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THE ATHLETIC SPORTS, 1909.

THE Sports this year must not be judged entirely from results. Wind and the heaviness of the ground handicapped runners, and jumpers, too, severely. The performances were, however, quite good, and there was a welcome improvement in the Junior Events.

The best individual performance was undoubtedly that of R. A. Graham, who secured no less than four first places. Besides him, G. C. Formilli and W. F. Lutyens were particularly noticeable. It was unfortunate that the former could not improve on his High Jump last year, but his throw in the Cricket Ball was excellent. Both he and Graham threw more than 90 yards. W. F. Lutyens shows exceptional running abilities. Not only is his style good—he is the prettiest runner we have seen at Westminster

for a long time—but his judgment is also excellent. G. Sumpter, who ran second to him both in the Mile and the Half-mile with Hurdles, shapes well. Rarely have we seen both first and second clear every hurdle in that most trying race—surely peculiar to Westminster—the Half-Mile with Hurdles, and it speaks well of the state of training in which these two were that they achieved this.

Among the Juniors we may mention particularly Crow, Forbes, and Partridge. Forbes won the Junior Long Jump and Cricket Ball, and Partridge the Hundred Yards under Fifteen and the Quarter-Mile under Fifteen, while Crow jumped the creditable height of 4 feet 4 inches.

The Inter-House Tug-of-War fell to Home Boarders, who had a heavy team.

The K.SS. *v.* T.BB. Tug-of-War was won easily by T.BB. In order to give K.SS. some small advantage in this rather one-sided contest,

the Committee this year reduced the team on each side from eight to six.

Our hopes of practice were again this year more or less disappointed. Ample time had been allowed, but persistent rain greatly hindered us. We must, however, remember gratefully that both Friday and Saturday were beautiful days.

The House Cup was won after a keen struggle by K.S.S. with an aggregate of 33 points. Ashburnham were second with 30 points, Grant's were third with 25 points, Home-boarders fourth and Rigaud's fifth with 18 and 9 points respectively.

Several improvements were made this year. A proper scoring-board with changeable numbers had been made, and, under good management, worked admirably. Improvements were made with regard to the jumping-pits. There is still room for improvement, however, in our methods. We suffer from ignorance of the correct way to throw the hammer or to run the Hurdle race. We here express the fervent hope that this will be seen to before next year.

Mrs. Gow very kindly gave away the prizes. A cup was given this year to the winner of the Bandsmen's Race. The Bandsmen managed their own handicaps, and it is interesting to record—we say it without invidiousness—that the handicapper himself proved successful.

Strict regulations with regard to the encroachment on the ground by spectators were made, and while they did not quite appeal apparently to some, who seemed to feel that they had a right to a better position than the rest, there was none of the crowding that has too often marred the success of the Sports.

The stewards, who also formed the Sports Committee, were R. M. Barrington-Ward (Hon. Sec.), J. C. Gow, D. M. Low, E. C. K. Clarke, H. F. Rawson, G. C. Formilli, and C. M. L. Circuit. Messrs. O. R. Borradaile and L. A. M. Fevez kindly acted as judges, and Messrs. C. Kent, S. S. Harris, and W. T. S. Sonnenschein, as time-keepers. We take this opportunity of thanking them for their invaluable help. We append a list of events with results:—

FRIDAY, APRIL 2.

- 1.—300 YARDS HANDICAP. OVER 16.
Thoresby-Jones (10 yds.), 1; Phillips (8 yds.), 2.
Time, 37 $\frac{2}{3}$ secs.
- 2.—THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. UNDER 15.
Forbes, 1; Cargill, 2. Distance, 74 yds., 2 ft. 6 in.
A very promising junior throw.
- 3.—HALF-MILE WITH HURDLES. OPEN.
CHALLENGE CUP.
Lutyens, 1; Sumpter, 2; Estall, 3. Time, 2 mins. 30 secs.
Feasey led up to the hurdles, but then fell, Lutyens winning by four or five yards.
- 4.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. SEMI-FINALS.
Heat 1.—Partridge, 1; Hurst-Brown, 2.
Heat 2.—Plaskitt, E. M., 1; Troutbeck, J. M., 2.
- 5.—100 YARDS. OPEN. SEMI-FINALS.
CHALLENGE CUP.
Heat 1.—Gow, 1; Feasey, G. G., 2. Time, 11 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.
Heat 2.—Graham, 1; Wood, H. N., 2. Time, 11 secs.
Both the winners got off the mark well and won easily.
- 6.—HIGH JUMP. UNDER 15.
Crow, A. D., 1; Plaskitt, G. M., 2. Height, 4 ft. 4 in.
Crow jumped well, but the height is not as good as usual.
- 7.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. HEATS.
CHALLENGE CUP.
Heat 1.—Formilli, G. C., 1; Clarke, 2. Time, 20 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.
Heat 2.—Gow, 1; Graham, 2. Time, 20 secs.
Heat 3.—Lutyens, 1; Thoresby-Jones, 2. Time, 20 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
- 8.—100 YARDS. UNDER 15. SEMI-FINALS.
Heat 1.—Partridge, 1; Miller, R. S., 2.
Heat 2.—Fowler, 1; Fisher, 2.
- 9.—THROWING THE HAMMER. OPEN. CHALLENGE HAMMER.
Graham, 1; Covington, 2. Distance, 62 ft.
The throw was not so good as last year's.
- 10.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. SEMI-FINALS.
Heat 1.—Cooke, 1; Butterfield, 2. Time, 12 secs.
Heat 2.—Selby, 1; Potter, 2. Time, 12 secs.
- 11.—QUARTER-MILE. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.
Formilli, G. C., 1; Feasey, G. G., 2; Lutyens, 3.
Time, 59 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
Formilli repeated his victory of last year, but the time was not so good.
- 12.—150 YARDS. UNDER 14.
Fowler, 1; Tunnicliffe, 2. Time, 19 secs.
Won easily. The time was good.
- 13.—HALF-MILE HANDICAP.
Young, 1; Thoresby-Jones, 2; Burleigh, 3.
Time, 2 mins. 21 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

14.—SERVANTS' RACE.

