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THE WEATHER.

THE last subject one wishes to discuss but the first usually discussed is the weather; it may seem to some that except for meteorological experts to write about the weather is most definitely taboo, yet writing at the beginning of Election Term the editorial pen gradually slips that way. For to tell the truth the eccentricity of the weather has been by far the most outstanding feature of the term. Cricket has consisted in hurried balls in intervals of long vigils of watching rain, and rowing in being caught in blizzards at inconvenient distances from the Boat House.

But when that much abused gentleman, the Clerk of the Weather, relents it is to be hoped that another successful season will distinguish the Cricket XI., and that the VIII. will take another step towards regaining Westminster's ancient prestige on the Water. But whether attended by success or not, all will welcome the weather that best suits Election Term, when Green is green, and even muddy Thames contrives to look cleaner.

THE LATE DR. H. TROUTBECK.

As we go to press we hear with the greatest regret of the death of Dr. Troutbeck, for many years medical adviser to the School. We should like to express our sympathy with Mrs. Troutbeck and her family in their sudden and tragic bereavement. We hope to publish an appreciation in our next number.

THE LATE DR. GOW.

THE following telegram from the King and Queen has been received by Mrs. Gow:—

'BUCKINGHAM PALACE,
'February 17, 1923.

'The King and Queen wish to assure you of their deep sympathy in your irreparable loss. Their Majesties well remember meeting Dr. Gow four years ago on Shrove Tuesday at Westminster School.'—STAMFORDHAM,

School Notes.

A COLLECTION for the Combined Hospitals' Fund was made on the Feast of SS. Philip and James.

Congratulations are due to Mr. R. E. C. Houghton, M.A., Master of the Classical Sixth, on being awarded the Oxford University Matthew Arnold Memorial Essay Prize.

Congratulations are also due to A. T. Lloyd-Jones on being awarded an Exhibition in History at Worcester College, Oxford, and to A. A. Negus on an Organ Scholarship at Exeter College, Oxford.

We are glad to welcome Mr. R. I. Hilary to Westminster.

The School attended and greatly enjoyed a performance of Milton's *Comus* with Arne's music by the Arne Society up School on May 25.

We congratulate the XI. on their victory over the H.A.C., and condole with them on their defeat at the hands of Sherborne.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

THE two final days of the Sports were held at the beginning of Election Term on April 27 and 28, as it was decided the track was too wet to continue them in Lent Term. The track this year was worse than usual, there being an acute corner opposite the Hospital to avoid, the turf-ed part of Old Big game ground. Young again upheld his prowess. The times, however, were not good owing to the bad track. We must take this opportunity of congratulating Young on his success in the Half-Mile, and Gavrilovitch in the High Jump at the Public School Sports.

RESULTS.

ONE MILE CHALLENGE CUP, Open. Prize presented by E. L. Fox, Esq. 1 M. F. Young (RR.), 2 E. Knight (H.BB.), 3 G. C. S. Curtis (K.S.S.). Time 5 mins. (Record: E. Tomlinson, 1863, 4 min. 50 secs.) Young took the lead at the start, with Curtis second and Knight third. This order was maintained throughout the first three laps, but at this point Curtis made a great effort to go ahead. Young kept him off, however, and on coming into the straight spurted strongly to win by 20 yards. During the last lap, Knight gradually pulled up on Curtis, just beating him finally by 1 yard.

ONE MILE CHALLENGE CUP, Under 16.—1 A. B. Murison (K.S.S.), 2 G. Knox (H.BB.), 3 C. A. Harvey (H.BB.). Time 5 min. 27 secs. Knox went ahead to begin with, but during the second lap Murison took the lead, with Harvey third. He soon dropped back to second place,

however, and it was only on coming in to the straight at the end of the last lap that he again overtook Knox, beating him by about 2 yards.

HIGH JUMP, Under 15. 1 J. W. Filson (RR.), 2 H. B. Ripman (A.HH.). Height—4 ft. 5 in.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL, Under 15. 1 J. A. Cook (GG.), 2 A. Clare (H.BB.). Distance—64 yards.

HURDLE RACE, Under 15. 1 J. W. Filson (RR.), 2 H. K. Wilkes (RR.). Time—25 3-5 secs. Rigauds was the only House represented in this race, which Filson won by about a yard.

LONG JUMP, Under 15. 1 J. W. Filson (RR.), 2 L. R. Moore (RR.). Distance—15 ft. 4½ in.

300 YARDS HANDICAP, Over 16. 1 C. T. Lane (A.HH.), 2 R. M. King (K.S.S.), 3 J. C. A. Johnson (H.BB.). Time—35 1-5 secs. Lane, running from the 6 yards mark, won a good race by about one yard, King and Johnson tying for second place. King finally won by 5 feet.

