



# The Elizabethan.

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## ELECTION DINNER.

AS was announced in a previous number of *The Elizabethan*, Election Dinner was this year held on May 17. But at the time when that announcement was made it was still undecided whether it should take place in College Hall, as hitherto, or 'Up School.' Finally it was resolved to make 'Up School' the *venue*. This change was received with great favour—with more, we admit, than we expected. Concerning the change of season we do not wish to complain; it must remind some—nay, most—of the guests of their own time, when Election was at Whitsuntide. Certainly now it has not much claim to be called *Election Dinner*; but for endless reasons it would be impossible to revert to the old arrangement of Election. We were sorry not to see the Master of Trinity and the Dean of Christ Church; but for the majority of

those invited May must be a more convenient time than the last week of July.

The EPIGRAMS (no longer *Hall* epigrams) this year showed no improvement; it really seems as though the composition of epigrams were a lost art, unless it be that too little thought is given to them. We candidly admit that we mark with regret the annually increasing number of English epigrams; this year there were no less than fifteen out of twenty-four—far too large a proportion—whilst the Book contained but one Greek effort. It is not that we wish to decry the merits of our mother tongue, but that this growing tendency is contrary to the traditions of Election Dinner, at which an English epigram used to be a *rara avis*. Moreover, an English epigram must be very good if it is not to be very feeble; there is no mean, as in Greek and Latin; and very few of those productions which we heard recited this year can claim to be in the first

class. Next year we hope for an improvement in this direction.

The theses this year were: 'Divide et impera' and 'Inter opes inops.' The former naturally suggested South Africa, as:

When war is over, I divine  
That Kruger's power will quite decline.  
It seems to me  
The wisest plan  
To rule the man  
Will surely be  
To cut him into pieces fine.

The metre is distinctly original. The same thesis produced the following, on the change of season:

Electionis Cena qui vos convocet,  
Patres, Kalendas ante Iunias, neque  
Agatur ipsa Electio, miramini  
Fortasse. Nempe semper ardor Sirii  
Ex urbe vos expellit. Haec divisio  
Adducet, ut speramus, ad convivium  
Plures alumnos huius antiquae Domus.  
Sic tibi, Decane, gratias nos reddimus  
Qui tot benevolos congreges prudens Scholae.

Under the variation 'Conjunge et impera' we find the unity of the British Empire celebrated:

Anglia Reginam strepitu gaudente salutat;  
Scotia respondet plausibus assiduis:  
Compositis rixis, laudes nunc addit Ierne  
Iunctaque laetitia Cimbria parva venit.  
Nec minus ad magnam permulta Colonia Matrem  
Clamores alacres trans mare Nata ciet.  
Libera quaeque suos donat, qui grande per orbem  
Imperium fuso sanguine sustineant.

The war, in one form or another, provided material for 'Inter opes inops,' as, for example:

In Saint Helena's bracing air  
Baths to the Boer are bosh.  
With 'Water, water everywhere,  
Nor any'—wish to wash.

And again, the following 'auctore':

King Midas of old from a surfeit of gold  
Expired: we read it with sobs.  
But an army is lost, it will find to its cost,  
When completely surrounded by Bobs.

Parliament, as usual, did not escape. The best on this subject was perhaps the following, on 'Divide *nec* impera':

Energetic H-nry B-nn-r-  
M-n has such a rapid manner.  
Dilatory H-nry C-mpb-ll  
Never gets beyond an amble.  
Strange, with such complete division,  
There should be no Opposition.

The next requires no explanation:

*'Vos conjungite et imperate.'*

Nothing approached the old S.E.,  
Except perhaps the L.C.D.  
Now proudly linked they stand alone  
Without a rival to their throne.

The last complains that there are no subjects to write about except patriotism:

*'Inter opes inops.'*

Eheu! non nostrum est pugnas laudare Roberti;  
Non te, mente carens, concelebrare volo.  
Exiguus non vult numeris Victoria dici,  
Et res exceptis his mihi nulla manet.

