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VALE.

AN editor is faced with a difficult task when he takes up his pen to write for the last time. But there are two traps which he must avoid. He must not try to be funny when he does not possess a fund of natural humour, nor must he copy the opinions of his predecessors. However, his thoughts turn naturally to the past year, and the impressions which he has formed of the School during that period.

In sport, the year has been above the average in success. Both the football and cricket elevens have acquitted themselves creditably, and water has made a decided advance. Not the least pleasing feature has been the growing interest shown in the minor games, and the consequent improvement in their standard. All the School functions have been attended with success, and we may look back on the year as having been a prosperous one.

But it is the general tone and spirit of the School that an observer notices most, and a year's ex-

perience may perhaps cause him some uneasiness as to its condition. Is every boy at Westminster honestly doing his best for the School? Is he trying to behave in such a way as not to tarnish its traditions and reputation? Is he trying to help those in authority, by sympathising with their difficulties and by obeying their orders cheerfully, though they may not be to his liking? I cannot help feeling that in many cases, though outwardly everything is well, the true spirit is not there. There are many people in the School who do not scruple to make the best use of the absence of authority, thereby exercising an evil influence on those around them. And there are those who have to be told too often to behave themselves properly. In short, the discipline of the School leaves something to be desired, and it is impossible for an honest observer to be blind to the fact.

This state of affairs can only be remedied if every member of the School seriously takes himself in hand and subjects himself to a severe self-criticism. And it is of vital importance that those who are in positions of authority should

realise their great responsibilities ; for a monitor is not placed in his position to enable him to enjoy himself, but in order that amongst his many duties he may set a good example to those below him. And he is the last person from whom one expects cynicism and insincerity.

Many of the School seem to lack any sense of values ; or perhaps it means greater popularity to go with the crowd and not voice an honest opinion. But let everyone take himself in hand and see to it that he makes the best possible use of his opportunities while at School. The time is all too short.

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THE 'RECORD OF OLD WESTMINSTERS.'

THE 'Record of Old Westminsters' has at last appeared ; and no one who reads it will be surprised at the delay in its appearance. It is a monument of patient industry. The late Mr. G. F. Russell Barker devoted the best years of his life to research for it ; and there is a tradition that Mr. A. H. Stenning, who has happily survived to see its publication, began to collect materials for it while he was still a boy at the School. It is far ahead of any other school record of a similar kind which has yet appeared.

And it is a wonder how some of the materials for it have been preserved. The School has not been too careful of its records. It seems to have been no one's business to look after the Admission Books ; and there is no evidence that Markham, Vincent or Wingfield ever kept such books at all. In 1793 Vincent told Gibbon that Nicoll's book was then in his possession, and from it he was able to give Gibbon the date at which he was admitted. Smith had resigned the Headmastership in 1788 ; yet Nicoll's book (and presumably Freind's also) got back somehow into his custody, as they were found more than a century afterwards much damaged by rats in the possession of one of his descendants. Smith in 1793 was a prebendary, living next door to Vincent in the house which is now No. 18, Dean's Yard ; and Vincent may have borrowed Nicoll's book from Smith to answer Gibbon's question. Or it is possible that all the books were then in Vincent's hands, and so remained until he left the Headmaster's house for the Deanery in 1802 ; and that he then sent them to Smith, next door, to be handed over to Wingfield when he came to take possession of the Headmaster's house, which must for a short time have been empty. If so, the books may have remained forgotten in Smith's house, and Wingfield, who probably did not know

of their existence, may have made no enquiry about them. The same remark applies to Carey when he succeeded Wingfield. Carey was slack about recording admissions, for his own book does not begin till 1806, though it contains the names of boys who were at the School when he became Headmaster in 1803 or were admitted by him before he began to make regular entries. When he left he took his book away with him ; fortunately one of his executors, Hugh Chambres Jones, was an O.W. and restored it to the School in 1848—a fact which might have been usefully commemorated under Jones's name in the Record. Smith's book was in existence in 1868, when his grandson, William Smith, lent it to Scott, who, being a practical person, made a copy of it ; its present whereabouts is unknown. Rutherford, when he left in 1901, took away the 1884-96 book, but a copy of the entries in it was made while it was still at the School. And thus there are long gaps in the admissions which Messrs. Barker and Stenning have had to supply as best they could ; Mr. C. B. Phillimore's edition of Welch's *Alumni* giving them little help except for the names of King's Scholars. But a glance at any page of their book will show how widely the net has been cast ; especially when it is remembered that the fullest entry in any admission book only gives the Christian name and surname of the boy admitted, with the dates of his birth and admission, the name of his house and his form. Many entries omit some of these details ; and in no case is the parentage stated.

But there has been no laxity. All who claim to be O.W.W. have had to prove their title very strictly. Thus we look in vain for the name of William Wake, the hero of the Curtain Story. Even his father, William Wake the elder, who suffered many things at the hands of Puritans when he was Rector of Wareham, has not succeeded in satisfying the examiners ; and yet he is said by a writer in the *Gentleman's Magazine* for March, 1785, to have been 'bred at Westminster School.'

The space of an entire number of **THE ELIZABETHAN** would be needed to do justice to the Record's contents. Almost every one of its 1,037 pages contains one or more names which may be described as up to the *D.N.B.* standard ; and every page illustrates the diversity of the careers pursued by O.W.W. Thus on page 1 we find a Speaker of the House of Commons (Charles Abbot, Lord Colchester) ; on page 2 one of the original staff of *Punch* (Gilbert Abbott A'Beckett) ; on page 3 a Cardinal (Charles Januarius Edward Acton) ; and so on throughout the book. Of course all careers are not equally respectable. For instance, there are the murderers, such as Lord Ferrers, whose execution William Hickey and Robert Henley

cut School to see; Edward Bird, who killed a waiter in 1718 (Eton shares with Westminster the credit of having educated Bird); and John Donellan, who poisoned his brother-in-law. Donellan's execution was popular with the Rugby boys, for he had interfered with their fishing rights. His widow married another O.W., Sir Egerton Leigh, a Nonconformist baronet, who preached his own sermons, being known as the Independent, while his predecessor was called the Pendent. Then there are such minor criminals as George Wyche, who suffered at Tyburn in 1731, convicted of assault and robbery on four separate indictments. John Donne, son of the Dean of St. Paul's, was tried for manslaughter at Oxford in 1633, but he was acquitted; as also was Spencer Cowper, tried for murder in 1699.

From the murderers it is an easy stage to the murdered. Besides the two Jermys, whom James Blomfield Rush shot at Stanfield Hall in 1848, there is Lord William Russell, whose throat was cut by Courvoisier a few years earlier. A less famous victim is James Ashton, found murdered in his room at Cambridge in 1745. And a remarkable number of O.W.W. have met their death by drowning in sea, lake or river.

Mills in the Fighting Green have succumbed to the advance of civilisation or the Locarno spirit. But the Record notes the celebrated fight between Paddy Browne (afterwards Sir John De Beauvoir) and John Erskine (afterwards Earl of Mar), which Princess Charlotte had the luck to witness; and how after one mill the boy called Cupid was taken home unrecognisable; and how Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, though bigger than, 'was not so good as,' James Deacon Hume; and the other renowned combat on St. Peter's Day, 1847, which Bishop Wordsworth of Lincoln (then a Canon) had to stop because it was disturbing the consecration of five Colonial Bishops in the Abbey. One of the five was Augustus Short, himself an O.W. Nothing is said of a more recent fight in which a boy who was to become an eminent ecclesiastic injured the eye of a future judge of the King's Bench Division. That is reserved for the future biographers of the School.

Among the illustrations are two prints of the buildings at Chiswick formerly used by the School. One shows the three houses facing the river and formerly occupied by boys, Masters and servants when in residence. The other gives the view from the garden at the back of the second house—presumably the Masters' lodging.

'Let us now praise famous men'—and among them George Fisher Russell Barker and Alan Herbert Stenning.

THE CHALLENGE.

THE following candidates have been elected:—

To Resident Scholarships.

- A. V. Panting, from Mr. Turner, Tormore School, Upper Deal.
- F. G. Adams, from Mr. Linford, Downsend, Leatherhead.
- A. K. Milne, from Messrs. Longrigg and Deakin, Streete Court, Westgate-on-Sea.
- R. E. P. Nadin, from Mr. Rudd, Stoneygate, Leicester.
- R. L. Monck-Mason, from Rev. H. Waterfield, Temple Grove, Eastbourne.
- G. F. W. Tripp, from Mr. Lightowler, Quernmore School, Bromley.
- E. R. Smith, from Westminster School and Mr. Gladstone, Cliveden Place S.W.
- Alderson, from Mr. J. H. Alderson, Charter Towers, East Grinstead.

To Non-Resident Scholarships.

- G. B. N. Hartog, from Mr. Wilkinson, Orme Square, Bayswater.
- D. Mangakis, from Westminster School and Mr. Hodgson, Dorset Square, N.W.
- L. E. Mangeot, from Westminster School and Major Chappell, Beechborough Park, Shorncliffe.

To Exhibitions.

- J. C. W. Jutte, from Westminster School and Mr. Moseley, Gate House, Kingston Hill.
- J. R. Squire, from Mr. Moseley, Gate House, Kingston Hill.
- A. D. B. Clark, from Mr. Pearce, Durston House, Ealing.
- J. H. Freeman, from Mr. Linford, Downsend, Leatherhead.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION (Junior Branch).

It is perhaps not out of place to give an idea of what is actually done by the School towards helping the League of Nations. With the idea of creating a general interest and support of the League, a Junior Branch was formed in February, 1927; by the end of Election Term it consisted of 80 members. In the following term, when new officers were chosen, a more ambitious programme was decided upon. Two meetings are held each term, except in the summer, when papers on international subjects are read and debated or foreign affairs are discussed. These meetings, which are attended by Masters as well as members of the Branch, provide interesting discussions and a growing knowledge of international politics.

A lantern lecture was given in the Play Term, while Mr. Duff Cooper, M.P., addressed the whole School in the Lent Term. It was mainly due to him that the membership of the Branch was increased to 130 members, while 21 out of 25 of the Masters have joined the Union.

The Branch has sent representatives to several meetings, at one of which a report of the work of the Branch was read and a notice of it has appeared in *Headway*. With the funds, which amount to £5, several books have been bought for the library, and thirty books have been hired, all of which are to be found in the case belonging to the Branch up Lib. Various posters, notices and pamphlets are daily posted up in a cage in yard, to show people what the League is doing. A sum of nearly £3 has been sent to the League of Nations Union, to help their expenses.

The Branch has now become a recognised institution and is supported by most of the more prominent members of the School. It is hoped eventually to form a Senior Branch, which O.W.W. may join if they so wish. We shall continue having two meetings a term, while Prof. Noel Baker, the author of *Disarmament*, and still more well known as an Olympic games runner, is coming to address the Branch on October 15. We hope that Lord Phillimore may come down and speak shortly.

The Committee of the Junior Branch consists of:

- H. L. JONES, *President*.
 W. E. HEARD, *Secretary*.
 F. M. HARDIE, *Treasurer*.
 G. A. ELLISON, *Librarian*.

