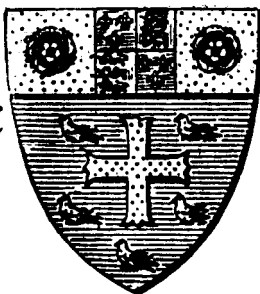


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## EDITORIAL.

THE first thing we have to do is to apologise sincerely for the delay in the publication of this number. The system of publication is that the Election Term number comes out at the beginning of the Play Term, the Play Term number at the beginning of the Easter, and so on. But this, you may say, is not enough excuse, as it is already half way through the Play Term. Certainly some of it is owing to the indolence of the Editor, but by no means is it all. However, for his part in the delay he apologises abjectly.

After these apologies we should like to make one last appeal for the Literary Society, which is fast dying out; in fact, we hear rumours that it has finally disappeared. This is extraordinarily serious. The Literary Society was started centuries ago back in the dim ages and has been carrying on with only one or two serious lapses until the present day. One of its serious lapses took place several years ago, but it was again put on its feet again with the help of E. H. G. Lonsdale, a former illustrious Head of House and his confrères. It has now been carrying on for two years, and it seems a great pity that such a traditional and valuable institution should so finally and utterly disappear. It is a thing

that must grip the hearts of all Old Grantites, who have enjoyed so many literary Wednesday evenings. So with the hope that the Literary Society will again be restored we bid our farewells.

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#### HOUSE NOTES.

THERE left us last term: I. P. G. Walker. We wish him every success in his career.

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We welcome this term: P. N. Cardew, M. T. Baird-Smith, P. F. L. Forbes, and A. R. Laurie. We sincerely hope that they will be happy in their new surroundings.

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We heartily congratulate: T. W. Brown and R. W. Edgar on their Cricket Pinks, and P. Talfourd-Jones on his Pink and Whites.

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We also congratulate R. M. Mills, E. A. Bompas on their Cricket House Colours, and A. R. Laurie, J. L. Sheriff, and T. W. Dutton on their Junior House Colours.

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We have regained the Inter-House Cricket Shield after a most exciting struggle with College, thereby gaining both the shields for this year.

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We congratulate R. G. Nicholson and E. F. P. Bennett on their Tennis Half-Pinks.

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J. B. Latey has been promoted to Sergeant in the O.T.C. after his brilliant success in Cert. A.

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I. K. Munro among his many activities swam for the School.

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Unfortunately, we were once again compelled to scratch from the Inter-House Swimming Cup owing to the Finals of Seniors, which we were participating in at the time of this event.

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A. G. T. James occasionally fenced for the School.

B. N. Gedye was our only representative among the major-candidates.

I. K. Munro beat J. F. Turner in the finals of the ping-pong ties 21—12, 21—15.

I. K. Munro, A. G. T. James, and P. N. Cardew had a walk-over R. W. Edgar, P. M. B. Savage and R. C. T. James in the finals of the Yard ties.

### SENIORS.

Grant's v. Ashburnham.

GRANT'S were fortunate in getting a bye, and entered the field on July 13th, happy in the thought that if they won, they would at least be in the final, possibly, at last, to win.

The School opening pair, Matthews and Johnson, opened confidently for Ashburnham, and Matthews had scored 22, out of 33, in about half an hour, when he was well caught at short leg by Talfourd-Jones off Mills, after Brown had proved ineffective with his in-swingers, and Munro equally so with his off-breaks bowled round the wicket. Johnson was then joined by Bune, who quickly got the length of the bowling, and began considerably to increase the rate of scoring. At 62, however, he was l.b.w. to Munro, and Eggar took his place. The score stood at 83, when Johnson turned a ball to leg and started to run, only to see the ball brilliantly picked up and returned by Mills, and his wicket broken before he could get back. Symons now came in, but only a few runs were added before Eggar gave Talfourd-Jones an easy catch off Mills. Scott joined Symons, who was now playing steady cricket, and together they raised the score to 119 before the fifth wicket fell, another victim of Mills. Béranger came in, and was out to Mills off the third ball of the same over. Symons was joined by Williams-Treffgarne, and together they raised the score to 142 before the latter was bowled by Brown. Another wicket soon fell, and Symons was bowled by Talfourd-Jones after a steady 27, and soon after the innings closed for 158.

