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# THE LIBRARY IN COLLEGE.

In a recent number of this Magazine we gave an account of the Library. In this issue we purpose to speak of the multitude of books which are stored in a state of great confusion, uncatalogued, and with scarcely any attempt at arrangement, in the cupboards of the class-room in College. Many of them by no means deserve such neglect as this; but, though a Catalogue of the Library has been at last compiled, the task of doing a like service for this large collection is one which can only be performed by one possessing more leisure than falls to the lot of the ordinary Westminster Q.S. Those books which we shall mention are only a few of those that are lying unknown in this Library; many, no doubt, of great interest still hidden by dust on the less inaccessible shelves of these cupboards. The first book on our list is a magnificent copy of the 'Minervae Sacellum: The Muses' Address to the Right Honourable Richard, Earl of Burlington, on the Erecting the New Dormitory for the King's Scholars at Westminster.'

printed pages of the text are stuck on to the illuminated sheets. This unique monument of our School history was long left neglected and dusty on the top of a row of other books, but is now committed to the care of the Master of the Q.SS. till a suitable resting-place be found for it in the Museum which is to be. The binding is splendidly and elaborately stamped; the illumination, though coarse, is gorgeous; but the poetry, the work of Elkanah Settle, an Old Westminster, and in his day Poet Laureate to the Corporation of London, is execrably bad. Yet perhaps a Westminster ought to pardon this on account of the admirable patriotism everywhere displayed by a Muse 'From her own Westminster's Castalian spring, First taught,' as we read, 'to plume her tender wing.' The date of the book is 1722; it belonged at one time to the Heber Collection, and afterwards came into the possession of Dr. Goodenough, Dean of Wells, and from 1819 to 1828 Head Master of Westminster. At the sale of his books it was bought by the late Mr. Weare, then Under Master, and presented to the Captain and Queen's Scholars. Thus much for this book,

which yet deserves a more adequate notice than

our space allows us to give.

Another work of great interest from its antiquity is a copy of an English version of one Walter Hilton's 'Scala Perfectionis,' printed by Wynkyn de Worde in 1494, 'in William Caxton's hows, so fyll the case. God rest his soule in joy there mot in stynt.' The book is dedicated to the illustrious Lady Margaret, the mother of King Henry VII., and a great patroness of learning, famous as the foundress of the Lady Margaret Professorships at Oxford and Cambridge, as well as of several colleges and schools: 'the kyngi's moder of excellent bounte,' as she is here quaintly called. At the end of the book is the well-known mark of William Caxton. On the wide margins are red lines, apparently ruled by some later possessor of the book, who has contributed several notes and references, and the beginning of an index. There are also several annotations

in pencil by a more modern hand.

A very different period of English history is vividly brought before us by another of our books. In the midst of the 'troublous times' of the Commonwealth, after the death of Charles I., and before the establishment of Cromwell's Protectorate, in the year of grace 1652, a Westminster student at Christ Church, doubtless an ardent Royalist, withdrew from the contemplation of contemporary politics to translate into Latin a memorial of a happier agethe book in which Bacon had delineated 'Reginae Elisabethae ejusque Temporum Foeli. citas.' In performing this laborious task he must often have contrasted that splendid era in which the foundress of his own School, the greatest of English sovereigns, was in the height of her power, with the times in which he lived, when the Crown and the Church had alike been swept away by the civil wars, and there seemed scanty hopes of their restoration. He wrote out his translation of Bacon's work, and of the same author's 'Apologia pro Roberto olim Comite Essexiae,' in exquisite handwriting, with red and black ink, and dedicated it to his old master, Busby, that sturdy Churchman and Royalist, whom the triumphant Republicans did but establish more firmly on his seat of authority at Westminster. The dedication is most affectionate, and in its form reminds us of the 'Reverendos' which all who have ever been Minor Candidates know so well. 'Viro Reverendissimo,' it runs, 'Domino meo semper colendissimo Magistro Richardo Busbeio Scholae Regiae Westmonasteriensis Archididascalo literatissimo meo Tutori et Patrono et Parenti longe amantissimo Εὐδαιμονεῖν.'

Another memorial of our great Head Master is found in a Dutch-Malay Dictionary, the titlepage of which is inscribed: 'For the reverend Doctor Busby, From his obliged servant, Nic. Oudart, 1676.'

We must now speak of a large Ovid, the fly-leaf of which bears an inscription, stating it to have been presented 'gratitudinis ergo' by the celebrated Simonds D'Ewes, and ending with his autograph signature. We had the good fortune during the past holidays to visit the little village in Suffolk where he was lord of the manor and where the perfectly preserved mediæval carving of the stalls and pews in the church attests the care with which, himself a Parliamentman, he protected it from the ravages of the Roundheads. It has been the more interesting to us to find this memorial of him at Westminster. Underneath his dedication is the ejaculation, 'Quid si ego juventute legissem jam boni cognovissem!' The date is 1601.

A most laughable book is 'Pueriles Confabulatiunculae, or Children's Talke,' written 'after the method of Dr. Webbe,' and intended to teach children to converse in Latin. It consists of dialogues in English and Latin; and it is doubtful whether the English or the Latin is the more remarkable. The former reminds of that to be found in that immortal Portuguese manual, 'English as she is Spoke.' What, again, would our masters say were we to render 'Good morrow' as 'Bonum mane'?

We have not much space left to speak of the anthologies, grammars, and other manuals for the use of the School, which exist in this collection, but we must not forget one, 'Institutio Graecae Grammatices,' with a quaint title-page, presenting allegorical figures of the Seven Sciences, the Trivium and Quadrivium of the mediaeval schoolmasters, which was used here in 1626, when the Head Mastership was held by Lambert Osbolston or Osbaldiston, who narrowly escaped being set in the pillory in Dean's Yard, in front of his own door, where all his scholars might see, for calling Laud 'Hocus Pocus' and 'Little Vermin'; and who afterwards, when Prebendary of Westminster, was spared in the general expulsion of his brethren by the Long Parliament.

