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## EDITORIAL.

THERE has been much said from time to time, in the Debating Society and elsewhere, against the rule usually observed by us in the conduct of this Magazine, of limiting its contents to subjects bearing upon the School—whether its present condition or its past history—and we have been urged to open our columns to miscellaneous contributions upon all possible subjects, after the example set by so many of our contemporaries. We cannot believe that those who wish us to change our practice in this respect are attentive students of other School Magazines. Considerable experience of these has convinced us that the admission of general articles to a School paper leads to one of two results. In the vast majority of magazines it lowers the whole tone of the paper; it becomes almost impossible to draw the line; and there are contributed articles, of which it is difficult to say whether those are worse that aim at comic excellence, or those that attempt higher subjects, and in criticising the masterpieces of literature, or in discussing subjects of the greatest difficulty

and extent, display in the most ridiculous manner the crudity of their authors' thoughts. Milton, when older than most School poets, began a poem on a certain difficult and solemn subject, but, 'finding it to be above the years he had, left it unfinished.' No such dignified modesty, however, checks the aspiring spirits of many contributors to School Magazines. If such papers are content to prefer excellence to popularity, and to think the task of providing bad literature for little boys inferior to that of being a worthy record of School history, then they will do well to refuse admission to their columns of such irrelevant matter as we have described, and to abstain from exercising themselves in great matters which are too high for them.

There is an alternative to the fate we have spoken of. In some of our contemporaries the general articles are often very excellent, but common report says of these that they are largely contributed by Masters, and represent, not the juvenile literary talent in which we are sometimes told Westminster is sadly deficient, but the reading and thought of men of mature

age and intelligence. We have had articles by Masters in the *Elizabethan* more than once, and are always grateful for such help; but a paper of which such contributions are the mainstay hardly, in our opinion, deserves the name of a School paper at all.

Hence we are resolved to abide by the general rule already laid down, that contributions to the *Elizabethan* must bear on the past history or the present circumstances of the School. Short poems, if they seemed deserving, have always been gladly accepted and printed in this Magazine, whatever their subject; and in the great majority of cases there are more boys in a school capable of writing fairly good English verses than can produce a readable and interesting general article.

We thought these few words not uncalled for as an explanation of a principle which is often misconstrued, and the recognition of the wisdom of which may lead to the *Elizabethan* being better supported in the School.

## THE LIBRARY IN COLLEGE.

SINCE the appearance of our last number, certain energetic Q.S.S. have been occupied in an attempt at arranging the books in College, some of which we described in our last leader. They felt that a catalogue was too great a task to undertake, and have merely attempted to weed out the more curious books from among the enormous number which seem totally devoid of interest. Even this labour might be not inaptly compared to the cleansing of the Augean stable, the dirt and dust being such as to render gloves an absolute necessity in handling most of the books.

The work has certainly not been without fruit, for many interesting books have been brought to light; the most unexpected find being six manuscripts, which were altogether in a corner, where they had long lain unobserved. Four of these were of considerable age, the other two more modern. The first we looked into seemed to be '*De pastoralis curâ.*' In the illuminated initial P with which it begins, an archbishop and a bishop are depicted sitting together in conversation. It is written on parchment and bound in thick oak boards covered with a kind of coarse parchment, and there are traces of a clasp. Unfortunately there is no mark about it by which we could determine the exact date.

The next is also written on parchment, bound in wood, covered with stamped leather,

and fastened with two brass clasps. It is a treatise of a religious nature, written in English, and bears the date 1472.

The third is another English treatise, chiefly on 'Contemplatif lyf and of ye werkes thereof,' likewise written on parchment, and slightly injured by wet, for the colour has been washed off from several of the illuminated letters. The binding is of much later date than the manuscript itself. On the last leaf of the manuscript is written in darker, and consequently fresher, ink than the rest of it, 'In the year of our Lord God 1357,' and in a different writing, and still darker ink, 'Master Francis Tyringham.'

The last of these older MSS. is a Russian Liturgy—at least so we gather from what someone has written on the fly-leaf, for the MS. being entirely in Slavonic, we were unable to decipher it. It is written in clear black ink on cotton paper; the only colour used in illuminating it is red.

Of the two later manuscripts the first is a 'Targum Hierosolymitanum,' translated into Latin by Francis Taylor, dedicated and presented to Archbishop Laud, October 6th, 1634.

The other is a Hebrew Greek Lexicon, author unknown, apparently of later date than the 'Targum.'

Among the more interesting of the printed books is a splendid copy of the chronicle of Matthew Paris, date 1640, stamped with the arms of Sir Simonds d'Ewes, whom we mentioned in our last number. On the wide margin of this book are careful copies of the illustrations which are found in the manuscript known as the 'Paris minor,' which is in the Royal Library. These chiefly consist in the coats of arms of the chief personages mentioned in the chronicle, but there are also a few pictures of places and events. The Abbey is shown as we hope it may never be seen again, apparently built of coloured bricks, with five large bells of about the same height as the Abbey itself, leaning up against the north side, and almost entirely concealing it from view.

A very fine illustrated book is the 'China illustrata' of Alnanasius Kircher, a Jesuit, which contains splendid engravings, illustrating Chinese dress and manners, also fac-simile copies of native Chinese and Indian pictures.