HALF-MILE CHALLENGE CUP, Open. Prize presented by Major D. P. Shaw, D.S.O. 1 M. F. Young (RR.), 2 E. Knight (H.BB.), 3 B. Davies (GG.). Time—2 min. 10 2-5 secs. (Record—M. F. Young, 1922—2 min. 10 2-5 secs.) Young led from the start, with Devereux (RR.) second. Devereux hung on to this position till halfway round the second lap, when both Knight and Davies passed him. On coming into the straight, Young further increased his lead, winning by quite 20 yards. It was a good race for second place, which Knight just managed to win. Young's time for this race was equal to the School record which he himself set up at the Sports last year.

QUARTER-MILE CHALLENGE CUP, Under 15. 1 J. A. Cook (GG.), 2 H. K. Wilkes (RR.). Time—62 secs. Wilkes led till about 20 yards from the tape, when Cook put on a strong spurt and won by about 2 yards.

QUARTER-MILE CHALLENGE CUP, Open. Prize presented by the Rev. H. Costley White. 1 M. F. Young (RR.), 2 B. Davies (GG.), 3 E. Knight (H.BB.). Time—57 secs. (Record—W. F. Corfield, 1897, 55 secs.) There were only four running in this final and they ran practically together for the first 300 yards. On turning into the straight, however, Young drew ahead, to win by 12 yards from Davies, with Knight 2 yards behind.

100 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP, Under 16. 1 A. M. Shepley-Smith (GG.), 2 A. B. Murison (K.S.S.). Time—11 4-5 secs. Shepley-Smith got away with a lead at the start, which he kept to the end. He ran well, finishing about a yard and a half ahead of Murison.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL CHALLENGE CUP, Open. 1 R. H. G. Lowe (H.BB.), 2 G. D. Harvey (H.BB.). Distance—96 yards. (Record—R. N. R. Blaker, 1898, 108 yards 10 ins.)

HURDLE RACE CHALLENGE CUP, Open. 1 G. D. Harvey (H.BB.), 2 D. Gavrilovitch (A.HH.). Time—18 4-5 secs. There was never more than inches between the two leaders until the last hurdle, which Gavrilovitch touched. As a result, Harvey, who had led slightly all through, won by a yard.

100 YARDS CHALLENGE CUP, Open. 1 T. H. Madden (RR.), 2 M. F. Young (RR.). Time—10 4-5 secs. (Record—G. D. Howlett, 10½ secs.) Madden got right away at the start with a good lead, which he kept all through. He ran very well, winning by 3 yards.

QUARTER-MILE, Under 16. 1 A. M. Shepley-Smith (GG.), 2 A. B. Murison (K.S.S.). Time—58 1-5 secs. Allen (RR.) led for the first 300 yards of this race, with Murison second and Shepley-Smith third. Allen here had trouble with his leg, being unable to finish, and Shepley-Smith passed Murison at the last corner, winning a good race by 5 yards.

HIGH JUMP CHALLENGE CUP, Open. 1 D. Gavrilovitch (A.HH.), 2 K. S. J. Henry (RR.). Height—5 ft. 4½ in. (Record—E. O. Kirlew, 1894, 5ft. 7½ ins.)

150 YARDS, Under 14. 1 R. Gatty (RR.), 2 D. H. Worthington (A.HH.). Time—18 3-5 secs. Gatty, who is very big for his age, had a much longer stride than the others and won easily by 6 yards.

100 YARDS, Under 15. 1 J. W. Filson (RR.), 2 J. A. Cook (GG.). Time—12 2-5 secs. Filson made good use of his longer stride and led from the start. It was a good race, which he won by a yard and half.

LONG JUMP CHALLENGE CUP, Open. 1 G. D. Harvey (H.BB.), 2 M. F. Young (RR.). Distance—18 ft. 2½ in. (Record—L. A. M. Fevey, 1885, and M. A. Thompson, 1914, 20ft. 2½ in.)

INTER-HOUSE RELAY RACE CHALLENGE CUP. Winners: Rigauds, 2 Home Boarders. (100 yards, T. H. Madden; 220 yards, J. Palmer; 220 yards, K. Allen; 440 yards, M. F. Young.)

It is now generally agreed that a Relay Race is the most interesting event at a sports meeting. The Inter-House Relay Race was no exception, as different Houses led at different stages in the race. Madden gave Rigauds a useful lead in the 100 yards, but this was wasted during the hand-over. Murphy (GG.) was ahead at the end of the first 220 yards, with H.BB. second. Davies kept the lead for GG. throughout the second 220 yards, H.BB. still being second. At this point, RR. had dropped back, being about 30 yards behind the other four, who were running more or less together. Young (RR.) started off almost with a sprint and it was soon evident that he was catching the leaders at every stride. At the far corner he was only a few yards behind, and on coming into the straight he went ahead, winning a splendid race by about 4 yards. During the last 440 yards, Knight (H.BB.) caught up Shepley-Smith (GG.), coming in second by about a yard.

CONSOLATION RACE. 1 Whitlamsmith (H.BB.), 2 Johnson (H.BB.).

O.WW. RACE. 1 H. A. Meyer (K.SS.), 2 K. Brodie (A.HH.)

