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VALE.

There are a number of courses open to the writer of his last editorial; all have been adopted before, and all have been dubbed stale and hackneyed. Laying aside, then, the wordy expansion of this commonplace, I must dare to select yet again that time-honoured attitude of retrospect. I will, however, preserve this much originality in not parading our scholastic and athletic triumphs of the past year—perhaps the less said about the latter the better. Though I shall be laying myself open to the criticism of maturer judgments, I shall set down an impression that I have gained from the last five years, though it is doubtful whether my personal views will be of the slightest interest to anybody else.

During this time a great and beneficial change appears to have taken place. It is a change in the attitude towards tradition. Years ago when any emergency arose, the immediate cry was 'How did they act under such circumstances in the past?' Moreover, reform was discountenanced. The old rules were sacrosanct, mysterious and inviolable, while the inevitability of the precept $\pi \acute{a} \nu \tau a$ ' $\rho \epsilon \hat{\iota}$ was disregarded.

After a time, however, doubt arose whether present situations should necessarily be regarded in the grey light of tradition. For after all those traditional institutions must have been new once and formed to cope with new circumstances. Why not let us do the same? The framers of laws long ago only intended their reforms to apply to their own difficulties, not to oppress generations to come, faced with entirely different problems.

Our attitude, then, towards tradition has gradually changed; while we admire the picturesque in it and the wise, we ought not to keep it when it becomes a burden and a hindrance to natural development.

FLOREAT.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER v. BUTTERFLIES C.C. (Lost.)

Played May 17.

WESTMINSTER.

| J. A. Evetts, c Feasey, b Lonsd | ale | | 67 |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------|---------|
| M. Broadhurst, lbw b Feasey | | | 0 |
| J. G. Byrne, c sub b Blaker | | | 27 |
| W. H. D. Wakely, b Feasey | | | II |
| C. H. Hunter, b Feasey | | | 0 |
| I. I. Milne, not out | | | 12 |
| J. S. Brown, lbw b Lonsdale | | | 0 |
| J. D. Argyle, lbw b Lonsdale | | | 0 |
| M. Matthews, b Lonsdale | | | 0 |
| R. N. Heaton, c Foster, b Lor | nsdale | | 6 |
| A. C. Johnson, lbw b Feasey | | | 0 |
| Extras | | | 31 |
| | | Total | 154 |

Bowling.—Lonsdale 5 for 32, Feasey 4 for 22, Kann o for 13, Blaker 1 for 18, Symington o for 12, Foster o for 25.

BUTTERFLIES C.C.

| P. W. G. Kann, c Byrne, b Wakely | | | 4.0 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------|-----|
| | | | 45 |
| V. F. Ealand, c Matthews, b Argyle | | | 4 |
| G. Wilson, b Wakely | | | 33 |
| J. H. D. Sheppard, b Argyle | | | 44 |
| A. R. Bosanquet, not out | | | 12 |
| K. J. Gardiner, c Matthews, b Milne | | | 31 |
| I. W. A. Symington, c Matthews, b N | Iilne | | 0 |
| N. L. Foster, c Argyle, b Milne | | | 0 |
| Extras | | | 13 |
| | | _ | |

Total (for 7 wickets dec.) ... 182

K. G. Blaker, W. S. Lonsdale and A. C. Feasey did not bat.

Bowling.—Milne 3 for 8, Argyle 2 for 42, Wakely 2 for 43, Brown o for 15, Johnson o for 19, Heaton o for 28.

WESTMINSTERS v. FREE FORESTERS C.C. (Lost.)

Played May 24.

WESTMINSTER.

| I. A. Evetts, b Marriott | | 38 |
|--|---|--------|
| M. Broadhurst, lbw b Marriott | | 6 |
| J. G. Byrne, b Marriott | | 7 |
| W. H. D. Wakely, c Masterman, b Marriot | t | 9 |
| C. H. Hunter, lbw b Masterman | | I |
| I. I. Milne, b Marriott | | IO |
| J. S. Brown, run out | | I |
| R. N. Heaton, not out | | 12 |
| J. D. Argyle, c Wolfe-Murray, b Marriott | | 0 |
| H. M. Matthews, b Doggart | | 0 |
| A. C. Johnson, c Doggart, b Masterman | | I |
| Extras | | 14 |
| | | _ |

Total ... 9

Bowling.—Marriott 6 for 32, Masterman 2 for 19, Doggart 1 for 18, Hewetson o for 16.

FREE FORESTERS C.C.

| C. G. Robson, b Wakely | | 25 |
|---|-------|------|
| M. W. Payne, st Matthews, b Heaton | | 55 |
| R. M. Handfield-Jones, c Hunter, b Wakely | | 8 |
| M. V. Wolfe-Murray, b Argyle | | 72 |
| R. H. Twining, b Heaton | | 7 |
| R. A. Phayre, c Argyle, b Wakely | | 39 |
| S. W. Beedle, not out | | 5 |
| A. G. Doggart, not out | | 6 |
| Extras | | IO |
| | _ | - |
| (Total (for 6 wickets) | : | 227 |
| | | 41.0 |

E. P. Hewetson, C. S. Marriott and J. C. Masterman did not bat.

Bowling.—Wakeley 3 for 51, Heaton 2 for 48, Argyle 1 for 51, Brown o for 20, Johnson o for 48.

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C.

(Lost.)

Played May 29.

M.C.C.

| D. J. Knight, b Argyle | | | 103 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------|---------|
| C. D. McIver, c Byrne, b Johnson | | | 48 |
| J. B. Orr, lbw b Wakely | | | I |
| M. Howell, not out | | | 25 |
| A. R. Mellor, c Evetts, b Brown | | | 0 |
| A. L. Hilder, b Heaton | | | 54 |
| J. B. Wheatley, run out | | | 0 |
| H. R. Blaker, b Argyle | | | 2 |
| D. A. Young, b Argyle | | | 0 |
| Extras | | | II |
| Total (for 8 | urialrata | dool | 0.11 |
| 10tal (101 o | WICKELS | dec.) | 244 |

G. L. Raphael and C. H. Taylor did not bat. Bowling.—Argyle 3 for 42, Heaton 1 for 29, Johnson 1 for 43, Brown 1 for 44, Wakely 1 for 70.

WESTMINSTER.

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|-------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|
| J. A. Evetts, b Raphael | | | 13 |
| M. Broadhurst, b Taylor | | | 19 |
| J. G. Byrne, c Taylor, b Hild | er | | 6 |
| I. I. Milne, b Young | | | IO |
| W. H. D. Wakely, Ibw b Hild | er | | I |
| C. H. Hunter, c Hilder, b Raj | phael | | 29 |
| J. S. Brown, c and b Young | | | 0 |
| R. N. Heaton, b Raphael | | | 17 |
| J. D. Argyle, b Hilder | | | 8 |
| M. H. Matthews, not out | | | 0 |
| A. C. Johnson, b Raphael | | | 6 |
| Extras | *** | ••• | 14 |
| | | m | Tale L |
| | | Total | 123 |

Bowling.—Raphael 4 for 24, Hilder 3 for 9, Young 2 for 22, Taylor 1 for 13, Wheatley 0 for 10, Mellor 0 for 19.

WESTMINSTER v. INCOGNITI C.C., (Lost.)

Played June 3.

INCOGNITI C.C.

| J. H. Thursfield, J. A. Evetts, b Johnson | | 46 |
|---|------|----|
| W. T. Brindley, c Argye, b Wakely | | 2' |
| General E. L. Challener, b Wakely | | I |
| C. T. A. Wilkinson, c Argyle, b Wakely | | (|

| O. Battcock, b Johnson | n | | | | | 12 |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|--------|---------|---|-----|
| E. B. Glanfield, c Argy | rle, b | D. F. E | vetts | | | 41 |
| LieutCom. R. Woodr | ooffe, | c Johns | son, b | Wakely | | 22 |
| G. C. Bambridge, c Mi | lne, b | Argyle | | | | I |
| H. Chatfield-Clarke, ru | in out | | | *** | | I |
| C. H. Taylor, not out | | | | | | 34 |
| G. F. McGrath, not ou | t | | | | | 15 |
| Extras | | | | | | 3 |
| | | | | | - | - |
| | Total | (for 9 v | vicket | s dec.) | | 223 |

Bowling.—Wakely 4 for 40, Johnson 2 for 53, D. F. Evetts 1 for 39, Argyle 1 for 50, Heaton, 0 for 35.

WESTMINSTER.

| TAT-111 | | | | 100 |
|---------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|
| J. A. Evetts, not out | | *** | *** | 42 |
| M. Broadhurst, b Battcock | | | | 0 |
| J. G. Byrne, c Brindley, b Bat | tcock | | *** | 15 |
| I. I. Milne, c Woodroffe, b Bat | tcock | | | I |
| W. H. D. Wakely, c Woodroof | fe, b l | Batto | ock | 0 |
| C. H. Hunter, c Woodrooffe, b | Wilk | inson | | 4 |
| R. N. Heaton, Ibw b Battcock | | | | 7 |
| J. D. Argyle, b Battcock | | | | 2 |
| D. F. Evetts, run out | | | *** | 0 |
| M. H. Matthews, b Wilkinson | | | *** | 6 |
| A. C. Johnson, lbw b Battcock | | | | 0 |
| Extras | | | | 8 |
| | | | | - |
| | | | Total | 8= |

Bowling.—Battcock 7 for 21, Wilkinson 2 for 11, Brindley o for 5, Woodrooffe o for 12, Glanfield o for 13, Taylor o for 15.