Among the mathematical works was found an Arithmetic by Boetius, printed at Venice in 1488, probably one of the oldest printed arithmetics in existence.

There is also a small but thick volume for beginners in arithmetic, in which the unfortunate beginner only manages to learn addition through

the long-winded medium of a dialogue beginning with the following words: 'Scholar—Sir, suche is your authoritye in myne estimation that I am content to consent to your sayinge and to receive it as truth.' Our ancestors seem to have had a great liking for instruction in the form of dialogues, for we have come on another book in this form: 'The accedence of Armorie,' a dialogue between a 'herehaught' and a 'Calighate Knight' who comes to be taught how to blazon.

Many books have been found which were published for the use of the School, the earlier ones by Elizabeth Redmayne in the Strand, the later ones by B. Barker at the College Arms in College Street.

Another of the mathematical works has one of the most ingenious apologies prefixed to its list of errata that we ever remember to have seen:

Men have had faults since Adam offended,  
And this is how mine are to be amended.

In conclusion of this article we shall mention two books which have been lately found, an Aeschylus and a Callimachus, which are most interesting from the fact that they were given to us by Lady Burleigh, the wife of Elizabeth's great minister, and are the nucleus round which the whole library in its present condition has grown; they are the very first books which are recorded to have been presented to the School. On the title-page of the Callimachus appears the signature of *R. Aschamus*. Was this the great Roger Ascham, author of the 'Scholemaster,' the illustrious tutor of Lady Jane Grey and of Elizabeth our Foundress herself, from whose teaching the former unhappy princess learned such love for Plato as kept her from the pleasures of the chase to study in her chamber the writings of the divine philosopher? At the end of the Aeschylus appears written out, apparently at the time, the Senior Election of 1649-50, whereof one was William James (whose translation of some works of Bacon was mentioned in our last issue), and sixth among whom appears no less a name than that of John Dryden. The signature of James appears in this book, as also does a list of a later election, numbering among its members that other John Dryden, the poet's cousin, whom malicious sceptics suggest may have been really the author of the name cut on the venerable 'Dryden Form.' These books were given in 1586, as appears from the following writing on the title-page of the Callimachus: 'Liber Westmonasteriensis ex dono nobilissimæ Heroinæ D. Burghleixæ. Novem 17, 1586.' Stamped on the binding of the Aeschylus are the letters M. B., and the date 1586.

Want of space forbids us to pursue this subject any further at present. We trust that what has been written will rouse the interest of past and present Westminsters in these hitherto hidden treasures of our ancient College. The School over whose infancy Camden watched should not be destitute of an antiquarian spirit; and if we ought not, like the scholar of whom one O.W. poet Southey sang, to pass our days among the mighty dead, yet at least we should be able to say with his friend Lamb, 'I can read anything that I call a book.'

### School Notes.

We have much pleasure in announcing the birth of a daughter to the Rev. W. Failes, which took place on Friday, November 16th.

The Play this year is the 'Trinummus' of Plautus, and will be acted on the nights of Thursday, 13th, Tuesday, 18th, and Thursday, 20th of December.

A cheque for £18 has been sent to the East London Hospital for Children, as the result of the School collection on All Saints' Day. The School now possesses the right to nominate cases of sick children for admission into the Hospital; and Mr. Dale has consented to receive and forward the names of any that may be submitted to him by members of the School.

### NOTES AND QUERIES.

#### QUERIES.

SANATORIUM ROOMS.—The fate of several letters, formerly sent to your paper, was, I have noticed, oblivion. May I, therefore, reproduce one of mine (which has apparently suffered the above fate) in this column, hoping a better fate may await it here?

In 'A Short Account of the Discipline, Studies, &c., of Westminster School,' published in 1845, is the following paragraph: 'In case of illness, a Queen's Scholar is removed from the dormitory to the house where he lived when a Town Boy (in which there is a room appropriated to the Queen's Scholars), and is then under the authority of the usher of the house, and attends the roll-call and prayers.' When was this practice discontinued? The present Sanatorium was built in 1847. Where were these rooms? This was in the 'good old days' when a boy was obliged to be in the School a year before he became eligible to try for College. Alas! *tempora mutantur!*—CURIOSUS.

LAMPROBATICS.—Can anyone give any information concerning 'Town Boys' playing in 'Lamprobaties'?

QUEEN'S DAY.—With reference to Alpha's query about the 17th November, I have a pamphlet entitled 'An authentic narrative of the late extraordinary proceedings at Cambridge against the Westminster Club,' published in 1751. It appears that 'Forty-six gentlemen of the University, who had been educated at Westminster School, met together at the Tuns Tavern to commemorate their Foundress, as was customary on that day.' The whole company was afterwards summoned before the Vice-Chancellor on a charge of insulting a proctor who interrupted the proceedings, and one member of the Club, Mr. A.—ll, was 'suspended.'—ASTLEY TERRY, Lt.-Col.

