton	48
J. W. Jardine } Did not bat	
C. W. Turner }	
Extras	56
Total	364

WESTMINSTER *v.* M.C.C. AND GROUND.

The annual fixture between Westminster and M.C.C. took place on July 11, and ended in a win for the School, after a close and exciting game.

The M.C.C. won the toss, and sent Blundell and Winter to the wickets. With the score at 17 a fine piece of fielding by Sandilands ran Winter out. Hemsley and Blundell caused little anxiety, but Jefferson and Tritton carried the score to 66 before the latter was well caught by Harrison in the deep field. His partner soon followed him, but Atherton and Roberts made a useful stand for the ninth wicket, and 137 runs were telegraphed before the innings came to a close.

Sherring played Wootton's first over very carefully, and Harrison cut Hemsley very nicely for 4 and 2, and then settled down to very careful cricket. The first twenty overs produced only 20 runs, and then Sherring was caught at third man for 9. Hurst followed, and runs came faster, but with the

score at 70 Harrison was caught off Winter for 22. Hurst and Barwell soon followed, but Moon played very carefully and well, while Fevez smacked about and raised the score to 100 before he was caught in the country for a hard hit 17. Sandilands did his share of run-getting, and when he was bowled by Hemsley only 17 runs were wanted to win the match. Tritton, Berens, and Balfour were quickly disposed of, but Probyn and Moon passed our opponents' score, Moon making a winning hit right out of the ground, and our innings closed for 151.

The M.C.C. fared no better in their second attempt, and lost six wickets for 66 runs.

SCORES.

M.C.C. AND GROUND.

<i>First Innings.</i>	<i>Second Innings.</i>
G. W. Blundell, c. Moon, b. Fevez.....	10
W. Winter, run out.....	13
A. M. Hemsley, b. Hurst ...	4
H. Jeffreson, c. Barwell, b. Hurst.....	22
C. B. Tritton, c. Harrison, b. Fevez	16
C. J. Cowper, b. Fevez	12
T. J. Atherton, c. Sandilands, b. Hurst	33
O. R. Borradaile, b. Fevez	0
W. H. C. Wilson, c. Barwell, b. Hurst	0
E. P. Roberts, b. Balfour ...	18
Wootton, not out.....	0
Extras	9
Total.....	137

WESTMINSTER.

C. A. Sherring, c. Tritton, b. Wootton	9
H. Harrison, c. Roberts, b. Winter.....	22
A. R. Hurst, b. Wootton	33
C. Barwell, c. Roberts, b. Winter	0
W. R. Moon, not out.....	42
A. L. Fevez, c. Jeffreson, b. Winter	17
R. Sandilands, b. Hemsley	10
A. M. Balfour, l.b.w. b. Hemsley	2
P. C. Probyn, b. Wootton	5
H. Berens, c. Tritton, b. Wootton	1
H. B. Tritton, b. Wootton	1
Extras.....	9
Total.....	151

WESTMINSTER *v.* MASTERS' XI.

This match was played on Wednesday, July 22. The Masters won the toss, and sent Knight and Veitch to the wicket. Knight was, however, caught at the wicket the first ball of the match, and was succeeded by Mr. Tanner. Runs came freely, and when Mr. Fox came in a long stand was made, and 113 runs were scored before Mr. Tanner was bowled by Harrison for 56. Mr. Blackburn and Mr. Sloman were soon disposed of, but Mr. Upcott caused a lot of trouble, and 247 runs were scored before his partnership with Mr. Fox was dissolved. Mr. Fox's grand innings of 110 comprised a 5, eight 4's, and

ten 3's. No one else stayed with Mr. Upcott long, and the innings closed for 298, Mr. Upcott being himself out for a good 66.

When Westminster began batting, only one hour and a half remained, so that a drawn game was rendered morally certain. Our innings was opened as usual by Harrison and Sherring, but the former was clean bowled by Mr. Tanner's first ball, and Hurst joined Sherring. With only 39 runs, Hurst and Moon also were out. Gibson made 12, but Mr. Knight's slows were too good for him, and he gave place to Fevez. Sherring was playing good and careful cricket, and when he found the new-comer disposed to stay in with him, he warmed to his work and hit the slow bowling with great freedom. The score stood at 113 when stumps were drawn, Sherring being not out 49, and Fevez not out 17.

SCORES.

MASTERS' XI.