Angel, 1; Brown, 2.

15.—INTER-HOUSE TUG OF WAR. FINAL TIE.

H.B.B.				RIGAUD'S.			
		st.	lbs.			st.	lbs.
1. Wells	...	11	2	1. Leck	...	10	4
2. Young	...	11	4	2. Harvey	...	10	6
3. Estall	...	11	6	3. May	...	11	3
4. Hallward	...	11	10	4. Cowie	...	11	4
5. Feasey, G. G.	...	12	4	5. Cooke	...	11	4½
6. Watson	...	13	6	6. Clarke	...	12	4½

Home Boarders were the heavier team and won easily (2—0).

SATURDAY, APRIL 3.

16.—HIGH JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Formilli, G. C., 1; Purves, 2. Height, 5 ft. 3 in.

Formilli won for the second year in succession and Purves was not far behind him.

17.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. FINAL HEAT.

Hurst-Brown, 1; Partridge, 2. Time, 23½ secs.

18.—100 YARDS. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.

Graham, 1; Gow, 2. Time, 11½ secs.

It was a pity that the wind and heavy going spoilt the time, as 11 secs. had been done in the trials. Gow unfortunately had a bad start, and lost more than he could make up. Won by inches.

19.—LONG JUMP. UNDER 15.

Forbes, 1; Fowler, 2. Distance, 15 ft. 3 in.

A fair junior jump.

20.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.

Graham, 1; Formilli, G. C., 2. Time, 19¾ secs.

Gow was leading, but slipped and fell. Graham won easily from Formilli.

21.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. FINAL HEAT.

Cooke, 1; Selby, 2. Time, 11½ secs.

Cooke repeated his win of last year, winning with ease.

22.—LONG JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Graham, 1; Brooks, 2. Distance, 18 ft. 6 in.

A fair jump, but not equal to last year's.

23.—100 YARDS. UNDER 15. FINAL HEAT.

Partridge, 1; Miller, R. S., 2. Time, 12 secs.

24.—THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Formilli, G. C., 1; Graham, 2. Distance, 95 yds. 1 ft.

Formilli improved on his last year's performance. Graham came very close.

25.—QUARTER-MILE. UNDER 16.

Selby, 1; Cooke, 2. Time 60½ secs.

Selby won quite easily from Cooke.

26.—ONE MILE FLAT RACE. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Lutyens, 1; Sumpter, 2; Feasey, G. G., 3.

Time, 5 mins. 5½ secs.

Feasey led for the first three laps, but was then passed by Lutyens and Sumpter. Six yards separated the first two. Lutyens' time was better than last year's.

27.—QUARTER-MILE. UNDER 15. CHALLENGE CUP.

Partridge, 1; Plaskitt, G. M., 2. Time, 64½ secs.

A fine race. Partridge led all the way but only just managed to keep his advantage.

28.—CONSOLATION RACE. (Winners Excluded.)

Butterfield, 1; Dutton, 2.

29.—O.W.W. RACE.

W. B. Harris, 1; S. S. Harris, 2.

30.—TUG OF WAR.

K.S.S.				T.B.B.			
		st.	lbs.			st.	lbs.
1. Wood, H. N.	...	11	7	1. Hobson, F. G.	...	12	0
2. Wade	...	11	9	2. Graham	...	11	10
3. Shaw	...	11	10	3. Feasey, G. G.	...	12	4
4. Covington	...	12	9	4. Clarke	...	12	4½
5. Edgar	...	10	5	5. Formilli, G. C.	...	12	5
6. Gow	...	13	0	6. Watson	...	13	6

T.B.B. pulled over K.S.S. (2—0).

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

NARES, EDWARD, b. 1762, adm. 1770, left 1779, d. 1841. Miscellaneous writer.

NARES, ROBERT, b. 1753, K.S. 1767, left 1771, d. 1829. Philologist.

NASSAU, GEORGE RICHARD SAVAGE, b. 1756, adm. 1768, d. 1823. Bibliophile.

NEALE, ERSKINE, b. 1804, adm. 1815, left 1816, d. 1883. Divine and author.

NEEDHAM, WALTER, b. 1631 (?), left 1650, d. 1691. Physician and anatomist.

NEILE, RICHARD, b. 1562, left 1580, d. 1640. Archbishop of York.

NEWDIGATE, Sir ROGER, 5th Baronet, b. 1719, K.S. 1732, d. 1806. Antiquary and benefactor.

NEWTON, RICHARD, b. 1676, K.S. 1690, left 1694, d. 1753. Educational reformer.

NEWTON, THOMAS, b. 1704, K.S. 1718, left 1723, d. 1782. Bishop of Bristol.

NICHOLLS, FRANK, b. 1699, d. 1778. Physician.