### Obituary.

ON Friday, November 2, Dr. Swabey, of Langley Marish, near Slough, died, aged 62. He was the eldest son of Mr. Maurice Swabey, and was educated at Westminster School. He was admitted eleventh into College in 1835, being then aged 13, and was elected head to Oxford in 1839. He practised many years at Doctors' Commons, and afterwards in the Probate and Divorce Courts. He was Chancellor of the Dioceses of Oxford and Ripon, and was official to the Archdeacons of Colchester, Essex, London, and Surrey, Commissary of the Dean and Chapter of Westminster, and a Bencher of Gray's Inn. In conjunction with Dr. Tristram, he was the author of the well-known 'Reports' with which their names are associated. He married, in 1856, Mary, eldest daughter of the late Dr. Haggard, Chancellor of the Diocese of Winchester.

### FOOTBALL.

#### WESTMINSTER v. REIGATE PRIORY.

PLAYED on Saturday, October 27th. The visitors brought a strong team, and were victorious (6—1). The School forwards played badly together, and Thorne's absence from the centre was much felt. Crews with a good shot scored the only point for Westminster. The sides were :

##### WESTMINSTER.

C. Tritton (goals); A. E. Bedford, R. A. Ingram (backs); R. Vavasseur, A. Fevez (half-backs); C. Page, H. C. Peck, A. E. Crews, A. R. Hurst, M. T. Pigott, and C. Ritchie (forwards).

##### REIGATE PRIORY.

W. Underwood (goals); W. W. Read, W. Hobbs (backs); H. Trower, J. Buntenshaw (half-backs); W. G. Morrison, F. C. Morrison, T. G. H. Welch, F. C. B. Welch, H. M. Holman, and G. Burtenshaw (forwards).

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

This match was played on Saturday, November 3rd, and, after a well-contested game, resulted in a draw—love all. Bedford won the toss, and elected to play from the St. Stephen's Church goal, with a slight wind in his favour. Hughes kicked off for them at 3.15, the start having been delayed by the late arrival of some of their men. The School at first had slightly the best of the game, chiefly owing to the good play of Hurst, Crews, and Paul, all of whom worked hard. Soon, however, How, Hughes, and Sweet, by good combined play, threatened danger to our fortress, but this was averted by Ingram and Berens, both of whom played splendidly throughout. After this we had decidedly the best of the game up to half-time, and should have scored several times if the shooting had been more accurate. After half-time the School fell to pieces, and were completely penned; the forwards seeming quite unable to get by Wells-Cole, who was in fine form at back. Although they had the best of the game, they did not succeed in scoring, partly owing to the good goal-keeping of Moon, and partly owing to their inaccurate shooting. Just before time was called Fort made a shot which some thought went through, but the point was not allowed, so that the match ended as above stated.

##### OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

A. M. Osborne, G. F. Wells-Cole, F. A. Jones, W. R. Sheldon, J. F. Bowen, J. A. Fort, C. W. How, E. J. Humphrey, C. F. Sweet, P. C. Parr, and T. B. Hughes.

##### WESTMINSTER.

A. E. Bedford (capt.); R. A. Ingram, R. Vavasseur, G. Berens, C. Page, J. E. Paul, H. C. Peck, C. Ritchie, A. E. Crews, A. R. Hurst, and W. Moon.

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD FORESTERS.

These teams met on Wednesday, November 7th, at Vincent Square, Westminster. The home team having gained the choice of positions, R. C. Guy at 3.5 kicked off from the end nearest the entrance gate. The School forwards at once returned the ball, and Crews, following up, muddled it to Page, who made a fine shot, which only just missed its mark, and Von Langenberg had a free kick. The Foresters then making a determined onslaught, Hugh Guy sent the ball between the posts; but a claim of off-side was agreed to by the umpires, the goal was disallowed, and Tritton had a free kick. The home team, led on by Hurst and Crews, next made a dashing onslaught on the enemy's position, and the latter having passed the ball to Peck, the latter gained the first event for his comrades. The game continued to be carried on without any particular advantage being gained till half-time. On changing their positions, the School, working well and disinterestedly together, travelled across the ground with great spirit; and Page having turned the ball over to Paul, the latter sent it under the bar, and thus Westminster scored their second goal. Shortly after this misadventure, the Foresters, retaliating, went over bodily, and Woolby having

turned the ball over to Denton, the latter made their first and only score. Things went on very merrily till close upon the call of time, when, from a vigorous assault by Westminster, Hurst singled the ball out of a bully, middled it to Page, and Westminster gained another success they well merited. Among the players who most distinguished themselves we may mention Ingram, Bedford, Vavasour, Page, Crews, Ritchie, and Tritton for the School; and Hugh Guy, Sewell, Fox, Harvey, Denton, Woolby, and Van Langenberg for the Foresters. Sides:

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

C. B. Tritton (goal); A. E. Bedford (capt.) and R. A. Ingram (backs); R. Vavasour and G. Berens (half-backs); C. Page and J. Paul (centres); H. Peck and C. Ritchie (right wing); H. Crews and A. Hurst (left wing).

## OLD FORESTERS.

W. Van Langenberg (goal); F. W. Sewell (capt.) and Hugh Guy (backs); C. J. Guy and L. Horner (half-backs); Herman Guy and H. C. Woolby (left wing); R. C. Guy and E. B. Denton (centres); W. Walker and J. H. Matthews (right wing).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. R.M.C., SANDHURST.