ROUND THE CLUBS.

ON the evening of May 10 four King's Scholars, with Mr. A. R. W. Harrison, had an exceedingly pleasant outing, and visited certain London clubs. Lest any readers of THE ELIZABETHAN be shocked, let it be understood that these clubs were all temperance and all closed at ten; while no members were over nineteen, and ladies were rigorously excluded. The intention, in fact, of the expedition was to see what a mission club is really like, since, unfortunately, our own School Mission is an unpenetrated arcanum to most of us.

We were piloted in our wanderings by the Rev. R. C. Streatfeild, who himself is the overseer of more than one London mission club. He met us at the end of London Bridge and took us to St. Olave's Mission in Bermondsey. We were here

impressed by the luxury of the place, which contained an excellent gymnasium, billiard and ping-pong tables, a stage, and a general air of comfort. Unfortunately there are too few clubs which can afford such a style. The system on which the club was run was the division of the members into five groups, *Clifton, Rugby, Winchester, Wellington* and *Recruits*, among whom duties were divided, and between whom football and cricket matches were played. Each division has one officer and two helpers from the Mission staff.

By way of contrast to this beautifully run establishment, Mr. Streatfeild said he was taking us to a badly run club of his own. This club was too poor to afford a room of its own, and it borrowed a few rooms of a Council school. The disadvantage of this was that any members of rather untamed nature who were inclined to do damage had to be removed. On the other hand, the rooms were very bright and cheerful, and the general atmosphere of the club was not such as to warrant Mr. Streatfeild's idea of contrast. When we arrived, there was a certain awkwardness, since no one of the staff had turned up to open the club, and the disconsolate members were waiting in the yard. The club refreshed us all with a cup of tea, and we proceeded to Lambeth to knock up a clergyman who was preparing to start a club, and who showed us his premises and told us his plans. More than anything we had yet seen, those small bare rooms in Lambeth showed us what a lot of work and co-operation was required to found such a club.

We left Mr. Smith and took a tram to another club near Waterloo. This was the least pleasant we saw, not through poverty, since it was even larger and more complete than the first place, but the general tone was undisciplined and rather slack. There was a strangely rococo chapel, in strong contrast to the simple one we had seen in Bermondsey. The padre of the club was not present, so we pursued him to his lodging, and finding that vacant but open, walked in and established ourselves complacently to wait for him. Two others on a similar quest soon joined us, so that the unfortunate man eventually arrived to find his room packed with eight uninvited guests, five of whom he had never seen before. However, he seemed quite unsurprised, and very kindly discoursed to us briefly on parish work in general, until we were obliged to leave.

We certainly had a very pleasant evening, with plenty of opportunity to learn what we were out for; indeed we were all potential slum-workers for that evening. Perhaps if we could all be taken for a tour by Mr. Streatfeild the School Mission would seem to us more of a reality.

House Notes.

K.SS.—Our first duty is to congratulate H. L. Jones on regaining his Cricket Pinks, and K. H. L. Cooper on gaining his Thirds. Three King's Scholars have played for the first XI and three for the second, while as many as six have played for Colts, of whom four are regular members. We congratulate our Juniors' team on defeating Grant's in the preliminary round and Rigaud's in the second round. We wish them the best of success in the final.

On the Water, although we have no one in the first VIII, there were four King's Scholars in the VIII which rowed against Eton. Congratulations to Lee and ten Doesschate on their Pink-and-Whites. We also have two representatives in the third VIII, and look forward to racing Town Boys with equanimity.

Our Literary Society has closed its session after reading 'St. Patrick's Day,' 'Antony and Cleopatra,' 'The Gondoliers,' and 'She Stoops to Conquer.'

We are glad to announce that our musical enthusiasm was crowned with success in the Musical Competitions, and that we succeeded in winning the cup for the second year running.

GG.—Since by one of those infrequent, but by no means unwelcome, editorial decrees House Notes were excluded from the last number, we are able to play a few more variations on the theme of success and failure than is generally the case.

Last term we won the Physical Training Competition for the fifth consecutive year, and for the first time for many, many years our soldiers showed fight. The Sports and Relay Cups returned to us after a grim struggle with disease and with Ashburnham; may we publicly offer our sympathy to Ashburnham on their very bad luck in the last few years?

More recent history records that we have been beaten by College in the Preliminary Round of Juniors and have defeated Ashburnham by an innings in the First Round of Seniors.

Hearty congratulations are due to J. K. Luard and L. J. D. Wakely on their Cricket Pinks, to R. G. A. Colt-Williams on his Pink-and-Whites and C. E. Lonsdale on his Thirds. On the river, also, we are more satisfactorily represented than we have been for some time. G. E. D. Halahan has regained his Pinks and D. K. C. O'Malley and A. E. K. Salvi have won theirs. J. S. Kennedy, too, has been given his Pink-and-Whites. Among many distinguished N.C.O.s of long-and short-standing we have two Under-Officers in K. J. Gardiner and W. E. Heard and a Lce.-Sergeant in D. A. Bompas. The Tennis Six is never without its Grantites.

H.BB.—Our congratulations are due to G. A. Ellison and E. C. Robbins on their promotion to the Upper and to S. R. Mangeot and D. Mangakis on gaining Non-Resident Scholarships. Home Boarders, keeping up its reputation for military efficiency, still retains the Corps Cup, having won it now for three years in succession.

To this would have been added the Senior Shooting Cup had not the House Shooting Four had the ill luck to be beaten by Ashburnham, the ultimate winners, by one point. As a House we did not distinguish ourselves greatly in the Sports, but we managed to gain the Tug Cup after a desperate struggle with Ashburnham in the final. This is only the second time Home Boarders have won the cup since its inception. Water is, as usual of late years, our first line in the sporting world, and we supply three members of the First Eight, including the Captain; three members of the Second Eight, also including the Captain, and representatives of the House have been frequent in the Third eight. A. D. B. Weigall has now been added to our two former Pinks, D. F. R. Freeman and G. A. Ellison, but we have to condole with B. H. Dulanty on his bad luck in not regaining his place in this year's Eight. P. North and C. S. Humphries have been our representatives in the Second Eight, and we congratulate them on their Pink-and-Whites. It is hoped that the present Fives revival up the House will discover latent talent and once more enable Home Boarders to represent the School at Fives. At the time of writing our duel with Rigaud's in Cricket Seniors is still in progress, and after leading on the first innings we feel filled with hope about the finish. Lastly, we must congratulate K. S. Watt on his brilliant first innings and his well-deserved Cricket House Colours.

RR.—We must first offer our congratulations to Eaton, who gained his Pinks for Water, to Aitken P. and to Youatt, who gained their Pink-and-Whites, the former for Cricket and the latter for Water. Senior shooting took place a week or so ago—owing to the new idea of shooting four at a time, and with a rifle that perhaps was not quite true, our score was rather lower than we expected, and thus we only succeeded in gaining third place. In Cricket Seniors against Home Boarders, though we made a poor start, we managed to recover enough to make the match an interesting one. We did well in gaining a bye in Cricket Juniors, but unable to further our success, we lost heavily to College. Congratulations to Byrne and Gibbens on their Junior House Colours. Seeing that we shall have the same pair that we have had for the past two years, our prospects for the Tennis Cup are more than hopeful.

Among our present troubles is the thought of the approaching School Certificate, for which we have a fair percentage of candidates, to whom we wish the best of luck.

A.HH.—We must bid a belated farewell to H. B. Ripman, Head of House, and A. C. Bird. The former cast lustre on the House by his academic achievements, and the latter did much to win us the Seniors Shield by his inspiring captaincy. Others to leave us were W. G. Walter, M. F. Porterfield, W. G. R. Oates, T. E. R. Roberts, J. O. Sahler and J. B. Reeves. We have succeeded in reaching the final of Cricket Juniors, and have hopes of further success; unfortunately our efforts in Seniors did not meet with the reward that they perhaps deserved. The Senior Shooting Cup has returned home after a short sojourn abroad; we hope the Junior Cup will follow its example. Once again we won the Fencing Cup with overwhelming ease, and we must congratulate F. S. Hoppé on his Half-Pinks. We failed to win the Music Competition in spite of very noble efforts on the part of Spurgin. Reverting to cricket, D. E. Ryland and M. Broadhurst are to be congratulated on their House Colours and D. E. Barker on his Pink-and-Whites.



THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER *v.* INCOGNITI C.C.

(Lost.)

Played at Vincent Square on Saturday, May 26. The Incogniti won the watch in the last ten minutes by 97 runs. The Westminster batsmen, with the exception of Bompas (67), failed dismally and could not even succeed in making the match a draw. Symington bowled excellently to take 5 wickets for 29 runs.

INCOGNITI C.C.

W. D. Gordon, lbw b Symington	24
A. R. Cronin, b Symington	36
H. R. Kirkwood, b Symington	35
C. Morley-Brown, c Gardiner, b Graham	62
D. Wright, lbw b Symington	5
Major A. L. Foster, not out	20
E. B. B. Speed, c Gardiner, b Graham	17
Capt. J. C. B. Harbottle, R.N., lbw b Symington	7
W. F. Hazelton, b Gardiner	0
A. E. Coxon, c and b Gardiner	6
G. F. McGrath, not out	4
Extras	9

Total (for 9 wickets dec.) ... 225

Bowling.—Graham 2 for 27, Gardiner 2 for 66, Cooper 0 for 31, Jones 0 for 17, Mallinson 0 for 11, Symington 5 for 29, Evetts 0 for 33.

WESTMINSTER.

H. B. Graham, lbw b Kirkwood	6
D. A. Bompas, c Wright, b Hazelton	67
I. W. A. Symington, b Cronin	4
K. J. Gardiner, c Wright, b Cronin	4
J. W. M. Aitken, lbw b Hazelton	3
H. L. Jones, c Wright, b Kirkwood	13
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, run out	9
J. A. Evetts, b Kirkwood	4
J. K. Luard, not out	1
K. H. L. Cooper, st Wright, b McGrath	1
W. P. Mallinson, b Hazelton	0
Extras	16

Total ... 128

Bowling.—Hazelton 3 for 41, Gordon 0 for 11, Kirkwood 3 for 29, Cronin 2 for 21, Coxon 0 for 9, Speed 0 for 1, McGrath 1 for 0.

WESTMINSTER *v.* RADLEY.

(Won.)

Played at Vincent Square, June 6. Winning the toss, and batting first on an excellent pitch, Westminster declared at 335 for 9 wickets, and dismissed Radley for 156.

Graham was bowled with the score at 12, and although Bompas (whose innings included 10 fours) and Gardiner put on 93 for the second wicket, they were not unlucky. Four men were out for 110, and it was not until Aitken joined Luard after the fall of the 6th wicket at 152 that we began to gain the upper hand. Luard, who is a much less violent batsman than he was last year, continued to bat steadily and well, while Aitken, after taking a few overs to settle down, soon began to score freely. The scoring became faster and faster until Luard was bowled by Blunt for 57. When he went in Westminster were in a definitely bad position, and when he came out, after helping to put on 131 for the 7th wicket, it was highly improbable that we should lose. Aitken went on to complete one of the most valuable and rapid centuries we have seen made at the Square. Some idea of his rate of scoring may be gained from the fact that 72 of his 106 runs came from boundaries.

