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## SCHOOL OFFERTORIES.

The time has come to speak about what has long been a standing disgrace to the School, we mean the Offertory on Saints' Days. We were very glad to see an effort being made to remedy this on All Saints' Day, but we shall not rest content with this. Excuses of one sort and another have been made for the last fifteen years, but the fact remains that Westminster at the present moment musters over three hundred boys, and the average offertory, with the Headmaster's contribution, is below £4. This condition of affairs has been going on for so long now that people have forgotten to regard it in the right light; they think that if

they keep the offertory between four and five pounds, they are doing well, but what does this mean? Every boy contributes about twopence halfpenny. Twopence-halfpenny! when the School's honour is at stake. When we see the offertories produced by other schools for their School Missions, Tought we not to feel ashamed? We cannot hope to raise sums like Eton and Winchester perhaps, but we can and should produce an amount of which we need not be ashamed. It is almost a disgrace to publish the amounts in the ELIZABETHAN. We do not pose to be a School of rich boys. but we do regard ourselves as on a level with most other famous public schools in the matter of wealth.

It is not that such has always been the case at Westminster; we should like to quote some extracts from past Elizabethans. In the December number of 1901 there is to be found: "The Offertory in Abbey on All Saints' Day amounted to £2 17s.  $9\frac{1}{2}d$ ." This was about the lowest depth it descended to. October 1898, we have: "The Mission Offertory in Abbey on September 29 amounted to £5 18s. 11d." In March 1898: "The last Mission Offertory was collected on the Annunciation Day. Over £30 has been collected this term." In October 1895: "The Mission Offertory in Abbey on October 18 amounted to £15 6s. 10\frac{1}{2}d., which was increased by the Headmaster's subscription to £19 5s." In February 1895: "At the Mission Offertory, made on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, £18 6s. 7d. was collected from the School. This was subsequently increased by late money and the Headmaster's subscription to over £24 4s." We do not want to conceal the fact that before 1898 there were fewer Mission Offertories, in fact, we believe only one a term, but even then, in 1895, when there were many fewer boys in the School, sums of \$20 or over were collected in one term, whereas nowadays, with three or four collections, we can only raise £12 to £15. Personally, we should much prefer to raise the money necessary by one or two collections a term, and big collections we mean, than by spreading it over three or four, or five perhaps.

The custom has grown up of always putting copper in the plate among the greater part of the School; that is at the root of the matter. It ought to be insisted on that the Offertory should be a silver one, and every boy in the School ought to do his best to see that it is so. After all it does not mean so very much, a sixpence three times a term could easily be afforded by those who squander their livelihood and lavish their patrimony daily at Suts. Every year about a quarter of the boys in the School leave, and in consequence within four years the whole School practically is renewed; the present generation does as the generation before it did, namely, it puts in copper.

But if this generation makes a united effort and takes a firm stand and puts in silver, we can safely prophesy that a great many future generations will continue to do likewise. A spasmodic effort that produces  $\pounds 7$  in the next Offertory and  $\pounds 2$  in the next but one, is not what we want; such could only serve an immediate need of funds at the Mission. Concentrated and continued action for a couple of terms would put the new tradition on a firm standing, and every boy who puts an increased donation in the plate can feel perfectly sure that, while he is performing his natural duty, his alms will be utilised for the very best of purposes.

## NOTES AND QUERIES.

There is an interesting reference to Westminster in Trevelyan's Life and Letters of Lord Macaulay. Macaulay, writing to one of his sisters on December II, 1845, concludes his letter as follows:—'I must now make haste home to dress for dinner at Milman's and for the Westminster Play.' The Play in 1845 was the Andria.

#### ORATIONS.

The first trial was held on November 29. The piece selected for recitation was Richard III., Act I, Sc. IV., ll. 1–74. There were eight competitors, all of whom had taken great pains with their task. They differed very much in the quality of their voices and, though no definite mark is assigned by the judges to this natural gift, it must necessarily be taken into account in estimating 'expression,' for which a mark is given, and it also affects 'distinctness,' for which another mark is given. Thus, Little pitched his voice too low and was difficult to hear at a distance; Phillimore (i) was too uniformly loud and did not sufficiently distinguish Brakenbury's lines. Phillimore (ii) and Waterson both spoke too fast, and Chidson also was too fast during the first half, though he improved greatly later on. Stannard's elocution was too uniform and therefore prosy. Robertson, on the other hand, exaggerated his expression and was stagey. On the whole, Durrant, assisted by a pleasant voice, was slightly the best on the day, Robertson coming second; but there are only few marks between the best and the worst, and no competitor can be considered out of the running.

# School Notes.

The first trial for Orations took place 'up School' on Friday, November 29, at which W. B. W. Durrant came out first with W. S. A. Robertson second.

J. W. McCulloch was awarded his Pinks after the match against the Outcasts.

The Mission Offertory on All Saints' Day amounted to £7 os. 2d., and that on St. Andrew's Day to £5 IIs. 6d.; we are glad to note a most welcome increase in these collections to what has been the general rule for so long a time.