R. L. Knight, c. Moon, b. Hurst	0
J. Veitch, b. Harrison	11
A. G. Protheroe, not out	0
R. Tanner, b. Harrison.....	56
E. L. Fox, b. Hurst	110
E. M. Blackburn, b. Harrison.....	11
E. Tanner, st. Moon, b. Harrison	9
A. Sloman, b. Harrison	0
A. W. Upcott, c. Probyn, b. Hurst	66
R. A. Edgell, b. Hurst.....	2
C. E. Freeman, c. Fevez, b. Hurst	6
W. Failes, b. Hurst	0
Extras	27
Total.....	298

WESTMINSTER.

C. A. Sherring, not out	49
H. Harrison, b. Tanner	3
A. R. Hurst, b. Tanner	20
W. R. Moon, b. Knight	0
C. Gibson, b. Knight	12
A. L. Fevez, not out.....	17
R. Sandilands	} Did not bat.
C. Grant Wilson	
C. Barwell	
A. M. Balfour	
P. C. Probyn	
H. Berens	}
Extras	
Total.....	113

WESTMINSTER *v.* CHARTERHOUSE.

Magnificent weather favoured the annual match between Westminster and Charterhouse, and Vincent Square presented a pretty sight with its new pink flags and carefully-arranged tents and seats. Charterhouse won the toss, and though much valuable time was lost by the unavoidable absence of W. R. Moon, a start was made at about 11 o'clock.

Wreford-Brown and J. Hawkins were the first pair of batsmen. Hurst's first over was productive of

three singles, and Harrison's from the pavilion end yielded another. Twenty-one runs were carefully compiled by these batsmen, and then Hawkins was well caught in the slips by Barwell—1 for 21. Burrel came in, and runs came faster, both batsmen cutting in fine style. Hurst gave place to Fevez, and Harrison to Balfour, still without effect. At 69 Harrison went on again in place of Balfour, and with the addition of only two runs bowled Burrel—2 for 71. Price followed him, and soon mastered the bowling. Fevez went on instead of Harrison, but without effect. With the score at 106, Harrison bowled Wreford-Brown for a finely played 50—3 for 106. Two overs later Harrison caught and bowled Parry—4 for 120. So far the fielding had been smart and good, but when Currey and Price got together a long stand was made, and the tremendous heat began to tell on the Westminster XI. Gibson, Balfour, and Fevez all went on to separate these batsmen. With the score at 180, Gibson handed the ball back to Harrison, off whose first over Price was caught by Berens at short leg—5 for 182. Steele joined Currey, and runs still came very fast. The bowling was changed repeatedly without effect. All the bowling was, however, tired out, so at 220 Moon resigned the wicket to Barwell, and went on with slows; off his third ball Currey was caught at the wicket—6 for 220. Thomas joined Steele. The score increased steadily to 260, when Steele was caught by Berens at long-on—7 for 261. Streatfield then partnered Thomas, and the two soon set to work to punish the used-up bowling. The field had been out in a broiling sun for four hours, and were thoroughly tired out, which must account for the runs piled on at this period of the match. Thomas' hitting was very wild; Streatfield showed some good form, but was unlucky in being run out, through a mistake on Thomas' part, when the score was 345. His partner did not stay in much longer, being bowled by Harrison in the following over—9 for 349. Wilkinson did not feel inclined to stay in, as it was getting late, and the innings closed at about half-past four for 358.

After the usual interval, Westminster commenced batting with Sherring and Harrison. Sherring made a single off Wreford-Brown's first over, but was clean bowled by Streatfield's opening ball—1 for 1. Hurst came in, and made three singles off the next two overs. Harrison cut Streatfield late for 2, but was bowled by him in his following over—2 for 6. Moon then came in, and both batsmen played very careful cricket. Six maidens were sent down, and then Evan-Thomas relieved Streatfield; still both batsmen seemed disposed to stay, and Burrel, Wilkinson, and Currey were all tried in turn. The score slowly rose to 50, and then Hurst was beautifully thrown out by Currey. Sandilands came in, and play soon became brisker. The new-comer cut Wreford-Brown and Burrel for 3 and 4 respectively, and Moon hit three 2's in succession, and at 6.25 the century went up. Only five minutes now remained, but in Streatfield's last over Sandilands was bowled for a very pretty 30—4 for 104. Fevez had but time to

make one single when stumps were drawn with the score standing 105 for 4 wickets, Moon being not out for a very carefully played 39.

