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THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

On Wednesday, April 1, the usual trials were held for the Jumps, the Cricket Balls, and the Hammer. Preliminary heats of all the 100 yards' races were also run. The first round of the Inter-House Tug of War saw an easy victory for Grant's over Ashburnham, the former winning the first two pulls without much difficulty; and a very hard struggle between Home-Boarders and Rigaud's. Rigaud's won the first pull practically before Home-Boarders had settled down, and were themselves pulled over in exactly the same way on changing ends. The result of the last pull, however, was in doubt for some time, Home-Boarders eventually winning. In the final tie on the Friday they beat Grant's with far less trouble.

The weather on Friday and Saturday was, in marked contrast with that of recent years, all that could be desired, though it is true that a rather stiff wind on the Friday had a bad effect on some of the times, notably on that of the Open Quarter-Mile.

The two best performances were undoubtedly G. C. Formilli's High Jump and W. G. Goodale's 100 yards. The latter also did a very creditable Long Jump. It was most unfortunate that Horton should have previously strained his back, as this year we expected quite a phenomenal jump from him: in fact, it would have come as no surprise if he had beaten even Kirlew's fine record. Scarcely less unfortunate was it that A. E. F. Wood, who won the 100 yards last year, strained his knee in running a heat on the Wednesday. As it was, he was only beaten by inches for second place in the final; and had his knee been sound, whoever won, the time would undoubtedly have been even better than it was. Goodale has a wonderful turn of pace, but does not get off well.

To turn to individual performances, Formilli did excellently in winning the Open Quarter-Mile, the Cricket Ball, and the High Jump. It is a great pity that he is leaving, for he is quite young and gave rich promise of doing extremely well in the next two

Lutyens has another two years, and if he vears. fulfils expectations should do very well. He ran with pluck and judgment in the Mile, and his time was

quite creditable.

Without doubt the most promising performance in the whole Sports was that of R. C. Cooke in the Junior Events. He won the Cricket Ball, the High Jump, the Hurdles, the 100 Yards, and the Quarter-Mile, not to mention the 100 Yards under 16—truly a wonderful aggregate! Not one of his results was poor, whilst his time for the 100 Yards—11½ secs. was abnormally good. R. C. Macnamara and W. L. Selby also showed great promise. We also noticed that last year's winner of the Junior High Jump, Purves, jumped exceedingly well this year. There was, in fact, an unusual amount of rising talent in evidence, which gives us strong reason to hope for some really successful Sports in future years.

It was a bitter disappointment that we were once more denied any time for practice by what was, it is true, an entirely unforeseen and unavoidable combination of events. The surprising thing is that the results were as good as they were; for, compared with the results of recent years, it must be confessed that they were highly satisfactory. But it is none the less obvious that practice, and plenty of it, is absolutely necessary. This year, for instance, instead of our two or three really good results, a certain amount of practice, together with a certain amount of experienced advice, could not have failed to make the whole

Sports an unqualified success.

All the more strongly, then, should be felt the necessity of at least two or three weeks' practice and training beforehand. When there is, as there was this year, a quantity of good material to be worked on, one's disappointment at the failure to work on it is only aggravated by its very quantity and quality. Opportunities have been wasted. We should learn our lesson, and waste no more.

The House Cup was won with ease by Ashburnham, who did brilliantly in gaining 56 out of a possible 115 points. Rigaud's were second with 27 points, Grant's third with 20, K.SS. fourth with 10, and H.BB. fifth with 2. Home-Boarders, as already stated, won the Inter-House Tug of War, and T.BB. had small difficulty in pulling over a far lighter K.SS. team.

The stewards were K. R. H. Jones (hon. sec.), W. B. Harris, F. G. Turner, A. E. F. Wood, C. G. Reed, E. C. K. Clarke, J. W. Ferguson and C. C. Treatt. Messrs. O. R. Borradaile and L. A. M. Fevez acted as judges, and Mr. C. Kent as timekeeper. We are glad to take this opportunity of thanking them for the excellence of their management, and congratulate them on the success that attended it. everything going without a hitch from start to finish.