NOEL, BAPTIST WRIOTHESLEY, b. 1798, adm. 1810, left 1813, d. 1873. Divine.

OAKELEY, Sir HERBERT, 3rd Bart., b. 1791, left 1805, d. 1845. Archdeacon of Colchester.

O'GRADY, STANDISH DARBY, 2nd Viscount Guillamore, b. 1792, left 1809, d. 1848. Soldier.

OLDISWORTH, GILES, b. 1619, left 1639, d. 1678. Royalist divine.

ONSLow, GEORGE, 1st Earl of Onslow, b. 1731, d. 1814. Politician.

ONSLow, THOMAS, 2nd Earl of Onslow, b. 1755, d. 1827. Politician.

OSBALDESTON or OSBOLSTON, LAMBERT, b. 1594, left 1612, d. 1659. Head-Master.

OSBALDESTON or OSBOLSTON, WILLIAM, b. 1577, left 1597, d. 1645. Divinity professor.

OSBORNE, FRANCIS, 5th Duke of Leeds, b. 1751, d. 1799. Politician.

OWEN, CORBET, b. 1646, adm. 1658, K.S. 1659, left 1663, d. 1671. Latin poet.

OWEN, THOMAS ELLIS, b. 1764, adm. 1777, K.S. 1780, d. 1814. Author.

HISTORICAL NOTES.

The London Journal, Saturday, July 7, 1722.

'We hear, that on Saturday last, in the Afternoon, the King's Scholars at Westminster, had an Engagement with the Lads of several other Schools; the Battle was fought with great Fury, so that three Lives were lost, and others despaired of. The King's Scholars were Victors, not only over those, but some Hackney Coachmen, who took upon them to engage on the weakest Side, and dearly paid for it, for one lost his Life, another lies very ill, and the rest were so well beaten, that it is believed they will never forsake their Coach-Boxes again to meddle on such an Occasion. We are told several of the Scholars are expelled for this Offence.'

The Public Advertiser. Saturday, November 26, 1791.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

'A terrible fracas took place on Wednesday at Westminster School. Two of the boys having had a dispute, agreed to go to the Green in Dean's Yard, and fight it out. The two heroes were followed by the rest of the boys, and Dr. Vincent and the rest of the masters were only left in the School.

'Mr. Smedley, the Head Usher, was dispatched with orders to summon the Students to their duty. The fight not being over, he returned without completing his mission. Dr. Wingfield, the second master, was dispatched, and returned also unsuccessful. Dr. Vincent then went himself, but no obedience could be obtained till the battle was decided; after which the scholars returned to the school-house, when sentence of flagellation was passed upon Mr. Doyley, the head boy, for not having obeyed orders.

'The sentence was demurred to by the whole school, the consequence of which was a general desertion for the present.'

November 29, 1791.

'Westminster School has regained its peace, though not exactly in the way which has been stated. Mr. Doyley, by the persuasion of Lord Stormont, and some distinguished characters, has performed the imposition enjoined by Dr. Vincent, and on Friday read a written confession of his error in the most public part of the school.

'The conduct of Mr. Doyley, who is a gentleman about nineteen years of age, and upon the point of removing to College, is very commendable. It appeared that he was not present at the tumult; but, as the affair had become very public, he submitted, rather than be the means of lessening the authority of the master by any further contention.

'The *insurrection* at Westminster School was occasioned merely by a disputed point of logic (sic).

'The Masters were for reasoning *a posteriori*. This the boys objected to as a *fundamental* error in education.'

POPULAR SCIENCE LECTURES.

THE early lectures were devoted to the study of the Principles of Electricity and Magnetism.

The subjects dealt with were: the Phenomena of Frictional Electricity, the Characteristic Properties of a Magnet, the Earth as a Magnet, the Magnetic, Chemical and Heating Effects of an Electrical Current, the Various Forms of Primary Cells (Leclanché, Bichromate, etc.).

These introductory lectures were followed by others which dealt with the Properties of Electromagnets, the Phenomena of the Induction of Electric Currents, the Principles of Dynamos and Motors. In all cases attempts were made to illustrate every point by experiments. Considerable time was devoted to the study of Electric Motors as used on Trams and Railways, and through the kindness of the Westinghouse Electric Company (who lent a magnificent set of slides) and of the Underground Electric Railways Company of London, Mr. Wootton was able to give a special lecture on the Electric Railways of London.

In the Lent Term lectures were given on the different methods of Electric Lighting, and the various lamps fully described and illustrated. In a later Lecture the action of a storage cell was explained and a short account given of the more important instruments used for measuring electric current and electric pressure. Attention was next turned to Electric Telegraphs and Telephones,

and the principles of their action illustrated by a set of experiments.

In the final Lecture on Electricity, Mr. Wootton gave a brief account of the Progress of 'Wireless' Telegraphy, and explained the principles of the more important systems. This Lecture ended with a short demonstration of telegraphing without wires, the apparatus having been made in the School laboratories.

In succeeding Lectures a short account was given of the working of a steam engine. The action of the valves was illustrated by a set of working diagrams, and by a number of beautiful models. The principles of a gas engine and a petrol engine were explained by means of a large-sized model which showed how the introduction, compression, and ignition of the explosive mixture were timed and performed, and how the expulsion of the exhaust gases was conducted. The methods of obtaining an explosive mixture of air and petrol vapour were briefly outlined.