## THE CONCERT.

THE Concert was held 'Up School' on Friday, May 25. It was generally acknowledged to be one of the most successful given 'Up School' for many years past. The programme was a long one—too long, indeed, to deal with in detail. A fine start was given by Mr. W. S. Rawson, who sang two verses of 'Rule Britannia' with much spirit. Next came the *magnum opus* of the evening, in the shape of Sullivan's 'Trial by Jury.' A very creditable rendering indeed was given of a work which is a hard task for amateurs, and Mr. Ranalow is to be congratulated even more than usual on the excellent way in which, owing to his energetic training, the chorus acquitted itself. The principal parts in the Cantata were admirably filled by Mr. F. W. Longhurst as the Judge, Mr. R. F. C. O'Brien as the Defendant, and G. L. Ford as the Counsel. E. G. S. Ravenscroft was suffering from a bad cold and could hardly do himself justice as the Usher. E. A. Taylor was excellent as the Plaintiff, his voice being of a particularly pleasant timbre. The feature of the second part was Dickson's violin playing. His dash and precision were extraordinary in one of his youthful age, and he met with a well-deserved abundance of applause. Khan repeated his triumph of last year; his touch seemed to have grown firmer. Mr. F. B. Ranalow, as usual, delighted us with his artistic singing; the portion of the audience at the back of 'Up School' would fain have heard his rendering of 'Long Ago in Alcalá' yet once again. Of the choruses, the old favourite, 'Lord Ullin's Daughter,' was perhaps the best. There were numerous quartettes, trios, and duets, of which the one that seemed most effective was Rubinstein's 'The Angel'; this lovely duet was charmingly sung by Taylor and Chesney: the latter sings well, but was rather inclined to drown his various partners. The concert ended with a very hearty 'God Save the Queen.' We should like once again to offer our best congratulations to

Mr. Ranalow, and also to all those who helped him by their regular attendance and by their willingness to make the concert so great a success.

## PROGRAMME.

## PART I.

1. SOLO AND CHORUS  
'Rule Britannia.'
2. DRAMATIC CANTATA  
'Trial by Jury' ... *Sullivan.*

## PART II.

1. SOLO AND CHORUS  
'The Empire Flag' *A. C. Mackenzie.*
2. PIANO SOLO  
2nd Mazourka ... *Karganoff.*  
B. G. COBB.
3. SONG  
Friar's Song from 'Ivanhoe' ... *Sullivan.*  
F. W. LONGHURST, Esq.
4. TRIO  
'Rest thee on this Mossy Pillow' *H. Smart.*  
E. A. T. TAYLOR, E. C. CHESNEY and F. V. HUGHES.
5. VIOLIN SOLO  
Romanze ... *F. Reis.*  
J. D. H. DICKSON.
6. CHORUS  
'Lord Ullin's Daughter' ... *Jackson.*
7. SONG  
'Where the Bee Sucks' ... *Dr. Arne.*  
S. D. CHARLES.
8. SONG  
'The Old Gray Fox' *M. V. White.*  
F. B. RANALOW, Esq.
9. DUET  
'Wanderer's Night Song' ... *Rubinstein.*  
A. C. BOTTOMLEY and E. C. CHESNEY.
10. PIANO SOLO  
Polonaise in C Minor ... *Chopin.*  
MIRZA HUSSEIN KHAN.
11. QUARTETTE  
'Sweet and Low' ... *Barnby.*  
K. M. MACMORRAN, H. F. SAUNDERS, C. W. ADAMS  
and F. W. LONGHURST, Esq.
12. DUET  
'The Angel' ... *Rubinstein.*  
E. A. T. TAYLOR and E. C. CHESNEY.
13. CHORUS  
'Blanche' ... *F. Kucken.*

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

## ATHLETOCRACY.

It is a much-discussed question, which is raised periodically in the public press, whether the prominence given to games of various kinds at Public Schools and Universities is an advantage or not. The complaint against the ascendancy of the athlete, to the exclusion of the more honourable pursuits of life, is not new. Is there not a fragment of Euripides in which 'the most tragic of poets' inveighs against the race of athletes as the greatest curse of Greek society? Did we not, when we were young, have an English version of that fragment to turn into iambics as nearly as possible resembling the original Greek? Surely we are not mistaken. The poet maintains that with such waste of time a pleasant life is unattainable. (Clearly the ancient and the modern views of 'a pleasant life' are not the same.) Moreover, the man gains no wisdom thereby, and he is of no use to the community. Now we hear a similar lament. Boys at Public Schools and men at the