Grant's opened with Latey and Bompas, Munro, in spite of his success with Latey last year, preferring to go in first wicket. Bompas, however, was bowled by Matthews in the

second over, and Munro took his place. The score was raised slowly to 75 before Latey was caught at deep third man off a fast rising ball from Eggar, after a good innings of 47. With the score the same, Munro jumped out to a ball from Johnson, missed it altogether—what defective eyesight he must have—and was stumped. With Turner hitting the ball all round the wicket and Edgar at the other end playing a steady innings, Grant's ran out the victors by seven wickets, the latter pair having put on over 80 for the fourth wicket.

I. K. M.

## SCORE.

## GRANT'S v. ASHBURNHAM. 2ND ROUND.

## ASHBURNHAM.

M. H. Matthews c Talfourd-Jones b Mills	...	...	22
A. C. Johnson run out	...	...	27
J. C. Bune lbw b Munro	...	...	25
R. A. J. Eggar c Talfourd-Jones b Mills	...	...	14
M. F. B. Symons b Talfourd-Jones	...	...	27
W. D. Scott b Mills	...	...	9
S. C. W. Béranger b Mills	...	...	0
A. R. H. Williams-Treffgarne b Brown	...	...	4
R. R. Brackenridge b Brown	...	...	0
P. C. K. Belson c Munro b Brown	...	...	7
P. L. Shinnie not out	...	...	8
Extras	...	...	15
Total	...	...	158

## GRANT'S.

J. B. Latey c Shinnie b Eggar	...	...	47
E. A. Bompas b Matthews	...	...	0
I. K. Munro st Symons b Johnson	...	...	16
J. F. Turner not out	...	...	59
R. W. Edgar not out	...	...	24
Extras	...	...	16
Total	...	...	162

P. Talfourd-Jones, J. W. Finn, P. J. Sutton, G. C. Daisley, R. M. Mills, and T. W. Brown did not bat.

## BOWLING.

Ashburnham.	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. A. J. Eggar	...	14	1	70
M. H. Matthews	...	5	0	32
A. C. Johnson	...	11	2	26
A. R. H. Williams-Treffgarne	...	5	0	16

*Grant's.*

T. W. Brown	...	...	...	...	15	10	19	3
I. K. Munro	...	...	...	...	13	2	40	1
R. W. Edgar	...	...	...	...	14	8	17	0
R. M. Mills	...	...	...	...	26	5	49	4
P. Talfourd-Jones	...	...	...	...	6	2	36	1
J. W. Finn	...	...	...	...	1	0	2	0

## FINAL OF SENIORS.

## Grant's v. King's Scholars.

GRANT'S met King's Scholars in the final of Seniors for the third year in succession. This match was certainly the most memorable of the three, and perhaps the most memorable of all finals of Seniors.

It started on July 16th, when Grant's, having lost the toss, took the field. The sun was hot. The wicket was hard—an ideal batsman's wicket. Alderson and Powell-Jones opened their innings to the bowling of Brown and Edgar. Brown bowled very steadily, and when he was taken off after nine overs he had bowled five maidens and yielded only seven runs. Edgar also bowled well to have three consecutive maiden overs in a spell of eight overs. But neither of the batsman looked like getting out, and runs began to come quickly. Munro, Mills and Latey were all tried more or less without success, and when the tea interval came with the score at 140 for no wicket, neither batsman looked like getting out for the rest of the day. Hope of a large score being curtailed, was, however, entertained, when Powell-Jones was bowled by Munro by a ball which rose slightly. Only four had been to the tea score, and if we could get rid of Alderson, we could reasonably expect to get the whole side not far under 200. Stephenson came in, and Talfourd-Jones was given the ball in place of Munro, whose length was too inconsistent to get many wickets. It was when Mills relieved Edgar that the next wicket fell; Mills sent down a rather slower ball which deceived Stephenson into giving a catch to Edgar at short leg. O'Brien joined Alderson with the score at 189, and the score was taken to 242 before Alderson attempted to pull a good-length ball from Brown and was bowled. He had played a delightfully free innings of 142, which included nineteen boundaries. O'Brien

and Rayne then took toll of our tired bowling and raised the score to 329 before Rayne was caught by Edgar off Latey, and play closed with the score at 329 for 4 wickets, a formidable total and one that must have surprised players and spectators alike. Play began again on Monday evening, and Grant's were favoured with more luck, for the rest of the side were out for 19 runs, the total being 348. Latey had been put on towards the end and he reached a veritable harvest of wickets.