When Radley went in Symington bowled at the top of his form and, as against the Incogniti, took five for 29. Adams, who has, we believe, been in the side for five years, and Borgnis batted well, but the other batsmen, apart from Dinwiddy, seemed aghast at the possibility of defeat.

The Westminster batting recovered well and the bowling and fielding were admirable, five of the six bowlers tried being successful. A newspaper report said that we were superior to Radley in most points of the game; more particularly our attack was stronger. Radley depended rather too much on the efforts of Blunt and Adams.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, c Blunt, b Adams	...	...	60
H. B. Graham, b Blunt	...	...	8
K. J. Gardiner, c Van der Gucht, b Adams	...	...	33
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, c and b Adams	...	...	1
I. W. A. Symington, c Cragg, b Blunt	...	...	19
H. L. Jones, b Gibbs	...	...	12
J. K. Luard, b Blunt	...	...	57
J. W. M. Aitken, lbw b Adams	...	...	106
K. H. L. Cooper, not out	...	...	14
L. J. D. Wakely, not out	...	...	11
Extras	...	...	14

Total (8 wickets dec.) ... 335

J. A. Evetts did not bat.

RADLEY.

P. I. Van der Gucht, c Bompas, b Symington	...	...	5
H. P. Dinwiddy, b Wakely	...	...	24
G. C. A. Adams, b Evetts	...	...	54
W. K. Rogers, b Jones	...	...	6
C. M. Blunt, c Graham, b Jones	...	...	0
D. C. H.-C.-Borgnis, c Aitken, b Symington	...	...	42
G. L. Millar, c Cooper, b Symington	...	...	4
W. H. Vestey, b Gardiner	...	...	7
L. E. Jacobs, b Symington	...	...	5
W. J. R. Cragg, c Aitken, b Symington	...	...	0
P. J. Gibbs, not out	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	9

Total ... 156

BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER.

	O.	M.	Runs.	Wkts.
L. J. D. Wakely	...	11	2 32	1
I. W. A. Symington	...	9	3 29	5
H. L. Jones	...	3	0 26	2
K. J. Gardiner	...	6	2 24	1
H. B. Graham	...	5	1 35	0
J. A. Evetts	...	1	0 1	1

RADLEY.

	O.	M.	Runs.	Wkts.
W. J. R. Cragg	...	8	1 26	0
C. M. Blunt	...	27	9 81	3
L. E. Jacobs	...	17	2 51	0
P. J. Gibbs	...	12	1 63	1
G. C. A. Adams	...	22	4 100	4

WESTMINSTER v. LORDS AND COMMONS C.C.
(Won.)

Played at Vincent Square, Thursday, June 7. This match was won by Westminster by 82 runs in the last over of play. Westminster batted first, and thanks to another good innings by Bompas (83) and some useful last wicket stands reached a total of 197. The Lords and Commons started in promising style, but a collapse set in, the last 6 wickets falling for 18 runs. Gardiner had the best bowling analysis with 5 wickets for 13 runs.

WESTMINSTER.

H. B. Graham, c Moore-Brabazon, b Cartwright	...	...	0
D. A. Bompas, c Cartwright, b Hogbin	...	...	83
I. W. A. Symington, c Dalkeith, b Campbell	...	...	7
K. J. Gardiner, b Cartwright	...	...	1
J. K. Luard, c Hogbin, b Cartwright	...	...	0
H. L. Jones, c Dalkeith, b Cartwright	...	...	7
J. W. M. Aitken, lbw b Hogbin	...	...	17
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, b Berkely	...	...	12
J. A. Evetts, not out	...	...	28
L. J. D. Wakely, b Dalkeith	...	...	33
K. H. L. Cooper, b Dalkeith	...	...	6
Extras	...	...	3

Total ... 197

Bowling.—Cartwright 4 for 43, Campbell 1 for 66 Hogbin 2 for 38, Berkely 1 for 29, Dalkeith 2 for 16.

LORDS AND COMMONS C.C.

Lord Dalkeith, c Jones, b Gardiner	...	...	30
W. L. Everard, c Symington, b Gardiner	...	...	13
Major G. H. M. Cartwright, c Cooper, b Gardiner	...	...	31
F. Metcalfe, c Cooper, b Jones	...	...	9
J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, c and b Wakely	...	...	5
Lord Curzon, b Symington	...	...	1
R. Berkely, c Cooper, b Symington	...	...	0
G. H. Shakespeare, c Colt-Williams, b Gardiner	...	...	3
H. C. Hogbin, c Colt-Williams, b Gardiner	...	...	13
J. Peto, c Evetts, b Wakely	...	...	0
E. T. Campbell, not out	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	9

Total ... 115

Bowling.—Symington 2 for 36, Wakely 2 for 26, Graham 0 for 6, Gardiner 5 for 13, Evetts 0 for 23, Jones 1 for 12.

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

Played at Vincent Square, Saturday, June 16. The Free Foresters brought down a strong side and beat the School by 160 runs. The Westminster innings was extremely feeble, no one offering any great resistance to a good bowling and fielding side. The Free Foresters innings opened in a surprising fashion, 6 wickets going down for 66. After the tea interval, however, Westminster lost their grip on the game and the remaining wickets added 191 runs. P. G. E. Nash (4 for 35) and C. S. Marriott (3 for 19) shared the bowling honours.

WESTMINSTER.

L. J. D. Wakely, b C. S. Marriott	...	...	3
D. A. Bompas, c Frazer, b C. S. Marriott	...	...	2
K. J. Gardiner, c H. H. Marriott, b Fletcher	...	...	29
J. A. Evetts, b Doggart	...	...	3
H. B. Graham, b C. S. Marriott	...	...	2
H. L. Jones, c H. H. Marriott, b Nash	...	...	6
J. K. Luard, c Benson, b Nash	...	...	16
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, c Foster, b Doggart	...	...	13
C. E. Lonsdale, c Hollins, b Nash	...	...	2
K. H. L. Cooper, not out	...	...	6
W. P. Mallinson, c Frazer, b Nash	...	...	10
Extras	...	...	5

Total ... 97

Bowling.—Doggart 2 for 17, Marriott 3 for 19, Fletcher 1 for 20, Nash 4 for 35.

FREE FORESTERS C.C.

M. E. Impey, b Gardiner	11
J. A. Nunn, b Wakely	0
H. H. Marriott, b Gardiner	9
C. E. Frazer, c Graham, b Gardiner	3
A. G. Daggart, b Jones	31
G. N. Foster, b Jones	7
H. Aubrey Fletcher, st Bompas, b Gardiner	54
F. T. Benson, b Graham	60
P. G. E. Nash, c Colt-Williams, b Mallinson	42
F. H. Hollins, not out	35
C. S. Marriott, b Mallinson	0
Extras	5

Total ... 257

Bowling.—Gardiner 4 for 53, Wakely 1 for 57, Jones 2 for 44, Cooper 0 for 19, Graham 1 for 18, Mallinson 2 for 12, Evetts 0 for 33, Colt-Williams 0 for 16.

WESTMINSTER v. STOWE.

(Won.)

Played June 20 and 21. Stowe have played a match with the Westminster second XI for several years, but it was replaced this year by a two-days' match with the first XI. Westminster won by eight wickets. Neither side was quite at full strength, B. Brind and G. E. G. Jackson being unable to play for Stowe and J. W. M. Aitken for Westminster.

Westminster batted first and started badly, Bompas and Wakely coming out for 22. The rest of the side batted steadily and consistently, and Symington played a fine innings. It was particularly pleasing to see that Graham, relieved of the responsibility of opening the innings, had run into form. Keith was the best of the Stowe bowlers, and his analysis of five for 72 in 33 overs was the reward of real hard work. Low bowled with equal steadiness and was unfortunate not to secure a wicket.

Stowe's first innings was dramatic in the extreme: 9 wickets were down for 28 and only Low reached double figures. Wakely, bowling very fast and very straight with the new ball, had every one of their batsmen in difficulties. He never had more than a single scored off any one ball, and altogether bowled 14 overs for 10 runs and 5 wickets. Gardiner, at the Pavilion end, made the ball swing considerably, and although his length was not as immaculate as Wakely's, he was treated with almost as much respect, and his analysis was almost as good. There can be no doubt whatever that it was a splendid performance to get rid of our opponents on a perfect wicket for 47 runs. Not since 1922, when C. H. Taylor and R. G. H. Lowe dismissed Charterhouse for 25, have Westminster bowlers so completely established their superiority. Nevertheless we must sympathise

with Stowe on having to bat after a long day in the field.

Following on, Stowe lost one more wicket before stumps were drawn, and next morning four more fell fairly quickly, so that five were down for 62. Then came the stand which changed the game from a disappointment into a success; 226 behind on the first innings, and with five wickets to fall in the second, Stowe needed 164 runs to save the innings defeat. Howland-Jackson and Carr, playing with the greatest possible care, gradually took the score to 205—143 for the 6th wicket. Carr was bowled by Wakely for 51, but Howland-Jackson progressed imperturbably towards his hundred and beyond, while Keith hit out in a most effective manner. Howland-Jackson's was a truly heroic innings and to him was mainly due the credit for keeping the game alive to the last quarter of an hour of play.

Set to get 65 in three-quarters of an hour, Westminster lost two wickets for 27, but, thanks to some magnificent batting by Jones, won the game with a quarter of an hour to spare.

It was, perhaps, appropriate that this, the inaugural match, should have been so full of interest. Certainly few that one can remember have aroused such enthusiasm. For sheer sustained labour Wakely's 39 overs for 55 runs and 5 wickets in Stowe's second innings must be a School record.

WESTMINSTER—1ST INNINGS.

D. A. Bompas, c and b Keith	8
L. J. D. Wakely, b Keith	1
K. J. Gardiner, c Ling, b Sheppard	28
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, c Williams, b Keith... ..	22
J. K. Luard, run out	35
H. L. Jones, b Keith	14
I. W. A. Symington, b Kemp	53
J. A. Evetts, b Sheppard	13
H. B. Graham, c Blair, b H. Jackson	35
P. Aitken, not out	22
K. H. L. Cooper, lbw, b Keith... ..	11
Extras	31

Total ... 273

STOWE—1ST INNINGS.

K. V. Kemp, c Wakely, b Symington	7
B. C. Gadney, b Wakely	0
A. G. H. Jackson, b Gardiner	1
A. J. P. Ling, b Wakely	4
R. H. G. Carr, b Wakely	0
A. N. Balfour, b Wakely	4
T. R. Williams, lbw, b Wakely	2
D. A. G. Keith, b Gardiner	0
C. N. M. Blair, b Gardiner	1
E. H. D. Low, st Bompas, b Gardiner	10
E. Sheppard, not out	6
Extras	12

Total ... 47

STOWE—2ND INNINGS.