INTER-HOUSE TUGS OF WAR. (A) Home Boarders v. Grants. Winners, H.BB., 2-0. (B) Ashburnham v. Rigauds. Winners, A.HH., 2-0. Final: Home Boarders v. Ashburnham. Winners: A.HH., 2-1.

VICTOR LUDORUM. 1, M. F. Young (RR.), 21 points; 2 G. D. Harvey (H.BB.), 13 points.

INTER-HOUSE SPORTS CHALLENGE CUP. Winners: Rigauds, 47 points; 2 Home Boarders, 28 points.

THE FIELDS.

FOOTBALL.

K.SS. v. T.BB.

(Lost, 0-3).

King's Scholars, despite the disadvantages of only possessing two members of the XI., made a very spirited fight against T.BB., and actually held them for the first half. Their halves and backs bore the brunt of the game, for the forwards with the exception of Wood seldom managed to get going. At half-time, in spite of the heat (the match was played on a very hot day) and the persistent attacks of the T.BB. forwards, the score was still love all. During the second half, however, the game was confined almost entirely to

K.SS.'s half of the field, and in spite of a desperate defence 3 goals were scored against them. Blair and Haynes at half-back, and Curtis and Ibotson at back, must be congratulated on their play, while for T.BB., Lowe, Hornsby and Horton combined splendidly.

T.BB.—R. W. Hartley, F. M. Young, M. S. Murphy, J. H. Witherby, W. N. McBride, Johnson, J. B. Pickering, G. D. Harvey, R. G. H. Lowe, J. M. Hornsby, E. H. Horton.

K.SS.—S. Chapman, G. C. S. Curtis, C. W. P. Ibotson, M. F. L. Haynes, J. H. Blair, E. B. H. Baker, E. C. Lester, R. W. P. Gorman, H. E. Wood, A. T. Lloyd-Jones, G. D. Poppellwell.

WESTMINSTER v. O.WW.

(Lost, 3-6).

O.WW. started strongly and two goals, by Rice-Oxley and Brodie, were scored against the School in the first quarter of an hour. Lowe and Harvey, however, managed to equalise with two splendid shots before half-time. After crossing over, Lowe scored again, following a brilliant piece of forward combination. C. E. Formelli replied with a goal for the O.WW. The School continued to press hard but failed to score, although Witherby, at centre-half, made some fine shots at goal. Ten minutes before the end the O.WW. broke through and scored twice, to win a fine game by 6 goals to 3. The School forwards combined well and the shooting was good, while the backs played their usual steady game.

O.WW.—K. H. Hill, R. F. Potter, C. E. Stones, A. C. Edgar, D. A. Radermacher, A. C. Rice-Oxley, A. L. Leighton, J. C. Horton, F. Bride (capt.), C. E. Formelli, N. P. Andrews.

CRICKET.

WESTMINSTER v. ETON RAMBLERS, May 12.

WESTMINSTER.

R. G. H. Lowe, b Fletcher	...	...	...	...	44
W. N. McBride, b Tufton	...	...	...	...	22
L. Clare, b Fletcher	...	...	...	...	19
J. H. Jacomb-Hood, lbw Fletcher	...	...	...	...	0
A. M. Shepley-Smith, b Cartwright	...	...	...	...	3
J. M. Hornsby, lbw Fletcher	...	...	...	...	12
R. W. Hartley, not out	...	...	...	...	19
J. A. Cook, not out	...	...	...	...	16
Extras	...	...	...	...	36

Total (for 6 wks.) 171

T. G. Lund, J. H. Blair, and D. E. Lashmore did not bat.

Fall of wickets.

1 for 60, 2 for 108, 3 for 108, 4 for 111, 5 for 116, 6 for 134. Bowling.—Major Fletcher 4 for 28, G. H. M. Cartwright 1 for 57, Hon. J. S. R. Tufton 1 for 12.

ETON RAMBLERS.

Major H. L. Aubrey-Fletcher, G. H. M. Cartwright, Hon. J. S. R. Tufton, Capt. D. M. Hall, G. H. Ebdon, A. C. Wilkinson, Capt. R. A. Cavendish, Lt.-Col. G. L. Hoare, Hon. C. Winn, G. R. Westmacott, R. H. Twining, 12th A. H. Gold.

No play. Game stopped by rain.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. H.A.C., May 19.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

R. G. H. Lowe, c Whiteley, b Sharpe	...	...	...	...	0
W. N. McBride, b Sharpe	...	...	...	...	54
L. Clare, c Frith, b Scott	...	...	...	...	3
J. H. Jacomb-Hood, c Aldridge, b Frith	...	...	...	...	38
A. M. Shepley-Smith, b Sharpe	...	...	...	...	9
J. M. Hornsby, b Sharpe	...	...	...	...	2
R. W. Hartley, run out	...	...	...	...	5
J. A. Cook, b Sharpe	...	...	...	...	0
T. G. Lund, b Eldridge	...	...	...	...	23
J. H. Blair, not out	...	...	...	...	16
D. E. Lashmore, b Scott	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	1
Total	...	...	...	...	151

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sharpe	19	3	57	5
Scott	7	2	13	2
Eldridge	10	1	31	1
Frith	4	—	18	1
Cambell	7	1	9	—

H.A.C.