WESTMINSTER v. STOWE. (Lost.)

Played at Vincent Square, June 11 and 12.

In their first School match of the season (and for all except two it was the first School match they had ever played in) Westminster fared disastrously against bowling which, with one exception, was not particularly distinguished, and through lack of aggressiveness in their out-cricket, allowed their opponents, some of whom batted admirably, to make at least 50 runs more on the second morning than they should have. This was followed by a still feebler display of batting, and by shortly after lunch time our opponents were able to claim their first victory over us.

I have said that the Stowe bowling with one exception was hardly distinguished. But the exception, de Havilland, looked as though he might well develop into something well above the average in right-hand, medium-paced bowlers. He has a short, easy run up to the wicket, a delivery which is full of body-swing and which brings the ball off the wicket at a faster pace than the batsman expects it, and he also bowls that dangerous ball outside the off stump which runs away late from the bat. One over which he bowled to Evetts in the first innings, when he was seeing the ball well, proved his worth, for, I think, three times out of six he made him play at, and miss balls just wide of the off stump. Another

bowler who may become very useful is the diminutive Packe, who bowls left-handed and is not afraid to pitch the ball well up to the batsman. In the second innings he took four wickets at a ridiculously low cost, but he had timid batsmanship chiefly to thank for it.

I was not able to be present during the greater part of the Stowe innings, so that I cannot write about the Westminster bowling or our opponents'

batting.

Our batting was most disappointing. With the exception of Evetts none of our batsmen ever looked confident, and none of them remembered Dr. W. G. Grace's admirable advice to a batsman: 'Get at the bowler, before he gets at you.'

The half-volley delivered at a medium pace on a perfect wicket which would have negatived spin, even if spin had been there, was treated time after time with intense respect. This is quite fatal. It may be successful with one or two first-class cricketers whose defence is rock-like, but with boys who cannot expect to be able to defend their wickets hour after hour against the good ball which must inevitably come, it is a far sounder policy to go for the bad ball from the start. If you happen to be outed, you won't have made any less than you do by pottering about, and if you succeed in scoring one or two fours you gain confidence at once and correspondingly upset C. H. T. the bowler.

WESTMINSTER-IST INNINGS.

| J. A. Evetts, c Firth, b de Havilland | *** | | 59 |
|--|------|---|-----|
| M. Broadhurst, b Kemp | | | 9 |
| J. G. Byrne, b Kemp | | | 2 |
| I. I. Milne, c Dillon, b Kemp | | | 15 |
| W. H. D. Wakely, c Firth, b de Havilland | | | 30 |
| C. H. Hunter, c Bennett, b de Havilland | | | 0 |
| R. N. Heaton, b de Havilland | | | 0 |
| J. D. Argyle, c Parke, b de Havilland | | | 0 |
| D. F. Evetts, b de Havilland | | | 0 |
| M. H. Matthews, b de Havilland | | | I |
| A. C. Johnson, not out | | | 0 |
| Extras | | | 3 |
| | | - | - |
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Bowling.—de Havilland, 7 for 43, Kemp 3 for 41, Dillon o for 9, Salamon o for 23.

STOWE.

| SIOWE. | | |
|---|---------|----|
| H. V. Kemp, c Wakely, b D. F. Evetts | *** | 45 |
| J. D. Firth, b D. F. Evetts | | I |
| N. H. Bennett, b D. F. Evetts | *** | 16 |
| D. F. N. Rowlatt, St. Matthews, b Argyle | | 44 |
| P. P. L. Dillon, c Matthews, b D. F. Evetts | | 9 |
| R. B. Blandford, b Wakely | *** | 40 |
| C. E. Salamon, st Matthews, b Johnson | *** | 2 |
| R. J. Packe, not out | *** | 48 |
| J. S. Durlacher, lbw b D. F. Evetts | | 29 |
| L. G. Lewis, c and b Heaton | | 24 |
| | | 2 |
| Extras | | 35 |
| | - | |

Total ... 295

Bowling.—D. F. Evetts 5 for 72, Heaton 2 for 26, Argyle I for 35, Wakely I for 48, Johnson I for 52, Milne o for 7, Byrne o for 20.

WESTMINSTER-2ND INNINGS.

| J. A. Evetts, b de Havilland . | | | 12 |
|---------------------------------|------|-------|--------|
| M. Broadhurst, b Salaman . | | | 0 |
| J. G. Byrne, b de Havilland . | | *** | 12 |
| I. I. Milne, lbw b Kemp . | | | 6 |
| W. H. D. Wakely, b Packe . | | | 12 |
| | | | IO |
| R. N. Heaton, c Kemp, b Pack | | | 5 |
| J. D. Argyle, c Blandford, b Pa | icke | | 3 |
| D. F. Evetts, not out | | | 3 |
| M. H. Matthews, lbw b Salama | n | | 0 |
| | | | 0 |
| Extras | | | 8 |
| | | | _ |
| | | Total | 71 |

Bowling.—Packe 4 for 7, Salaman 3 for 23, Kemp 1 for 10, de Havilland 2 for 22, Dillon o for 2.

WESTMINSTER v. ETON RAMBLERS C.C. (Lost.)

Played, June 14.

WESTMINSTER.

| J. A. Evetts, c Hoare, b Caver | dish | | | | 36 |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|---|-----|
| I. G. Byrne, b Brand | | | *** | | I |
| W. H. D. Wakely, c Cavendish | , b R | Cobert | son | | IOI |
| I. I. Milne, b Cavendish | | | | | 21 |
| C. H. Hunter, b Hillwood | | | | | 6 |
| I. S. Brown, c Twining, b Rob | ertso | n | | | 20 |
| W. T. Wells, run out | | | | | 6 |
| M. Broadhurst, b Cavendish | | | | | |
| S. E. Mangeot, c Boscawen, b | Caver | ndish | | | 3 8 |
| A. C. Johnson, lbw b Cavendis | | | | | 0 |
| D D D 11 1 C 11 1 | | | | | 5 |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | 17 |
| | | | | - | |
| | | | Total | | 224 |

Bowling.—Cavendish 6 for 44, Robertson 2 for 41, Hillwood I for 35, Brand I for 47, Twining 0 for 10, Hollins o for 30.

ETON RAMBLERS C.C.

| F. H. Hollins, c Milne, b Johnson | | | | 86 |
|--|-------|-----|-----|----|
| Capt. R. H. V. Cavendish, c Byrne, b | Wells | | | 42 |
| G. L. Hoare, c J. A. Evetts, b Johnson | on | | | 22 |
| | | | | 20 |
| G. J. O. Bridgeman, b Wakely | | | | I |
| T. C. Twining, b Wells | | | | 7 |
| | | | | 13 |
| Lieut-Col. Boyd-Rochfort, not out | | | | 23 |
| J. Graham, c Brown, b Wells | | | | 0 |
| B. S. Hillwood, not out | | *** | *** | 6 |
| Extras | | | | 6 |
| | | | | |

Total (for 8 wickets dec.) ... 226

R. M. Robertson and R. J. P. T. Boscawen did not bat. Bowling.—Wells 3 for 34, Johnson 3 for 54, Wakely 3 for 59, Byrne o for 19, Brown o for 23, D. F. Evetts o for 31.

WESTMINSTER v. RADLEY.

(Drawn.)

Played at Vincent Square, June 21.

It was extremely refreshing after the debacle against Stowe to gain a moral victory over our Radley friends and foes. It was encouraging, too, to note that the lesson of that match had been learned and to see our batsmen trying—often it is true somewhat crudely, but still definitely trying—to deal with each ball on its merits, by stopping the good ones and punishing the bad ones.

Evetts accomplished the first duty of a captain by winning the toss on a perfect Vincent Square wicket, and having proved his worth in this way, he went on to demonstrate his qualities as a batsman by scoring 152 runs as well as the severest critic could wish to see them scored. Before lunch he scored 92, and after lunch he went guickly on to his hundred and scored his last 60 runs in about three-quarters of an hour. During this period his driving, for a boy of such slight physique, was amazingly powerful. He made his runs by a large variety of strokes, with the straight drive, the drive past extra-cover, and the cut late and square predominating. The thing I liked as well as anything else about his innings was that, after making his century, knowing that our success depended to a large extent upon his remaining there, he did not throw his wicket away, but began to hit with great discrimination, invariably picking the right ball to have a go at. His was a truly great innings.

But though the captain's innings naturally overshadowed everything else, the other batsmen definitely showed a great improvement upon their previous form. Wakely in making 40 or so runs dealt very faithfully with anything short or overpitched by means of that strange but effective stroke of his which drags the ball to the boundary between mid on and square leg. Having made a hundred against the Eton Ramblers the week before, he was full of confidence, and I expect to see him make plenty more runs this year now that he has got going.