Nor can we enlarge on Tallent's Chronological Tables, which extend from the Creation to the time of Queen Anne, which boldly identify Janus with Noah, and even inform us how Osiris rooted out of Italy the last of the

'many tyrants' who succeeded Proserpina; how, before the end of 'Brute's dynasty' in Britain, one 'Ferrex killed Porrex and was killed by his mother.' Of such men as the compiler of this marvellous book, well may we say in the words of this year's Play,

Quae neque futura neque sunt, tamen illi sciunt.

There are also great numbers of Bengalee, Sanscrit, and Hindustani grammars and other books sent to the School from Fort William College at Calcutta. India in the latter days of the East India Company was closely connected with the School which had sent out to her Warren Hastings and Elijah Impey; and one relic of that connection is the massive elephant cup presented by Warren Hastings and others. which is used at the Election Dinner and at other solemn anniversaries of the Collegiate Body. It appears that a freight of Oriental books was regularly sent out to Westminster. A letter found in one of them states that the vessel bearing the cargo of books for the Westminster School was captured by the French, with whom we were then at war, and taken to the Mauritius. One cannot help wondering what happened to these lost books, and whether they still remain at the Mauritius or have found their way into French libraries.

We must now leave this interesting subject, hoping that, when the time comes to arrange the new Library and Museum, justice may be done to this collection of books, so long neglected and despised.

# School Notes.

The Rev. R. F. Dale now takes half-boarders at 18 Dean's Yard, formerly occupied by the late Archdeacon Jennings.

The Mure Scholarship has been won by A. M. T. Jackson. *Prox. Acc.* F. H. Coller, Q.S.

The Dean's Greek Testament Prize has been awarded to C. C. J. Webb, Q.S.

We are surprised to see that the new houses in the College Gardens are to be known as Abbey Gardens, S.W. We do not know by whose authority this was done, but hope that the Dean and Chapter will use their influence to have the name changed. Surely the houses should either have been numbered as being in College Gardens, in which they are built, or in Great College Street, by which they are approached. The name Abbey is unknown to history, even before the Reformation. Why should not these gardens, so much bound up in the mind of Westminsters with the festivities of Election, still bear the name which yet remains in common to us, and to the Dean and Chapter of this Collegiate Church? Why should it be forgotten that Westminster is no more a Convent or Abbey, but a College? We trust that this may be altered before it is too late.

Of course it is an ignorant error to suppose that the College Gardens are so called as being the garden of the Westminster School, or even of the Q.SS. The gardens no more belong to the Q.SS. than the gardens of colleges at Oxford or Cambridge to the undergraduate members of them. They are for the use of the Dean and Chapter, as those others for that of the Head and Fellows.

We had a late play on Friday, October 26, for H. B. Cox's first class in Finals this year.

# NOTES AND QUERIES.

#### QUERIES.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR SALE!—One of the occasions on which the old pump in Little Dean's Yard played a very important part is thus related by the author of 'The Public Schools': 'So late as 1830, it [the 'discipline of the pump'] was solemnly inflicted upon a very deserving object. A letter had been received by the Captain of the School, offering to secure for any senior a scholarship at Cambridge "for a consideration." The letter was answered in due course, and a personal conference suggested.

'This would-be vendor came to Westminster, and, after some pretended negotiation, was invited to see the cloisters, where he was seized by the Captain's orders, hauled under the pump, and held there until he was thoroughly well ducked. As he was making his escape he met Dr. Goodenough, the ex-Head Master, to whom he complained of the treatment he had received. A few words from the seniors explained the real state of the case, and the only comfort he received from the Doctor was, "Serve you right, sir!" Has the name of the would-be vendor ever been divulged? and is this incident recorded in the College Ledger? Henry Wollcombe was, I presume, the Captain above referred to.—Conservative.

[There is no College Ledger in existence—no ledger, that is, answering to the Town Boy Ledger—previous to 1879, when one was begun by the then Captain.—Ed.]

QUEEN'S DAY.—Dr. Brewer, in his 'Dictionary of Phrase and Fable,' s. v. 'Queen's Day,' tells us this day, the 17th of November, and the accession of Queen Elizabeth, is still kept up as a holiday at the Exchequer, and at Westminster and at Merchant Taylors' Schools. When was this day—a red-letter

day to Westminster College—erased from her calendar? I have never heard of its existence before, and I imagine the holiday has been discontinued for some time. Can anyone also inform me if the custom is still kept up in Merchant Taylors' School?—Alpha.

#### NOTES.

CHAIRING THE CAPTAIN OF ELECTION (vol. iv. pp. 43, 55, 70).—E. V. A. asserts that H. S. Otter was chaired in 1870. May I ask him to bring forward his proof? My recollection is different. I well remember pursuing W. S. Rawson round Dean's Yard amid a horrible fanfare of beaten kettles, and I can recall the rush at the Arch which swept me into the middle of the Greeze, where I soon felt keener to escape than to storm the stronghold of the arrogant Queen's Scholars. But of Otter's chairing I remember nothing, and my belief is that it never took place, but that E. V. A. himself was the second, and not the first, victim of the new and more prosaic arrangements.—P. G. L. W.

