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ON ENTHUSIASM.

EXACTLY a year ago in these columns there appeared an article commenting on the poorness of the singing in Abbey during the services on Saints' Days. But this is not the only place in which the School is unwilling to use its lungs. Few strangers can come Up-fields to watch the football matches without being struck by the lack of enthusiasm which the average fellow displays towards the game. When the School gets a goal a great roar, as a rule, goes up from the 'railings'; the boys inside content themselves with a few claps. While the game is going on practically no one shouts to encourage the eleven. Yet few, we think, will deny that a team that is well cheered on can give a much better account of itself than

one that has to play without any encouragement. At any other school, with which we are acquainted, it is taken for granted that all those who are not playing for the school do their best to support it by shouting. Why is it, then, that at Westminster the case is so very different?

It is not because the School cannot shout. That idea is disproved by such games as those against Charterhouse and Winchester. In House-Matches, too, quite a reasonable amount of enthusiasm is shown. Even in Juniors there is more shouting than there is over the average First Eleven match. If, therefore, it is not because the School cannot shout, it must be because it will not. We are sorry to have to admit it, but we believe that the real reason why the School team has to play in a chilling silence on the part of the School is, that very many of the fellows take but little interest in

the result of the match. This cause shows its effect in two ways. First, in preventing some people from going Up-fields to watch a match at all; secondly, in preventing others from shouting if they do go up. No one who has watched how there is a regular rush to see who can get off the ground first after the referee has whistled for 'time' can believe that those fellows were taking a very keen interest in the game. And the small attendance, too, has a bad effect on those who are present. In spite of all that is said, it seems clear that most school-boys, at Westminster at any rate, are shy of giving full vent to their lung power, if by so doing they are likely to draw attention to themselves. In a big crowd, where everyone is shouting, they will make all the noise they can, but when they are standing about in groups of two or three they prefer to keep silence.

We do not mean to imply that things are worse now than they have ever been before. But the causes we have mentioned above have been at work for some time now, and their effect is fairly well matured. When the present senior fellows in the School first came to Westminster they went Up-fields, and found that to shout during matches was the exception rather than the rule. Hence they have grown up not to shout themselves, and now, when they ought to be setting an example in this respect, they neglect their opportunity. Let them show how to shout, and the younger fellows will be willing enough to imitate them.

Even since these words were first written some improvement in the desired direction has been made. Let us hope that this improvement will be lasting and substantial.

THE MISSION.

A COMMITTEE MEETING was held in the Old Library on Friday, November 12, 1909, to transact annual business. His Honour Judge Wheeler, K.C., was in the chair. The year's reports were read and carried, and are printed *in extenso* in the Annual Report. It was decided to spend various sums of money on improvements to the Mission Rooms, but once again it was pointed out that what was needed most was personal service. A hope was expressed that in the future more O.W.W. would be found ready to offer this service.

Obituary.

WE record with much regret the death of the Rev. C. A. JONES, which took place on July 30. Mr. Jones was a familiar figure at Westminster in the seventies and early eighties. He was a member of St. John's College, Cambridge, and took his degree as fifteenth wrangler in 1857. He was ordained in the next year, and after taking a curacy in Cambridge, he became Chaplain of his old College in 1861. He came to Westminster in 1863 as Mathematical master, and for seventeen years presided over the fortunes of Grant's. In 1885 he was appointed Vicar of Dedham, and spent the last years of his life in that pleasant Essex vale, which the pictures of Constable have immortalised. He was made Rural Dean in 1890, but latterly his health failed. He resigned his living in 1906, but continued to live at Dedham until his death. In his will Mr. Jones has left a sum of money to the School to perpetuate the prize which he has annually given for mathematics.

The School has lost another friend in the person of the Rev. WILLIAM BATLEY. He is perhaps best known to us as the donor of the Toplady Prizes for Divinity.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

OMITTED from our last issue:—

SACKVILLE, CHARLES, 6th Earl of Dorset, b. 1638, d. 1706. Courtier.

SAVAGE, RICHARD, 4th Earl Rivers, b. 1660, d. 1712. General.

We much regret that our list for this month must be held over till our next issue.

School Notes.

WE wish it to be particularly noted that this year the Play will begin not, as heretofore, at 7.30, but at 8 P.M.

The Mission Offertory on the festival of St. Simon and St. Jude amounted to 3*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*

There was a Sat.: Sun.: Mon.: from 3.30 P.M. on Friday, November 5, till 9.30 A.M. on Tuesday, November 9.

On Friday, November 19, the Headmaster gave a lecture Up-School on 'Ancient Rome.' The lecture was illustrated by some excellent lantern slides.

R. A. Graham regained his Pinks after the match against R.M.A., Woolwich.

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

1909.