Hunter played a pleasant little innings of 20 odd, which will do him good; but he must remember that for his favourite late cut to be anything like a safe stroke the bat must be picked right up so that it may come down on the ball from above. Brown made some admirable off drives, but got himself out most foolishly when he was going well. Wells made it clear that, if he will seriously devote himself to studying the game, he has an excellent chance of developing into a most useful forcing bat. The others playing to

order to get on or get out, accomplished the latter fairly quickly, and by a quarter to four we were all out for the respectable score of 272, leaving Radley 2\frac{3}{4} hours in which to get the runs. For Radley, Dinwiddy had the excellent analysis of 8 for 44, but several of his wickets he owed to bad strokes at bad balls. A very promising young bowler was Monks, who genuinely spins the ball from the off and will undoubtedly be good for many wickets in the future.

The first hour's cricket after tea definitely disposed of Radley's chances of winning the match. Such a good length did our bowlers keep that Radley fell so much behind the clock that, short of some very fierce hitting, all they could hope for was a draw. Van der Gucht played extremely well and is obviously a class batsman, but he was bowled by perhaps the best ball of the day, a perfect length off spinner from Wells, which drew him forward and shattered his wicket. Vestey, who with Van der Gucht had made a century against us last year, struck the ball hard, but he is unsound on his leg stump and never looked as good a player as his captain. When he was dismissed, hopes of a Westminster victory looked very bright, and when Milne took three quick wickets with legbreaks, things looked very good for us. Evetts then made the mistake of taking him off and substituting his brother, who, though he at once took a wicket, was not the right type of bowler for the occasion. When runs matter not at all and wickets must be taken, "silly stuff" is the bowling to rely cn. And so it happened that at 6.45 when the ninth wicket fell—it had resisted most pluckily for over a quarter of an hour—there was no time left for the last man to come in, and the match was a draw.

The younger Evetts bowled very well at the beginning. He is tall and makes the ball rise and swing a little in to the batsman and he bowled several most unpleasant balls. But his stamina is not great, and he can only bowl for short spells at a time. Wakely bowled a fine length but could not turn the ball as much as Wells, and the latter, therefore, should have bowled instead of him for the last critical quarter of an hour. Johnson flighted his slows well, but bowled too wide of the off stump. Milne bowled much more accurately than he has ever bowled before. He really spins the leg break, and if he can only improve his consistency of length he will be very valuable. The fielding throughout was of a high class and the returning to the wicket was fast and accurate. Matthews kept wicket extremely well, and his quiet way of taking the ball earned golden opinions from everyone.

C. H. T.

WESTMINSTER.

| J. A. Evetts, c and b Dinwiddy | | | | 152 |
|-------------------------------------|----|-------|---|-------|
| J. G. Byrne, c Williams, b Kershaw | | | | 8 |
| W. H. D. Wakely, b Dinwiddy | | | | 45 |
| I. I. Milne, c Monks, b Dinwiddy | | | | 2 |
| C. H. Hunter, b Dinwiddy | | | | 20 |
| J. S. Brown, c Ritchie, b Dinwiddy | | | | 3 |
| W. T. Wells, c Williams, b Dinwiddy | 7 | | | 19 |
| M. Broadhurst, c Ritchie, b Dinwidd | ly | | | 3 |
| A. C. Johnson, not out | | | | I |
| D. F. Evetts, b Dinwiddy | | | | 5 |
| M. H. Matthews, b Dinwiddy | | | | 4 |
| Extras | | | | IO |
| | | | - | 13000 |
| | | Total | | 272 |

Bowling.—Dinwiddy 8 for 44, Monks I for 73, Kershaw I or 81, Worsley o for 37, Williams o for 27.

RADLEY.

| P. J. Van der Gucht, | b Wells | | | | 24 |
|------------------------|------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|
| P. N. Kitching, b D. I | | | | 8 | |
| W. H. Vestey, b Milne | | | | | 53 |
| H. P. Dinwiddy, st Ma | | | *** | *** | 6 |
| R. M. E. Williams, ca | | ms | | | 2 |
| A. G. Neale, c Johnson | | | | | 34 |
| A. W. Kershaw, hit w | e | *** | | 14 | |
| W. R. Ritchie, b D. F | | | | | 5 |
| H. B. V. Bruton, c Mi | | Evetts | | | 27 |
| J. P. Monks, not out | | *** | | | 14 |
| Extras | | *** | *** | | 17 |
| | Total (for | wickets | s) | | 204 |

J. F. Worsley did not bat. Bowling.—Milne 3 for 26, D. F. Evetts 3 for 57, Broadhurst 1 for 9, Wells 1 for 26, Johnson 1 for 35, Byrne o for 1, Wakely o for 33.

SECOND ELEVEN MATCHES.

May 17—v. St. Thomas's Hospital C.C. at Vincent Square. Westminster, 150. St. Thomas' Hospital, 50. Won by 100 runs.

May 31—v. Lancing at Vincent Square. Lancing, 117. Westminster, 119 for 6 wickets (innings

declared closed). Won by 2 runs.

June 14—v. Hampstead C.C. at Vincent Square. Westminster, 103. Hampstead C.C., 139. Lost by 36 runs.

THE COLTS.

The results of the four matches—one win, two losses and a draw—would scarcely indicate that the team was well up to the average, but that was probably the case. Munro proved an able captain in controlling his bowlers and placing his field, his only failure consisting in losing the toss four times out of four! In addition he is a very fine coverpoint and a strong defensive batsmen, though without luck in the first three matches. Of the bowlers, Wells was outstanding as an off-spinner, Angelo and Milne were always steady, Grace started well in the first two matches and then

went completely off form, Snelling at times bowled a fairly fast and difficult swinging ball, and Smith, previously a rather moderate medium-paced bowler, was only 'discovered' as a leg-breaker in time for the last match, but may well prove useful in the future. There were several potential batsmen, of whom Edgar was the most consistent run-getter, and Angelo and Turner showed promise of easy, fast-scoring style, though both are liable to get themselves out in some useless way as soon as they get set! Perhaps the most gratifying feature of the matches was the way in which the team without exception kept up the School tradition of really energetic and efficient ground fielding and of safe catching.

v. St. Paul's. Thursday, May 29, at Ealing. St. Paul's, 133. Westminster, 128.

St. Paul's batted first, lost 9 wickets for 80 and then made a last wicket stand. Westminster, batting rather against time, had 5 wickets down for 113 and then lost three rapidly, making it 8 for 122 just on time. It was decided to play it out as the chances were so very even, but the strain was too great for the nerves of the tail batsmen.

Westminster.—I. K. Munro, W. T. Wells, J. Alderson, J. F. Turner, R. W. Snelling, R. H. Angelo, R. W. Edgar, E. R. Smith, E. N. Grace, C. F. Byers, A. K. Milne.

v. Aldenham, Thursday, June 5, at Vincent Square.

Westminster, 175 (for 7 wickets dec.). Aldenham, 147.

The Aldenham captain, rather mysteriously, elected to field first on a hot afternoon and with a hard wicket. Edgar and Turner made a good second wicket stand and Smith hit up 55 in yokel style but at a fast rate just when it was needed. Declaring at tea-time, Westminster managed to get the wickets with 10 minutes to spare, though the Aldenham second wicket stand produced 68.

Westminster.—Munro, Wells, Alderson, Turner, Snelling, Edgar, Smith, Grace, Byers, Milne, Hebblethwaite.

v. Eastbourne. Thursday, June 19, at Vincent Square.

Eastbourne, 134 (for 7 wickets dec.). Westminster, 67.

Eastbourne won the toss, batted first and declared at tea-time, giving a most sporting chance of getting the runs. After a preliminary tragedy in a run-out, however, all the remaining Westminster wickets fell to the Eastbourne captain, Horton, a leg-break bowler, who induced his victims to play his good balls in the wrong way and almost invariably to mishit or miss completely his bad

ones! He deserves every congratulation on his figures of 9 wickets for 31 runs with 5 maidens!

The Westminster team was the same as for the Aldenham match, Angelo not having yet recovered from measles.

v. Lancing. Thursday, June 26, at Lancing. Lancing, 157 (for 8 wickets dec.). Westminster, 127 (for 8 wickets).

Lancing lost 7 wickets for 83, and then their no. 9 changed the whole complexion of the game by making a rapid 50. Declaring at tea-time and leaving Westminster the rather hopeless task of getting the runs in r hour 40 minutes, they bowled very steadily at some dogged batting, and about 20 minutes from time had taken 4 wickets for 97. Then a sudden madness seized the batsman, who delivered up the next 3 wickets in an unnecessarily rash way for the addition of only 3 runs, and another wicket followed with the total 119. Settling down again somewhat, Westminster played out time with two wickets to spare.

Westminster .- Munro, Wells, Alderson, Snelling, Turner,

Angelo, Edgar, Smith, Milne, Byers, Bonas.

THE WATER.

THE brightest hopes that we have had at Water for a long time were destroyed in the Eliminating Races at Henley. This year the Eight was selected early; no alterations in order were necessary; practice was not hindered by illness. The Eight worked together as a crew should, and with an enthusiasm that never slacked off. They were a fine crew, and yet at Henley they failed completely. Why was this? The good form of our opponents doesn't explain the loss of our own. Nor was it staleness. I believe we simply lost our heads when the other crew began to come up. But apart from this bitter disappointment, we have had a very cheerful and keen season's work. The First Eight has defeated St. Thomas' Hospital, the Old Westminsters, the Oxford O.WW., and won the Junior Eights at Walton. The First, Second and Fourth Eights beat the St. Paul's Eights; and although the Third Eight lost to St. Paul's by 6 feet, the Third Eight Fours have beaten St. Augustine's, the Third and Fourth Tonbridge Fours and the First and Second U.C.S., and Haileybury First and Second Fours. The Second Eight also defeated, besides, St. Paul's, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and deadheated with Radley; and they lost to a heavy Eton crew after leading them over half the course.