We append a list of events, with results :-

FRIDAY, APRIL 3. 1.—300 YARDS HANDICAP. OVER 16. Gates, E. C. (12 yds.), 1; Hallward, M. (8 yds.), 2. Time, 37_5^2 secs. The scratch men were more or less "crowded out," with the

esult that the time was undoubtedly poor.

2.—THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. UNDER 15. Cooke, R. C., I; Hobson, J. C., 2. Distance, 67 yds.

A very average junior throw, though comparing somewhat unfavourably with that of last year.

3.—HALF-MILE WITH HURDLES. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Reed, C. G., 1; Rice-Oxley, A. E., 2; Lutyens, W. F., 3. Time, 2 mins. 321 secs.

A poor time, the result to a great extent of a stiff wind round the first two corners of the track. Lutyens held a strong lead at the beginning of the hurdles, but was spent, Reed passing him at the third hurdle and winning comfortably. Rice-Oxley gained second place by inches in the run home.

4.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. SEMI-FINALS. Heat 1 .- Cooke, R. C., 1; Bird, A. H., 2. Heat 2. - Macnamara, R. C., I; Hobson, J. C., 2.

5.—100 YARDS. OPEN. SEMI-FINALS. CHALLENGE CUP.

Heat I.-Goodale, W. G., I; Wood, A. E. F., 2.

Time, 11 secs.

Heat 2.—Harris, W. B., 1; Wood, H. N., 2. Time, 11 secs.

Goodale won his heat by 10 yards, without stretching himself, Wood having to nurse his strained knee with considerable care. Harris, too, had a little to spare, owing chiefly to an excellent start.

6.—HIGH JUMP. UNDER 15.

Cooke, R. C., 1; Macnamara, R. C., 2. Height, 4 ft. 8 in A very good jump, which might have been even better, had not Cooke been jumping against the wind. Macnamara also jumped very well, clearing 4 ft. 7 ins. For some years past the junior high jump has been remarkably good.

7.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. HEATS. CHALLENGE CUP.

Heat I.-Formilli, G. C., I; Goodale, W. G., 2. Heat 2.—Harris, W. B., I; Leach, E. O. W., 2. Heat 3.—Summerhays, D. L., I; Lutyens, W. F., 2. Heat 4.—Tunnicliffe, G. E., I; Wood, E. S., 2.

The second heat was the fastest, but none showed any great speed or knowledge of hurdling. The latter defect can only be remedied by coaching and practice.

8.—100 YARDS. UNDER 15. SEMI-FINALS.

Heat I.—Cooke, R. C., I; Selby, W. L., 2. Time, $11\frac{4}{5}$ secs. Heat 2.—Bird, A. H., I; Partridge, R. S., 2. Time, $12\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

Cooke got a bad start, but took the lead in the first twenty yards, and increased it all the way. The other heat was much slower, but was also won somewhat easily.

9.—THROWING THE HAMMER. OPEN. CHALLENGE HAMMER.

Treatt, C. C., 1; Geare, J. W., 2. Distance, 72 ft. 2 in. Won by the last throw, which was rather better than the winning throws of late years. This is another event which above all needs careful coaching if good results are to be obtained.

10.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. SEMI-FINALS.

Heat I. - Hulbert, J. M., I; Cooke, R. C., 2. Time, II3 secs. Heat 2.—Gilmour, A. K., I; Brown, G. L., 2. Time, 12 secs.

Each heat was won by inches. The time of the first was quite good for an under 16 event, though not better than the times of recent years.

Formilli, G. C., 1; Harris, W. B., 2; Rice-Oxley, A. E., 3.

Time, 58 secs.

Won by a yard. A couple of feet between second and third. The time was poor, chiefly owing to the wind, but partly to the number who started.

12.—150 YARDS. UNDER 14.