Sat.	Oct. 2	v.	Lancing Old Boys. (Drawn, 0-0.)
"	" 9	v.	Old Westminsters. (Drawn, 1-1.)
"	2nd XI.	v.	Old Westminsters A. (Lost, 2-4.)
Wed.	Oct. 13	v.	Old Bradfield Boys. (Drawn, 2-2.)
Sat.	" 16	v.	Casuals. (Lost, 0-2.)
Wed.	" 20	v.	Outcasts. (Drawn, 2-2.)
Sat.	" 23	v.	Old Brightonians. (Won, 1-0.)
"	2nd XI.	v.	Old Westminsters A. (Lost, 1-2.)
"	Oct. 30	v.	Clapham Rovers. (Lost, 2-3.)
Wed.	Nov. 3	v.	R.M.A., Woolwich. (Won, 2-1.)
"	Nov. 13	v.	Kenley. (Lost, 1-2.)
"	Colts	v.	Old Westminsters B. (Won, 8-3.)
"	Nov. 20	v.	Old Etonians. (Won, 4-0.)
"	2nd XI.	v.	King's College A. (Won, 3-2.)
"	Nov. 27	v.	Old Wykehamists.
Wed.	Dec. 1	v.	St. Thomas's Hospital.
Sat.	" 4	v.	Old Berkamstedians.
"	Colts	v.	Old Westminsters B.
"	Dec. 11	v.	Emeriti.
"	2nd XI.	v.	Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.
"	Dec. 18	v.	Old Malvernians.

1910.

Sat.	Jan. 22	v.	Old Aldenhamians.
"	Colts	v.	Old Westminsters B.
"	Jan. 29	v.	Beckenham.
"	2nd XI.	v.	Old Westminsters A.
Wed.	Feb. 2	v.	Mr. S. S. Harris's XI.
Sat.	" 5	v.	Old Etonians.
"	Colts	v.	Old Westminsters B.
Wed.	Feb. 9	v.	Old Westminsters.
Sat.	" 12	v.	Casuals.
"	2nd XI.	v.	King's College A.
Sat.	Feb. 19	v.	Old Felstedians.
"	2nd XI.	v.	Old Cranleighans 2nd XI.
"	Feb. 26	v.	Charterhouse (at Vincent Square).
Thurs.	Mar. 3	v.	Winchester (at Winchester).
Sat.	" 5	v.	Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.
"	2nd XI.	v.	Old Westminsters A.
Sat.	Mar. 12	v.	An Eton XI. (at Eton).
Sat.	" 19	K.SS. v. T.BB.	

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OUTCASTS.

PLAYED Up-fields on Wednesday, October 20. The visitors kicked off from the Hospital end, and after some even play Cooke nearly scored from close quarters. Soon afterwards he was knocked badly in the mouth and his place was taken by Rudd. The visitors pressed, Vassall being most prominent, and had it not been for fine play by Rawson in goal they would have scored many times. They were rewarded just before half-time, the ball being placed in the net before Rawson could recover himself after stopping a shot from Vassall (0-1).

The first part of the second half chiefly concerned H. Rawson, who was playing a fine game, but in trying to clear with a man rushing him, he kicked the ball against his brother, and it rebounded into the net (0-2). The School then seemed to wake up, and Goodall concluded a pretty piece of combination by scoring with a fine cross shot (1-2). Soon afterwards Goodall again scored after good combination, and the game ended in a draw, a very creditable performance. H. Rawson saved the side time after time, and was magnificent throughout.

SCHOOL.

H. F. R. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, R. R. Rawson, W. F. Lutyens (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, J. F. Goodall, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

OUTCASTS.

R. B. Scholfield (goal); S. H. Day, W. U. Timmis (backs); J. S. Hughes, S. Powell, E. F. Wise (halves); H. Hughes Onslow, G. C. Vassall, B. Tuff, K. L. Gibson, G. Aspinall (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD BRIGHTONIANS.

This match was played Up-fields on Saturday, October 23. The School kicked off from the Hospital end, and the visitors nearly scored immediately, but Hammond saved with good presence of mind by getting into goal when Rawson ran out. H. Rawson was soon called upon to save shots, and he did so thrice in masterly manner, and Graham and Rudd took the ball to the other end, and Graham scored with a lightning shot from a very difficult angle (1-0).

After half-time the visitors pressed hard, but Rawson in goal was brilliant, and their efforts were fruitless. For the School Graham and Rudd ran down, but Marriott missed an easy chance. Goodall had bad luck just before the end with a good low shot, but no further scoring resulted, and the School were left victors in a fast and very even game.

SCHOOL.

H. F. R. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, R. R. Rawson, W. F. Lutyens (halves); R. A. Graham, G. B. F. Rudd, T. F. C. Marriott, J. F. Goodall, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

OLD BRIGHTONIANS.

G. R. Goldingham (goal); L. F. Duckworth, A. C. Rope (backs); L. F. Dower, A. L. Corbett, F. L. King (halves); S. A. Wheeler, W. B. Blatch, Rev. A. H. Belcher, C. E. Hoffmeister, R. C. S. Johnstone (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* CLAPHAM ROVERS.

Played Up-fields on Saturday, October 30. The visitors kicked off, and attacked on the left wing, but only to force a fruitless corner. Even play followed, and Feasey got away on the School left wing, and his centre went in the goal as a superb dropping shot, thus opening the score. Soon afterwards Cooke got within short range, but managed to shoot wide. The visitors then got away on the right, and the centre-forward scored. Before the interval Graham and Marriott failed miserably from close range.

Soon after the restart the visitors got away on the right, and the outside scored with a fine shot, but immediately afterwards Goodall received a pretty pass and equalised with a hot shot. But the visitors were not to be beaten, and the inside right added a third goal. This was the end of the scoring, but Goodall and Feasey missed chances for the School.

CLAPHAM ROVERS.

F. V. Kirk (goal); W. R. Morris, W. J. Orr (backs); H. J. Hall, J. V. Reed, A. E. Begg (halves); H. A. Bliss, A. H. Hechler, A. L. Gray, L. D. Looker, E. S. Millar (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, R. R. Rawson, W. F. Lutyens (halves); R. A. Graham, G. B. F. Rudd, T. F. C. Marriott, J. F. Goodall, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* R.M.A., WOOLWICH.