Grant's now had the prospect of making approximately three hundred and fifty runs in order to gain a first innings' lead. Edgar opened the innings with Latey, and only succeeded in surviving for two overs before he was caught by O'Brien at deep long leg off Rayne—a very fine catch. Munro joined Latey, and together they added 50 before Latey was l.b.w. to McFarlane, who was bowling left arm round the wicket. Latey had played a useful innings of 31, but 50 was the lowest score that was going to be of use to us if we were going to gain a first innings' lead, and when Turner came in, and with careless abandon returned the ball to the bowler's hands, it looked as though Grant's were in for a bad time. And they certainly were, for Bompas and Finn were out without raising the score, 89 for 5 wickets, and they had been 336 for 5 wickets. 7 runs had been added to this meagre total when Sutton called an impossible run and was run out. Brown then came in and stayed while Munro raised the score to 132, Brown contributing 7 runs before being bowled by McFarlane. Mills made a useful 15 before being caught and bowled by Stephenson, and with Daisley bowled by Stephenson the score closed at 169. Grant's had not even succeeded in getting half-way to overtaking the College total.

On Tuesday, 19th, College again opened well to the bowling of Brown and Mills, reaching 66 before Powell-Jones was bowled by Edgar. Stephenson came in and was l.b.w. to Latey before he had scored. One hundred and thirty-nine was reached before Alderson was caught in the gulley by Brown off Mills for a pleasing innings of 74—he had certainly done his share of the run-getting in the match. O'Brien and Rayne were now together, and with O'Brien playing another good innings the score was raised to 158

before Rayne was bowled by Mills, who had been bowling particularly well throughout. Beyts then helped O'Brien on with the score, and when he left at 165, and McFarlane left at 178, Alderson, realising that the remainder of his side could make only a few runs, and hoping that one, at least, of our wickets might be captured in the last half-hour's play, thought fit to declare. Grant's, therefore, were compelled to go in with twenty minutes left for play. Three hundred and fifty-eight runs were needed, and twenty minutes' careful play had to be passed through before we could settle down to the serious task of run-making. And this twenty minutes was not without incidents which everyone thought had ruined Grant's chances of success.

Latey was caught by Adams off Stephenson with the score at 40, and Munro was sent back, bowled by McFarlane, with the score at 43. Two good wickets gone, and still over three hundred runs needed for victory. It may here be added that Grant's had only ten batsmen, as Talfourd-Jones had "become suddenly ill" after the first day's play.

Thursday, July 21st, is a day I shall never forget. Everyone thought that K.S.S. had won again, and only a few stout-hearted Grantites thought that victory could still be achieved.

At 2.15 Edgar and Turner left the pavilion. If one of them got out soon we were almost certainly doomed to defeat. Both of them settled down quickly (if Turner can ever be said to settle down), Edgar to play his steady, careful game, Turner to play his forcing, quick-scoring game. Turner reached his 50. Edgar reached his 50. Alderson tried all his bowlers in turn; none of them could move them. The score was raised to 191 before this great partnership was broken. Turner called a run and, realising it was impossible, tried to get back and was run out. This partnership had added 148 runs, of which Turner had made 92. He played a grand innings, scoring 13 boundaries, and no end could have been more unfortunate than his. We still needed about 170 runs for victory, and we had no-one remaining who could be really relied upon to stay in while Edgar made the runs. Brown went in and once again kept his end up well before being l.b.w. to McFarlane. This

wicket had raised the score to 238, and Mills, who followed, succeeded, together with Edgar, putting on 17 before he was out. Finn next helped to raise the score, and it was 277 before Finn was dismissed by Rayne. Bompas then joined Edgar, who was playing as he has never played before—scoring delightfully freely all round the wicket. Together they raised the score slowly. They reached 300; only 58 runs were needed for victory. It was at this point that Grant's came within possible sight of victory for the first time in the match. The score continued to mount. Alderson went through all his bowlers again without success. It was at 344 that tragedy overtook Grant's in the form of Edgar's wicket falling. Fifteen runs only were needed for victory; yet the two batsmen remaining were scarcely reliable enough for such a crisis. However, the runs came slowly and two snicks by Bompas through the slips brought the scores level; a moment later a magnificent pull by Sutton put the result beyond doubt. This was the end of perhaps the most epic final of Seniors there has ever been. Thus it has been proved that it is possible for Grant's to win the final.