Played at Vincent Square, November 10. Westminster won the toss, electing to defend the Hospital goal, and Page set the ball rolling at a quarter to three. The good state of the ground and the fine weather made the game very fast, and for some time the back play of both sides was the most noticeable feature of the match. At last Hurst and Crews, by dint of some good passing, worked the ball down to the cadets' goal, and middled to Paul, who immediately put it between the posts. This goal, however, was, after some demur, given off-side, and nothing more occurred till half-time, after which Ritchie with a good run took the leather the length of the ground and passed to Hurst, who shot our first goal (1-0). The visitors, playing better together, and having the wind at their backs, now began to assume the offensive, and strove hard to avert defeat. Several times the Westminster fortress was in imminent danger of downfall, but the back play of Bedford, well sustained by that of Berens and Vavasour, prevented any change in the score, and after a close shot from the foot of Patrick had been splendidly stopped by Tritton, time was called, thus leaving us victors by one goal to *nil*.

## WESTMINSTER.

A. E. Bedford (capt.); C. Page, H. C. Peck, C. B. Tritton, A. E. Crews, R. Vavasour, C. Ritchie, A. Fevez, A. R. Hurst, J. Paul, and G. Berens.

## SANDHURST.

D. Patrick (capt.); R. Eddis, F. Burnand, C. Maxwell, F. Maude, C. Murray, F. S. Cornwallis, E. C. Windley, R. D. Erskine, R. H. Dewing, and G. B. Smith.

(From the 'Sportsman,' Nov. 15.)

## SWIFTS v. WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

Yesterday (Wednesday) a twelve-a-side match was decided at Vincent Square, Westminster, when an admirably contested game was ultimately brought to a

conclusion in favour of the visitors by three goals to one. Bedford won the toss, and having elected to commence proceedings from St. Mary's Church side of the square, Leete kicked off from the entrance-gate end at ten minutes to three o'clock. Only three minutes had elapsed when Leete sent the ball between the posts, while five minutes later on, from a rush by the forwards, Tritton, to save his goal, received the ball with a hearty kick, but hitting Bambridge on the chest, it rebounded under the bar, and the Swifts obtained a second goal. From this point the boys improved, but no further score resulted prior to change of ends. The Swifts now made serious attacks on their more youthful opponents. At last, from an attack by the Swifts, Leete and Bambridge rushed the ball through the Westminster goal, upsetting Tritton at the same time. The boys, however, made a sort of partial revenge, for from an united charge by the Westminster forwards, Paul gained the only advantage won by the home team during the afternoon, the result being a win for the visitors by three goals to one. Sides:

## SWIFTS.

J. F. P. Rawlinson (goal); A. Watson and J. Weakley (backs); H. Nicholls (capt.), E. L. Bird, and A. K. Holt (half-backs); E. C. Bambridge and F. Bickley (left wing); C. Holden-White and W. Desculles (right wing); and E. Humphrey and N. Leete (centres) (forwards).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

C. P. Tritton (goal); A. E. Bedford (capt.) and A. Fevez (backs); R. A. Ingram, R. Vavasour, and G. Berens (half-backs); H. C. Peck and C. Ritchie (right wing); A. Crews and J. Paul (left wing); F. Thorne and C. Page (centres) (forwards).

Umpires: M. H. M. T. Pigott, Westminster; and F. Barnett, Upton Park.

Referee: E. Jessop, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD HARROVIANS.

Played at Vincent Square on Saturday, November 17th. The School had the best of their opponents from the first, and eventually won by 9 goals to love, which were kicked by Paul (3), Thorne (2), Bedford, Peck, Pigott, and Berens. Paul, Peck, and Thorne also shot one each, which were given off-side. For the School, Paul, Peck, Bethune, and Vavasour were best; while for the Old Harrovians, Dr. Gray, Parry, and Law were most conspicuous. Sides:

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

A. E. Bedford (capt.), R. Vavasour (backs); G. Berens, H. Harrison, M. R. Bethune (half-backs); H. C. Peck, C. Page, M. T. Pigott, J. Paul, and C. Gibson (forwards); C. Moon (goals).

## OLD HARROVIANS.

R. de C. Welch, S. H. Clarke (sub.) (backs); Rev. W. Law (capt.), L. H. Parry (half-backs); S. H. Farmer, C. L. de Goaz, S. L. Graves, H. W. Greene, J. W. Holloway, and Rev. E. D. L. Harvey (forwards); A. N. Other (goals).

R. Vavasour received his 'pinks' after this match.

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. R. BATLEY'S XI.

This match was played on Wednesday, November 21st, and resulted in our being defeated by two goals

to one. The visitors turned up one short, but Jervis was given them as substitute. We won the toss, and elected to play with the wind. On starting, the ball was quickly carried down to our goal, and a corner for them was obtained, which, however, resulted in nothing, as a free kick from 'hands' was given to us in front of goal. We now began to pen our opponents. Crews and Thorne each made a good but unsuccessful shot; the former, however, shortly afterwards was fortunate enough to secure for us the first goal (1-0). But our triumph was destined to be of short duration, for a few minutes afterwards Fardell succeeded in equalising matters (1-1). Crews again made a fine attempt at a goal, but the ball was got away by Waterfield, and after a good run down the centre, passed to Currie, who obtained second goal for our opponents (2-1). Matters went very evenly till the call of half-time, but when we had changed ends we were badly penned. A good run, however, was made by Peck, but he was unable to score. The ball soon was brought back again into our quarters, but, in spite of several audacious attempts on the part of C. Ingram, which were well repulsed by his brother, our adversaries were unable to increase their advantage, and the game was decided in their favour by two goals to one. The sides were:

## WESTMINSTER.

C. Page, H. C. Peck, C. Ritchie, A. Crews, E. Paul, J. Thorne (forwards); R. Ingram, R. Vasseur (half-backs); G. Berens, A. Fevez (backs); C. B. Tritton (goals).