SCORES.

CHARTERHOUSE.

C. Wreford-Brown, b. Harrison	50
J. B. Hawkins, c. Barwell, b. Hurst	7
H. J. Burrel, b. Harrison.....	30
H. C. Price, c. Berens, b. Harrison	47
C. W. Parry, c. and b. Harrison.....	8
E. S. Currey, c. Barwell, b. Moon.....	65
H. S. Steele, c. Berens, b. Hurst	18
E. A. Evan-Thomas, b. Harrison	60
G. C. Streatfield, run out.....	31
L. R. Wilkinson, run out.....	4
G. Laird, not out	0
Extras	38

Total..... 358

WESTMINSTER.

C. A. Sherring, b. Streatfield	1
H. Harrison, b. Streatfield	3
A. R. Hurst, run out.....	24
W. R. Moon, not out	39
R. Sandilands, b. Streatfield	30
A. L. Fevez, not out	1
C. Gibson	} Did not bat.
C. Barwell	
A. M. Balfour	
P. C. Probyn	
H. Berens	} 7
Extras	

105

BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER.

	Runs.	Wickets.	Overs.	Maidens.
A. R. Hurst	99	2	45	16
H. Harrison	88	5	25	2
A. L. Fevez	75	0	27	5
A. M. Balfour	26	0	4	0
C. Gibson	13	0	2	0
W. R. Moon.....	21	1	5	0

CHARTERHOUSE.

	Runs.	Wickets.	Overs.	Maidens.
C. Wreford-Brown ...	28	0	20	8
G. C. Streatfield	26	3	15	6
C. H. Evan-Thomas	13	0	5	0
J. E. Burrel	21	0	6	0
L. R. Wilkinson	7	0	3	0
E. S. Currey.....	6	0	3	0

RESULTS OF MATCHES.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

Matches for the Cricket Season, 1885.

Played at Vincent Square	Result	Westminster	Opponents
April 22, v. R. Tanner's XI. .	Won	178 (8 wkts.)	174
" 25, v. Old Haileyburians	Lost	51	111
May 2, v. Kensington Park .	Drawn	50 (3 wkts.)	335
" 9, v. Orleans Club	Lost	66	249
June 6, v. Old Westminsters .	Won	154; 90 (4 wkts.)	120
" 13, v. Lords & Commons . .	Won	208	166
" 20, v. Old Carthusians . . .	Drawn	104 (8 wkts.)	321
" 27, v. Authentics	Lost	100	364 (8 wkts.)
July 4, v. Incogniti	Won	185; 39 (1 wkt.)	158
" 11, v. M.C.C.	Won	151	137; 66 (6 wkts)
" 22, v. Masters' XI.	Drawn	113 (4 wkts.)	298
" 25, v. Charterhouse	Drawn	105 (4 wkts.)	358

AVERAGES OF WESTMINSTER XI., 1885.

	BATTING.			
	Runs.	Most in a Match.	Innings.	Times not out. Average.
A. R. Hurst	160	33	10	0 16
C. Gibson	125	23	11	1 12.5
C. A. Sherring ...	283	49*	14	2 23.5
A. L. Fevez	190	47	13	3 19
H. Harrison	142	60*	8	3 17.7
W. R. Moon	229	52*	11	3 28.4
R. Sandilands ...	103	30*	11	1 10.3
P. C. Probyn.....	70	20	9	2 10
C. Barwell	35	30*	6	1 7
A. M. Balfour ...	32	13	5	0 6.4
H. Berens	30	16	8	4 7.5

* Signifies not out.

	BOWLING.			
	Runs.	Wickets.	Overs.	Maidens. Average.
A. L. Fevez	679	37	260	60 18.3
A. R. Hurst	821	44	345	80 18.6
H. Harrison	329	17	110	12 19.3
A. M. Balfour ...	170	8	44	5 21.2
W. R. Moon ...	145	5	30	2 29
C. Gibson	223	6	68	7 37.1

HOUSE MATCHES.

GRANT'S v. HOME BOARDERS.

Played on Wednesday, July 8th, and won by the Home Boarders by 10 wickets.