In a later Lecture Mr. Wootton gave an account of the occurrence and working of Petroleum, and showed samples of various kinds of *crude* Petroleum from different parts of the world. The process of distillation of the crude oil and of preparing Motor Spirit, Kerosene, Lubricating Oils, Vaseline, Paraffin Wax, and Asphalt were illustrated. The meaning of the term 'flash point' was explained and illustrated by an actual test.

In the last Lecture, the principles of the action of Steam and Water Turbines were explained and illustrated by means of Lantern Slides, Models, and Diagrams.

The Gymnasium Competitions in the School and at Aldershot have prevented Mr. Wootton giving Lectures on the last two Fridays of the Term. Possibly some opportunity may occur in another term of lecturing on Coal Gas, Coal Tar, 'Coal Tar' Dyes, Modern Explosives, and several other subjects of which schoolboys are generally ignorant.

The thanks of all who have attended the Lectures are due to Sir Boverton Redwood for a most generous gift of samples of crude Petroleum (a very rare article in this country), and to many gentlemen for the loan of apparatus, models, and lantern slides. But even then the Lectures would have been impossible without the resources of the splendid laboratories which the School possesses.

O.T.C.

FIELD-DAY, MARCH 25, 1909.

THE main body of the White force was stationed at Burgh Heath. An outpost was placed at Tattenham Corner with orders to defend the station at that point. The advance guard of the

Blue force arrived at Ashted at 1.45 P.M., and received orders to attack. Such was the idea set forth. The events of the day showed a very striking contrast. The plans of the Blue force were not good under the circumstances, but they were carried out with great skill; the plans of the White force commander, Col.-Sergt. Barrington-Ward, on the other hand, were excellent, while their execution was poor. Sergt. Clarke made a great mistake in attempting to make a dash for the Grand Stand over half a mile of open country, and it was only due to the negligence of the White force that not a single shot of any effect was fired at them by the defenders. The White force would have been very much more successful if their advanced section had not misunderstood orders and retired, while circumstances, which converted the real attack into a holding attack, were disconcerting. The manoeuvre led by Corpl. Brooks was admirably effected; by making an onset from the extreme left, and at the same time disguising his real numbers, he placed the flank of the defence in a very awkward position. The Report of Umpires was very favourable as a whole; however, they drew attention to one serious failing in the attacking force, the incompetence of the scouts, who took no pains to provide themselves with any efficient cover.

INTER-HOUSE DRILL COMPETITION.

This event took place on April 5, and was judged by Capt. Malone of the 1st Royal Fusiliers. The three competing Houses were very close to one another in the aggregate, King Scholars winning the Cup with 80, while Home-Boarders and Grant's scored 79 and 77 respectively. In the Umpire's Report it was stated that King's Scholars were most efficient in detail: their inspection was very poor, and they lost several marks over it, but regained them in the rifle exercises, as well as the technical questions, which were most intelligently answered. They were also most fortunate in their commander, Col.-Sergt. Barrington-Ward, whose untiring energy in drilling the section, together with the smartness which he showed personally in the competition, made him to a great extent responsible for their success.

Home-Boarders scored well on inspection, and their poor technical knowledge was the main fault in their performance. Sergt. Circuit was complimented in the Report on the way in which he gave his commands. Grant's came very close to the other two, and their failure was due not so much to one particular fault as to a slight inferiority throughout; they were specially commended for their skirmishing. Capt. Malone expressed himself greatly pleased with the turn-out

of the Sections, and hoped that some of their members would take commissions in the Territorial Force.

GYMNASIUM.

THE Senior and Junior Competitions were held on Friday, March 26. There were only two entries for the Foil Fencing. In this event F. G. Hobson beat C. B. Bonner. Hobson has worked hard this year, and during the three weeks immediately preceding the Competition made considerable improvement.

In the Gymnastic Competitions F. G. Hobson was first with a score of 70 points out of a possible 80. Bonner was second with 67 points.

In the Junior Competition A. C. Miles gained first place, beating J. C. A. Davis by $3\frac{1}{2}$ points.

The House Competition was decided on Tuesday, March 30, and resulted in a win for Grant's, who were represented by F. G. Hobson and Graham.

The standard in the Gymnastic Competitions this year was very much below that of former years. In consequence we were not able to send in a pair for the Public Schools Competition at Aldershot. Such a state of affairs is hardly creditable to a school like Westminster. The only hopeful feature was the appearance in the House Competition of two promising Juniors in E. A. Meyer and Davis.

A great deal could be done by hard practice on the part of Hobson, Graham, and Cecil, who are strong but not neat gymnasts.

In the Public Schools Competition at Aldershot held on Thursday and Friday, April 1 and 2, the School was represented by F. G. Hobson (Foil Fencing) and J. C. Hobson (Featherweight Boxing).

The elder Hobson drew a bye in the First Round. In the Second Round, although he was very nervous, he defeated his opponent. In the Third Round he fenced much better, and easily won his fight.

In the Semi-Final, Hobson fenced well, but was beaten by Ogilvie of Bedford Grammar School, who eventually won the First Prize. Ogilvie is a more experienced fencer than Hobson, and was much quicker both in attack and defence.

With another year's practice and experience, Hobson ought to do very well at Aldershot.

In the Boxing, J. C. Hobson met Eady of Clifton in the First Round, and was defeated after a good fight. The first two bouts were very even; but in the third Eady 'landed' a heavy blow on Hobson's ear. The latter fought very pluckily to the end, though he felt the effects of the blow. For his 'game' fight Hobson earned a very hearty round of cheering as he left the ring.

Eady later caused some sensation by easily defeating last year's winner.