Partridge, R. S., I; Plaskitt, G., 2. Time, $19\frac{9}{3}$ secs. Won with ease. The time was quite promising.

13.—HALF-MILE HANDICAP.

Geare, W. D. (45 yds.), 1; Selby, W. L. (65 yds.), 2; Williamson, H. (75 yds.), 3. Time, 2 mins. $15\frac{4}{5}$ secs. A poor time, for which the wind must again be held to blame.

A poor time, for which the wind must again be held to blame. Geare had gained a long lead by the beginning of the second lap, and never looked like getting caught, winning by 30 yards. There was also a considerable interval between second and third.

14.—SERVANTS' RACE.

Wood, I; Brown, 2.

H.BB.

15.—Inter-House Tug of War. Final Tie.

GRANT'S.

st. 1bs. st. 1bs. 1. Circuitt, C. M. L. 10 10 I. Reed, C. G. TO 5 2. Jaquet, E. 10 3. Longhurst, H. B. 11 2. Storer, R. S. 10 12 IO 9 3. Horton, W. R. TT 5 I 7 8 4. Adrian, E. D. H 4. Feasey, G. G. II 3 5. Hobson, F. G. 5. Watson, E. C. 12 II IO 6. Hardy, W. H. C. 11 10 6. Geare, J. W. 13

Home-Boarders pulled over Grant's (2-0). Home-Boarders were slightly the heavier team, but after their narrow victory over Rigaud's, a much lighter team than Grant's, their easy success came as somewhat of a surprise.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4.

16.—HIGH JUMP. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Formilli, G. C., I; Horton, W. R., 2. Height, 5 ft. $5\frac{1}{2}$ in. Quite the best performance of the Sports. Formilli has improved beyond knowledge as a jumper, and should become quite first class. The same applies to Horton, who even with a strained back cleared 5 ft. $4\frac{1}{2}$ in.

17.—HURDLE RACE. UNDER 15. FINAL HEAT. Cooke, R. C., 1; Macnamara, R. C., 2. Time, 21 \frac{1}{10} secs.

18.—100 YARDS. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.

Goodale, W. G., 1; Harris, W. B., 2. Time, 103 secs.

A better time than we have had for years. Harris again got a splendid start, but Goodale showed fine pace, and won by a yard. A. E. F. Wood, in spite of his bad knee, ran with great pluck and, but for Harris's start, might have secured second place; as it was, he was beaten only by inches. Goodale has most pace, and Harris is a good starter, while Wood is unquestionably the most scientific runner.

19.—LONG JUMP. UNDER 15.

Macnamara, R. C., 1; Faure, C. A. M., 2.

Distance, 14 ft. 6 in.

Quite a good jump. Faure, too, jumped exceedingly well for his size.

20.—HURDLE RACE. OPEN. FINAL HEAT.

Harris, W. B., 1; Leach, E. O. W., 2. Time, 182/5 secs.

Another rather poor Hurdles; yet with a little coaching a vast improvement might be made.

21.—100 YARDS. UNDER 16. FINAL HEAT. Cooke, R. C., 1; Hulbert, J. M., 2. Time, 11\frac{11}{0} secs.

An excellent race. Again there was little to choose between Hulbert and Cooke, the latter this time just managing to reverse the result of the semi-final. They have both a fine turn of speed, and give great promise for the future.

22.—LONG JUMP, OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Goodale, W. G., 1; Graham, R. A., 2. Distance, 19 ft. 5 in.

Goodale, who had previously not been jumping very well, reached 19 ft. 5 in. with his last attempt. A great improvement on recent results in this event.

23.—100 YARDS. UNDER 15. FINAL HEAT. Cooke, R. C., I; Selby, W. L., 2. Time, $11\frac{4}{5}$ secs.

Cooke was not unnaturally still feeling the effects of his last race, and consequently found some difficulty in securing another win. The time, nevertheless, was extraordinarily good for an under 15 event. Selby also ran exceedingly well, and shows great pace for his age.