H. V. Kemp, b Jones	...	...	...	12
B. C. Gadney, b Wakely	...	...	...	3
A. G. H. Jackson, c and b Gardiner	...	...	...	106
A. J. P. Ling, c Colt-Williams, b Jones	...	...	...	7
R. H. G. Carr, b Wakely	...	...	...	51
A. N. Balfour, b Wakely	...	...	...	9
T. R. Williams, b Evetts	...	...	...	0
D. A. G. Keith, b Wakely	...	...	...	58
C. N. M. Blair, not out	...	...	...	0
E. H. D. Low, st Bompas, b Symington	...	...	...	8
E. Sheppard, lbw, b Wakely	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	37
Total	...	...	...	291

WESTMINSTER—2ND INNINGS.

D. A. Bompas, lbw, b Low	...	...	...	10
K. J. Gardiner, b Keith	...	...	...	0
J. K. Luard, not out	...	...	...	8
H. L. Jones, not out	...	...	...	48
Extras	...	...	...	1
Total (2 wickets)	...	...	...	67

BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
K. J. Gardiner	82	4	8	4	26	11	58	1
L. J. D. Wakely	14	6	10	5	39	17	55	5
I. W. A. Symington	8	2	13	1	18	9	43	1
H. B. Graham	2	0	4	0	3	1	12	0
J. A. Evetts	—	—	—	—	6	0	20	1
K. H. L. Cooper	—	—	—	—	3	1	5	0
P. Aitken	—	—	—	—	3	0	7	0
H. L. Jones	—	—	—	—	24	10	59	2

STOWE.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.	
E. H. D. Low	27	6	64	0	4	0	26	1	
D. A. G. Keith	30	3	4	72	5	4	0	33	1
E. Sheppard	14	2	40	2	—	—	—	—	—
H. V. Kemp	12	1	41	1	—	—	—	—	—
A. G. H. Jackson	8	2	25	1	—	—	—	—	—

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C.

(Lost.)

Played up Fields, June 23, 1928.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, b Melhuish	...	...	...	...	1
L. J. D. Wakely, c de Brett, b Melhuish	...	...	...	...	0
I. W. A. Symington, lbw Kemp-Welch	...	...	...	...	42
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, c Kemp-Welch, b de Brett	...	...	...	...	5
K. J. Gardiner, b Kemp-Welch	...	...	...	...	30
H. L. Jones, b de Brett	...	...	...	...	40
J. K. Luard, c de Brett, b Kemp-Welch	...	...	...	...	0
J. W. M. Aitken, c Marriott, b Melhuish	...	...	...	...	11
H. B. Graham, b Kemp-Welch	...	...	...	...	9
J. A. Evetts, not out	...	...	...	...	19
K. H. L. Cooper, b Kemp-Welch	...	...	...	...	5
Extras	...	...	...	...	17
Total	...	...	...	...	179

Bowling.—Melhuish 3 for 37, de Brett 2 for 71, Kemp-Welch 5 for 55.

M.C.C.

Lt.-Col. W. F. Parsons, b Symington	...	...	...	...	12
N. J. D. Moffatt, c Graham, b Wakely	...	...	...	...	58
E. G. Hoyer-Millar, b Jones	...	...	...	...	23
G. D. Kemp-Welch, b Jones	...	...	...	...	0
E. S. de Brett, b Gardiner	...	...	...	...	45
H. H. Marriott, run out	...	...	...	...	48
G. B. Norman, b Symington	...	...	...	...	0
G. D. Pape, c Graham, b Evetts	...	...	...	...	59
G. C. Melhuish, run out	...	...	...	...	7
D. E. Barker (sub.), not out	...	...	...	...	13
H. R. Blakes, not out	...	...	...	...	4
Extras	...	...	...	...	12
Total (for 9 wickets)	...	...	...	...	281

Bowling.—Gardiner 1 for 61, Symington 2 for 46, Jones 2 for 65, Wakely 1 for 41, Graham 0 for 25, Cooper 0 for 20, Evetts 1 for 8.

WESTMINSTER v. ETON RAMBLERS.

(Lost.)

Played up Fields, June 30, 1928.

ETON RAMBLERS.

F. H. Hollins, b Symington	...	...	...	...	37
Capt. R. H. V. Cavendish, c Luard, b Jones	...	...	...	...	64
A. P. Barker, c Luard, b Gardiner	...	...	...	...	28
H. P. Hunloke, c Colt-Williams, b Gardiner	...	...	...	...	32
W. W. Hill-Wood, c Luard, b Gardiner	...	...	...	...	51
T. A. Pilkington, not out	...	...	...	...	20
T. C. Twining, not out	...	...	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	...	...	20

Total (for 5 wickets) ... 255

J. Boscawen, B. Hill-Wood, Hon. D. F. Brand, and Lt.-Col. G. L. Hoare did not bat.

Bowling.—Symington 1 for 78, Wakely 0 for 39, Jones 1 for 70, P. Aitken 0 for 7, Gardiner 3 for 40, Graham 0 for 1.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, lbw, b W. W. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	42
L. J. D. Wakely, b W. W. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	33
I. W. A. Symington, b B. S. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	35
H. L. Jones, lbw, b Boscawen	...	...	...	...	13
K. J. Gardiner, c Cavendish, b B. S. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	24
J. K. Luard, c sub., b B. S. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	0
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, b Cavendish	...	...	...	...	0
J. W. M. Aitken, c Boscawen, b Cavendish	...	...	...	...	7
P. R. Aitken, not out	...	...	...	...	10
J. A. Evetts, lbw, b W. W. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	0
H. B. Graham, lbw, b W. W. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	...	4
Extras	...	...	...	...	18

Total ... 186

Bowling.—B. S. Hill-Wood 3 for 48, Brand 0 for 20, W. W. Hill-Wood 4 for 61, Hunloke 0 for 22, Boscawen 1 for 9, Cavendish 2 for 8.

WESTMINSTER v. SHERBORNE.

(Lost.)

Played at Sherborne on Wednesday and Thursday, July 4 and 5, 1928.

WESTMINSTER—1ST INNINGS.

D. A. Bompas, b Kreyer	0
L. J. D. Wakely, b Hopcraft	6
I. W. A. Symington, b Mermagen	20
J. K. Luard, c Hodgkinson, b Seddon	4
K. J. Gardiner, c Hodgkinson, b Seddon	7
H. L. Jones, c Mermagen, b Seddon	5
J. W. M. Aitken, c Hodgkinson, b Seddon	12
H. B. Graham, st Hodgkinson, b Seddon	8
J. A. Evetts, lbw, b Mermagen	7
C. E. Lonsdale, c Boome, b Mermagen	0
P. R. Aitken, not out	0
Extras	4
Total	73

Bowling.—Kreyer 1 for 9, Hopcraft 1 for 18, Mermagen 3 for 13, Seddon 5 for 20, Glover 0 for 5, Eglington 0 for 4.

SHERBORNE—1ST INNINGS.

R. H. Gladden, b Wakely	7
K. E. Boome, lbw, b Wakely	10
E. Knight, b Symington	1
J. C. D. Gould, b Gardiner	10
R. C. Eglington, b Jones	5
D. A. Hodgkinson, c Gardiner, b Symington	31
P. H. F. Mermagen, lbw, b P. Aitken	12
A. W. Hopcraft, c Jones, b P. Aitken	2
E. R. K. Glover, c Jones, b P. Aitken	0
R. G. Kreyer, not out	10
N. R. Seddon, c and b Symington	0
Extras	13
Total	101

Bowling.—Wakely 2 for 18, Symington 3 for 25, Gardiner 1 for 8, Jones 1 for 22, Aitken 3 for 13.

WESTMINSTER—2ND INNINGS.

D. A. Bompas, c Gladden, b Kreyer	5
L. J. D. Wakely, b Kreyer	8
I. W. A. Symington, b Mermagen	6
J. K. Luard, b Seddon	19
J. A. Evetts, c Hopcraft, b Glover	10
K. J. Gardiner, b Glover	18
H. L. Jones, b Glover	0
J. W. M. Aitken, b Glover	6
P. R. Aitken, c Hodgkinson, b Kreyer	6
C. E. Lonsdale, c Kreyer, b Mermagen	26
H. B. Graham, not out	15
Extras	15
Total	134

Bowling.—Kreyer 3 for 27, Hopcraft 0 for 13, Mermagen 2 for 28, Seddon 1 for 14, Glover 4 for 22, Eglington 0 for 3.

SHERBORNE—2ND INNINGS.

K. E. Boome, lbw Gardiner	1
J. C. D. Gould, c Luard, b Symington	29
R. H. Gladden, b Symington	7
E. Knight, not out	31
R. C. Eglington, lbw, b Jones	13
D. A. Hodgkinson, not out	15
Extras	11
Total (for 4 wickets)	107

Bowling.—Wakely 0 for 10, Gardiner 1 for 35, Symington 2 for 30, Aitken 0 for 8, Jones 1 for 12, Graham 0 for 1.

WESTMINSTER *v.* CHARTERHOUSE.

(Draw.)

This match was played at Vincent Square on July 7 and resulted in a draw. That is the bare statement of fact. We won the toss and quite rightly batted first, and by 3 o'clock we were all out for 205, a total, which in the minds of many of us, was an inadequate one when the great strength of the Charterhouse batting was taken into consideration, and the state of the wicket being perfect from a batsman's point of view. Our batting frankly was unconvincing and spasmodic, and the tolerably accurate, but by no means deadly, Charterhouse bowling was not dealt with in that spirit of determination and confident vigour which we should like to have seen. Bompas played a great innings for his side, and though it was not free from blemishes and a large element of luck, nevertheless must be accounted as a great effort, in that he was always making strokes and always attacking the bowling with a good full swing of the bat, and bearing in mind throughout the dictum that 'attack and the spirit of the offensive judiciously restrained is the best means of defence.' The only one of our first seven batsmen to give him any sort of support was Symington, who just as he was nicely set and appeared to have got all the worst over, planted a full toss 'right down the throat' of one of the Charterhouse out fieldsmen. The rest failed miserably, and 6 for 101 looked very bad. Then came a welcome stand by Aitken (J. W. M.), who realised the seriousness of the situation, 'got down' to his job and had assisted Bompas to put on 50 more runs by lunch time, when the score stood at 151 for 6. Disaster followed quickly afterwards: Bompas was caught at second slip off the first ball he received—a poor stroke—and Aitken soon ran himself out rather foolishly. Then came a welcome and plucky stand by Wakely and Graham, who by putting on 40 runs by sound batting saved our innings from absolute disaster, and gave us just a chance. The innings closed, as before stated, for 205. We thought Carlile the best bowler against us—he bowls medium pace and swings the ball away in the air *and* off the pitch into the slips at the last moment. Their slow bowler, Bruce-Jones, bowled quite well, but our batsmen for the most part tried to hit him in the air on the half-volley (just what he wanted them to do) instead of pushing him gently away for one's and two's along the ground, which could have been done about four times an over.