Universities abandon everything to sport; scholarship suffers in consequence. We venture here upon a defence of sport. These would-be reformers of English life seem to forget that there are some persons who would not be able to shine intellectually at all without some regular physical exercise which will at the same time divert the train of thought into an equally harmless and a less absorbing channel. Besides, *ne quid nimis* is a motto which applies no less to athletics than to other branches of life. A judicious mixture of exercise of the brain and exercise of the body benefits both. Some there are who are able to devote themselves entirely to the former without suffering from the want of the latter; but they are not many. It is true a high proficiency in both departments is not easy to acquire; it is a distinction only won by a select and talented few. But to be at least useful in some kind of game, without thereby sacrificing any intellectual success, is within the reach of the majority. That a double success is by no means impossible is amply testified by an examination of the various Honours Lists at the Universities; the proportion of athletes is very considerable. The present Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, was, we believe, for two years in the Harrow cricket eleven. Need we go further? So much for the more practical advantages. At present we will not attempt to defend and extol the benefits sport may confer on character. Perhaps next month we shall feel bolder.

## School Notes.

ON June 12, two days before the Exeat was to have begun, it was suddenly announced that there would be no Exeat, because there were a few cases of German measles in the School. 'Plays' are going to be given during the remainder of the term to make up for it; as there are at least eleven due, it will be as much as we can manage to fit them all in.

On May 19, when the news of the relief of Mafeking was received, the School were given an early Play.

We heartily congratulate E. Hackforth (O.W.) on being 8th Wrangler in the Mathematical Tripos at Cambridge.

A new arrangement has been adopted for the Junior House matches at Cricket. They are now played on the League system, and we are glad to say a limit of age has been made: no one may take part

who is over seventeen on the first day of Election Term, or who has played for the School. Mr. Tanner has very kindly offered a cup for the winning House.

K. B. Anderson and E. C. Stevens have received their 'Pinks.'

H. Plaskitt has obtained his 'Half-Blue' for Lawn Tennis at Oxford.

In the 'School Notes' of the May number of *The Elizabethan* we mentioned that 'Lords and Commons' are not included among this year's cricket fixtures; it should have been added that the omission is due to the large number of athletic Lords and Commons now serving in South Africa. The match will, we hope, again figure on the list of next season.

The Phillimore English Essay Prize has been awarded to A. S. Gaye. The subject was 'The Good Side of War.'

Among those who have recently received Commissions in the Army from Oxford University were two Old Westminsters: namely, D. Fitzmaurice and H. G. De Watteville.

We heartily congratulate R. K. Gaye (O.W.) on obtaining a First Class in Part II. of the Classical Tripos at Cambridge.

The following is the Cricket Card filled in up to date:—

May 12	Sat.	v.	Harrow Blues.	Won.	Westminster, 209;
			Harrow Blues,	124 and 41	for 5 wickets.
" 19	"	v.	R. E. More's XI.	Won.	Westminster,
			288	for 4 wickets	(inns. dec.); R. E.
			More's XI.,	102.	
" 26	"	v.	Incogniti.	Won.	Westminster, 233;
			Incogniti,	176.	
June 2	"	v.	Kensington Park.	Lost.	Westminster,
			28	99;	Kensington Park, 168—83
				(9 wickets).	
" 6	Wed.	v.	Eton Ramblers.	Won.	Westminster, 289
				for 5 wickets	(inns. dec.); Eton
			Ramblers,	176.	
" 9	Sat.	v.	I Zingari.	Lost.	Westminster, 26—110
				for 3 wickets;	I Zingari, 110—121.
" 23	Sat.	v.	Oxford University Authentics.	Drawn.	Westminster, 250 for 8 wickets;
				O. U.	Authentics, 309 for 7 wickets (inns. dec.)
" 29	Fri.	}	v.	Charterhouse	(at Godalming).
" 30	Sat.				
July 7	"	v.	M. C. C.		
" 11	Wed.	v.	West Kent.		
" 14	Sat.	v.	Old Westminsters.		
" 21	"	v.	Old Carthusians.		
" 28	"	v.	Essex Club and Ground.		
" 30	Mon.		T.B.B. v. Q.SS.		