GRANT'S.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H. W. Smythe, b. Tritton ...	2	b. Tritton	6
Winckworth, b. Tritton	13	b. Tritton	1
J. Veitch, b. Tritton	12	b. Fevez	15
G. Gibson, b. Last	10	c. Grant-Wilson, b. Tritton	6
E. G. Moon, b. Tritton	22	c. Last, b. Tritton ..	2
Lambert, run out	9	c. Last, b. Tritton ..	0
Stevens, c. Fevez, b. Tritton	9	c. Tritton, b. Fevez ..	5
Oliver, b. Tritton	0	b. Fevez	0
Armitage, b. Fevez	5	not out	0
C. N. Clarke, b. Fevez	0	b. Tritton	3
B. Winckworth, not out.....	0	b. Tritton	0
Extras	4	Extras	6
Total.....	86	Total	44

HOME BOARDERS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J. H. Peck, b. Moon	27	not out	0
C. Grant-Wilson, b. Gibson	7		
H. B. Tritton, b. Moon	6		
A. G. Protheroe, c. Clarke, b. Moon	38		
A. L. Fevez, c. Gibson, b. Moon.....	2	not out	5
H. Gordon, b. Veitch.....	0		
F. L. Protheroe, b. Moon ...	4		
C. Page, b. Moon	5		
W. A. Last, c. Smythe, b. Stevens	4		
R. Thornton, c. Veitch, b. Moon.....	9		
C. Farquharson, not out.....	0		
Extras	25	Extras	0
Total.....	127	Total	5

RIGAUD'S v. HOME BOARDERS.

This match was played on July 29th and 30th, and won by the Home Boarders by 90 runs.

HOME BOARDERS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C. Grant Wilson, c. Berens, b. M. Balfour	5	c. Jervis, b. Hurst ...	42
J. H. Peck, b. Hurst	8	c. Jervis, b. M. Balfour	18
H. B. Tritton, c. Wheeler, b. Hurst.....	0	b. M. Balfour	51
A. L. Fevez, c. Probyn, b. M. Balfour	73	c. Man, b. M. Balfour	16
A. G. Protheroe, c. Jervis, b. M. Balfour	2	c. Berens, b. E. Balfour	32
H. Gordon, b. M. Balfour ...	22	c. and b. Hurst	1
F. L. Protheroe, c. Probyn, b. Hurst	0	not out	8
H. Hemmerde, run out	37	b. Hurst	8
C. Page, c. Berens, b. M. Balfour	15	b. Hurst	0
R. Thornton, b. M. Balfour	7	c. Ritchie, b. Hurst...	2
A. Last, not out	11	c. and b. Hurst	12
Extras	11	Extras	0
Total	191	Total	190

RIGAUD'S.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H. Berens, b. Fevez	32	b. Tritton	2
A. Harrison, st. Thornton, b. Tritton	51	b. Fevez	5
A. R. Hurst, c. and b. Tritton	9	c. and b. Fevez.....	2
A. M. Balfour, l.b.w., b. Fevez.....	34	c. and b. Fevez	4
E. G. Man, b. Last.....	1	b. Tritton	4
P. C. Probyn, b. Tritton ...	66	b. Fevez	6
T. W. O. Wheeler, b. Tritton	6	c. Grant-Wilson, b. Tritton.....	3
E. Jervis, b. Gordon	21	c. and b. Fevez.....	0
A. E. Balfour, b. Tritton ...	0	run out	0
F. Burge, b. Last	10	b. Fevez	0
J. Ritchie, not out	0	not out	0
Extras	32	Extras	3
Total.....	262	Total	29

T.B.B. v. Q.SS.

This keenly-contested match brought the cricket season to a close on Monday, August 3rd. The T.B.B. went in first on a beautiful wicket. Runs came very slowly; sixteen overs produced only 14 runs, and then Wilson was bowled by Harrison for 4. Tritton came in, and the score rose to 39 before Tritton was bowled by Street for 13. After this the wickets continued to fall, and the scoring was extraordinarily slow. Street sent down ten overs for 1 run, and Harrison ten overs for 3 runs. Seven wickets were down for 49 runs, but Fevez and Hurst added 30 runs, and the innings closed for 87.

The Q.SS. lost no time in starting their innings. Aris and Sherring made a good start, putting on 30 runs before being parted, Sherring being caught in the slips for 19. Harrison followed in, but was magnificently caught by Veitch at long leg after making 6 runs. Sandilands contributed a like number, but Barwell stayed at the wickets while 30 runs were added, he himself contributing 20. After Barwell no one stayed in long, and 4 runs were still wanted to equal the Town Boys' score when the ninth wicket

fell. Sharpe, however, played up well, and 90 runs were scored before the innings closed.