The story of the last half of the match can be shortly told: so magnificently did we field and so accurately did we bowl that we forced the strong Charterhouse batting to take 3 hours and a half

to get 172 runs, and, moreover, we came within an ace of victory. We have rarely, if ever, seen a finer display of catching at Vincent Square, and if ever a match was saved and almost won outright by splendid and bitterly relentless fielding, this one was. Every run had to be fought for, every chance (be it ever so difficult) was taken. Our opponents, faced we must admit with what looked an easy task on such a plumb wicket, were struggling all the time. They started well by quietly but confidently putting on 37 for the first wicket, and then Jones, who bowled better than he ever has done throughout, flighted one, and Hunt was magnificently caught low down (by Graham at cover) off a skimmer. This catch set the tone of all the cricket that followed; Gardiner at mid-off soon picked up a low catch, again off one of Jones' deliveries that dropped a little shorter than the batsman thought it would; then three wickets fell in quick succession just before the tea interval, two of them being good catches, one by Lonsdale (a skier for which he was blinded and unsuspected by Wakely, the bowler) and the second by Wakely at second slip, high up to the left, which he did very well to get both hands to. Sixty-seven for five at tea looked healthy. But we still had a long journey to go, and our opponents still had 5 wickets in hand with which to get 140 runs and just 2 hours to get them—plenty of time. Hall and McGaw the two not outs started to play very fine cricket (the best batting of the match, we think), and except for a very confident appeal for a catch at the wicket, which was not upheld when the score was about 90, they took the score along to 128 before Hale was 'clean hobbled' by the younger Aitken at 5.45. During this partnership Charterhouse looked like pulling the game out of the fire, but our bowlers had stuck to their task and our fielding seemed almost inspired, and so the fighting *morale* of Westminster was never for a moment shaken, and so continued till the last ball was bowled. Another wicket fell at 5.55, when Hartley was caught by a skier at cover-point by Graham (139 for 7). Then it was that our opponents gave up all idea of *winning* the game and started to 'shut up shop,' though they still had 65 minutes to obtain the necessary 60 odd runs. Such is the deadening and suffocating effect which great fielding can produce on a strong batting side. Whether their tactics were right or justified is a matter of opinion. They had an 'even money' chance between victory and defeat if they had gone for the runs (they had only to get a run a minute, so there was no 'forcing' necessary). But they preferred to sacrifice a possible win to the avoidance of defeat at all costs, and we must pay tribute to them in that they

obtained their object, though whether such an object and policy was the right one is a doubtful point. Middleton was the hero of their successful defensive policy, and he remained undefeated at the end—he had had his orders and he carried them out loyally and unflinchingly. Things went quietly on till 6.15, when McGaw fell a victim to a fine catch very low down at second slip by Luard. His innings of 41 was a very good one, and at one time he looked like winning the game for his side. Three-quarters of an hour to go, and 2 wickets to get. Could we do it with our opponents digging themselves in and our bowlers slightly (but only very slightly) tiring from their long gruelling fight? The fieldsmen began to close in; Gardiner, who captained the side very well throughout, began to mix up his bowling with a vengeance, but all to no purpose, until at last at 6.45 exactly Jeavons was gloriously caught by the elder Aitken standing close in at mid-on off a very hard smack—the second example only of a full-blooded hit which had occurred in the last hour's play. The excitement was now tremendous, but the last man in survived somehow or other an excellent over from Gardiner, and with Middleton playing like a veteran and farming the bowling, and with our bowlers failing to bowl *straight* during the last ten minutes (the only legitimate criticism we think which can be levelled against our out cricket during the day) they remained undefeated as seven o'clock struck, and they had just staved off defeat, 34 runs behind with one wicket to fall!

A remarkable and unforgettable game, starting with a *comparative* batting collapse on our part, and ending with a display of bowling and fielding by Westminster, which for tenseness of purpose and for dour relentlessness, we never before remember having been equalled on Vincent Square. What matters the difference between victory, draw or defeat in a game of cricket like this?

D. J. K.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, c Hartley, b Carlile	...	...	...	85
K. J. Gardiner, b Welby-Everard	...	...	...	5
I. W. A. Symington, c Pearce, b Bruce-Jones	...	...	...	36
R. G. A. Colt-Williams, b Bruce-Jones	...	...	...	0
J. K. Luard, c Hartley, b Carlile	...	...	...	7
H. L. Jones, c Middleton, b Carlile	...	...	...	1
C. E. Lonsdale, c Anderson, b Carlile	...	...	...	0
J. W. M. Aitken, run out	...	...	...	17
L. J. D. Wakely, b Bruce-Jones	...	...	...	29
H. B. Graham, not out	...	...	...	24
P. R. Aitken, run out	...	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	...	0
Total	...	...	...	205

Bowling.—Welby-Everard 1 for 32, Pearce 0 for 23, Carlile 4 for 70, Bruce-Jones, 3 for 47, Seasons 0 for 19, Hunt 0 for 14, Hartley 0 for 0.

CHARTERHOUSE.

J. W. R. Hunt, c Graham, b Jones	19
J. Bruce-Jones, b Wakely	20
T. A. Pearce, c Gardiner, b Jones	3
W. A. Anderson, c Lonsdale, b Wakely	8
N. E. W. Carlile, c Wakely, b Jones	7
J. P. A. Hale, b Aitken, P.	27
J. T. McGaw, c Luard, b Symington	41
G. L. Hartley, c Graham, b Jones	6
F. R. S. Seasons, c Aitken, J., b Aitken, P.	13
C. Middleton, not out	13
C. E. Welby-Everard, not out	3
Extras	12

Total (for 9 wickets) ... 172

Bowling.—Gardiner 0 for 42, Wakely 2 for 11, Symington 1 for 18, Jones 4 for 30, Aitken 2 for 19.

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Sat., Nov. 17—Commemoration.

Sat., Dec. 15—First Play.

Dec. —Westminster Ball.

THE 'RECORD OF OLD WESTMINSTERS.'

The 'Record of Old Westminsters,' the fruit of forty years' labour and research, is now published, and may be purchased at the School Book Shop, Little Dean's Yard, for 25s. (or 26s. including postage).

Two thousand copies of the work have been printed, and one thousand bound. The cost of production has been nearly £1,500.

About 500 subscriptions, amounting to a little over £530, were received before publication. £50 was left by the will of the late Mr. Russell Barker. There thus remains a debt of some £950, which is being met by advances from The Elizabethan Club, the Governing Body and the Masters' Book Fund. It is hoped that all or a large part of this debt may be paid off by sales during the next ten or twenty years. The sale of forty copies a year would extinguish the debt in twenty years.

Favourable reviews of the 'Record' have already appeared in the *Times* and the *Sunday Times*.

CRICKET.

(Secretary—W. B. FRAMPTON, 3, Overbury Avenue, Beckenham, Kent.)

RESULTS.

	O.W.W.	Opponents.
University College, London. <i>Lost.</i>	59	139 for 7
(E. R. Munt, 26; Kann, 3 for 26.)		
Byfleet. <i>Won.</i>	227	161
(Andrews, 96; Munt, 47.)		
Highgate School. <i>Lost.</i>	116	153
(Feasey, 6 for 54.)		
O.M.T.'s. <i>Drawn.</i>	104 for 3	164
(Kann, 53 not out.)		
Eton Ramblers. <i>Won.</i>	200 for 4	138
(Taylor, 68; Andrews, 63;		
Lonsdale, 5 for 44; Kann, 3 for 9.)		
Epsom. <i>Won.</i>	150	75
(Feasey, 33 not out; 4 for 16.)		
Chiswick Park. <i>Drawn.</i>	126 for 6	204 for 8
(Munt, 42; Salvi, 33; Kann, 5 for 72.)		(dec.)
Hillingdon Court. <i>Drawn.</i>	121 for 9	139 for 7
(Robson, 45 not out; Salvi, 3 for 16.)		(dec.)
London Hospital. <i>Lost</i>	158	223 for 5
(Andrews, 82.)		
Wimbledon. <i>Lost.</i>	118	283 for 3

There is still an unfortunate tendency among the younger Old Westminster cricketers to wait until they are invited to play for the Club rather than to apply themselves for places. The Hon. Secretary again urges cricketers O.W.W. to communicate with him if they desire a game, as in many cases he has only the College addresses of those who have recently left the School, and it is therefore impossible for him to get into touch with such members during the Vacation except after much delay.

There are still a few places left for the Channel Islands Team, which it is hoped will be speedily filled, as the tour is a most enjoyable one in every respect.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES, 1928-29.

FIRST ELEVEN.

1928.	
Sept. 15—Practice Game.	
„ 22—	
„ 29—Lancing College. Shoreham.	
Oct. 6—R.M.C. Camberley.	
„ 13—St. Lawrence College. Ramsgate.	
„ 20—Bank of England. Roehampton.	
„ 27—Old Chalmelians. New Barnet.	
Nov. 3—Middlesex Hospital. North Wembley.	
„ 10—Wellingborough School. Wellingborough.	
„ 17—Christ Church. Oxford.	
„ 24—Guy's Hospital. Honor Oak Park.	
Dec. 1—St. Thomas's Hospital. Chiswick Park.	
„ 8—City of London School. Grove Park.	
„ 8—Ardingly College. Ardingly.	
„ 15—Westminster School. Vincent Square.	
„ 22—1st Round, Arthur Dunn Cup v. Old Welling-	
burians. Away.	
„ 26—Lancing Old Boys. Shoreham.	
„ 29—Old Carthusians. Morden.	

- 1929.
- Jan. 5—Old Bradfieldians. Morden.
 - 12—Old Malvernians. Morden.
 - 19—St. Bartholomew's Hospital. Winchmore Hill.
 - 26—Aldenham School. Radlett.
 - Feb. 2—Charterhouse School. Godalming.
 - 9—Oxford University. Oxford.
 - 16—Highgate School. Highgate.
 - 23—Old Citizens. New Eltham.
 - Mar. 2—Westminster School. Vincent Square.
 - 9—H.A.C. Finsbury.
 - 16—
 - 23—Army Crusaders. Aldershot.
 - 30—
 - April 6—
 - 7—} Easter Tour.
 - 8—}
- 'A' TEAM.
- Sept. 15—Practice Game.
 - 29—Lancing College 2nd XI. Shoreham.
 - Oct. 6—St. Edmund's School. Canterbury.
 - 13—Forest School. Snaresbrook.
 - 20—London Hospital 2nd XI. Walthamstow.
 - 27—King's College 2nd XI. Mitcham.
 - Nov. 3—R.M.A. 2nd XI. Woolwich.
 - 10—Old Chigwellians 'A.' Chigwell.
 - 17—Old Cholmelians 'A.' New Barnet.
 - 24—
 - Dec. 1—Old Citizens 'A.' New Eltham.
 - 8—
 - 15—Westminster School 2nd XI. Morden.
 - 15—'B' v. Westminster School 3rd XI. Morden.
 - 22—University College. Perivale.
 - 29—Motor Union 2nd XI. Alperton.
- 1929.
- Jan. 5—Alleyn Old Boys 2nd XI. Herne Hill.
 - 12—H.A.C. 2nd XI. Finsbury.
 - 19—Royal College of Science. Wembley.
 - 26—University College Hospital. Perivale.
 - Feb. 2—Charterhouse School, 2nd XI. Godalming.
 - 9—
 - 16—
 - 23—Guy's Hospital 'A.' Honor Oak Park.
 - Mar. 2—Westminster School 2nd XI. Morden.
 - 2—B. v. Westminster School 3rd XI. Morden.
 - 9—University College. Perivale.
 - 16—Toc H Res. New Barnet.
 - 23—Old Foresters 'D.' Brentwood.