24.—THROWING THE CRICKET BALL. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Formilli, G. C., I; Leck, A. G., 2. Distance, 90 yds. 9 in. In the trials on Wednesday Reed had tied with Formilli at about the same distance, but failed to reproduce his form. The throw was quite averagely good.

25.—QUARTER-MILE. UNDER 16.

Leck, A. G., 1; Brown, G. L., 2. Time, 62 secs. 1

A very good race. Leck entered the straight with a long lead, but Brown cut it down in fine style, and was only beaten by a couple of feet.

26.—FLAT RACE. ONE MILE. OPEN. CHALLENGE CUP.

Lutyens, W. F., I; Reed, C. G., 2; Rice-Oxley, A. E., 3. Time, 5 mins. $12\frac{1}{5}$ secs.

A large field started, as usual. The race proved a really excellent one. Lutyens took the lead at the beginning of the second lap, and was never passed. He set the pace at the very beginning, and ran the first three laps without slowing down for a moment. Then, slackening round three quarters of the last lap, he entered the straight with a short lead. Here Reed and Rice-Oxley made their effort, but Lutyens, who had shown splendid judgment throughout, at once called up his reserve and lengthened his lead every yard, winning by seven or eight yards. The state of the track on the Big Game side of Fields was all against a good time.

27.—QUARTER-MILE. UNDER 15. CHALLENGE CUP.

Cooke, R. C., I; Selby, W. L., 2. Time, 66 secs.

Another excellent race, Cooke entering the straight with a long lead of quite 20 yards. Selby made a magnificent effort and gained on him yard by yard. Cooke, however, though practically run off his legs, stuck to it gamely and just won by inches.

28.—Consolation Race (Winners excluded).

Thoresby-Jones, M., I; Plaskitt, E., 2.

29.—O.WW. RACE.

H. L. Geare, 1; J. C. Vernon, 2.

30. TUG OF WAR.

	K.SS.				T.BB.				
	11.00.	st.	lbs.			st.	lbs		
I.	Lutyens, W. F.	10	6	I.	Formilli, G. C.	II	6		
	Heaton-Ellis, J. S.	10	6	2.	Clarke, E. C. K.	II	10		
3.	Wood, A. E. F.	II	0	3.	Hobson, F. G.	II	10		
	Shaw, E. B.	II	10	4.	Hardy, W. H. C.	II	10		
5.	Wood, H. N.	II	8	5.	Watson, E. C.	12	8		
	Covington, C. K.	12	0	6.	Gordon, R. E. C.	12	9		
	Davis, H. J.	II	IO	7.	Geare, J. W.	13	0		
	Macklin, A. S. R.	II	10	8.	Treatt, C. C.	12	4		
T.BB. pulled over K.SS. (2-0).									

Mrs. Gow very kindly gave away the prizes after the sports, and was thanked in a short speech by Mr. L. A. M. Fevez. The customary cheers then ended the most successful sports that have been held for some years. When we consider the entire want of training and practice which ushered in the sports this year, and compare expectations with results, we cannot but feel confident of more thorough success, founded on better preparation, in the years to come.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

Continued from our March number.

Наскет, John, b. 1592, left 1608, d. 1670. Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield.

HAGGARD, JOHN, b. 1794, left 1810, d. 1856.

Civilian.

HAKLUYT, RICHARD, b. 1552 (?), left 1570, d.

1616. Geographer. HALL, BENJAMIN, 1st Baron Llanover, b. 1802,

adm. 1814, left 1820, d. 1867. Politician.

HALL, CHARLES HENRY, b. 1763 (?), adm. 1773, K.S. 1775, left 1779, d. 1827. Dean of Durham.

HAMMOND, JAMES, b. 1710, d. 1742. Poet. HANMER, Sir THOMAS, Bart., b. 1677, d. 1746. Speaker.

HANNES. Sir EDWARD, K.S. 1678, left 1682,

d. 1710. Physician.

HARCOURT, EDWARD VERNON-, b. 1757, adm. 1769, left 1774, d. 1847. Archbishop of York.

