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VALE.

THERE are some who take a melancholy delight in doing things for the last time. There are some whose feelings are deeper and therefore are still. There are few who regret nothing they have to leave.

And yet we have a paradox. All are eager for a more active sphere of duty. All of us have experienced that feeling of uselessness, of being idle while others whom we knew here are fighting and bleeding—for us; and some of

us there are, whose earlier years at school were blessed with intimate friendship with one or two who have died.

There are others who are staying here, and they may be confident that they too are helping. "Carry on." Tide over the crisis which the war has brought on the School. It is worth while.

Vale. There is a deeper meaning for us whose last day here is almost come.

Morat.

THE CURTAIN STORY.

OF all the tales of Westminster none is more famous than the story of the torn curtain. Many attempts have been made to identify the persons concerned, but most of them have displayed such a contempt for dates and ages as to be impossible on the surface of them. At last some new evidence, which we owe to Sir Clements Markham and to an antiquary of the West Country, gives a clue that leads to a more satisfactory conclusion.

Let us again set forth the story as first told by Eustace Budgell in *The Spectator*, 28th February, 1712.

‘EVERY one, who is acquainted with Westminster School, knows that there is a Curtain which used to be drawn across the Room, to separate the upper School from the lower. A Youth happened by some Mischance, to tear the above-mentioned Curtain: The Severity of the Master was too well known for the Criminal to expect any Pardon for such a Fault; so that the Boy, who was of a meek Temper, was terrified to Death at the Thoughts of his Appearance, when his Friend, who sat next to him, bade him be of good Cheer, for that he would take the fault on himself. He kept his Word accordingly. As soon as they were grown up to be Men the Civil War broke out, in which our two Friends took the opposite sides, one of them followed the Parliament, the other the Royal Party.

As their Tempers were different, the Youth who had torn the Curtain, endeavoured to raise himself on the Civil List, and the other who had born the blame of it, on the Military: The first succeeded so well that he was in a short time made a judge under the Protector. The other was engaged in the unhappy Enterprise of Penruddock and Groves in the West. I need not acquaint you with the Event of that Undertaking: Every one knows that the Royal Party was routed, and all the Heads of them, among whom was the Curtain Champion, imprisoned at Exeter. It happened to be his Friend's Lot at that time to go the Western Circuit: The Tryal of the Rebels, as they were then called, was very short, and nothing now remained but to pass Sentence on them: when the judge hearing the Name of his old Friend, and observing his Face more attentively, which he had not seen for many Years, asked him, if he was not formerly a Westminster-Scholar; by the Answer, he was soon convinced that it was his former generous Friend; and, without saying any more at that Time, made the best of his way to London, where employing all his Power and Interest with the Protector, he saved his Friend from the Fate of his unhappy Associates.

‘THE Gentleman, whose Life was thus preserved by the Gratitude of his School-Fellow, was

afterwards the Father of a Son, whom he lived to see promoted in the Church, and who still deservedly fills one of the highest Stations in it.’

Who were the persons here concerned? Writing thirty-two years later Zachary Grey asserted that the boy that was whipt was ‘Mr. Wake, Father to the late Archbishop of Canterbury.’ No doubt Grey inherited the same tradition as Budgell and was so far right that he gave the name which Budgell would have given. It is true that Wake will not exactly fit the facts as Budgell gives them, for when the Civil War broke out he was barely fifteen years of age and the ‘many Years’ of which the story speaks must be interpreted as not more than twelve or fourteen, but these are points which the writer would not have in his mind. Again in 1785 a writer in *The Gentleman's Magazine* endeavoured to show, though with little evidence, that the render of the curtain was Robert Nicholas, who actually was one of the judges in the trial. Some thirty years later Sir Richard Hoare in his ‘History of Wiltshire’ combined the information and asserted without reserve that the two boys were Nicholas and Wake. Again, after a generation Mr. C. B. Phillimore, while rejecting the claim of Nicholas, reasserted the claim of Wake and thought it probable that the judge was Serjeant Glynne, who is known to have been a Westminster. In all these identifications the neglect of dates is very remarkable. Nicholas was thirty-one years older than Wake, and Glynne was only six years younger than Nicholas. Mr. Phillimore himself incidentally gives the dates without perceiving their significance. Nor is Mr. Phillimore the only offender against the light. ‘The Dictionary of National Biography,’ while rightly giving the birth-year of Nicholas as 1597 and the birth-year of Busby as 1606, still thinks it not impossible that the master Busby may have whipt the boy Nicholas.

Now it is to be observed that Busby's name does not figure in the original story. It has always been assumed that Busby was the Master. The very mention of severity seemed to clinch the identification. And we may admit that Budgell had Busby in his mind. When the story was written Busby had been dead sixteen years, and for fifty-seven years before that he had been Head Master of Westminster. His predecessor had made way for him nearly half a century before Budgell's birth. In Budgell's eyes there had been no one else. Thus we have as associated with the story the four names of Nicholas, Glynne, Busby and Wake. Yet we believe that of these four only one has any claim to the association, and that even of that one the claim, though it can be made probable, cannot as yet be absolutely established.

Let us first dispose of Wake. We will begin with the admission that Wake was the man whom

Budgell had in mind. When Wake died in 1705 his son was Dean of Exeter, and when Budgell wrote in 1712 had been promoted Bishop of Exeter. Among the names in the indictment we can find no other to whom Budgell's last paragraph would apply. But when the trial was held in 1655 Wake's age was only twenty-six or twenty-seven. Is it probable that any of the judges can have been his contemporary at Westminster? The ages that we can trace are all much greater. Glynne, who presided, was fifty-two, Nicholas fifty-eight, Rolle sixty-five or more, and Steele something over forty.

If Wake disappears from the story Busby must follow him. Even Steele, though he was younger than Busby, cannot have been at the School under him, for when Busby became Head Master Steele had already been called to the Bar and taken to himself a wife.

Concerning Nicholas such evidence as we have goes against his being a Westminster. Thus of the four names only Glynne remains.

Now for the new evidence. The Curtain Champion, as Budgell calls him, was found guilty and sentenced to death. His name must have been entered on the death warrant. The warrant is extant, and one of the names has been erased. It may reasonably be inferred that this is the champion's name. It has at last been decyphered, and proves to be not William Wake but Robert Duke. The indictment describes Duke as of Stockton in the county of Southampton, gentleman. The hamlet is now called Stuckton, and we have ascertained a few facts concerning the man. He was banished to the West Indies and died there before the Restoration. On the ground that he 'had suffered much in the war,' his widow in 1660 obtained a lease of the estate of John Lisle, the regicide, at Ellingham, in the New Forest.

We are now able to reconstruct the story in a more probable form than is implied in Budgell's narrative. We will take it from him, for this is clearly what he means, that the judge was the president of the court. The president was Glynne, and Glynne is known to have been a Westminster. Wilson became Head Master when Glynne was aged seven and ceased to be Head Master when Glynne was nineteen. Although he has not Busby's reputation we have no reason to doubt his severity. At the time of the trial Glynne and Duke had probably left school some five and thirty years. They may never have met since, and the long period accounts for the slow and at first doubtful recognition. After the trial Glynne hurried up to London, saw Cromwell, and obtained for Duke a pardon to which was coupled the condition of exile. Posting back to Exeter he came in time to delete the name from the death warrant, and may have striven to convince his

unhappy friend that the pineapples of Bermuda were at any rate of better flavour than the waters of Styx. We can only regret that the champion did not live long enough to be welcomed back by the meek and timorous companion of his days at Westminster.

It may be added that the mistakes actual and implied in Budgell's narrative are such as naturally in the course of years attach themselves to such a story. We should be unwilling to think that Wake allowed his friends to suppose that another's act was his own.

School Notes.

THE Offertory on the Patron Festival of S. Peter, Apostle and Martyr, amounted to £4 15s. 2d.

