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## WESTMINSTER INNOVATIONS.

**I**T is with mixed feelings of amusement and pain, of which we confess the latter predominate, that we essay to notice one or two points which appear to us to be too striking to be passed over in silence. We read our *Elizabethan* with attention, nay, rather with interest, but we must confess that although there is much to amuse us and lead us to predict for the paper a long life and a merry one, still there comes upon us an uncomfortable feeling aroused by the letters of various correspondents and by the articles relating to those letters. For many numbers we have watched this creeping onwards and assuming step by step more alarming proportions. It may be characterized as the spirit of "unrest." Correspondents start with two hypotheses, which are true in themselves, firstly, that Westminster School is a very fine place, and, in fact, it is desirable to promote its interests; secondly, that it is a pleasing thing to see one's productions in print, while at the same time the Editor of the *Elizabethan* so far indulges correspondents as to print their letters, and from these hypotheses they

build up the theory, since Westminster is so dear to her sons, and since the Editor of the *School Magazine* is so indulgent, that therefore they must push forward every new scheme of innovation that enters their head, and every egregious monstrosity of their fertile imagination. We see our columns crowded with petitions for Spelling Bees, Skating Rinks, Chess Clubs, Lawn Tennis, Workshops, and the like, things which would be as superfluous in themselves as it is absurd in their advocates to propose them. Then another correspondent, who probably never touched an oar in his life or took any interest in "the Water" while at school, kindly takes the subject under his patronage, and enlarges upon the felicity of our Eight possessing, *Dè Immortales!* a Special Steamer. Another correspondent, or perchance even the same, writes a sparkling tirade on the advantages of the Gymnasium, which needs reform, or, if it does not, ought to need it. On another occasion a correspondent allows his powers of innovation to run wild with him and would make a sweeping reformation in the Athletics as held by the School in the autumn. He is not content with the bill of fare served by that laborious band of heroes, the

Athletic Committee, but wishes for the publicity of Lillie Bridge, the music of the Coldstreams, and a gaudy programme of "events;" propositions which are justly to be viewed with suspicion if not with partial disgust. Still the controversy about the advantages and disadvantages of a cinder-path rages in all its virulence and forms an agreeable *pièce de resistance* for the correspondence of this magazine. We are taunted with "conservatism," want of enterprise, and like deficiencies in moral and physical virtues, because we stick to old friends and will not abjure a programme which is derided because it is of old establishment. Doubtless the Sports are not perfect, but suggestions such as those tendered by our correspondents would by no means promote the desired end. And here let us dispel any doubts which may creep into the minds of our readers as to our object in writing this article. We would not inveigh against change in every form, but against change unattended by improvement; against alteration for the sake of novelty. Skating Rinks and Lawn Tennis may be excellent things in their proper place, but they are out of place at Westminster, and their introduction there must necessarily produce a bad effect. There are so many reforms needed in things now established that there is no necessity to introduce fresh channels of inventive genius. The present racquet courts want re-paving; new closed courts must be built in order to give the School an opportunity of holding its own against its compeers; new baths should be erected to meet the growing requirements; money is needed to enable the newly reorganized Boating to regain its former prestige, and in many directions energy is wanted where we grieve to say it is now but rarely found. "Loafing" (*sic*) must cease in every form before the School can be considered perfect in its system of amusements. If it is a desirable thing, as we certainly think, that a School should take a high place in its games as well as in its studies, we must open our eyes to the fact that this can only be effected by general energy. If other channels are opened up it is but natural that they will be followed and that the pursuits already established will be neglected and will consequently suffer. If Lawn Tennis or Skating come to be practised, Cricket and Rowing will lose much of their attraction under the novel form of amusement, and consequently they will fall to a level unworthy of the position of the School. We at Westminster are not a sufficiently numerous body to allow any rival sports to interfere with our established games, and we need all the energy we can raise and all the members we can muster to do ourselves justice in the Cricket field or on the River. It has been a dangerous experiment to reorganize

the "Water" by the side of "Fields," and it will need great support to carry both on together with success. "Whatever is worth doing is worth doing *well*." Little reforms in these branches are owned to be needed, but they will not be helped by a body of scribblers who suggest any new fancy which may chance to find a momentary resting-place in the vacuum of their brains. Much has still to be done; for improvement there is still plenty of room in many directions. Let those in future, who have at present little or no interest in the Eleven or Eight, summon up a little more consciousness that it is their duty to support the Cricket Field or Water and to do this by their *personal* energy and exertion; and as more come to see matters in this light we shall see fewer epistolary productions which, although seemingly patriotic, have really no end but the promotion of merely personal pleasure and self-glorification.

O. W.

### School Notes.

A SOMEWHAT unusual circumstance happened in Vincent Square not long ago. A balloon, by name the "Flying Scotchman," after various manœuvres immediately above the Square, plainly showed its intention of descending thereto. The aëronaut however, had reckoned without his balloon, and making a bad shot at the Square, he was carried by his machine on to and through the roof of one of the neighbouring houses. Upon this, of course a large crowd assembled, coming chiefly from the salubrious locality of Strutton Ground and Peter's Street, and slightly presuming on our old intimacy, they generously consented to consider our property as their own, and clambered over the railings into the Square. As they crossed it, about two hundred at a time, we made a virtue of necessity and allowed them to do so, but when the street on the other side was packed close, and our unwashed friends began to make themselves at home on our substitute for grass, it occurred to us that we would rather be left to ourselves. But the delicate hints we threw out to this effect were quietly disregarded, and there they remained smoking and staring stolidly at the house, for the balloon had by this time disposed of itself in the backyard. We hereupon resorted to other means and tried force, but being about one to ten this was not much use, till the appearance of the "coppers" caused the ground to be speedily emptied. Luckily no one lost anything, though several opportunities must have been presented to the "Scis" of making away with articles of clothing, &c.

