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## THE PAST CRICKET SEASON, 1900.

THE record of the past season reads—4 matches won, 2 drawn, and 6 lost. This is obviously not a satisfactory state of things, and compares unfavourably with the previous four years: *pour trancher le mot*, one must vote the eleven that represented the School this year a disappointing one, the more so as the start of the season was brilliant, and raised the hope that it would carry all before it; instead of which it degenerated towards the end into quite a weak side, and some who played against us at the opening of the season could hardly believe it to be the same eleven at the close; like the golfer, it suffered from too many 'off' days. It is curious to note that when a good start was made the total was always respectable—there was no tail,

and almost everyone got runs: but when the first two or three failed, a bad rot invariably set in, and a sorry sight was the result; from this the conclusion is obvious, the eleven was quite incapable of playing anything like an uphill game, and betrayed a great lack of nerve and determination.

This, however, is nothing new with Westminster teams, both of cricket and football. Everything goes right and well when the side is winning, and everything wrong and ill when losing. It was quite sufficient to see this year's eleven in the field to know how the game was going, without consulting the score-board: when winning the fielding was sound without being brilliant (brilliance in the field is not characteristic of Westminster cricket), when losing it was slovenly and bad, and the softest of catches were very frequently dropped: for this there is no excuse; a School eleven which cannot field under all circumstances is not worth a rap.



Nothing tends so much to demoralise and dishearten a side as bad fielding, no matter how good the batting and bowling may be, and nothing in cricket is so easily learnt as the way to field. We trust that next year's eleven will bear this in mind.

The batting on the whole was good, and many members of the eleven made a considerable advance on their form of the previous year. With the perfect wickets which are now prepared 'Up-Fields,' both for practice and matches, this is not to be wondered at, and to this cause the general all-round improvement in the batting of the School is mainly to be attributed. There is now no risk of the ball popping up into one's eye when playing forward. The bowling was various and varying—with one reliable fast trundler, A. L. Foster, whose average is highly creditable, and who bore the brunt of the attack; with the wicket at all helping him he is much to be feared even by a good batting side. It is a hard task to explain the in and out form of the eleven, but an attempt has to be made. There are two possible causes: the bad luck experienced at Charterhouse, and the cancelling of the Exeat; in the first case it is not too much to say that the stars in their courses fought against Westminster. At the close of the first day, it is true, the balance was slightly against us, heavy rain overnight and a bright drying sun spoilt the wicket completely, and when Westminster went in to bat on the second day after lunch, it was plainly seen that the runs required to win were an impossible task. The suspension of the Exeat sentenced the eleven to play a very large number of extra in-games on the numerous half-holidays, and the cricketer, like the rower, gets stale. If the Exeat should ever be stopped again in the Summer Term, would it not be advisable to let the members of the eleven off station on the extra plays? A Westminster playing regularly for the School has quite enough strain put on his strength. To take our defeats: Kensington Park generally manage to beat us, though the teams they bring are not very formidable; I Zingari with A. J. Webbe, Hewitt, and E. C. Mordaunt, got rid of us for the smallest total of the year, owing to everyone playing back to Mordaunt on a fast true wicket; we recovered ourselves in the second innings. It is curious that our opponents' total was so small, as the wicket was perfect and their batting strength unquestionable. To be beaten by Charterhouse is traditionally a great blow and a national disaster, but enough

has been said on that head in the account of the match to solace the eleven for their defeat. *Di meliora dunt*, next time! The Old Westminster match was perhaps the greatest fiasco; they brought a weak team, especially in bowling, but disposed of the School for the paltry total of 82, and then proceeded to make runs with the greatest freedom. As in I Zingari match, the second innings of the School was a fine performance and must have opened the eyes of the O.W.W. to the fact that the School could bat after all. The fielding in this match probably reached its lowest point; the easiest catches were missed, and the eleven seemed slack and lifeless generally. Foster's absence was greatly felt. The Old Carthusians, thanks to Wreford-Brown and Ryder, won easily, and the Essex Club and Ground had no difficulty in inflicting on us a severe defeat, their 'pros' on the sticky wicket playing havoc with our stumps.

The draws were against a very strong Oxford Authentic XI. and M.C.C. The former contained a considerable proportion of Blues. The School fielding was good, the batting excellent, and the performance of the eleven created such a favourable impression that not a few of the Authentics prophesied a victory at Godalming. M.C.C. brought a very hot side, with the two England bowlers, Mead and Young; on a perfect wicket the club made runs at a terrific pace, and declared when only three wickets had fallen. To face the two famous bowlers with confidence was indeed hard, but the eleven rose nobly to the occasion and played them with skill and judgment.

The wins were against the Harrow Blues, More's Oxford XI., the Incogniti—three out of four off the reel—and the Eton Ramblers. The mere names of the teams are sufficient in themselves to suggest the merit of these victories.