A. S. Soole, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	0
J. P. Whiteley, st Hartley, b S.-Smith	...	...	...	...	28
W. H. M. Shakespeare, b McBride	...	...	...	...	15
G. L. Worlock, st Hartley, b Lashmore	...	...	...	...	18
R. H. Scott, c Lowe, b S.-Smith	...	...	...	...	11
R. C. Couch, c S.-Smith, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	9
C. B. Sharpe, lbw Lowe...	...	...	...	...	7
P. L. Frith, c and b Lowe	...	...	...	...	26
E. Eldridge, lbw McBride	...	...	...	...	8
S. Moore, b McBride	...	...	...	...	3
W. R. Cambell, not out	...	...	...	...	2

Total 140

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lowe	16	5	40	4
McBride	7.3	—	29	3
S.-Smith	12	2	38	2
Lashmore	4	—	20	1

WESTMINSTER v. SHERBORNE SCHOOL.

Played on May 24. This match was originally to have been a two-day match, but owing to rain it was cut down to one day. On Wednesday, play was started, and two of the Sherborne wickets (Bean and Nunn) had fallen for 46 runs when the rain came down in torrents, preventing any further play. On the following day, the match having been abandoned, the two captains tossed again, Sherborne again winning, so Westminster went out to field. From the first none of the visiting team, with the exception of Nunn and MacDonald, could stand up against the bowling of Lowe and Jacomb-Hood. Nunn played a very fine innings of 129, getting a little support from each of the Sherborne batsmen. The side was out for 203, Lowe and Jacomb-Hood both having bowled excellently.

When Westminster went in the wicket was beginning to crumble, and the batsmen were in difficulties. McBride and Clare stayed together for a short time, but when they were separated wickets again fell quickly. The rot was checked for some time when Blair and Lund got together, both playing very carefully; the former had 11 singles in his score of 14! It seemed as though the side might prolong its efforts until stumps were drawn, when Blair was well caught at the wicket off Turnbull. Olivier then made short work of the rest. He has a very slow, simple delivery, which would not puzzle an experienced batsman for a moment; it lacks sting of any kind. However, his continual bowling outside the off-stump worked dreadful havoc, and won the match for Sherborne. Scores:—

SHERBORNE.

D. MacDonald, lbw Lowe	...	...	...	...	20
L. H. Bean, c Clare, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	6
J. A. Nunn, c and b Lowe	...	...	...	...	129
J. A. C. Grant, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	2
G. Peddie, lbw S.-Smith	...	...	...	...	7
R. G. Forbes-Bassett, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	3
— Sharpe, lbw J.-Hood...	...	...	...	...	8
— Turnbull, c Lund, b J.-Hood	...	...	...	...	9
— Neve, c S.-Smith, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	6
S. J. Olivier, b J.-Hood	...	...	...	...	5
A. L. Spens, not out	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	8
Total	...	...	...	...	203

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lowe	22	4	67	6
McBride	4	—	29	—
Cambell	12	3	40	—
J.-Hood	11.1	1	39	3
S.-Smith	6	2	20	1

WESTMINSTER.

R. G. H. Lowe, b Forbes-Bassett	...	...	...	...	2
W. N. McBride, c Nunn, b Olivier	...	...	...	...	13
L. Clare, b Turnbull	...	...	...	...	16
J. H. Jacomb-Hood, lbw Forbes-Bassett	...	...	...	...	0
J. M. Hornsby, c MacDonald, b F.-Bassett	...	...	...	...	7
J. H. Blair, c Spens, b Turnbull	...	...	...	...	14
R. W. Hartley, c MacDonald, b Olivier	...	...	...	...	7
J. A. Cook, b Neve	...	...	...	...	7
T. G. Lund, not out	...	...	...	...	17
A. M. Shepley-Smith, st Spens, b Olivier	...	...	...	...	0
D. R. Cambell, c Bean, b Olivier	...	...	...	...	6
Extras	...	...	...	...	14
Total	...	...	...	...	103

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Neve	13	8	17	1
Forbes-Bassett	16	4	38	3
Turnbull	12	9	10	2
Olivier	10	3	24	4

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* BUTTERFLIES
C.C., May 26.

WESTMINSTER.

R. G. H. Lowe, b Turner	...	...	...	...	8
W. N. McBride, b Lees	...	...	...	...	9
L. Clare, c and b Turner	...	...	...	...	9
J. H. Jacomb-Hood, c Blaker (H. R.), b Turner	...	...	...	...	3
J. H. Blair, b Lees	...	...	...	...	0
T. G. Lunl, c Turner, b Taylor	...	...	...	...	28
R. W. Hartley, b Lees	...	...	...	...	0
R. W. P. Gorman, c and b Taylor	...	...	...	...	11
J. H. Robson, c and b Taylor	...	...	...	...	2
A. M. Shepley-Smith, not out	...	...	...	...	4
D. R. F. Cambell, c and b Taylor	...	...	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	...	...	8

Total 85

Bowling.—Turner 3 for 24, Feasey 0 for 11, Lees 3 for 17, Taylor 4 for 12, Lonsdale 0 for 13.