The second attempt of the T.B.B. was even more feeble than the first, Hurst and Balfour alone getting double figures. Tritton made 6, and Harrison 5. No description can be given of this innings, which added only 66 runs to the Town Boys' score.

With an hour only left for play, and 64 runs wanted to win, the issue of the match was doubtful up to the end. Harrison, Sherring, and Sandilands all lost their wickets before the runs were knocked off; and but for Barwell's 21 runs, scored in the nick of time, the match would have been drawn probably. The Q.SS. certainly deserved their victory; their bowling and fielding was superior to that of the T.B.B., but the match was well contested throughout, and was free from any ill feeling on either side.

SCORES.

T.B.B.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C. Grant-Wilson, b. Harrison	4	c. Sherring, b. Harrison	0
E. F. Man, c. Sherring, b. Street	4	b. Clapham	1
H. B. Tritton, b. Street	13	b. Harrison	6
A. Harrison, c. and b. Sandilands	10	b. Harrison	5
P. C. Probyn, c. and b. Sandilands	9	c. and b. Sandilands	0
C. Gibson, l.b.w., b. Sandilands	1	b. Harrison	0
A. M. Balfour, c. and b. Street	1	b. Clapham	11
J. Veitch, c. Aris, b. Street	9	hit wkt. b. Street	3
A. L. Fevez, b. Harrison	23	b. Harrison	0
A. R. Hurst, not out	7	l.b.w., b. Sandilands	28
H. Berens, b. Street	0	not out	4
Extras	6	Extras	8
Total	87	Total	66

BOWLING.

First Innings.				Second Innings.			
Runs.	Wkts.	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Overs.	Mdns.
H. Harrison	25	2	23	13	39	5	24
A. B. Street	37	5	33	20	6	1	11
Sandilands	19	3	11	3	11	2	7
Clapham	0	2	3

Q.SS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
J. Aris, c. Wilson, b. Tritton	8		
C. Sherring, c. Tritton, b. Hurst	19	run out	19
H. Harrison, c. Veitch, b. Tritton	6	b. Tritton	2
R. Sandilands, c. Fevez, b. Tritton	6	c. Berens, b. Hurst	12
C. Barwell, c. Man, b. Tritton	20	not out	21
R. H. Bellairs, b. Hurst	4	run out	0
F. Street, c. Probyn, b. Hurst	4		
H. Street, b. Hurst	4	not out	1
C. Olivier, b. Hurst	2		
Clapham, c. Harrison, b. Tritton	5		
C. Sharpe, not out	8		
Extras	4	Extras	9
Total	90	Total	64

BOWLING.

	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	Runs.	Wkts.	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Overs.	Mdns.
Hurst	34	5	15	3	28	1	9	1
Fevez	15	0	7	1	4	0	1	0
Tritton	37	5	20	8	23	1	7	1

THE CHESS CLUB.

IN the final tie of the handicap tournament which took place in May, Pryce beat Shackleton (2-0), and received a prize from the club. Last term hardly any chess was played, except by a few energetic members, as there is little time available for it when there is evening station. Last term we lost, besides our President, two prominent members in E. F. Allan and A. J. Pryce. On September 28th a meeting was held in which C. H. Bompas was elected to fill the vacant place in the Committee, and B. M. Goldie was elected into the club.

NOTES AND QUERIES.

NOTE.

ANECDOTE OF DR. BUSBY.—The following story is highly characteristic of the famous Head Master's racy wit and poignant powers of repartee, and has not, I believe, ever yet been published in *The Elizabethan*. Busby was rather below the average height, and was one day thus addressed by an Irish baronet in a coffee-house: 'Will you permit me, giant, to pass to my seat?' 'Certainly, pigmy,' replied the Doctor. 'Sir,' said the son of Erin, 'I alluded to the size of your intellect.' 'And I, sir, to the size of yours.'—BETA.

QUERIES.

Can any of the readers of our much-beloved magazine inform me whether the bar across the Great School has any other *raison d'être* than the part it plays in the pancake ceremony?—UNDER SCHOOL.

Is the table in the shell-room made up of some older piece of furniture, or is it of equal age with the name dated in the eighteenth century carved upon it? Its general appearance seems to deny the latter supposition. Could any of your readers tell me aught of its history, or is the date a forgery?—E. CONCHA.