The third trial of Orations was heard up-School on Monday, July 5. The piece set was part of a speech by Mr. Lloyd George; Harrod, who was till then equal with Herbert, was adjudged best, and thus secured the prize.

M. A. Robinson, R. C. May and C. R. Julian were given their Pinks after the Radley Match at Radley, and N. P. Andrews, G. R. D. Gee and G. P. Pakenham-Walsh after the Radley Match up-Fields.

As a result of the recent Challenge the following are recommended:—

(i) *To College*.—G. H. Stevens, T. E. Cocks, H. F. Gorman, G. E. A. Dix, F. L. Crane, J. L. Willoughby, K. C. Hame, W. D. Thomas, M. F. Culhane, and G. S. Gompertz.

(ii) *To Non-Resident Scholarships*.—H. G. Payne, C. M. Cahn,* R. N. Rattenbury, H. Chisholm,* C. W. Baty,* K. McGregor and H. W. D. Fleming.*

(iii) *To Exhibitions of £30*.—A. M. Symington, E. de Le Harford, P. G. Burford, J. J. B. Shaw, G. F. L. Lea and H. R. G. Smith.*

The Swimming Competition will be held in the Great Smith Street Baths, which have been specially procured for the School on Tuesday and Thursday, July 20 and 22.

In view of the number of O.W.W.'s who have lost their lives in the war, the Standing Committee of the Governing Body have decided that Election Dinner be not held this year.

* Already at School.

THE WAR.

We print this month an additional list of names, making the total number of Westminsters serving in the Navy and Army 815. We take this opportunity of thanking all those who have kindly sent us names and corrections, and we should be grateful for additions, etc. These should be sent to Lawrence E. Tanner, Esq., 2 Little Dean's Yard, S.W. In this month's 'Corrections' only alterations in regiments have been noted, but a careful record of promotions, etc., is being kept and will be published in due course.

THE NAVY.

BARTLETT, R. D.	Lieut., R.N.V.R. (at Dunkirk)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
HOPWOOD, F. J.	Sub-Lieut., R.N.V.R. (Private Secretary to Sir Francis Hopwood, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.)	<i>Grant's.</i>
OLDFIELD, J. E. V.	R.N.V.R. (Anti-Aircraft)	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
*WOOD, E. S.	Lieut., R.N.V.R. (Dardanelles)	<i>K.S.</i>

THE ARMY.

ABLETT, C. A.	2nd Lieut. (from Canadian Expeditionary Force), 34th (Norfolk) Divisional (T.F.), R.E.	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
ADDIS, H. L.	2nd Lieut., Royal Dublin Fusiliers	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
ANDERSON, K. B.	2nd Lieut., Dorsetshire R.G.A. (T.F.)	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
BARTLETT, N. E.	2nd Lieut., 3rd London Brigade, R.F.A. (T.F.)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
BECKMAN, N. A.	2nd Lieut., 5th Battalion (Territorial), The East Surrey Regiment	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
BENDALL, P. M.	Inns of Court O.T.C.	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
BLAXLAND, A. J., F.R.C.S.	Captain, R.A.M.C., 2nd London Casualty Clearing Station, B.E.F.	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
BRATT, E. Y.	Private, 5th Battn. (Territorial), The Norfolk Regiment	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
BRISTOWE, E. S.	Inns of Court (Reserve Corps)	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
CAMPBELL, R. R.	Inns of Court (Reserve Corps)	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
CRAIG, H. E. R.	2nd Lieut., Bedfordshire Yeomanry	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
DEALTRY, P.	2nd Lieut., 5th (Flintshire) Battalion (Territorial), The Royal Welsh Fusiliers	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
*DEARMER, The Rev. P., D.D.	Serving with the Red Cross in Serbia	<i>Grant's.</i>
EVERINGTON, H. D., M.B.	Lieut., R.A.M.C.	<i>Grant's.</i>
FARRAR, F. P.	Serving with the Foreign Legion in France	<i>Grant's.</i>
GAYE, A. S.	Lieut., Army Service Corps	<i>Q.S.</i>
HALLETT, B. D. I., M.D. ..	Lieut., R.A.M.C.	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
HENDERSON, P. B.	Inns of Court (Reserve Corps)	<i>Grant's and Q.S.</i>
HUGHES, E. J. W.	2nd Lieut., 4th Battalion (Extra Reserve), The Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment)	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
JACQUET, The Rev. E. G.	Chaplain to the Forces (4th Class)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
JOHN, D. M.	2nd Lieut., 4th Battalion (Territorial), The Welsh Regiment	<i>Grant's.</i>
KELLIE, K. H. A., M.B. ..	Lieut., R.A.M.C.	<i>Grant's.</i>
LEE, A. G. .. ..	.. .. .	<i>Grant's.</i>
LIVINGSTONE-LEARMONTH, F. V. C., D.S.O.	Volunteer Training Corps	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
LLOYD-WILLIAMS, J. E. ..	2nd Lieut., Reserve of Officers, Indian Army	<i>Rigaud's and K.S.</i>
LOGAN, H.	2nd Lieut., Leicestershire Yeomanry (T.F.)	<i>Grant's.</i>
MAXWELL, F. M.	Lieut., City of London Yeomanry	<i>Q.S.</i>
NESBITT, A. C.	Inns of Court (Reserve Corps)	<i>Q.S.</i>
ORRISS, W. G.	2nd Lieut., Reserve of Officers, General List	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
PAUL, G. C.	Private, 10th (Scottish) Battalion (Territorial), The King's (Liverpool) Regiment	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
REES, H. G. P.	Sergt., R.E. (Wireless Operator)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>

* Known to be at the Front.

ROLT, A. E...	.. ..	Private, 19th (Service) Battalion (2nd Public Schools), The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment) ..	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
SMITH, S. G.	.. ..	Trooper, City of London Yeomanry (Rough Riders) (T.F.)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
TANSLEY, L. B.	.. ..	2nd Lieut. (from C.U.O.T.C.), 7th London Brigade R.F.A. (T.F.)	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
*TRENCH, J. R.	.. ..	Captain, 6th (Rifle) Battalion (Territorial), The King's (Liverpool) Regiment	<i>Q.S.</i>
TULL, J. E...	.. ..	Lance-Corporal, 18th (Service) Battalion (1st Public Schools), The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
*WHIGHAM, R. D.	.. ..	Captain, 1st Battalion, The King's Own Scottish Borderers (wounded)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
WILKINSON, G. F. N.	.. ..	Private — (City of London) Battalion, The London Regi- ment (Royal Fusiliers) (T.F.)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
WILLIAMS, R. HODDER	.. ..	2nd University Company, Canadian Expeditionary Force	<i>Grant's.</i>
WOOD, A. E. F.	.. ..	2nd Lieut., Reserve of Officers (Cavalry), Indian Army	<i>Q.S.</i>

CORRECTIONS.