The following is the Football Fixture Card, filled in to date:—

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1912.
     Sept. 28 v.
                    Clapham Rovers. Lost 1-2.
      and XI.
                    Old Cholmelians (A). Lost 1-2.
               2.
     Oct.
     Oct. 5 v. 2nd XI. v.
                    O.WW. Drawn I-I.
                    O.WW. (A). Lost o-3. Casuals. Won 3-o.
                    Casuals. Won 3—0.
Clapham Rovers (A). Drawn 2—2.
     Oct. 12 v. 2nd XI. v.
Wed. Oct. 16 v.
                    R.M.A., Woolwich. Won 2-1.
                    Old Aldenhamians. Lost 1-2.
          19 v.
                    King's College (A). Won 3—2. R.M.C., Sandhurst. Lost o—1. Old Bradfield Boys. Won 5—2.
     and XI.
               7).
     Oct. 26 v.
     Nov. 9 v.
 ,,
                    Old Carthusians. Lost 0-3.
          16
     and XI. v.
                    Old Cranleighans 2nd XI.
                                            Lost I-2.
Wed. Nov. 20 v.
                    Outcasts. Lost 1-5.
                    Old Foresters. Won 4-1.
           23 v.
      ,, 23 v.
2nd XI. v.
                    Bank of England 2nd XI.
                                          Drawn 2-2.
                     Old Brightonians. Lost o-2.
Sat. Nov. 30 v.
      2nd XI. v.
                    Old Foresters 2nd XI. Won 5-2.
Wed. Dec. 4
                     Seniors.
Sat.
                     St. Thomas's Hospital.
                7).
      and XI.
                     King's College (A).
Wed. Dec. 11
                     Seniors.
           14 2.
                    Old Etonians.
      and XI. v.
                    O.WW. (A).
                     1913.
Sat. Jan. 18 v.
                   Old Cholmelians.
     and XI. v.
                    Old Finchleians.
                    Old Felstedians.
Sat. Jan. 25
               2.
     and XI.
                    O. WW. (A).
                2.
Wed. Jan. 29 v.
                    Emeriti.
                    Lancing Old Boys.
School Mission.
Sat. Feb.
            I v.
      2nd XI. v.
Tues. Feb. 4 v. Sat. ,, 8 v.
                    Christ Church.
                    Casuals.
     ,, 8 v.
2nd XI. v.
                    Old Cranleighans 2nd XI.
 Wed. Feb. 12 v.
                    Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.
                    Beckenham.
                2.
           15
      and XI.
                    Bank of England 2nd XI.
                2.
                    Charterhouse (at Godalming).
     Feb. 22 v.
 Sat. Mar. I v.
                     O.WW.
Tues. ,,
                     Winchester (at Vincent Square).
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                2.
             8 2.
                    Old Wykehamists.
Sat. ,,
      2nd XI. v. O.WW. (A).
                    Old Berkhamstedians.
     Mar. 15 v.
                    K.SS, v, T.BB,
 Wed. ,, 19
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#### THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD BRADFIELD BOYS, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

(Won, 5-2.)

An interesting game which resulted in a good victory for the School. The Visitors won the toss and elected to defend the Church end. first few minutes the School were hard pressed, and Durrant was called upon to save several times. After this the School put more life into their play and Cobbold running through, hit the cross-bar with a fine shot. However, the Visitors were the first to score, the goal being shot in a mélée in front of goal. Soon afterwards Kann, receiving a good pass, equalised, and the score was unchanged at half-time. On resuming the School forwards played excellently, and had they made use of all their chances, the score would undoubtedly have been much greater; for the first twenty minutes the forwards were shooting all the time, Kann adding two more goals in rapid succession; from another rush Cobbold scored with a beautiful shot, and shortly afterwards, Rudd added a fifth, which might have been saved. Just on time the Visitors got a second The whole team showed great improvement in this match, although some of the regular players were ill. Result, 5-2.

Team:-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

W. B. Durrant; F. R. C. Cobbold, E. L. Hodgson; M. A. Thompson, G. C. Cardew, F. W. Pink; C. Hurst-Brown, P. W. Kann, G. F. Rudd, A. Cobbold, A. C. Miles.

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD CARTHUSIANS. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16.

(Lost, 0-3.)

PINK won the toss and chose to attack the Hospital end. At the start of the game the exchanges were fairly even, though the Visitors were on the whole superior, as they proved to be all through the game. However, the School attacked strongly after a time and forced a corner, which proved fruitless. The Visitors then took up the attack, the forwards showing good combination; and eventually the inside right scored with an excellent shot. Westminster forced another corner, from which Hurst-Brown shot over: the play was fairly even up to half-time when the score was

In the second half the School played badly, the forwards being weak, and the defence unsound, although it must be said that the latter was almost all reserves. It seemed to those on the touchline that Durrant might have saved both the goals which were scored in this half; however, be that as it may, the Visitors were decidedly the better side and deserved their victory of 3-0.

Team :-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

W. B. Durrant; M. A. Thompson, F. R. C. Cobbold; F. W. Pink, C. G. Cardew and J. M. Troutbeck; A. C. Miles, A. Cobbold, G. F. Rudd, P. W. Kann, C. Hurst-Brown.

# WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OUTCASTS. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20.

(Lost, 1-5.)

For this match the School were still more handicapped than in the last one, losing yet another defender; the School attacked the Hospital end in the first half, and settled down fairly quickly; in fact, in the first half the School were quite as dangerous as their opponents; Kann and Rudd both sent in good shots, the latter grazing the bar, with the goalkeeper well beaten; the Outcasts opened the scoring, Cobbold missing his kick in front of goal, but Kann quickly equalised from close quarters. In the second half the School went to pieces, the defence could do nothing right, and the forwards never looked like scoring; the Outcasts added four more goals, and although the School wings occasionally got away, the insides were never there, Kann and Cobbold being very weak. Brisley played a fine game for the Visitors, who won easily.

Team:-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

W. B. Durrant; F. R. Cobbold, F. W. Pink; J. M. Troutbeck, C. G. Cardew, M. A. Thompson; C. H.-Brown, P. W. Kann, G. F. Rudd, A. Cobbold, J. W. MacCulloch.

# WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD FORESTERS. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

(Won, 4-I.)

This match proved to be one of the best seen on Vincent Square this year, for although the School seemed to win by such a substantial margin, yet the Visitors had almost as much of the play. Pink won the toss and elected to defend the Church end : the game started with plenty of life in it, both sides settling down to their work quickly. a quarter of an hour from the kick-off, Hurst-Brown gave MacCulloch a beautiful pass and the latter opened the score with a good shot. Shortly afterwards, Hurst-Brown got through and hit the cross-bar, with the goalkeeper well beaten; the Visitors then took up the attack, and a succession of goal-kicks followed, until the School forwards again got away, but Rudd shot wildly and a good chance was thrown away. Even play ruled up to half-time, when the score was I-o. In the second half, the Visitors' forwards showed very pretty combination, and for the first twenty minutes things looked exceedingly unpleasant, but the defence always seemed to be in their right places, and for a time all went well; the School livened up after this and Rudd put MacCulloch and Hurst-Brown through for two goals, the second one being a peculiarly good one. From the kick-off of the last of these two goals, the Visitors went straight through and scored. Shortly before the end, MacCulloch scored again, and the School were left winners by 4 goals to 1. There is no doubt that up to now the new arrangement in the forward line is a distinct improvement.

Team:-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

W. B. Durrant; F. W. Pink, F. R. Cobbold; P. W. Kann, C. G. Cardew, J. M. Troutbeck; A. C. Miles, J. W. MacCulloch, G. F. Rudd, C. H.-Brown, J. C. Hansen.

# 2ND XI. v. ST. GABRIEL'S. NOVEMBER 9.

(Won, 4-I.)

