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EDITORIAL.

AT the close of the second volume of the *Grantite Review*, it is fitting to make a few observations on its affairs and prospects. The Editors have to announce a great change in the paper, which they have thought advisable, owing to representations made to them from all quarters. There exist many reasons for altering the size of the *Grantite Review*; and none so powerfully argues the benefits to accrue from the plan in the future, as the sole objection hitherto raised as to its advisability at the present time. A letter, which we publish in this issue, points out that old subscribers will not have enough matter to bind if the size of the *Grantite Review* is changed; this is not our opinion. Certainly this change will in future prevent this complaint from arising again; as we propose to make the paper of double thickness, though of half its present size, which most of our readers will agree is most inconvenient. We sincerely hope that no subscribers will be induced, by any preference they may entertain for the old size and form of the *Grantite*, to withdraw their much appreciated support; they should remember that the matter, not the appearance of a school magazine like this, should be valued. The paper will still be published monthly, and at the same price as at present.

The Editors have lately incurred much odium in virtue of their treatment of a journal which appeared in the school this term. Their feelings towards the *Westminster Review* they desire once for all to be clearly understood. It is impossible for them to feel anything like malice or personal antagonism to a production which bears the name of the School. At the same time, that paper did in the first instance bear itself with great arrogance, and certainly

was the first to take 'up the cudgels of war. What was done by the *Grantite Review* was only done in self-defence; and the Editors can only say that between them and any paper that desires to be on friendly terms, and does not wish to supersede older School papers than itself, they hope that all ill-will will cease.

Our correspondence lately has not been distinguished for that patriotism which was formerly so conspicuous in every column of the *Grantite*. A letter which appeared in our last is a good instance of the reproaches which have been hurled upon us. The writer expatiates upon the dulness of this Review, and when he speaks of any article as clever, he characterises it as such in a tone which to many would look like a denunciation of that term. The Editors fear it will be some time before they are convinced that their readers prefer emptiness to wit; then, and not till then, the writer of the letter referred to will find a place on the staff. The Editorship of this journal is not, as he seems to think, a hard office. But it becomes so when our poor efforts on behalf of the House are met with reproaches and opposition by its members. It is hoped that our readers will remember that without the support of Grants, the *Grantite Review* cannot hope to continue. The House is its origin and its subject; let its chief supporters ever be found within it.

NOTES.

We hoped that the yard ties would have been finished before our December number appeared. But they have been delayed unavoidably by the House Matches. The draw for the semi-final round is as follows:—

R. O. Mills	} v. {	W. N. Winckworth
N. P. Wright		H. M. Davson
C. B. Bruce		D. Fitzmaurice.
F. G. Oliver	} a bye.	
D. P. Winckworth		
E. G. Burton		

Of the 17 players who have represented O.W.W. in their six Cup Ties, the following Grantites have figured:—

E. G. Moon	} 5 times.
D. Patrick	
R. T. Squire	} 4 times.
H. Witton	
W. R. Moon	
J. G. Veitch	
J. E. Phillimore	3 times.
W. B. Winckworth	twice.
A. G. Lambert	once.

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The Debating Society, we are informed, has been furnished with a new set of rules. The Old Committee took about two years, and the new one two hours, to draw up these rules.

Mrs. Heard's funeral took place at Edinburgh on Friday, November 4th. By permission of the Dean of Edinburgh, the earlier part of the service was held in St. Mary's Cathedral, where the coffin, covered with wreaths, was deposited in the Chancel. The Rev. Charles Darnell, Headmaster of Cargilfield Preparatory School, Edinburgh, read the service. The Cathedral choir sang two hymns, "Now the labourer's task is o'er" and "Jesus lives, no longer now," and chanted the 90th Psalm. After the lesson the coffin was borne to the western door, the organist playing "Rest in the Lord." All the Fettes College masters and a number of the boys followed the funeral to the Dean cemetery, where the service concluded. There were abundant tokens of sympathy and affection from Westminster. Wreaths and flowers were sent from Grants, the servants of Grants, the Headmaster and Mrs Rutherford, the Arch-deacon of Westminster, the Headmaster of St. Paul's, Mr. and Mrs. Marklove, Mr. and Mrs. Tanner, the Rev. W. and Mrs. Failes, the Rev. A. G. S. Raynor and Mr. Roseveare, Rev. G. Nall, Mr. Edgell and Mr. Fox, the Queen's Scholars, Rigauds, Homeboarders, Ashburnham

House, Mrs. Lambert, the staff of the *Westminster Review*, the Upper Fourth Form, G. P. and H. Allen, and from many relatives in London. Others were awaiting the funeral at Edinburgh.

THE FIELDS.

GRANTS v. UPPER ELECTIONS.