In spite of the failure at Henley, we have had a season of which the spirit shown by all watermen can make us justly proud.—A. H. F.

FIRST EIGHT v. ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL.

The race was rowed on May 15 from the Stone to Hammersmith Bridge on rather a slack tide and bad water. Westminster won this race, largely through taking by surprise their opponents, many of whom were oarsmen of experience and reputation. Westminster made a splendid start, and striking 39 were three-quarters of a length up almost immediately. At Beverley we were leading by two lengths, and now rowing 32 strokes a minute to St. Thomas' 33. In spite of some erratic steering at the Crab Tree by our cox, we straightened out again and won by 5 lengths, in 8 minutes and 30 seconds.

Westminster.—(bow) L. D. S. ten Doesschate, 10 strolbs.; (2) J. G. Lea, 10 st. 6 lbs.; (3) J. O. V. Edwards, 10 st. 7 lbs.; (4) R. W. P. Smith, 11 st.; (5) S. W. Eaton, 11 st.; (6) R. F. Sammel, 11 st. 12 lbs.; (7) J. C. H. Cherry, 11 st. 6 lbs.; (stroke) G. B. Aris, 10 st. 12 lbs.; (cox) G. W. Scott, 8 st.

St. Thomas's Hospital.—(bow) G. Fraser-Carey, 10 st. 4 lbs.; (2) R. H. Franklin, 11 st. 4 lbs.; (3) N. W. Alexander, 11 st.; (4) J. Lees, 11 st. 6 lbs.; (5) L. Lees, 11 st. 4 lbs.; (6) J. Cann, 12 st. 4 lbs.; (7) K. Neville Irvine, 12 st. 4 lbs.; (stroke) A. P. McEldowney, 11 st. 10 lbs.; (cox) D. S. Bateman, 9 st. 7 lbs.

FIRST EIGHT v. OLD WESTMINSTER B.C.

The Old Westminster B.C. put on a stronger crew against us this year; they had been able to have a fortnight's uninterrupted practice from the School Boat House; during that fortnight they improved amazingly quickly, but they really needed two weeks longer to harden them and to bring their rowing up to the good standard of their paddling. The race was rowed on Saturday, May 24, from Hammersmith Bridge to the Stone. The Old Westminsters started at 39 and the Eight at 37. We went right away after the first three strokes and there was quickly a length's daylight between the boats. At the Mile Post we had dropped to 34, and were still increasing our lead : here the Old Westminsters made a great effort, but they made little impression. At Beverley we had dropped to a strong paddle and at 28 strokes to the minute, we won by 4½ lengths, in 7 minutes 56 seconds.

Westminster.—As above.
Old Westminster B.C.—(bow) H. D. Berman, 10 st.;
(2) A. C. Bird, 10 st. 6 lbs.; (3) R. L. Bennett, 12 st. 2 lbs.;
(4) D. Cragg-Hamilton, 12 st. 4 lbs.; (5) R. E. Ball,
12 st. 8 lbs.; (6) G. H. W. Reece, 12 st. 11½ lbs.; (7)
B. H. Dulanty, 12 st. 2 lbs.; (stroke) C. F. K. Mellor,
11 st. 10½ lbs.; (cox) W. B. Young, 9 st. 6 lbs.

WALTON REGATTA.

On Thursday, May 29, the Eight had a practice outing at Walton, in preparation for the Regatta

on Saturday; they found the up river water heavy and sluggish compared to the lively home waters. The Regatta course is 7 furlongs upstream.

On the Saturday, May 31, we raced in our first heat for the Junior Eights, the Imperial College second crew. Westminster started away very fast, and were clear of their opponents before the first minute was over. We went right away to win by a distance in 5 minutes 6 seconds, one of the fastest times that had yet been done.

In the second heat we met Kensington R.C. It was this Club that had beaten Westminster at Kingston Regatta in 1927, the last time that we had entered at an up-river regatta other than Henley. But the fates were kinder at Walton. We drew away from our opponents at the start, and, steadying down better than in the preceding race, we lengthened our lead; our opponents rowed very hard, but were not so well together. But they made an excellent spurt passing the weir, which is about half-way up the course, and went up some little distance. Aris, with three lengths in hand, did not reply, but continued at his steady 30 or 31, and their effort died away. The result of the race was given as 'easily,' and the time as 5 minutes II seconds.

In the Final we met in Anglian a crew of better style and more uniform action than our previous opponents. The clean blade work, good timekeeping and steady swing of the Anglian crew would have made them dangerous had they possessed length. In the race, Westminster made a determined start, and began to go up at once; after a minute we had half a length; in two minutes we were clear; and bettering our form over the course, we steadily increased our lead, till we won by 3 lengths in the excellent time of 4 minutes 59 seconds. This was by far the fastest time of the Juniors, and of the Junior-Senior races, except the final of the latter, won by Thames R.C. with their Thames Cup crew in 4 minutes 57 seconds by three-quarters of a length. The best times of the Regatta was achieved by the winning Vesta crew in the Thames Cup, 4 minutes 52 seconds. It was encouraging that the crew should win the Junior Eights in the first best boat regatta of the season, before the faster Junior crews have won admittance to the Junior-Senior Class.

FIRST EIGHT v. THE OXFORD O.WW.

This race was rowed on Tuesday, June 3, against the crew brought down to Putney by G. A. Ellison. The course was from the Stone to Harrods. Aris struck II in the first quarter; but he steadied down almost immediately to 34, and later to a slow, hard stroke at 29. He had about half a length's lead, and he rowed keeping a watchful eye on the other crew. The Oxford oarsmen, by dint of extremely hard work, kept pressure on our eight all the way. But in the last two minutes we drew away a little, to win by one and a quarter lengths. The water had been rather lively, and our crew were a little unsteady in the bad conditions. Lace got the most out of his crew by skilful and hardworking stroking. The time was 7 minutes 64 seconds.

Westminster.—As above.
Oxford O.WW.—(bow) G. A. Ellison (New College);
II st. 7 lbs.; (2) R. L. Bennet, 12 st. 2 lbs.; (3) A. F. L.
Beeston (Ch. Ch.), II st. 13 lbs.; (4) A. L. Binney, II st.
4 lbs.; (5) J. Bayly (Winchester and New College),
I3 st. 7 lbs.; (6) S. D. Carver (Rugby and Ch. Ch.),
I2 st. ½ lb.; (7) D. K. C. O'Malley (Ch. Ch.) II st. 3 lbs.
(stroke); G. O. Lace (C.C.C.), IO st. II½ lbs.; (cox) W. G. R. Oates (C.C.C.), 9 st.

FIRST EIGHT v. IMPERIAL COLLEGE.

It had been arranged that in this last week before the exeat the crew should be worked hard; on Thursday, June 5, a race was rowed with the good Thames Cup crew of the Imperial College B.C. The race was rowed up from the Stone to Hammersmith Bridge—it was spoilt, just as it had begun to look interesting and promising -for us. Westminster started badly, rowing light and short in the water, and Imperial gained in the first few strokes; Westminster then became steady and were just taking the lead, when in a patch of rough water one crab started a series, and Imperial got well away, and remained out of striking distance, winning by 31 lengths.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S FIRST EIGHT

On Saturday, June 14, we rowed St. Paul's from the Stone to Hammersmith Bridge (1 mile

6.furlongs).

Westminster had profited by their experiences against Imperial College B.C., and making a long and steady start drew away, to lead by a length after a minute; then our stroke caught a crab; the crew premptly held the boat, and restarted so quickly that St. Paul's had come up only threequarters of a length. Westminster showed excellent watermanship in not losing their form through this mishap. They kept steady, and with their lead reduced to a canvas began to row away again from St. Paul's. At Beverley we were three-quarters of a length ahead, and at the Mile Post well ahead with half a length's daylight between the boats. Westminster, with a longer finish than their opponents, won without difficulty by 2½ lengths in 8 minutes 38 seconds.

Westminster.—As above mentioned.

St. Paul's.—(bow) J. H. Lowe, 11 st.; (2) J. L. Atkinson, 10 st. 6 lbs.; (3) J. D. O'Flynn, 10 st. 13 lbs.; (4) A. P. Brown, 12 st.; (5) R. G. B. Woollatt, 12 st. 10 lbs.; (6) N. S. C. Dickinson, 11 st. 10 lbs.; (7) J. J. Korostovetz, ii st. 8 lbs.; (stroke) B. J. R. Roberts, 12 st. 3 lbs.;
(cox) I. R. C. Holm, 8 st. 7 lbs.

FIRST EIGHT v. BEDFORD MODERN SCHOOL.