EUNUCHUS PALLIATUS (vol. iii. p. 265). - Since I wrote my query on the above pamphlet, I have had a copy of it presented to me. It is a pamphlet of 23 pages, the full title of which is 'Eunuchus Palliatus. An Excursus to §§ 15, 16, 17 of Part IV. of the Greek Antiquities of Lambert Bos. Printed for the use of the actors of the Eunuchus of Terence, at Westminster, in 1839. χαλεπὰ ὅντα παντὶ ἐξῆς τεκμηρίφ πιστεῦσαι, Thuc., and was published, as before mentioned, by Dr. Williamson in 1839. is divided into sections, of which there are sixteen, each of which treats of the various dresses and other matters referring to the Eunuchus, with extracts from the classic authors as illustrations. There is a short appendix, in which is inserted a sheet of eight wood engravings of the dresses, four allotted to each Those given are-Male: Tunic and Pallium (2 views); Tunic and Toga; and Tunic and Chlamys. Female: Tunic and short upper Tunic; Tunic and Palla; Encyclum, or doublet, and Orthostadium. - ALPHA.

[There is a copy of the Eunuchus Palliatus kept in College.—Ed.]

THERE was an old rhyming riddle I learnt as a boy, which may be familiar to your readers. It runs as follows:

As I went over Westminster Bridge,
I met a Westminster Scholar;
He took off his hat, and drew off his gloves,
Pray tell me the name of that scholar.

(The young gentleman's name, of course, being Andrew.) I wonder whether, by means of your Query column, I could find out where this queer riddle comes from. It strikes me as curious that a Westminster scholar should be on Westminster Bridge, seeing that that is out of bounds, and that he should be wearing hat and gloves. Again, if he had on hat and gloves, how did the author of the riddle know him for a Westminster boy?—F. C.

This anecdote of Dr. Busby (which I cull from Cassell's Saturday Journal) may be new to some of your readers:

Dr. Busby, whose figure was beneath the common size, was one day accosted by an Irish baronet of colossal stature with, 'May I pass to my seat, O giant?' when the doctor, politely making way, replied, 'Pass, O pigmy!' 'Oh, sir,' said the baronet, 'my expression alluded to the size of your intellect.' 'And mine to yours,' said the doctor.—F. C.

LIBERTY BOY TABLETS (vol. iii. 274; iv. 33).—
May I be allowed to express my hope that the
Liberty Boy Tablets will not be suffered to remain in
blank, but that the names may be duly inscribed
thereon as before—a pride to their owners and a
lasting record to future generations? To have one's
name numbered amongst the roll of famous names
already there is a 'consummation devoutly to be
wished.' 'To be or not to be?' is the question at
issue, and I give my vote for the former.

I notice that 'Old Q.S.''s query has been twice inserted without evoking a reply. Surely some decision may be come to on this question.—Conservative.

[The privileges of 'Liberty Boy' were abolished in 1881, and since that date no names have been inscribed upon the tablets.—Ed.]

# ATHLETIC SPORTS.

On the morning of the 11th of October, a thick fog hung over all Westminster in one dense mist, boding no good to the Sports. In fact it was so dense, and lasted so long, that at first it was feared that the Sports would have to be postponed; but at about half-past eleven the fog lifted sufficiently to allow the Sports to take place, and at about one o'clock proceedings were commenced with

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (OPEN TO ALL), in which, out of seven competitors, Wodehouse obtained first honours with a throw of 78 yards 2 feet; Bethune was second with a throw of 76 yards 2 feet 5 inches.

1. Wodehouse. 2. Bethune.

MILE CHALLENGE CUP.

Out of a large field of starters, Ingram went off with the lead, and was well ahead for the first half-mile, when Marshall passed him, and soon after Thorne and Bedford, followed by Ingram and Clarke. This order remained unchanged until Thorne, drawing ahead of Bedford, made an attempt, halfway round the last quarter, to pass Marshall, who, however, putting on a good spurt, came in an easy winner.

 Marshall. 2. Thorne. 3. Bedford. Time, 5 m. 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>5</sub> secs.

Throwing the Cricket Ball. Under 15.
Gordon, with a throw of 68 yards 2 feet, was first,
Probyn second. A tolerable throw, but six yards less
than Sherring's last year.

1. Gordon. 2. Probyn.

#### 300 YARDS HANDICAP.

In the first heat there were six starters. Symns, with a start of 24 yards, led for the first 50 yards, when he was passed by Marshall (17 yards), who won easily. A good race ensued for second place, Ingram eventually beating Sutherland by about a couple of yards.

 Marshall. 2. Ingram. 3. Sutherland. Time, 37<sup>1</sup>/<sub>5</sub> secs.

In the second heat there were eight starters. E. F. Peck, with a limit start of 25 yards, went off at a great pace, and led for two-thirds of the distance, when, turning into the straight, he collapsed, and was successively passed by R. Armitage (2 yards), Clarke (15 yards), Thorne (10 yards), and Ritchie (15 yards). Armitage came in 15 yards in front of Clarke; Thorne, some five yards behind, passed Ritchie just by the tape.

 R. Armitage, 2. Clarke. 3. Thorne. Time, 39 secs.

#### QUARTER MILE. UNDER 16.

This produced a capital race between Page and Sherring, the former winning by about a couple of yards. Stephenson made a bad third.

Time, 595 secs.

#### HIGH JUMP. UNDER 15.

Out of some half-dozen competitors Balfour and Probyn showed best form, each clearing 3 ft. 11 in., at which height they tied. On jumping it off Balfour won with a jump of 4 ft.

I. Balfour. 2. Probyn.

### HURDLE RACE. 100 YARDS. CHALLENGE CUP.

The first heat was easily won by Berens, R. Armitage just beating Bedford at the last hurdle.

Berens. 2. R. Armitage.
 Time, 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> secs.

In the second heat Sutherland at once went to the front, and won easily, beating Rogers by 5 yards. Harrison, who looked like being second, slipped coming over the last hurdle.

Time, 194 secs.