REPLY.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

STAVERTON VICARAGE.—The Rev. Henry Bernard Hodgson is not an O.W. None of the few Christ Church students who are O.W.W. would accept the living when it was last vacant.

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Obituary.

SIR JOHN SALUSBURY-TRELAWNY, of Trelawne, Cornwall, who died on Tuesday, August 4, 1885, in his seventieth year, after a lengthened illness, was the representative in the elder line of one of the oldest and most distinguished families in the West of England. He was the second but eldest surviving son of Sir William Lewis Salusbury-Trelawny, the eighth baronet, formerly Lord-Lieutenant of Cornwall, and sometime M.P. for the eastern division of that county. His mother was Patience Christian, daughter of Mr. John Phillips Carpenter, of Mount Tavy, Devonshire; and he was born at Harewood, Cornwall, in June, 1816. He was educated at Westminster School, and graduated at Trinity College, Cambridge, taking his Bachelor's degree in 1839. In 1840 he was appointed a captain in the Cornwall Rangers Militia, and he was subsequently for some years commandant of the 2nd Cornwall Rifles. He succeeded to the baronetcy on the death of his father in 1856. The family takes its name from Trelawne or Trewen, in Cornwall, which has been part of its possessions since the time of Edward the Confessor. A valiant ancestor and namesake of the late baronet fought with Henry V. at Agincourt, and the distich in his honour is still remembered, which, as mentioned by Messrs. Peter in their *Histories of Launceston and Dunheved*, was in the year 1415 set up over the south gate of Dunheved Castle under the King's own portrait:

He that will do aught for mee,
Let him love well Sir John Tirlawnee.

Sir John Salusbury-Trelawny was returned to the House of Commons in 1843 as member for Tavistock, which constituency he represented till 1852; and he again sat for that borough from 1857 till 1865. He represented the eastern division of Cornwall from 1868 till 1874. Sir John was a Liberal in politics. He was a magistrate and deputy-lieutenant for Cornwall and a deputy-warden of the Stannaries. The third baronet, the Right Rev. Sir Jonathan Trelawny, Bishop of Bristol, in 1685, was one of the seven bishops committed to the Tower by James II. After the Revolution he was translated successively to the sees of Exeter and Winchester. The eighth baronet assumed the additional name of Salusbury

in 1802, under the will of his cousin, Owen Salusbury Brereton. The late baronet had been twice married—first, in 1842, to Harriet Jane, eldest daughter of Mr. John Hearle Tremayne, M.P., of Heligan, Cornwall, which lady died in 1879; and secondly, in 1881, to Harriet Jacqueline, youngest daughter of the late Sir Anthony Buller, of Pound, Devon, and widow of Colonel Keppel, of Lexham Hall, Norfolk. He is succeeded in the baronetcy by his only son, William Lewis, late captain in the Royal Cornwall Rangers, who was born in 1844. As issue there are also left two daughters—Caroline Matilda, married to Lieutenant-Colonel John Barton Sterling, of the Coldstream Guards, now on active service in Cyprus; and Florence, married to Mr. Jonathan Edmund Backhouse, of Middleton Tyas, Yorkshire.

Sir James Hudson, G.C.B., died at Strasburg on Sunday, September 20, in his seventy-fifth year. He was the son of a Yorkshire gentleman, and grandson of the first Marquis Townshend; was born in 1810, and educated at Rugby and Westminster; after which he was appointed page to King William IV., to whom he subsequently became assistant private secretary, in which capacity he continued to act till the close of the reign in 1837. In 1838 he was appointed Secretary to the British Legation at Washington, whence he was transferred to the Hague in a similar capacity in 1843; and two years later crossed the Atlantic to fill a like post at Rio Janeiro, where he was appointed Envoy in 1850. In 1851 he was appointed Envoy to the Grand Duke of Tuscany, but did not go to Florence, and a year later proceeded to Turin as Minister Plenipotentiary, a post which he held till 1863; and during this period evinced a hearty sympathy with the cause of Italian unity during the struggles of the people, among whom, it is needless to say, he was thoroughly popular. In 1855 he was active in the negotiations which resulted in the despatch of a contingent of Sardinian troops to Sebastopol. For his services in this matter he was created a K.C.B., and on his retirement from service in 1863 was promoted to the rank of G.C.B.

POETRY.

GUMBLETON VERSE.