It is now the fashion in the Press to classify the Public Schools in the order of merit, in which Westminster takes rather a low place. This is due, perhaps, to a point that cannot be too strongly emphasised, and should be brought home to the cricket critic, viz., that Westminster's card is a very formidable and ambitious one, and only contains the names of well-known elevens of the first rank, whereas the country schools can always look forward to a number of soft fixtures; the consequence of this is that their averages are improved, and for this reason are rather fallacious.



The House Matches were of great interest and roused immense excitement. Both Rigaud's and Grant's, the eventual winners, narrowly escaped defeat at the hands of Home Boarders and Ashburnham; in fact, many thought that the two latter, had the younger players shown more judgment, should have fought out the final. This would have been, indeed, a rare sight. The attendance 'up-fields' was generally large, and there is no doubt that great interest is taken by our visitors in the performances of the eleven—a most encouraging sign. The 'rails' are as enthusiastic as ever, in spite of their view being rather curtailed by their height and narrowness. One word of hearty praise and congratulation to the Games Committee on its excellent management of the ground, the judicious employment of the Oval professionals, and the flourishing finances of the Games Fund. The *ancien régime* is as dead as Queen Anne, and the ground itself, which five years ago had been voted the worst in London and a disgrace to the School, has become, through Elson's untiring efforts, which nothing has discouraged, a serious rival to Lord's and the Oval, as far as its wickets are concerned.

A few details must be given of the individual members of the eleven. In Bompas the School possessed a batsman of a high order; he played consistently well throughout the term, a fact which his very high average plainly indicates. He plays brightly and in perfect form; his crisp driving on the off side and clean cutting are perhaps the best features of his batting. His wicket-keeping is safe and sound. We shall expect him to fulfil at Cambridge the high promise of his school days, and shall be grievously disappointed if he does not get his Blue in his first year. Foster was, without doubt, the most useful all-round member of the eleven. As a fast bowler, though perhaps a little lacking in variety, he was invaluable, and as a batsman improved enormously, developing hitting powers such as are seldom seen in a School eleven. His 66 against Charterhouse in twenty minutes was a marvellous performance. Harris, from whom one expected great things, was a disappointment; his failure was due in great measure to nervousness and an excessive desire to live up to his last year's reputation. When in form he is a taking bat, with a number of fine strokes. As a bowler he might have been given a more extended trial, as he usually came off when tried. Milne did not make much of an advance. As a bat his defensive powers

are limited, though he played some useful innings; his bowling was not very effective, but his fielding was good. Anderson developed a steady defensive game, and was very useful. Of the other members of the eleven, Harrison is distinctly the most promising, and should be very good next year; he bats in a nice free style, but must take special pains with his fielding. Knight's bowling, which calls to mind that of C. D. Fisher, was useful on occasions, though he sends down a lot of bad balls on the leg-side, and deals too largely in long hops; he is best when he goes on first, as he appears to tire soon and lose his length; his batting powers are in embryo. Rawlings was very fair in the field, but his batting was disappointing owing to the poorness of his defence. Gaye got wickets, but is too slow and lacks variety; for a patient batsman he has no terrors. Kennedy, a late importation, played a few useful innings, but has a cramped and ugly style. Of the others who were tried, Blane was the best, and should be useful next year. Bennett was played chiefly for his fielding, which was good. Unfortunately we had this year no lob-bowler; it is to be hoped that one will be found for next season, as good lobs are as springs of water in a dry land.

There is a considerable amount of budding talent in the School, and we look forward with a feeling somewhat akin to confidence to a successful season next year.

## THE AVERAGES.

### BATTING.

	No. of Innings	Times not out	Total Runs	Most in an Innings	Average
H. S. Bompas ...	16	3	638	149*	49·08
A. L. Foster .....	14	1	361	69	27·77
F. I. Harrison ...	10	2	179	56*	22·37
K. B. Anderson...	16	2	279	72	19·93
S. S. Harris .....	11	0	192	67	17·45
R. P. Rawlings...	13	2	147	59*	13·36
A. A. Milne .....	15	1	184	44	13·14
S. D. Kennedy ...	7	1	54	33	9·00
C. B. Knight ...	9	3	42	27*	7·00
A. S. Gaye .....	9	2	39	21	5·57
E. C. Stevens ...	2	0	6	6	3·00
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J. P. Blane .....	5	0	39	20	7·80
P. F. Lock .....	2	0	11	11	5·50
C. Powers .....	2	1	4	4*	4·00
L. H. Bennett ...	9	2	22	5	3·14
A. C. Barnby ...	1	0	3	3	3·00
A. T. Willett ...	2	1	1	1*	1·00

\* Signifies not out.



BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
A. L. Foster .....	244.3	40	822	53	15.51
S. S. Harris.....	69.4	14	237	14	16.93
A. A. Milne .....	140	31	447	21	21.29
A. S. Gaye .....	94.4	4	423	18	23.50
C. B. Knight .....	155	20	491	20	24.55
R. P. Rawlings .....	20	3	111	4	27.75
K. B. Anderson .....	17	0	97	2	48.50
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J. P. Blane .....	26	1	126	2	63.00
C. Powers .....	5	0	20	0	—

Foster bowled two no-balls and Harris three; Milne bowled one wide.