THE Q.S.S. and T.B.B. Boat-race was rowed on July 26, resulting in an easy victory for the Q.S.S. by 4 lengths. A full account will be given in our next number.

THE Phillimore Prose Translation has been gained by G. A. Hicks, J. A. Turner being second. The Verse was awarded to H. R. K. Rogers. *Prox. Acc.* C. B. Vyvyan.



**Obituary.**

It is with deep regret, that we have to record, in our present Number, the loss of one of the oldest and kindest friends of the School, Mr. James Mure, of 20, Gloucester Place, Portman Square, whose death took place with some suddenness on Thursday the 20th inst., a few days before the completion of his eightieth year.

It is not too much to say, that every generation of the School for the last twenty-five or thirty years has been more or less familiar with the kind and genial Old Westminster Friend, who so constantly, as long as health and strength permitted, and even afterwards when days of weakness and infirmity had set in, loved to find himself down in Dean's Yard in his old School haunts, whenever the Play, or Election, or other School occasions invited his presence.

Mr. Mure was a King's Scholar, from 1809 to 1814 (five years), in days that are usually considered among the "palmiest" of the School, when Bishops and Judges, and distinguished Noblemen and Scholars, were comparatively common among our old Alumni.

Being elected off head to Ch. Ch. Oxon. in 1814, he took a First Class in Lit. Human. in 1817. He was subsequently called to the Bar, but retired from practice many years ago.

It is since that time, that he may be said to have in a great measure devoted his Classical tastes and talents for the benefit of his old School. Besides being the Author of six Epilogues to the Plays, since the year 1850, he has been for more than thirty years an unflinching and generous contributor to the Epigrams and Memorial Odes spoken at Election dinner in College Hall, and many are the actors in the Plays in past years, who will be ready to acknowledge how much of the success which they attained on the stage, was due to the kind hints, and friendly criticisms, and encouragement of the kind old friend who used to help in the Rehearsals, and take his place without fail in the front row on the Play nights.

We must not forget to mention also, that Mr. Mure was chief Editor, conjointly with the present Head Master and the Rev. Henry Bull (one of Mr. Mure's dearest friends and school-fellows), of the two volumes of "Lusus alteri Westmonasteriensis."

Mr. Mure leaves behind him three sons, all of whom were educated at Westminster, two Q.S.S., and the youngest as a T.B.

It is sometimes pleasant to recall an old friend by reverting to some words or sayings of his while he was yet with us, and perhaps we cannot do better, than close this hastily-written notice, by reproducing an English Epigram of Mr. Mure's on "the Telescope," written in 1865, and printed in the "Lusus" (part ii. p. 324), under the Thesis "*Vincit Ars*:"—

"Wond'rous handmaid of the eye,  
How oft hast thou to man unfurl'd,  
From earth to sea, from sea to sky,  
The pages of an unknown world!

To Reason thus shall Faith and Hope,  
Combined in lens of purest ray,  
Present a living telescope,  
Disclosing realms of endless day."

**Cricket.**

ELEVEN v. FIFTEEN (*with Mantle*).

THIS match was begun on Tuesday, July 4th. The Fifteen won the toss, and put their opponents in to the bowling of Mantle and Simson, who were unchanged throughout. Ryde was bowled first ball, but Fox scored 22, not without luck, as he was missed four times. Black and Abernethy also reached double figures, but the rest did not "come off." The Fifteen made a very poor show, Mantle alone making a good score, and the bowling of Ryde was too much for them. The Eleven in their second did even worse than before, as they only obtained 56, Gamble and Hicks being the principal scorers. Olliffe fielded excellently at point, two of his catches being splendidly made. Secretan also bowled fairly. The Fifteen then went in again, and when the stumps were drawn, had lost 6 wickets for 17 runs.

On the following Friday the match was finished, terminating in a victory for the Eleven by 15 runs. Mantle again scored largely, and without him the 22 would have been "nowhere." Ryde again bowled successfully, and Hemsley's analysis is remarkable Score:—

THE ELEVEN.

<i>First Innings.</i>	<i>Second Innings.</i>
C. B. Ryde, b. Mantle . . . . .	0 c. Olliffe, b. Mantle . . . . .
J. R. Fox, b. Mantle . . . . .	22 run out . . . . .
B. M. H. Rogers, c. Olliffe, b. Simson	2 c. Robinson, b. Mantle . . . . .
G. A. Hicks, c. Abernethy, b. Simson	1 b. Mantle . . . . .
A. M. Hemsley, c. Abernethy,	
b. Simson . . . . .	6 b. Secretan . . . . .
H. Abernethy, b. Mantle . . . . .	14 c. Olliffe, b. Mantle . . . . .
A. H. M. Gamble, c. Reece, b. Mantle	4 c. Rogers, b. Mantle . . . . .
W. C. Aston, c. Abernethy, b. Mantle	0 not out . . . . .
W. N. Tayloe, c. Olliffe, b. Simson	8 l. b., w., b. Mantle . . . . .
A. E. Black, c. Mantle, b. Simson	14 c. Olliffe, b. Secretan . . . . .
H. C. Benbow, not out . . . . .	3 c. Eddis, b. Secretan . . . . .
Byes 5 ; Leg-byes 2 ; Wides 3	10 Wide . . . . .
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>Total . . . . .</b>
<b>84</b>	<b>56</b>

THE FIFTEEN.