HARCOURT, SIMON, 1st Earl Harcourt, b. 1714, d. 1777. Ambassador; Viceroy of Ireland.

HARDING, JOHN, b. 1805, adm. 1818, left 1821, d. 1874. Bishop of Bombay.

HARLEY, EDWARD, b. 1664, d. 1735. of the Imprest.

HARLEY, EDWARD, 2nd Earl of Oxford, b. 1689,

d. 1741. Collector.

HARLEY, THOMAS, b. 1730, d. 1804. Lord Mayor of London.

HARLOWE, GEORGE HENRY, b. 1787, d. 1819. Painter.

HARRINGTON, JAMES, b. 1664, K.S. 1679, left 1683, d. 1693. Lawyer and poet.

HARRIS, GEORGE, 1st Baron Harris, b. 1746, d.

1829. General.

HARRISON, WILLIAM, b. 1534, d. 1593. Topographer and chronologist.

HARVEY, Sir ELIAB, b. 1758, adm. 1768, d. 1830. Admiral.

HASTINGS, WARREN, b. 1732, adm. 1742, K.S. 1747, left 1749, d. 1818. Governor-General of India.

HAWES, EDWARD, fl. 1606. Poet. HAY, THOMAS, 8th Earl of Kinnoull, b. 1710, d. 1787. Statesman.

HEALE, WILLIAM, b. 1581 (?), d. 1627. Divine. HEATH, DUNBAR ISIDORE, b. 1816, adm. 1826, d. 1888. Heterodox divine.

HEATH, JAMES, b. 1629, left 1646, d. 1664.

Royalist historian.

HEATH, JOHN, b. 1736, K.S. 1749, left 1754, d. 1816. Judge.

HEMING OF HEMMINGE, WILLIAM, b. 1602, left

1621. Dramatist.

HENCHMAN, HUMPHREY, b. 1669, K.S. 1684, left 1687, d. 1739. Civilian.

HENLEY, ROBERT, 1st Earl of Northington, b.

1708 (?), d. 1772. Lord Chancellor.

HENLEY, ROBERT, 2nd Earl of Northington, b. 1747, d. 1786. Viceroy of Ireland.

HENRY, Philip, b. 1631, left 1647, d. 1696. Nonconformist divine.

HERBERT, GEORGE, b. 1593, left 1608, d. 1633. Divine and poet.

HERBERT, HENRY, 2nd Baron Herbert of Cher-

bury, d. 1738. Politician.

HERBERT, PHILIP, 5th Earl of Pembroke, b. 1619. d. 1669. Statesman.

TO ASHBURNHAM.

1907-8.

ALL Hail! Thou triple conqueror well renowned, Whose sons have lately raised the Victor's song; Whose brow the thrice-won laurel wreath hath crowned:

Thy walls support the trophies that belong To those who vanquish foes Up-Fields, among Fraternal feuds and civil strife 'tween friends.

For glory thou hast sighed and striven long; Now that the day of sheafless reaping ends, The harvet, rich and ample, comes—to make amends

A. C.-K.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

COLOUR-SERGEANT C. C. Treatt is again Captain of the Shooting Eight. He has three other members of last year's Eight left-Sergeant W. H. C. Hardy and Corporals S. D. Graham and F. G. Hobson, besides Sergeant A. C. Boult and Private L. T. Burleigh, each of whom shot for the Eight at times last year. With a great deal of other promising material at his disposal, Treatt should have a most successful season.

The following fixtures have been arranged:—

May 20, Wed., v. Trinity College, Cambridge (at Cambridge). June 2, Tues., v. St. Lawrence's College (at Staines).

3, Wed., v. Dulwich College (at Staines). 9, Tues., v. Gresham School (at Staines). "

17, Wed., v. Sedbergh (at Staines). 24, Wed., v. Charterhouse (at Staines). 25, Thurs., v. Winchester (at Winchester).