ELECTION.

THE following was the result of Election, 1900:—

*Elected to Christ Church:*

- E. G. Joseph.
- L. H. Bennett.
- E. G. S. Ravenscroft.

*Elected to Trinity:*

- A. S. Gaye.
- A. A. Milne.
- S. D. Kennedy.

*To Christ Church Exhibitions:*

- H. R. Kirby.
- H. Day.
- O. G. F. Lühn.

*To Samwales Exhibitions:*

- Senior—A. S. Gaye
- Junior—A. A. Milne.

*To Triplet Exhibitions of £50 each:*

- H. R. Kirby.
- H. Day.

*To Triplet Gratuities of £70 each:*

- O. G. F. Lühn.
- K. de Watteville.

The following are the School Officers for the ensuing year:—

*Captain.*—T. Mavrogordato.

*Monitors.*—C. W. Adams.  
G. A. Bell.  
W. E. Carsley.

*Captain of College.*—C. W. Adams.  
*Head of Rigaud's.*—T. Mavrogordato.  
*Head of Grant's.*—D. H. Whitmore.  
*Head of H.BB.*—P. T. Browning.  
*Head of Ashburnham.*—W. E. Carsley.  
*Captain of Football* } E. C. Stevens.  
*Captain of Cricket* }

THE MISSION.

THE Club House will be reopened about the middle of October. It will start with at least twenty senior members, and probably as many juniors as the rooms

will hold. Arrangements have been made to start a Church Lads' Brigade, and the services of a competent officer have been obtained.

It will be remembered that the place of Church Superintendent has been taken by the Vicar and Curate of St. Mary's Parish. It is very desirable that help should be given them by O.W.W. Are there not some young O.W.W. who would undertake to come down to the club? If anyone be willing to come down one night a week, he is requested to communicate with either the Rev. C. Knight, 51 Gloucester Street, Pimlico, S.W., or J. Sargeant, Esq., 11 Vincent Square, S.W. If such help be given, it will do more for the success of the Mission than a subscription.

THE SCOTT LIBRARY.

Number of Volumes in Library at Election,		
1899		6,071
Play Term, 1899.—Purchased	. . . . . 44	} 47
*Presented	. . . . . 3	
Lent Term, 1900.—Purchased	. . . . . 46	} 47
*Presented	. . . . . 1	
Election Term, 1900.—Purchased	. . . . . 55	} 55
Presented	. . . . . 0	
Removed as worn out . . . . .		6,220
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Total in Library at Election, 1900		<u>6,214</u>

\* VOLUMES PRESENTED.—‘Annals of Westminster School,’ J. Sargeant, presented by the Author; ‘Association Football,’ N. L. Jackson and others, presented by T. S. Oldham, Esq. (O.W.), part Author; ‘Introduction to the Statutes of the Realm’ (with autograph of Charles Abbot, Baron Colchester, O.W.) presented by J. Sargeant, Esq.; ‘Harrow School Records,’ edited by E. J. L. Scott, presented by the Editor.

School Notes.

THERE will be no Play this term, owing to the death of H.R.H. the Duke of Saxe-Coburg.

There are thirty-five new boys this term.

Only two School Epigrams were sent in last term, and both of those came from the same pen.

It was with deep regret that we heard of the death, on August 2, of the Rev. Charles Wellington Furse, M.A., Canon and Archdeacon of Westminster.



We heartily congratulate W. R. Le G. Jacob on being placed first in the recent examination for the Indian Forests Service, and G. H. Bernays on passing into the Indian Police.

Our congratulations are also due to A. C. Barnby, who was placed thirty-third in the Sandhurst Examination, and to W. H. Myers and E. C. Walker, who passed into the R.M.A., Woolwich.

The following is last term's Cricket Card with the results appended :—

May 12	v.	Harrow Blues.	Won.	Westminster, 209; Harrow Blues, 124—41 for 5 wickets.
„ 19	v.	R. E. More's XI.	Won.	Westminster, 288 for 4 wickets (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 for 9 wickets.
„ 6	v.	Eton Ramblers.	Won.	Westminster, 289 for 5 wickets (dec.); Eton Ramblers, 176.
„ 9	v.	I Zingari.	Lost.	Westminster, 26—110 for 3 wickets; I Zingari, 110—121.
„ 23	v.	Oxford University Authentics.	Drawn.	Westminster, 250 for 8 wickets; O. U. Authentics, 309 for 7 wickets (dec.).
„ 29	{	Charterhouse (at Godalming).	Lost.	Westminster, 257—36; Charterhouse, 285—94.
„ 30	{	M.C.C. Drawn.	Westminster, 212 for 8 wickets; M.C.C. 333 for 3 wickets (inns. dec.)	
July 7	v.	M.C.C. Drawn.	Westminster, 212 for 8 wickets; M.C.C. 333 for 3 wickets (inns. dec.)	
„ 14	v.	Old Westminsters.	Lost.	Westminster, 82—115 (0 wkt.); O.W.W., 284.
„ 21	v.	Old Carthusians.	Lost.	Westminster, 146; Old Carthusians, 331 for 6 wickets.
„ 28	v.	Essex Club and Ground.	Lost.	Westminster, 49—33 for 3 wickets; Essex Club and Ground, 290 for 9 wickets (dec.)
„ 30	v.	T.BB. v. Q.SS.	T.BB. Won.	T.BB. 196—104 for 5 wickets; Q.SS., 70—107.