The figures for last season were :

		Goals					
		Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For	A.
1st XI	...	24	5	16	3	62	76
'A'	...	20	3	16	1	42	91

GOLF.

(Secretary—W. B. ENEVER, Broad Street House, Broad Street, E.C. 2.)

A week-end meeting has been arranged at Littlestone Golf Club for October 6 and 7. A notice, giving full particulars of plan and accommodation, will be sent out in due course.

On Sunday, June 17, a match was played against Chertsey, 16 a side, which ended in a draw, both sides getting 12 points. The O.W.W. were 2 up on the singles in the morning, but lost this lead in four-balls in the afternoon.

W. G. R.

WE are indebted for the following to Mr. Lionel James (O.W.) :—

The delightful extract which you print from the *Pauline* calls up many memories, and has set my thoughts and pen moving. It is just five years later that I can take up the story—and at Westminster. I remember vividly, as a Second Election, the curiosity with which I read the notice on Seniors' room doorway announcing Dr. Rutherford's appointment as Headmaster. We had never heard of him—not we younger fellows anyhow. In the School the 'favourite' had been the O.W. candidate, the Rev. Henry Lewis Thompson, who had gone through all the stages of promotion at 'the House' up to Senior Censor with credit, and was known to us in College as one of the three givers of the beautiful 'silver' out of which the Seniors drank their beer, and to some of us a genial person, who had discussed Dickens with us in the 'viva' for College. He was credited indeed with revolutionary ideas about College—with what truth I have never known, though I served very happily under him for many years at Radley, where certainly his conservative principles were unquestionable. But who was Rutherford, this 'dark horse' who had defied the odds and beaten the favourite? Little by little information trickled in, supplemented by legend. He was a Master at St. Paul's—a doubtful recommendation we thought that (my *Pauline* friend will forgive me—I have learnt better since!) he was a dour Scot; he had written a book called *The New Phrynichus* (no one had the least notion what it was about), and as a result had a 'European reputation' (whatever that meant). And stories soon became current how during the writing of it he had spared the time neither for meals nor bed—sleeping in his clothes on the hearthrug and supping on Scotch whisky! Then there was a story, certainly libellous and no doubt apocryphal, of a less strenuous youth at Balliol, and how (no one, of course, is to believe this nowadays, though we all did) he once reasoned with a fellow-undergraduate, 'Ye don't drrink, and ye don't smoak—then hwat the de'il d'ye do o' Sundays?'

But soon anticipation was to take shape in reality—big-framed, square-shouldered, grim-featured, hawk-eyed with something of the profile of the Julius Cæsar bust, but more rugged, a face to remember and to fear. His first appearance at prayers up School is printed indelibly on my memory. Prayers were not the present prayers—they were to my mind even more impressive. In those days the whole space in the centre of School was open, the boys being in the 'horseshoes' along the side walls that had been brought in by Liddell, I believe, from the Charterhouse.

The Masters knelt, a thin Indian file, down the centre of this open space, with the Headmaster nearest the daïs; Mon. Schol. took the book from the Rod Drawer, and kneeling in front of the Headmaster read the beautiful Latin prayers, while Mon. Stat., starting at the first words, stalked solemnly down the open space, between the horseshoes and the Indian file of Masters, to School steps to observe the weather and set station.

But on this morning the quiet ritual was broken by a sudden storm. The Lower Forms, as I have said, stood orderly in their horseshoes; with the VI it had become customary to stand, for some to lounge, in a group. Scarcely had 'Infunde quaesumus' sounded from Mon. Schol. when a thunderclap burst from the gaunt kneeling figure behind him, with face working and fingers twitching, levelled at a Third Election who, hands in pockets, lolled against the bench. I will not record his name nor the

words with which he was lashed. He will not have forgotten them.

A few days later I was summoned from the happy quietude of the Shell, under old 'Jimmie,' 'the Old Man,' then nearing the end of his labours and a martyr to lumbago; a scholar and a gentleman of the old type, full of a quaint and kindly humour which he exercised in chaffing the boys with Greek jokes; in Thucydides lessons it would be *ῥασιτώνη* Peck, in the Prometheus Vinctus Stanfield (a lean, willow boy) would be exhorted to stand *ῥηροσταδόν*, in Grammar (Farrar's—far the most attractive Grammar I have ever struck) de Carteret was 'the Enclitic.' But I digress. I had—to my infinite relief—just missed promotion to the VI. Rutherford decided on one or two 'by-removes'; so I was hauled off in some trepidation to do work with the ogre. And the rest of my time at Westminster (four years) was spent mainly in his company. That term we read all Xenophon's Anabasis at what seemed to me breakneck pace, and the Iliad hundreds of lines to the hour; Rutherford would put on three or four of the weaker vessels *pro forma* for a few lines apiece, and then with a sigh of relief start Clement Webb or (more often) A. M. T. Jackson and let him finish the book: Jackson was to become, in the words of *The Record of Old Westminster*, one of the best Oriental scholars of his day, and to end a career of exceptional and public usefulness in the I.C.S. by the hand of a Brahman fanatic.

I don't remember Rutherford as a frequent user of the birch; it is old Dr. Scott that my memory pictures more vividly as the protagonist at a handing. And when I came to the School in 1882 there was a boy, one Huggins, who was reputed to have inverted St. Paul's record of 'five times receiving forty stripes save one' by having thirty-nine times received the traditional 'five strokes save one'—and to be the proud owner (according to the practice of those days) of thirty-nine birch-stumps. But I have a very clear recollection of the part which I played in a birching of the more serious kind in Library—not indeed as principal, but in the capacity of hoister; the principal was a boy of my Election who afterwards became famous as one of the two Balliol men who aided Conybeare in raising the siege of the Gweedon tenants by lowering loaves and butter down the chimneys of the cottages (an incident chronicled in his own incomparable style by 'A. G.'), and later a Parnellite M.P. and almost the last to stick by Parnell when he fell. I never knew what had made Rutherford select me for this somewhat dubious honour; nor could I ever determine with certainty whether the only words which he spoke in Library—and they were spoken with tense emotion—'I would do anything to have spared you this'—were addressed to me or to the victim!

There is one story which deserves telling in this connection. Rutherford had certainly given up the practice, referred to by the writer in the *Pauline*, of caning for bad work or false quantities; but there were other penalties—sometimes heavy ones. On one occasion he ended a sound 'rating' of one of his VI for a bad composition. 'Ye may think y'self luck-ky that I don't give it to ye to write out fifty times'—adding after an effective pause, 'and I do.' This (unconscious) effort of humour was, I fancy, inspired by Porson's well-known epigram, which I have heard him quote in form, about all Germans at Greek being sadly to seek, 'save only Hermann—and Hermann's a German.'

And on the subject of epigrams I am reminded that Rutherford could appreciate a joke even when the point was against himself. At the first 'School Epigrams' at which he presided there were two topics causing great excitement at the time which were bound to come up. One was the Pancake Grease, and the great curtailment of its ancient glories. It was Shebbeare, I think (now

a north country Rector and Chaplain to the King), who brought down the house by ironically deriving pancakes from *πάγκακον*. The other subject was the abolition of Water, there were some changes also up Fields, including the retirement of Mantle, the old cricket 'pro.' Not without some qualms I walked up to Rutherford's desk and recited:

Now is filled to the brim Misfortune's sad cup—
Up Fields is dis Mantled, and Water's 'dried up.'

The great man smiled grimly—and gave me some Maundy.

There is more to tell—but it is 3 o'clock, and a Thursday—time to turn on the wireless and go to Abbey—which I never miss if I can help it.

THE WATER.

THE LOWER WATERMEN.

DURING the first half of the Election Term the Lower Watermen practised for two events: the Lower Watermen's Fours and the Junior Sculls.

In the former event there were two divisions—for Clinker Fours and Tub Fours. In the first division there were four boats and two rounds. In the first heat Cruft's crew, who were stronger and more together, went away from Browne's crew, and finally won by four lengths. In the second heat there was rather a surprise, as Munro's crew, which was composed mainly of novices, went right away from Procter's crew, which had three older watermen in it, and won easily.

The final was rowed from Beverly to the Stone on a fairly strong tide, and was won by Cruft's crew in 3 minutes 5 seconds. Both fours made a good start, but Cruft's crew soon went ahead, and had a lead of three lengths at the Boathouse, where Munro's four began to gain with an excellent spurt, but catching several crabs, they found themselves outdistanced. Cruft's four had more accurate timing, better length, and good coxing: Munro worked valiantly but rowed short, because his seat was fixed too far back from the stretcher.

1. Cruft's Crew: Rae (bow), Sammel (2), Tetley-Jones (3), Cruft (stroke), Acton-Bond (cox).

2. Munro's Crew: Gardiner (bow), Cherry (2), Epstein (3), Munro (stroke), Ventura (cox).

Browne's Crew: Walker (bow), Gedye (2), Duke (3), Browne (stroke), Maxwell (cox).

Procter's Crew: Turquet (bow), Hawthorne (2), Shearman (3), Procter (stroke), Fulton (cox).

In the second division, the Tub Fours, there were three boats which rowed together. This was an excellent race, and the result was in doubt right up to the finish. Bramhall's crew won by 2 feet in 3 minutes $\frac{2}{3}$ seconds, with Masterman's crew second, and Ivanovic's crew third by 1 length.

Bramhall's Crew (Surrey): Gunn (bow), Cates (2), Harrison, P. (3), Bramhall (stroke), Benson (cox).

Masterman's Crew (Centre): Crook (bow), Dolvée (2), Howlett (3), Masterman (stroke), Dugdale (cox).

Ivanovic's Crew (Middlesex): Lewis, E. (bow) Arnold (2), Lewis, F. (3), Ivanovic (stroke), Rough (cox).

THE JUNIOR SCULLS.

This event was rowed off on May 29, and provided some very good racing. There were ten entries, which were rowed off in three rounds; the first round was rowed off in heats of two boats, and the second in heats of three boats. ten Doesschate and Ivanovic reached the final. The race was a good one, and though ten Doesschate led most of the time, Ivanovic pushed him the whole way. The winner seemed to have better control over his boat than his opponent. The race was won by 4 lengths in 4 minutes 41 seconds.

May 29. Course: End of the Wall to the Stone.

Heat I—Acton-Bond (Middlesex); Ivanovic (Surrey). Won by Ivanovic in 4 minutes 40 seconds.

Ivanovic was clear at Beverly and was 5 lengths ahead at the Boathouse. Acton-Bond hit a boat, allowing his rival to win comfortably.