<i>First Innings.</i>	<i>Second Innings.</i>
J. Abernethy, c. Aston, b. Fox . . . . .	8 b. Ryde . . . . .
E. U. Eddis, b. Hicks . . . . .	8 b. Ryde . . . . .
C. U. Simson, c. Benbow, b. Fox . . . . .	0 c. Helmsley, b. Ryde . . . . .
H. P. Robinson, c. and b. Fox . . . . .	3 c. and b. Hicks . . . . .
C. B. Vyvyan, run out . . . . .	0 c. and b. Hicks . . . . .
H. G. H. Olliffe, c. Hemsley, b. Hicks . . . . .	3 b. Hicks . . . . .
Mantle, c. Abernethy, b. Ryde . . . . .	22 b. Hemsley . . . . .
E. Guest, run out . . . . .	0 b. Hicks . . . . .
W. R. Egerton, c. Hemsley, b. Hicks . . . . .	3 c. Gamble, b. Ryde . . . . .
H. R. K. Rogers, b. Ryde . . . . .	0 absent
T. F. F. Williams, c. Helmsley, b. Ryde . . . . .	0 c. Tayloe, b. Ryde . . . . .
F. F. Caiger, c. Ryde, b. Hicks . . . . .	4 b. Ryde . . . . .
C. V. Wilks, c. Black, b. Hicks . . . . .	0 b. Ryde . . . . .
H. A. Reece, not out . . . . .	1 c. Aston, b. Hemsley . . . . .
H. N. Robson, run out . . . . .	0 c. Hicks, b. Hemsley . . . . .
C. Secretan, b. Ryde . . . . .	0 not out . . . . .
Bye 1 ; Leg-Byes 3 . . . . .	4 Byes 3 ; Leg-Byes 2 . . . . .
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>Total . . . . .</b>
<b>56</b>	<b>69</b>

BOWLING.

Overs	Mnds.	Runs	Wkts.	Overs	Mnds.	Runs	Wkts.
Hicks 17	10	18	5	Hemsley 16	7	27	4
Fox 13	4	29	3	Hemsley 18	5	38	7
Ryde 3.4	2	5	4	Hemsley 2.1	2	0	3

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* LORDS AND COMMONS  
(with Flanagan).

Saturday, July 8th, 1876.

This match resulted in another defeat for us, this time by 92 runs. The Lords and Commons went in first with Denison and Norman, the former of whom was bowled with the score at 38, and the latter well caught when 60 was scored, having made 3 fives in his 27. Round played a very fine innings, and was ninth out; his score included a five and three fours. C. Fox obtained most wickets, and Ryde's bowling was successful as far as it went. Benbow also long-stopped in his usual excellent manner.

Our first innings was as usual begun by Fox and Ryde, but the former was caught at point when only 3 were scored. Hicks played very well, and but for him we should have made a poor show, for no one could play Denison's slows. The last wicket put on 16 runs, Tayloe and Benbow hitting in their usual free style.

Our second innings was commenced by Ryde and Tayloe to the bowling of Round (lobs) and Lord Lanesborough (fast). The first two wickets fell for 8, but the third reached 54 when Flanagan, who had taken Round's place, bowled Hicks, who had played another good innings. The wickets now collapsed rapidly, though Fox hit well, Flanagan's bowling being too much for us. Hemsley was a long time at the wicket, but the rest offered a poor resistance, Fox carrying his bat for a fine-hit innings of 45.

Score:—

LORDS AND COMMONS.

W. Denison, b. C. Fox . . . . .	24
E. Norman, c. Tayloe, b. J. Fox . . . . .	27
Lord Lanesborough, c. Gamble, b. C. Fox . . . . .	18
J. Round, b. Hicks . . . . .	46
Hon. R. Plunkett, b. C. Fox . . . . .	0
Lord Ellesmere, c. Fox, b. Ryde . . . . .	16
C. Forester, c. Abernethy, b. Ryde . . . . .	0
D. Onslow, c. Hicks, b. C. Fox . . . . .	1
Lord Westbury, b. Hicks . . . . .	12
C. U. Simson (sub.), b. C. Fox . . . . .	5
Flanagan, not out . . . . .	0
Byes, 3; Leg-byes, 3 . . . . .	6
Total . . . . .	155

\*WESTMINSTER.

<i>First Innings.</i>	<i>Second Innings.</i>	
C. J. M. Fox, c. Ellesmere, b. Denison . . . . .	2 not out . . . . .	45
C. B. Ryde, b. Plunkett . . . . .	1 st. Norman, b. Round . . . . .	3
G. A. Hicks, c. Round, b. Plunkett . . . . .	25 b. Flanagan . . . . .	20
B. M. H. Rogers, b. Denison . . . . .	5 b. Flanagan . . . . .	0
A. M. Hemsley, c. Ellesmere, b. Denison . . . . .	2 b. Lanesborough . . . . .	1
W. C. Aston, c. Onslow, b. Denison . . . . .	1 b. Flanagan . . . . .	1
J. R. Fox, b. Denison . . . . .	0 c. and b. Lanesborough . . . . .	0
H. Abernethy, b. Denison . . . . .	4 b. Lanesborough . . . . .	0
A. F. M. Gamble, b. Plunkett . . . . .	1 b. Lanesborough . . . . .	1
W. N. Tayloe, not out . . . . .	12 b. Lanesborough . . . . .	1
H. C. Benbow, c. Denison, b. Plunkett . . . . .	6	
Byes 1; Leg-byes 2; Wide 1 . . . . .	4	
Total . . . . .	63	