I. K. M.

SCORE.

GRANT'S v. KING'S SCHOLARS.—FINAL.

KING'S SCHOLARS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. Alderson b Brown ...	142	c. Brown b Mills ...	74
J. H. Powell-Jones b Munro ...	74	b Edgar ...	22
A. F. Stephenson c Edgar b Mills	9	fbw b Latey ...	0
J. R. O'Brien b Brown ...	41	b Mills ...	48
J. P. Rayne c Edgar b Latey ...	50	b Mills ...	5
N. M. Beyts b Latey ...	7	not out ...	13
I. D. McFarlane not out ...	4	lbw b Edgar ...	6
D. R. Engleheart run out ...	0		
D. Petley b Latey ...	4		
T. G. Adams b Latey ...	2		
J. C. Cheyning-Pearce, absent ill...	0		
Extras ...	15	Extras ...	10
Total ...	348	* Total (for 6 wkts)	178

D. R. Engleheart, D. Petley, T. G. Adams, J. C. Cheyning-Pearce did not bat.



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## GRANT'S.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
R. W. Edgar c O'Brien b Rayne...	2	c and b Stephenson	...151
J. B. Latey lbw McFarlane	... 31	c Adams b Stephenson	... 28
I. K. Munro not out	... 83	b Macfarlane	... 0
J. F. Turner c and b McFarlane...	11	run out	... 92
E. A. Bompas c sub b McFarlane	0	not out	... 28
J. W. Finn lbw b McFarlane	... 0	b Rayne	... 7
P. J. Sutton run out	... 0	not out	... 4
T. W. Brown b McFarlane	... 7	lbw b McFarlane	... 6
R. M. Mills c and b Stephenson...	15	c Adams b Rayne	... 2
G. C. Daisley b Stephenson	... 0	did not bat	... —
P. Talfourd-Jones, absent	... 0	absent	... —
Extras	... 20	Extras	... 43
Total	...169	Total (for 7 wkts)	361

\*Innings declared closed.

## BOWLING.

### King's Scholars.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. P. Rayne	... 17	3	42	1	... 37	12	76	2
A. F. Stephenson	15	2	57	2	... 37	5	124	2
D. R. C. Engleheart	1	0	8	0	...	—	—	—
J. R. O'Brien	... 1	0	6	0	... 3	1	10	0
I. D. Macfarlane	15	4	35	5	... 36	12	79	2
J. Alderson	... —	—	—	—	... 5	0	29	0

### Grant's.

T. W. Brown...	27	12	67	2	... 11	5	23	0
R. W. Edgar...	14	3	48	2	... 13	2	42	2
I. K. Munro	... 11	1	43	1	...	—	—	—
R. M. Mills	... 13	1	65	1	... 17	4	44	3
J. B. Latey	... 11	1	44	4	... 11	1	53	1
P. Talfourd-								
Jones	8	1	45	0	... —	—	—	—
J. W. Finn	... 6	0	23	0	... —	—	—	—

## SENIORS' BATTING AVERAGES.

	Inn-ings.	Highest Runs.	Not out.	Aver- age.
R. W. Edgar	... 3	177	151	1 88.5
J. F. Turner	... 3	162	92	1 81
I. K. Munro	... 3	99	83*	1 49.5
J. B. Latey	... 3	106	47	0 35.33
E. A. Bompas	... 3	28	28*	1 14

The following also batted: R. M. Mills, 15 and 2; T. W. Brown, 7 and 6; J. W. Finn, 0 and 7; P. J. Sutton, 0 and 4\*; Daisley, 0.

\* Signifies not out.

## SENIORS' BOWLING AVERAGES.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	A.
J. B. Latey ... ..	22	2	97	5	19.4
R. M. Mills ... ..	56	10	158	8	19.75
T. W. Brown ... ..	53	27	109	5	21.8
I. K. Munro ... ..	25	3	83	2	41.5
R. W. Edgar ... ..	41	13	107	2	53.5
P. T.-Jones ... ..	14	3	81	1	81

J. W. Finn also bowled: 7—0—25—0.

The following School Colours were up the House at the end of Election Term, 1932:—

*Pinks:*

I. K. Munro,  
J. F. Turner,  
J. B. Latey,  
T. W. Brown,  
R. W. Edgar.

*Pink and Whites:*

P. Talfourd-Jones.

*Thirds:*

E. A. Bompas.

*Colts' Caps:*

R. M. Mills and J. W. Finn.

House Colours were awarded to E. A. Bompas and R. M. Mills.