Heat II—Crook (Middlesex); Dolvée (Surrey). Won by Crook in 4 minutes 30 seconds.

Crook got off fast from the mark and led by 5 or 6 lengths at the Boathouse. Dolvée then gained on his opponent and decreased the lead to $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Heat III—ten Doesschate (Surrey); Browne (Middlesex). Won by ten Doesschate in 4 minutes 20 seconds.

After a faulty start ten Doesschate soon got a lead. At Thames R.C. he lead by a length. Browne had to steer over to the bank to avoid barges, and finally lost by 4 lengths.

Heat IV—Hinks (Surrey); Sammel (Middlesex). Won by Hinks in 4 minutes 55 seconds.

Both got away evenly and at the Boathouse there was only a slight margin. Hinks then went well away, to win by 5 lengths.

Heat V (Semi-final)—Hinks (Surrey); Hawthorne (Centre); Ivanovic (Middlesex). Won by Ivanovic in 4 minutes 5 seconds by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

After a level start, Ivanovic went away to lead by 2 lengths at the Boathouse. From here Hawthorne began to go up and decreased his lead to $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

Heat VI (Semi-final)—Lea; Crook; ten Doesschate. Won by ten Doesschate in 3 minutes 55 seconds by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Lea.

ten Doesschate got away rapidly from the start and steadily drew ahead of his rivals. At the Boathouse he was $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths from Lea, Crook being another length down.

Heat VII (Final)—ten Doesschate; Ivanovic. Won by ten Doesschate in 3 minutes 52 seconds.

ten Doesschate gained a slight lead near the start, which he increased to a length near the Boathouse, from here he drew steadily away, to win by 4 lengths,

THE MIDDLE WATERMEN'S RACES.

These races were rowed off on Saturday, 2nd, and Wednesday, 6th of June. There was a high tide on the Saturday and the race between Phillips' and Radcliffe's crews took place from the U.B.R. Stone to Beverly Brook. Phillips' crew got away at the start and led the whole way, gradually drawing away, to win comfortably by five lengths.

The other race between Watson's and Strong's crew was rowed the other way and owing to two in the other boat catching two crabs, Watson's crew held the lead they obtained and won by two lengths.

The final on Wednesday was rowed from the U.B.R. Stone to Beverly Brook. Both crews got away well from a level start, and Phillips' crew led by half a length. Three, however, caught a crab, and Watson's crew went up to half a length lead. This seemed to rattle Phillips' crew, for Watson's crew drew steadily away, to win by four lengths, while the other crew went completely to pieces. The crews were:

Lea (bow), Elliston (2), Beeston (3), Phillips (stroke), Ball (cox).

Dallas Edwards (bow), Boggis Rolfe (2), Chalk (3), Radcliffe (stroke), Pinder-Wilson (cox).

Sprigge (cox), Edwards, J. O. V. (2), Spurgin (3), Watson, I. (stroke), Bailey (cox).

Dennis (bow), Gardner (2), Robbins (3), Strong (stroke), Fulton (cox).

THE EIGHTS.

WESTMINSTER v. THE MIDLAND BANK R.C.

The first race of the School Eights over the full course took place on Saturday, June 23; this was the first time that this eight had rowed side by side with a rival crew, except for a short practice row along the Wall with the St. Thomas's Hospital crew, who won the Inter-Hospital's Cup earlier in the term. In this three minutes' row the School got a bad start, and lost by a length. But in the intervening weeks they had become quite a different crew, getting more together, and swinging out with much greater length and steadiness.

The course was from the Mile Post to Hammer-smith Bridge, and the low water, as usual, being smooth, the conditions were good, but could not be considered fast, as the race was rowed just after the turn of the tide, when the flow was very slack. There was a moderate head wind.

Westminster were slightly quicker in getting off the mark, gaining three feet in the first quarter of a minute. With the Midland crew rowing at the faster stroke, and very well together, the boats were almost level at Beverly, Westminster still holding a slight lead. At Beverly, Westminster

seemed to gain confidence and their true form; rowing very steadily and well, they began to go ahead, still keeping to the slower stroke, and they gained half a length. Their opponents gave a determined "ten," to win back the lead, but the School countered with a well-timed spurt; at the end of the Fence, Westminster were three-quarters of a length in front, in spite of the repeated efforts of the Midland crew; these efforts told heavily, and at the Mile Post there was daylight between the boats. The Midland crew did not give up, but Westminster, rowing better and better, had three lengths in hand at Harrods, and quickening up the last half-minute, won a well-judged race in 8 mins. 10 secs. Particularly encouraging was the excellent rhythm set by Buckney, and the cohesion of the whole crew and the soundness of the rowing was shown by the slower stroke holding and eventually going away from the quicker striking of an undoubtedly fast crew.

WESTMINSTER SECOND EIGHT *v.* ST. PAUL'S SECOND EIGHT.

The race was rowed on Saturday, June 2, the course being from Hammersmith Bridge to Beverly Brook. The boats were started by Mr. L. Cecil-Smith, of St. Paul's School. St. Paul's, who looked the bigger crew, seemed to gain a quarter of a length at the very start; and then those following in the two launches or running on the bank had a thrilling struggle to watch. Rowing stroke for stroke, the crews kept together the whole way, Westminster sometimes creeping up, but their opponents usually a few feet in front, and thus it was when they passed the winning-post—the verdict going to St. Paul's by a canvas. Last year Westminster lost to St. Paul's by three feet, after having been led by a length and a half.

On Saturday, June 23, the second eight rowed a practice course from a little above the Stone to the upper end of Harrods' Wharf. The Vesta R.C. crew of Veterans turned out to pace them, and as they were rowing in a clinker eight received three-quarters of a length start. The second eight went off very fast, and soon overhauled the Vesta crew, and by Beverly there was a considerable amount of daylight between the boats; at the Mile Post, Westminster were some four lengths ahead, and went on alone, to end up with a fine spurt; their time for the distance was 6 mins. 55 secs.—a good time, and the crew showed much improved form.

WESTMINSTER SECOND EIGHT *v.* ETON SECOND EIGHT.

The race was rowed on Thursday, June 28, soon after 3.30 p.m., from the lower end of Harrods to

the University Stone. Eton won the toss and chose Surrey. The water was low, but in spite of that very choppy at the start. Westminster, who had practised staked boats starts assiduously, slipped away very fast, and gained nearly half a length in the first minute; Eton then settled down well, and held their own, but on rounding the bend the crews met a stiff headwind and very rough water. Eton began to forge ahead, having more weight in their boat, and rowing with greater cohesion. Kennedy up to this point of the race had steered an excellent course, keeping close alongside the Eton boat, and thus getting the best part of the stream allowed by his station, but here he came too far over to Surrey, instead of keeping on the outside of the bend; he soon came back, and this and a further wobble later on were probably due to uneven pulling on the part of the crew. As the crews passed the Football Ground they reached better water, and Eton, improving as they went on, continued to increase their lead. Westminster seemed to have had more taken out of them by the rough conditions, and although they continued to row a plucky race, their determined spurts made no impression on Eton. The official distance of Eton's win was $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths clear, and the time given was 6 mins. 56 secs. The Eton were a well-matched crew of strong individuals, who were steadier than Westminster, and longer in the swing, but Westminster were quicker into the water, and quicker with their work, and had rather cleaner bladework at the finish. The race would probably have been somewhat closer at the finish if the general conditions and the station had not been so adverse to the lighter crew.

Westminster.—P. North (bow), L. D. S. ten Doesschate (2), C. S. Humphries (3), G. O. Lace (4), C. M. Harrison (5), D. Youatt (6), B. H. Dulanty (7), J. H. Lee (stroke), J. S. Kennedy (cox).

Eton.—G. R. Brocklebank (bow), P. L. Drysdale (2), R. Poole (3), E. F. Gundry (4), J. E. B. Pope (5), Lord Forrester (6), N. J. Waterhouse (7), E. J. B. Nelson (stroke), J. H. Magill (cox).

THE THIRD EIGHT.

THE THIRD EIGHT *v.* THE 'SCRAMBLERS.'

The Third Eight are, at the moment of writing, enjoying a successful season. The first race of the term was against a scratch crew of Old Westminsters, rowed in clinker eights on sliding seats. The Westminster crew showed good racing powers, and defeated their opponents by a length and a quarter.

Third Eight.—P. G. Diack (bow), G. F. A. Somerset, C. N. Campbell, T. A. B. Murray, C. S. Humphries, N. Woodward, G. B. Aris, H. W. Dunn (stroke), J. S. Kennedy (cox).

'Scramblers.'—A. M. Spurgin, L. L. Harvey, J. O. L. Edwards, J. M. Terry, D. Cragg-Hamilton, T. E. R. Roberts, G. S. M. Birch, N. Smith (stroke), W. B. Young (cox).

THE THIRD EIGHT *v.* ST. PAUL'S THIRD EIGHT.

This race was a runaway victory for St. Paul's Westminster catching some crabs at the beginning. St. Paul's won by three lengths.

THE THIRD EIGHT IN FOURS.

WESTMINSTER *v.* U.C.S.

After these races, the Third Eight went into fixed seats, and on the third day in their new boats and under rowed the First and Second School Fours of University College School at Kew. The U.C.S. First Four, who represented them in the Public Schools' Cup at Marlow, proved much too fast for our First Four, who were heavily out-weighted. The U.C.S. Four won by several lengths; but between the Second Fours there was an excellent race. An unequal stream, which apparently favoured U.C.S., and obstructions such as floating trees seriously complicated matters at the start and some considerable time was spent in manœuvring the boats. At last the crews got away, U.C.S. leading by $\frac{1}{4}$ length, Westminster rowing a short, fast stroke. Along the Eyot neither crews benefited by the better conditions, and at the Boathouse U.C.S. still led. Here this lengthened out, and on shooting the bridge the crews were level. The improved stroke continued to help, and soon Westminster were about a length up. But bad steering then lost them some distance, and U.C.S. began to catch up. They made up $\frac{1}{2}$ length, but Westminster just managed to hold them, and scraped past the post $\frac{1}{2}$ length ahead.

University College School 1st IV.—B. P. Drakeford (bow), 10 st. 9 lbs.; J. Hepburn (2), 11 st. 1 lb.; V. B. N. Twiss (3) (Captain of the Boats), 11 st. 8 lbs.; R. F. Walker (stroke), 11 st. 0 lbs.; N. Miroy (cox), 8 st. 2 lbs.

University College School 2nd IV.—M. H. Bland (bow), 9 st. 10 lbs.; G. D. Irving (2), 10 st. 0 lbs.; R. H. Minton-Taylor (3), 9 st. 7 lbs.; G. F. Hardie (stroke) (2nd Captain), 9 st. 0 lbs.; D. J. Lambeth (cox), 5 st. 9 lbs.

Westminster 1st IV.—Titcomb (bow), 9 st. 3 lbs.; Murray, T. A. B. (2), 12 st. 0 lbs.; Lucas, N. O. (3), 9 st. 3 lbs.; Dunn, H. W. (stroke), 8 st. 12 lbs.; Young, W. B. (cox), 7 st. 13 lbs.