Played Up-fields on Wednesday, November 3, in a bad light, and resulted in a win (2—1). The School kicked off, and the game opened fast, good shots being put in for the visitors by the inside left and centre half, while Rudd hit the upright for the School. Graham then got away, and Goodall rushed the goalkeeper and scored. Graham again got away, and Cooke scored off his centre. Goodall had bad luck just before half time, hitting the bar with a fine shot.

The School pressed continually in the second half but unsuccessfully, and just on time the visitors got a corner, from which the centre-half scored with a fine shot.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. R. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, R. R. Rawson, A. C. Edgar (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, J. F. Goodall, G. B. F. Rudd, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

R.M.A.

Drew (goal); Pepé, Fletcher (backs); Dieull, Wilson, Jones-Bateman (halves); Barkinshaw, Graham, Evans, Peach, Graves (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* KENLEY.

This match was played Up-fields on Saturday, November 13, and resulted in a most unlucky defeat (2—1). The game opened evenly, the visitors doing a little the more pressing, but neither side got very near goal. The monotony was relieved by a good run by Cooke, who centred well, with the result that Marriott scored. The School pressed, but did not score, though good shots by Rudd and Goodall went near. Immediately after half-time the visitors pressed, and the centre-forward scored with a good shot. The School now pressed hotly, but to no purpose, and just before the end the visitors forced a corner, from which the centre-forward shot the winning goal.

As may be seen, the School team was somewhat changed, Graham playing centre-half, where he did a great deal of work, and Cooke playing outside-right, where his pace helped him more.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. R. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, R. A. Graham, W. F. Lutyens (halves); R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, T. F. C. Marriott, J. F. Goodall, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

KENLEY.

C. B. Densham (goal); J. P. May, A. Lockie (backs); R. R. C. McKennay, J. D. Griffiths, A. E. Sandell (halves); J. B. Densham, W. C. Morgan, C. G. H. Bellamy, K. T. H. Bell, C. M. Cooper (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. *v.* O.W.W. A.

This match, played Up-fields on Saturday, October 23, resulted in a win for the visitors by 2—1.

The School were first to press and forced two fruitless corners, followed by one to the visitors, from which they nearly scored, and good shots were put in by the left half and centre-half. The School did most of the pressing, and were unlucky not to score, but just before half-time Wyatt ran down on the visitors' right wing, and Coleby scored from his centre.

The School did nearly all the pressing in the second half, but the visitors scored again, Coleby getting through well and scoring a good goal. The School were rewarded soon, Tyson dribbling prettily through the defence and scoring a good

goal. This was the extent of the scoring, and the 2nd XI. were unlucky to be beaten.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, 2ND XI.

B. M. Hallward (goal); W. D. L. Purves, E. H. Gray (backs); A. B. Johnson, D. M. McManus, F. W. Pink (halves); K. D. Murray, E. J. Tyson, H. S. Price, W. E. Young, C. V. Miles (forwards).

O.W.W. A.

R. Hill (sub.) (goal); R. Winter, Capt. Chatterton (backs); F. Bristow, G. Hepburn, M. Chappelowe (halves); P. H. Wyatt, H. C. Macpherson, E. Coleby, E. S. Wood, E. Parker (sub.) (forwards).

COLTS v. O.W.W. B.

Played Up-fields on Saturday, October 30, and resulted, after a one-sided game, in a win for the Colts by 8—3.

The score at half time was 3—2, Price having scored all three for the Colts, and Lonsdale and Chappelowe for the visitors. Just after the restart Price put the Colts further ahead, but the margin was soon afterwards reduced by the visitors. After this, however, the Colts had it nearly all their own way, and goals were scored by Price, making his total five, Rudd two, and Monier-Williams one.

COLTS.

R. Hill (goal); R. F. Potter, A. G. Leck (backs); A. Cardew, D. McManus, F. W. Pink (halves); R. Monier-Williams, H. N. Hume, H. S. Price, G. B. F. Rudd, W. S. Gray (forwards).

O.W.W. B.

F. S. Fleuret (goal); A. L. Fraser, F. Bristow (backs); E. C. Gates, A. L. Clark-Kennedy, G. L. Worlock (halves); W. R. Lonsdale, H. C. Macpherson, M. Chappelowe, H. M. Garrett, W. Walker (forwards).

COLTS v. CLAPHAM ROVERS III.

This match was played Up-fields on Saturday, November 13, and a pleasant game resulted in a draw of one goal each. After both goals had been visited the Clapham Rovers attacked, and the centre-half scored. The Colts retaliated some time afterwards, Price scoring. At half-time the score was 1—1. The Colts pressed in the second half, but there was no further score, two good centres by Monier-Williams being missed badly.

COLTS.

R. Hill (goal); R. F. Potter, J. M. de Slubicki (backs); C. G. Cardew, D. M. McManus, J. C. Hobson (halves); R. Monier-Williams, H. N. Hume, H. S. Price, J. W. H. McCulloch, W. S. Gray (forwards).

CLAPHAM ROVERS III.

W. W. Millar (goal); J. D. Hawkins, H. E. Smith (backs); D. W. Roberts, A. E. Taylor, A. S. Macdonald (halves); R. P. C. Dale, F. D. Bisseker, F. W. Howells, K. P. J. McIver, H. T. K. Robinson (forwards).