**I. K. Munro.** He played a magnificent game in the first innings against College, when he carried the side on his shoulders, and saved Grant's from a disastrous collapse, but unfortunately failed in the second innings. His fast bowling was always liable to take a surprise wicket, but was too inaccurate to be kept on long. His fielding was an inspiration to the side, while his captaincy throughout showed sound judgment, though he was inclined towards the fast bowling.

R. W. E.

**J. F. Turner.** If he could only restrain himself when he is bowled a ball that looks easy but is not, he would be a very fine bat. He has very good wrists. His ground fielding in the deep is extremely good, and when his catching becomes a little more certain, he should be a thoroughly good deep fielder.

**J. B. Latey.** He maintained a high standard of batting throughout Seniors—a very useful factor since so many of our batsmen were unreliable. He had run into form late in the season, and was twice out unfortunately in Seniors, on one occasion caught high up at deep third man, and on another l.b.w. to a ball which pitched on a “spot.” His bowling in the final was a great asset.

**T. W. Brown.** He proved himself a valiant bat in Seniors, and kept his end up very well in the final. His bowling was very steady, and he was unlucky not to get more wickets than he did. He caught a remarkably fine catch in the slips.

**R. W. Edgar.** Few people will forget his last innings in Seniors; he played patiently, scoring off every ball which it was possible to score off, yet leaving those which might have proved difficult. He realised that what we wanted was a huge innings, and he gave it to us to perfection. His fielding at short leg and slip was very commendable.

**T. Talfourd-Jones.** He did not have the opportunity of an innings in Seniors, which was unfortunate for the side, as he was badly needed in the final. His bowling was not very effective, being much too inaccurate, but his fielding was distinctly good.

**E. A. Bompas.** His batting was weak, but he played a stalwart innings in the final. His trouble is that he has no scoring strokes. He has a good idea of wicket-keeping, but he has not yet learnt to hold the ball, although he stops it very well.

**R. M. Mills.** His batting in the first innings of the final was very sound, and he played a good innings. His style is rather cramped and he should try to loosen himself a little when batting. He bowled very thoughtfully in Seniors, and deserved every wicket he took. His fielding was very sound.

**J. W. Finn.** He tries to turn every ball to leg regardless of whether it is on the middle stump or not. The glide he employs is a very nice stroke when used at the proper time! he should try to improve his play on the off. His fielding at short leg was good.

**P. J. Sutton.** His batting is much too rustic to be of much value, but if he can learn to use some orthodox strokes in place of his own wild methods, he could become a good

batsman. His fielding in Seniors showed much room for improvement.

**G. C. Daisley.** He was played in the side as a batsman, and showed a marked ability to score in the nets, but was unfortunately overwhelmed by the greatness of the occasion against College. If he could overcome his nervousness he should become a very useful bat. There is room for a great deal of improvement in his fielding.

I. K. M.

### JUNIORS.

Grant's v. Rigaud's.

GRANT'S were beaten in the first round of Juniors by Rigaud's, whose only batsmen were their opening pair. Rigauds won the toss and batted first on an easy wicket. Klein and Matcham put on 82 for the first wicket, but after the dismissal of MacGregor, who played steadily for 21, the side collapsed and were all out for 149. Klein batted steadily for 60, and was admirably supported by Matcham, who contributed 43. Sheriff bowled steadily for 16 overs, claiming 4 wickets at an average of 5; the rest of the bowling was steady, but never looked like defeating their opening pair. Grant's then went in with the prospect of 150 to make, and very little batting talent. In the first over Lonsdale hit across a straight ball from Klein and was l.b.w. Nares did the very same thing and followed. The innings then became a mere procession, except for Sutton, who made a valiant 17. He managed to keep opposite Klein most of the time and played him with confidence. This was the end of a disappointment, in which Grant's, though not a good side, can hardly be said to have done themselves justice.