It was no disgrace to Hobson to be beaten by such a good boxer; in fact, considering his youth, he made a remarkably good fight. We can confidently hope that next year, when he is stronger and more experienced, he will give a good account of himself in the Public Schools Competition. Although we did not so well this year as last, yet we have no cause to be ashamed of the performances of our representatives. The elder Hobson kept up our reputation in Fencing by getting into the Semi-Final, and his younger brother quite maintained our name for straightforward plucky fighting in the ring.

SAIGNES.

WE are glad that the article which appeared in our last number has been the means of settling the derivation, which has troubled a modern generation of Westminsters.

We have received a number of letters on the point, too many, indeed, to print, which establish the identity of Mrs. Saignes beyond a doubt.

School Notes.

THERE are seventeen new boys this Term.

The Mission offertory on SS. Philip's and James's day amounted to £3 11s. 6d.

Our Racquets pair were defeated in the first round of the Public Schools Championship at Queen's Club on Tuesday, April 13, by Clifton. We were represented by C. M. L. Circuit and H. G. Hill.

The Concert will be held on Friday, May 27, 28 at 8 o'clock.

The Duke of Devonshire's prize for an essay on "The Importance of a United Empire to the future of this Country" has been awarded to R. M. Barrington-Ward.

The theses for School Epigrams are: (1) Out of sight, out of mind; (2) Habent sua fata libelli.

The following is the Cricket Card for the season 1909:—

May	1st, Sat., XI. v. XVIII.
"	8th, Sat., v. P. T. Rawlings', Esq., XI.
"	15th, Sat., v. Eton Ramblers.
"	19th, Wed., v. Cambridge O. WW.

May	22nd, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> Old Wykehamists.
	29th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> Incogniti.
June	5th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> I Zingari.
	19th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> Oxford University Authentics.
	26th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> The Household Brigade.
July	2nd, Fri.,	} <i>v.</i> Charterhouse (at Vincent Square.)
	3rd, Sat.,	
	7th, Wed.,	<i>v.</i> Free Foresters.
	10th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> Sussex Martlets.
	17th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> M.C.C. and Ground.
	17th, Sat.,	Colts <i>v.</i> Haileybury Colts (at Haileybury).
	24th, Sat.,	<i>v.</i> O.W.W.
	26th, Mon.,	K.SS. <i>v.</i> T.BB.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* CHARTERHOUSE.

THIS match was played at Goldalming on March 6, and after a close game resulted in a win for the home side by 2 goals to 1. The snow which had fallen during the week had left the ground in a terrible condition, and there was water standing all over it. To add to this, there was a strong wind and heavy rain all through the game, so that accurate football was well-nigh impossible.

Charterhouse were a fine side if one may judge from their performances during the season, but most of their successes had been gained on dry grounds while they had had very little experience of wet or muddy grounds. The ground in this case, however, favoured neither side, as it was quite hard under the water that lay on the surface.

Johnson won the toss and decided to play down hill against the wind. Westminster kicked off and immediately began to press hotly, and Benn had great luck in saving a shot that almost went through his legs. We continued to have the best of the game, and Graham and Cooke put in some excellent work on the right wing, where the state of the ground was a trifle better. Eventually some good work by Cooke ended in his putting in a shot which Benn failed to clear, and Goodall running across placed it well out of his reach into the far corner of the net (1-0). After this Charterhouse began to get together, and Norris and Macdonald worked the ball down once or twice but Clarke and Formilli were always safe and had no difficulty in clearing. Weeks, of whom we had heard much, was naturally well looked after and did practically nothing the whole game. Johnson on the Charterhouse right wing put in some excellent runs and had excellent control of the ball.

There was no further score before half-time, nor did either side really look like scoring, though Charterhouse did most of the attacking. Shortly after the opening of the second half the School forwards worked the ball down to our opponents' goal and Cooke was within a yard of the goal when Baker managed to clear by an extraordinary

piece of play. Charterhouse then settled down to the attack, but were thoroughly safely held by the Westminster halves, of whom May was quite the best. Clarke was rather badly winded about half way through this half, and Graham dropped back to help him, though Kingdon was never at all dangerous. However, twenty minutes before time Gow got cramp badly and Charterhouse scored twice in the next five minutes, through Norris and Macdonald (2-1). The rest of the game was dull, and although we looked like equalising once or twice, never managed to do so. Gow, who was playing splendidly up to this point, was practically useless for the last twenty minutes. The School are, on the whole, to be congratulated on a good performance on a strange ground, especially when short of two regular players, Circuit and Hammond, and all praise is due to Feasey and Wood for the plucky way in which they played. Goodall, who came in for Circuit, was excellent, and Marriott was also good. For Charterhouse, Johnson and Norris formed an effective wing, and Gabain was quite excellent at left half. Baker and Wellesley struck us as hardly up to the standard of Charterhouse backs, and their play on occasions was very scrappy. Benn was moderate in goal.

Teams :—

CHARTERHOUSE.

R. T. Benn (goal); S. Baker, H. A. Wellesley (backs); E. R. C. Bott, A. F. Wharton, W. G. Gabain (halves); C. B. Johnson, R. E. Norris, R. M. Weeks, W. Macdonald, R. C. Kingdon (forwards).

WESTMINSTER.

A. Cowie (goal); G. C. Formilli, G. G. Feasey (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, T. G. May (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, J. F. Goodall, E. S. Wood (forwards).

RACQUETS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, LONDON.