*BARRINGTON-WARD, V. M.	.. ..	Now Major, Railway Operating Division, R.E.
*BOMPAS, H. S.	.. ..	Now Flight Sub-Lieut., R.N.A.S.
BRODIE, K. ..	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 3rd Battalion, The Dorsetshire Regiment.
BROWN, G. L.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 16th Divisional Train, Army Service Corps.
BUCKMAN, J. L.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 12th Battalion, The East Surrey Regiment.
CARLESS, H. D.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 3rd Battalion, The Gordon Highlanders.
CECIL, R. W. GASCOYNE	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 3rd Warwickshire, R.H.A.
CRACKNELL, C. G. R.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 24th (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (The Queen's).
EALAND, V. F.	.. ..	Now Lieut., R.H. and R.F.A.
FREEMAN, E. C., M.D.	.. ..	Now Colonel, Assistant Director of Medical Services, East Anglian Division.
FURZE, N. F.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 3rd Battalion, The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment).
GEDDES, N. W.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., Army Service Corps.
HAMMOND, M.	.. ..	Now Lieut., 7th Battalion, The Buffs (East Kent Regiment).
HEATH, J. O.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment).
HEY, B. S. ..	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 24th (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (The Queen's).
HINE, E. D.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 24th (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (The Queen's).
KEELY, T. C. S.	.. ..	Now Private, Inns of Court O.T.C.
KELSEY, L. DE B.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 23rd (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment.
LAWRENCE, J. H.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 26th Divisional Train, Army Service Corps.
LECHMERE, N. G. B.	.. ..	Now Lieut., Scots Guards.
MACNAB, C. L.	.. ..	Now Brigadier-General (late Lieut.-Colonel commanding 1st Battalion, The Royal Sussex Regiment).
*MASON, J. H.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 13th (County of London), Princess Louise's Kensington Battalion, The London Regiment (T.F.).
MILLES, G. E.	.. ..	Now Sub-Lieut., R.N.V.R.
MONIER-WILLIAMS, C. F.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 12th (County of London) Battalion, The London Regiment (The Rangers).
MOON, L. J. ..	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 10th Battalion, The Devonshire Regiment.
NOWELL, W. J.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., R.F.A.
PECK, J. H...	.. ..	Now Lieut.-Colonel, Cantonment Magistrates Department.
PITT-LEWIS, G. F.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 3rd Battalion, The Devonshire Regiment.
REED, C. G.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 6th Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps.
*SCOTT, H. G. R. BOWES	.. ..	Now Gunner, Calcutta Battery (Serving in British East Africa).
SMYTHE, N. M., V.C.	.. ..	Now Brigadier-General.
TREATT, C. C.	.. ..	Should be Observation Officer, Royal Flying Corps, and not as stated in last number.
WALTON, L. R.	.. ..	Now 2nd Lieut., 26th Divisional Train, Army Service Corps.

* Known to be at the Front.

The following Westminsters were mentioned in Sir John French's last Despatches for "gallant and distinguished conduct in the Field":—

MAJOR A. ELLERSHAW ..	R.G.A. (mentioned for second time)	<i>Grant's.</i>
MR. C. D. FISHER ..	British Red Cross Society	<i>Q.S.</i>
CAPTAIN H. W. HOLLAND ..	Inns of Court O.T.C. (Head Quarters Staff)	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
LT.-COL. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) A. R. HOSKINS, D.S.O. ..	Headquarters Staff (mentioned for second time)	<i>Ashburnham.</i>
MAJOR A. A. MCHARDY, D.S.O.	R.A. (Headquarters Staff)	<i>Home Boarders.</i>
LIEUT. E. MOORE	5th Field Company, R.E.	<i>Grant's.</i>
LIEUT. E. A. MORGAN ..	Royal Flying Corps (since killed in action)	<i>Grant's.</i>
CAPTAIN C. M. PAGE, M.B., F.R.C.S.	Royal Army Medical Corps.. .. .	<i>Rigaud's.</i>
CORPL. R. DE R. ROCHE ..	Queen's Westminster Rifles (since killed in action)	<i>Grant's.</i>
BRVT.-COL. C. B. VYVYAN, C.B.	Headquarters Staff	<i>Grant's and Q.S.</i>

The following Awards have been made:—

D.S.O.	Major ELLERSHAW.
C.M.G.	Col. VYVYAN, C.B.
Brvt.-Col.	Lt.-Col. (temp. Brig.-Gen.) A. R. HOSKINS, D.S.O.
Brvt.-Lt.-Col.	Major MCHARDY, D.S.O.

O.T.C.

THE exeat was spent by eight of the Senior N.C.O.'s with the second-in-command at the C.O.'s residence in Sussex, and an extra day was granted by the Head Master. The mornings were spent in various instructions, including advanced guards, rear guards and outposts. Part of the afternoons were given to panorama sketching under the second-in-command; at this some of the party excelled themselves. Equal numbers of the N.C.O.'s slept in a hut and a tent. A feature of the last evening were unofficial night operations between the two, ending in a certain number of bruises but complete satisfaction to both sides. This exceeded in excitement even the night march home after the C.O. had led us far away and left us to our own devices.

We have to thank Mrs. Willett and the C.O. most heartily for the most excellent time we spent, and assure them we shall not forget the work, the lawn-tennis and the other forms of recreation.

Inspection, which took place on June 30, may be looked upon as a success. Rumours were early afloat that the inspecting officer, Brig.-Gen. Broadwood, would not hesitate to pass adverse criticism if he should find this to be necessary. As a consequence we felt particularly pleased that nothing but praise fell to our lot.

The General arrived with a Captain of his staff at 2.25. After the salute had been taken (we had no bayonets) the whole company was inspected, and then the official organisation of three

platoons marched past in line. This was repeated by the left, and then No. 4 Platoon, headed by the Sergt.-Instructor, also marched past. We understand that in all cases the dressing was well kept.

After a little close order company drill conducted by the O.C., the platoons were separated for platoon drill. This was by no means what we expected, as we had rather paraded the fact that most of our N.C.O.'s were competent to command an entire company. However, it may be said that everybody rose to the occasion, and the few restricted movements permitted to a platoon in close order were carried out under the orders of separate commanders. Although we felt worthy of better things, these movements were gone through with smartness, and apparently satisfied the inspecting officer.

We were spared the rather painful business of imitating field work on Vincent Square, and after a short address by the General, in which we were told that our performances in close order and our general turn-out had given him complete satisfaction (our heads must have been held up on parade after all), we realised that the annual inspection was over, and we all proceeded to get ourselves photographed in various attitudes and combinations.

On Thursday, July 8, we had a field day at Chilworth. Owing to railway complications forty out of our party of 180 had to get to this place, which is on the S.E.R., via Guildford, on the S.W.R. The different itineraries fitted well enough to land both sections of our army at their destinations very nearly at the same time, both going and coming.

The actual operations took the form of an attack by us on a depôt in charge of Cranleigh O.T.C., and known vaguely to be somewhere on the south-eastern part of Blackheath. The feature of the day was that all the management of attack and defence was in the hands of cadets, the officers of both corps acting as umpires. Com.-Sergt.-Major Holmes was the Westminster Commander, and with the assistance of a large and efficient staff he developed a sound attack. The country is rough and rather wooded in parts, and it may be taken as very creditable in the circumstances that something not at all unlike a firing line found itself ultimately lying approximately parallel to a similar disposition of the enemy's troops.

Lack of space forbids the production of any details of individual daring and prowess. Suffice it to say that the depôt was not exactly captured (it never is, never!), but one half-platoon made a sudden dash down a road in the right direction a few seconds before the cease-fire, only to be met at the turning by a posted machine-gun (imitation) which would certainly have scuppered them. Still, the precise whereabouts of the depôt might then have become known, and the writer feels that this would have been an unusual achievement on such a field day as this. It should be said that a preconcerted plan of the Westminster Staff to capture the depôt by strategy was completely spoilt by one of the enemy's umpires.

We all had tea at the inn in Chilworth that many of us know already, and dismissed in yard about 7.40 P.M. It was an instructive day, and most people enjoyed it, in spite of a few heavy showers in the earlier part.

Poetry.

ON THE ABBEY.

WHAT sights, what sounds these antique walls
have known ;
What cries of grief, what plaint at Fortune's blows,
When they, who here lie in that last repose
Of Death, made rich this acre royally sown.

What shouts of loyal joy, from stone to stone
Flung back, when purple-robed the Monarch rose ;
Then in his Chair received in regal pose
Th' encircling Crown that proved him king alone.

But now reigns silence. Silence all around
Enfolds me. Now no courtiers meet my gaze,
Nor funeral shroud brings grief that none can cure.

The very walls breathe peace. Here, here is found
The resting place that sends us on our ways,
With calmer spirits and souls more brave to
endure.

K. M.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. HON.
ARTILLERY COMPANY.

MAY 22.

(Won.)