This was one of the three eliminating races rowed on June 28 for Henley Regatta, and resulted in a severe defeat by 2½ lengths. wind had been uncertain all the morning, and for the race there was a mild head wind. Westminster had the Berks station, and went off very hard, and were soon half a length ahead. We still continued to go ahead after the island, and led by a length and three quarters. Soon, however, our opponents showed that they would not be easily shaken off, and began to creep up. At Fawley they were only a few feet down, and we gave a ten, without great results. Bedford Modern continued to go up, and we did not hold them again until Remenham, where they were a length up. Soon after this Bedford Modern drew clear, to win by 2½ lengths in 7 minutes 45 seconds.

Bedford Modern .— (bow) T. W. Cranfield, 10 st. 11 lbs.; (2) E. B. H. Smart, 10 st. 3 lbs.; (3) W. Roxburgh, 10 st. 13 lbs.; (4) D. S. W. Pepper, 11 st. 13 lbs.; (5) C. H.

13 lbs.; (4) D. S. W. Pepper, 11 st. 13 lbs.; (5) C. H. Bowman, 11 st. 5 lbs.; (6) D. B. McArthur, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (7) S. B. Kendall, 11 st. 5 lbs.; (stroke) F. W. Griffiths, 10 st. 9 lbs.; (cox) C. J. W. Legry, 7 st. 13 lbs.

Westminster.—(bow) L. D. S. ten Doesschate, 10 st. 5 lbs.; (2) J. G. Lea, 10 st. 5 lbs.; (3) J. O. V. Edwards, 10 st. 7 lbs.; (4) R. W. P. Smith, 10 st. 11 lbs.; (5) S. W. Eaton, 10 st. 10 lbs.; (6) R. F. Sammel, 11 st. 6 lbs.; (7) J. C. H. Cherry, 11 st. 2 lbs.; (stroke) G. B. Aris (7) J. C. H. Cherry, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (stroke) G. B. Aris, 10 st. 6 lbs.; (cox) G. W. Scott, 8 st. 2 lbs.

On Saturday, May 24, the Third and Fourth Eights rowed St. Paul's from Harrods to the University Stone. The Third Eight race was a very exciting struggle all the way, resulting in a defeat by 6 feet. In the Fourth Eight race our crew drew away steadily from St. Paul's, to win by 2 lengths.

Westminster Third Eight .- (bow) D. G. Kiralfy, (2) T. R. Crook, (3) B. E. Strong, (4) J. Shearman, (5) E. N. Osborne, (6) P. A. Gardiner, (7) P. G. J. Dobree, (stroke) G. A. Lewis, (cox) E. R. Myer.

Westminster Fourth Eight .- (bow) R. F. Walker, (2) L. P. B. Bingham, (3) G. E. Baker Cresswell, (4) M. D. D. Howlett, (5) F. J. Norris, (6) F. Fulton, (7) J. M. H. Browne, (stroke) T. I. Tetley Jones, (cox) P. Russell.

The Third Eight Fours were made up at the beginning of June. On June 14 the First Four raced St. Augustine's, Canterbury, and won from the front station by 2½ lengths. Our crew was very kindly entertained by St. Augustine's over the week-end. On June 25 both Fours rowed Tonbridge School Third and Fourth Fours at Putney, from the Mile Post to the Stone, and in both races we won by 7 lengths. On Saturday, June 28, we registered two more victories against U.C.S. First and Second Fours, at Kew, the First Four winning by 2 lengths, and the second by 4 lengths. The Fours finished their season in a very convincing manner, when they beat Haileybury's First and Second Fours by 6 lengths and 7 lengths, respectively at Haileybury.

For this excellent season of the Fours, in races which have been held yearly for a considerable time, praise is due to Mr. Barber and Mr. Binney, the coaches, and to the crews, who have shown

promise and keenness.

Westminster First Four.—(bow) B. E. Strong, (2) L. P. B. Bingham, (3) E. N. Osborne, (stroke) G. A. Lewis, (cox) P. Russell.

Westminster Second Four.—(bow) P. G. J. Dobrée, (2) P. A. Gardiner, (3) M. D. D. Howlett, (stroke) T. I. Tetley Jones, (cox) R. G. D. Barlas.

JUNIOR SCULLS.

The Junior Sculls, to which two points have been allotted in the Halahan Cup, received a very large number of entries, and although some of these had had little practice, there were several who worked hard, and moved their boats well. The final was won by Freeman (BB.) from Quixley (A.HH.) and Ormiston (A.HH.) after a good race in 5 minutes $\frac{2}{5}$ seconds.

Through the kindness of two Old Westminsters a small launch has been bought, and is being used by the coaches of the Boat Club. It has already been of great service for coaching the Eights and for following races.

THE SECOND EIGHT.

SECOND EIGHT v. St. Paul's SECOND EIGHT.
June 14.

The race was rowed on the high tide over the bridge to bridge course, Westminster winning the

toss and choosing the Middlesex station.

In spite of not hearing the starter, Westminster got away faster than their rivals, and rowing 8/r7/36 led by half a length at the end of the minute; lengthening out to 32, they increased their lead to three-quarters of a length opposite the boathouses; the crew were not rowing easily and very well together and continued to draw away. At the Football Ground they were nearly clear when St. Paul's hit a sailing boat and broke two of their bowside oars. The course was not

completed, and Westminster were awarded the race.

After the race Hinks and Cruft were awarded their Pink-and-Whites.

SECOND EIGHT v. St. Paul's SECOND EIGHT. Return Race. June 17.

Rowed over the same course with very little tide.

Westminster on the Middlesex station were very fast off the mark, and rowing 38 were nearly clear at the end of the minute. The crew again lengthened out well, and at Beverley with 1½ lengths to the good seemed to have the race well in hand. There was a length's daylight at the Mile Post, and the crew won comfortably by 3 lengths in 8 minutes 35 seconds.

Hawthorne and Dams were awarded their Pink-

and-Whites.

SECOND EIGHT v. RADLEY SECOND EIGHT.
Marlow, June 21.

The difficulties in the way of a fixture with Radley were this year surmounted, and the Marlow Regatta officials arranged that the two schools should meet in a heat of the Junior Eights. Radley had the Bucks station and a Thames crew were on the Berks side.

The former proved fast off the mark, and rather worried our crew by leading half a length at the end of a minute. After two minutes with Radley nearly clear things looked even worse, when Westminster seemed suddenly to fall into their stride and rowed as one man to the finish; they spurted the last two minutes magnificently, and taking the stroke up to 38, just drew level at the finish.

The verdict was a dead heat, with Thames I length behind; time, 4 minutes 23 seconds.

As it would have been impossible to re-row the race and then to achieve any success in the next round, it was decided to toss for who should continue; and unfortunately Westminster lost. Radley were beaten in the next by Anglian and a London crew, who afterwards won the final.

Bramhall, Freeman and Sprigge were awarded

their Pink-and-Whites.

Second Eight v. Eton Second Eight. June 26.

The race was rowed from Hammersmith to Putney against a moderate headwind, Westminster having won the toss were on the Surrey side.

The crew regained their reputation by doing a magnificent start, and rowing 38 to Eton's 46, had a length's lead in the minute. At Harrods, after some erratic steering in the Eton boat, the

boats were directly in line with a foot or two between the bow of Eton and the Westminster rudder. From here Eton started to creep up and had reduced their lead to half a length at the Mile Post, and were level at the Fence. Westminster were still rowing well together and were keeping their stroke hard and long. On rounding the corner they met the full force of the head wind and the weight and long finish of the Eton crew began to tell. Both crews spurted hard from the boathouses, and Eton won by 2 lengths in 8 minutes

The crew are to be congratulated on rowing a fine and plucky race against what was a heavier

and undoubtedly a better crew.

A word of congratulation is also due to the cox. Titcomb, on his splendid steering in all these races. He never took his boat an inch out of its course and was not dismayed or flurried by the vagaries of his opponents.

We were glad to welcome to Putney a strengthened Lincoln College Second Eight, who beat our

Second Eight by a bare length.

The Second Eight also had a good race with Imperial College II, who won by six feet.

Westminster Second Eight.—(bow) E. L. Dams, 9 st.; (2) W. Hawthorne, 9 st. 6 lbs.; (3) J. W. S. Sprigger 10 st. 9 lbs.; (4) J. H. Freeman, 11 st.; (5) D. A. G. Hinks, 11 st. 11 lbs.; (6) J. G. R. Bramhall, 11 st.; (7) G. F. A Somerset (Capt.), 10 st. 1 lb.; (stroke) J. H. Cruft, 10 st.; (cox) A. A. Titcomb, 7 st. 4 lbs.

Eton Second Eight.—(bow) J. H. Magill, 9 st. 6 lbs. (2) A. W. Brooke, 10 st. 11 lbs.; (3) J. A. Tinné, 11 st. 13 lbs.; (4) W. D. Blackwood, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (5), D. M. Lubbock, 11 st. 13 lbs.; (6) A. J. Milne (Capt.), 11 st. 7 lbs.; (7) A. J. Richards, 10 st. 1 lb.; (stroke) D. MacGillycuddy, 10 st. 8½ lbs.; (cox) A. C. Maclaren, 6 st. 12 lbs. Westminster Second Eight .- (bow) E. L. Dams, 9 st.;

6 st. 12 lbs.