## R. BATLEY'S XI.

E. O. Powell, C. E. Currie, C. F. Ingram, H. W. Waterfield, J. A. Turner, E. S. Fardell (forwards); R. C. Batley, C. King (half-backs); R. T. Squire, E. Jervis (subs.) (backs); F. E. Corbett (goals).

WESTMINSTER *v.* BRENTWOOD.

On Saturday, November 24th, this match was played and ended in our defeat by one goal to none.

Our opponents won the toss, and elected to play with the wind. The game had not been started long before they managed to send the ball between our posts, but the goal was objected to on the plea of off-side. A scrimmage then followed in front of our goal, but Ingram carried the ball out of danger. Matters then went very evenly for some time till Fevez made a good shot from half-back; the goal, however, was saved, and our goal in turn was attacked. Moon saved two goals well, but Britton at length succeeded in scoring the first goal for the visitors just before the call of half time (1-0). After ends had been changed, the School began to play more together, and our adversaries were continually penned. Thorne and Page each made a good shot, but their efforts were unsuccessful, and several corners fell to us, but, partly owing to the ground being so slippery, we were unable to obtain a successful shot, and the game was brought to an end. The sides were:

## WESTMINSTER.

J. Thorne, H. C. Peck, C. Page, A. Crews, J. Paul, and C. Ritchie (forwards); R. Vasseur, A. Fevez (half-backs); A. E. Bedford (capt.), R. Ingram (backs); W. R. Moon (goals).

## BRENTWOOD.

T. Britton, W. S. Morice, G. S. Sherrington, E. C. Evelyn, F. J. Abbot, A. C. Braithwaite (forwards); T. L. Nickisson, N. Morice (half-backs); A. G. O. Kennedy, J. A. Borrett (backs); P. Oakley (goals).

RIGAUDS *v.* HOME-BOARDERS.

The above tried conclusions on Thursday, November 8th, when the former were victorious by three goals to one. During the first half, Rigauds scored two goals kicked by Ritchie and Bedford, the game being very even. The second half, Home-boarders were penned, Rigauds having a great many shots; only one, from the foot of Bedford, took effect. Paul scored the only goal for Home-boarders by rushing the goal-keeper. For Rigauds, Bedford, Hurst, and Ritchie, forward, and Berens, back, were best; while for Home-boarders, Paul and H. Tritton, forward, and C. Tritton and Canning, behind, tried hard to avert defeat.

## RIGAUDS.

R. Ingram, E. Jervis (backs); G. Berens, C. Wood (half-backs); A. E. Bedford (capt.), A. E. Crews, C. Ritchie, A. R. Hurst, R. Sandilands, and J. Ritchie (forwards); E. Mann, (goals).

## HOME-BOARDERS.

C. Tritton, A. Fevez (backs); E. Canning, R. Thornton, S. Draper (half-backs); C. Page, J. Paul, H. Stephenson, H. Tritton, and S. Buttar (forwards); Chope (goals).

GRANTS *v.* RIGAUDS.

This trial match was played on Thursday, November 15th. Shortly after the kick-off, Grants obtained a free kick right in front of their opponents' goal, and easily forced the ball through. Immediately after the ball was started, Hurst made a good run down the right, and, by a splendid shot, brought the score level. Petrocochino soon rushed a second goal, and Bedford shot a third for Rigauds before half-time. On changing ends, Grants fared no better, for Bedford and Petrocochino each scored again, and the game ended in favour of the holders of the Shield by five goals to one. For Rigauds, Petrocochino played pluckily, while Salwey and Pigott were best for Grants.

## RIGAUDS.

A. E. Bedford (capt.), A. Crews, C. Ritchie, A. R. Hurst, Sandilands, Petrocochino (forwards); G. Berens, R. Harington (half-backs); R. Ingram, Jervis (backs); Mann (goals).

## GRANTS.

M. Pigott (capt.), C. Gibson, A. Pryce, W. L. Marshall, Kaye, Bompas (forwards); A. Jackson, G. Jackson (half-backs); Salwey, R. Armitage (backs); Moon (goals).

UNDER ELECTIONS *v.* GRANTS

This match took place on Thursday, November 8th, and resulted in a victory for the Q.S.S. by three goals to one. Phillimore won the toss, and chose the Hospital end. Directly the ball was started, Under Elections began to pen their opponents, and G. G. Phillimore, after a good run, obtained a goal with a brilliant shot, which went just under the tape. Soon

after this, after some good passing among the Under Elections, Peck put a ball through with a neat shot. After half-time, Grants began to play together better, but, in spite of their efforts, Under Elections scored again (3—0) from the foot of Symns. Grants then played up desperately, and eventually Pigott scored a goal for them just before time (3—1). For Under Elections, G. G. Phillimore and J. E. Phillimore were the best forward; Harrison and Bellairs (backs), and Sherring in goals, played well. For Grants, Pryce, Pigott, and Gibson were most conspicuous.