The fixtures against St. Lawrence's College, Gresham School, and Sedbergh will be simultaneous matches. The competition for the Inter-House Cup and the Brinton Medal will be held on Wednesday, July 8. Last, but not least, come the various competitions at Bisley on July 16. In them—and, indeed, in all our fixtures—we have every reason this year to expect great things.

Mistorical Notes.

WE are indebted to Mr. G. A. Wade for the following interesting extract from a letter written by the Rev. Canon Chetwynd-Stapylton, the oldest living survivor of University Boat Race crews. Canon Chetwynd-Stapylton rowed for Oxford against Leander and Cambridge when Oxford won the Gold Cup at Henley in 1843 and 1844.

> 'Tunbridge Wells, 'March 11, 1908.

'DEAR MR. WADE, - I resigned the rectory of Hallaton last summer and retired to this place. reply to your letter I may say that I rowed for Oxford in the Boat Race in 1845 and 1846. But I did not row in the Eton v. Westminster race of 1837, though I was at Eton in that year. It was the first time that The race was rowed at Westminster beat Eton. Datchet in the presence of King William IV. and most of us Etonians. This was almost the last time that the King appeared in public, and the Eton boys believed that their defeat was the immediate cause of the King's last illness.

'In 1838 the Westminsters were unable to appear, being locked up by their Head-Master! The Eton crew were in their boat ready to start when the message arrived about the locking-up.

'I myself rowed against Westminster in 1842 and 1843, and was second captain of the boats at Eton in those years. In 1842 I well remember us having our devotions in the Chapel disturbed by the apparition of some of the Westminster crew in the gallery. They had come to "spy out the nakedness of the land." One of them, very conspicuous by his long flowing black hair, was W. H. Milman, who stroked the O.U.B.C. in 1846, and who was till very recently a Minor Canon of St. Paul's. . . The Rev. W. H. Milman is still alive, and I believe is now the oldest living Westminster who has rowed in the Boat Race. . . .'

School Notes.

THERE are thirteen new boys this term.

The Mission Offertory on SS. Philip's and James's Day amounted to £3. 11s. 8d.

After the match against Old Wykehamists, C. G. Reed, J. C. Gow, and J. S. Heaton-Ellis recovered their Pinks; and H. N. Wood and E. C. K. Clarke were given their Pink and Whites.

Our Racquets pair, F. G. Turner and C. M. L. Circuitt, were defeated by Charterhouse in the second round of the Public Schools Championship at Queen's Club on Tuesday, April 14. We print a short account elsewhere.

We congratulate W. B. Harris on being chosen as reserve for the A.F.A. team which defeated the North of France.

We are requested to draw attention to a misprint in the card of Shooting Fixtures for this term; the competitions at Bisley being held on Thursday, July 16, not on June 18, as printed on the card.

The Concert will be held on Friday, May 29, at 8 o'clock.

The following is the Cricket Card filled in to date :-

v. Old Wykehamists. (Won: Westminster May 9, Sat. School, 177; Old Wykehamists, 168.)

Eton Ramblers. ,, 16, Sat. 2. Cambridge O.WW.

,, 20, Wed. v. ,, 23, Sat. Sussex Martlets. 2.

, 30, Sat. Incogniti. 2.

R.M.A., Woolwich. June 6, Sat. v. ,, 10, Wed. v. Lords and Commons.

,, 20, Sat. 2. Oxford University Authentics.

,, 26, Fri. ,, 27, Sat. \v. Charterhouse (at Godalming).

Free Foresters. M.C.C. & G. O.WW. July 4, Sat. 71.

,, 11, Sat. 2.

,, 18, Sat. 2. ,, 25, Sat. v. I. Zingari.

" 27, Mon. K.SS. v. T.BB.