THIS match was played in the School Court on March 31 and resulted in a win for the School by four games to one.

The school pair took a little time to warm to their work and the visitors won the first game (15-12). In the second, however, we were easily victorious, Hill making twelve consecutive aces by excellent service; the third game too went to the school (15-5). The fourth game was a hard fight, but Hill finished it off in our favour with a beautiful half-volley just over the board. In the fifth and last some fine rallies were seen, but after the game had been set at 13 all Circuit ran out, ending the match with an excellent smash.

Circuitt has greatly improved since last year. He played a good game throughout and hit very hard, but is still apt to pull his body away from the ball when he attempts to kill a ball off the back wall. Hill has come on wonderfully; except for a short time in the fourth game he played very well and did some really fine half-volleying.

For the visitors Thomas was the better, though Hallows did a great deal of useful work. Scores:—

Westminster: 12, 15, 15, 15, 18. Total, 75.
London University: 15, 2, 5, 12, 13. Total, 47.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP.

IN the first round we were drawn against Clifton, who did not have much difficulty in beating our pair by four games to love; although the play was more even than the score would seem to show. Circuitt won the toss, and beginning, went to 3-0 before being put out by Brownlee, who went on to make it 8-3 in their favour. Rissik, obviously nervous, failed with his service, but Brownlee soon found his length, and with a run of six won the first game (15-5). The second game was much more even. Hill served very effectively, getting eight aces off his service, but at nine all Rissik began to find his length, and from 13-12 won the second game (15-12). Proceeding, he went to 5 love before being put out by Circuitt. The third and fourth games went to Clifton, chiefly owing to the fine dashing play of Brownlee, who hit the ball with great force and kept a fine length in his service. Rissik was also very safe and served effectively. For us Circuitt showed much improvement on last year and killed the ball well from the back hand court. Hill served well but found great difficulty in taking the services. Score:—

	1st Game	2nd Game	3rd Game	4th Game	Total
Clifton (W. M. Brownlee and C. Rissik)	15	15	15	15	60
Westminster (C. M. L. Circuitt and H. G. Hill)	5	12	5	5	27

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, April 1, to discuss the following motion: 'That this House would welcome the formation of a new Boarding-House at Westminster.'

The Proposer (the PRESIDENT) in a lucid and convincing speech briefly outlined his scheme. He drew attention to the present numbers of their Home-Boarding Houses and declared that the control over a House of seventy boys, especially those who do not board at the school, could not

be as efficient as in the case of a smaller House. It was hardly to be expected that a boy who was continually coming and going could have the same feeling for his House as one who slept and lived there. He said that there was a house in Dean's Yard, the property of the School, which he suggested might be acquired as a new House. The new House would be made up of a few new boys, a selected number drawn from among the home-boarders, with a nucleus of boarders which he considered essential to the success of a House. He declared that it would be impossible to over-estimate the beneficial effect on both games and work if a new House could be established.

The Opposer (E. C. CLARKE) in a short speech, opposed the motion on the ground that the time had not yet come; he declared that the numbers of the School would not admit of a new House, and that the present boarding-houses would suffer.

The Secunder (the SECRETARY) pointed out that the boarding element in the School was steadily increasing and that probably, if not certainly, a further impetus would be given by a new House. He considered that a new House would help towards the re-establishment of Water, which he hoped was now becoming a possibility, even if it was only in a small way, of the near future.

The VICE-PRESIDENT, representing the Home-boarding element in the House, associated himself with the remarks of the President and Secretary, and believed it would be to the advantage of the home-boarders themselves.

After some further discussion the motion was put to the House and carried unanimously.

This being the last meeting of the Session, a vote of thanks was proposed to the President, who, in reply, considered that the Session as a whole had been more than usually successful and well attended, though he deplored, with one notable exception, the very poor attendance of the members from the Home-Boarding Houses. The House then adjourned.

House Notes.

K.S.S.—By winning both the Drill and the Sports Cups, we concluded a most satisfactory Lent term. Both fell to us only by very narrow margins, the Sports Cup by two and the Drill Cup by one point. For the latter we feel that this energy of the College section themselves—displayed in frequent drills all through the term—is entirely responsible, and we congratulate Col.-Sergt. Barrington-Ward and his section on a well-deserved victory. The former became ours after a most exciting struggle, the issue being undecided until the last race. We congratulate W. F. Lutyens, R. S. Partridge, A. D. Crow, J. C. Gow, C. K.

Covington and G. Sumpter on the successes which won us this trophy.

We reserve to the last our most hearty congratulations to Mr. A. P. Waterfield on his First in 'Mods.'

ASHBURNHAM.—Seldom we think, has the contest for the Sports Cup been so keenly fought out to the last, and such a defeat is hardly less honourable than victory. We offer our heartiest congratulations to all those who were successful in the events. Our congratulations are also due to A. B. Johnson, T. F. Johnston-Watson and E. J. Tyson on gaining their third XI. colours. The Fives-ties last term were won by G. C. Formilli and J. F. Johnston-Watson after a hard fight against C. M. Goodall and E. J. Tyson.

Most of us seem to have succeeded in returning in safety this term, but there are still not a few missing, among whom Formilli is conspicuous. We hear that he has contrived his absence by so commonplace a complaint as German measles. We have six new boys, which brings our numbers up to seventy-one. It is hoped that the Witenagemot will continue to meet and deliberate in its usual manner. It is also rumoured that there is another group of conspirators who are anxious to band themselves together and form a society to discuss—but we are not allowed to foretell more.