#### UNDER ELECTIONS.

Sherring (goals); Harrison, Bellairs (backs); Aris, Holbrooke (half-backs); Symns, Shackleton, E. F. Peck, L. James, G. G. Phillimore (capt.), and J. E. Phillimore (forwards).

#### GRANTS.

Moon (goals); G. E. Jackson, Salwey (backs); F. Fulcher, A. M. T. Jackson (half-backs); Pigott (capt.), Marshall, Gibson, Kaye, Pryce, and Bompas (forwards).

### UNDER ELECTIONS *v.* HOME-BOARDERS.

On Thursday, November 15th, Home-boarders met Under Elections. Home-boarders were deprived of the services of Paul, but were still expected to win easily. Soon after the ball was started, Symns had an easy shot at goal for Under Elections, which he failed to take advantage of. Under Elections, playing well together, got two goals before half-time, kicked by J. E. Phillimore and E. F. Peck. During the second half, Home-boarders played up better, and Fevez, taking a run from back, scored a goal (2—1). G. G. Phillimore, well backed up by J. E. Phillimore, had two or three very good runs, and succeeded in getting another goal for Under Elections, who thus won (3—1). For the victors, G. G. Phillimore and J. E. Phillimore were best; all the backs were very good, Harrison being most conspicuous. For Home-boarders, Thorne and Stephenson (forward) and Tritton and Fevez (backs) played best. The sides were:

#### UNDER ELECTIONS.

Same as against Grants.

#### HOME-BOARDERS.

Chope (goals); C. Tritton, Fevez (backs); Thornton, Canning (half-backs); Page, Draper, Thorne, Buttar, H. Tritton, and Stephenson (forwards).

### UNDER ELECTIONS *v.* RIGAUDS.

This match was played on Thursday, November 22nd, and resulted in a victory for Rigauds by four goals to none. Immediately after the commencement of the game, Rigauds wired up hard, and by an easy shot Sandilands scored the first goal. This was soon followed by another from Bedford, after a good run (2—0); and before the first half-hour had elapsed, Hurst had brought up the score to 3—0. One unsuccessful shot from Holbrooke was the only attack made on the Rigaudite goal during the first part of the game. After half-time, Under Elections were completely penned, but, owing to the stubborn resistance made by their backs, only one more goal was

scored by Petrocochino off one of the numerous corners Rigauds obtained. Shortly before time, G. G. Phillimore, after a brilliant run, middled the ball just in front of goals, but, hitting the cross-bar twice, it went over, and so no goal ensued, the score remaining 4—0 till the call of time. Rigauds, of course, were decidedly the stronger team, but had the Under Elections shown their previous form, the defeat might not have been so disastrous. For Rigauds, Bedford, Ritchie, and Sandilands worked hard forward, while Ingram was invaluable behind. For Under Elections, G. G. Phillimore, Symns, and J. E. Phillimore, forwards; Harrison, back; and Sherring in goals, strove hard to avert defeat.

#### UNDER ELECTIONS.

G. Phillimore, J. Phillimore (right); Symns, Shackleton (left); E. Peck, L. James (centre); Holbrooke, Aris (half-backs); Harrison, Bellairs (backs); Sherring (goals).

#### RIGAUDS.

Ritchie, Berens (right); Hurst, Sandilands (left); Bedford, Petrocochino (centre); Ingram, G. Berens (half-backs); Crews, Jervis (backs); Mann (goals).

## Correspondence.

[FROM OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.]

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—There is not much to chronicle since your last number appeared, as, with the exception of football, this is an 'off-time.' Your readers will be pleased to hear that O. Scoones has been played in every 'Varsity match lately, and both he and our three 'blues' have been playing very well. Many goals obtained by the 'Varsity have been kicked by Bain and Sandwith, and these two obtained the only goals got by the 'Varsity against Blackburn Olympic (present holders of the Association Cup) on Nov. 22nd. On Nov. 10th, O.W.W. played the 'Varsity and were beaten, I am sorry to say (4—0). It is only fair to say that O.W.W. were only playing four of their cup team, while four more were playing against them; moreover, Bain kicked one and Sandwith two goals for our opponents. The only other thing I have to mention is that, in the last Oxford letter, the name of T. T. Shore (St. Mary's Hall) was accidentally omitted from the list of O.W.W. who had come up this term.

[FROM OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.]

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—I was crushed and humiliated to find that my 'hated rival' at Oxford had been before me in supplying your columns with 'Varsity news. We at Cambridge do not wish to blurt out all our triumphs to your readers with such indecent haste, but they are not for that reason to suppose that we have not our successes. R. T. Squire has been playing football for the 'Varsity, and Bigwood, Coke, and Brandon have been keeping up our reputation on the river; it is even whispered in influential circles that Bigwood might eventually have blossomed into a 'Varsity Blue had not an untoward attack of measles prostrated the athlete.