#### 300 YARDS. UNDER 14.

C. C. Sharpe led all the way, and came in an easy first. Woodhouse and Dunn tied for third place, both being passed by Willett 10 yards from the tape. Woodhouse not being allowed to run off the tie, prizes were given to both. Thus four prizes were awarded, notwithstanding the fact that only six started.

1. Sharpe. 2. Willett. 3.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} Woodhouse. \\ Dunn. \end{array} \right.$  Time,  $46\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

#### OPEN HIGH JUMP.

This resulted in some very close jumping between Fevez, R. Armitage, Tritton, Berens, and Bedford, Armitage ultimately being first and Bedford second.

R. Armitage.
 Bedford.
 Height, 4 ft. 8½ in.

#### 100 YARDS. UNDER 15.

McHardy, running in capital form, at once took the lead, and came in an easy winner. Probyn was about a yard in front of Man.

1. McHardy. 2. Probyn. 3. Man. Time, 12<sup>2</sup>/<sub>5</sub> secs.

In the Half-mile Handicap, Winckworth and A Prothero, each having the limit start of 120 yards, went off with the lead, followed by a whole mass of competitors. Vavasseur (50 yards) ran very well for the first quarter, after which he dropped off with several others. Half-way round the last quarter Lowe and Probyn began to draw up to Winckworth and Prothero, who were still leading, Thorne, who was too heavily handicapped, running very pluckily some dozen yards behind. This order remained unchanged till the middle of the straight, when Probyn, with a good spurt, passed Lowe.

Winckworth.
 Prothero.
 Probyn.
 Time, 2 m. 11½ secs.

#### 100 YARDS. UNDER 16.

In this race Page and Sherring again had to try conclusions on a shorter course, and once more a very close race resulted in Page beating Sherring by about a yard, who was closely followed by Wimbush and Drakeford. The two latter tied for third place. On runnning it off, after a capital race, Wimbush breasted the tape first, being about an inch in front of Drakeford.

1. Page. 2. Sherring. 3. Wimbush. Time,  $12\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

## SECOND DAY (THURSDAY).

On the next morning, about an hour before the resumption of the Sports, a black fog intervened, which bade fair to postpone the rest of the programme for sheer want of light; indeed, it actually made lanterns the order of the day in Little Dean's Yard at 10 a.m. Half an hour afterwards, however, the fog lifted as suddenly as it had made its appearance, and really fine weather supervened; indeed, we never remember any occasion of the Sports when the elements were more propitious.

With regard to the Sports themselves, the second day's racing was chiefly noticeable for the success of Sutherland, Berens, and Bethune, each of whom scored two 'firsts' in the open events, while Sutherland also carried off two second prizes. In the Junior events Probyn added two 'firsts' and one second to his long list of trophies. Details follow:

FINAL HEAT OF 300 YARDS (OVER 16) HANDICAP.

Sutherland, scratch, 1; Ingram, 15 yards, 2; Clarke, 15 yards, 3. Five ran. Won easily: third close up. Time, 36½ seconds. Marshall was an absentee.

FLAT RACE. 150 YARDS. UNDER 13.

G. Edwards, 1; Cheadle, 2. Six ran. Won, after a fine race, by a yard. Time, 213 seconds.

THROWING THE HAMMER. (OPEN TO ALL.)
CHALLENGE HAMMER.

M. R. Bethune won with his last throw of 58 feet 9 inches. Seven threw.

OPEN HURDLE RACE. FINAL HEAT.

G. Berens, 1; Sutherland, 2. Five ran. Won easily. Rogers a very good third. Time,  $16\frac{3}{6}$  seconds: a fair performance.

LONG JUMP. UNDER 15.

Probyn, 1 (13 ft.); Goldie, 2 (12 ft. 4 in.). Eight jumped.

HALF-MILE WITH HURDLES AT THE END. (OPEN TO ALL.) CHALLENGE CUP.

G. Berens, r; A. E. Bedford, 2; Thorne, 3. Nine ran. Thorne led up to the hurdles, with Bedford second. Berens, however, then found himself in his element, and came away and won easily from Bedford, who had passed Thorne. Time, 2 minutes 29 seconds.

At this stage an adjournment was made for lunch, after which the ball was set rolling again by the

'QUARTER' (UNDER 15) CHALLENGE CUP.

McHardy, 1; Probyn, 2; Winckworth, 3. Seven ran. A good race, won by a yard: very bad third. Time, 64 seconds: good.

After this the tie between A. E. Bedford and Fevez for the second place in the Open High Jump was decided, and resulted in favour of Bedford with a poor jump.

FLAT RACE. 100 YARDS. (OPEN TO ALL.) CHALLENGE CUP.

Sutherland, 1; R. Armitage, 2; Yglesias, 3, after two dead-heats with A. Armitage. Sutherland went away at the start, and won 'all the way ' by three yards from R. Armitage, who was a yard in front of the dead-heaters. Time, 11 seconds: very fair. Nine ran.

Long Jump. (OPEN TO ALL.) CHALLENGE CUP.
M. R. Bethune, 1 (17 ft. 1 in.); Sutherland, 2 (16 ft. 4 in.). Five jumped.

HURDLE RACE. 100 YARDS. OVER 8 FLIGHTS OF HURDLES. UNDER 15.

Probyn, 1; Balfour, 2; Man, 3. Four ran. Won by a yard and a half; two yards between second and third. Time, 17<sup>2</sup>/<sub>5</sub> seconds.

'QUARTER' (OPEN) CHALLENGE CUP.

Page, 1; Bedford, †; Ingram, †. Eight ran. Won, after a questionable race, by a yard; a deadheat for second place. Time,  $60\frac{1}{2}$  seconds. Page occupied  $\frac{3}{4}$  sec. less in winning the 'Under 16' Quarter.

O.WW. RACE. 120 YARDS FLAT.