## THE FIELDS.

### WESTMINSTER v. R. E. MORE'S XI.

ON May 19 R. E. More brought down a fairly strong team to oppose the School. Bompas won the toss, and he and Milne opened the batting for Westminster. Cooke and Mordaunt bowled, and the former quickly disposed of Milne, who was clean bowled after making 3. Harris came in, but at first did not seem comfortable; however, after giving a chance in the slips and another at the wicket, he settled down and played excellent cricket. Runs came easily, and, though the bowling was frequently changed, the score mounted rapidly, Bompas completing his fifty soon after the 100 was telegraphed. Harris quickly followed suit, and then the players adjourned for lunch. On resuming, the batsmen soon got to work again, but Harris, in attempting to drive Cooke, skied one to mid-off, who brought off a good catch. He had made 67, and after the first few minutes had played very good cricket. Foster filled his place, but after quickly making 15 he, too, was taken at mid-off. Soon afterwards Bompas reached his century, and, after Rawlings had been bowled by a shooter, with Anderson in, the bowling was again collared. Shortly before four the innings was declared closed at 289, Bompas being not out 149 and Anderson not out 14.

T. J. M. More and Alexander opened the visitors' innings, opposed by Foster and Knight (pavilion end). Foster, who kept a very good length and got a lot of work on, soon dismissed both the first pair, and followed this by knocking Vassall's leg stump out of the ground. Gaye then took the ball from Knight, and in his first over More played on in trying to hit. Milne relieved Foster, and soon bowled Bowring, while Dixon was missed at the wicket off him. Stevens was bowled by Gaye, and Harris dismissed Twiss and Dixon. Knight, resuming at the pavilion end, disposed of Probyn and Cooke, the whole side being out for 102; Westminster thus winning by 187 runs and 6 wickets.

#### WESTMINSTER.

H. S. Bompas, not out.....	149
A. A. Milne, b. Cooke.....	3
S. S. Harris, c. Bowring, b. Cooke.....	67
A. L. Foster, c. Bowring, b. Alexander.....	15
R. P. Rawlings, b. Vassall.....	1
K. B. Anderson, not out.....	14
A. S. Gaye	} did not bat.
F. I. Harrison	
C. B. Knight	
L. H. Bennett	
A. T. Willett	
Extras.....	40

\*Total (4 wkts.)..... 289

\* Innings declared closed.

R. E. MORE'S XI.

T. J. M. More, b. Foster.....	4
H. Alexander, b. Foster.....	0
O. C. Mordaunt, not out.....	34
G. C. Vassall, b. Foster.....	4
R. E. More, b. Gaye.....	8
W. C. Stevens, b. Gaye.....	0
C. C. H. Twiss, b. Harris.....	12
F. H. Bowring, b. Milne.....	13
W. H. Dixon, b. Harris.....	6
S. C. Probyn, b. Knight.....	0
H. E. Cooke, b. Knight.....	0
Extras.....	21

Total ..... 102

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

WESTMINSTER.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Mordaunt.....	6	0	22	0
Cooke.....	18	3	48	2
R. E. More.....	8	0	33	0
Dixon.....	2	0	16	0
T. J. M. More.....	9	0	40	0
Vassall.....	13	2	45	1
Probyn.....	2	0	6	0
Bowring.....	4	0	21	0
Alexander.....	3	0	18	1

R. E. MORE'S XI.

Foster.....	9	4	18	3
Knight.....	7	3	8	2
Gaye.....	5	2	9	2
Milne.....	9	2	27	1
Harris.....	6	3	19	2

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* INCOGNITI.

This match was played on May 26. Bompas again won the toss and decided to bat, although the wicket gave the bowlers some help at first.

Anderson and Bompas opened the School's innings, but the former after making 9 was bowled by a good ball from Delacombe. Harris joined Bompas, and a good stand was made. Neither of the batsmen could take any liberties with the bowling, however, the ground helping the bowlers considerably. With 78 on the board, Bompas was bowled by Sewell for 27. Harris soon followed him, being sent back by the same bowler after making 41 in good style; he gave two chances, however. Milne again failed to offer much resistance, being caught off a tame stroke. Foster and Rawlings then got together, and the rate of scoring improved, Foster hitting hard and well. Rawlings, after making 14, was bowled by Trevor. Gaye joined Foster, but the latter was caught almost directly after a good innings of 53. Lock failed to score, and Harrison and Gaye brought the score up to 217 before they were parted, when Gaye was bowled by Trevor for a lucky innings of 21. Harrison made 35 in good style, and the innings closed for 233. Blane being badly run out after making 10.