The Cricket Elevens were made up at the end of last term as follows :—

<i>Pinks.</i>	<i>Pink and Whites.</i>	<i>3rd XI.'s</i>
H. S. Bompas.*	P. F. Lock.	H. Day.*
S. S. Harris.*	J. P. Blane.	C. W. Colt-Williams.
A. A. Milne.*	L. H. Bennett.*	W. Perry.*
A. L. Foster.*	A. T. Willett.	L. A. Woodbridge.
K. B. Anderson.*	A. C. Barnby.*	G. L. Crowe.
E. C. Stevens.	S. A. Dickson.	A. Murray.
C. B. Knight.	W. A. Greene.	H. D. G. Law.
R. P. Rawlings.*	C. Powers.	W. Parker.
F. I. Harrison.	J. Logan.	L. Connor.
A. S. Gaye.*	H. A. Roberts.	M. Page.
S. D. Kennedy.*	H. Logan.	V. B. Knight.

\* Have left.

The Mure Scholarship has been awarded to W. A. Greene, and the Gumbleton Prize for English Verse to G. A. Bell.

The Ireland Prize for Latin Hexameters has been gained by W. T. S. Sonnenschein.

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

		1900.
Sat.	Sept. 29	. Clapham Rovers. Lost (2-3).
„	Oct. 6	. R. N. R. Blaker's XI. Lost (2-8).
Wed.	„ 10	. Old Carthusians.
Sat.	„ 13	. Emeriti.
	2nd XI.	v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.
Sat.	Oct. 20	. Casuals.
	2nd XI.	v. London Hospital 2nd XI.
Sat.	Oct. 27	. St. John's College, Oxford.
	2nd XI.	v. A. B. Challis's XI.
„	Nov. 3	. Old Forresters.
	2nd XI.	v. O.W.W. 2nd XI.
Wed.	Nov. 7	. R. M.A., Woolwich.
Sat.	„ 10	. Christ Church, Oxford.
„	„ 17	. New College, Oxford.
	2nd XI.	v. Old Forresters 2nd XI.
„	Nov. 24	. Old Harrovians.
„	Dec. 1	. Old Westminsters.
„	„ 8	. Old Felstedians.
	2nd XI.	v. Technical College 2nd XI. H. O. C. Beasley's XI. L. J. Moon's XI.
		1901.
Sat.	Jan. 19	. Clapham Rovers.
„	„ 26	. Old Wykehamists.
	2nd XI.	v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.
„	Feb. 2	. Selwyn College, Camb.
	2nd XI.	v. O.W.W. 2nd XI.
„	Feb. 9	. University College, Oxford.
Wed.	„ 13	. Old Etonians.
Sat.	„ 16	. Old Westminsters.
	2nd XI.	v. Old Forresters 2nd XI.
„	Feb. 23	. Charterhouse (at Godalming).
„	Mar. 2	. Old Brightonians.
Wed.	„ 6	. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.
Sat.	„ 9	. An Eton XI.
„	„ 16	. Casuals.
„	„ 23	. T.BB. v. Q.SS.

## THE FIELDS.

### CRICKET.

#### WESTMINSTER v. OLD CARTHUSIANS.

This match was played 'Up-Fields' on Saturday, July 21. We were without Harris, Knight and Harrison. Westminster on going in first made 146, chiefly owing to Bompas and Rawlings, who contributed 34 and 39 respectively. The Old Carthusians, however, proved too strong for us, their score standing at 331 for the loss of 6 wickets when stumps were drawn. Of these, 123 were contributed by C. F. Ryder, who hit a 6, two 5's and thirteen 4's during his innings. Westminster was therefore defeated by 4 wickets and 185 runs.