'UNDER FIFTEEN' XI. v. ABBEY CHOIR, SCHOOL.

This match, played Up-fields on Wednesday, November 3, proved a very one-sided game, the visitors being too small, although clever at times.

In the first half McCulloch scored four goals, the Choristers very rarely getting within shooting distance. The second half was on the same lines, McCulloch adding two more goals, and the result was a win of 6—0.

UNDER FIFTEEN XI.

H. A. Carless (goal); K. T. D. Wilcox, F. R. C. Cobbold (backs); C. G. Cardew, H. George, N. Barraclough (halves); L. C. Gates, S. F. Waterson, S. L. Holmes, J. W. H. McCulloch, O. Lel. Sibley.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	K.SS.	A.H.	R.	G.	H.BB.	Points
K.SS.	—		D 1-1			= 1
A.H.		—	W 3-1	W 1-0	W 7-1	= 6
R.	D 1-1	L 1-3	—			= 1
G.		L 0-1		—	W 4-0	= 2
H.BB.		L 1-7		L 0-4	—	= 0

WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

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

Captains:—

A	E. B. Shaw.	E	R. Monier-Williams.
B	J. M. Holroyd.	F	W. L. Selby.
C	J. M. de Slubicki.	G	J. C. Hobson.
D	J. W. N. Smith.	H	G. L. Brown.

FIVES.

THE first and second rounds of the School Ties have resulted as follows. In the first round—

M. Hammond and E. J. Tyson	} beat (2-0)	W. F. Lutyens and D. F. Jerrold
A. C. Edgar and J. C. Hobson		} beat (2-0)
H. F. R. Rawson and G. B. F. Rudd	} beat (2-0)	
P. S. Ham and W. E. Young		} beat (2-0)

In the second round—

E. C. K. Clarke and W. D. L. Purves	} beat (2-0)	R. C. Cooke and T. F. C. Marriott
H. F. R. Rawson and G. B. F. Rudd		} beat (2-0)
G. G. Feasey and E. H. Gray	} beat (2-1)	
A. C. Edgar and J. C. Hobson.		} beat (2-1)

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE Society met on October 21 to discuss the motion 'That this House deplores the increasing popularity of Aviation.'

The Proposer (The VICE-PRESIDENT) opened the debate by drawing attention to the obvious advances made of late in the service of aviation and in its popularity. But he was afraid that for many reasons this was far from an unalloyed blessing. All accidents in the air were bound to be fatal, for the danger both to the fallen and the fallen-upon was very grave. Next he said that a friend of his conversant with the subject said that in twenty-four hours it would be possible to pass from Germany to London with an explosive sufficient to wipe out that city. The loss of life through the popularity of the pastime would be great; at present aeroplanes were a mere toy supported by those who had a morbid craving to fly through the air.

The Opposer (W. F. LUTYENS) pointed out the delights of flying, to which, if safe, no pleasure was comparable. But naturally expense would debar many people from possessing aeroplanes, so that the accidents would really be very slight—besides, well-arranged parachutes might overcome that difficulty. Early steam engines and hobby

horses had at first been considered dangerous, but who was afraid of them now? Similarly we should get over our fear of the air in time. The difficulty at present was to balance properly in the air, but the Opposer assured the House that this would soon be overcome. Aeroplanes might be used for travelling and saving wrecks and other sundry purposes.

The Seconder (G. C. FORMILLI) questioned the delight of flying; he said flying was a bad as sailing in a rough sea. Man was not made to fly, else he would have wings. Leaping from an aeroplane was an obvious method of suicide. Aviators would cause public danger by throwing down bottles or themselves. Finally smuggling would re-appear in a way impossible to prevent, and bombs could so easily be dropped from a car.

The Opposer explained to the seconder that men are not light enough to float, yet they swim the Channel; why, then, should they not learn to fly? The discussion turned for some time on the capability of aeroplanes to carry bombs, until L. RICE-OXLEY rose and pointed out that the increase of aviation would increase trade in a way dangerous to the human race.

The SECRETARY failed to see how there was any present danger of an increase of trade by the cockle-shell aeroplanes. He would seriously like to know what the Seconder meant by saying that man was not made to fly because he had no wings: he has no gills and no fins and yet he carries on plenty of maritime trade. Man was evolved for the very purpose of conquering the water and air. Aerial travelling would be particularly useful, both for speed and in traversing places otherwise impassable, but against these advantages must be set the dangers of accidents, the enhanced perils of war—a thing horrible enough already—and the impossibility of preserving any frontiers.

The Proposer wound up the debate with a few words, and the Motion was then put before the House and lost by 15 votes to 6.

The next meeting was held on Wednesday, October 27, when the following Motion was discussed: 'That in the opinion of this House membership of the Officers' Training Corps should be compulsory.'

The Proposer (E. B. SHAW) began by requesting his hearers to regard the Motion without prejudice, and then treated the subject from two standpoints—that of the British nation, and that of Westminster School. The nation, he said, needs defenders, and in order to defend his country a soldier must be able to shoot well, and to drill. Now the Officers' Training Corps is intended to provide officers to the important Territorial Force, and it is therefore incumbent upon the O.T.C. to see that its members are efficient and capable of

making others so. Then, turning to the scholastic side of the question, he traced the development of school cadet corps to the present day, when the widespread nature of the system provides an excellent field for healthy competition with other schools. The difficulties of recruiting under the present system are indescribable. The uses of camp life were great, and the opportunities that life affords for competition with other schools cannot be overrated. Unless there was a great change in keenness, the Proposer declared our Corps would not increase, and therefore at Westminster and, indeed, all public schools, every boy over a certain age, provided he was not physically incapable, should be made to join the Corps. The introduction of compulsory games had doubtless originally caused as much opposition as the introduction of compulsory Corps would do.