Berners and Blaker started the visitors' innings, Berners being bowled by Foster after making 11. Knight bowled Blaker at 26, and then, Ridsdale and

Sewell getting together, the score was taken to 81 before they were separated, when Lock brought off a nice catch from Sewell at point. Ridsdale was bowled by Harris after making 36, the same bowler accounting for Thorne. With one run added Watney was taken at extra cover by Anderson, Hemmerde being out in the same way at 143. Foster then went on again and got two more wickets, Lock and Blane both bringing off good catches. Gaye secured the last wicket, Trevor being l.b.w. to him with the score at 176.

Westminster thus won a very creditable match by 57 runs.

WESTMINSTER.

H. S. Bompas, b. Sewell.....	27
K. B. Anderson, b. Delacombe.....	9
S. S. Harris, b. Sewell.....	41
A. L. Foster, c. Delacombe, b. Trevor.....	53
A. A. Milne, c. and b. Sewell.....	4
R. P. Rawlings, b. Trevor.....	14
A. S. Gaye, b. Trevor.....	21
P. F. Lock, b. Trevor.....	0
F. I. Harrison, c. Delacombe, b. Trevor.....	35
C. B. Knight, c. Sewell, b. Trevor.....	3
J. P. Blane, run out.....	10
L. H. Bennett, not out.....	1
Extras.....	15

Total ..... 233

INCOGNITI.

J. A. Berners, b. Foster.....	11
H. R. Blaker, b. Knight.....	7
A. E. Ridsdale, b. Harris.....	36
C. O. H. Sewell, c. Lock, b. Harris.....	28
F. G. Thorne, b. Harris.....	12
C. L. Hemmerde, c. Anderson, b. Knight.....	24
S. C. Watney, c. Anderson, b. Knight.....	1
T. C. Bett, l.b.w., b. Knight.....	13
W. B. Delacombe, not out.....	14
A. H. Wall, c. Lock, b. Foster.....	9
A. B. Cipriani, c. Blane, b. Foster.....	1
Capt. P. C. W. Trevor, l.b.w., b. Gaye.....	0
Extras.....	20

Total ..... 176

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

WESTMINSTER.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Delacombe.....	21	5	50	1
Hemmerde.....	10	2	30	0
Trevor.....	18	2	61	6
Sewell.....	15	2	48	3
Blaker.....	6	0	29	0

INCOGNITI.

Foster.....	20	7	42	3
Knight.....	14	1	49	4
Gaye.....	5.4	0	24	1
Milne.....	8	2	21	0
Harris.....	8	2	20	3

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* KENSINGTON PARK.

This match was played on June 2, and the School suffered the first defeat of the season. Bompas won the toss and put Kensington Park in, the wicket

playing very queerly, owing to the rain of the day before.

Foster soon bowled Nicholas with a good ball. Bendle came in, and he and Donaldson raised the score to 42 before they were parted, when Milne caught Bendle at cover off Knight. On Watson coming in, however, another stand was made, and only two wickets were down at lunch-time with the score at 106. On resuming, Harris bowled from the far end and Foster from the pavilion end. Harris off his first ball bowled Watson for 27. Milne, who had bowled very well in the morning, though without success, soon took the ball from Harris and got Whittow caught in the slips at 147. Two runs later Donaldson was caught at the wicket off Foster for an excellent 67. In spite of the wicket he had played very good cricket. After this no serious resistance was offered, Foster bowling very well and taking the last five wickets for an addition of only 20 runs to the score. The innings closed for 168, Foster taking seven wickets for 54 runs.

Bompas and Anderson opened Westminster's innings. The latter seemed to settle down at once, but after making 10 in good style he was bowled by a good ball from Wynne. Harris came in, but was sent back by the same bowler after making 15. Foster did not stay long, but on Milne joining Bompas a stand was made. At 69, however, Bompas was bowled by a shooter from Wynne for 22. Rawlings again failed to make runs. Harrison made 10, but the rest failed miserably, the last four wickets only making 7 between them, the innings closing for 99, leaving Kensington Park victorious by 69 runs.

Kensington Park went in again, but this time could make no show against the School bowling. After Nicholas and Bendle had made 35, Nicholas was caught by Knight off Milne, and Bendle run out. Foster bowled Goldschmidt with the score unaltered. The next wicket fell at 46, and then 5 more wickets fell for one run, Milne getting 3 and Foster 2. Donaldson and Barnet made a stand for the last wicket, and were still together when stumps were drawn, the score standing at 83 for 9 wickets.