Radley Second Eight .- (bow) R. C. Frith, 10 st. 7 lbs.; (2) J. M. Knowles, 10 st. 12 lbs.; (3) P. J. Edmonds, 11 st. 11 lbs.; (4) G. C. Ingram, 11 st. 10 lbs.; (5) J. H. Jackson, 13 st. 12 lbs.; (6) B. M. Thornton, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) A. L. Stock, 9 st. 9 lbs.; (stroke) C. L. Morris, 11 st.;

(7) A. L. Stock, 9 st. 9 lbs.; (stroke) C. L. Morris, 11 st.; (cox) J. B. Waite, 7 st. 8 lbs.

St. Paul's Second Eight.—(bow) D. E. Wilson, 9 st. 5 lbs.; (2) H. L. Fry, 10 st. 13 lbs.; (3) D. Macpherson, 12 st.; (4) H. F. Cumming, 11 st. 6 lbs.; (5) R. Hanbury Webber, 11 st. 10 lbs.; (6) G. B. W. P. Wright, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) C. M. W. Thomas, 10 st. 8 lbs.; (stroke) J. W. A. Wineds, 12 st.; (cox) W. G. C. Edwards, 7 st.

DATES OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Sept. 18—Beginning of Term.

Nov. 8—v. Malvern (away).

15—v. Charterhouse. " 20-v. Lancing.

" 29—v. Aldenham.

Dec. 13-First Play. " 15—Second Play.

17-Third Play and End of Term.

HOUSE BOXING, 1930.

WINNERS OF THE SPEDAN LEWIS MEDALS

Open—I. Ivanovic (Ashburnham).

Under II st. 4 lbs.—H. J. Thomson (Busby's).

10 st. 7 lbs.—I. G. Byrne (Rigaud's).

9 st. 9 lbs.—T. C. M. Gibbens (Rigaud's).

9 st.—E. N. Grace (Busby's).

8 st. 6 lbs.—R. F. Walker (Rigaud's).

7 st. 10 lbs.—E. В. Graham Little (Busby's).

6 st. 12 lbs.—M. C. Brooke (Ashburnham).

THE CHALLENGE.

THE following elections have been made: -

To resident King's Scholarships in College

J. P. Rayne, from Mr. G. K. Thompson, The Abbey, Beckenham.

J. F. Davis, from Rev. T. A. Lord, Merton Court, Foots Cray, Kent.

M. J. Starforth, from Mr. G. S. Fowler, St. George's, Windsor.

D. M. M. Carey, from Rev. W. R. Mills, Highfield, Liphook.

C. R. H. Eggar, from Mr. A. O. Snowden, Hildersham House, St. Peter's, Broadstairs.

I. R. O'Brien, from Westminster School and Mr. G. K. Thompson, The Abbey, Beckenham.

D. F. Hubback, from Westminster School and Mr. G. H. Wathen, The Hall, Hampstead.

J. R. H. Thorold, from Rev. C. Williams, Summer Fields, Oxford.

To non-resident Scholarships.

G. S. Hill, from Westminster School and Mr. S. Cruickshank, Edinburgh House, Lee-on-Solent.

A: M. Armstrong, from Westminster School and Mr. S. Lightowler, Quernmore, Bromley.

To Exhibitions.

W. G. Steven, from Mr. C. H. Gibbs, 134, Sloane Street. S.W. I.

W. H. Studt, from Westminster School and M. B. C. Pearce, Durston House, Ealing.

S. C. Beranger, from Mr. C. H. Gibbs, 134, Sloane Street, S.W. I.

D. R. C. Engleheart, from Messrs. J. H. Hope, and W. D. Summers, Heddon Court, Cockfosters.

HISTORICAL NOTE.

Extract from the 'College and Town Life' Magazine of Westminster School, dated February 21, 1846.

SIR.

I am a boy who am, from my disposition, alternately the butt and admiration of my Schoolfellows. I am in fact, of a very romantic turn of mind, and see something extraordinary in everyday occurrences, and cannot go out for Saturday and Sunday without meeting with some very remarkable adventure. I flatter myself, too, that I am a bit of a Poet, and it is on that account I trouble you with this.

When in the Abbey the other day I was struck by the beautiful effect of the sunlight on the walls and wrote thereon the following verses, which, if you like, you are quite at liberty to publish.

Hark the Organ loudly pealing. With its mellow solemn Sound: Wakes, while o'er the Senses stealing Holy thoughts in all around— Hear the birdlike treble breaking Silence scarce with gentle Note: Now the Choir's full Chorus waking. Swelling Hallelujahs float-Through the stained glass richly gleaming. Fit the place and fit the hour Shines the yellow Sunlight beaming Softly on each time-worn Tower-Seems there not while downward slanting. Sunbeams light each joyful face, Hymns of praise the Choir are chanting Something Heavenly in the place?

DR. JOHN BULL.

A LETTER written long ago to Dr. John Bull appeared in the June number of THE ELIZABETHAN; and he was recently the subject of an enquiry in Notes and Queries. Little is remembered of him to-day except the remarkable fact that he was a Canon of Christ Church, a Prebendary of Exeter. a Prebendary of York and Vicar of Staverton-all at the same time-for more than thirty years. But in the first half of the last century, when Oxford was a much smaller place than it now is. he was one of Oxford's characters. He was born there about 1790, and there he practically spent his whole life except for the five or six years when he was a boy at Westminster. For half a century he resided in the House, where he was the last survivor of those who upheld the traditions of Cyril Jackson.

He took his double first in 1811 and was tutor and censor of Christ Church, officiating in the University as proctor, public examiner and select preacher. He was a tall, handsome man, always well dressed and groomed-Mark Pattison has recorded that in his youth he was nicknamed Jemmy Jessamy. But he was also a good man of business and an excellent person to superintend the management of chapter and college estates. Men called him the Stalled Ox, but he did not slumber in his stall. At Exeter he routed, in a rubrical controversy, the redoubtable Henry Phillpotts, and Punch had a cartoon of a bishop being tossed by a bull. His devotion to the House gave rise to a legend that when reading the service in the Cathedral he used to say: 'Let us pray for the whole state of Christ Church militant here in earth.' He used to lament the nepotism in the disposal of studentships which resulted in the departure of brilliant Housemen to other colleges: but those were the days when 'Brigadier' Barnes. the sub-dean, remarked: 'I don't know what we're coming to! I've given studentships to my sons and to my nephews, and to my nephew's children. and there are no more of my family left. I shall have to give them by merit one of these days.'

Ruskin in Praeterita unfortunately does not mention Bull. Buckland seems to have been the only Canon with whom he was intimate while in residence. But Frederick Oakeley came up to matriculate in 1820 and was present at Commemoration. Then for the first time he saw Bull. who was proctor for that year and as such was not popular. The undergraduates let him know it. 'They hissed, they yelled. They roared like a bull, with a manifest allusion to the proctor's illstarred name; and they did their best to give force to the contrast which they wished to make between the object of their fury and his colleague. whom they invested for the occasion with an exaggerated popularity.' But Oakeley bears witness to the 'unruffled placidity' with which Bull bore his trials. Twenty-five years later, at the celebrated convocation, when the proposal to condemn Tract XC was vetoed by the proctors and party spirit ran high on both sides, Sir John Mowbray, who was present, observed that 'Dr. Bull's complacency was completely unruffled.'

Oakeley became one of Bull's pupils, and describes him as 'really a kind-hearted man' whose donnish manner was against him. 'His instincts of taste and scholarship were so acute that if a man in lecture made a false quantity or a literary vulgarism, he would jump about the room like a parched pea.' A pupil once shortened the penultimate syllable of Eriphyle. 'Bull screamed out as if he had been wounded the termination of

Virgil's line "moestamque Eriphylen." He knew Virgil and Milton by heart; Oakeley thought that his favourite Greek poet was Pindar. Latin verse he wrote with ease, and touched up a composition of Oakeley's after it had, according to its author, the good luck rather than the merit to gain a college prize. Sometimes during a lecture the manciple would come to Bull as the senior censor, or, in his absence, to Thomas Vowler Short as the junior, to take their orders as to the dinner for the day at the masters' table. Short would reply with a slight manifestation of impatience at the interruption—'Oh, anything you've got, a boiled leg of mutton and a pudding.' Bull, however, always seemed to have his order at hand in some such form as, 'A fricandeau, a pheasant and an omelette au sucre.' The respective classes of the two tutors used to agree that when they became masters of arts they would never dine in hall when Bull dined out.

It is only fair to notice that when Bull died in 1858, George Valentine Cox wrote of him in Recollections of Oxford: 'He had earned the good fortune which marked his career; and if from his pluralities his revenues were considerable, his charities, private and public, were also on a large and liberal scale.'

Any account of Bull would be incomplete without the inclusion of the following lines by an unknown author:

On the box with Will Whip ere the days of the rail I travelled to Oxford; and inside the mail Was a Canon of Exeter; on the same perch Was a Canon of Oxford's Cathedral Church.

Next came one—I own you may think the thing small—Who held in York Minster a prebendal stall.

And next sat a parson all pursy and fair With a vicarage fat and four hundred a year.

Now, reader, perhaps you will think the coach full, No—there was but one passenger—Dr. John Bull.

Old Westminsters.

Mr. Justice H. C. Beasley, O.B.E., Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature, at Madras, has received the honour of knighthood.