Byes 8; Leg-byes 6; Wide 1 . . . . . 15

Total . 86

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Wides
WESTMINSTER.					
C. Fox	26.1	7	63	5	0
Hicks	10	1	40	2	0
J. Fox	12	2	40	1	0
Ryde	4	2	6	2	0
LORDS AND COMMONS.					
<i>First Innings.</i>					
Hon. R. Plunkett	19.3	3	44	5	1
Denison	19	7	15	7	0
<i>Second Innings.</i>					
Round	6	1	21	1	0
Ld Lanesborough	16.4	3	34	4	1
Flanagan	10	5	16	3	0

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

This match which is usually played a few days before the final contest with Charterhouse was played on the 19th of July, and terminated in a defeat on the first innings by 76 runs. The toss being won by us, Hemsley and Rogers went in to the bowling of Hearne and Nixon. The latter was soon disposed of and Alington, who followed, after making 10 was bowled by Hearne. Upon Fox joining Hemsley, a determined stand was made, 89 runs being put on before the third wicket fell. The bowling was changed several times, H. Curteis and Smith taking Nixon's place, but not till 111 was on the telegraph was a separation effected, Hemsley being bowled for a careful innings of 29, which included no less than 17 singles. So far we had done very well, but the wickets now fell with astonishing rapidity, the last seven batsmen only making one run between them!

Fox played a very fine innings, hitting with great freedom and scoring very fast, till he pulled a ball of Hearne's into his wicket. The latter's bowling proved too much for us.

After dinner the M.C.C. went in. Hearne hit very freely, but was well caught at long-on. Chater and Philips made a long stand, putting on 81 runs and bringing about several changes of bowling. After their dismissal the wickets fell quicker till Nixon came in, who offered a rather unexpected opposition. Fox's bowling was fairly successful, considering that he was unchanged throughout; Hicks also bowled better towards the end, but Alington was altogether off the spot.

About a quarter to six, our second innings was begun in a very bad light. The wickets fell still more rapidly, and when stumps were drawn, the score was as follows:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

<i>First Innings.</i>	<i>Second Innings.</i>	
B. M. H. Rogers, b. Hearne . . . . .	0 b. Hearne . . . . .	0
A. M. Hemsley, b. Hearne . . . . .	29 not out . . . . .	0
E. H. Alington, b. Hearne . . . . .	10 c. Hearne b. Nixon . . . . .	5
C. J. M. Fox, b. Hearne . . . . .	69 not out . . . . .	4
G. A. Hicks, l.-b. w., b. Hearne . . . . .	0 b. Nixon . . . . .	11
C. B. Ryde, hit w., b. Hearne . . . . .	0	
W. C. Aston, c. Smith, b. Nixon . . . . .	0	
H. W. Abernethy, run out . . . . .	0	
A. F. M. Gamble, b. Nixon . . . . .	0	
J. R. Fox, not out . . . . .	1 c. Nixon, b. Hearne . . . . .	4
W. N. Tayloe, c. H. Curteis, b. Hearne . . . . .	0	
Byes 9; Leg-byes 3 . . . . .	12	
Total . . . . .	121	
Total . . . . .		24



M.C.C. AND GROUND.

Hearne, c. Abernethy, b. Hicks	26
R. M. Curteis, b. Hicks	14
L. Chater, l.-b. w., b. C. Fox	37
W. B. Philips, c. Alington, b. C. Fox	44
H. Smith, b. C. Fox	20
H. Curteis, c. Hicks, b. J. Fox	4
J. Fishbourne, C. Aston, b. c. Fox	3
C. A. Alberga, b. Hicks	11
A. Gordon, b. C. Fox	0
Nixon, not out.	27
Davey, b. Hicks	3
Byes 1; Leg-byes 3; Wides 4	8
Total	197

M.C.C. AND GROUND.

First Innings.				Second Innings.					
Ovrs.	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Wides	Ovrs.	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Wides
Hearne	22.3	9	32	7 0	6	1	17	2	0
Nixon	18	5	49	2 0	6	2	7	2	0
Curteis	5	1	12	0 0					
Smith	4	0	16	0 0					

  

WESTMINSTER.					
	Ovrs.	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Wides
C. Fox	35	4	90	5	3
Hicks	13.2	2	48	4	0
Alington	7	0	33	0	1
J. Fox	14	8	20	1	0

FIRST ELEVEN v. NEXT NINE (with Mantle and Holmes).

This match was begun on Thursday, July 20th, and finished the following day, the Eleven winning by 183 runs. The chief features of the play were the unexpected stand made by Fox and Benbow, 80 runs being put on for the last wicket; two hits for 7, by Fox and Hicks, and two fine catches by Gamble and Hemsley. Hemsley and Tayloe also played well in their second innings, the latter scoring very fast; while in the second innings of the Nine the wickets collapsed rapidly.