The result of the match was unsatisfactory, as the team was not a strong one, and but for the fine innings of Donaldson would have been easily beaten.

## KENSINGTON PARK.

*First Innings.*

M. A. Nicholas, b. Foster .....	2
J. G. Donaldson, c. Bompas, b. Foster .....	67
E. Bendle, c. Milne, b. Knight.....	20
A. W. Watson, b. Harris .....	27
A. Whittow, c. Knight, b. Milne ...	17
H. D. Nicholas, l.b.w., b. Foster...	0
F. H. Palmer, c. and b. Foster.....	6
R. O. Barnett, b. Foster.....	1
F. Halford, c. Anderson, b. Foster	6
W. S. Wynne, b. Foster.....	2
W. O. Goldschmidt, not out .....	1
Extras .....	19
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>168</b>

*Second Innings.*

c. Knight, b. Milne	18
run out .....	14
b. Foster .....	3
c. Knight, b. Milne	7
l.b.w., b. Milne	0
b. Foster .....	0
not out .....	22
b. Foster .....	0
b. Milne .....	0
b. Foster .....	0
Extras .....	6
<b>Total (9 wkts.)</b>	<b>83</b>

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H. S. Bompas, b. Wynne.....	22
K. B. Anderson, b. Wynne .....	10
S. S. Harris, b. Wynne .....	15
A. L. Foster, b. Palmer .....	3
A. A. Milne, c. Bendle, b. Halford .....	13
R. P. Rawlings, c. M. A., b. H. D. Nicholas ...	1
F. I. Harrison, c. M. A., b. H. D. Nicholas ...	10
A. S. Gaye, b. Halford.....	1
C. B. H. Knight, b. Halford .....	1
L. H. Bennett, st. Whittow, b. H. D. Nicholas	4
A. J. Willett, not out .....	1
Extras .....	18

Total ..... 99

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

## KENSINGTON PARK.—First Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Foster .....	18.4	2	54	7
Knight .....	10	2	32	1
Gaye .....	4	0	17	0
Milne .....	14	6	22	1
Harris .....	9	3	24	1

## Second Innings.

Foster .....	10	1	44	4
Gaye .....	1	0	4	0
Milne.....	10	3	29	4

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Wynne .....	13	2	45	3
Palmer .....	8	2	18	1
Nicholas .....	6.4	2	14	3
Halford.....	2	0	4	3

## WESTMINSTERS IN THE WAR.

(ADDITIONAL.)

At School.

1887-90.—W. H. H. PAUL: Imperial Yeomanry.  
(Taken prisoner at Lindley.)

## POETRY.

## MAFEKING, MAY 18.

At last! The fence of steel is down  
Before the avenger's stern advance;  
And streams upon the leaguered town  
The sunshine of deliverance.

O'er sundered lands the message hied,  
United pæans hailed its course,  
Where proud St. Lawrence rolls his tide,  
Where blazes far the Southern Cross.

Disdaining still to bow the knee,  
The sturdy band through months of gloom  
Matched Europe's best artillery  
With makeshifts from the lumber-room.

No stirring enterprise their lot,  
But prison's torpor, slow but sure.  
Fate cribbed them in one narrow spot,  
And left them only to endure.

Nor theirs a courage of despair,  
That wrests what nature would deny,  
Inspires the trembling hand to dare,  
And nerves the craven soul to die.

Their country called ; stern Duty rose  
And touched them with her potent wand,  
That steeled the arm to fiercer blows,  
And would not let the heart despond.

When valour well could bow to might,  
They flung defiance, taunt, and scorn,  
And 'mid illimitable night  
Stood calmly waiting for the dawn.

### HORRID—AFTER DARK.

τύπτω, τύπτεις, τύπτει, &c.—GREEK GRAMMAR.

I WOKE on lobsters, heavily oppressed  
With all my limbs acutely strained, to see  
The gloom take shape, and from its nullity  
Beget a horrid beast that seemed to rest  
All over me, but chiefly on my chest  
Or thereabouts. Closer it sat on me,  
And ever louder laughed in equine glee,  
Until I shouted like a man possessed.  
Then shrieked I, 'Take the horrid thing away !'  
And It made answer, 'Thou must now atone  
For last night's supper. What if forty stone  
Repose upon thy chest till break of day !  
But for thy recklessness I should not stay ;  
Horrid I may be, but the fault's thine own.'