THE Visitors won the toss and elected to play up the hill. From the beginning the School forwards pressed and as the result of half an hour's play the score was 3-0, Waterson having scored I and Charlton 2. Our opponents made desperate attempts to break through our defence but were not able to combine. At half-time the score was still 3-0. Not long after the recommencement, St. Gabriel's secured a good goal (3-I). This, however, was their last successful attempt to score. Towards the end, Charlton scored another goal from a good centre by Hansen (4-I). The Visitors' goalkeeper was very successful in saving shots and had it not been for his excellent play, we should have scored more goals than we did.

# 2ND XI. v. OLD CRANLEIGHANS. NOVEMBER 16.

(Lost, I-2.)

WE again lost the toss and kicked off up the hill. After a considerable length of time, the Visitors' right wing got away, and put in a fine centre which the inside right successfully netted. Shortly after this, after some good dribbling, Hansen managed to score (I-I). But after the restart, the Old Cranleighans proved too much for us and although they did not score again before half-time, yet they contrived to keep our defence well employed. The score at half-time was (I-I). Our opponents, after the interval, started off straight away and soon effected another goal (I-2). After some more ineffectual play in semi-darkness, the whistle blew.

#### 2ND XI. v. BANK OF ENGLAND. NOVEMBER 23.

(Drawn, 2-2.)

THE School won the toss and started playing up the hill towards the Hort cultural Hall. The game was very even for the first quarter of an hour, but after that two corners were forced in quick succession against the Bank of England, the second attempt resulting in a good shot from Waterson which scored (r-o). However, almost immediately after the restart of the game, our

opponents' centre-forward twice broke through and scored two rapid goals (1–2). There then took place some move play in mid-field until half-time, the opposing centre-half being especially conspicuous. After half-time our opponents made some desperate efforts to score but were unsuccessful owing to Carless's form in goal. The only remaining play which was conspicuous was an excellent shot by Cobbold by which we equalised (2–2). Shortly after this the whistle blew.

## JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	K.SS.	A.HH.	G.	R.	н.вв.	
K.SS		3—I	L 2-4			points.
А.НН	L 1-3			L 02		o points.
G	W 4-2	1		W 3-1	L o-1	points.
R		W 2-0	L 1-3		D 2-2	points.
н.вв			W I—o	D 2-2		points.

#### WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

	A	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	
A	-	L 0-2		D 2-2					= 1 point
В	W 2-0			1	L 04				= 4 points
С			-	L o-8			L 1-7	L 18	= o points
D	D 2-2		W 80	-			W I—o	L 4-6	= 5 points
E	W 5 I	W 4-0			-	W I—o			= 6 points
F		L 1-2			C-I	_	W 4-2		= 2 points .
G		1		L o—I		L 2-4	_	L 1-3	= 2 points
H			W 8—1	W 6-4			W <sub>3</sub> —1	_	=6 points

A.—S. L. HOLMES. B.—R. S. PARTRIDGE. C.—E. D. ASKWITH. D.—N. E. BARRACLOU

D.—N. E. BARRACLOUGH. E.—G. M. PLASKITT.

F.—A. D. CROW. G.—L. H. CHIDSON. H.—Q. C. D. BOVEY.

#### FIVES.

The following is the result of the second round of the School Fives Ties:—

G. B. F. Rudd and W. B. W. Durrant	beat (2-0)	H. A. Carless and R. S. Miller
R. S. Partridge and N. E. Barraclough	beat (2-0)	J. W. MacCulloch and V. F. Ealand
A. C. Miles and Q. C. D. Bovey	$ \begin{cases} beat \\ (2-1) \end{cases} $	F. W. Pink and P. W. G. Kann
F. R. C. Cobbold and K. T. D. Wilcox	beat 2-0	J. M. Troutbeck and J. C. Hansen.

The semi-final round resulted as follows:

G. B. F. Rudd and W. B. W. Durrant	beat (2—0)	A. C. Miles and Q. C. D. Bovey
F. R. C. Cobbold and K. T. D. Wilcox	beat (2—)	R. S. Partridge and N. E. Barraclough

# THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

On October 31, the House met to discuss the motion, 'that this House deplores the decline of public spirit in the country.'

The Proposer (Mr. W. J. N. LITTLE), in an interesting speech, dwelt mostly on the apathy of Englishmen of all classes in performing their duties as citizens. He considered that the only thing to rouse them from their present lethargy would be a scare such as England had not experienced since the days of Napoleon. At present, all classes gave themselves up to every kind of frivolity. The upper classes thought of little except cricket and golf, while the lower classes improved their minds merely by reading disreputable Sunday papers. Few cared for the national welfare except in so much as they might retain the liberty they abused.

The President, who opposed, complained that the Proposer had looked only at the darker side of things, and in this too had been unjust. The study of sport did the upper classes very little harm, while the lower classes, far from becoming less patriotic, were becoming infinitely more so, as was seen by the steady rise of Socialism. The assertion that England is on the brink of ruin had been made so often before that intelligent men had now become somewhat sceptical about it.

The Seconder (J. Thorp, Esq.) made a long and very interesting speech on the question. He confessed himself to be neither so despondent as the Proposer nor so hopeful as the Opposer. He said that no men below a certain standard of prosperity could be blamed for lack of public spirit living as they were in a hopeless state of squalor and unhealthiness; the fault lay with the upper

classes. He then went into the question of civic public spirit, showing how far more important and difficult to attain it was than military public spirit. In spite of difficulties, there was a bright side, in that hundreds of men were always ready to help in any good cause, a fact which was often not realised.

The Head\_Master ended the debate with a few words on the question as it affected public

schools.

The motion on being put to the vote was lost by 14 votes to 13.

On Thursday, November 7, the House met to discuss the motion, 'that this House would welcome a Minimum Age Limit in Westminster School.'

The Proposer (Mr. C. H. CHIDSON) set forth most of the arguments for his case in a meritorious speech which, if it did not carry away his hearers, was at any rate remarkably fluent. For a time he confined himself to a rational criticism of the unlimited introduction of extremely youthful boys into the School; the disadvantages of allowing old and very young boys to associate together, and the benefit a boy naturally gets from a preparatory course of some years at a private school were all set out ably and effectively. It was when he left the realms of sober argument for the flights of his vivid imagination that the Proposer became an object more of amusement than of interest to his audience; if it had not been for the quite unnecessary and ludicrous picture of the School inhabited by boys of five and six, with which he made his peroration, his maiden speech might have been recorded as wholly admirable.