W. C. R. Bedford, 1; C. Y. Bedford (penalised 10 yards), 2; G. Stephenson, 3. Six ran. C. Y. Bedford nearly got up, but just failed to carry off his 'annual benefit' on the post. A bad third. Time given as 'about 14 seconds.'

BICYCLE RACE. TWO-MILE HANDICAP.

Lowe, 1. Four rode. The scratch men soon came up to their field, and Lowe went right away and won by 100 yards from Brookes. Time, 8 min. 51 seconds: good for grass.

CONSOLATION RACE. 300 YARDS. WINNERS EXCLUDED.

A. Armitage, 1; Peek, 2. Armitage won very easily from Peek; Fevez close up. Time, 405 secs.

In the Tug of War the T.BB. pulled the Q.SS. over the line twice running, amidst great excitement, and won.

After this an adjournment was made to a tent in the middle of the ground, where the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Farrar.

The Captain having given 'Three cheers for Mrs.

Farrar,'

Archdeacon Farrar returned thanks. He dilated on the advantages of Athletic Sports at schools, and congratulated the School on the acquisition of Mr. Rutherford.

Cheers having been enthusiastically given for Mr.

Rutherford,

Mr. Rutherford said he could not sufficiently thank past and present members of the School for the kind reception they had given him. As an adopted child of the School, he was doing his best to become familiar with the old associations of Westminster, and in so doing he asked the assistance of the School. In conclusion, he proposed three cheers for the 'Old Westminsters,' coupling with it the names of the Messrs. Bedford.

The cheers were heartily given.

The Rev. W. C. R. Bedford, in returning thanks, said that he had taken a great interest in the School ever since the day when he took his seat (as a new boy) at the monitor's table, which, he said, was perhaps a good thing, as he never got near it afterwards. He also congratulated the School on its new Head Master. He proposed three cheers for the Ladies.

The call having been promptly responded to,
Mr. C. Y. Bedford returned thanks on behalf of
the Ladies. He said that his brother had travelled a
hundred miles to be present at the Sports. He hoped
that, on the next occasion of the Sports, Mrs. Rutherford would undertake the office which on this occasion had been so well performed by Mrs. Farrar, and
said that Sports (and he had seen sports in all parts
of the world) without ladies would be no sports at all.

Thus ended the Sports of 1883. The weather was all that could be desired, and the programme was got through briskly and without any hitch, chiefly owing to the invaluable assistance rendered to the Committee by the Rev. W. C. R. Bedford, C. Y. R. Bedford, Esq., and C. W. Stephenson, Esq., who acted as judges on both days. Despite general disappointment at the reducing of the number of prizes, it was universally allowed that the meeting which had just been brought to a close had been a very successful one, and that the performance had on the whole been very encouraging.

# Obituary.

We omitted to mention, in our last number, the death of the Rev. William Francis Hotham. M.A., which took place at Buckland Rectory, near Reigate, of which he had been for thirty years the occupant, on September 10, in his He was the fifth and youngest son 65th year. of the late Hon. and Rev. Frederick Hotham, Prebendary of Rochester Cathedral, by his marriage, in 1802, with Anne Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Mr. Thomas Hallett Hodges, of Hemstead Place, Kent. He was therefore a grandson of Beaumont, second Baron Hotham, in the peerage of Ireland. He was born in 1819, and was educated at Westminster. He was elected fifth into College in 1836, and thence to Christ Church in 1837. He graduated B.A. in 1841, and took the degree of M.A. in 1843, being ordained about that time. In 1844 he was elected a Fellow of All Souls' College, and held the Fellowship till 1853, when he was presented by the College to the rectory of Buckland, in the diocese of Winchester. In 1855 he married Emma, fifth daughter of the late Mr. John Carbonell, the issue of this union being a son and a daughter.

We regret to have to announce the death of the Right Reverend Augustus Short, D.D., late Bishop of Adelaide, which happened on Friday, October 5th, at Hyde Gardens, Eastbourne, at about 80 years of age. He was the third son of the late Mr. Charles Short, of the Middle Temple, barrister-at-law, by his marriage with a daughter of Mr. Humphrey Millett, of Enys, Cornwall, and was born in 1803. He was educated at Westminster, where he entered the Petty in 1809, and was admitted fourth into College in 1816. Those of our readers who were at the meeting in College Hall last half, about the Memorial to Dr. Scott, will remember Dr. Short's lively description of the hardships he endured alike as a Townboy up Grant's and as a Junior in College. The Water Ledger shows that he rowed four in the Westminster boat 'Defiance,' when, in 1818, it beat the Temple six-oared boat by half a boat in a race from Johnson's dock to Westminster Bridge; that he rowed two in the same six-oared boat, 1819-20, and also in the following year in the new eight-oared boat 'Victory.' He was elected to Christ Church in 1820, where he was successively student, tutor, and censor, and where he took his Bachelor's degree in 1813, obtaining a first-class in the School of Literae Humaniores. He was ordained Deacon in 1826 by the Bishop of Oxford, and