Full scores and analyses are as follows :—

WESTMINSTER.	
H. S. Bompas, c. Ryder, b. Austin .....	34
K. B. Anderson, b. C. Wreford-Brown .....	4
A. A. Milne, c. C. Anderson, b. C. Wreford-Brown .....	13
A. L. Foster, b. Austin.....	0
S. D. Kennedy, b. Austin .....	6
E. C. Stevens, b. C. Wreford-Brown.....	6
R. P. Rawlings, not out .....	39
J. P. Blane, b. C. Wreford-Brown .....	20
L. H. Bennett, c. Peers, b. Austin.....	4
A. S. Gaye, c. and b. C. Wreford-Brown .....	2
C. Powers, c. and b. Austin.....	0
Extras .....	18
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>146</b>

OLD CARTHUSIANS.	
The Rev. E. P. Spurway, b. Foster .....	0
C. A. Anderson, run out .....	67
C. C. T. Doll, b. Milne .....	6
A. H. Thompson, b. Foster.....	8
C. F. Ryder, b. Foster .....	123
F. G. Peers, not out .....	77
W. A. E. Austin, st. Bompas, b. Foster .....	15
G. S. Richardson, not out .....	4
C. E. Wreford-Brown	} did not bat.
E. C. Bliss	
C. Wreford-Brown	
Extras .....	31
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>331</b>

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

WESTMINSTER.				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
C. F. Ryder .....	8	5	14	0
C. Wreford-Brown ...	25	5	51	5
W. A. E. Austin .....	22.2	9	35	5
F. G. Peers .....	6	0	28	0

C. F. Ryder bowled one no-ball.

OLD CARTHUSIANS.				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. A. Milne .....	9	3	36	1
A. L. Foster.....	19	1	92	4
A. S. Gaye .....	7	0	61	0
J. P. Blane .....	8	0	53	0
C. Powers.....	5	0	20	0
R. P. Rawlings .....	4	0	23	0
K. B. Anderson .....	4	0	13	0

WESTMINSTER v. ESSEX CLUB AND GROUND.

This match was played 'Up-Fields' on Saturday, July 28. The School, who were again without Harris, Stevens, Knight and Harrison, dismissed their opponents for 290, and on going in themselves made 49. They had thus to follow on, but had only made 33 for the loss of 3 wickets when stumps were drawn. This, the last match of the season, was therefore lost by the substantial margin of 241 runs.

Full scores and analyses are :—

ESSEX CLUB AND GROUND.	
T. S. Sydney, c. Kennedy, b. Gaye .....	6
S. Hunt, c. and b. Blane .....	80
J. F. Rhoades, b. Rawlings.....	41
Sewell, st. Bompas, b. Foster .....	23
C. R. Borradaile, b. Anderson.....	30
E. Penton, b. Foster.....	22
Tremlin, b. Foster.....	0
J. Simonds, st. Bompas, b. Anderson.....	8
R. Leigh Ibbs, c. Anderson, b. Foster .....	11
Inns, not out .....	33
Brewer, not out .....	8
Extras .....	28
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>290*</b>

\* Innings declared closed.

WESTMINSTER.		
H. S. Bompas, l.b.w., b. Tremlin ...	3 not out .....	9
K. B. Anderson, b. Sewell.....	2 c and b. Brewer	7
A. A. Milne, c. Hunt, b. Sewell .....	8 c. Ibbs, b. Rhoades ...	4
A. L. Foster, c. Borradaile, b. Sewell	11 b. Brewer .....	3
R. P. Rawlings, b. Sewell .....	2	} did not bat.
L. H. Bennett, b. Sewell .....	4	
S. D. Kennedy, st. Inns, b. Sewell ...	1	
J. P. Blane, b. Tremlin .....	5	
A. S. Gaye, l.b.w., b. Sewell .....	0	
A. C. Barnby, b. Tremlin .....	3	
C. Powers, not out .....	4	} Extras ...
Extras .....	6	
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>33</b>

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

ESSEX CLUB AND GROUND.				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. L. Foster.....	31	7	69	4
A. S. Gaye .....	12	0	56	1
A. A. Milne.....	14	2	62	0
J. P. Blane .....	11	1	34	1
R. P. Rawlings .....	2	0	14	1
K. B. Anderson .....	3	0	24	2

WESTMINSTER.

First Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Tremlin .....	10	6	19	3
Sewell .....	9	1	24	7

Second Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Rhoades .....	7	2	10	1
Brewer .....	6.4	3	13	2

Q.SS. v. T.BB.

This match was played 'Up-Fields' on Monday, July 30, and resulted in a win for T.BB. It was the turn of the Q.SS. to bat first, and Milne and Harrison opened the innings. Harrison seemed to settle down at once and 10 went up very soon. At 15 Harrison should have been easily caught and bowled by Knight, but escaped. He succumbed, however, in the



next over, being caught by Bompas, who was standing back to Foster's bowling. S. D. Kennedy took his place, and runs came steadily until, at 35, Blane went on instead of Knight and bowled Milne. Kennedy was then bowled by Foster, and Gardner, Gaye and Roberts followed in quick succession. Three out of Foster's next four balls proved fatal, and it was not until Baker and Crowe got together for the last wicket that another stand was made. These two hit freely and added 23 before the innings closed for the total of 70.