GRANT'S.—L. W. Collier and E. L. Faire left at the end of last term, the former has gone to Heidelberg. We wish them both success in their careers. We have two new boarders, L. C. Melsome and E. J. Longton, and one half-boarder, E. L. Kellie. T. F. Marriott has been made a Monitor. In the Drill Cup last term we were unsuccessful, losing the Cup to College. We, however, won the Inter-house Gymnasium Cup, which comes 'up' the House for the first time. We congratulate our representatives, F. G. Hobson and R. Graham, on their victory. We also congratulate F. Hobson and A. C. Miles on winning the Senior and Junior events in the School Gymnasium Competition. F. G. Hobson and J. Hobson represented the School at Aldershot this year in Fencing and Featherweight Boxing respectively. The former was beaten by the winner in the semi-final. In the Inter-House Tug-of-War we were beaten by H.B.B. after a lengthy struggle. In the Sports we must congratulate R. A. Graham, who nearly gained for us the Sports Cup by his own unaided efforts. He won the Hammer, 100 yards, Long Jump, Hurdles, and was second in Throwing the Cricket Ball. We were unfortunate in having several promising people out of school who might have made some difference to the result. R. A. Graham also won the Yard-ties. There has hardly been time in the present term for much to happen. The Fives-ties which were held over from last term

are to be played off, and Yard-ties are in the process of formation. Our prospects for Juniors should be good.

H.B.B.—With the greenness of the trees another term has come, so let us call to mind the doughty deeds of the last term. H.B.B. did better in the Sports than for several years. In the Senior events Feasey, Purves, Brooks and Estall won points. Thoresby-Jones was first in the 300 yards handicap and second in the half-mile. The latter race was won by Young. Phillips was second in the former. In the Junior events Forbes won the cricket ball with a good throw, and also the long jump. H.B.B. won the Tug, pulling over Grant's and Rigaud's.

We provided, as we did last year, the school Racquets pair (Circuitt and Hill). In the Drill Cup Competition we were beaten by an unmentionable point.

Congratulations to Mr. W. H. C. Hardy on shooting for Oxford.

RIGAUD'S.—We must open our notes with the regrets that fall due at the beginning of each term, namely, of losing old friends. Bell and two others left us last term, but in their stead Brown has returned to us, and Cobbold (who promises to be a fine cricketer) with Hill (who has not yet come) are our new boys.

We have to congratulate W. S. Gray and Goodall on passing the second part of the 'Little-Go' and Additional, and wish the latter every success in his forthcoming exam. At the same time we must congratulate W. S. Gray, MacManus, Pink and Parker on receiving their House-colours last term.

Not content with being devastated by the fashionable influenza, several of our numbers succumbed to English mumps, which was better than having the German goods of which the school was full.

The usual keenness of our 'Terriers' still prevails, and they were only prevented from showing their exceptional smartness in the inter-House Drill Competition by lack of numbers and military knowledge.

Births.

ON April 16, the wife of Edgar T. Woodbridge, of a son.

Marriages.

HACKFORTH—CLAYTON.—On March 31, Edgar Hackforth to Joyce, youngest daughter of Charles E. Clayton, of Henfield.

HOWARTH—PAGET.—On April 28, Osbert John Radclyffe Howarth to Eleanor Katherine, daughter of Stephen Paget, F.R.C.S.

BINDLOSS—RENDELL.—On April 29, Edward Alexander Morgan Bindloss, M.Inst.C.E., to Margery Emily, younger daughter of the late John Rendell.

Obituary.

WE have to mourn the loss of three Westminsters who have been cut off at an early age, and whose deaths will be deeply deplored.

ALBERT J. HEMMERDE, or 'John Hemmerde' as he was affectionately called by his friends, was at the School from 1883 to 1887. Few Westminsters of his time were more, or more deservedly, popular. He always suffered from a weakness of the lungs, and could hardly hope for a long life, but his trouble served only to bring out the good points in his character. He died at the end of March.

RUSSELL KERR GAYE, who was at the School from 1891 to 1897, was one of the most brilliant of the younger Westminsters. He was Head of the Challenge and Captain of the School, and was elected to Trinity in 1897. He was bracketed equal for the second Porson Prize in 1898, and won the Prize in 1900. He was Browne Medallist in 1899 and Chancellor's Medallist in 1900. He was in the First Class in both parts of the Classical Tripos, and was elected in 1900 Fellow of Trinity. He won the Hare Prize in 1903. He was for some years a tutor to one of the Ladies' Colleges in Cambridge, and several times came back to Westminster as an Examiner. He was not of late in good health, and suffered much from the sequelæ of influenza. The keenness of his intellect and the charm of his character will not soon be forgotten by his many friends. He died at Cambridge on Easter Day.

Still younger was GEORGE MOWBRAY NOTT-BOWER, who only last year passed into Woolwich. He met his death by the accidental discharge of a revolver with which he was practising.

We have lost an old and loyal Westminster in GEORGE BY HENDERSON, who was at the School from 1858 to 1862. By his will he set the excellent example of leaving a hundred pounds to the Elizabethan Club.

Old Westminsters.

AT Oxford Mr. A. P. Waterfield is in the First Class, and Mr. S. C. Edgar, Mr. M. H. Lethbridge, and Mr. A. E. F. Spencer are in the Second Class in Classical Moderations.