ELEVEN.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C. B. Ryde, b. Mantle	5	c. Olliffe, b. Mantle	0
A. M. Hemsley, c. Olliffe, b. Holmes	0	not out.	40
G. A. Hicks, b. Holmes	1	l.-b., w., b. Holmes	24
B. M. H. Rogers, l.-b. w., b. Holmes	2	b. Holmes	14
H. W. Abernethy, b. Mantle	16	c. Guest, b. Holmes	2
W. C. Aston, b. Holmes	3	b. Holmes	10
A. F. M. Gamble, c. Olliffe, b. Holmes	0	run out	0
J. Abernethy, c. Olliffe, b. Mantle	0	b. Mantle	2
J. R. Fox, not out	45	b. Holmes	5
W. N. Tayloe, st. Black, b. Holmes	9	c. Mantle, b. Holmes	38
H. C. Benbow, c. Olliffe, b. Holmes	45	c. Crawley, b. Mantle	17
Leg-byes 2; Wides 2	4	Byes 1; Wides 2	3
Total	130	Total	155

NINE.

H. P. Robinson, b. Hicks	3	c. Hemsley, b. Hicks	4
H. G. H. Olliffe, b. Hemsley	23	(sub.) b. Hicks	3
W. R. G. Egerton, b. Hicks	6	b. Hicks	4
T. F. F. Williams, c. J. Abernethy, b. Hicks	0	b. Fox	3
Mantle, c. and b. Fox	4	c. Gamble, b. Fox	3
Holmes, c. Gamble, b. Hicks	29	c. Benbow, b. Fox	9
A. E. Black, run out	0	b. Hicks	2
C. U. Simson, hit wkt, b. Hicks	0	(sub.) c. Fox, b. Hick*	0

E. U. Eddis, b. Fox	0	b. Hicks	3
H. Crawley, not out	2	run out	0
E. Guest, c. J. Abernethy, b. Hicks	0	not out	0
Byes 3; Leg-byes 2	5	Bye	1
Total	72	Total	30

BOWLING.

	Ovrs	Maidn.	Runs	Wkts.	Ovrs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Hicks	12.3	2	28	6	15.1	5	18	6
Hemsley	7	1	30	1				
Fox	5	1	10	2	15	10	11	3

LAMPROBATICS.

LAMPROBATICS this year were decided, as has often happened of late, in favour of the T.B.B. The Q.S.S. won the toss, sending in Reece and Owen, but besides Owen who made 13, no score was made worth mentioning, and all the wickets fell for 25. The T.B.B. then went to the wickets, five of their men getting into double figures, and, although the last six wickets fell very rapidly, 117 was scored before they were all disposed of. The Q.S.S. then followed on, but the single inning's defeat was not to be averted, and although Dale made a lively little innings of 7 not out, and Benbow and Reece made 8, they were defeated in an innings and 57 runs. The total score is annexed:—

UNDER ELECTIONS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
H. Reece, b. Hemsley	2	c. Wilks, b. Tayloe	8
R. S. Owen, c. Jones, b. Fox	13	b. Tayloe	0
H. Lowry, run out	0	b. Fox	1
H. C. Benbow, c. Jones, b. Hemsley	0	c. and b. Hemsley	8
E. U. Eddis, b. Hemsley	0	b. Fox	6
W. R. G. Egerton, b. Hemsley	1	b. Hemsley	0
E. P. Guest, b. Fox	2	b. Fox	0
G. Dale, c. Tayloe, b. Hemsley	1	not out	7
W. Sercombe, run out	0	b. Fox	0
T. R. Rumball, not out	0	run out	2
W. A. Cuppage, b. Hemsley	0	(subs.) b. Fox	0
Byes 5; No ball 1	6	Byes 2; Wide 1	3
Total	25	Total	35

T.B.B.

B. M. Rogers, c. Owen, b. Dale	0
A. M. Hemsley, c. Eddis, b. Dale	10
J. Fox, retired	38
W. N. Tayloe, b. Owen	16
H. Abernethy, b. Owen	4
C. U. Simson, c. Egerton, b. Dale	12
C. Wilks, c. Benbow, b. Owen	2
T. B. Jones, c. Lowry, b. Owen	5
D. Patrick, not out	7
J. Abernethy, b. Owen	7
H. Bulkley, c. Dale, b. Owen	10
Byes, 2; Leg-byes, 1; Wides 3	6
Total	117

THE CHARTERHOUSE MATCH.

July 22nd, 1876.

THE Match of our season is over—and we have been completely beaten. Various excuses have been made for us, but the real reason no doubt is that the

Charterhouse were a much better Eleven. At the same time, it must be confessed that we did not play up to our real form towards the end of the match. The ground was not in the best condition and the heat was intense. However the Carthusians were hospitable in the extreme, and we have nothing to complain of but the result of the match.