THIS match was played up-Fields and resulted in a very creditable win for the School by 56 runs. Oliver, who went in first with Robinson, was out when the score stood at 12, but the latter and Gardiner played good cricket and took the score to 59 before being separated. Gardiner's 44 was a stylish innings. Somewhat of a collapse followed, for 8 wickets were down for only 106, Bristowe being rather too good a bowler for most of the side, his analysis working out at 6 for 54. Julian, however, coming in at fourth wicket down, played a magnificent hard-hitting innings of 79, in which were five fours and two fives, and he was well assisted by Pakenham-Walsh, who played in very good style. The innings eventually closed for 186.

The Visitors started badly, as Julian threw down Edell's wicket at 6, and caught Moule off Oliver with the score unaltered. There was no considerable stand, the feature of the day being the School's magnificent fielding, which reminded one of Charterhouse's second innings in 1913. Gardiner made two wonderful catches at mid-off, and the only batsman who stayed long was Sutton ; he was out last for a slow but very useful 25. Oliver had the excellent analysis of 6 for 37.

Score and Analysis :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. R. Oliver, lbw, b Bristowe	3
M. A. Robinson, c Beeson, b Bonser	14
P. W. Gardiner, b Bonser	44
N. P. Andrews, b Napper	0
D. A. Radermacher, b Bristowe	7
C. R. Julian, c Davis, b Bristowe	79
G. R. D. Gee, b Bristowe	1
C. E. Stones, b Bristowe	0
G. G. F. Greig, b Bristowe	0
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, c & b Napper	16
R. C. May, not out.....	5
Extras, byes 16, wide 1	17
Total	186

HON. ARTILLERY COMPANY.

I. J. Edell, run out	3
C. G. Moule, c Julian, b Oliver.....	1
R. Hargreaves, c Stones, b Oliver.....	19
C. V. W. Sutton, c May, b Oliver.....	25
O. C. Bristowe, b Greig	16
D. D. Napper, c Gardiner, b Julian	5
H. B. Kidd, c Gardiner, b Stones	34
N. W. Beeson, c Robinson, b Oliver	2
H. J. Bonser, c Gardiner, b Oliver	1
C. D. Davis, b Oliver	0
W. S. Philips, not out	4
Extras, byes 18, leg byes 2.....	20
Total	130

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
O. C. Bristowe	18	2	54	6
N. W. Beeson	10	1	19	0
C. G. Moule	2	0	14	0
II. J. Bonser	10	1	30	2
D. D. Napper	10	2	24	2
R. Hargreaves	3	1	14	0
C. D. Davis	2	0	14	0

Beeson bowled 1 wide.

H.A.C.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets
F. R. Oliver	18.3	5	37	6
C. E. Stones	8	1	21	1
G. R. D. Gee	11	5	21	0
G. G. F. Greig	6	2	23	1
C. R. Julian	4	1	8	1

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OFFICERS OF 9TH SUFFOLKS.

MAY 29.

(Won.)

THE Visitors won the toss and decided to bat on an easy wicket. From the very start wickets fell quickly; Bates sent up an easy catch to Walsh at mid-on off Gee's fifth ball, a full-toss. Lonsdale was bowled in Oliver's third over, and with the exception of West, who was last out for a very slow 25, and Allerton, who showed some enterprise, there was no resistance to the bowling. Gee was particularly effective, taking 6 wickets for only 23.

Radermacher and Gardiner did not stay long with Robinson, but the latter and Andrews played very well, and were not separated till the match was won. After that every one scored freely; Walsh in particular played a very promising innings of 42 not out. Cobbold's bowling did not meet with the success we had expected, but like all the Visitors he was quite out of practice, and he was very unlucky in the way in which catches never went to hand.

Score and analysis :—

OFFICERS OF 9TH SUFFOLKS.

H. Lonsdale, b Oliver	1
C. T. Bates, c Pakenham-Walsh, b Gee ..	0
S. G. West, c Greig, b Oliver	25
H. E. Law, b Gee	0
F. R. C. Cobbold, b Gee	4
C. T. Waskett, b Gee.....	0
H. S. Eagle, lbw, b Gee	4
C. Allerton, b Stones	27
A. A. Leighton, b Oliver	8
L. Wilmott-Johnson, not out	3
F. P. Gardham, lbw, b Gee	0
Extras, byes 8	8
Total.....	80

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

M. A. Robinson, c and b West	38
D. A. Radermacher, b Cobbold	8
P. W. Gardiner, c and b Allerton	2
N. P. Andrews, c West, b Allerton	62
F. R. Oliver, b Allerton.....	27
C. R. Julian, b Bates	17
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, not out	42
G. R. D. Gee, c Allerton, b Cobbold	13
C. E. Stones, not out	8
G. G. F. Greig } did not bat.	
R. C. May }	

Extras, byes 48, leg-byes 2, wide 1, no-ball 1 52

Total (for 7 wickets) 269

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

OFFICERS OF 9TH SUFFOLKS.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
F. R. Oliver.....	12	3	38	3
G. R. D. Gee	8.1	0	23	6
C. E. Stones.....	3	0	11	1

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
F. R. C. Cobbold	21	6	57	2
C. Allerton	19	3	66	3
C. T. Bates	15	0	64	1
C. T. Waskett	6	1	17	0
S. G. West	5	0	15	1

Cobbold bowled 1 wide and Allerton 1 no-ball.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. SURREY CLUB AND GROUND.

JUNE 2.

(Lost.)

AT THE OVAL.

PLAY was started soon after 12 o'clock, the Home side having won the toss. Runs came very quickly, but with the score at 16 Beresford was bowled by Gee; Fender hit up 48 before being caught at wicket; de Trafford, however, who had been scoring fast all the time, and Bird were together till shortly after lunch, the stand having realized over 200 runs. After this Gee and Gardiner met with great success; the latter's figures were 4 for 13 in 20 balls, while Gee took 4 for 87. The innings was declared closed at 321 for 9 wickets. If three quite possible chances in the field had not been missed before lunch, a much smaller score would probably have resulted.

Westminster, after a steady start, lost seven wickets for 59. Walsh and Oliver both played carefully and well, but the rest found Platt very difficult. When Gee came in, however, the game brightened up considerably, and he and Greig took the score to 113 before the latter was bowled, and a further stand was made with May in. Gee completed his 50 and continued to hit Platt and Fender vigorously till May was magnificently taken in the slips by the latter.

Score and analysis :—

SURREY CLUB AND GROUND.

C. E. de Trafford, b Gardiner	129
Hon. S. R. Beresford, b Gee	14
P. G. H. Fender, c May, b Julian	48
M. C. Bird, b Gardiner	97
D. H. Butcher, b Gee	0
A. W. Ruddy, c Gardiner, b Gee.....	4
A. M. Latham, b Gardiner	0
E. S. Brand, not out.....	6
Platt, b Gee	4
Strudwick, c Radermacher, b Gardiner	5
S. Colman did not bat.	
Extras, byes 7, leg-byes 5, wide 1, no-ball 1	14

Total (for 9 wickets) 321*

* Innings declared closed.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

M. A. Robinson, b Platt	10
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, c Strudwick, b Bird ...	19
D. A. Radermacher, b Bird.....	0
P. W. Gardiner, b Platt	6
N. P. Andrews, b Platt.....	7
F. R. Oliver, b Fender.....	14
C. R. Julian, b Platt.....	4
H. J. Salwey, b Platt	0
G. R. D. Gee, not out	62
G. G. F. Greig, b Fender	17
R. C. May, c Fender, b Platt	4
Extras, byes 8, leg-byes 3.....	11

Total 154

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING.

SURREY CLUB AND GROUND.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
F. G. Oliver	14	0	103	0
G. R. D. Gee	17	0	87	4
G. G. F. Greig.....	9	0	59	0
C. R. Julian	7	0	45	1
P. W. Gardiner	3.2	1	13	4
Greig bowled 1 wide and 1 no-ball.				

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
M. C. Bird	14	3	33	2
Platt	20.5	4	66	6
P. G. H. Fender.....	7	1	44	2

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. M.C.C.

JUNE 5.

(Lost.)