I. K. M.

### SCORE.

RIGAUD'S.		GRANT'S.	
A. H. Matcham	c Sutton b Hand ... .. 43	C. J. C. Lonsdale	lbw b Klein 1
C. C. Klein	c Kavanagh b Sheriff ... .. 60	G. O. Nares	lbw b Woodgate 0
F. F. Richardson	lbw b Sutton ... .. 0	L. R. Carr	b Klein ... .. 1
L. C. Eaton	b Dutton ... .. 6	A. R. Laurie	c Eaton b Richardson ... .. 4
		P. J. Sutton	b Woodgate ... 17
		P. C. Kavanagh	b Eaton ... 9

M. E. MacGregor b Dutton... 21	K. S. Saunders b Eaton ... 1
H. V. King b Sheriff ... 0	A. N. Winckworth lbw b Eaton ... 5
J. T. Woodgate b Sheriff ... 0	J. L. Sheriff lbw b Eaton ... 0
W. Kendall b Laurie... 0	T. W. Dutton lbw b Eaton 0
A. L. Worthington not out... 2	K. N. G. Hand not out ... 3
P. M. Sprott b Dutton ... 0	Extras ... .. 8
A. V. Turk b Sheriff... 0	
Extras ... .. 17	
Total ... .. 149	Total ... .. 49

*Rigaud's Bowling.*

	O.	M.	R.	W.
C. C. Klein...	13	4	14	2
J. T. Woodgate	9	4	9	2
F. Richardson	4	2	6	1
L. C. Eaton ...	5.4	1	10	5

*Grant's Bowling.*

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. G. Reed ...	11	6	12	0
J. L. Sheriff ...	16.5	8	21	4
A. R. Laurie ...	12	4	37	1
T. W. Dutton...	7	2	8	3
P. J. Sutton ...	15	5	20	1
K. G. Hand ...	8	3	34	1

JUNIORS' CRITICISMS.

**L. R. Carr** (Capt). He has plenty of style in his shots, particularly his defensive strokes, and with more strength he should make runs. He captained the side with clever judgment in Juniors.

**P. J. Sutton.** See Seniors' Criticisms.

**G. O. Nares.** A very much-improved player. He is capable of making a lot of runs on the off side, but his play on the leg is distinctly weak. When this is improved he should become a valuable offensive batsman, in addition to being a very good fielder.

**P. C. Kavanagh.** It is a pity that he has done so little in Juniors to justify his reputation as an offensive batsman. He is rather wild, and should exercise more discretion in the use of his strokes. He is a keen fielder.

**C. J. C. Lonsdale.** He is not a very good bat, and does not often make runs mainly because he plays too often with a cross-bat. He is a good fielder.

**A. N. Winckworth.** Though a rather inexperienced wicket-keeper, he did his job well. His batting is rather unorthodox, but quite effective. He should try and play with a straighter bat.

**J. L. Sheriff.** He will be a distinctly good bowler. He has a natural and easy action and keeps a consistently good length. Much may be expected of him if he perseveres and concentrates more upon spin.

**T. W. Dutton.** He is quite a good bowler, who relies mostly on length for results.—He bowled well in Junior, and was rewarded with a good analysis. He is not a good batsman, and should study strokes more carefully. His fielding also wants looking to.

**R. G. Reed.** He is a good medium bowler, with an ability to make the ball “fly.” With the advantage of height and more stamina he should become a very useful fast bowler. He has a good eye and is quite a valuable offensive batsman. His fielding needs improving.

**K. H. O. Hand.** If he concentrates more upon length he should get wickets, but at present he bowls (or attempts to bowl) the same ball all the time; he should, therefore, try to introduce some variation. His batting is good and he is a distinctly good fielder.

**A. R. Laurie.** A good forcing batsman, with a nice range of offensive strokes. With more experience he should become a very useful bat indeed. His fielding is good.

I. K. M.

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#### MUSIC.

The music competitions took place on Monday, July 4th, and were judged by Mr. Reginald Insques, of Queen's College, in the individual events, and Mr. C. M. Spending, Director of the Music, Oundle School, in the combined events.

In the individual events Gedye and Wright won 72 points between them, Gedye being awarded two firsts, one second and two-thirds, and Wright six firsts and one third. This must easily institute a House record, and we congratulate them both on their success.

In the combined events, the quartet took fourth place, gaining 65 marks. The effort here was disappointing, and the quartet never recovered from a bad start. It would have been better if they had stopped and started again.