The toss was won by Charterhouse, and about 10.30 we turned out to field, the first pair of batsmen being Colebroke and Thomas to the bowling of Fox and Hicks. Fox began with a maiden, but with Hicks' first ball Thomas was clean bowled, and when only 3 runs were scored Colebroke shared the same fate. Colvin was bowled soon after, and Abdy was caught at short-leg without troubling the scores. Four wickets for 12 runs was a good beginning for us, but on Wood joining Dobbie, a stand was made, till at 32 Dobbie was disposed of. Hayter did not stay, and Wilson only made one hit, a straight drive for 6. Wood was the eighth out, and except Ainslie no one offered much resistance. The smallness of the score was rather a pleasant surprise for us. After a short interval Abernethy and Ryde went in to the bowling of Dobbie (fast right), and Wood (left). Three wickets fell for 9 runs, but Fox coming in set to work at once, scoring 2 fours off his first 2 balls. The rest did not do much, not appearing to like the bowling, and when the ninth wicket fell 51 runs were scored. Benbow and Gamble however put on 12 runs, leaving us 3 ahead on the first innings. This was much better than we expected, and we had hopes that the match would not be played out, so that we should win on the first innings. In this however we were fated to be disappointed. Their second innings was begun by the same two batsmen, but this time a stubborn resistance was offered, 32 runs being scored before Thomas was "c. and b." Shortly after Colebroke was run out, and Dobbie caught. Abdy, after making one hit was bowled by J. Fox, who had taken Hicks' place. Wood and Colvin however got set, and at dinner the score stood at 66. On resuming, the runs came rapidly, till 115 was scored, when Wood was given out leg before for a good innings of 36. Hayter came in and scored very fast, making 3 fives and a 6. At 163 he was however bowled, and at 174 Colvin skied a ball which Hicks secured. His innings was an extremely fine one, and comprised a five and 4 fours. Wilson was splendidly caught by J. Fox, while the two last, doubtless in their eagerness to obtain runs, ran themselves out. Benbow's long-stopping was as usual very good. Our only chance now was to play out time, and so Fox and Ryde were sent in. The innings however resulted in a collapse of the most remarkable kind. Dobbie and Wood being too much for us. Fox hit one 5, but was soon after bowled by a splendid ball from Wood, whose analysis is indeed a curiosity. Abdy's wicket-keeping was very good. The innings lasted a little more than half an hour, and in the end Charterhouse won by 195 runs. Score and analysis:—

CHARTERHOUSE.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
E. L. Colebroke, b. Hicks . . .	1	run out . . . . .	15
O. Evan Thomas, b. Hicks . . .	0	c. and b. Hicks . . .	21
H. H. Dobbie, b. Hicks . . . .	16	c. J. Fox, b. C. Fox .	9
E. G. Colvin, b. C. Fox . . . .	9	c. and b. Hicks . . .	55
N. J. Abdy, c. Rogers, b. C. Fox . . . . .	0	b. J. Fox . . . . .	5
R. Wood, c. Ryde, b. Hicks . . .	7	l. b. w., b. C. Fox .	31
W. T. B. Hayter, c. J. Fox, b. Hicks . . . . .	2	b. Hicks . . . . .	27
A. Wilson, b. C. Fox . . . . .	6	c. J. Fox, b. C. Fox	16
G. H. Ainslie, not out . . . . .	11	run out . . . . .	24
H. Davidson, b. C. Fox . . . . .	3	run out . . . . .	7
E. F. Growse, b. C. Fox . . . . .	1	not out . . . . .	0
Byes 2 ; Leg-byes 2 . . . . .	4	Byes 2 ; Leg-byes 6 ; No balls, 2 .	10
Total . . . . .	60	Total . . . . .	220

WESTMINSTER.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
H. W. Abernethy, b. Dobbie . . .	3	b. Dobbie . . . . .	2
C. B. Ryde, b. Dobbie . . . . .	1	b. Wood . . . . .	0
G. A. Hicks, b. Dobbie . . . . .	0	b. Dobbie . . . . .	3
A. M. Hemsley, b. Wood . . . . .	1	b. Wood . . . . .	0
C. J. M. Fox, b. Dobbie . . . . .	18	b. Wood . . . . .	5
B. M. H. Rogers, b. Wood . . . .	5	c. Colvin, b. Dobbie .	0
W. C. Aston, c. Colebroke, b. Dobbie . . . . .	5	st. Abdy, b. Wood . .	3
J. R. Fox, b. Wood . . . . .	5	not out . . . . .	0
W. N. Tayloe, b. Wood . . . . .	0	c. Wilson, b. Wood . .	2
H. C. Benbow, b. Dobbie . . . . .	6	b. Wood . . . . .	1
A. F. M. Gamble, not out . . . .	7	c. Colebroke, b. Wood	0
Byes 10 ; Leg-byes 2 . . . . .	12	Byes 3 ; Leg-byes 1 ; Wides 2 . . . . .	6
Total . . . . .	63	Total . . . . .	22

BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER.

	<i>First Innings.</i>				<i>Second Innings.</i>				
	Ovrs.	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Ovrs.	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	
C. Fox	14	6	19	5	30	11	70	3	
Hicks	13	3	37	5	25	2	85	3	
					J. Fox	14	2	41	1
					Ryde	3.2	0	13	0

J. Fox bowled 2 no balls.

CHARTERHOUSE.

	<i>First Innings.</i>				<i>Second Innings.</i>			
	Ovrs.	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.	Ovrs.	Mdns.	Runs	Wkts.
Dobbie	17.1	9	18	6	7	5	8	3
Wood	17	6	33	4	6.4	1	8	7

Umpires : Davey and Lee.

The following is a list of Matches already played :—

- 1850. Westminster won by 20 runs.
- 1851. Westminster won by 8 wickets.
- 1865. Westminster won by 4 runs.
- 1866. Charterhouse won by 22 runs.
- 1867. Westminster won by 59 runs.
- 1868. Westminster won in one innings by 17 runs.
- 1869. Charterhouse won by 10 wickets.
- 1870. Charterhouse won by 7 wickets.
- 1871. Westminster won by 22 runs.
- 1873. Westminster won in one innings by 17 runs.
- 1874. Drawn.
- 1875. Drawn.
- 1876. Charterhouse won by 195 runs.

Westminster won 7, Charterhouse 4, Drawn 2.