This match was played on the second game ground on Thursday, the 17th instant. The Upper Elections won the toss, and Lambert kicked off a few minutes after two o'clock. Our opponents first defended the hospital end of the field, and the game was from the first fairly even, though had the weather and the state of the ground been better, Grants would have shewn up better, and have obtained more decided advantage. At the end of the game Lambert made a shot, which was saved by the goal-post of Upper Elections. Olivier very nearly scored by a very neat shot, which was equalled by Everington's brilliant defence of our goal, surrounded as he was by opponents. Thus either side failed to score, and the match ended in a draw. For Grants, Everington, Lambert, and E. W. Woodbridge played well; Clarke and Whitaker were conspicuous for Upper Elections. Teams:—

Upper Elections:—A. H. Cuming (goal); J. H. Clarke and E. L. Clapham (backs); C. C. Sharpe (Capt.); R. E. A. Hamilton and H. T. Whitaker (half-backs); A. R. Knapp and R. E. Olivier (right wing); P. J. Preece (centre); F. Street and P. Williamson (left wing).

Grants:—E. A. Everington (goal); R. O. Mills and F. G. Oliver (backs); W. N. Winckworth (capt.), N. Wright and H. C. Barnes (half-backs); A. R. Woodbridge, D. P. Winckworth (right wing); A. G. Lambert (centre); C. T. G. Powell and E. W. Woodbridge (left wing).

GRANTS v. HOME BOARDERS.

This match was played on Wednesday, Nov. 23rd, and resulted in a draw, 2 goals all Home boarders won the toss, and Lambert kicked off from the hospital end at 2.35. Grants at once rushed the ball down and Lambert put in a shot, which hit the post and rebounded into play, when Farrar kicked it behind. For the next ten minutes H.B.B. were penned and at the end of this time, from a free

kick for "hands," the ball was put between the posts of A. R. Woodbridge (1-0). On restarting H. B. B. took the ball down and Clark passed to Hoskins, whose shot was saved by Everington, but the ball was rushed through by Pixell (1-1). The game now became more even and good play was shown on both sides, until about five minutes before half time, from a pass by E. W. Woodbridge, D. Winckworth gained a goal which was disputed (2-1). After change of ends H. B. B. got more together and several good runs were made by Edwards and Pixell, several corners being obtained, from which nothing resulted; at length, from a long pass by Pixell to Edwards, who centred, Clark was enabled to shoot a goal (2-2). After this nothing important happened till time was called. For Grants E. W. Woodbridge and Farrar forward and W. N. Winckworth, Mills, and Campbell, back, were best, while for H. B. B., Hoskins and Pixell, forward, and Prothero, Witherby and Doherty, back, played well.

The teams were:

Grants: E. A. Everington (goal); R. O. Mills and N. P. Wright (backs); G. E. Campbell, W. N. Winckworth (capt.), and H. C. Barnes (half-backs); E. W. Woodbridge and F. P. Farrar (left wing); A. G. Lambert (centre); D. P. Winckworth and A. R. Woodbridge (right wing) (forwards).

Home boarders: E. B. Rutherford (goal); W. V. Doherty and H. C. Witherby (backs); H. P. Edwards, A. G. Prothero and C. L. Macnab (half-backs); G. L. Edwards and C. H. Gregory (left wing); A. G. Clark (centre); Pixell and A. Hoskins (right wing).

YARD TIES.

BOARDERS 1ST ROUND.

C. Powell } v. { F. Y. Eccles
C. Bruce } { J. Corbett
H. M. Davson } { J. Powell

This was rather a one-sided tie, C. Powell and J. Powell playing best for their respective sides. C. Powell's side won by 12 goals to 4.

N. P. Wright } v. { F. P. Farrar
B. I. Southey } { F. J. Maclean
H. L. Colville } { C. N. Lambton

This was a very even tie; Maclean, who exhibited some very neat forward play, was exceptionally brilliant; Wright's side made good use of the last few minutes and eventually won by 14 goals to 11.

R. O. Mills } v. { A. G. Lambert
H. C. Barnes } { E. F. Knox
G. E. Mills } { R. A. Yeld

A very uneven tie; all played well for the winning side, G. E. Mills being especially conspicuous for good dribbling. Mills' side won by 17 goals to 8.

F. G. Oliver } v. { E. A. Everington
E. G. Burton } { W. T. Barwell
E. W. Woodbridge } { H. D. Everington

This was a very fairly contested tie.

Oliver's good back play won the game for his side, but Barwell and H. D. Everington played very well for the losing side, and tried hard to avert defeat. Oliver's side won by 10 goals to 6.

A. R. Woodbridge } a bye
G. Scott }
Boulter }

HALF BOARDERS.

W. N. Winckworth } v. { Cory
D. P. Winckworth } { Henderson
Fitzmaurice } { Campbell

This was a dreadfully uneven tie.

The brothers Winckworth played very well for their side, which won by 34 goals to 0.

We believe that we are right in saying that the yard-tie record for the greatest number of goals was beaten in this tie.

2ND ROUND.