The Opposer (Mr. P. W. G. Kann) also gave us an excellent maiden effort, but having little of the argument on his side, found his a difficult task. He maintained that at the present time there was virtually an age limit and that in practice very few boys under twelve were admitted. It was absurd, he pointed out, that boys who were clever either at work or at games beyond their years, should have to remain at private schools, where as a general rule, both were alike neglected; the methods of school life, moreover, took time to get into, and it would be most harmful in practice if boys' experience of it was reduced to only a few

years.

The Seconder (the TREASURER) apologised for the briefness of his views on the subject by the suddenness of his being called upon to second. In the short space, however, that he occupied the House, he thoroughly disagreed with and disputed all that the Opposer had uttered.

Mr. A. G. Pite, who then rose to address the House, had several things to say but did not get them out clearly enough or in a manner calculated to impress the Society. He maintained that

boys of thirteen or fourteen came to school with settled ideas; what was wanted was young boys who could be fostered and brought up according to the best School ideals; from this he proceeded to a discussion of hero-worship and the influence it has in Public School life. He was unfortunately far too sentimental over it to move the sceptical humour of the House, but in reality his speech was possessed of considerable common sense.

Mr. Stannard could not get away from the final childish ramblings of the Proposer and their quite unnecessary confutation by the Opposer. The question whether perambulators (to him 'prams!') should enter the School portals or not was of absorbing interest; most of the rest of the

Society fortunately did not feel it.

The VICE-PRESIDENT then made one of his astounding statements; we were informed that a rumour had got abroad that several new boys this term were so destitute of even rudimentary education as to be ignorant of their alphabets. After this dire news, he told us that the Housemasters were to blame in the first place, as they induced the Headmaster to admit boys far too young. As to football, he declared he had acquired his present expertness entirely at his private school.

Mr. R. E. D. CARGILL wished to know how the alphabetical culprits succeeded in passing their

entrance examination.

Throughout the meeting Mr. Chidson kept rising to remind the Society that there really was a practical age limit at the present moment.

Mr. G. B. F. Rudd from personal experience knew that games were well looked after in private

schools and

The Secretary told us that boys of fourteen had no settled ideas; he also could not resist jumping on Mr. Pite for thinking of such a thing as hero-worship.

Mr. Lowry then had a few words, and the debate came to its pre-destined conclusion with

the passing of the motion by 18 votes to 3.

R. S. P.

On November 14, the House met to discuss a motion, 'that this House sympathises with the

Turks in their present plight.'

The Proposer (Mr. C. Hurst-Brown) said that public sympathy was at present with the Balkan States owing to the belief that the Turks are heathens. By numerous references, he endeavoured to show that the ill-treatment of Christians in Macedonia was exaggerated and was largely due to the Christians themselves. Turkey is looked on as the sick man of Europe, and so the allied states have embarked on this war, not for the sake of the Christians in Turkey, but to gratify Servia's desire for a port and Bulgarian ambitions, while the Greeks and Montenegrins have former defeats to avenge.

The Opposer (Mr. W. E. ASHMEAD-BARTLETT) objected to the false sympathy, which overlooks the bad government by the Turks and regards the allies as mere upstarts. By the Treaty of Berlin, the Powers, through fear of Russia's influence, prevented the independence of Macedonia. Northern Bulgaria, being independent, has prospered far more than Southern. Turkish fatalism makes them unfitted to rule over men of Western civilisation. Once free, the Balkan States will exercise a good influence over Europe.

The Seconder (Mr. G. B. Rudd) said that the Press was responsible for the change in public opinion. He called on all Englishmen to support Turkey in the present war: (1) because English sympathy with the Balkans would cause the Moslem population of India to revolt; (2) because the partition of Turkey would probably

involve a European conflagration.

Mr. A. MARCHETTI declared that the mere fact that the allies, whose interests were not identical, had united against Turkey was sufficient proof that their object was not simply the extension of territory. The attitude of the Proposer was that of Europe some years ago, when the Powers discouraged the efforts of the Balkans towards good government from a disinclination to abolish the 'status quo.' The grievances of Christians in Macedonia are only too real, and the allies were justified in annexing the territory as the only way of obtaining effectual reform.

After an animated discussion on the part of Messrs. Hurst-Brown, Marchetti and Ashmead-Bartlett on the question whether the Turks are heathens or not, Mr. Lowry drew an analogy from the Roman Empire, where, in spite of the superiority of the imperial government, the dependent states were always fighting for their freedom.

Mr. Q. C. Bovey insisted on the importance of a sea-port to Servia as being the only State in Europe

without one.

Mr. A. C. MILES, in a rhetorical outburst, affirmed that it was not a case of the Balkan States defeating the Turks, but of the Cross triumphing over the Crescent.

Mr. A. G. PITE, in words almost too deep for his audience, explained the difference between individual and national Christianity. He then related an anecdote about the Moslems in India.

All the speakers seemed in earnest, and, in spite of a thin House, the debate was quite successful and would have been more so, if other members could have persuaded themselves to voice their opinions.

On the question being put, the motion was lost by acclamation.

C. H. B.

THE House met on Thursday, November 21, to discuss the motion that, 'this House views with apprehension the spread of Socialism in England.'

The Proposer (P. G. Garvin) thought that one of the greatest absurdities in Socialism was that there were no two similar definitions of its meaning. The general idea seemed to be to put all wealth into the hands of the community and pay all alike, whatever work they did. This system could never work, the great weakness lying in the scheme of paying good workers the same as bad, honest as dishonest, skilled as unskilled.

The Opposer (A. Marchetti) began an interesting speech by tracing the economic systems of the world from the earliest times to the present day. The root of all evil lay in the separation of workman from overlord. The benefit arising from all improvements went straight into the pocket of the capitalist. He said that Socialism was the only thing that could remedy the present disgraceful state of things, the only thing that could drive out unemployment and starvation. He went on to say that the theory of absolute right of property is a fallacy. No one brings it forward as an argument against taxation. Again, the only way of raising the character of the country was by raising the standard of comfort, and Socialism alone could accomplish this.

The Seconder (a VISITOR) put forward as his strongest point that Socialism gave no incentive to the individual. The present state of things, he admitted, was bad, but Socialism would only make things worse. If all wealth and property were put into the hands of the State, all progress would be at a standstill. Two things alone induce men to work—reward and compulsion. Take these away and no work will be done. He then proceeded to ridicule the ideal life of the Socialists, and wound up with a quotation from Winston Churchill that the Socialist propounds a scheme

and leaves human nature out of it.