BUTTERFLIES C.C.

J. D. Percival, lbw b McBride	...	...	...	...	10
C. H. Taylor, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	11
R. N. R. Blaker, c Robin, b Jacomb-Hood	...	...	...	...	83
C. E. Stones, st Hartley, b Jacomb-Hood	...	...	...	...	46
H. G. Patterson, not out	...	...	...	...	31
Capt. A. C. Lees, b Lowe	...	...	...	...	4
F. G. Turner, not out	...	...	...	...	20
Extras	...	...	...	...	12

Total (for 5 wks.) 217

F. S. Fleuret, A. C. Feasey, W. S. Lonsdale and H. R. Blaker did not bat.

Bowling.—Lowe 2 for 80, McBride 1 for 39, Cambell 0 for 19, Jacomb-Hood 2 for 42, Shepley-Smith 0 for 25.

WESTMINSTER *v.* SUTTON C.C.

Match scratched owing to rain.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
SOCIAL SERVICE.

EARLY in 1919 the National Council of Social Service came into being with the following objects :

- (a) To assist the formation and development of local Councils of Social Service or similar local bodies, representative both of the voluntary agencies and statutory authorities concerned.
- (b) To bring together in council representation of the principal bodies promoting social well-being, so that by working in concert better progress may be made.
- (c) To collect and publish information on social service in this and other countries.

Over 50 Local Councils are now working in such centres as Belfast, Edinburgh, Liverpool, Manchester and London and, though independent bodies, are linked together in affiliation with the National Council and are thus able to unite in matters of more than local importance.

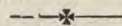
This rapid success on the urban side soon caused attention to be drawn to the rural, and two Conferences were held at St. John's College, Oxford, when it was decided that a standing Council on rural development was needed to act in close relationship to that concerned with the corresponding urban movement so that provision could be made for the joint consideration of common problems, and the National Council was asked to develop on these lines. This invitation was readily accepted and a strong Rural Organisation Committee formed, which is now investigating the position in county and village preparatory to making a great attempt to bind them together in close co-operation with the National Council—a much needed movement deserving the widest support.

The war has taught us that men and women, of whatever creed, party or social position, could be united by a common ideal and could find new happiness and new power through service in a common cause. Cannot the ideal of social betterment unite us in peace?

As it is impossible in a brief article to enter into the details of the National Council's activities, the Secretary, 33, Bloomsbury Square, W.C. 1, wishes it to be generally known that he is always ready to reply to enquiries, which are welcomed, and that he will gladly forward to applicants a copy of 'The Social Service Bulletin,' a monthly index of information containing reviews of Government Reports, etc., and of new books relating to the various phases of social service—a useful addition to every public school library.

T. HAMILTON FOX,

Member of Ex. Com. of N.C.S. Service.



WATER.

THE 1ST VIII. is in training for Henley, and we hope for great things from it. As Mr. Jeffreys has unfortunately been forced to take a rest cure, Mr. Ellis has taken on the coaching. Mr. Watkins is coaching the second crew, which has two School fixtures: one against St. Paul's second crew (date not yet fixed), the other against Eton 2nd VIII. on June 28, on our course between bridges (Hammer-smith to Putney). The third VIII. has been split up into two fours and has races against Canterbury and Haileybury.

Junior House IV.'s are being rowed off this term. At present there are only one or two good crews, but several show signs of promise, and it is hoped there will be some good racing.

THE WESTMINSTER PINCKNEYS.

ABOUT a quarter of a century ago some account was given in THE ELIZABETHAN of two brothers, Charles and Thomas Pinckney. They came to Westminster in Markham's time from South Carolina, returning home viâ Christ Church and the Middle Temple. Charles might have been the first O.W. President of the United States, but he was defeated first by Jefferson and then by Madison. He had a reputation as a phrase-maker, but he had been Washington's aide-de-camp, and it never occurred to him to say that he was too proud to fight. Two papers by him survive in the Record Office: one is 'The strength of the Province of South Carolina considered and a Scheme proposed for the defence and security thereof against the French during the present War,' dated December 3, 1756; the other a representation to Pitt concerning the weak and exposed state of South Carolina, dated December 6, 1756.

Pitt doubtless did his best for the inhabitants of Carolina, who were none the worse when peace with France was signed in 1763. And—

Not till their foes were driven forth
By England o'er the main,
Not till the Frenchmen from the North
Had gone with shattered Spain,
Not till the clean-swept ocean showed
No hostile flag unrolled,
Did they remember what they owed
To Freedom—and were bold.