R. O. Mills } v. { C. Powell
N. P. Wright } { H. Scott
C. B. Bruce } { E. W. Woodbridge

Mills' side won by 15-11. Mills played for the winners; Scott and Powell for the losers.

H. G. Oliver } v. { H. C. Barnes
F. P. Winckworth } { A. E. Mills
E. G. Burton } { R. S. Boulter

A most uninteresting tie, Oliver's side winning by 18-5. Mills and Oliver played well for their respective sides.

W. N. Winckworth } v. { A. R. Woodbridge
H. M. Davson } { H. Colville
D. Fitzmaurice } { B. I. Southey

Although the result in goals was uneven, this proved a most exciting tie. Winckworth and Woodbridge played splendidly, and were loudly cheered. Davson and Southey also showed some good play. Winckworth's side won by 17 goals to 7.

A FOOTBALL SONG.

Here's to Football, our Westminster Pythic,
The noblest of games upon earth;
Sure 'mong Heroes and Demigods mythic,
So gen'rous a pastime had birth.

CHORUS.

Then a fig for School's troubles and sorrow,
While pleasures like these int'ervene,
Let us put off our cares till to-morrow,
And kick them away in the Green!

Does Greek Play or Demosthenes bore you?
 Unlearnt does ~~g~~ Terence remain?
 Well, what then? You've the Green still before you,
 Come drown in it's pleasures your pain!
 Then a fig, &c.

Why, to call it a game's a misnomer,
 'Tis a War, and bright fame is its meed;
 Like the battles, once sung of by Homer,
 Like the forays of Carlisle and Tweed.
 Then a fig, &c.

Here's a field still for courage and glory,
 High achievements the hero still grace,
 What in real war now live but in story
 Have found in its mimic a place!
 Then a fig, &c.

[This Song can be found in the *Nugae Westmonasterienses* October 30th, 1847. It has been set to music by C. Erskine.]

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Society met on Friday, November 11th, to conclude Shakespeare's Henry IV. The only change in the cast was that Eccles took the part of King Henry in the place of Mr. Heard. The reading was not so good as at our first meeting, some of the long speeches being rather tedious.

Our next meeting was held on Friday the 11th, for which day Goldsmith's "Good-natured man" was selected. Owing to a severe cold Mills was unable to take his part and the cast was changed at the last moment. The parts were read far more fluently than at the last meeting, and Knox's imitation of the drunken butler was so ludicrous, that he could not restrain himself from laughter. The cast was as follows:—

C. POWELL	...	...	Mr. Honeywood.
A. G. LAMBERT	...	...	Lofty.
H. C. BARNES	...	...	Croaker.
F. Y. ECCLES	...	...	{ Mrs. Croaker.
			{ Jarvis.
A. K. WOODBRIDGE	...	...	Leontine.
F. P. FARRAR	...	...	Miss Richland.
E. F. KNOX	...	...	The Butler.
E. A. EVERINGTON	...	...	Olivia.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—The Freshmen's sports have come off in spite of "wind and weather," but O.W.W., I regret to say, were conspicuous only by their absence. R. A. Ingram is now the only regular representative of the School in the Association team. You are probably aware that the O.W.W. match against the 'Varsity, which was to have come off on the 19th, was scratched.

Yours etc.,
 ARISTOKRATIKOS.

OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

DEAR SIR,—This time I have very little news to tell you of our doings up here. We have played two matches lately; one *v.* Trinity (second), in which we were victorious by 3 goals to love; Phillimore was hurt in the match and was obliged to retire from the field. The second match, *v.* Cavendish (second,) resulted in a draw, each side scoring once. Veitch did not play in this match, at a meeting, which was held on Wednesday evening Mr Denman resigned the presidency. He much regretted being obliged to resign, as he was going down from the 'Varsity. He proposed Mr. Boyd Carpenter, who was elected unanimously to the vacant post. Having no more news to tell you,

I remain, etc.,
 CANTAB.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

DEAR SIR,—Allow me as one of the first subscribers to the *Grantite Review*, to utter a protest against decreasing the size of the *Grantite*, as suggested by Sub-Librarian in your last number. Many readers from its commencement I, for one, intend to have the *Grantite* bound when there are sufficient numbers to make it worth while to do so, and at present there are not enough back numbers to have them bound, without fresh additions in the shape of future numbers. If the size was diminished, it would be impossible.

Yours, &c.
 C. T. G. P.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

DEAR SIR,—The Committee of the *Elizabethan Club* direct attention in their Annual Report, (and very properly), to the importance of the boarding element in the School, and hope that nothing may be done which may tend to its gradual extinction.

There is an old saying that "an ounce of fact is worth a bushel of argument." May I therefore enquire how many O.W.W. are sending their sons as boarders to the School.

Yours etc.,
 AN OLD GRANTITE.

[We regret to state that only 10 Old Westminster fathers have sons at the School; although there are about 15 sons of Old Westminster at present in the School.—ED]

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