In the House Choir, Grant's put up a very good fight, being second to K.S.S., who beat them by 80 points to 77.

It was a pity the House did not enter for the Orchestra and Chamber Music events as on the morning of the individual events they were 70 points to King Scholars 60 and R.R. 36.

The final points for the first three places were as follows:—K.S.S. 202, who retain the Music Cup, R.R. 116, and G.G. 102.

Gedye and Wright are to be congratulated on their attempt to wrestle the cup from K.S.S. The good work they have put in during the years they have been in the House is bound to bear fruit in the future. We say "good-bye" to them with many musical regrets, trusting that their mantle will fall upon worthy shoulders.

C. T. L.

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### REMINISCENCES OF AN OLD GRANTITE.

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Member of the Old Grantite Club.

"Old Grantite" applies to me in more senses than one, and I trust these Reminiscences will not go too far back into the mists of antiquity to interest your readers.

My earliest recollection of Grant's was having, during my first term, to shout, "Striking the hour," from the swing-door leading into the House-yard, as Big Ben struck. Then watch from the steps until the Head and bevy of Under-masters appeared sauntering across Dean's Yard towards the School, and dash back to the swing-door, and intone at the top of my voice. "Scott's coming," then fly, so as not to be late. I wonder if this is still done?

Talking of record-diving, our swimming was done at the Great Smith Street Baths. The record dive there was from the hand-rail in front of the upper dressing boxes into only 3ft. of water, 13ft. below, a very dangerous feat. Only one boy, C. J. Fox, ever tried it in my day, and I saw him do it more than once, though a boy was said to have killed himself doing it. The Swimming Cup Lambton mentions was given in my day, and the same C. J. Fox and I

fought out the final, and my name happens to be the first one on the Cup.

Beyond playing for Grant's, I never followed up "footer" seriously. I usually went home for Saturday afternoon and Sunday; nevertheless, I was instrumental in starting the Cambridge O.W.W. Football Club, and played for it whilst up. Oxford followed our example and started the Oxford O.W.W.F.C., which led, a year or so later, to the formation of the present O.W.W.F.C., for which I thoroughly enjoyed playing for some seasons.

Rowing was restarted in my day, 1872, and I joined. Few, if any, boys at the time knew much about it, but we were keen, and O.W.W. from the Varsities came to our rescue and so we made progress. I think I must have had a flair for it, like Lambton had for "Ball in the Yard," although I could not claim to be "it." However, despite my lack of weight, I managed to stroke the 2nd Eight in 1873, the 1st Four in 1874, and the newly-constituted 1st Eight in 1875. In the last year as Head of Water I revived the Race with Leander, and even later rowed in a Leander Eight against the School. In those days we rowed from the "Feathers Inn" at Wandsworth, just below Putney Bridge; we had to catch a train from Vauxhall Station and had not much spare time to do it in. "The Feathers" was a quaint old river inn, and hanging against the wall in the little bar there, was the only sample that I have ever seen of the curious glass vessel from which the ancient Thames drink of a "Yard of Beer" was said to have been taken, a yard being about the length of it.

I believe Westminster had a rather bad name for bullying in the olden days, but it was dying out when I first went, though "Knuckling down" with a book was still practised, and the Queen's scholars, as they were called then, used their "bullies" for the purpose, *i.e.*, the long tails in front of their gowns, the ends of which were bound with waxed thread like a tanning cane. We had stamped out bullying "up" Grant's before I left, though it is an ugly weed and appears to have re-appeared in Lambton's day.

It used to be a matter of honour then, and may be now, among the Q.S.S., that no Townboy whatever should be allowed to know who were taking any of the characters



in the Play until the First Night, and in my day the secret was never divulged. One year, however, three Grantites determined to try to find out. In the sloping end of College roof, above the door into College, is a little dormer doorway giving access to the loft; the door of this was broken and loose on its hinges and, though rather near the edge of the roof, seemed to offer a possible means. Mr. Jones attended the first dress-rehearsal, and as soon as he had left Grant's, we got out of a top window, shod in gym. shoes, crept along the gutter on to the apex of College roof, which we straddled, and squirmed along to the end. We let ourselves down on to the dormer doorway and through the broken door into the loft, and on to one of the large ventilators in the ceiling of Dormitory, close to the heads of "The Gods." We got several of the characters, but soon Mr. Jones rose and left, so we had to beat a hasty retreat, but got back safely. Our absence from Chiswick's had been noticed, as we could not get back in time; however, though our excuses must have seemed lame, no more was said. The noise of our retreat was heard and a row made about it and the little door was mended, but Mr. Jones never gave us away! Yes, Lambton is right; he was a good sport. Grant's scored heavily when we exploited our knowledge.