The Opposer (M. HAMMOND) stated that compulsory Corps was neither more nor less than conscription. If people are forced to do a thing they do not do it well; a coward in battle takes the first opportunity of running away. Many people have not the time required to give to training, and others have not the money. At Westminster the introduction of compulsory training would not only throw an unruly mob into the ranks, but also dishearten the volunteers. Again, if the whole School had to be exercised in drill and musketry it would be impossible to supply the time and space necessary. Camp could not be made compulsory because it occurs in the holidays. Nobody, he urged, after being sickened with training at School, would think of joining the Territorial Force. Field-days would be spoilt by people going down merely to enjoy themselves. In form-drills in the School sufficient training was given to enable us afterwards to join the Territorials in an emergency. To sum up, the Corps would be ruined by this conscription destructive, as it was, to all the enthusiasm which had hitherto prevailed in the institution.

The Seconder (the SECRETARY) opposed that it would be impossible to find time for all necessary exercises if necessary at odd times during school hours. The interest of members of the Corps is undoubtedly aroused as they receive instruction, and hence keenness would not decrease. Against the objection that people have not time to devote to the Corps he mentioned some recent O.W.W. who had found time to do everything successfully, including the O.T.C. Nobody objected to compulsory games subscriptions, why should they object to a compulsory Corps subscription? The whole matter must be treated seriously, for it was our duty to provide plenty of officers for the Territorials; only outsiders were not kept upon the Corps. To say—as some said—that quality was what was wanted, not quantity, was ridiculous. With capable officers like ours quantity could not be detrimental to quality.

The VICE-PRESIDENT then rose, and while admitting that we needed a larger Corps, asserted that compulsion was odious to all. Schools did not and could not drill against one another. Man can only gain courage by experience of fighting. If all were forced to join their first battles would be their deaths.

The Proposer pointed out that the O.T.C. was not a fighting machine, but merely intended to provide teaching for officers. As regards competition among schools, it was always considered a point of honour that schools should vie with each other in tidiness of lines at Camp and in general smartness.

A. C. EDGAR pointed out that a compulsory O.T.C. would make over-crowding Up-fields and in the Gymnasium unnecessary. No more stamina would be required for field-days than for football. Because people went to a field-day to enjoy themselves they did not necessarily spoil it.

After some further remarks by the VICE-PRESIDENT, P. H. MALDEN, and F. C. DOHERTY, the President put the Question to the House, and a show of hands gave, against the Motion 6 votes, for the Motion 5 votes.

The following is the list of Debates for Play Term, 1909:—

Sept. 30.—Impromptu Debates.

Oct. 7.—‘That in the opinion of this House the Theatrical Censorship should be abolished.’ Proposer, K. D. Murray; Seconder, E. Scott; Opposer, W. S. Gray. (Lost by acclamation.)

Oct. 14.—‘That this House considers Dr. Cook’s statements entirely to be relied upon.’ Proposer, P. H. Malden; Seconder, F. C. Doherty; Opposer, A. K. Gilmour. (Ayes, 7; Noes, 8.)

Oct. 21.—‘That this House deplores the increasing popularity of Aviation.’ Proposer, E. C. K. Clarke; Seconder, G. C. Formilli; Opposer, W. F. Lutyens. (Lost by acclamation.)

Oct. 28.—‘That in the opinion of this House membership of the O.T.C. should be compulsory.’ Proposer, E. B. Shaw; Seconder, E. W. Williamson; Opposer, M. Hammond. (Ayes, 5; Noes, 6.)

Nov. 4.—‘That this House deplores the present land-owning system of the country.’ Proposer, F. G. Hobson; Seconder, A. K. Gilmour; Opposer, E. H. Gray. (Lost by acclamation.)

Nov. 11.—‘That in the opinion of this House the quantity of modern literature is detrimental to the quality.’ Proposer, G. P. Antrobus; Seconder, S. Codd; Opposer, P. H. Malden. (Lost by acclamation.)

Nov. 18.—‘That this House considers there is no truth in the saying, “Without arms there can be no justice.”’ Proposer, P. S. Ham; Seconder, G. G. Feasey; Opposer, F. G. Hobson. (Lost by acclamation.)

Nov. 25.—‘That this House considers the fall of the British Empire among the civilised nations likely to take place in the twentieth century.’ Proposer, J. W. N. Smith; Seconder, L. Rice-Oxley; Opposer, M. Holroyd.

Dec. 2.—‘That in the opinion of this House the means employed by the Suffragettes are justified by the end.’ Proposer, E. A. Meyer; Seconder, R. C. Cooke; Opposer, D. J. Jerrold.

Dec. 9.—Impromptu Debates.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

THE Society met on October 23, when A. C. Edgar read a paper on 'Wasps.' The lecturer said that although everyone knew the wasp by sight, they had probably not realised how interesting an insect it was. He then gave a short description of the various parts of the body of the wasp. In structure the wasp differs from the bee in having no honey-carrying apparatus on its fore-legs, and its waist is also extremely slender, being little more than a thread and forming a poor connection between the parts of the body. The head is the most interesting portion of the wasp; in it are the wonderful compound eyes and powerful jaws with which it does all its work; the whole head being protected by a stiff coating of hairs. The wings are four in number, and not, as is generally stated, two. The lecturer then described the sting in detail, and after this description of the parts of the body, gave a minute account of the building up of each nest. How the queen wasp, the sole survivor of last year's brood, by her own labours builds a home and hatches out the first workers. Assisted by these the nest rapidly grows, and probably breaks up into other swarms.