GORDON.

O ENGLAND, lift thy voice and weep !
 For never did a truer son,
 Ere half his glorious course was run,
 Sink uncomplainingly to sleep.

Behold ! throughout thy breadth of lands,
 In field and city, cot and hall,
 A people's voice doth wildly call
 For him, who kept the desert sands.

And we, the race that rules the seas,
 Whose empire girds the circling world,
 Whose glorious banners far unfurled
 Defy 'the battle and the breeze.'

We mourn ; great England bows her head ;
 There are loud wailings of despair,
 A weight of overwhelming care,
 A yearning for the heroic dead.

O Christian knight, as brave as true,
 The foremost in the land's defence,
 Whom God hath early taken hence
 As fit some higher work to do.

And yet thy calling here was high—
 To ever seek the highest good,
 Nor let false prejudice of blood
 Stand in the way of charity.

Perfect in sweet humility !
 The loyal heart, the master mind,
 A love that ever drew mankind
 To thee by bonds of sympathy.

So whether in that far dim land
 Of fable thou hast nobly fought—
 Or for thy fellow-men hast wrought
 In that vast continent of sand—

Or, far removed from public ways,
 Forgetful of ambitious pride,
 Compassionate, hast turned aside
 To live a life of simple days—

To sit within the sufferer's room,
 With tender pity easing pain,
 To soothe the fevered heart and brain,
 And rob disease of half its gloom—

Thy work has earned for coming years
 Rich blessings on thy honoured head,
 Now lying 'mid the nameless dead,
 A nation's love, a people's tears.

One people's? Nay ! from continent
 To continent, from earth to sea,
 And sea to sky, they call to thee,
 A cry goes forth, a world's lament !

And tho' no comrades' tears were shed
 O'er thy last resting-place on earth ;
 Tho' the great land which gave thee birth
 Can give thy bones no honoured bed ;

Tho' with the pitying stars above
 Thou liest where the Simoom blows,
 With none to place an English rose
 Upon the grave of him we love ;

Within our hearts thy name shall dwell,
 Among great names in history
 Thine of the greatest still shall be—
 The name of him who nobly fell.

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I stand within the solemn nave ;
 I hear the organ's muffled peals,
 And on the silent crowd there steals
 A sense of loss for one so brave.

The man who lived a blameless life,
 Who seized the golden hours, and wove
 By rarest gentleness and love
 Pure thoughts of peace with days of strife.

The mind not set on earthly care,
 The heart that won the hearts of all,
 The hand that answered Duty's call,
 The soul that evil could not share,

Is gone ; and with a sense of pain
 For that great life too soon removed,
 For that great heart so sorely proved,
 We cry, scarce knowing it is vain ;—

'Was there no lesser life than thine,
 That could appease the rage of Death,
 And could he drink no meaner breath,
 Than that which filled thy soul divine?'

O doubting hearts, ye do not know
 How vain a thing it is you cry !
 A life like his can never die,
 The great example still shall grow

And mould the heroes yet unborn,
 Of other creeds and other climes—
 The greatest men of later times—
 The heralds of a fuller morn.

Our England has had famous men,
 With hearts as valiant, wise and true,
 Who showed of old what we could do,
 Who fought and wrought for England then ;

But never greater soul than thine
 Became the glory of a race ;
 Or, moving in the foremost place,
 So meekly did a life resign.

Wherever England's name is known,
 Where lips can frame the English tongue,
 Where deeds of living Faith are sung,
 There Fame shall hail thee as her own.

And as Time grows with widening span,
When others utter Gordon's name,
Our sons shall proudly then exclaim ;—
'He was a high-souled Englishman !'

H. M. BROWN.

SING gently, songsters, sing a soft, sweet air,
To close her eyes ;
Pour forth, ye roses, pour forth odours rare,
Where she lies ;
Come, balmy winds, bring visions fair and bright,
From heaven above ;
Watch round her, angels, watch throughout the night,
And guard my love.

ANON.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—I have two grievances to bring forward to your notice, one of which I have more than once before mentioned, and received assurances of improvement in the future (see p. 102 *ante*) ; and the second of which I find, on speaking of it to other O.W.W., is equally shared in by them also.