When the Treaty of Versailles was signed in 1783 it left matters in almost as confused a condition as that which prevailed after the signing of another treaty more recently at the same place. Diplomatic intercourse between Great Britain and the United States was suspended in consequence of breaches by both parties of the articles of peace; and it was not till 1791 that George Hammond was sent to Philadelphia by Lord Grenville to try to arrange terms of settlement. Subsequently Thomas Pinckney was sent to London to represent Washington; and on January 9, 1792 (as appears from the Fortescue Papers), Hammond wrote to Grenville the following letter, marked private:—

'As the information contained in the letter marked "separate" was communicated to me in the strictest secrecy, and under the most unbounded confidence, I have judged it expedient to transmit it to your Lordship in the form of a separate letter rather than that of a numbered despatch. Those persons of this country who are desirous of promoting and preserving a good understanding with Great Britain are extremely well satisfied with Mr. Pinckney's appointment, as they consider the

circumstance of his education at Westminster School and of his having passed a great part of his life in England as having a natural tendency to inspire him with a predilection for the country, and a desire of rendering his conduct satisfactory.'

The former account of Thomas Pinckney did not notice this letter, which is of interest as showing that Westminster was known and popular in America at the date when it was written. There was a tradition which lingered on at the School during the first half of the last century that any O.W. was always welcome as such in any of the great houses of the Southern States.

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HISTORICAL NOTE.

SOME NEW PROLOGUES AND EPILOGUES.

By the kindness of Mr. Nicolas Radford (O.W.), I have been enabled to see a very interesting MS. Commonplace Book in his possession. It was compiled in the early part of the 18th century, evidently by an Old Westminster, of whose identity there is unfortunately no clue. The book consists of some 300 quarto pages, of which 208 are filled with MS. Poems and Epigrams in Latin and English. Several of these are by Anthony Alsop (O.W.), a well-known Latin scholar and poet. At the end are the Orations spoken up School, apparently before the Electors in 1704, 1705, 1706, 1707, 1708 and 1710. These were written by Dr. Robert Freind, the Head Master. They are all headed 'Oratio habita in Scholâ Westmonasteriensi 1704 (etc.) Autore R. Freind (or R. E.).' There is also an English 'Oration composed for the Annual Meeting of the Westminster Scholars, 1727-8.' The most important part of the book is, however, a series of dated Prologues and Epilogues to the Play. There are sixteen of these from 1728 to 1746. Some of these are of course known, but ten of them have not previously been found. I shall hope to publish these in chronological order in subsequent numbers of THE ELIZABETHAN.

1728.

The Radford MS. has the Epilogue 'My former humours,' etc. (Lusus, p. 56), and also 'another' previously unknown:—

Your ancient Bards were wiser far than we,
Their usual Epilogue was—Plaudite.
What need of many words when one would do?
Though sometimes they would add Valetè too.
But different now with us the mode is grown:
None but long winded Epilogues go down.
Of smooth and suppliant words an idle store,
That sometimes mean as much, but never more.

'Tis true excuses were superfluous then,
 The Plays were sterling sence, and worthy men.
 The Characters of life were mark'd so fair,
 And all that trod the stage had Business there.
 Why should Apologys perplex the brain?
 They then were needless, and they now are vain.
 Unless t'acquaint the gentle lookers on,
 Take notice—this is all—the Play is done.
 Which els the sharpest Critic had not thought,
 And ne'er had guess'd at by the finish'd Plot.
 Now wit is scarcer grown, for more you call,
 As Taxes heaviest on the poorest fall.
 'ay is not Terence of applause secure
 Without this fond unclassic garniture.
 Our Authors merit is our strongest hold,
 Not antiquated yet, however old.
 For Us—your favour we desire to share,
 For Him—condemn th' Adelphi, if you dare.

SHOOTING FIXTURES.

- VIII. and Cadet Pair *v.* Shrewsbury, Tuesday,
 May 22.
 VIII. and Cadet Pair *v.* Charterhouse, Tuesday,
 May 29.
 VIII. *v.* Lancing, Tuesday, June 5.
 VIII. and Cadet Pair *v.* Sherborne, Tuesday,
 June 12.
 VIII. *v.* Highgate, Tuesday, June 19.

Old Westminsters.

MR. C. H. TAYLOR has been awarded his 'Blue' for Cricket at Oxford. Mr. Taylor played in the Freshmen's Match and subsequently for the University and had the distinction of scoring against Middlesex the first century made for Oxford this year. It is some years since Westminster has had a representative in the Oxford Eleven.

W. L. Hartley, who also left last Election, has quickly made his name as a first-class golfer. He and Mr. H. Gardiner-Hill (O.W.) were only six strokes behind the winner of the St. George's Vase, and Mr. Hartley was only beaten by Mr. Tolley on the 17th Green (3 and 1) in the 1st round of the Amateur Championship.

Mr. H. A. Curless has been playing Tennis for Cambridge University.

Mr. N. Baliol-Scott played for Oxford in the 47th Inter-University Chess Match.

The Hon. R. W. Kitson, D.S.O., M.C., has been elected a Governor of the Bank of England.

In the Church, the Rev. W. H. M. Lonsdale, Vicar of Burgh-by-Sands, Carlisle, has been appointed Vicar of All Saints', Nottingham, and the Rev. A. G. Sayer, Senior Curate of St. Peter's, Bournemouth, has been appointed Vicar of West-end, near Southampton.