The Society met on Saturday, October 30, when Mr. E. Kay Robinson read a very interesting paper on 'The Evolution of Life.' As an example of heredity he took the case of his own and his two brothers' methods of playing football; although all three at different schools, each at his own school received a nickname of one of the bovine species from his way of playing football. Now there is a German theory that the minute germ cell from which the human being starts has certain ingrams upon it. These represent the peculiarities and characteristics of the human being to come, so that by means of a powerful microscope it would be possible to foretell these could we interpret the ingrams. This, however, is a very improbable theory. Darwin in his theory of the Evolution of Life was wrong in considering that the force of circumstances was the cause for the development of peculiarities and variations for the better equipment of the animal to go through life. The lecturer's theory was that the current of life throughout creation was always varying; and in that way the force of the current of life differed from all the other so-called dead forces of the world. Mankind might control the dead forces but could never control the force of life. Moreover, all the variations in form and character were only the outcome of the current of life passing through the species and all tended to the improvement of the species. This view of nature puts mankind in his proper place,

at the head of creation, since he alone can think, animals being subject only to instinct. Human beings are essentially different from animals in that they have self-consciousness and the power to distinguish between right and wrong. Ever since that time mankind has been steadily improving and becoming more civilised. Under this conception science and religion need not disagree, for we can conceive that God gave life to the world, and that life will at last be perfected in God.

We regret that we cannot publish this lecture at greater length with the many instances that were given to support the theories put forward. We, however, take this opportunity of thanking Mr. E. Kay Robinson for his kindness in coming and giving us a lecture, and hope he may do so again.

The Society met on Saturday, November 13, when E. Hawke read a paper on 'Extinct British Lepidoptera.' He explained the difficulty that arose in reading such a paper in the interpretation of the terms 'extinct' and 'British,' and gave his own interpretation of the terms, considering as British any insect which had more than once been caught in Britain. He then gave a short account of the method of extinction of some species, taking the Large Copper, once common in this country, as a typical instance. Its extinction was due to the draining of the Cambridgeshire Fens, and the persecution of the entomologists who carelessly destroyed both male and female, making no attempt to save the species. Among the truly extinct species comes first the Long-Tailed Swallow-Tail. Very few specimens have ever been taken of this, but it is undoubtedly a British insect. Then comes the Apollo butterfly, once taken in some numbers in the North but now quite extinct. The Black Veined White and the Bath White are two butterflies whose disappearance can in no way be accounted for; the latter is, however, still occasionally taken on the South Downs. The other specimens which the lecturer chose and described were the Camberwell Beauty, the Queen of Spain Fritillary, the Mazarine Blue, the Large Blue and the Short-Tailed Blue, and among the moths, the Spurge Hawk, the Oleander Hawk, the Large Speckled Footman, and several others. He then urged the members of the Society never to buy specimens or chrysalides from dealers, or to assist in the extinction of a species which was becoming rare.

The lecturer also had specimens of nearly all the extinct species that he described, and amongst others the last Large Copper ever caught in England.

Owing to an unfortunate mistake, Mr. Wootton's lecture was announced in the Society's card for

November 20, whereas November 27 is the correct date. F. G. Hobson, who is announced for November 27, will read on November 20.

SHAKESPEARIAN SOCIETY.

SINCE the beginning of the term the Society has read the following plays: 'The Tempest,' 'King John,' 'The Rivals' of Sheridan, and 'Hamlet.' In the last named Mr. C. C. Treat (O.W.) kindly took the part of 'Hamlet' and three very successful meetings were held.

House Notes.

K.SS.—Again we must open our Notes with congratulations—to A. C. Edgar and G. B. F. Rudd on appearing for the School, and to the latter also on getting his 3rd XI. Colours. We still have one or two representatives in the 2nd XI., and several K.SS. were in the team that defeated the Choir school. Our Juniors could only succeed in drawing with Rigaud's, but we hope they will do better at the next attempt. We offer our sincere condolences to W. F. Lutyens on the unfortunate accident which prevents him playing football for the present. We trust his period of inaction will be but short. Several K.SS. were successful in the recent promotion examination of the O.T.C.

Rehearsals are now in full swing, and well they may be, for we have practically only one old actor with us. We hope, however, to maintain the high level of excellence set for us in previous years. Energy in this direction has caused Fives Ties to languish somewhat, but we believe that, owing to the importunity of their manager, they are somewhere near the Semi-final round. Chess Ties, too, have made considerable progress since our last Notes appeared.

The meetings of the Literary Society have been somewhat interrupted lately, but we have finished reading 'King Henry VIII.' and are about to embark on 'Twelfth Night.' Finally, we wish the best of luck to all who are trying for Scholarships this month.

ASHBURNHAM.—Our first duty this month is to congratulate our Juniors on their well deserved victories over Rigaud's (3-1), over Grant's (1-0), and over H.BB. (7-1). We also congratulate Mr. E. D. Pinks on winning the Colquhoun Sculls, having beaten a Blue in the second round. Congratulations are also due to Mr. W. B. Harris on being elected a member of the Corinthian F.C.