We have, moreover, three O.W.W. playing for Trinity at football—to wit, Ingram, Batley, and Waterfield, the two former of last year's eleven, and Waterfield with every prospect of soon adding his name to that select band. As an aggregate whole, O.W.W. at Cambridge can hardly be considered to have done anything noteworthy this term. We played the 'Varsity when the Piece in many places had all the characteristics of a marsh. Our men, being accustomed to the graminous form of turf, were beaten; by how much I will not add. Suffice it to say that, after the 'Varsity had got half a dozen goals, Westminster continued to play a plucky losing game.

Those of your readers who have been seeing the illustrated or comic papers recently will have noticed that one of them has chosen to depict cox. in the singular place of the bows of a four in a sketch of Trinity boat-house. Permit me to say that this is not the normal position for a cox. at Trinity, nor do we know that ever cox. sat there save in the imaginative brain of 'Our Special Artist'; and he, fame telleth, being a man of small sinews and spectacles, saw in the *Field* the enigmatical expression, 'Trinity steered from the Bows,' and was baffled by it. However, being a candid man, he drew, as he conceived steering from the bows to be effected. The phrase, I need hardly remind your readers, means that four-oared boats now dispense with a cox. and one of the rowers steers with his feet.

A few days ago, while playing football against a small school, I was surprised to see them wearing shirts of a genuine Westminster Pink. Now, unlike the poet, my heart does not 'leap up when I behold a rainbow in the sky'; but on this occasion it did, when I may presume the poet's would not. On closer examination I perceived a difference. In the first place, they wore caps of the most brilliant scarlet, and a cross of the same colour on the shirt, and, besides, they dispensed with a collar, and in its place substituted a rim of the bright hue above-mentioned round the neck—whether for economic or æsthetic purposes I was unable to learn. On the whole, I do not recommend the change to the School.

The 'Birds' of Aristophanes, as rumour may have told you, Sir, is soon to be acted here: one of the actors, who comes on as an Athenian citizen, and has to nudge another very conspicuously, but whose histrionic aspirations are in other respects kept under, tells me that it is likely to be a success. It is also an open secret up here that Girtton, catching the theatrical infection, is going to act the 'Electra,' but from the representation all men are to be rigorously excluded.

I remain, dear Sir, yours obediently,

Nov. 26, 1883.

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#### OLD WESTMINSTERS AT THE UNIVERSITIES.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—I was very pleased to see in your last number a letter from your 'Oxford Correspondent.' This gentleman (and the Cambridge Correspondent is no better) is somewhat irregular in his communications, and we are consequently often without 'Varsity news for long periods of time.

But there is surely one piece of intelligence which need not be dependent on the Correspondents—I mean the list of the O.W.W. who have come into residence each term, with the Colleges they have matriculated at. Other School papers regularly publish such a list after the commencement of each 'Varsity term; why, then, should not the *Elizabethan* do so? Of course, O.W.W., on matriculating, would be expected to let the Editor of the *Elizabethan* know of the fact.

Hoping you will see your way to this,

I remain, &c.,

F. J.

O. W. F. C.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—Might I suggest that reports of the O. W. F. C. matches should appear in your valuable periodical?

Yours, &c.,

W. O. OMANIAC.

#### AN APPEAL.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly allow me a short space to make an appeal to Westminsters in general—old and present—to lend their help towards sustaining the new-born 'Notes and Queries' column of your paper?

In your leading article of the last number you were pleased to say that 'more interest is taken in this subject [*i.e.*, the history of the School] at the present time by present members of the School than a few years ago was the case.' This may be so, and I hope so, and to a certain extent I suppose I must grant that it is so; but, on referring to the *Elizabethan*, and looking at the

facts themselves, you will find that, although your correspondence column has increased, the 'Notes and Queries' column only just seems able to drag its (apparently) weary existence along, and, unless some kind Samaritans step forward and lend their utmost help to sustain it, I do not anticipate a long life for it, but expect every month to hear of its sudden and premature decease. This is what I fear: this is what I wish to avoid. Perhaps, however, some may think it has no had sufficient trial, or time enough to develop itself; but I confess I am of a different opinion myself.

The sum total of what is required is not great, neither is it a great task, and what there is is certainly a pleasant one. A torpor seems to have been overhanging Westminster like a heavy fog for some time. Would that it could be removed! That there are those who can assist (if they choose) cannot be denied. Why don't they? That such a reproach remains at our doors is melancholy, and will, I hope, now be removed. By contributing something month by month, the catastrophe may be avoided, and the column in question will flourish—an interesting record to present readers, an historic record to posterity.

In conclusion, I think no apology is needed when I say, without the Editor's sanction, that every little, however small, will be gratefully accepted by him.

Yours truly,

CURIOSUS.

#### FOOTBALL REPORTS.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—Could not some definite arrangement be arrived at with regard to the reporting of football matches, by which some competent person in a position to state the merits or demerits of the teams might write them? At present, any person who will volunteer is eagerly engaged to do so, and consequently the reports are most unsatisfactory.

Believe me, Sir, yours truly,

PINK AND WHITE.