Mr. SARGEAUNT regarded the spread of Socialism with apprehension if it meant all that the Anti-Socialist speakers had said. But he also regarded the present state of things with apprehension. The upper classes were not prepared to meet Socialism. There were, of course, many very rich men who did their full share of work and more. But there were also many who did not. He drew a parallel from the state of affairs in France before the French Revolution, when all men then living put the blame down to the insolent cruelty of the nobles. He then showed how St. Paul began with Socialism, but gave it up materially though not in spirit. If it was this spirit which was meant by Socialism-the spirit that prompts men to do their best—then it was impossible to regard Socialism with apprehension.

The motion on being put to the vote was carried by 14 votes to 6.

J. M. T.

On November 28, the House met to discuss the motion, 'that in the opinion of this House, the attitude of Ulster to Home Rule is unjustifiable.'

The Proposer (the Secretary) held that no excuse justified a resort to arms. The cry of 'a fight for freedom' was ridiculous. Ulster consisted of English colonists with English sympathies, whose attitude to Ireland was one of lofty disdain. It was preposterous for aliens to claim to rule. Ulster was a mere rebel, and suffered from the modern tendency of political factions to resort to violence.

The Opposer (Mr. W. J. N. LITTLE) maintained that Ulster resorted to force as her only means of resistance when smothered by a bigoted Dublin legislature. He justified her attitude on four grounds; her separation from the Imperial Parliament; her loss of religious liberty; the damage to her industrial prosperity, and the denominationalisation of education, a phrase which proved hard of pronunciation. Figures went to prove Ireland the most priest-ridden country in Europe, and the danger to Protestantism from the 'Ne Temere' and 'Motu Proprio' decrees was great. He resumed his seat after some savage tilts at the Government for the sale of their political souls.

The Seconder (Mr. A. D. Crow) based his argument on the fact that as Ulstermen had made their homes and interests in Ireland, so they should identify themselves with Ireland, and endeavour to extract the good that the Bill undoubtedly contained. It had been said that the Bill was not Irish, but Irish-American. In any case, its terms were lavish, and Ulster should not despise them.

The President rose to lecture the House upon the vice of Unionist prejudice, and did his utmost to create an open-minded atmosphere. Unionists were always posing as the educated classes, but they did not live up to their claims. The Nationalists were not arming; why should Ulster? The Opposer seemed to believe in the return of torture by the Church. Minorities, he concluded, had no right to enforce their will by arms.

Mr. W. J. N. LITTLE denied a belief in the advent of a latter-day Inquisition. Ulster complained not of a mere minority, but of a perpetual

minority.

The Secretary pointed out that Ireland

itself was in a perpetual minority.

The Vice-President believed that force alone was left to Ulster. He dispersed some points in the President's speech.

The President thought that Ulster, rather than make ready for battle, would with more reason demand Home Rule for herself.

After further remarks by the Vice-President, the Treasurer and Mr. W. J. N. Little, none of which brought fresh material into the debate, the motion was put to the vote, and defeated by 7

The debate might with advantage have become more general, and the House was unduly biassed

by party politics.

The following is the card of the Debating Society filled in to date:-

Oct. 10.—' That in the opinion of this House the Triangular Tests should never be repeated.' Proposer, R. E. D. Cargill; Seconder, J. W. MacCulloch; Opposer, C. Hurst-Brown; Fourth Speaker, W. B. W. Durrant. Ayes, 7; Noes, 13.

Oct. 17.—' That in the opinion of this House, the

Insurance Act, as a practical experiment, is a failure.' Proposer, W. B. W. Durrant; Seconder, R. W. Stannard; Opposer, R. S. Partridge; Fourth Speaker, T. R. Dawson.

Ayes, 17; Noes, 9.

Oct. 24.—' That in the opinion of this House, Classical Education is better than Modern.' Proposer, H. C. Rambaut; Seconder, H. A. G. Phillimore; Opposer, E. D. Askwith; Fourth Speaker, S. F. Waterson. Carried by Acclamation.

Oct. 31.—'That this House deplores the decline of Public Spirit in the nation.' Proposer, W. J. N. Little; Seconder, J. Thorpe, Esq.; Opposer, R. S. Partridge; Fourth Speaker, C. G. Cardew. Ayes 13; Noes 14.

Fourth Speaker, C. G. Cardew. Ayes 13; Noes 14.

Nov. 7.—' That this House would welcome a Minimum
Age Limit in Westminster School.' Proposer, C. H.
Chidson; Seconder, A. Marchetti; Opposer, P. W. Kann;
Fourth Speaker, A. G. Pite. Ayes 18; Noes 3.

Nov. 14.—' That this House sympathises with the
Turks in their present plight.' Proposer, C. Hurst-Brown;
Seconder, G. B. F. Rudd; Opposer, W. E. AshmeadBartlett: Fourth Speaker, A. Marchetti. Lost by Ac-Bartlett; Fourth Speaker, A. Marchetti. Lost by Ac-

Nov. 21.—' That this House views with apprehension the spread of Socialism in England.' Proposer, P. G. Garvin; Seconder, A Visitor; Opposer, A. Marchetti. Ayes 14;

Nov. 28.—' That in the opinion of this House, Ulster's attitude towards Home Rule is unjustifiable.' Proposer, J. M. Troutbeck; Seconder, A. D. Crow; Opposer, W. J. N. Little. Ayes 7; Noes 14.

Dec. 5.—' That this House deplores the influence of the Traff on the proposer S. I.

the Turf on the national character.' Proposer, S. L. Holmes; Seconder, J. W. MacCulloch; Opposer, N. E. Barraclough; Fourth Speaker, K. T. D. Wilcox. Postponed.

## ---W.S.N.H.S.

On Saturday, November 9, G. C. Lowry read an instructive paper on 'Snakes.' He started off with exhaustive descriptions of the best-known serpent families, exhibiting to the Society some specimens of skin, and some illustrations drawn by the Secretary with much skill. Next he proceeded to consider snakes from the popular point of view, showing how these reptiles supersede all others in the life and sayings of the peoples of India, in which land snakes are most common. He discoursed at great length on the cobras and the boa constrictors, telling us where these dangerous creatures are to be found, and of their voracious habits. After a few references to the snake charmers and the devices by which they are supposed to protect themselves, he concluded by hoping that a serpent's deadly fangs would never enter the skin of his auditors. Then followed the usual vote of thanks, upon which the meeting was adjourned.