We intend this year to chronicle any creditable performances in Form Matches or Junior House Matches.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

This, the first game of the season, was played Up Fields on May 9, and resulted in a brilliant win for the School by 9 runs with two minutes to spare. The eleven-and particularly Turner, Rawson, and the brothers Wood—are to be congratulated on a really fine performance. The School won the toss, and Turner and Rawson opened the innings at a quarter past twelve, being opposed by J. R. Mason and Foster-Brown. Rawson opened with a four and a three off Mason, but for some overs the scoring became slow, as the bowlers kept an excellent length and the wicket afforded them some assistance. After some time Hunt replaced Foster-Brown, but the score continued to rise steadily. At lunch time the batsmen were still together and the score stood at 60. After lunch the batsmen started well, but with the addition of only 9 runs Rawson was bowled by Mason. He played an extremely plucky innings for his 44 and gave no chance. Harris then joined Turner, but seemed unable to settle down, and succumbed to Hunt after making a single. With Reed in the score rose more quickly, but with the 100 up Turner was bowled by J. R. Mason. He had extremely bad luck in not reaching his 50, and his innings was marked by sound defence and well-timed cutting. Considering the amount of practice he has had, it was a really fine performance. Gow then joined Reed and the cricket slowed down considerably, neither batsman being able to get the ball away. Reed did most of the scoring and made some attractive shots on the leg side. At length he succumbed to Hunter after making 18, having previously survived a confident appeal for a catch at the wicket. Gow followed soon after for 14. Clarke and Wood livened up the game a little, until the former had a dash at a wide one and was taken at mid-off. The remaining batsmen only added 25 between them and the score closed for 177, a good performance against such bowling. The Old Wyke-hamists opened their innings with Symes-Thompson and Bentinck, and Clarke and Wood bowled. The batsmen soon settled down and scored rapidly. Numerous bowling changes were tried, but the 100 appeared with the two still together. At length the separation was effected, Bentinck being beautifully taken in the deep by Ferguson off Reed. Bentinck played vigorous cricket for his 66 and gave no chance. Weatherby came in, but with 25 added Symes-Thompson was taken at cover by Heaton-Ellis off A. Wood. With no addition to the score Awdry succumbed to H. Wood for a single. Lee followed, but was dismissed without scoring. Weatherby then fell to a smart catch by Circuitt at mid-off. Hunt came next but was dismissed by a good catch on the boundary by Gow off A. Wood. Hunter and Wilberforce then made a stand and added 20 runs, until the

latter was caught at square leg by Ferguson off A. Wood. The latter bowled Hunter shortly afterwards. There was now about ten minutes left for play, and the visitors required 16 to win with two wickets to fall, for J. R. Mason, thinking the game safe, had left early to catch a train. The batsmen displayed extreme caution, and A. Wood had bad luck in not bowling Foster-Brown two or three times. At last H. Wood beat him, and the last man came in with 12 required for victory. The excitement was at its height when Gow missed a difficult chance off A. Wood in the country. However, next over H. Wood bowled Gibson, taking the middle stump clean out of the ground. The brothers Wood accomplished a fine performance, getting 9 wickets between them for 56-A. Wood 5 for 37, and H. Wood 4 for 19. The fielding throughout was of an extremely high standard.

Score and analysis:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. G. Turner, b. Mason	47
H. F. Rawson, b. Mason	44
W. B. Harris, b. Hunt	I
C. G. Reed, b. Hunter	18
[. C. Gow, c. Baker, b. Hunt	14
A. E. F. Wood, c. Weatherby, b. Hunt	18
E. C. K. Clarke, c. Gibson, b. Hunt	8
J. S. Heaton-Ellis, b. Hunt	6
F. G. Hobson, b. Hunt	6
H. N. Wood, run out	2
C. M. L. Circuitt, b. Lee	0
J. W. Ferguson, not out	0
Extras	13
Total	177

OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

H. E. Symes-Thompson, c. Heaton-Ellis,	
b. A. Wood	46
B. W. Bentinck, c. Ferguson, b. Reed	46
F. Weatherby, c. Circuitt, b. A. Wood	20
R. W. Awdry, b. H. Wood	I
E. C. Lee, b. H. Wood	0
J. H. C. Hunt, c. Gow. b. A. Wood	3
K. O. Hunter, b. A. Wood	12
A. R. G. Wilberforce, c. Ferguson, b A. Wood	6
E. O. Foster-Brown, b. H. Wood	2
F. S. A. Baker, not out	3 0
A. K. Gibson, b. H. Wood	3
J. R. Mason, absent	
Extras	6
Total	168