To the ranks of Westminster Actors must be added the name of Mr. John Gielgud, who is playing a part in 'The Insect Play.' Mr. Gielgud is a great-nephew of Miss Ellen Terry.

Mr. M. G. Hewins has been called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn.

At the Universities, Mr. A. G. N. Cross, of Trinity College, Cambridge, has been awarded a Senior Scholarship in Classics (1st year). At Oxford, Mr. P. G. R. Burford, Mr. J. I. Byam-Shaw and Mr. A. H. T. Chisholm were placed in Class 2, Classical Moderations List.

In the Public Schools Relay Races held at Queen's Club on April 7, Westminster was represented by Mr. H. J. Salwey, Mr. H. A. Meyer and M. F. Young and won the Quarter-Mile Medley.

Mr. T. M. Mavrogordato has been selected to be one of the English representatives against Belgium for the Davis Lawn Tennis Cup.

Births.

SMYTH.—On May 5, the wife of Major-General Sir Nevill M. Smyth, V.C., K.C.B., of a son.

Marriages.

LLOYD-WILLIAMS-BRETT.—On January 30, in India, James Evan Lloyd-Williams, M.C. (Indian Police), eldest son of the late J. J. Lloyd-Williams M.A., Headmaster of Oswestry Grammar School, to Lilian Roche, younger daughter of the late W. L. Brett, of Rock Ferry, Cheshire, and Mrs. Brett, late of Liverpool.

RAWSON-PRICE.—On April 12, Hugh H. F. Rawson, eldest son of F. L. Rawson (O.W.), of Barwell Court, Chessington, to Thelwyn M. Price, eldest daughter of the late Rev. T. Price and Mrs. Price, Ffaldybrenin, Saffron Walden.

CHANNON—ASHBY.—On April 21, Eric Herbert Channon, son of Herbert Channon, of Woodford, Essex, to Mabel, eldest daughter of Arthur G. Ashby, of Eversleigh, Glebe Avenue, Enfield, Middlesex.

FEASEY—DOWNES.—On April 23, Gilbert George Feasey, eldest son of G. T. Feasey, of Streatham, to Eva Dorothy, widow of Capt. W. D. Downes, M.C., R. Sussex Regt., and youngest daughter of the late General and Mrs. Dowker, of Eastbourne.

EKIN—CROKER.—On May 15, Captain Roger Gillies Ekin, 5-13th Field Force Rifles, I.A., only surviving son of Colonel T. C. Ekin, to Phyllis Marian, elder daughter of Major-General H. L. Croker, of Donyland House, nr. Colchester.

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Obituary.

A MEMBER of a distinguished Westminster family has passed away in EDMOND HENRY WODEHOUSE. He was the seventh son of Canon Thomas Wodehouse by Anne, sister of Walker King (O.W.) and a great-nephew of the first Lord Wodehouse (O.W.). He was at Westminster from 1850 to 1855 and acted Phædria in the *Eunuchus* of 1854. He was elected to Christ Church in 1855 and took a first in Moderations and a second in 'Greats.' He subsequently was called to the Bar and had an official career of nearly forty years. From 1891 to 1902 he was a Commissioner of Inland Revenue. He was made a C.B. in 1897. He died on March 25, aged 86.

A contemporary of his at Westminster has also passed away—HIS HONOUR THOMAS WHITTENBURY WHEELER, K.C., are tired Judge of County Courts. He was a son of the late Serjt. Wheeler, LL.D., and was admitted to Westminster in 1852. He was subsequently at Trinity Hall and was called to the Bar in 1865. He became a Q.C. in 1886 and a Bencher of the Inner Temple in 1894. He was appointed a County Court Judge in 1905 for the Cambridgeshire District and retired in 1918. A loyal Westminster he was for some years Chairman of the School Mission and retained his interest in the School. His son was up Rigaud's in the eighties and his grandson is a present Rigaudite. He died on April 3.

Another distinguished Westminster of an ancient Westminster family was LIEUT.-COL. ANDREW HAGGARD, D.S.O., soldier, novelist,

historian and poet, and brother of Sir Rider Haggard, who died on May 13, aged 69. He was admitted up Grant's in 1866 and joined the K.O.S.B. in 1873. After serving in India and at Aden he joined the Egyptian Army in 1883. In Egypt he saw much service against the Mahdi and Osman Digna and inspired those under him with his own gallantry and devotion to duty. His C.O. described 'Haggard Bey' as the bravest man he had ever known and he was one of the first officers to receive the distinction of the D.S.O. He was a keen fisherman and expert shot, and published besides novels and poems various articles on sport and travel. He was also interested in French History and wrote several books on the subject. He was buried at St. Leonards with military honours, and several of his former brothers-in-arms acted as pall-bearers. (See *Times*, May 16, 18 and 21.)

HORACE HANDLEY O'FARRELL was at Westminster from 1869 to 1872. He gained a scholarship at Pembroke College, Oxford, but did not matriculate and joined the I.C.S. He was at one time a District and Sessional Judge at Trichinopoly. He died in Jersey on April 12.