The following Saturday, November 16, R. W. Stannard gave us a paper on 'Ants.' He began by dealing with the different species of British ants, describing the structure of their bodies, which, as in the case of other insects, consist of the head, thorax and abdomen, with six pairs of legs; the exception to this being the workers, which have two pairs of wings. He went on to describe the method of keeping ants, with instances of their great pugnacity, illustrating the latter from personal experience. Finally, quoting Bates and Savage to give an account of the habits of the large scitons of America and the Driver ants of West Africa, he brought his remarks to a conclusion.

On Saturday, November 23, the Secretary read a paper on 'The Wild Dogs,' before an audience which was really worthy of the Society. He carefully pointed out the difference of formation between these animals and the Wild Cats, and the various cunning ways in which the former catch their prey. The chief beasts he dealt with were the wolves, the jackals, and the foxes. He gave his audience many instances of the cunning and of the cowardice of the jackals and the wolves, and though his humour was at times rather wild, the illustrations, nevertheless, at most of which he had laboured for some little time, succeeded in rousing the interest of the Society. He at length concluded with a gruesome story of a night journey in the depths of a Russian winter, which gave one some idea of the terror and havoc that can arise in consequence of these ravenous beasts if travellers are insufficiently provided.

# Mouse Hotes.

College.—First of all we must condole with R. E. D. Cargill on being laid up with divers diseases and afflictions from playing his wonted gallant game at football; but on the other hand, congratulations are due to J. M. Troutbeck, M. A. Thompson and W. B. W. Durrant on appearances for the First XI. The stage was commenced on Wednesday, November 27, and the incessant din of hammers resounds in our ears throughout the day, while rehearsals follow each other in ever-quickening succession. We miss the pleasant visages of G. C. Lowry and E. D. Askwith, at present on scholastic exploits bent, to Oxford and Cambridge respectively; we wish them the best of luck in their endeavours to melt the stony hearts of the examiners. G. B. F. Rudd, though suffering bodily torments (sic), whenever he takes or leaves the field, continues to display well-meaning efforts to score goals for the School; we do not, however, append his percentage of shots to goals. More or less energy is expended over Chess Ties, and Fives Ties continue to progress in a most desultory manner. Our Juniors, though handicapped by the early incapacitation of G. G. Greig, scored a well-merited win over Ashburnham; we assure every one not present that Turner cut a fine figure as deputy goalkeeper.

ASHBURNHAM.—House Notes have come round again rather too soon for us this month as we are unable to record our success in Senior without anticipating, and by so doing, perhaps causing annoyance up other Houses; and so, under the circumstances, we shall defer doing so until next Term. Our Juniors succumbed to College (I-3) but played distinctly below form, and but for bad shooting ought to have made a draw of it; so that we still have hopes of regaining the Cup as they are quite a useful side.

We must congratulate MacCulloch on regaining his Pinks and condole with him on the injuries to his knee and ankle which kept him out of the

side for three weeks.

We are glad to be able to announce that the Fives Ties have started. Finally, we wish Carless, H. A., success in his forthcoming examination.

Grant's.—Our Juniors are to be congratulated on their easy victory over College and also, in spite of the absence of Hodgson, they defeated Rigaud's quite satisfactorily. If they continue to show their previous form, they should have no difficulty in carrying off the cup. Our Seniors were considerably better in the field than on paper, for we only mustered one 'third' and two House colours. We were defeated by Rigaud's 5-0 after a game which was far more even than the score implied. On the whole, Grant's gave quite a creditable performance, especially as Hodgson, who was to have been the main factor in our defence, was unable to play. Waddington played a very useful game in goal and is to be congratulated on gaining well-deserved House colours.

H.BB.—We must begin this month by mourning the loss of W. I. Lang and A. S. Sondheim, both of whom will be greatly missed. In Seniors, we were drawn against Ashburnham and had to take the field with a considerably weakened team, owing to the absence of several fellows, including Mansel-Howe, who injured his knee some time ago. In spite of our weak team we put up a good and plucky fight and were beaten only by 2 goals to nil. Several members of the team played well, amongst whom were Furze and Hunt, who received their House colours.

In Juniors we were also opposed by Ashburnham, and at the end of a fairly good game, which we ought to have won, the score was 2 all.

We wish our Juniors better luck in their future games, which they will certainly win if only they show a little more dash.

Before we finish we must not forget to wish J. C. Ainsworth-Davis and J. C. Hansen every success in their approaching exams.

RIGAUD'S.—The demand for House Notes has come with such frequency of late as to find our

editorial powers at a loss. We congratulate ourselves on supplying four members of the team against the Outcasts while Marchetti also appears regularly for the 2nd XI. Our Junior team, after inspiring hope by their spirited draw against H.BB., suffered at the hands of Grant's a reverse, which, however, was amply atoned for by our crushing victory in Seniors, when we defeated the aforementioned House by the large margin of 5 goals to love; so now we entertain the liveliest hopes of beating A.HH. in the near future. Yard ties, though drawn, have not reached their initial stages, but we hear that a start may shortly be made. Our numbers in the Corps this term are very low, but by next term we hope to have many more recruits who will fill up the places of those stalwarts who are deserting us this Christmas.

## Old Westminsters.

MR. E. W. R. HADDEN has been called to the Bar at the Inner Temple.

At Cambridge the Walsingham Medal for Physiology is awarded to Mr. E. O. Adrian. At Trinity College Mr. Adrian is awarded, jointly with another, the Coutts-Trotter Scholarship for Natural Science.

# Births.

On November 26, the wife of Francis W. Hubback, of a daughter.

On November 17, the wife of Horace C. Waterfield, of a daughter.

# Marriage.

BLAXLAND-ANDREWS.—On November 6, Athelstane Jasper Blaxland, F.R.C.S., to Marion, daughter of the late W. Andrews, of Chediston, Norfolk.

LANGTON-BOYES. - On November 30, John Montague Ellis Langton, to Olivia, second daughter of Lt. Col. W. J. Boyes, late of the Suffolk Regiment.

# Obituary.

WE have to regret the death of Geoffrey Adcock Bowen who was at the School from 1902-1906. He became an engineer and went to Egypt, where his promising career was cut short by diphtheria on November 5. His age was only twenty-three and his early death is much deplored.