Bompas and Anderson opened the T.BB. innings to the bowling of Gaye and Milne. Runs came rapidly, Bompas hitting two 4's in Milne's first over. Both bowlers were punished severely, and at lunch-time the score stood at 39. Soon after the resumption of play Anderson was out for 24 to a fine catch by Law on the boundary. Rawlings took his place, but ran Bompas out for 29, and was soon after bowled by Gaye for 4. Foster came next, and the play gained interest while he and Harris were at the wickets. Foster gave a chance at 24, but soon after hit three 4's off successive balls, and two overs yielded 23 runs. At 122 Foster was caught by Baker for a 38 which contained six 4's and two 3's, and Harris soon followed. The game then began to lose interest. Blane contributed a neatly-played 20, and Knight was bowled by Cott-Williams for 21. After small scores from Bennett, Willett and Greene, the innings closed for 196.

With the discouraging deficit of 126, Harrison and Kennedy opened the second innings of the Q.SS. Wickets fell fast till Kennedy and Gaye came together, when a stand was made. Kennedy had reached 43, the highest score of the match, when he was out for l.b.w. to Blane. Gaye then hit out well, and had just equalled Kennedy's total when he was bowled by Blane. The rest of the wickets then fell quickly, leaving the score at 107, and T.BB. victorious by the ample margin of an innings and 19 runs.

Full scores and analyses are as follows:—

Q.SS.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
A. A. Milne, b. Blane.....	9	c. Willett, b. Foster .....	1
F. I. Harrison, c. Bompas, b. Foster	15	st. Barnby, b. Greene .....	1
S. D. Kennedy, b. Foster .....	6	l.b.w., b. Blane	43
R. G. Gardner, c. Rawlings, b. Foster	1	b. Foster .....	0
A. S. Gaye, b. Foster.....	0	b. Blane .....	43
G. L. Crowe, not out .....	13	b. Knight .....	0
H. A. Roberts, b. Blane .....	0	b. Foster .....	5
H. D. G. Law, st. Bompas, b. Foster	0	l.b.w., b. Blane	0
E. W. Colt-Williams, b. Foster .....	0	c. Anderson, b. Knight .....	4
E. G. S. Ravenscroft, b. Foster .....	0	not out .....	0
F. D. Baker, b. Blane .....	7	c. Foster, b. Knight .....	0
Extras .....	19	Extras .....	10
Total .....	70	Total .....	107

T.BB.

K. B. Anderson, c. Law, b. Gaye.....	24
H. S. Bompas, run out .....	29
R. P. Rawlings, b. Gaye .....	4
A. L. Foster, c. Baker, b. Colt-Williams .....	38
S. S. Harris, c. Gardner, b. Gaye .....	19
J. P. Blane, b. Colt-Williams .....	20
A. C. Barnby, c. Gaye, b. Colt-Williams .....	6
C. B. H. Knight, b. Colt-Williams .....	21
L. H. Bennett, b. Milne .....	10
A. G. Willett, b. Milne .....	2
W. A. Greene, not out .....	1
Extras .....	22
Total .....	196

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Q.SS. (*1st Innings*).

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
C. B. H. Knight .....	5	0	17	0
A. L. Foster.....	11	2	22	7
J. P. Blane .....	6.3	3	12	3

A. L. Foster bowled a no-ball.

T.BB. (*1st Innings*).

A. S. Gaye .....	20	2	103	3
A. A. Milne.....	11	2	48	2
E. W. Colt-Williams	13	4	31	4

Q.SS. (*2nd Innings*).

A. L. Foster.....	9	0	41	3
W. A. Greene .....	4	0	12	1
C. B. H. Knight .....	6	0	29	3
J. P. Blane .....	4	0	16	3

C. B. H. Knight bowled a no-ball.

FOOTBALL.

WESTMINSTER *v.* CLAPHAM ROVERS.

This, the opening match of the season, was played 'Up-Fields' on September 29. At 3 o'clock Harrison kicked off from the Hospital end, and the Clapham Rovers immediately pressed, until the School forced a corner, from which they should have scored. After about fifteen minutes' play, Rayner scored with a shot which Roberts should have saved (0-1). Soon after the School forwards ran down and Beney scored at close quarters (1-1). He and Harrison should both have scored before half-time, but failed to shoot quick enough. Immediately after half-time Clapham Rovers ran through the School backs and Wyatt scored (1-2). Brown also scored a few minutes later (1-3). Westminster then pressed, and Coleby scored with a well-placed shot (2-3). Harrison made a good attempt with his head, but with this exception there was nothing else of any merit before time was called with the score 2-3. Castle-Smith at back did a lot of work, and Lock was much the best of the halves; Woodbridge showed some promise forward.



Teams :—

CLAPHAM ROVERS.

W. V. Rayner (goal), R. O. W. Stephenson and W. W. Millar (backs), C. P. Wyatt, W. D. Waller and W. H. Hancock (half-backs), W. E. P. Topping, S. S. Wyatt, C. M. Woodhouse and E. G. Millar (forwards).

WESTMINSTERS.