THE M.C.C. won the toss and put the School in to the bowling of Mead and King. Robinson got the former away to the leg boundary first ball, but was bowled by the next. Walsh looked like staying, but was bowled by King after running out to a good ball, and, after Oliver had been bowled, no one made any runs except Greig, who hit out refreshingly and was the only batsman to make double figures. Mead took 7 for only 12.

The Visitors knocked off the runs with 9 wickets to go, and with the exception of Borradaile,

who was very well thrown out by Julian, practically every one made runs, and the innings realized 202. Oliver was the most successful bowler, taking 4 for 40.

The School's second innings was not particularly successful. Gardiner, Robinson and Walsh all played well, but the rest failed as badly as in the first innings. The Visitors were left winners by an innings and 68 runs.

Score and Analysis :

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

M. A. Robinson, b Mead.....	4	b Mead	24
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, b King	3	st Oates, b Mead	20
N. P. Andrews, b Mead	1	c Lander, b Mead	3
P. W. Gardiner, st Oates, b Mead	0	c Hale, b Mead	34
F. R. Oliver, b King	7	b King.....	0
G. R. D. Gee, c King, b Mead	1	c Hale, b Mead	1
C. R. Julian, lbw, b King... ..	0	st Oates, b Mead	0
H. J. Salwey, c & b Mead ...	3	c Oates, b King	4
G. G. F. Greig, not out	11	b Mead	2
C. E. Stones, b Mead	0	not out	0
R. C. May, b Mead	3	absent hurt	0
Extras, leg byes 5 ...	5	byes 1, leg byes 7	8
Total	38	Total	96

M.C.C.

Campbell Hulton, retired.....	25
F. E. Lander, c Stones, b Gee	14
W. S. Hale, c Gee, b Oliver	12
A. C. M. Croome, b Stones.....	23
W. R. Collins, c Gardiner, b Oliver	15
Dr. Holton, c Oliver, b Greig	37
O. R. Borradaile, run out.....	0
R. Leigh Ibbs, not out.....	32
King, c Andrews, b Stones	19
Oates, lbw, b Oliver.....	0
Mead, b Oliver	2
Extras, byes 22, no ball 1	23
Total	202

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.—1st innings.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
Mead.....	10.1	6	12	7
King	10	4	21	3

2nd innings.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
King	16	5	29	2
Mead.....	15.2	1	59	7

M.C.C.

	Overs.	Maidens.	uns.	Wickets.
G. R. D. Gee	13	0	43	1
P. W. Gardiner	5	0	25	0
F. R. Oliver	16	3	40	4
C. E. Stones.....	9	3	40	2
G. G. F. Greig	5	0	20	1
C. R. Julian.....	2	0	11	0

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* RADLEY COLLEGE.

JUNE 19.

(Won.)

THIS match was played at Radley, and ended in a victory for the School by 2 wickets, after an intensely exciting game. Oliver won the toss, and elected to put Radley in on a wicket which looked likely to be rather difficult at first but would play very easily afterwards. So events proved. May, after missing Parry-Crooke off Oliver's second ball, made up for this by smartly stumping him off Greig in the next over; the latter, who was bowling very fast, soon met with further successes, as at 21 he clean bowled Marshall and Baker, two of their best batsmen. Then Moreton joined Hannen, B. R., and they took the score to 48 before the latter, who had played nice cricket, was bowled for 31. Wickets continued to fall fairly quickly, 7 being down for 108, and 8 for 136. Then came the big stand of the innings, when Morkill, who had been scoring freely, was joined by Gibbs; the latter, though rather shaky to start with, soon settled down, and made some delightful strokes, especially on the leg side. These two put on no fewer than 160 runs, despite many bowling changes, until at last Morkill was caught by Oliver at mid-off for a brilliant hard-hitting innings of 132, which included three 5's and seventeen 4's, mostly the result of powerful and well-timed drives. The innings closed for 306, Gibbs being undefeated with 59 to his credit. For the School Greig, who at first bowled magnificently, came out with the excellent figures of 7 for 88, despite being scored off somewhat freely towards the close. May kept wicket beautifully, the way in which he stumped L. G. Hannen being a brilliant piece of work.

Browning and Robinson began slowly but steadily, and the first wicket did not fall till the score had reached 33. Andrews then joined Browning, and soon began to score freely, though both were fortunate in being badly missed, Andrews when he had made 7. After Browning had left, Gardiner and Andrews added 74, and the latter and Pakenham-Walsh 62 more, the Radley bowling, which was decidedly poor, being completely collared. However, with his score at 80, which included ten 4's, Andrews was caught in the long field. He had played a splendid game, the chief feature of which was his perfect timing. It was getting late, and Greig and Julian were both bowled trying to force the game, while Oliver was l.b.w. to Baker, 7 wickets then being down for 253. Gee joined P.-Walsh, who was playing steadily, and the score was taken to 293 before the latter was run out for an invaluable 42. Finally three more runs were required to win with four balls to go; off the next ball May was missed by the

wicket-keeper standing back, and a run was stolen. Gee scored a single off the next, making the match a tie, and the last ball but one of the match May hit for 4, thus giving Westminster a memorable victory on time by 2 wickets. The Radley fielding was very poor, and probably cost them the match, several important catches being dropped.

Score and Analysis :—

RADLEY COLLEGE.

C. P. Parry-Crooke, st May, b Greig.....	4
B. R. Hannen, b Greig	31
B. E. A. Marshall, b Greig	3
A. R. Baker, b Greig	0
R. J. Moreton, lbw, b Oliver	21
G. H. C. Adams, b Greig	14
A. F. Blyth, b Gardiner	10
H. B. Morkill, c Oliver, b Greig	132
L. G. Hannen, st May, b Greig.....	12
C. C. S. Gibbs, not out	59
C. H. L. Bubb, b Oliver	1
Extras, byes 10, leg-byes 6, wide 1, no-balls 2	19
Total	306

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

M. A. Robinson, b L. G. Hannen.....	15
R. S. Browning, c Blyth, b Marshall.....	40
N. P. Andrews, c Bubb, b Baker	86
P. W. Gardiner, c Adams, b L. G. Hannen	40
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, run out	42
F. R. Oliver, lbw, b Baker	0
C. R. Julian, b Baker	8
G. G. F. Greig, b Bubb	18
G. R. D. Gee, not out.....	30
R. C. May, not out	7
C. E. Stones did not bat	
Extras, byes 8, leg-byes 5, no-balls 11 ..	24
Total (for 8 wickets).....	310

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING.

RADLEY COLLEGE.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
F. R. Oliver	19.5	1	86	2
G. G. F. Greig	21	3	87	7
G. R. D. Gee	7	1	42	0
P. W. Gardiner	6	2	17	1
C. E. Stones.....	5	0	20	0
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh	4	0	17	0
C. R. Julian	2	0	18	0

Greig bowled 2 no-balls and Gardiner 1 wide.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
C. H. L. Bubb.....	21	3	78	1
A. R. Baker	17	3	51	3
H. B. Morkill	10	0	42	0
L. G. Hannen	20	0	57	2
A. F. Blyth	4	0	29	0
B. E. A. Marshall.....	2	0	18	1
B. R. Hannen	1	0	11	0

Baker bowled 4 and L. G. Hannen 7 no-balls.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* RADLEY COLLEGE.

JUNE 26.