### Correspondence.

Christ Church, Oxford, October, 1912.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.' DEAR SIR,-The end of the long vacation and the beginning of a new year is not a time which provides much interesting news; however, your demand must be answered, even if the answer seems entirely stale or uninteresting. Lethbridge has gone down after taking the Boden Sanskrit Scholarship; Boult also has left behind him a gap which will not be filled. Jones and Macklin are to be congratulated on their successes in the Civil Service Examination, and are now here learning languages, whose very names are a liberal education, with all the ardour which schoolboys bestow upon Latin and Greek; it is to be hoped that one of them will follow Lethbridge and get the Boden. Williams, R. M. Barrington-Ward, Gow, Troutbeck and Benvenisti have the shades of Greats closing round them, while a numerous cohort of O.WW., six times at least as great as that of last year, is busily

preparing for Honour Mods. in March. In the field of sports the Westminster light is more or less under a bushel at the moment. Gow is hors de combat with a sprained ankle, while Edgar's shoulder and Hammond's knee are prepared to go wrong if you touch them, and Lutyens' head is in a similar predicament. However, Gow is now walking about, Lutyens plays hockey for the House, and Edgar has again been playing feathell for the House, without any admitted results. football for the House without any calamitous results so far, and is sometimes joined by Usher, who is now, by-the-bye, teaching the young idea at the Christ Church Choir School and has already helped to provide College with one junior. Openshaw, the intrepid motor-cyclist, is arranging a 'Varsity hill-climb, which should be a success if not spoilt by the weather.

At the Union Barrington-Ward has run his cursus honorum and is now an ex-president, that princely thing; let us hope that some of the freshers will follow him. Senior Common Room news seems scarce, though rumour has it that another year or so will see the Dean of Christ Church involved in the vice-cancellariate. appearances have been made in Oxford by the Head-master, who was preaching at Balliol, and by B. S. Horner, who was seeking a Fellowship at All Souls', in which we wish him all success.

As to the freshmen, we have J. G. Barrington-Ward, J. C. Hobson, B. H. Lunn, Faure, Lindner, Dearmer, Fisher, and Noakes at the House; Chitty is at Balliol, Spokes at Worcester, A. Hammond at Exeter, and "the comic pen of A. H. Bird" (I quote from your columns) at Magdalen. If there are any more I apologise to them, and plead that it is hard to keep in touch with O.WW. scattered all over Oxford which perhaps accounts for the one-sidedness of this letter. Indeed it would seem desirable that we in Oxford should follow the Cambridge O.WW. and institute an Oxford O.WW. dinner. But I was to chronicle facts—so, with every apology for the meagreness of those chronicled, I will subscribe myself Your obedient servant,

EX-ÆDE CHRISTI.

Union Society, Cambridge.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.' DEAR MR. EDITOR,—We read with some amusement bear Mr. F.Bitor,—we read with some amusement in your June issue a little letter, from the pen of Mr. S. S. Harris, if we remember aright, deploring the lack of taste displayed, presumably, in our last letter. A little investigation has revealed to us the fact that Mr. Harris was an Association 'Blue,' and, as such, he doubtless rendered it possible in his day for your Cambridge Correspondent to fill paragraph on paragraph with deal of the same and the fill paragraph on paragraph with the fill paragraph on paragraph. pondent to fill paragraph on paragraph with deeds of pure glory, without the necessity of enlivening his copy with any reference to the lighter side of life. Well do we remember, sir, in our young days at Westminster, ploughing our way dutifully through the 'Varsity news, reading with souls unmoved that Mr. Sideabout had rowed six in Peterhouse 3rd Lent boat or that Mr. Sirrah had kicked a goal against the Trinity Tadpoles. Then did we determine, that, if ever the 'Varsity letter should devolve upon ourselves, it should be otherwise. The undergraduate, sir, as you will in due season discover for yourself is a merry, flippant thing, and must be treated as such. cannot all spend our lives making history upon the football field, and as we venture to opine that a list of books read by each man or other information of a similar nature would, on the whole, be less favourably received by your subscribers than a reference to the amusements that each one manages to extract from his 'Varsity life, we do not feel justified in altering our course to suit the tastes of one of our passengers. Now, sir, we have lingered long over this little matter and we ask but one word more. The remedy we always prescribe for those whose sense of humour is naturally deficient, or has been worn dull by ill-discretioned over-exercise against the young idea, is a careful and persevering perusal of a few of the annual volumes of *Punch*, 1841-1911. Now, sir, for the news. All told, Cambridge Old Westminsters at present in residence are about forty-three. We welcome this time a recruit to the extremely small band of O.WW. who are Fellows of their Colleges in Mr. R. Hackforth who is at Sidney Sussex in that capacity. In addition to his classical prowess he is what Mr. Sargeaunt would call a 'bone-barger' of much excellence and is in continual demand at the Musical Club. Mr. D. S. Robertson, the other member of the little band of Fellows, lives the busy, happy, uneventful life of a married Don. We are told that Baby Robertson is learning English, Latin and Greek concurrently, and is said already to display signs of marked vocal talent. We have great hopes of Mr. E. D. Adrian, who is now in his fifth year, and who will stand for a Fellowship next year. His dissertation, we gather, deals with the nervous system of frogs. We are overjoyed this term to find the entire complement of the Rawson family in residence. An unfortunate accident to Mr. H. F. R.'s foot has deprived us of ten days of his company; he with Mr. R. R. plays a vile game called bicycle-polo, and between them they have turned two bikes into Chinese wire-puzzles and, had not the game been banned by the Field Club, would have made themselves mincemeat. Mr. R. R. does little but train for the Freshmen's Boxing Competition (of his success in which we are fairly confident) and read the Motor Cycle. Mr. W. T. R. is busy with his Pepys, his Evelyn and his Carlyle, relieved by snatches of history or Musical Club. We welcome Mr. W. L. Selby, who ran in the Freshmen's sports without conspicuous result either way. Mr. J. M. de Slubicki, of Pembroke, plays indifferent golf with a one-figure handicap, and has strange adventures in motor-cars; he reads modern languages. Mr. C. V. Miles, of the same College, has been known to play bridge, billiards and golf, chiefly the first; he is regularly left outside (or is it outside-left?) of the Pembroke 1st XI. We are glad to be able to report that both Mr. Tomlinson's car and Mr. Tomlinson are still safe. The extreme senility of the former leads one to expect that it will soon be the recipent of an old age pension. Mr. G. L. Brown had charge of it during the Long; we do not often see him as he is a good deal engaged this term; the Footlights Club claims most of his time. Mr. Walpole is the essence and being of Magdalene; his flood of eloquence cannot be imagined—it must be heard. It is a common occurrence for him to tub, play rugger, entertain three deans' wives to tea, dine with two bishops, keep a chapel and speak at a temperance meeting between lunch and bedtime. Mr. E. L. Hawke plays manifold instruments, entertains musical artistes when they appear in Cambridge and makes