Mr. F. T. Barrington-Ward, K.C., has been appointed a Metropolitan Police Magistrate.

Major Alfred Gordon-Lee, M.C., Commanding Singapore R. Artillery Volunteers, has been awarded an O.B.E.

Mr. Adrian C. Boult, Mus.Doc., has been appointed Musical Director to the B.B.C.

Mr. T. H. S. Wyllie, Scholar of Christ Church, has been awarded the Chanceller's Prize for Latin Verse.

Mr. C. M. Harrison was awarded a 'First' in the Classical Tripos, Part I.

Birth.

CIRCUITT.—On April II, the wife of George F. L. Circuitt, M.B.E., of a daughter.

Marriage.

BINNEY-WEHRLI-THIELEN.—On May 5, William Max Binney, to Gret, daughter of C. Wehrli-Thielen, of Zurich.

DIAMOND WEDDING.

PARKER-LONGLEY.—On May 24, 1870, the Hon. Cecil Thomas Parker, second son of the Earl of Macclesfield, to Rosamund Esther Harriet Longley, youngest daughter of the late Archbishop of Canterbury (O.W.).

Pro Patria.

To the list of those Westminsters who have given their lives for their country in distant parts of the Empire must be added the name of Denis Brounell Murphy, Assistant Superintendent of Indian Police. He was killed near Mardan in the Peshawar District on May 25, in a gallant effort to disperse a crowd of rioters, estimated at about 1,500 persons, with a small force of Indian policemen armed only with stayes.

He was a son of Richard Y. Murphy, of Ealing, and was admitted as a K.S. in 1918. He left in 1922 and entered the Bank of England. In November, 1923, he joined the Indian Police and was posted to the Peshawar District. He quickly showed himself to be an officer of great promise, with a rare combination of gentleness and courage. When employed as Assistant Superintendent of Police in charge of Peshawar City, in 1927, he was awarded the King's Police Medal for a conspicuous act of gallantry in rescuing an Indian boy from a burning house. In the words of the Chief Gommissioner, N.W.F. Provinces: 'His sterling qualities won him the esteem and goodwill of the public and of all ranks of the Police Force amongst whom he was deservedly popular. By his untimely death a career full of promise has been cut short and Government has lost a courageous and zealous officer.'

Obituary.

WE regret to have to record the deaths of several Old Westminsters.

The Rt. Hon. SIR MONTAGUE LUSH, formerly a Judge of the Court of King's Bench,

died on June 22 in his 77th year.

He was the fourth son of the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Lush and was up Grant's from 1866 to 1872. From Westminster he went to Trinity Hall, Cambridge, of which he was elected an Hon. Fellow in 1911. He took a first in Classics and was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn in 1879. He quickly made a name for himself at the Bar, but did not take Silk until 1902. As a K.C. he became one of the foremost advocates of his day. In 1910 he was appointed a Judge of the King's Bench, and finally retired in 1925, when he was sworn of the Privy Council. Among his colleagues were four other Westminsters, Lord Justice Phillimore, Lord Justice Vaughan-Williams, Mr. Justice Bucknell, and Mr. Justice Low. Sir Montague Lush was for some time the Masters' representative on the Governing Body, and it was largely due to his generosity and to that of Lord Phillimore that the additional Fives Court by the entrance to College was provided for the School. He married a daughter of Sir Charles Locock, Bt., and had four sons, three of whom were recently at the School.

(See The Times, June 23, 1930.)

THOMAS STAVELEY OLDHAM, who died on May 7, aged 74, was a son of the Very Rev. Richard S. Oldham, Dean of Glasgow. He was up Rigaud's from 1869 to 1872. For nearly fifty years he was in Coutts Bank. From 1882 to 1905 he was a Member of the Council and sometimes Vice-President of the London Football Association, and from 1889 to 1919 he was Hon. Secretary to the London Football Charity Cup Committee. But it was as Treasurer of the Elizabethan Club (1895-1923), and subsequently as Vice-President, and also as President of the School Mission, that he was affectionately known to generations of Westminsters. For many years no gathering of O.WW. could be considered to be quite complete without him. The office of Treasurer of the Elizabethan Club is not, perhaps, without its difficulties, but to Oldham it was a source of pride and a delight, and to

it he gave hours of patient and enthusiastic work. When the War Memorial Fund was formed, he willingly consented to act as Hon. Treasurer, though it necessarily involved an immense amount of correspondence. But he was an indefatigable letter-writer and, bred in the traditions of Coutts's, he scorned the aid of modern inventions and delighted to pen with his own hand the well-turned courtly phrase. For all this unselfish work Westminster owes him a debt which it is not easy to estimate. But, in truth, his love for the School may be said to have been one of the ruling passions of his life, and of him especially may it be said that all his life he strove 'to preserve the association, and to further the interests and prosperity of the School.'

KIRKSOP BAINBRIDGE JAMES VICKERS was a son of Charles K. Vickers, of Wolsingham, Co. Durham. He was up Rigaud's from 1884 to 1888. He subsequently became a doctor and practised at Wellington, Salop. He served with the R.A.M.C. in the war. He died at Monte Carlo on May 6.

The Elizabethan Club.

President—MR. H. F. MANISTY, K.C.

Hon. Treasurer—Sir Ernest Goodhart, Bart., Benenden Place, Benenden, Kent.

Hon. Secretary—Mr. D. C. SIMPSON, 20, Great College Street, S.W. 1.

Hon. Secretary (Games)—Mr. W. N. McBride, Canford School, Wimborne, Dorset.

THE OLD WESTMINSTER BOAT CLUB.

Hon. Secretary—D. CRAGG-HAMILTON, 68, Kensington Mansions, Warwick Road, S.W. 5.

The annual subscriptions are:

Full rowing members ... £3 3 c University rowing members £1 1 o

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There are now two pairs and three sculling boats ready for use by members at Biffen's Boathouse (close to Hammersmith Bridge). The changing-room, showers, etc., are at the Rutland Hotel adjoining (entrance in Mall Road), rooms No. 13 and 15 respectively. These arrangements were agreed to at a meeting of the Club held in the Busby Library on April 28.

During the last year the Boat Club Committee has examined and considered, with the assistance

1931.

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and advice of the General and Games Committees of the Elizabethan Club, a number of schemes for rendering the Boat Club active. A further scheme is to be considered under which, if the Club prospers, a boathouse can be built in a few years

A grant of from has been made to the Club by

the Elizabethan Club.

The Club scarf and zephyr can be obtained from Hodgkinsons.

OLD WESTMINSTERS' FOOTBALL CLUB JUBILEE DINNER.

OCTOBER 14, 1930.

To celebrate the formation of the Club on October 14, 1880, a dinner is to be held on the same day in 1930 at the Café Royal.

It is earnestly hoped that all O.WW. who possibly can will make a point of being present.

It may be recalled that the football history of

the Club records the following successes:

London Cup: 1887, 1888, 1890, 1892 and 1893. Also the London Charity Cup in 1887. Further, the O.WW. F.C. played a prominent part in forming the A.F.A. in 1908.

The principal guest of the evening will be Mr. P. G. L. Webb, the original founder of the Club.

It is proposed to invite representatives of the various Football Clubs with which the School and Old Boys are specially connected.

The Headmaster has very kindly given permission for some of the senior boys and football pinks to attend the dinner. Full details appeared in last month's ELIZABETHAN.

OLD WESTMINSTERS' FOOTBALL CLUB.

Hon. Secretary.—C. J. PINDER, 5, Coleherne Road, S.W. 10.

FIXTURES FOR SEASON, 1930-31.

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| ,, | Oct. | 4—R.M.C. Camberley. |
| ,, | ,, | 11—Highgate School. Highgate. |
| Tues. | ,, | 14—50th Anniversary Dinner. Café Royal. |
| Sat. | ,,, | 18—Alleyn Old Boys. Herne Hill. |
| ,, | ,, | 25—Old Cholmeleians. New Barnet. |
| ,, | Nov. | 1—Wellingborough School. Wellingboro'. |
| ,, | ,, | 8—M.R.A. Woolwich. |
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| " | , ,, | 22—Guy's Hospital. Honor Oak Park. |
| ,,, | ,, | 29—University College Hospital. Perivale. |
| ,, | Dec. | 6—Westminster School. Vincent Square. |
| ,, | ,, | 13—1st Round A.F.A. Senior Cup. |
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| . ,, | ,, | 20—Old Etonians. Vincent Square. |
| Fri. | ,, | 26—Lancing Old Boys. Lancing. |
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Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF THE RECORD OF OLD WESTMINSTERS.