A. K. M.

[It is with no desire to disparage the merits of 'Yamande' that the above has been written. On reading 'Dark,' the author instantly recognised the symptoms so vividly depicted by 'Yamande' ; consequently, he has ventured on the above, in the hope that it may afford a solution of the difficulty to those mere mortals who prefer, when possible, to trace events to a material origin.—A. K. M.]

### House Notes.

RIGAUDS.—We have not much to chronicle in this issue ; we offer our hearty congratulations to K. B. Anderson on getting his 'pinks' and to C. Powers for his house-colours, and are pleased to see L. H. Bennett playing regularly for the School. In Juniors we have not been very successful, losing in succession to Grants and College, beating Home Boarders, however, in a re-played game ; in all these matches Powers seemed to be practically the only one who could score. We wish Barnby and Myers all success in their examinations.

GRANTS.—We have defeated Rigauds and College, and have been beaten by Ashburnham in the Juniors.

We congratulate H. S. Bompas on his scores of 106 and 149 not out. R. P. Rawlings and J. P. Blane have been playing regularly for the School. Our prospects for the Seniors are fairly good, and we hope to keep the Shield up Grants. E. C. Stevens has returned, but is at present, unfortunately, prevented from playing cricket.

HOME BOARDERS.—Our Juniors have not distinguished themselves in any of the matches they have played. We ought to have beaten Ashburnham, but hopelessly failed. In the first innings against Rigauds we totalled only 15 ; in the second we improved considerably, Scott Napier and Oppenheimer doing well ; but, owing to our bad start, we were beaten by ten wickets. We congratulate W. F. Corfield on his success in the University College Sports at Stamford Bridge. He won three events and secured the Quain Challenge Cup for the greatest number of points. A. J. Blaxland ran second in the Steeplechase.

ASHBURNHAM.—We congratulate our Junior team on their success in the House matches ; they have defeated Grants, College, and Home Boarders. Parker and Greene have been, perhaps, the most prominent members of the team, though the rest have done well. Our prospects for the Senior House matches are not very good, but with Harris in good form we may meet with some success. W. E. Carsley has been made a monitor.

### ERRATUM.

In our last number the seventh line of the translation of Horace's Ode to Leuconœ (page 247) was accidentally omitted. It should run :—

Suppress desire to linger here ; e'en whilst we talk loth time doth flee.

### Correspondence.

#### FOOTBALL REPORTS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—During the past Football season I have noticed a lamentable falling-off in the accounts of matches. Not only have the accounts been very short and very poor, but in many cases there have been none at all—weak apologies such as 'misaid notes,' &c., being substituted. Such a thing might occur once, but surely so frequent an occurrence of the same accident must be due to carelessness or slackness on the part of someone. Even without notes one would think that, with a little trouble, some report might have been written. Whoever it is that is responsible for the accounts will, I hope, pardon this plain speaking, but I know this is the opinion of many readers of *The Elizabethan*.

Yours, &c.,  
Φιλδεθλος.

[The writing of Football reports not coming within the Editorial province, we do not attempt any answer to our cor-

respondent's very just complaint, save that in our opinion an invented account is worse than no account at all. No doubt a reply will appear in our next number.—ED. *Elizabethan*.]

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—Can any fellow well up in the 'etiquette of the thing' inform me what are the rules about wearing House or School colours during the holidays?

Naturally, only Football colours may be worn during the Christmas holidays. But during the Easter holidays, the School Football being over, may a Cricket colour wear them?

Also during the approaching Summer holidays, the School Cricket being over, may a Football colour wear them?

Hoping that this mass of questions will obtain an answer,

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,

A SINGLE COLOUR.

[Your points will be brought up at the next meeting of the Games Committee.—ED. *Elizabethan*.]

### Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following :—*Reptonian, Wykehamist, Alleynian, Meteor* (2), *Marlburian, Haileyburian* (2), *Edinburgh Academy Chronicle, Our Boys' Magazine, Penn Charter Magazine* (2), *Cheltonian, Felstedian, Working Men's College Journal, Rossalian, Newtonian, Clavinian, Carthusian, Melburnian, Ruthin School Magazine, Radleian, Blundellian, Wellingtonian, Malvernian, The Blue, St. Peter's School Magazine.*

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Morat.