The Ashburnham Witan and the H.BB. Debating Society have been revived under the name of the Homeburnham Debating Society, and a very successful initial meeting was held on November 14.

GRANT'S.—We notice with pleasure the name of Mr. F. Low, K.C. (O.G.) among the new knights in the Birthday Honours. We must also congratulate Mr. R. Hodder Williams (O.G.) on winning the Duke Prize for French at Christ Church, and Mr. E. D. Adrian (O.G.), on winning the Novice's Fencing at Cambridge.

In Juniors we were beaten by Ashburnham (1-0). The game was a very even one, and it would be difficult to say which was really the better side. Yard and Five Ties are being slowly played off, although considerable difficulty has been found in getting time to play. Our congratulations are also due to Graham on regaining his Pinks and to Hodgson, Gilmour, Hobson, and Pemberton on their promotion to the rank of Lance-Corporal. We wish success to Rawson and Marriott in their respective Scholarship examinations at the end of the term, and to Tomlinson and Brown in 'Little go.' The Literary Society had a very successful reading of 'The Scheming Lieutenant,' and is now engaged with 'As You Like It.'

H.BB.—The first event that deserves mention in our Notes this month is the revival of the Ashburnham Witan and the H.BB. Debating Society. These Societies have been revived under the name of the Homeburnham Debating Society, and a very successful initial meeting was held on November 14.

We were sorry to see that our weakened Junior team was beaten by Ashburnham; in this match Ekin played very well, and he, together with several others, should be extremely useful to the House next year.

We are glad to see that Young has been playing for the School again, and that the House is always well represented in the 2nd XI. and Colts' matches. Finally we congratulate Feasey and Gray on reaching the semi-final of the School Fives Ties, and hope that they will continue their success; we also congratulate Mr. C. M. L. Circuit on being asked to play for Middlesex.

RIGAUD'S.—Again House Notes are asked for at the most inopportune moment. We must begin by congratulation R. E. Thomson on passing his Woolwich qualifying examination. Also we must congratulate MacManus on his promotion to Lance-Sergeant; at the same time we condole with those who were unsuccessful. We wish Clarke every success in his Certificate 'A.' Leck, Gray, Slubick, and Hill have all appeared for the Colts, and we have been regularly represented by three members

of the house in the team ; we hope each one will keep his position. In the second round of Juniors we drew with College (1-1), our defence, as usual, being the only good part of the team.

Yard Ties have just been drawn, and some very interesting games should ensue.

Old Westminsters.

MR. F. LOW, K.C., has received the honour of the Knighthood. He is to be a candidate for Ipswich at the General Election. Among the other Westminsters standing are Mr. F. T. H. Bernard for St. Austels, Mr. W. E. Horne for Guildford, and the Hon. R. D. Denman for Carlisle.

Mr. R. A. E. Voysey is among the successful candidates for commissions in the Royal Artillery.

Mr. John Aston is a second Henty. His last story, 'In the New Forest,' written in conjunction with Mr. Strang, deals with the days of the Conqueror.

Mr. M. L. Gwyer's Fellowship of All Souls' College expires this year, but he has been elected to another Fellowship in the College.

The Rev. G. G. Wilkinson has been appointed Priest in Ordinary to the King.

Mr. C. T. Agar has been called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn.

At Cambridge Mr. E. D. Pinks has won the Colquhoun Sculls. It is nearly fifty years since this feat was last achieved by an Old Westminster.

Mr. W. Bonavia-Hunt has been appointed to the Headmastership of Kilburn Grammar School.

Births.

ON August 26, the wife of A. L. Foster, R.A.M.C., of a son.

On October 25, the wife of Horace C. Waterfield, of a daughter.

On November 13, the wife of Harry Rowsell Blaker, of a daughter.

Marriages.

OSBORNE—WADMAN.—On October 28, William Stanley Osborne to Winifred, daughter of Albert Wadman, of Firle, Sussex.

NAPIER—HARKEY.—On September 7, Phillip Henry Napier to Gabrielle Jean Harkey.

VERNON—ADAMS.—On November 2, Frank Allardyce Vernon to Violet Naomi, only daughter of John Adams, of Bedford Park.

BARNBY—CLUNES.—On November 13, Laurence Yorke Barnby to Jess, second daughter of James Clunes, of Palace Court.

Obituary.

The death of THOMAS JONES PROUT removes the last Westminster student of Christ Church who held under the original tenure for life. He entered the School in 1836, and was elected head to Christ Church in 1842. From that date he resided continuously on his studentship, with which he held for more than thirty years the small vicarage of Binsey in the outskirts of Oxford. He became a benefactor to the House by repairing Tom Tower at his own charges. Of spare and active form he retained his vigour to the last, and will be much missed by many friends.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Christ Church,
Oxford.

SIR,—The lateness of this letter makes my news rather out of date, but I give it such as it is. In schools, G. R. Y. Radcliffe and E. F. C. Mosse took firsts in Greats, H. I. P. Hallett and S. McKenna seconds in History, O. H. Walters a second in Chemistry, and W. F. H. Waterfield a third in Mathematics. Mosse and A. G. R. Henderson are in the I.C.S., and Walters in the Forestry; Radcliffe is occupying himself in town with the study of the law, while McKenna still hangs about the House, doing nothing in particular to justify his existence. Meanwhile Hardy has been winning a Company Shooting Cup. You have sent us a good selection of freshers to replace those who have gone down, and they are all distinguishing themselves in one way or another. J. C. Gow with ten

others is winning the House soccer matches; C. K. Covington keeps goal for the 2nd XI; G. L. Troutbeck has been rowing with such energy that he can row no more this term, while R. M. Barrington Ward, J. L. Benvenuti and O. Lewis continue to set forth their views on questions of the day at the Union.