Firstly. Only a few days ago I had the new number of the *Elizabethan* put into my hand, and much was my disgust on looking it through to see the apparently hopeless confusion into which the 'Notes and Queries' column is thrown. Has there recently been a change of Editors? If not, the confusion is inexplicable. Let me analyse the column in question so far as the new number is concerned, in order to prove my case. I notice, to begin with, that there is one set of 'Notes,' two sets of 'Queries,' and one of 'Replies.' Why two sets of 'Queries'? Again, 'Anecdotes of Judge Jeffreys,' which I remember expressly heading as 'Notes,' is included under 'Replies.' I should be obliged, Mr. Editor, if you can point out to me the original query! The 'Anecdotes of Dr. Busby' has no reference to the previous communications on the same subject; and an 'Anecdote of Dr. Bull' divides the Busby anecdotes into two parts, though for what reason I am at a loss to conceive. Surely the Editor can exercise his common sense sufficiently to add the necessary references when missing, and properly arrange this column! What other task has the Editor to do? The editor's chair is, I know, proverbially stuffed with thorns, but some editors, when they make their own beds carelessly, must be made to lie in them. Once more, the first paragraph under 'Queries' is devoid of any heading, and the second, on 'The Mention of Westminster School in Novels'—which, by-the-by, should have been inserted under 'Notes'—lacks references to previous contributions on the subject. It is very annoying to one who takes a great interest in the School paper, and who started the 'Notes and Queries' column (as I did, under the initials 'G. H. I.') to have to keep on pointing out the shortcomings of the Editor as regards this column, as the Editor is undoubtedly responsible for the mistakes I have just mentioned.

If succeeding Editors are not conversant with the proper method of conducting the column, let me recommend a copy of *Notes and Queries* itself being purchased (it can be bought for the small sum of fourpence) and kept in College for their special edification, or else let the present Editor make out and hand down to those who hereafter stand in his shoes some elementary rules as to the conduct of the column. I have always harboured a hope that the column may be a lasting and continual one, and that it may increase in popularity. This latter hope will never be realised, I fear me, till the stagnancy of Old Westminsters (and of present members of the School also) as to the interest taken in the School and its belongings

is removed. I trust the intervening time may not be of long duration.

I now come to grievance No. 2, and it has reference to the new series of articles appearing under the title of 'Westminster Worthies.' It seems to me a great pity that the old series should be put an end to, merely because there has been a change in the author. We all know who the original author of the series 'Old Westminsters' was, and of the unfortunate way in which his connection with *The Elizabethan* was brought to a close, which I for one greatly regret. Now, although the pen of the original author has ceased to write the articles, it is no reason at all why another series should be commenced. Between his discontinuance, too, and the new series, several memoirs of O.W.W. from various pens have appeared, but they were *rightly* inserted as a continuation of the old series, though not written by the same author. One of these I myself supplied, and I did intend sending others in due course, but perhaps you do not require them now. I had already commenced, and partly collected materials for, an article on Cowper, but until the present moment I have been unavoidably unable to make any additions to it. I should have thought the better plan would have been to continue the old series, and let the author of any article sign it either with his own name or a *nom de plume*.

Whoever the writer may be, let me emphatically request that the new series may be forthwith stopped, and that the next article may appear as No. 27 or 29 of 'Old Westminsters.' What is wanted is a continuous series of memoirs of O.W.W., and not several series. The articles will not probably be as regular in their appearance as formerly, but I am quite sure that they will be welcome when they do appear. We have already had one attempted series of 'Westminster Worthies,' and we do not want another. You will not, I trust, Mr. Editor, misunderstand me in the foregoing remarks. I do not for a second object to the articles themselves now appearing, but I do object to the discontinuance of the original series, which promised to be a continuous one, running through future volumes of *The Elizabethan*. I have already stated that my objection here revised is shared in by other O.W.W., and therefore it deserves consideration.

In the event of your complying with my request (which is so reasonable that I am confident you will view it in the same light), the next article should be numbered 29, and the two previous ones, on the Marquis of Lansdowne and Sir Elijah Impey, should be included in the index as Nos. 27 and 28 respectively of the 'Old Westminsters' series.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,
ALPHA.

P.S.—Since the above was written, another new number of *The Elizabethan* has reached me, and I am glad to see an improvement in the arrangement of the 'Notes and Queries' column; but here once more the 'Query' lacks a heading for reference in the future, and the 'Note' has no reference again to previous contributions on the subject.

NOTICES.

All contributions to the November number of *The Elizabethan* to be sent in by October 25 to the Editor, St. Peter's College, Westminster.

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