#### VINCENT SQUARE.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—Attention was drawn not long ago in your columns to the free use made of Vincent Square during the holidays by sundry persons unconnected with the School. It has occurred to me that it would be scarcely more than reasonable if members of the School were given the opportunity of reaping some of the benefit. It is generally a difficult matter for people living in town to find healthy, physical exercise. Now, the number of Westminsters who live within easy distance of Vincent Square must be considerable. Why should not these be given the opportunity of a game of football or cricket in the holidays, according to the season, especially as in any case the ground is not to lie fallow? Surely this would be a boon to many, and would tend in a measure to improve the School games. I would further suggest that any O.W.W. who like should be invited to share the privilege. Any who think as I do would gladly avail themselves of it, and this would foster the connection of O.W.W. with the School. Some sort of club organisation would, of course, be necessary, and it would be only fair to exact a small subscription. I do not think it would be very difficult to fix a suitable time, at any rate twice or three times a week, and make other requisite arrangements. This is, I know, a mere suggestion; but, if taken up, I think it might prove valuable to many.

I am, Sir, yours truly,

URBANUS.

#### TESTIMONIAL TO MANTTE.

DEAR SIR,—Mantte is now leaving after long and faithful service. Could not some testimonial for him be got up among past and present Westminsters?

Yours very truly,

C. W. R. T.

We have been requested to state that the initials M. H. M. T. P., which were appended to a letter on the Abbey Services, which appeared in our last number, were used entirely without authority.



## SCOTT MEMORIAL FUND.

We have been requested to state that the subscription list for the Scott Memorial Fund has not yet been closed, and that subscriptions will be received by Messrs. Cocks, Biddulph & Co., 43 Charing Cross, S.W., to the credit of the Scott Memorial Fund; or by Reginald J. Mure, 7 New Square, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.; or H. Manisty, 7 Figtree Court, Temple, E.C.; or M. W. C. Marklove, 6 Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W. Money Orders should be made payable at Charing Cross.

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 Our Contemporaries.
 

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RECEIVED: *The Cliftonian*, *The Elizabethan* (Barnet), *The Fettesian*, *The Malvernian*, *The Marlburian*, *The Melburnian*, *The Meteor*, *The Salopian*, *The Tonbridgian*, *The University College School Magazine*, and *The Wykehamist*.

*The Tonbridgian* has a verbose rhapsody on Football; Dull Rhythmical Remarks on the Classics; School news.

*The Melburnian* has a Prize Essay; article, 'Down a Mine'; an effusion called 'How I was Mesmerised,' to be continued in our next, the writer having just been 'caught in a pair of strong arms and laid on the floor.'

*The Meteor*.—School news. *O si sic omnia!* unless some School Magazines can get better general articles.

*The Elizabethan* (Barnet).—Account of Speech Day, and of new library books.

*The Salopian*.—School news; Theophrasti Secundi, Character III., a clever imitation of Greek prose; Monograph on Poppo and his fate in Salopian hands; Satire, wit, humour, &c. in the Debating Society reports.

*The Cliftonian*.—School news; account of the earthquake at Casamicciola; venomous but funny attack on the character of the hero of the *Aeneid*.

*The Fettesian*.—School news; Ode on Life; 'Lesser Lights,' a plea for the Elizabethan dramatists, with a very sweeping condemnation of the modern drama.

*The Univ. C. S. M.*—School news; 'Examinations': an article with instances of extraordinary translation, e.g., *Bos id quod imperatum est fecit* = that ox was made general.

We also have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the first three numbers of *The Philologist*, a fortnightly publication, from the Philological School in Marylebone Road. This is one of the most ambitious school magazines that we ever remember to have seen; containing but little School news, it aims as high as original fiction in the shape of a tale called 'The Pretender's Namesake,' which has already reached the fifth chapter. One of the numbers contains a poem on 'The Fifth of November,'

which is of so remarkable a nature that we cannot refrain from quoting four stanzas from it:

'A cellar beneath was the hired place  
Wherein the conspirators their deed to perpetrate  
Had placed six and thirty barrels all safe  
To blow them all up with defiance and ire.

'The mysterious words were uttered to one,  
And still it remained unknown to them,  
Till someone had guessed that powder was meant,  
And to each other the dreadful news was told.

'Like a midnight ghost someone was seen  
To advance with a taper the deed to do,  
When on searching the vaults was found  
Someone preparing the dreadful scheme.

'There he stood with pale blue eyes  
Cast down upon his ruthless task,  
And glanced, with accents undistinguished,  
Ere the midnight silence spoke.'

Its style reminds us more of the legal document put into verse, which is given in Mark Twain's 'Eye Openers,' than of anything else. It is difficult to tell whether the author did not really mean it for a joke. We hope to see the mystery cleared up in the future number.

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 ERRATUM.
 

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Vol. iv., p. 82, for 'Bainbridge' read 'Bambridge.'

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 NOTICES.
 

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WANTED, a copy of the Report of the Elizabethan Club for 1879. Will anyone, having a copy of this to dispose of, kindly communicate with the Secretary of *The Elizabethan*?

All contributions for the January number of *The Elizabethan* to be sent in before December 24, to the Editor, St. Peter's College, Westminster.

All other communications must be addressed to the Secretary of *The Elizabethan*, St. Peter's College, Westminster, and on no account to the Editor or printers.

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The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of his Correspondents.

The debt on *The Elizabethan* renders increased support from all Westminsters, past and present, urgently necessary, if the School Magazine is to maintain its present efficiency or to hope for a long-continued existence.

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