Two more items of a different character: R. W. Hodder-Williams has just secured a Duke prize for French, and W. F. H. Waterfield has fallen a victim to the tender passion, and is engaged to be married. I must apologise for this rather disjointed epistle, and will conclude by wishing you the greatest possible success for the Play.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
EX AERDE CHRISTI.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Trinity College,
Cambridge:

DEAR SIR,—We have to record the usual number of Freshmen this term. In addition to Bonner, Thoresby-Jones and Pite, elected to Trinity, we have met Yollond at Caius, Tanner and Hill at Pembroke, Wade and Geare at Queens', Hart and Longhurst. Of these Geare has already distinguished himself, while disguised as a cox, by fraudulently upsetting a Queens' eight. The Third Trinity Boat is to be seen for the first time for many years with three O.W.W. rowing, a result which is attributed to the recent success of the O.W.W. Rowing Club. It is said, too, that Pinks is a hot candidate for the Colquhoun Sculls. We deplore the loss of Rawlings, W. H. Whitworth, Le Blond, Metcalfe, Ashwin, and Hackforth, who has accepted a temporary mastership at Rugby.

Our congratulations are due to Robertson on being elected a Fellow of Trinity, and to Birchall on being made a Senior Scholar. The former is devoting his attention to improving the minds of the young men of John's. Jardine has been elected president of the C.O.W.W. in succession to Rawlings, and Adrian has become Secretary to most of the Trinity Societies. Harris is of course playing for the Varsity, and Birchall and Maxwell are acting in the 'Wasps.' With every good wish for the success of the 'Adelphi.'

Yours, &c.,
TRIN. COLL. CAMB.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

November 1, 1909.

DEAR SIR,—I understand that only on one occasion during the year does the School team play in the School's proper colours and that is against Charterhouse. It has for a long time struck me as rather absurd that in this, the most important match of the whole year, and one which we are anxious above all others to win, we should have the team playing in colours to which it is not accustomed. No team can be expected to play its best in such circumstances. I am convinced that the wearing of the School colours in every match would tend to greater cohesion and confidence on the eventful day, and I commend the matter to the careful consideration of those in authority. No effort should be spared which will make victory more certain.

I shall hope next time I go to Vincent Square to see the team playing in white shorts and pink shirts, and not in the ugly Third Eleven colours which it will *not* wear against Charterhouse.

Yours ruly,
R. R. CAMPBELL.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Oxford,

November 13, 1909.

DEAR SIR,—In these days of Popular Classical Concerts, may be well to inquire why Westminster is so behindhand in every branch of Music. Nowadays almost every Public School has a small orchestra: at one of our greatest schools it is said with pride that every third person can play some instrument. Moreover people are always ready to form the chorus in any Glee Concert or Oratorio Performance that may be given. At Westminster even Glee Societies generally fall through, while it is a fact that many of those who are induced with difficulty to sing in the Annual School Concert do so merely in order to escape 'Station' and 'get the feed.'

Finally, it is interesting to note that, while Winchester this year are performing Handel's 'Messiah,' 'The Country Girl' is suggested as appropriate at Westminster. Might I venture to suggest that at least a more recent comedy be chosen; doubtless the music to 'Our Miss Gibbs' would be most entertaining.

I am, Sir,
Yours sincerely,
'TIBICEN.'

SIR HENRY WILMOT SETON.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn,
November 19, 1909.

DEAR SIR,—In the 'Historical Notes' in your last number mention is made of the O.W. dinner in 1814, referred to by Lord E.oughton in his diary. In his account of the dinner he writes: 'I sat next to Seton.'

This must have been Henry Wilmot Seton, who is described in the Admission Book at Lincoln's Inn as the eldest son of James Seton, of George Street, Adelphi, gentleman. He was admitted to that Inn on January 21, 1804, and called to the Bar on February 1, 1809. He was a member of Trinity College, Cambridge, where he graduated B.A. in 1807 and M.A. in 1810. He practised in the Chancery Courts, and in 1838 was appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Bengal and was Knighted. He died at sea on July 26, 1848, aged sixty-four, on his voyage home from Calcutta. There is an allusion to him in the Prologue for 1848; and in the ante-Chapel at Lincoln's Inn there is a mural tablet to his memory, with an inscription which states that he was 'Schola Westmonasteriensis postea Coll. Trin. apud Cantabrigienses bonis literis haud mediocriter imbutus.'

But he is best remembered among lawyers by his well-known book, 'Seton on Decrees,' originally published in 1830, and which under its modern title, 'Seton on Judgments and Orders,' reached its sixth edition in 1901.

Yours faithfully,
W. A. PECK.

OLD WESTMINSTERS' FOOTBALL AND CRICKET CLUB.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

The Window House,
Claygate, Surrey.

DEAR SIR,—The Annual Dinner of the Old Westminsters' Football and Cricket Club will be held on the 18th December next, at the Gaiety Restaurant. Tickets, price 6s. each, can be obtained from the Hon. Treasurer, L. A. M. Fevez, Esq., 51 Bread Street, E.C. It is hoped that all members who can possibly attend will be at the Dinner.

Yours faithfully,
R. S. SUMMERHAYS.
Hon. Sec.

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