H. A. Roberts (goal), C. Powers and M. Castle-Smith (backs), E. A. Lewis, A. T. Willett, and P. F. Lock (half-backs), L. Woodbridge, A. Beney, F. I. Harrison, A. T. Coleby and P. M. Battle (forwards).

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## DEBATING SOCIETY.

At an Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday, September 27, the following were elected officers of the Society for the ensuing session.

<i>President</i> . . . . .	T. MAVROGORDATO.
<i>Vice-President</i> . . . .	C. W. ADAMS.
<i>Hon. Treasurer</i> . . . .	P. T. BROWNING.
<i>Hon. Secretary</i> . . . .	G. K. A. BELL.

The House met again on Thursday, October 4, and discussed the following motion: 'That the late Government is worthy of censure for its procrastinating policy in China.'

The motion furnished a good debate and seemed to gain interest as it proceeded.

The PROPOSER (R. D. Kitson) in a speech that, if amusing, was hardly to the point, seemed to find great difficulty in the connection of his arguments. He began by asserting that the Government was not pushing enough in China, and hailed the missionaries as the forerunners of civilisation, giving statistics of the work they had done, and suggested that they should be sent out to help the Chinese to understand manufacture. He went on to explain the origin of the Boxers and the cause of their rebellion, which he attributed to the railways. After advocating an Anglo-American alliance, he concluded by declaring that the Government had been behindhand in sending out troops, thus affording opportunities for the other Powers.

The OPPOSER (C. W. Adams) thought that the Proposer's arguments were as hard to answer as they were to understand; he did not see the relation of missionaries to the procrastinating policy of the Government. He said that the policy of the Open Door was universally acknowledged to be the best for trade; while others had used force, England had gained influence in a different way, and by carrying on free trade had made it more stable. The English had got 64 per cent. of the Chinese trade. The Chinese appreciated the fact that the English did not interfere like other countries. He contended that had England resisted the Russians in taking Port Arthur there would have been a European war,

for which the Army and Navy were unfit. Lord C. Beresford's anxiety in 'The Break-up of China' was due to loyal feelings which caused him to forget that 'discretion is the better part of valour.' No one disputed the fact that the policy of the Government in the late war with China was entirely satisfactory.

The PRESIDENT, in seconding the motion, brought forward some ingenious but insufficient arguments against the Government. He declared that though England's trade had been great it was now diminished, and that the Chinese, far from feeling grateful to England, were more impressed by force. The very non-interference of the English was procrastinating. England should have demanded compensation for Port Arthur, as a European war would have been extremely unlikely considering the peaceful inclinations of the Czar. He thought the Government to blame for Seymour's failure in his attempt on Pekin; it had grossly under-estimated the forces required, otherwise no such calamity would have occurred. He reminded the Opposer that the first words in the 'Break-up of China' were that England should act decisively if it desired anything; now, owing to this procrastinating policy, England's prestige had been lost and foreigners were held in greater fear.

G. N. FORD then rose, and in a speech that provoked a short controversy between himself and the Proposer, maintained that if the Government went too far it would have spheres of influence over land which it could not keep. The Yangtse Valley had been kept under efficient control and the Russians nearly driven out. He pointed out the obvious difficulty to hold Manchuria, and reminded the Proposer that though Japan and Russia could have sent relief, England had been the first. England was not more to blame than the other Powers who had all alike underrated the fighting capacity of the Chinese.

Mr. A. S. GAYE (honorary member) criticised the arguments of the Proposer and Secunder. We had always been accustomed to hear the cry of 'Wolf' from China, so that it was hardly surprising that no notice had been taken, especially when we were already engaged in a great war. As the English were the first to establish trade in China, surely the other Powers should assist in upholding civilisation. A strong argument against the motion was that the Liberals had completely passed over the Chinese question, and if they had not thought fit to attack the Government it was a good proof that there was nothing to complain of.

After short remarks by C. M. PAGE and H. A. ROBERTS the motion was rejected by acclamation.

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## House Notes.

COLLEGE.—Robbed of its most interesting feature, we can but expect a dull term, and it is sincerely regrettable for those especially who lose, perhaps, their



only chance of making an appearance on the Westminster stage. We offer heartiest congratulations to F. I. Harrison, A. S. Gaye and S. D. Kennedy on receiving their Pinks for cricket, also to H. A. Roberts on Pink and Whites and College Colours, and to E. W. Colt-Williams, H. G. Law and G. L. Crowe on 3rd XI's, the first-named also on College Colours. In the first match for this season we had four representatives in the School Team, whom we heartily congratulate. They were Lock, Coleby, Roberts and Harrison. We hope they will keep their places.

RIGAUD'S.—We have suffered a very severe loss in the departure of K. B. Anderson, L. H. Bennett, A. C. Barnby, W. H. Myers and H. Kemp. To make up for this we have five new fellows, three of them boarders. We heartily congratulate A. T. Willett, A. C. Barnby and C. Powers on their Pink and Whites, and C. M. Page on his 3rd XI's. Our congratulations are also due to L. H. Bennett on his election to Christ Church, and to A. C. Barnby and W. H. Myers for successfully passing their respective Army examinations. In the match against Clapham Rovers we had three representatives playing for the School; we congratulate C. Powers and A. Beney on their first appearance in the team.