(*Lost.*)

THE match against Charterhouse at Godalming being scratched, Radley very kindly consented to play us a return game up-Fields during their exeat. Westminster batted first, and with the score at 10 Browning was well taken in the slips by Baker. Andrews and Robinson added 58 for the second wicket, Andrews as in the previous match scoring very fast, his 50 including a 6 and seven 4's. Wickets then fell fast, Gardiner being well taken with one hand at point, P. Walsh clean bowled, and Oliver, when he looked like settling down, was caught from a skier at mid-on. At 130 Robinson was unfortunately run out; he had played a sound innings which, though slow, was of great value to the side. Of the rest no one did much, except Julian, who hit out pluckily and well for 34, the innings finally realising 178. The Radley fielding was as excellent as it was poor the week before, but we should have made a much bigger score against none too strong a bowling side. Blyth was undoubtedly the best bowler, and might have been given a longer trial. The Visitors started confidently, but at 16 Hannen (B. R.) was l.b.w. to Oliver; then, however, Parry-Crooke and Marshall carried the score to 124 by splendid cricket until the former was smartly stumped. Runs continued to come fast, and the Westminster total was passed with 7 wickets in hand; later Oliver met with some success, and the innings closed for 298, Baker making some beautiful strokes in his 36. Oliver, who varied his pace well, and was the only bowler who could keep a good length, secured 5 wickets for 87. The match was undoubtedly lost by our disappointing batting display, as our bowling and fielding were quite up to form. Radley had the misfortune to be without Morkill, while unluckily for us May hurt his hands, and had to give up the gloves to Robinson, though the latter acquitted himself very creditably.

Score and Analysis:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

M. A. Robinson, run out	38
R. S. Browning, c Baker, b Bubb	4
N. P. Andrews, c & b Blyth.....	50
P. W. Gardiner, c Marshall, b Blyth	5
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, b Blyth	4
F. R. Oliver, c folkes, b B. R. Hannen	11
G. G. F. Greig, c Parry Croke, b B. R. Hannen	5
G. R. D. Gee, b L. G. Hannen	11
C. R. Julian, b L. G. Hannen.....	34
R. C. May, c & b L. G. Hannen	6
C. E. Stones, not out	5
Extras, byes 5	5
Total	178

RADLEY COLLEGE.

B. R. Hannen, lbw, b Oliver	9
C. P. Parry-Crooke, st May, b Oliver.....	60
B. E. A. Marshall, b Greig	57
L. G. Hannen, run out	22
R. J. Moreton, lbw, b Gee	34
A. F. Blyth, b Greig.....	16
A. R. Baker, b Greig	36
G. H. C. Adams, c Gee, b Oliver	17
W. R. C. folkes, b Oliver	2
C. C. S. Gibbs, not out.....	15
C. H. L. Bubb, c Robinson, b Oliver.....	2
Extras, byes 28	28
Total	298

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
C. H. L. Bubb	10	1	30	1
A. R. Baker	6	1	19	0
L. G. Hannen	14.1	3	58	3
A. F. Blyth	8	3	18	3
B. R. Hannen	2	0	11	2
B. E. A. Marshall	5	0	37	0

RADLEY COLLEGE.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
F. R. Oliver	24.5	5	87	5
G. G. F. Greig	19	2	64	3
G. R. D. Gee	12	0	61	1
C. E. Stones.....	2	1	5	0
P. W. Gardiner	6	2	25	0
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh ...	2	1	5	0
C. R. Julian	3	1	23	0

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* TONBRIDGE SCHOOL.

JULY 10.

(*Lost.*)

THIS match was played up-Fields and is the only time we have met Tonbridge.

Oliver won the toss for us, and the School went in to bat on a plumb wicket. A very slow start was made, but Browning and Leighton looked fairly set when the former foolishly ran himself out. Andrews, as usual, scored quickly, but Leighton was bowled at 43, having made a creditable first appearance. Walsh went at 91, and was quickly followed by Oliver and Gee. Gardiner, whose late position in the batting order was due to an injury which rendered necessary Leighton's reappearance to run for him, made some useful shots before being stumped. Andrews meanwhile was still scoring fast and had extremely bad luck in not reaching his century. His 98 was a fine characteristic innings. The innings closed for 182; Lewis was the most successful bowler, taking 5 wickets for 44.

Tonbridge opened their innings with bright cricket; at 26, Sherwell, a left-hander, was bowled by Oliver, and Tester was dismissed soon after by the same bowler. Boucher, who was next in,

made a very useful stand with Hedges, and it was not till 93 that the former was leg before to Oliver. Culhane was taken by May standing back to Greig, who rapidly dismissed Lovelace, another left-hander, with an excellent ball. Hedges continued to play well, and he and Goodman won the match, not being separated till 201. Hedges had played well all through, and Goodman completed his century with FitzGerald in the other end, both hitting very hard. Greig's figures of 4 wickets for 81 were quite good. The fielding was at first very good, but towards the end of a tiring day it naturally fell off somewhat.

Score and Analysis :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

R. S. Browning, run out	10
P. L. Leighton, b Lewis	13
N. P. Andrews, c Hedges, b Lewis	98
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, b Goodman	13
F. R. Oliver, b Goodman	2
G. R. D. Gee, c Boucher, b Nichols	1
P. W. Gardiner, st Hedges, b FitzGerald	20
C. R. Julian, lbw, b Lewis	8
G. G. F. Greig, not out	3
R. C. May, b Lewis	6
C. E. Stones, c Hedges, b Lewis	0
Extras, byes 8	8

Total 182

TONBRIDGE SCHOOL.

R. Sherwell, b Oliver	20
G. P. Hedges, st May, b Walsh	89
C. K. Tester, b Oliver	3
N. Boucher, lbw, b Oliver	39
R. C. Culhane, c May, b Greig	1
B. D. Lovelace, b Greig	2
G. W. Goodman, b Greig	106
P. H. FitzGerald, b Stones	43
H. G. Nichols, not out	11
E. P. W. Lewis, b Greig	2
J. H. Welldon, c Gee, b Stones	3
Extras, byes 8, leg-byes 2	10

Total 329

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
J. H. Welldon	10	2	18	0
R. D. Lovelace	7	1	25	0
E. P. W. Lewis	10.2	1	44	5
R. Sherwell	6	1	26	0
P. H. FitzGerald	6	0	31	1
G. W. Goodman	6	1	12	2
H. G. Nichols	3	0	18	1

TONBRIDGE SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
F. R. Oliver	24	4	114	3
G. G. F. Greig	20	2	81	4
C. E. Stones	18.2	2	76	2
G. R. D. Gee	10	3	21	0
C. R. Julian	2	0	13	0
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh	2	0	14	1

AVERAGES (till after the Tonbridge Match).

BATTING.

	No. of Innings.	Times not out.	Total Runs.	Highest Score.	Average
N. P. Andrews	9	0	317	98	35'22
P. W. Gardiner	9	0	216	65	24'00
M. A. Robinson	8	0	188	45	23'50
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh	9	2	159	42*	22'71
G. R. D. Gee	9	2	139	62*	19'85
C. R. Julian	9	0	157	79	17'44
R. S. Browning	4	0	65	40	16'25
G. G. F. Greig	7	2	56	18	11'20
F. R. Oliver	9	0	67	27	7'44
R. C. May	8	2	31	7*	5'16
C. E. Stones	7	3	17	8*	4'25

The following also batted :—

P. L. Leighton	1	0	13	13	13'00
J. L. Strain	1	0	9	9	9'00
D. A. Radermacher	3	0	15	8	5'00
H. J. Salwey	3	0	7	4	2'33

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
P. W. Gardiner	22.2	5	95	5	19'00
C. E. Stones	57.2	10	225	11	20'45
G. G. F. Greig	80	9	331	16	20'68
F. R. Oliver	148.2	22	597	27	22'03
G. R. D. Gee	83.1	9	320	13	24'61
G. P. Pakenham-Walsh	11	1	64	1	64'00
C. R. Julian	23	2	136	2	68'00

WATER.

ON account of the war, there was no water during Lent Term.

It is exceedingly regrettable that owing to great difficulties in obtaining a coach the commencement of water was perforce postponed till three weeks of Election Term had elapsed.

Eventually we engaged the valuable services of a Belgian professional sculler, a member of the Antwerp Rowing Club, who had served in the Belgian Armies operating in the Low Countries.

Under his expert supervision the form got together very well and, though young and inexperienced, rowed with zeal and energy, but lack of practice lost us our only fixture.

The race against Haileybury, arranged for June 22, was rowed on the River Lea over a winding course of seven furlongs, and was judged by time.