almost daily excursions to town, ostensibly to patronise concerts. He wears hair of no inconsiderable length. His recreations are golf, billiards and chess. Mr. Calkin is now, we rejoice to learn, an Exhibitioner of Jesus. He loves antiquities and fossils, of which there is no lack here. Mr. B. Smith lives quietly on the shores of the Cam, waiting for the cricket season, that he may surprise us. Mr. P. S. Ham, of Downing, was in the Trial VIII's. We fancy the boy scouts make considerable inroads upon the time of Messrs. Scott and Malden. Mr. E. B. Shaw, charming as ever, is a piece de résistance in the O.T.C.; not only is he a 'Varsity shot, but he undertakes those iniquitous functions known to us of yore as 'Recruit Drills.' Messrs. Burgess and Hippisley have settled down well and sport diminutive moustaches, being troubled with what Calverley terms 'mentumque virili laevius.' In Messrs, Tansley and Melville Smith rests our togatory reputation; both are bespatted and betied au chic, a suitable resting-place for the weary eye. Mr. R. R. Sedgwick, not content with impersonating a baby-suppliant in the 'Oedipus,' has on divers occasions coxed Third Trinity. There is sorrow there, for Mr. Thoresby-Jones has left them. Mr. Fursden deserves our congratulations upon winning the Freshmen's Shooting Spoon. Mr. H. B. Crowe on having figured in the Trial VIII's a triumph, that, for the revival of Westminsters' rowing. We miss Mr. W. B. Ruegg this term owing to an unfortunate illness. Mr. Chalmers has vanished. Mr. Hake works 'like a horse' as the saying goes, and will be all over his Tripos. Unfortunately we can give publicity to nothing about Mr. Lichtenberg.

Our list of 'also-rans' this term has to include important names, about the owners of which from lack rather of time than inclination, we have ascertained nothing. We append them: Messrs. Burleigh, Cozens, Dvorkovitz, Fletcher, Foster, Geare, Gray, Humphries, Moore and Wade. Our attention has been directed to two veteran O.WW., if we may so term them, Messrs. Hugh Scott and B. G. Brown, of Trinity, while finally we must add the names of two whose careers at Westminster were, of their own will, ephemeral, Messrs. O. Lyttelton and Riley. And now, sir, we can only apologise for the inordinate length of this document-our excuse being the very large number of O.WW. in residence—and trust that the Oxford letter may be correspondingly and suitably short to make room for us, and remain with all best wishes for the success of the 'Famulus.'

Your essentially faithful, CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

> Harston Rectory, Grantham. November 20, 1912.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—In his recently published book, Sixty Years of a Soldier's Life, Sir A. E. Turner gives a brief account of his time at Westminster, and writes in very hard terms of the then Under Master. I was pained when I read his unfavourable criticism.

Turner and I both entered the School in January 1854. He was a rather older and much cleverer boy than myself, and was not in the Under School, neither was he in College, so he was not directly within the influence of the Rev. T. W. Weare, who then had charge of both.

I enjoyed that great privilege.
I was in the Under School for, I think, four terms (halves we then used to call them), and I was one of the Q.SS. when to our great regret he left us; and I should like present Westminsters who may read the book to see Mr. Weare from another point of view.

I have a very kindly remembrance of all the masters through whose hands I passed at School, and of none more so than of Weare. He was among the most genial and kind hearted and sympathetic of men. He believed

in his boys and he believed in his School. He was at Westminster during anxious times, and I believe the School

owed much to his cheery optimism.

Sir Alfrea says he was cruel, and describes two brutal forms of punishment. I can only say that I never experienced, nor remember to have witnessed either. He could be severe. I had many a 'wigging,' or 'pinching,' unpleasant and not undeserved, over a slovenly or faulty exercise, and I have gazed at a rod, placed threateningly before my eyes on the back desk of the horse-shoe form then in vogue, but it never got to the back of my hand. As he used to say of himself, his bark was worse than his bite.

I had a very sincere affection for my very kind and just old master, and I should like any who have read the strictures of Sir Alfred Turner, to be able to read also a few words from one who formed a very different opinion.

Yours faithfully A. P. DAWSON.

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The Public Schools Club, 13 Albemarle Street, W. November 10, 1912.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,-Might I suggest that a carriage or two be reserved for O.WW. on the School Special this year to I feel sure that many O.WW. would Charterhouse. avail themselves of the privilege.

I remain.

Yours faithfully. O.W.

#### OLD WESTMINSTERS' FOOTBALL AND CRICKET CLUB.

We are asked to insert the following:-The Window House, Claygate, Surrey. November 1912.

DEAR SIR,—The Annual Dinner will be held at the Trocadero Restaurant, on Saturday, December 14 next, at 7.15 o'clock. Tickets, which can be obtained only from the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. L. A. M. Fevez, of Angel Court, Friday Street, E.C., are 6s. 6d. each (exclusive of wine or spirits). If applied for after December 9 they will be 7s. 6d. each.

Unless at least 60 applications for tickets are received by Mr. Fevez, together with a remittance, by Monday,

December 2, the Dinner will not be held.

R. S. SUMMERHAYS, Hon. Secretary.

P.S.—I shall be glad if any members and their friends, who are willing to sing or play after the Dinner, will kindly send me their names.

#### Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following: The Rossalian (2), The Edinburgh Academy Chronicle (2), The Working Man's Journal, The Eton College Chronicle (2), The Vorting Man's fournat, The Eton Courge Chronicle (5), The Carthusian, The Cantuarian, The Marlburian (2), The Salopian (2), The Stonyhurst Magazine, The Blund-dellian, The R. M. A. Magazine, The Pauline, The Tonbridgian, The Cliftonian, The Cheltonian, The Clavinian (2), The Bradfield College Chronicle, The Meteor, The Newtonian, The Wykehamist, The Alleynian, The Cutler Fortnightly (2) The Wykenamist, Ine Alternan, The Culter Fortinghly (2), The Malvernian, The Fettesian, The Melburnian, The Trinity University Review, The Blue, The Reptonian, The Lancing College Magazine, The Harrovian, The Haverfordian, The Haileyburian, The Olavian, The Radleian, The Arena, The Felstedian, The Wellingtonian, and The Geelong Grammar School Quarterly

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