In the Final Examination of the Council of Legal Education a First Class with a Certificate of Honour has been awarded to Mr. W. T. S. Sonnenschein. There were only three others in the First Class and are seldom more. He has since been called to the Bar at the Inner Temple.

Several O.WW. are at present taking part in stage productions. Mr. Paget-Bowman and Mr. C. C. Treatt are playing in 'Paolo and Francesca' at the Royal Court Theatre; Mr. F. G. Worlock is now a leading member of Mr. F. R. Benson's company; while in lighter vein, Mr. D. G. Maclaren is successfully assisting Mr. Pelissier at the Apollo Theatre as one of the 'Follies.'

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I was one of the many Old Westminsters present at the School Sports the other day who were delighted to see the great improvements which had been made since last year. The long jump pit is now worthy of comparison with any that I know of. Such improvements cannot fail to be beneficial to Westminster athletics; but there is room for yet more; and surely when the good work has once been begun it would be a thousand pities to leave it unfinished. My point is this: Is there not some master who will go up to sports practice every day and explain to the boys the proper way to throw the hammer, the right method of running, and the theory of long-jumping? Even if he is unaware of the essence of these matters himself, it is the easiest thing in the world to find out by consulting some famous athlete. I feel almost tempted to quote from a letter which such an one wrote me on these matters; and I was astounded to find the difference which was brought about by a proper knowledge of these things. I hope I have not taken up too much of your valuable space, and that I shall not be considered unduly interfering. But we who preserve for ever a love of our School and a pride in her prowess, feel that no efforts should be spared to use the same methods as those used at other schools in order to keep our level up to theirs. The great increase of keenness in last season's football, and the success of the Eleven, show that this is a profitable moment for such improvements as those I have suggested.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully,

'OLD WESTMINSTER.'

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—The question of the revival of 'Water' at Westminster is always more or less present to the minds of many present and past Westminsters, and recently the question has again been raised whether it might not be revived again, in a small way, at any rate, at first. Personally, I am convinced, and I think that anyone who has studied the question will agree that any revival which would mean excursions to Putney or Richmond to practise would be worse than useless. It has been given a thorough trial, and it was not a success. The two chief objections brought against the revival at Westminster are the state of the river and traffic. I have good authority—indeed, it is an undisputed fact that the river is considerably less muddy than it used to be—and the Rev. E. C. Sherwood, himself an Old Blue, was quite prepared to take an Eight on the river at Westminster. A few evenings ago I was crossing Westminster Bridge at about 5.30, and I was struck by the fact that as far as I could see, both up the river to Vauxhall and Battersea and down towards Blackfriars Bridge, except for some moored barges, there was not a boat to be seen. When I re-crossed the Bridge an hour or so later there was still not a boat in sight. Now, Sir, and this is what I wish to lay stress on, this was exactly the time at which the river was used by the School, and presumably when it would be used if 'Water' was revived. Nor was this deserted appearance of the river an accident. Several times before when I have been passing I have noticed that in the afternoon and evening, except for an occasional tug, there is hardly any traffic on the river, the reason being that trains and motor traffic have very largely superseded river traffic. If we compare this with a remark made to me by one who used to row at Westminster in the 'Forties and 'Fifties—namely, that 'standing on Westminster Bridge and looking up towards Vauxhall the river was alive with boats'—the comparison is striking.

Yours, &c.,
'X.'

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

3 Little Dean's Yard,
Westminster, S.W. :
April 29, 1909.

DEAR SIR,—In view of the fact that another School concert will soon be here, might I be allowed to suggest that in future refreshments be provided for the visitors after the concert? Surely it is most inhospitable to allow everyone to go away without in some degree catering for the needs of the inner man. It would be quite easy to follow the practice of Commemoration, and to provide refreshments in Ashburnham House. Such a course would most certainly commend itself to our guests. Hoping that this suggestion will meet with the approval of the authorities, with the usual apologies,

I beg to remain,
Φιλάνθρωπος.

DUELLING AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—A short time ago I came across a small book, written by one Joseph Hamilton and published in 1829, called 'The only Approved Guide through all the Stages of a Quarrell—Reflections on Duelling, &c.'

In the Introduction the author describes how all kinds of men (even the clergy) might have occasion to defend their honour in a duel, and then continues: 'Who, then, can justly be surprised if the youth of Oxford, Cambridge, Eton, West-

minster, and minor schools should frequently commit themselves in mortal combat?'

It would be interesting to know if there is any authenticated instance of a 'mortal combat' (by which, of course, the author means a fight with swords or pistols, and not merely with fists) at Westminster.

In the recently published 'English Law Reports' there occurs a case which seems to indicate something of the kind about a hundred years earlier. As it is not long I may perhaps be excused for quoting the case in full:—

Case 193.—The King against Sir Charles Holloway.

Information against a Schoolboy for assaulting his Master.

The Court was moved to file an information against the defendant, who was about fifteen years old and a scholar at Winchester School, for assaulting, beating, and challenging one Eyres, a clergyman who was then second master of that school, for no other cause but that the said schoolmaster reproved the defendant for something done at school.

A rule was made for the defendant to show cause.

Trinity Term. 10 Geo. 1. 8 Mod. 283.

Since the 'challenging' is mentioned particularly, it was presumably a challenge to a duel, and not merely a preliminary to the assault which took place.

However, none of the histories of Westminster I have read make any mention of duelling, and of course the 'Fencing Ledger' does not, as it was started in 1860 or thereabouts. Perhaps some of your readers may be able to give more definite information on the point.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
E. D. ADRIAN.

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