Of the two stations, fifty yards apart, the first was assigned to us as last year's winners. Haileybury started very well and rowed hard for the first minute; whereas our start was slow, though we were well together at the first bend and settled down to a long, steady stroke. Haileybury gained considerably at the third bend, but in the last stretch we drew away rapidly; nevertheless, Haileybury won by two seconds.

Great credit is due to both crews, who rowed well, and we hope to meet again on the Thames next year.

The usual House Fours have not taken place through lack of time.

King's Scholars *v.* Town Boys will be rowed on July 24.

The IV. representing the School were:—

H. L. Storrs, stroke; A. T. C. Perkins, 3; H. Terres, 2; J. C. Friedberger, bow; C. A. A. Robertson (cox.).

House Notes.

K.SS.—The death in action has been reported of J. W. Ferguson, who was a King's Scholar from 1904 to 1908.

Eight are leaving College at Election, of whom six are taking commissions and two are going to the R.M.A.

We have been singularly unsuccessful in House competitions. The Singing Cup was almost regained, and in Cricket Juniors we lost to Ashburnham after a sporting game. We were beaten by Rigaud's in the Swimming Competition. College Fives Ties are in the semi-final round. The Eastlake Drawing Prize was won by J. M. Kirkman.

We have to congratulate M. A. Robinson, G. R. D. Gee, G. P. Pakenham-Walsh, G. G. F. Greig and R. S. Browning on their Pinks. We have regularly supplied more than half the Cricket XI.

The Literary Society concluded the year's reading with the usual Selections. We offer our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Raynor for the instruction and enjoyment we have always derived from this Society.

ASHBURNHAM.—A great deal has happened since our last notes appeared.

Seniors unfortunately have come and gone for us, as we were badly defeated by H.BB. in the first round. However, it is our pleasant duty to bestow our heartiest congratulations on W. E. Gerrish, A. S. Dickson and H. N. Rudge on receiving their House colours.

In Juniors we defeated Rigaud's in brilliant fashion, getting them out for 14 in their second innings. We are now engaged in a close game with K.SS., which we trust will prove successful.

Ashburnham, after a long lapse of time, has succeeded in producing the winner of Orations, and we heartily congratulate H. F. R. Harrod on his success.

A great number of people in the House have been constant frequenters of the Baths, and we hope this will lead to our keeping the Swimming Cup.

The Singing Competition comes off next week, and we trust that our representatives will do themselves justice.

Another O.A., Lieut. M. Day, has been killed in action.

In conclusion, we wish success to J. L. Strain, H. Terres, A. C. Perkins and A. P. Warren in their respective examinations.

GRANT'S.—We open this month's news with congratulations to Andrews on Pinks and consequent promotion to Outer, to Holmes on House Colours, to Vatcher on obtaining a 'first' in Little Go, and to Usher on passing Smalls. Tardy, but none the less sincere, congratulations are due to Brandon-Thomas on promotion to the rank of Sergeant in the O.T.C., and to Abrahams and Hollins on becoming Lance-Corporals.

In Seniors we have reached the final without mishap and fully intend to keep the Shield against all opposition. In Juniors also we are doing well, and have every prospect of keeping the Cup for the fourth year in succession. For swimming and singing we have entered our representatives, and shall be disappointed if we succeed in neither.

The final has been reached in both the Woodens and Yard ties, a fact which speaks volumes for the energy of the House. Finally, we wish all success in the future to those who are leaving. As we send this up we hear that V. Croome has received his House Colours, and that we have beaten Home Boarders Juniors by 138 runs.

H.BB.—We must begin by congratulating our Seniors on easily defeating Ashburnham in the first round. We are playing Grant's in the Final, and we hope for the best. We must also congratulate R. C. May, C. R. Julian and C. E. Stones on getting their Pinks, the first two after the first Radley match, and the last after Tonbridge. In Juniors we unfortunately succumbed to Grant's in the first round after quite a good game, their batting, however, being too good for our bowling. However, we have got some promising juniors who should do well next season. We hope to keep the Singing Cup and to regain the Swimming Cup. C. A. A. Robertson is now Head of Water, and J. C. Friedberger is in the School Four.

H. L. Addis has just received a commission in the Dublin Fusiliers, and we wish him every success in his new undertaking.

We wish the best of luck to May and Julian in their coming exams.

In conclusion, we wish God-speed to all those who are leaving at the end of this term to take commissions.

RIGAUD'S.—Our first duty this month is to condole with our Senior and Junior teams on suffering defeat at the hands of Grant's and Ashburnham respectively. In Seniors, however, we

succeeded in gaining a lead on the first innings without the help of F. R. Rowlands, our Captain, who was out of school. We must congratulate him on his colours, together with Watkins, Berryman and Powell.

We take this opportunity of congratulating F. L. Moss on winning the swimming prize last year, but which he failed to receive till a few weeks ago. We hope that under him the swimming four may prove successful this year.

A. W. Matcham, Esq., O.R., must be congratulated on his Captaincy.

The Literary Society is getting on well with 'Henry VIII.' and expects to finish it in one more reading.

Finally, we wish all Rigaudites, past and present, who have recently been up for exams. the best of luck.

Old Westminsters.

ALTHOUGH the list of Westminsters who have gone to St. John's College, Cambridge, includes the names of Matthew Prior and Charles Churchill, the exhibition founded there for Westminsters by Lord Burghley has of late years not often been claimed. It has now been awarded to Mr. F. H. Philpot, who holds a musical studentship at the College.

The Council of the Royal Geographical Society make special acknowledgment of the voluntary help given by Mr. J. H. Reynolds and Mr. O. J. R. Howarth in the work undertaken by the Society under the General Staff of the War Office. Mr. Howarth is a joint editor of the 'Oxford Survey of the British Empire,' perhaps the most important geographical work of the year.

At Cambridge Mr. G. H. Humphreys is in the First Class in the Natural Science Tripos, Part I., Mr. R. R. Sedgwick in the First Class in the Historical Tripos, Part II., and Mr. J. B. Calkin in the First Class in the Theological Tripos, Part II. Mr. Calkin has also been elected to a scholarship at Jesus College. Most of the Cambridge Westminsters are on military duty.

The last list of Rewards has the names of Col. Vyvyan, C.B., who becomes C.M.G., Major Ellershaw, who becomes D.S.O., Lieut.-Col. Hoskins, D.S.O., who is promoted Brevet Colonel, and Major McHardy, D.S.O., who is promoted Brevet-Lieut.-Colonel.

The Rev. Desmond Fitzmaurice has been presented to the living of Hampton, near Evesham, and Mr. Noel C. Moore has been ordained for a curacy.

Births.

ON June 21, the wife of Stanley C. Edgar of a son.

On July 9, the wife of W. S. Lonsdale of a daughter.

Marriages.

CHAPMAN—SENNETT.—On May 23, Guy Patterson Chapman to Doris Sennett.

LOW—HANCOCKS.—On June 18, David Morris Low to Heather Belle, daughter of the late Major Augustus Talbot Hancock, D.L., of Wolverley Court, Worcestershire.

WHIGHAM—MEREDITH.—On June 21, Captain R. D. Whigham, K.O.S. Borderers, to Dorothy Margaret, second daughter of Richard Meredith, of Barnabrow House, Cloyne, Cork.

RICE-OXLEY—HUGHES.—On June 26, Alfred Esmond Rice-Oxley to Constance Leigh, only daughter of Spenser Leigh Hughes, M.P.

CHALLIS—OWEN.—On June 29, Capt. Louis Stevenson Challis to Eileen Clara, youngest daughter of the late Col. Arthur Walshman Owen, I.A.

Obituary.

PRO PATRIA.