## The Water.

## JUNIOR SCULLS.

THERE were eleven entries for this race which was rowed from Putney to Wandsworth Bridge on July 13, and the following nights. The race was rowed in three heats, in the first of which were:—

<i>Middlesex</i>	<i>Centre</i>	<i>Surrey</i>
J. W. C. Frere	F. R. Clarke	J. Hamilton.

Frere and Clarke got away and fought hard for the lead till nearly as far as Hurlingham, where Frere took it into his head to have a look at the Brewery, and steered the best possible course for that object. Hamilton who had till now been waiting on Clarke immediately came away and won with the greatest ease by about ten lengths.

The second heat contained:—

<i>Middlesex</i>	<i>M. Centre</i>	<i>S. Centre</i>	<i>Surrey</i>
H. German	B. Kitchin	W. A. Cuppage	A. E. Black.

Black got off with the lead but gave up off the Brewery, and Cuppage soon followed his example. The race now laid between German and Kitchin, the former of whom had no chance against his older and stronger opponent, who arrived at Wandsworth an easy winner.

The next night the third heat was rowed.

<i>Middlesex</i>	<i>M. Centre</i>	<i>S. Centre</i>	<i>Surrey</i>
H. Lowry	E. W. Pole	W. de Sausmarez	H. Campbell.

This heat needs little description, as Campbell took the lead almost from the first, the other three making a good race for second honours, Pole eventually coming in about seven lengths behind Campbell.

The final heat was rowed on the following Monday, Pole and Clarke scratched, leaving the following in:—

<i>Middlesex</i>	<i>M. Centre</i>	<i>S. Centre</i>	<i>Surrey</i>
G. Kitchin	H. German	H. Campbell	J. Hamilton.

Kitchin and Campbell got off well together and contested hard for first place, Hamilton waiting on them, and German bringing up the rear. This order was maintained till off Salter's, when Hamilton came away with a rush, took the lead, was never headed, and paddled in an easy winner. Campbell was second, Kitchin third, and German, who sculled very pluckily, last.

## SECOND EIGHT AND FIRST FOUR.

This race was rowed on Thursday, July 20th, and resulted as usual in a victory for the Second Eight. The course was from Putney to Wandsworth Bridge. The race needs little description as the Eight went off at once with the lead, which they maintained the whole way, notwithstanding a good spurt put on by the Four off Salter's, which somewhat diminished the distance between the boats.

The Eights are now filled up and are as follows:—

<i>The Eight.</i>	<i>Second Eight.</i>
Bow. W. A. Cuppage.	Bow. H. Westmoreland.
2. F. M. Lutyens.	2. E. W. Pole.
3. G. Dale.	3. W. De Sausmarez.
4. E. R. Frere.	4. J. Hamilton.
5. W. Compton Smith.	5. J. A. Turner.
6. G. S. Maxwell.	6. E. A. Bulkley.
7. R. Mead.	7. G. Kitchin.
Str. A. P. Longstaffe.	Str. F. R. Clarke.
Cox. P. J. Randolph.	Cox. Cotton.

## ATHLETIC COMMITTEE.

IN spite of several letters from various correspondents who have from time to time figured in these columns, we have not yet reached the happy state which they advocate, namely, that of having an *ex officio* Committee. The usual voting took place on Thursday, July 13, in the Upper Fifth Room, the usual number of votes (5) being allowed to the Six head Forms. The number of candidates was unusually large, being in all thirteen, of whom ten were Queen's Scholars. Of the five elected Gamble alone represented the T.B.B., the great majority of Q.S.S. in the upper part of the School completely carrying the day. The following is a list of successful candidates.

H. R. K. Rogers	} <i>ex officio.</i>	
G. S. Maxwell		
W. C. Aston		49
C. B. Ryde		34
A. F. M. Gamble		33
T. F. F. Williams		26
J. A. Turner		25

## LEGENDS OF WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

THE early history of the Abbey of Westminster is enveloped in a network of doubt and fiction, as is the history of most other equally ancient edifices. We know, however, that where the School, Abbey, and Cloisters now stand, there formerly existed a piece of ground overgrown with weeds and brambles, and surrounded by a branch of the Thames; this was called Thorney Island. John Kete, one of the early monks of the Abbey, tells us that a church was built here about the year 184 A.D., that this church was converted into a temple of one of their deities by the Saxons, but that it was afterwards restored to its former condition by Sebert. After this we hear little more of it until the time of Edward the Confessor, who, when much troubled by his enemies, vowed a pilgrimage to Rome if he should be victorious. Edward was successful, but his people naturally objected to his leaving his kingdom at such a critical time, so he procured a dispensation from his vow, and instead, devoted a great sum of money to building a new and magnificent Abbey to St. Peter, on Thorney Island. He was stimulated in this resolve by the vision of a devout monk of the name of Wulsius, who declared to Edward that St. Peter had desired him to build a church on Thorney Island. After the lapse of some years the Abbey was finished, and a day fixed for the consecration of it; it came to pass, however, the day before the festival, that a man told a poor fisherman, who happened to be employed near the spot, to ferry him across to Thorney Island, and await his return. While the fisherman was waiting, he heard the sound of chanting, and the Abbey seemed lighted up, and the entire ceremony of consecration was enacted. The stranger on his return, revealed himself to the awe-stricken fisherman as St. Peter, and ordered him to inform the king that there was no necessity for him to consecrate the Abbey, as he, St. Peter himself, had performed the service,

and he said also that they would find the marks of the candles and the oil in the Abbey as a proof; he then told the fisherman to cast out his net, and on his taking a miraculous draught of salmon, said that neither the fisherman nor his fellow-craftsmen should ever want, as long as ever they gave a portion to the Abbey. The fisherman told the king the story, and on sending to the Abbey, the droppings of the candles and the stains of the oil were found. These stories are, I venture to think, not only amusing from their quaintness, but are also interesting, as serving in some measure to illustrate the ideas of some ancestors who implicitly believed in them, and as bearing record to the existence of the splendid Abbey of the Confessor, of which little more than the Pix now remains.