was admitted into Priest's orders in the following year. He held the vicarage of Ravensthorpe, Northamptonshire, from 1835 to 1847, and preached the Bampton Lectures before the University of Oxford in 1846. In 1833-34 he acted as one of the Public Examiners in Classics in the University of Oxford. While holding this office he helped to bestow 'Firsts' on the present Lord Chancellor, Lord Sherbrooke, the Bishop of Rochester, the Deans of Christ Church and Rochester (Dr. Liddell and Dr. Scott, the lexicographers), and on the late Archbishop of Canterbury. To Robert Montgomery, the unfortunate author of 'Satan,' he awarded a Fourth. as also to Mr. T. A. Trollope and the late Lord Dalhousie. At that time the city of Dr. Short's future labours, Adelaide, now numbering more than 50,000 inhabitants, was not even in existence. He was consecrated the first Bishop of Adelaide in 1847, and resigned that bishopric only last year. The Bishop was a moderate High Chuchman of the old school. He married, in 1836, a daughter of the late Mr. John Philips, of Culham, Oxfordshire. Besides his 'Bampton Lectures,' Dr. Short was the author of a volume of sermons on 'The Remedial Character of the Christian Scheme.' To the last he was a most patriotic Old Westminster. On the only occasion of his visiting England between his consecration and retirement, at the time of the Pan-Anglican Synod of 1878, he confirmed the School candidates in Henry VII.'s Chapel. He attended the Election Dinner in that year, and lately we have seen him amongst us, both at the Scott Memorial Meeting in College Hall last half, and at the presentation ceremony up School. His munificent donation to the new Library and Museum we recorded in our last number, little thinking it would be the last act of his life towards the School he knew and loved so well.

The death is also announced, on October 19, at Whitwell Hall, Yorkshire, of Egerton Vernon Harcourt, Esq., last surviving son of the late Archbishop Harcourt. His name while at Westminster was Venables-Vernon, and was elected head into College at the age of 12, in 1816, the same year as the late Bishop Short, whose death has so shortly preceded his. In 1821 he was elected head to Christ Church, where he obtained first-class honours, both classical and mathematical, in 1824. He graduated M.A. 1828, was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple, June 25, 1830, and afterwards became Registrar of the Diocese of York.

#### FOOTBALL.

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. G. STEPHEN-SON'S XI.

This match was played at Vincent Square on Wednesday, October 17th, and resulted in a victory for the School by three goals to two. Our opponents entered the field with three men short, but two substitutes were given them. The game at first was very evenly contested, but at length Bainbridge, after a good run, made a capital shot, which secured for our adversaries the first goal (1-o). The School now warmed up to their work, and Page, shortly obtained a goal for us (1-1). Till the call of half-time the score remained the same; but when we had changed ends, the ball was at once carried into the enemy's quarters, and Peck and Page made some good attempts at goal, which, however, were frustrated by Watson. Bainbridge now took the ball down to our goal, but Bedford prevented any evil effect. Two corners next fell to Westminster, but they resulted in nothing, and presently Hurst shot a goal, which was disallowed on the plea of off-side; at last, however, Bainbridge, after some good play, sent the ball just below the tape (2-1). Both sides now played up well, Tanner being especially conspicuous, but it was not long before Paul, from a middle by Ritchie, succeeded in equalising matters The visitors were now completely penned, and after several fruitless shots by our forwards, Hurst managed to obtain the winning goal, and so, in spite of some good play on the part of Bainbridge and Blackburne, we remained the victors by three goals to two. The sides were:

#### G. STEPHENSON'S XI.

E. C. Bainbridge, G. Stephenson, R. Tanner, E. M. Blackburne, M. T. Pigott (subs.) (forwards); C. T Roller, A. Watson (backs); T. Hoskins, S. H. Clarke (subs.) (half-backs); C. Stephenson (goals).

#### WESTMINSTER.

C. Page, H. C. Peck, C. Ritchie, A. Crews, E. Paul, A. R. Hurst (forwards); A. E. Bedford (capt.), A. Fevez (backs); R. Ingram, R. Vavasseur (half-backs); C. R. Tritton (goals).

#### WESTMINSTER v. OLD CARTHUSIANS.

This match was played at Vincent Square on the 20th of October, and was won by the Old Carthusians

with three goals to one.

The visitors won the toss and elected to play against the wind, which was blowing from the hospital end. The ball having been started for the School by Page, the Carthusians immediately got hold of it and carried it into our quarters, where almost in front of our goal they claimed and obtained a 'hands.' After a short tussle before the goal, Escombe made a fine shot, which was well stopped by Tritton. After this the game was very even for some time, while some good runs were made by Hurst and Crews on the left and Page in the centre. At length, after a good run by the Old Carthusians, Green obtained the first

goal for them (1-0). Soon after the ball had been started again, Vintcent shot over the tape. No alteration was made in the score before half-time, though some good runs were made for us by Page, Crews, and Richie, and for our opponents by Last and Vintcent. After half-time the game was very even, till Peck made a good run and an ineffectual shot, which was closely followed by an attempt, also unsuccessful, from the Old Carthus ans. Both sides were now straining every nerve to score, till at last Crews made a shot, which was first disallowed by the umpire, but was afterwards given (1-1). The Old Carthusians' forwards now redoubled their efforts, and several fine shots were made by Hansell and by Norris from back, who, however, were prevented from scoring by Tritton's excellent goal-keeping, while Crews and Hurst relieved their side by brilliant runs down the left. Soon, however—just after a long shot from Norris, which was well stopped by Tritton-Powell brought the visitors' score up to 2-1.

On the ball being again started, our forwards made a fine rush, and Paul very nearly obtained a goal. The Old Carthusians were not slow in getting hold of the ball again, and after an excellent run by Hansell they obtained 'hands' in front of our goal, but after a sharp scrimmage the ball was kicked behind.

Soon after this Vintcent scored a third goal for the visitors with a neat shot, and almost immediately after Escombe made a vigorous attempt to still further raise their score, but was well stopped by Tritton. After this nothing occurred worthy of note, and at the call of time the Old Carthusians remained victors by three goals to one.

For us Page and Crews were most efficient forward; Bedford, Ingram, and Vavasseur did most behind, while Tritton kept goal with his usual brilliancy. For our opponents, Last and Hansell were most conspicuous forward, and Norris and Somers-Cocks did good service behind. Westminster was most unfortunately deprived of the services of Thorne, whose absence was much felt.