GRANT'S.—Bompas, Osborne, Rawlings and Venables left us at the end of last term, but four new boarders and four half-boarders have come up, making our numbers 44—more than they have been for many years. Our congratulations are due to Blane, Dickson, J. Logan and H. Logan, who got their 2nd XI's, and to Woodbridge, who got his 3rd XI's at the end of last term. We also congratulate Smith, Battle and Woodbridge on playing for the School *v.* Clapham Rovers. We are sorry to see Stevens cannot play at present, but we hope to see him leading his team again soon.

H.BB.—We feel quite lonely this term without Foster and Lühn. We have also lost Perry, and Holmes and Budden, who has gone Up College; for Perry's loss we were quite unprepared, and our games will suffer accordingly. Congratulations are due to Browning on passing the Intermediate B.Sc., London, with honours in Chemistry; also to Perry, Connor and V. B. H. Knight for gaining Thirds in Cricket. Our numbers this term are fifty-five, showing an increase of three on last term. We have eight new fellows.

ASHBURNHAM.—We lost eleven fellows last term, but thirteen new boys bring our numbers up to fifty-four. The monitors this term are W. E. Carsley, W. A. Greene, A. G. Sefi, and G. Schwann. We were victorious in the Juniors, beating College after

an exciting game. In the first round of the Seniors we were beaten by Grant's, owing partly to an unaccountable collapse. We congratulate H. Day, Parker, Walker, and Schwann on their House colours; also Greene on his Pink and Whites, and Day, Murray, and Parker on their Thirds. Our prospects for football are not very brilliant, largely on account of the loss of Harris; but, nevertheless, we hope to retain the shield. We congratulate F. G. Joseph on his election to Christchurch, and H. R. Kirby, H. Day, and K. de Watteville on their successes at election.

### Obituary.

ONE of the oldest Westminsters has passed away in the Hon. and Rev. WILLIAM HENRY SPENCER. Born in April, 1810, the fourth son of the first Baron Churchill by a daughter of the Duke of Grafton, the Prime Minister of 1766, Mr. Spencer entered the School in 1823, and proceeded to Christ Church in 1828. He was admitted to Lincoln's Inn, but took Orders in 1835, and became Vicar of Urchfont in 1840, and Rector of Stoke Climsland ten years later. At the time of his death he had been nearly thirty years Rector of Great Houghton. Mr. Spencer, who was thrice married, died at Great Houghton on August 21, in his ninety-first year.

### Marriage.

TROUTBECK—STRICKLAND.—On August 22, at St. Paul's, Rusthall, Tunbridge Wells, by the Rev. A. S. Hichens, Henry Troutbeck, M.A., M.B., younger son of the late John Troutbeck, D.D., Precentor of Westminster Abbey, to Ellen Sarah, youngest daughter of the late Joseph Strickland, Esq., of Kensington, and Mrs. Strickland.

### Correspondence.

NAMES 'UP-SCHOOL.'

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—May I draw the attention of the School and O.W.W. to the disgraceful state of many of the names on the walls of 'Up-School?' A large number of these are almost



obliterated and practically illegible; others are partly so, while many others are in danger of becoming so, owing to dampness, dirt, and lack of paint—in fact, to neglect. I consider it a standing disgrace to the School that so many of these names, famous in English history, should be allowed to disappear. If the owners of the names, or the descendants of the owners, will not, or cannot, renew them, could not the School start a subscription, aided by all O.W.W., for the purpose of keeping these names in a perpetual state of legibility? Another thing, too, I have noticed is that the same name, or list of names, will appear in two or even three different places. Surely this is a waste of valuable room and too great an honour? and the space thus secured might be filled up with other equally famous names which for some unknown reason are missing. With apologies for the length of this,

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,  
D. O. T.

[We were not aware that any of the names were illegible, and would ask our correspondent to give instances. All the old names have been repainted and recorded in the School Register, and we can only imagine that our correspondent refers to the few old names which still remain but are painted elsewhere in quite legible characters.—ED.]

### Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following:—  
*The Melburnian*, *The Working Men's College Journal* (2), *Our*

*Boys' Magazine*, *The Wellingtonian*, *The Newtonian*, *The Tonbridgian*, *The Touchstone*, *The Cantuarian*, *The Haileyburian*, *The Malvernian*, *The Cliftonian*, *The Marlburian*, *The Forest School Magazine*, *The Meteor*, *The Geelong Grammar School Quarterly*, *The Blue*, *The Quernmorian*, *St. Peter's School Magazine*, *King's College School Magazine* (2), *Brighton College Magazine*, *The Ladies' League Gazette* (2), *The Alleynian*, *The Cheltonian*, *The Salopian* (2), *M.A.N.*, *The Dolphin*, and *The Cholmelian*.

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