PEN.

## Correspondence.

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PEN.—We are much obliged for your Contribution, which we have inserted.

C. H. H. C.—Your letter arrived too late for this Number, but it shall be inserted in our next.

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the *Etonian*, the *Wykehamist*, the *Carthusian*, the *Ulula*, the *School Magazine*, the *Meteor*, the *Wellingtonian*, and the *Radleian*.

### TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

DEAR SIR,—Your correspondent "E. et B.," with amusing earnestness, declares that unless he hears good reasons to the contrary, he will decline to consider his proposals anent Lamprobatatics either "useless, senseless, or impracticable." As a brilliant peroration this is, no doubt, a success, but I fear that such a remark argues the existence of some diffidence in "E. et B.'s" mind, as to the real importance of his proposal. Impracticable they can hardly be called, as there can be no possible difficulty in the rule being altered, if only people are agreed that such an alteration is necessary. The question is, whether they are in any way *useful* or *sensible*. Now when Harrow beat Eton year after year, it was suddenly discovered that the Harrow boys were allowed to stay at school longer than their opponents. Now that Eton is getting the upper hand, the countercharge is being raked up against them. Defeat is always difficult to swallow, the more so when there is no excuse which can be fairly urged to explain it away. I maintain that there is not the smallest need for any alteration in the rules for Lamprobatatics. For five years, while I was at Westminster, the Q.S.S. had all the best of the fight. Before that the T.B.B. had had their turn. Now, it seems, it is their turn again. When Oxford beat Cambridge ten years running in the Boat-race, the latter did not write and say, "Look here, let's make the boat that comes in last the winner. It's all skittles our trying to row as fast as you do; you are all so big and know how to row." And now they've had their turn. May I give the Under Elections to whom I fancy both

"Fair Play" and "E. et B." belong, a bit of advice? "Learn to bowl straight and hold catches, and don't try and shirk out of a match because you think you'll get a beating."

"E. et B." speaks in an airy way of the T.B.B. having a hundred or more to choose from. So they had always, but the majority of the gallant hundred are about three feet high, while the Under Elections are all between fourteen and seventeen. They used to win, why can't they now? Let them play up like men, not run away like babies. "E. et B." anticipates opposition from the T.B.B. I beg leave to say that I was in College, and for that very reason am unwilling to believe that the Under Elections have so far degenerated as to be unable to hold their own in Lamprobatatics.

Believe me, Sir, yours very truly,  
R. W. S. V.

### TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

DEAR SIR,—Now that so many questions about the Athletic Sports are being raised, I should like to propose that a new and rather amusing race should be instituted. I mean a "steeplechase," with one, or even two, wet ditches; one on either side of fields. They would not necessarily be large enough, or in such a position as to interfere with the cricket pitch. The earth taken out to make the ditch could be piled up in front of the ditch, and with some gorse or twigs of some sort stuck into the top of it would make a rather tough and interesting jump to look on at. Why also should not house races be organized? They are held at many other schools, and I believe, are supported well; even by smaller places than Westminster. The filling the ditches is an obstacle, if I may call it such, which could easily be surmounted; more especially if, as I hope, this suggestion meets with a small share of approval. Hoping that these suggestions may not be considered impracticable, and also that you may find room for its insertion in your next number.

I beg to subscribe myself, yours faithfully,  
AGILITY.

### TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

DEAR SIR,—The last number but one of the *Elizabethan* contained several answers to the letter of C. H. H. C., in which he has not, I think, been treated quite fairly. He is represented as advising us to "court publicity" at Lillie Bridge. Now, I am sure he does not mean anything of the kind. I believe he only implies that Lillie Bridge would be preferable to our grounds in their usual condition at Athletics. What he does advise us is, that the state of Vincent Square should be bettered, and no one can deny that in this he is right. The ground is really detestable for running upon; this, coupled with wrong measurement of the course, produces such results as the winner requiring nearly six minutes to finish the mile. Another defect C. H. H. C. points out is the want of accommodation in case of rain. Why could not one or two tents be pitched for the occasion, so that when the weather is unfavourable, the prizes need not be transferred to the School.

I am, &c., P. L. C.

### TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

DEAR SIR,—In your last number there appeared a letter signed "L. R.," in which there is made a proposal of starting a two-mile race; this, I venture to say, would be by no means popular, as the programme is already so dull and monotonous that, to my mind, a two-mile race would render it almost intolerable. Surely something better could be done to enliven it? Why not have a quarter-mile steeplechase with two wet ditches? some will object it will spoil the ground, nonsense! the ditches could be at opposite corners of the course, and would interfere with nothing. Or if that should not find favour, why not have a sack-race, or cricketers' race, the competitors to run in pads with a bat in their hands?

One can scarcely go to any sports anywhere without finding one of the three above-mentioned races. Hoping that these proposals may find some stronger voice than mine to support them.

I remain, Sir, yours, &c.

H. P. R.

[Several other Communications have been excluded from want of space, but will appear in our next Number.—ED.]

**Floreat.**