The sides were as follows:

#### WESTMINSTER.

H. C. Peck, C. Ritchie (right); C. Page, E. Paul (centre); A. E. Crews, A. Hurst (left); R. Vavasseur, R. A. Ingram, H. Harrison (half-backs); A. E. Bedford (capt.), G. Fevez (backs); C. B. Tritton (goals).

#### OLD CARTHUSIANS.

W. Hansell, J. Oxley (right); A. J. Last, R. L. E-combe (centre); L. A. Vintcent, C. F. Green (left); W. A. Evelyn (capt.), A. Amos, F. England (half-backs); W. A. Norris, H. Somers-Cocks (backs); E. O. Powell (goal).

# WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

This match was played on Wednesday, Oct. 28th, and resulted in a defeat for the School by five goals to two. At the commencement of the game our adversaries had much the better of us, and soon obtained two goals from the feet of Heath and Bain. But soon after the School, by a good rush and some

excellent crossing, obtained a goal, shot by Ritchie. After this, with the exception of a goal shot by Paul, the School goal was continually assailed; and, notwithstanding some good goal-keeping by Tritton, three more goals were placed to the credit of the Old Westminsters, shot by Alington, Bury, and Bain. For the School, Bedford and Ingram were far the best; and for the Old Westminsters, Tepper, Bain, Heath, and Alington played brilliantly.

The sides were as follows:

#### OLD WESTMINSTERS.

C. W. R. Tepper, C. T. Roller (backs); E. V. Eddis, Jansen (half-backs); E. H. Alington, F. W. Bain, W. W. Bury, C. W. Heath, F. W. G. Sandwith, O. Scoones (forwards); and G. Roller (goals).

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

A. E. Bedford, A. Fevez (backs); R. A. Ingram, R. Vavasseur (half-backs); C. Page, A. Crews, A. Hurst, A. Paul, C. Ritchie, H. C. Peck (forwards); and C. B. Tritton (goals).

#### GRANTS v. HOME-BOARDERS.

On Thursday, Oct. 25th, the trial match between Grants and Home-boarders was played off. Pigott, having won the toss, elected to play against the wind. Immediately on kicking off, Page got hold of the ball, and, after a good run, succeeded in obtaining a goal, the ball bounding off one of the Grantite backs. Home-boarders continued to pen their opponents, but for some time without any further result, until Paul, with a good shot, was successful in obtaining a second goal for Home-boarders. Shortly after halftime Marshall kicked a goal off a corner-kick well placed by Fulcher, and, soon after, from another corner-kick from Fulcher, Gibson succeeded in getting another goal for Grants (2-2). Home-boarders now played up hard, and Paul succeeded in sending the ball between the posts, but after some disputing the goal was disallowed on the plea of off sides. afterwards, from another corner from Fulcher, Pigott was again successful in scoring for Grants. Just before time Page made a fine run, but was unsuccessful in his shot. Grants thus won a well-contested match (3-2). For the winners, R. Armitage was invaluable behind; while Pigott, Marshall, Gibson, and Pryce played best forward, and Moon did good service in goals. For Home-boarders, Tritton and Fevez behind, and Paul and Page forward, were most conspicuous, but the absence of Thorne was much felt. The sides were :

#### GRANTS.

Pigott, Marshall (right); Pryce, Veitch (left); Gibson, Kaye (centre); Salwey, R. Armitage (backs); F. Fulcher, A. Armitage (half-backs); Moon (goals).

#### HOME-BOARDERS.

Paul, J. Peck (right); H. Tritton, Stephenson (left); Page, Hemerde (centre); Fevez, Tritton (backs); Thornton, Canning (half-backs); Draper (goals).

#### JUNIOR GRANTS v. JUNIOR HOME-BOARDERS.

The first of the Junior House-matches was played on Thursday, October 18th, and resulted in a victory for Grants, who had the game in their hands throughout. Their goals were shot by Pryce (2), Salwey, and Kaye. For Home-boarders, Small and Stephenson each obtained a goal. For Grants, Salwey and Fulcher behind, with Pryce and Veitch forward, did good service, while for Home-boarders, Canning back, and Stephenson on the left distinguished themselves. The following were the sides:

#### GRANTS.

Pryce, Salwey, A. Armitage, Marshall, F. Fulcher, Veitch, Kaye, G. E. Jackson, A. M. T. Jackson, H. P. Jackson, and V. H. James.

HOME-BOARDERS.

E. Canning, Stephenson, Wodehouse, Thornton, H. Tritton, Drakeford, Draper, Peck, Farquharson, and Chope.

# JUNIOR COLLEGE v. JUNIOR RIGAUDS.

This match was played on Thursday, October 18th, and ended in a draw, two goals being obtained by each side. It was resumed on the following Thursday, the 25th, and this time Rigauds obtained the victory by two goals to one. For the first half, Rigauds, owing to the wind, had the best of the game, and Hammond and Probyn shot two goals in succession. After half-time, Symns, after some neat passing, obtained a goal for College. In spite of good runs by Probyn, Hammond, and Berens, matters remained the same. For the victors, Probyn, Man, Jervis, and Wood were best; while Aris, Symns, and Phillimore strove hard to avert defeat.

COLLEGE

C. A. Sherring (goals); J. Watt and R. H. Bellairs (backs); J. W. Aris and F. H. Coller (half-backs); E. F. Peck and J. E. Phillimore (right); L. James and C. A. Shackleton (centre); F. Yglesias and R. C. M. Symns (left).

#### RIGAUDS.

Man (goals); Jervis, Wood (backs); Harington, Sutherland (half-backs); Probyn, Croft (right); Hammond, Harrison (left); Berens and Ritchie (centre).

# THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

WE have received the following account from th

Secretary:

On Thursday, October 4th, the Society, after new members had been proposed, proceeded to discuss a vote of censure on the Games Committee, on account of the reduction of prizes at the Sports, moved by G. Ince; Seconder, J. Brookes; Opposer, A. E. Bedford. The following members spoke: G. Ince, J. Brookes, A. E. Bedford, S. H. Clarke, C. J. Shebbeare, Mr. Blackburn, C. Sherring, and F. M. Yglesias. On a division the motion was lost by a majority of five, the numbers being-Ayes, 5; Noes, C. J. Shebbeare then moved- That a return to the system of blackballing at the election of new members is desirable.' Seconder, G. Ince; Opposer, A. E. Bedford. Besides these members, J. Brookes Division—Ayes, 7; Noes, 8. spoke for the motion. On Monday, October 8th, the following new members were elected: D. Long, H. Smyth, Shackleton, Buchanan, and J. Watt. On Friday, October 12th,

G. Ince obtained permission to re-debate Shebbeare's motion, on the ground that some members had voted against it by mistake. Seconder, Symns; Opposer, Pigott. On a division the numbers were-Ayes, 8; Noes, 8. The President gave his casting vote against the motion. G. Ince then moved, 'That this Society considers the Sunday Closing Bill to be a delusion Seconder, M. Pigott; Opposer, and a snare.' Buchanan. The following also spoke: For, F. H. Coller; against, F. Yglesias, C. Sherring, D. Long. On a division the numbers were: Ayes, 7; Noes, 9. After transacting some other business, the House adjourned. On Friday, October 19th, the Society again met, and proceeded, after other business, to discuss A. S. Waterfield's motion-'That the House do request Mr. Rutherford that the subscription to the Elizabethan be made compulsory, and be put down in the bills.' Seconder, C. Shebbeare; Opposer, G. Ince. The following members also spoke: For, P. M. Francke, C. C. J. Webb, F. H. Coller; against, H. C. Peck. On a division the numbers were: Ayes, 15; Noes, 2. After further discussion the House adjourned.

# Correspondence.

[From our Oxford Correspondent.]

SIR.—The triumphs of Westminster in the Schools have no doubt been duly recorded in your columns, and so I will not allude to them here, but will confine myself to the social and athletic side of 'Varsity life. A good many O.WW. have taken their farewell of Oxford since last term; but to fill their places we have a good many freshmen, and more are expected at Christmas. Besides the new Scholars—for Westminster Students are now a thing of the past-J. A. N. Booker has matriculated at the House. H. F. Hawkins and G. V. Sampson have come into residence at Exeter, J. R. Pryce at Jesus, A. J. C. Stanfield at University, and R. P. J. Camm at Keble. A. G. L. Rogers and W. S. Davies also received their testamurs from the Masters of the Schools, but I have not yet heard of their coming into residence. One well-known O.W. don is missing from Oxford this term, as the Rev. H. Salwey has accepted the House living of East Hampstead, in Berkshire, vacated by the death of the late ex-censor, the Rev. Osborne Gordon.

Turning to Athletics, I hear that G. H. A. Resce is now rowing in the University four, but I do not know of any other O.WW. now distinguishing themselves on the river. At Football, Westminster is better represented, as she can claim three . of last year's 'blues' left in residence—W. F. G. Sandwith, C. W. R. Tepper, and F. W. Bain. They all played on Saturday in the 'Varsity match v. Old Foresters, and A. C. W. Jenner was tried for the vacancy in the centre. He kicked one goal, and Sandwith got the only other one obtained by the 'Varsity, who won 2—0. The Old Westmisters ought to have warry more spaces ful season than lest more what he is the same when the control of the co an even more successful season than last year, when they or ly lost one match; for though they have lost G. Dale, who was very useful on the left wing, they will gain the services of the

last two pinks.

#### ETON AND WESTMINSTER. To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR, -In the works of Padre José Francisco de Isla occurs the following passage, chap. ix, paragraph 17, in a letter to Fray Gerundio de Campazas, which I translate from the original Spanish: 'But nothing astonished him so much as the divine ingenuity of that unknown poet who in only two words composed an hexameter verse-Consternabatur Constantino-

Can you find out when Eton sent the verse 'Conturbabantur Constantinopolitani' to Westminster as a challenge? Padre Isla was born at the commencement of last century, and wrote the above passage about the middle.

I am, dear Sir, Yours faithfully,

#### ABBEY SERVICES.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'
DEAR SIR,—I have heard complaints about our behaviour at morning Abbey on week-days, and the masters have been asking us to back them up better in making the responses. Now, sir, it seems to me fair to suppose that we shall get into better form for making responses if there were more responses to be made. Why should we be deprived of our full complement of Psalms and Canticles (not to speak of Lessons), and compensated with State prayers and other collects, to which the only response that you can make is 'Amen'?

I have nothing to say against State prayers, but I am sure that, if the masters can be prevailed upon to give us less State prayers and more Psalms, together with two Lessons, we shall show our gratitude by making responses that it will do their hearts good to hear.

I am, Sir, yours truly,
M. H. M. T. P.

# Our Contemporaries.

RECEIVED The Blue, The Blundellian, The Carthusian, The Meteor, The Wellingtonian, The Wykehamist.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Town Boy .- By an unfortunate accident, all record of this year's T.BB. and Q.SS. match was lost, and this was the reason

why no account of it appeared in this Magazine.

J. PENN.—We have always made it our rule not to admit articles on subjects unconnected with the School. The Lord Mayor's Show is hardly a Westminster subject; and as to Westminster Hall, though in later times it has often entered into our history, yet statistics as to the way of keeping Christmas there before the Reformation has singularly little connection with this foundation. We should be glad of any contributions from you, more relevant and less statistical.

ERRATA.

Vol. iv., p. 68, for 'Lawrence' read 'Lambert.'

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