I remember another incident anent Mr. Jones. No. 9 was always the rowdy dormitory in my time, and when the noise there became excessive, Mr. Jones, who was very active, would rush upstairs and burst into No. 9, and often caught them "in delicto." This annoyed No. 9, who, one evening, sent one of their number downstairs, made a booby-trap with a large, soaking bath-sponge, and made a great noise also. Up came Mr. Jones, followed by the absent boy, and caught the sponge fair and square on the head. No. 9 apologised profusely and explained that the trap was meant for the boy. Mr. Jones, however, took it in sporting good part, wiping himself on the towel presented to him for the purpose; after that, he entered more cautiously, however.

If any reader is critical as to interest of this effusion, I hope he will remember, and apply, the old chestnut of the young man who, after being pressed to sing, finally consented after reiterating his inability. When the ordeal was

over, noticing the absence of applause, he remarked to his neighbour, "I'm afraid I wasn't a success," to which the neighbour consolingly replied, "Never mind, my lad, you did your best; it's the man that asked you that ought to be hanged."

#### BIRTHS.

SALWEY.—On July 19th, 1932, to Lorna, wife of Humphrey J. Salwey, the Pilgrim's School, Winchester, a son.

#### MARRIAGES.

REA—BRUCE.—On May 21st, Findlay Russell Rea to Margaret Hermione, eldest daughter of Lieut.-Col. Kenneth Bruce, of 7, Onslow Gardens, S.W.7.

#### OBITUARY.

We regret to have to record the death of John Abernethy Willett, brother of the Housemaster of Grant's. We offer Mr. A. T. Willett our every sympathy in his bereavement.

John Abernethy Willett was the second son of the late Alfred Willett, F.R.C.S., of Wimpole Street, and one of five Westminster brothers. He was admitted up Rigaud's in 1884 and left in 1890. At Westminster he was in both the Cricket and Football Elevens. He went to University College, Oxford, in 1890, and studied medicine. He became an M.B. in 1894, and an M.D. in 1906. After leaving St. Bartholomew's Hospital, he practised in London. During the War he was a captain in the R.A.M.C (T.F.) and served in Mesopotamia and France. He died on May 6th, in his sixtieth year.

We regret to have to record the death of Arthur William Fulcher, which took place on May 17th. He was a son of Capt. E. W. Fulcher, of the Royal Irish Fusiliers, and was admitted up Grant's in 1868. In 1871 he was elected into College, and left in July, 1872. At Westminster

he was a Cricket Pink, and afterwards he played for Kent, and was a member of the M.C.C. He was also interested in yachting and was a member of the R.Y.S. Club. At the outbreak of the War he commanded a patrol yacht in the Hebrides, and later was Provost Marshal, South Irish Command, at Queenstown.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

OLD GRANTITE CLUB.

*To the Editor of THE GRANTITE REVIEW.*

4, Charles Street,  
St. James's Square, S.W.1.  
July 11th, 1932.

DEAR SIR,

May I be spared some space in THE REVIEW to bring the Old Grantite Club to the notice of your readers?

The Club was formed about seven years ago, and at the present time has a membership of about 100. Its objects, as set out in the Rules, are:—

- (a) To maintain, promote and strengthen the comradeship of Old Grantites by means of re-unions of Old Grantites, and otherwise; and
- (b) To advance the prosperity and interests of Grant's.

A Dinner is held annually in London; cricket and football matches are arranged against the House prior to Seniors, whenever possible, and the Club endeavours to assist, athletically and financially, on such occasions as may arise from time to time. In addition, *The Grantite* is circulated three times a year to all members.

It is the earnest wish of my Committee that as all Grantities become Old Grantites, so will they become members of the Club and, as such, not only be able to render services to the House, but also to have opportunities for meeting contemporaries with whom touch might otherwise easily be lost.

I shall be delighted to supply young Old Grantites with any further particulars of the Club, should they desire them.

Yours, etc.,

ARTHUR GARRARD.

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