ROBERT CHALMERS, Lieut., The London Regiment; CECIL HENRY VINEY, 2nd Lieut., The Northamptonshire Regiment; JOHN WHITE FERGUSON, Lieut., R.N.V.R.; GEORGE THOMAS ACTON DROUGHT, Major, R.F.A.; EDMUND PARKER, Lance-Corporal, London Rifle Brigade; and EDWARD RUPERT GASCOYNE-CECIL, Lieut., The Bedfordshire Regiment.

Mr. CHALMERS was the younger son of Sir Robert Chalmers, K.C.B., sometime Permanent Secretary to His Majesty's Treasury and now Governor of Ceylon. He was at the School from 1907 to 1911, and went to St. Peter's College, Cambridge. He obtained his commission a short while after the outbreak of the war.

Of Mr. Chalmers' last hours we have an account from a fellow officer: 'He was a gallant fellow. He died fighting without orders and practically with another regiment, otherwise he would certainly get a decoration. Another battalion was attacking, bombing

along the trench, by night, and I had a party working alongside. Chalmers had a patrol of three men keeping touch between us and the attack. The bombers got hung up and the attack was being driven back. Chalmers might have come back to tell us, but he didn't. Bombs are infernal machines; it is folly for anybody but an expert to touch them. Chalmers left his patrol, dashed forward, rallied the bombers as they fell back, and led the way, running along the top of the parapet, flashing an electric torch down into the trench and throwing bombs. He won the trench for them. He was absolutely fearless. Of course he was hit. He had two wounds, one slight, in the shoulder, and the other a ghastly wound, in the stomach. When the stretcher-bearers came to attend to him he sent them away to look for his bomb-throwers, and when they returned he sent them back again because he said they had not had time to bind up the others thoroughly. The doctor tells me the pain must have been awful. At last we got him on a stretcher, but an excited fool of a sentry thought we were Germans and held us up for about a quarter of an hour. When we got clear it was nearly light and we could not go back the way we had come. We took him round over all manner of obstacles, barbed wire, ditches, dead bodies, and heaven knows what. The doctor said he had just a chance, but he died next morning. He was conscious and talked to me, addressing me by name, and he never uttered a complaint. The only thing he wanted was to thank the men who were carrying the stretcher.'

Mr. VINEY was at the School from 1905 to 1907 and was afterwards a student in the Royal Academy Schools. He was the son of Mr. C. T. Viney, of Bromley. He obtained his commission after the outbreak of the war.

Mr. FERGUSON, who was a son of Mr. John Ferguson, of Gloster Terrace, and Leith, the well-known yacht-builder, was at the School from 1904 to 1908, and was a K.S. He was in the detachment sent to Antwerp, where he won the D.C.M., and fell in the Dardanelles expedition.

Major DROUGHT was at the School for a year only and migrated to Dulwich, which is near his home. He obtained his commission in 1899.

Mr. PARKER, who was a son of Mr. T. Parker, of Balderton Hall, Myddle, Salop, was at the School from 1907 to 1910, and enlisted on the outbreak of the war.

Mr. GASCOYNE-CECIL, the youngest son of the Rev. Lord William Gascoyne-Cecil, and grandson of the late Marquis of Salisbury, was at the School from 1908 to 1912. He was up at Oxford, but took a commission at the outbreak of the war.——

We have to regret the death of the last of an ancient family which has for centuries sent its sons to Westminster. EDMUND ROBERT DOWDESWELL was the second son of William Dowdeswell, M.P., who was admitted in 1816, whose father, John Edmund Dowdeswell, M.P., was admitted in 1779, and whose grandfather, Rockingham's Chancellor of the Exchequer, was admitted about 1730. Mr. Dowdeswell was at the School from 1859 to 1863, and went to Christ Church, Oxford. Ordained in 1868, he was curate-in-charge of Bushley, the parish of the family seat, from 1870 to 1881, and vicar from 1881 to 1898. Last year he was made an honorary canon of Worcester. On the death of his elder brother, Edward Dowdeswell, M.P., who was at the School from 1855 to 1859, he succeeded to the family estate. He died on June 5. As his younger brother, who was at the School from 1861 to 1864, died before him, Pull Court, the seat of the family for more than three centuries, passes to his cousin, Mr. George Berens, Vicar of St. Paul's Cray, who was at the School from 1880 to 1881, and is a great-great-grandson of the Chancellor of the Exchequer and great-great-nephew of General William Dowdeswell, the famous print-collector, who was admitted in 1770, served with distinction in the Mahratta War, and was Commander-in-Chief in India.

We have also to record the death of JAMES SWORD RUTHERFORD, the younger of two brothers who were at the School some thirty years ago. He died on May 29, aged forty-three.

The death of Col. ROBERT BOURNE recalls the fact that his father was the King's Scholar who brought up School the news of the victory of Waterloo. The son was admitted in 1848 and went to Christ Church. He afterwards joined the 54th Regiment, retiring as a Captain in 1857, but later doing good service with the Worcestershire Rifle Volunteers. Since 1877 he had lived at Cowarne Court, devoting himself to the interests of his parish and to county work. In 1857 he married Anna Eliza, youngest daughter of Samuel Baker, of Lypiatt Park, Gloucestershire. He died on June 30, and the large concourse at his funeral showed the great esteem in which he was held.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

R. S. PARTRIDGE, serving in the 48th Divisional Cyclist Company, writing on June 14, says:—

'I thought you might like to hear of the O.W.W.'s I've run across out here. I met Q. C. D. Bovey, of Rigaud's, in Armentières about three weeks ago; he was in the 8th Gordons, 9th Division, the first K.'s Army to come out here. R. E. D. Cargill, of College, I saw in Bailleul about the same time; he is a despatch-rider to the 3rd Corps, my own. Yesterday, when I was in Armentières, I saw both Ainsworth-Davis and Charlton; Davis is in the 4th Rifle Brigade, now only been out ten days, while Charlton is one of the 12th Division, another K.'s Army formation. Neil Little is in the 1st Bedfords, 5th Division, and has been gassed, but recovered almost immediately. Early in April I ran up against the younger Bird, of Rigaud's, a senior subaltern of gunners.

'Myself I came out with my Division at the end of March. We are holding the line just S. of the N. Midland (47th) Division. The Cyclist Company to which I'm attached does not do regular trench reliefs with the infantry battalions. We go up into the front line now and then for our edification, but most of our time is spent on working-parties or making road-reports. The Cyclist Officers have quite a lot of leisure and can get about quite a lot. I've been up to Ypres on my own since it was blown to bits; it was still being shelled though there was nobody in it, and a few fires were smouldering—any number of dead things under the ruins and a most overpowering stench.

'I hope Westminster is doing well. I get the ELIZA at rare intervals.'

THE LATE SIR ERNEST NORTHCOTE.

A very old friend writes: 'Of Sir Ernest's judicial career abroad, long, varied and honourable, I cannot speak from personal knowledge, but, from his characteristic fairness, courtesy, scrupulous neatness in method, and accuracy, I feel sure that his work deserved the praise which it received. I can recall, among more important things, two or three of Ernest Northcote's youthful accomplishments, which in some degree lasted into far later years. One was his excellent acting; in the Westminster Play of 1868 his *Phormio*—as some still remember—was the outstanding part, full of spirit and ability. At Cambridge, he will, I think, often have been acclaimed in the sprightly performances of the A.D.C. Then as to games and athletics, he played for at least two seasons in the Westminster Cricket XI. (Captain 1869), and afterwards for the Cambridge Athenæum, Quidnuncs, and probably the Trinity College XI. At School he won first prizes for Throwing the Cricket Ball, for jumping and for short-distance races. Later, in the West Indies, he was still a very useful cricketer and lawn-tennis player. Near the end of his life, he took a kindly and helpful interest in the cricket doings of the Choir

Boys who sang at the church he attended. All his life Ernest Northcote was a kind and thoughtful friend, genial and amusing (so no wonder that his popularity at Cambridge was remarkable).

'Among other engagements or appointments which he had lately given up through failing health was his place on the Governing Body of Westminster School. And his old friends may well feel that his character and career entitle him to an honourable place in the roll of Old Westminsters.'

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