SIR,—The Record of Old Westminsters is a serious and perhaps a heavy book, but it has its lighter side. Open it anywhere and you will find entertainment-sometimes surprises and sometimes disappointments. It is a disappointment, for instance, to find from an examination of the dates that the Julius Cæsar recorded as educated

at our ancient school could not be the author of that easy reading-book which enjoys so wide a popularity in the lower forms of English Public Schools and (incidentally) exemplifies so lavishly the use of the Ablative Absolute. On the other hand it is hardly a surprise and certainly no disappointment to discover that the young Woodley recorded here can scarcely have been the Young Woodley who used to sob on the lap of his house-master's wife. Even had he been that undesirable youth, the insufficient data furnished by the editors of the Record would not have enabled us to identify dear Mr. Simmons. there is a boy called Lad or a lad called Boy (I forget which) who must, I think, have become the youngest Old Westminster on record, for his career at school lasted only two days. He accomplished in fact in two days a task that occupied me for the best part of eight years. Was it, I wonder, because he was so desperately anxious to become an Old Westminster, or is it possible (dreadful thought!) that he was expelled? Even so it was surely something of an achievement to get oneself expelled with such extraordinary promptitude. Perhaps Mr. Laurence Tanner when groping and grubbing in the Muniment Room (I have never seen the Muniment Room, but I imagine it is a place where one naturally gropes and grubs), may some day discover the solution of this mystery.

The Record is a treasure-house of delightful names. There is good old Shugborough, who apparently had no Christian name and scarcely required one. There is the nimble Bymblebee, the breezy Bythesea, the slippery Eelback, the honest Buncombe, the chorister Crucifix, the ambiguous Sheebull, the two Squibbs, and Uriah Then among Christian names I select Exuperius as a really difficult name to live up to. And, if you had your choice, would you rather be called Hubbersty Tweddell or Zachary Tuttesham?

Lastly and firstly comes our old friend Abacruma, whose true name I think I have now discovered. I believe it was Abercromby, probably pronounced Abercroomby. As by some strange philological law (was it called Grin's law?) breakfast has become brekker, Association Soccer and Rugby Rugger, in exactly the same way Abercroomby became Abercroomer, which, in the deplorable spelling of our forefathers, was turned into Abacruma-Q.E.D. No doubt in the next edition of the Record the editor will affix a note to Abacruma 'See Abercromby,' and another to Abercromby 'See Abacruma.' This is called a cross reference, and often makes the reader cross.

One notable omission from the Record is the name of Robert Ferrars, that priceless cad in 'Sense and Sensibility,' whose brother Edward would have resembled him (he thought) in polish, 'if only he had been sent to Westminster instead of to Mr. Pratt's.

Statistics are amusing if not instructive. There are 114 Smiths (they win in a canter), 90 Joneses, 88 Browns, and only 56 Robinsons. I notice, by the way, that the editors have taken up a rigorous attitude, against which there is no appeal. They will have no camouflage. You may disguise yourself as much as you please as Angel-Smith or Cherub-Jones, but in the Record you are indexed neither as Angel or Cherub—but without mercy as Smith or Jones pur et simple.

There are 25 Drakes and only 2 Ducks; 3 Cocks and only one Hen(ne).

A pleasing feature of the book are the pictures, and there alone we have allowed the intrusion of a female.

WESTMINSTER DINNER, 1929.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT.

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(Signed) ERNEST GOODHART, Hon. Treasurer.

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Passed at Dinner Committee Meeting held the 20th May, (Signed) R. T. SQUIRE, Chairman. 1930.

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(Signed) A. R. C. FLEMING,

Chartered Accountant.

London, March 21, 1930.

Sundry Expenses

You have noticed no doubt the dear old lady in a bonnet

who sits so peacefully in her garden at Chiswick.

When we circulated the Record to reviewers we enlarged for the benefit of the more snobbishly inclined on the number of dukes whose brains had been polished at Westminster, and then to lower the temperature a little and to come down again nearer earth we quoted the case of one Scotcher, who at the age of 12 was apprenticed to a perruque-maker in Holborn, adding the reflexion that at that date Westminster was a Whig school. This jest, I am afraid, bordered on the frivolous.

Your obedient servant,

P. G. L. WEBB.

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA.

May, 1930.

SIR,—In his admirable critique of the 'Phormio,' in your February number, S. C. expresses his pleasure at hearing the real Westminster pronunciation of Latin, which is I presume akin to the Eton or Winchester pronunciation of half a century ago and which I understand continues at the present day in those schools. I would congratulate Westminster on adhering to the pronunciation of Latin used by our ancestors, used in idioms which have been adopted into English everyday use, quoted by the great orators, known to science and the law. Let me give a few examples:

The Venile, the Te Deum; Lyme Regis and other place names; a man's biceps; a rara avis, verbatim; such mottoes as Concordia victrix, that of the Cole family, Deum

cole regem serva.

May I add a favourite quotation of Field-Marshal Lord Wolselev so characteristic of him:

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Plura sunt quae nos terrent quam quae premunt et saepius opinione quam re laboramus. (Sen.)

He, of course, pronounced it the English way.

In the British Continent of Australia, where archæology and modern languages, except Anglo-Saxon, are not, the small proportion of the community which studies Latin has been bewildered by being taught to pronounce it with a foreign accent for the vowels and with C & V pronounced as K & W respectively.

The result appears to be that none of those who have studied Latin in this manner continue to read Latin authors for pleasure after the period of the school or college is past; the spirit and love of the classics is no more, and there is every indication that Latin will die out in Australia, resulting in a total subversion of culture and classical knowledge.

The Reformation struck a blow at the study of Latin. The foreign pronunciation bids fair in Australia to strike its death blow and herald a decadence to barbarism.

For all these reasons, therefore, I say long may the real Westminster pronunciation be heard at the Play.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

PRISTINAE VIRTUTIS MEMOR.

8, DEAN'S YARD,
WESTMINSTER, S.W. 1.

June 25, 1930.

DEAR SIR,—I have just received The ELIZABETHAN for June, and am much interested in a curious coincidence on page 243, 'Old Westminsters.'

The first entry refers to John Salwey and the second to myself. John Salwey was Head of Grant's when I went there as a small boy in 1885, and I was his fag.

Yours faithfully,

GUY H. GUILLUM SCOTT.

Dear Sir,—Does it not seem a very unfortunate fact that there is no regular professional coach for Westminster cricket? Although members of the First Eleven are properly entitled to the benefit of the coaching of the games master himself, surely it is right that there should be some regular source of instruction for those less talented but no less keen members of the School who form the great majority. As it is, only those who are already outstanding are enabled to add to their proficiency, while many others for want of coaching miss their chance of becoming at least average performers. We feel sure that, if a professional could be appointed for this purpose, not only would the standard of School cricket be greatly improved but individual talent would be much more easily discovered.

We remain, Sir, Your obedient servants,

POLLUX AND CASTOR.

THE WESTMINSTER SCHOOL MISSION.

22, NORMAN AVENUE, TWICKENHAM.

SIR,—I should be much obliged if you would be kind enough to allow me the hospitality of your columns to inform subscribers to the Westminster School Mission that Mr. G. L. Barber, Westminster School, has kindly consented to act as Honorary Treasurer for the Mission from the end of July until the annual general meeting in November, and that all subscriptions should, during that period, be sent to him.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

> J. R. WADE, Hon. Secretary.

TRINITY COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE.

DEAR SIR,—That most ephemeral of Westminster societies, the Cambridge Old Westminsters, has again come to life and wishes to celebrate publicly in your columns its second year of existence. It now numbers more than fifty members and has representatives in nearly

every College.

In March we had a dinner which, though not so well attended as had been hoped, largely owing to an unfortunate choice of date, was nevertheless very enjoyable. The guests of the Society were the Headmaster and Sir Edward Knapp-Fisher, both of whom we were all very glad to see again. Mr. H. F. Manisty, Mr. L. E. Tanner, and Mr. Tyson were also invited but were, unfortunately, unable to attend. Mr. Tyson came up to Cambridge shortly before the dinner and entertained several members of the Society to an excellent tea, for which we take this opportunity of again thanking him.

The athletic officials of the Society have been very energetic, and in spite of the difficulty of collecting teams,

succeeded in getting several fixtures played.

For next year we shall have Mr. E. L. Franklin as President, Mr. A. G. de Montmorency as Secretary, and Mr. K. H. L. Cooper as Games Secretary, and we wish the Society every success under their guidance.

Yours, etc.,

J. M. S. WHITTOW, Secretary.

Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following:

Limit, Eton College Chronicle (7), Johnian, Marlburian, Haileyburian, Wykehamist, Cheltonian, Bookmark, Folio, Shirburian, Navy (3), Salopian, Radleian, Christ's College Register, Carthusian, Penn Charter Magazine (2), St. Edward's School Chronicle, Maivernian, Lakonian, Lancing College Magazine, Meteor, Cholmelian, Edinburgh Academy Chronicle, Rossallian, Voice, Reptonian, Melburnian.

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. Stephen with St. Mary, Westminster.

The Mission is largely responsible for the upkeep of Napier Hall, Hide Place, Vincent Square, where the club-rooms and hall are used by the Parish (Westminster School Mission) Club for young men and boys, and by the 1st (City of Westminster) Troop B.P. 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. The Hon. Secretary will give further information gladly to anyone willing to help.

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

Subscriptions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, L. F. Harvey, Esq., Westminster School. Offers of service and of gifts in kind should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, J. R. Wade, Esq., O.W., 7, Park Gate Gardens, East Sheen, S.W. 14.

OLD WESTMINSTERS' LODGE, No. 2233.

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.

NOTICES.

ALL contributions to the October number of The Elizabethan should reach the Editor at 3, Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.I, by October 9, 1930.

Contributions must be written on one side of the paper only. Back numbers are obtainable from the Editor, price is, each.

s. each.
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The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of his correspondents.

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