Westminster 2nd IV.—P. G. Diack (bow), 8 st. 12 lbs.; N. Woodward (2), 11 st. 10 lbs.; G. F. A. Somerset (3), 9 st. 4 lbs.; G. B. Aris (stroke), 9 st. 8 lbs.; M. Griffiths (cox), 6 st. 13 lbs.

THIRD EIGHT FOURS *v.* HAILEYBURY FIRST AND SECOND FOURS.

Rowed at Haileybury, June 17. After a preliminary paddle over the course (which includes

three sharp bends), the First Fours took their stations at 3.15 p.m. Westminster had won the toss and took the leading position. (Owing to the narrowness of the river competing crews row a course separated by forty paces.) Both crews made a poor start, but by the second bend Westminster had a slight lead. Westminster maintained their position down the finishing straight and showed a cleaner style than hitherto, bow having overcome a certain hesitancy in getting the blade in the water previously noticeable. Within twenty yards of the post Haileybury, who knew the right moment, made their last effort. Westminster replied just too late and lost by four feet.

Considering the weight of their opponents the First Four's performance was very creditable. At all events they showed Haileybury a very clean piece of work.

Haileybury 1st IV.—R. P. Braun (bow), 10 st. 6 lbs.; R. W. Logan (2), 12 st. 0 lbs.; D. W. S. Brown (3), 11 st. 0 lbs.; F. D. Barmby (stroke), 10 st. 6 lbs.; R. T. Smith (cox).

Westminster 1st IV.—P. G. A. Diack (bow), 9 st. 0 lbs.; N. Woodward (2), 11 st. 0 lbs.; G. F. A. Somerset (3), 9 st. 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.; G. B. Aris (stroke), 10 st. 0 lbs.; L. M. Griffiths (cox), 6 st. 13 lbs.

At four o'clock the Second Fours took station. Westminster, having again won the toss, took the rear position. After a moderately good start, in which the timing was rather weak, Westminster at once began to make headway. The timing and length were good, though the blades did not properly clear the water on the return. Both crews took a nice course on the bends, though the absence of wash on the Westminster rudder was in strong contrast to Haileybury. From the second bend Westminster began to increase their gain and were rowing up to their true form. The beginning of the stroke was distinctly good, an improvement on the style of the First Four, who allowed the hands to come too low at the end of the return. Haileybury, who had rowed well up to now, showed the effect of Westminster's approach and began cutting the finish and quite palpably rowing out of the boat. By the time the finishing posts were reached Westminster were a good length ahead.

As no times were taken it was not possible to compare the work of the two Westminster crews. It is worth noticing, however, that in an earlier trial Haileybury's second crew beat their first on the course of the race.

Haileybury 2nd IV.—H. C. Head (bow), G. A. Ebsworth (2), R. S. T. Pitts-Tucker (3), I. T. Stamp (stroke), R. G. Turpin (cox).

Westminster 2nd IV.—Titcomb (bow), 9 st. 3 lbs.; T. A. B. Murray (2), 12 st. 0 lbs.; N. O. Lucas (3), 9 st. 3 lbs.; H. W. Dunn (stroke), 8 st. 12 lbs.; W. B. Young (cox), 7 st. 13 lbs.

THIRD EIGHT FOURS *v.* TONBRIDGE SCHOOL THIRD AND FOURTH FOURS.

The races were rowed at Putney on Tuesday, June 26. The Westminster Fours had a few days previously had a sharp race, and the result of this encounter was that the Second Four became the First Four, and the First Four became the Second Four. By June 26 the Westminster Fours had got used to their fixed seats, and both had much improved under the coaching of Mr. Macdonnell.

The Second Fours rowed first, and had an excellent race. Tonbridge started at 36, to a very fast 42 by Westminster. This high rate of striking was kept up practically all over the course, and Westminster, rowing a little short, but very cleanly and well together, soon had daylight between the boats. At the Boathouse, Tonbridge put in a splendid spurt, and came up well in spite of somewhat erratic coxing, but Westminster, still rowing 41 at the end of the Mile Course, won the race by a canvas. The time was 5 minutes 38 seconds.

The First Fours then rowed. As in the previous race, Tonbridge started at a low rate, striking 31 strokes in the first minute, Westminster put in 42, and after a few strokes drew ahead very fast; at the finish Tonbridge spurted up to 35, but they were dogging badly, and rowing in a rather laborious style. Westminster, dropping to a steady 36, passed the Stone four lengths ahead, thus beating a heavier crew very decisively. The time was 5 minutes 37½ seconds.

The Third Eight, steadily improved in the Fours, and in these races against Tonbridge Second Eight touched their best form, and both coxswains did well. Tonbridge won the Public Schools' Cup at Marlow this year from Winchester. They have about the same number of watermen.

Tonbridge 3rd IV.—E. C. Wolf (bow), 10 st. 7 lbs.; R. W. Osлом (2), 10 st. 12 lbs.; R. F. Tothill (3), 11 st. 2 lbs.; C. R. Elgan (stroke), 11 st. 2 lbs.; J. P. Smyth (cox), 8 st. 4 lbs.

Tonbridge 4th IV.—J. I. Berry (bow), 10 st. 0 lbs.; J. G. Constance (2), 10 st. 6 lbs.; N. Neve (3), 11 st. 6 lbs.; G. L. Heald (stroke), 11 st. 8 lbs.; R. P. Nisch (cox), 7 st. 0 lbs.

Westminster 1st IV.—P. G. A. Diack (bow), 9 st. 0 lbs.; N. Woodward (2), 11 st. 0 lbs.; G. F. A. Somerset (3), 9 st. 8½ lbs.; G. B. Aris (stroke), 10 st. 0 lbs.; L. Griffiths (cox), 6 st. 13 lbs.

Westminster 2nd IV.—Titcomb (bow), 9 st. 3 lbs.; T. A. B. Murray (2), 12 st. 0 lbs.; N. O. Lucas (3), 9 st. 3 lbs.; H. W. Dunn (stroke), 8 st. 12 lbs.; W. B. Young (cox), 7 st. 13 lbs.

Old Westminsters.

IN the Birthday Honours, Sir Havilland Walter de Sausmarez, Bailiff of Guernsey, was made a

Baronet. Other distinctions conferred on O.W.W. were:—

K.C.B.—Mr. M. L. Gwyer, C.B., Solicitor to the Treasury.

C.B.—Mr. E. Hackforth, Deputy Controller, Ministry of Health.

C.M.G.—Mr. R. E. More, O.B.E., Sudan Agent at Cairo.

C.B.E.—Mr. F. R. Gosset, Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, House of Commons.

C.I.E.—Mr. W. S. Hopkyns, O.B.E., I.C.S.

At Cambridge the degree of Doctor of Law (*honoris causa*) has been conferred on Sir Cecil C. B. Hurst, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., K.C., LL.M., of Trinity College.

Lt.-Col. (Hon. Brigadier-General) G. L. Colvin, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., the East Indian Railway Regiment, Auxiliary Force, India, has been appointed A.D.C. (Additional) to H.M. the King.

His Honour Judge Staveley Hill has resigned his office as County Court Judge.

Births.

ARNOLD-JENKINS.—On March 17, the wife of J. G. Arnold Jenkins, of a son.

HALL.—On April 1, the wife of G. L. Desmond Hall, A.R.I.B.A., of a son.

REA.—On June 6, the wife of James R. Rea, of a son.

Marriages.

NEVILLE-MEAKINS.—On May 26, George John Ernest, only son of George W. Neville, to Dorothy Marguerite, elder daughter of the late Victor Meakins, of London

WADE-FERGUSON.—On July 3, John Roland Wade, eldest son of the late G. A. Wade, to Penelope Dorothy, youngest daughter of Dr. Haig Ferguson, of 7, Coates Crescent, Edinburgh.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

WHITMORE-MACFARLANE.—On June 1, 1878, Frederick John Whitmore to Mary Macfarlane.

Obituary.

WE regret to announce the death of RUDOLPH HOLLOCOMBE, which took place on May 22. He was the youngest son of the late John Hollocombe, of Rio de Janeiro, and was up Rigaud's from January, 1893, to April, 1894, when he left and went to Repton. He lived abroad until the War, when he served with distinction in the South Staffordshire Regiment. He was wounded and awarded the M.C., O.B.E. and the Military Order of Aviz. He died at Brighton, aged 48.

Correspondence.

ST. EDWARD'S SCHOOL,
OXFORD.
June 19, 1928.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—May I offer a suggestion on a minor matter? The issues of THE ELIZABETHAN are numbered in a succession of series, which begin and end with each volume. There is no continuous numbering, such as we see on the first page of *The Times*. I suggest that you follow the example of the premier paper of the world.

On consulting my bound copies—I have a complete series, for I was one of the group which started your paper—I find that the last number which I have received is No. 476. That means that THE ELIZABETHAN is rapidly approaching its 500th number, which seems to me a matter of real interest.

Perhaps I may add that the paper of the School with which I have been associated for nearly half a century began, like THE ELIZABETHAN, with a volume series, but soon adopted a continuous numbering. This has proved a marked success. The 200th, 300th and 400th issues called forth a remarkable response in contributions from former editors and contributors, and added very considerably to its circulation.

It may not be possible to adopt a new numbering at once, but it should be possible on the commencement of a new volume.

The numbers of issues are as follows: Vol. I, 27; II, 24; III, 27; IV, 27; V, 29; VI, 29; VII, 28; VII, 30; IX, 28; X, 29; XI, 30; XII, 30; XIII, 29; XIV, 29; XV, 20; XVI, 21; XVII, 19; XVIII, 18; XIX, 2; Total, 476.

I am, Sir,
Yours sincerely,
W. H. A. COWELL.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—In its weekly article on 'Sports at the Schools,' the *Evening Standard* of June 12 stated that a race had taken place between the First Four of University College School and the First Four of Westminster, and was won by the former by seven lengths.

There can be no doubt that, in reading the words 'First Four,' the public will presume that the Westminster Four comprised the four best oars in the School. If I am not mistaken the four in question was

chosen after the first and second eights had been made up, and its real status is that of fifth Four. Surely if it be deemed advisable to allow such a Four to race the best boats of other schools (I see that races with Tonbridge and Haileybury are arranged) another designation should be given. Westminster 'E' would seem suitable!

In the reference I quote above the *Evening Standard* warmly congratulated University College School, as they have only recently started rowing—which makes the severe defeat of our (presumed) best four the more humiliating.

Yours, etc.,
J. H. PECK.

Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following:

The Blundellian, The Carthusian, The Cheltonian, Christ's College Register, The Cliftonian, The Corian, Edinburgh Academy Chronicle, Eton College Chronicle (5), The Felstedian, The Fettesian, The Haileyburian, The Harrovian, Hermes, The Johnian, Lancing College Chronicle (2), The Malvernian, The Marlburian (2), Meteor, The Radleian (2), The Reptonian (2), St. Edward's School Chronicle, St. Peter's College Magazine, The Salopian (2), The Shirburnian, Stonyhurst College Magazine, The Wellingtonian, The Wykehamist (2).

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

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