HOWARD BUCKLEY UNWIN, A.M.I.C.E., was the eldest of three Westminster brothers and was the son of the late Howard Unwin, J.P., of Bedford Park. He was admitted to Westminster as a Home Boarder in 1892 and subsequently became an engineer. He died as the result of a bicycle accident on April 3.

Westminsters who were at the School in the last decades of the 19th century will hear with regret of the death of Mrs. ELIZABETH FORBES TROUTBECK at the great age of 91. She was the widow of the Rev. Dr. John Troutbeck, for so many years Precentor of Westminster Abbey and a sister of the late Canon Duckworth, Sub-Dean of Westminster. At one time the Troutbeck's house in Dean's Yard was the centre of much hospitality. Mrs. Troutbeck, herself, was an outstanding personality and preserved something of the stately dignity and charm of manner of an earlier age. Although she had not lived in the Close for over twenty years she retained her interest in the School, and many Westminsters of all generations will remember her kindness to them. Her two sons (of whom the younger was Dr. Henry Troutbeck, the School Doctor) and three of her grandsons were educated at the School.

Correspondence.

WHIT SUNDAY, 1923.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—With regard to the letter in your last issue from O.W. in regard to 'benders' and 'non-benders' at cricket, I am not sufficiently learned to say whether the writer's suggestions are sound or not. But I would like to point out that perhaps one of the things that prevents Westminster Cricket from being quite the success it might be is that too much stress is already laid on 'Station' and compulsion, rather than on the true spirit of sport, spontaneity. Surely over-coaching is also an evil? A boy who has worked for three hours, after attending Abbey and coming, as many T.B.B. do, from a distance to begin with, is surely entitled to a little 'slack-off' before Hall, and under no necessity to be 'abused in front of the Pavilion,' especially when one considers that after Hall, at any rate on five days in the week, he will again be called upon for 'Station,' and, if a boarder, after afternoon school.

Sport, I am no 'smug,' is a great aid, and delightful pastime, to most boys, therefore every care must surely be taken not to turn organised games into too much of a rather disagreeable lesson. Many boys, who come from their preparatory school very keen, are 'put off' by too much compulsion and so the School loses what might prove valuable material.

With apologies for the length of this letter.

Yours very truly,

'ANOTHER O.W.'

THE WESTMINSTER SCHOOL REGISTER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—Mr. Tanner informs us that the new Westminster School Register 'approaches completion.' This is good news, but cannot something be done to expedite its publication? It is long overdue, and some of us who are no longer young are beginning to fear that it will not be published in our lifetime.

One reason for the delay in publication may perhaps be the difficulty of finding the necessary money. The cost of production will probably not be less than £1,000, and if the selling price be fixed at 21s. (and a higher price would not be advisable) some thousand copies must be sold before this sum is recovered. But I see no reason to fear that the sale of the book will not ultimately reach this figure. There must be between 2,000 and 3,000 living O.W.W., and out of this number I think that at least 750 may be relied upon to purchase copies, while the remaining 250 copies would probably be taken by the School (for prizes) and by public libraries.

The pressing need of the moment is to provide ready money for the purpose of advertising the book, announcing its publication and inviting subscriptions. A circular ought to be sent out at once to every O.W. explaining the scope of the Register, and asking him to become a subscriber. The issue of such a circular would need careful supervision, which perhaps could be best supplied by a small committee of O.W.W. appointed for the purpose, and would cost (say) £100. Now when any help is required to further the interests of our old School we turn instinctively to the Elizabethan Club—and they seldom fail us. My suggestion is that that excellent body be

approached at once and requested to take into consideration the best way of expediting the publication of the Register, and of providing means to enable it to appear at a fixed and not too distant date.

I trust that you, Sir, and your readers will do what you can to further the object of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

P. G. L. WEBB.

Our Contemporaries.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following:—

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THE SCHOOL MISSION.

THE Mission was founded in 1888, and began work as a Boys' Club in Soho. In 1891 it moved to Westminster, and the work is now carried on in the parish of St. Mary, Vincent Square.

The Mission is largely responsible for the upkeep of Napier Hall, where the club-rooms and hall are used by the St. Mary's (Westminster School Mission) Club for young men and boys, and by the St. Mary's Troop of Boy Scouts. Religious instruction is provided by the clergy of the parish. Physical training and gymnastic classes, lectures and debates are held, and the club provides a library, billiards, and the usual recreations. The club has its own football and cricket ground. More personal help from Old Westminsters is urgently needed.

Financial assistance is also given by the Mission to the "E" (Westminster) Company, 1st Cadet Battalion, London Regiment, "The Queen's."

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THIS Lodge was formed in 1888, and consists of Old Westminsters. It meets at Westminster School four times a year—in March, June, October, and December. It is the senior Public School Lodge belonging to the Public Schools Union, which holds an Annual Festival at each School in turn.

Old Westminsters desiring to join the Lodge should communicate with the Secretary, W. J. ARMITAGE, Esq., Longholt, Hildenborough, Kent.

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