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets
J. R. Mason	18	7	33	2
J. H. C. Hunt		7	33 56	6
E. O. Foster-Brown	5	0	15	0
A. K. Gibson	4	I	10	0
K. O. Hunter	II	3	39	1
E. C. Lee	3	0	II	1

Foster-Brown bowled I wide and Hunter and Mason I no ball each.

OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
A. Wood		3	37	5
H. Wood	5	2	19	4
C. G. Reed	30	0	20	I
E. C. Clarke	6	2	24	0
F. G. Turner	4	0	28	0
C. M. Circuitt	5	I	23	0
J. S. Heaton-Ellis	2	0	II	0

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' COMPETI-TIONS AT ALDERSHOT.

THE Annual Competitions in Boxing, Fencing, and Gymnastics were held at Aldershot on Friday, April 3.

The School had, as usual, entered a pair for the Gymnastic Competition, and was also represented in Boxing (Middle Weights) and in Fencing (Foils).

In Gymnastics our pair were under the disadvantage of not having been to Aldershot before. Under these circumstances, their performances were very creditable, especially in certain particulars. F. R. H. Fuller, our first string, did very well on the high bar, and showed as good form as any competitor did on the rope. Both he and A. S. R. Macklin, our second string, were a little upset by finding the parallel bars rather wider than those in the School gymnasium—the fault lies with the school apparatus, which is too narrow.

Similarly the rings and the horse were more

difficult than in our gymnasium.

All things considered, Fuller did well to get 78 marks out of 110. Next year he should do very well, as he ought to profit much by experience and may reasonably hope to have more strength at his command. Macklin did best on the parallel bars, the horse, and the rings; and gained many marks by smartness in approaching and leaving the apparatus.

Our position (20th) was not as good as last year, but we have nothing to be ashamed of. Much praise is due to Fuller and Macklin for the keenness they showed in training, and for their steady work under

trying circumstances.

In Boxing, H. J. Davis worthily upheld the honour of the school. He had several very severe bouts; and throughout he kept his head and showed excellent judgment, as well as much skill and courage. In the first round he met G. D. Harding, of Malvern. The fight was a good one, though Davis won fairly comfortably in the end. In the second round he met E. A. H. Churchill, of Clifton. The first bout was fairly even; but in the second and third bouts Davis had much the better of the fight. His opponent stuck to it very gamely and got home many good blows. Many others were well avoided by Davis, who showed great activity.

In the Semi-Final he met H. G. Fisher, of Bedford Grammar School. Fisher had the advantage in weight and in reach. The first and second bouts were in Davis' favour, who as usual was very quick both in leading and in avoiding his opponent's tremendous blows. The third bout was fairly even; Davis winning in the end.

In the Final, he met C. O. Lilly, of St. Paul's. Lilly was very fresh, having had little work to do; while Davis showed signs of the severe treatment he had received.

In the middle of the second bout Davis was beaten. We wish that the match could have taken place when both Davis and Lilly were fresh.

All Westminsters will congratulate Davis on winning the medal and upon the keenness which he has always shown in training. He has conferred honour upon the School colours by the skill and pluck which he has shown in many hard fights at Aldershot. We can only hope that others will follow in his footsteps, and worthily uphold the reputation which he has made for Westminster in the Public Schools Boxing Competitions.

In the Foil Fencing we were very successful. Our representative, E. D. Adrian, showed his usual calmness in trying circumstances. In the First Round, when he met A. W. A. Harber, of Cheltenham, two points were given against him for not acknowledging hits on his arm. This was a little disconcerting, especially as it was the first fight of the day. Adrian, however, at once took up the attack, and quickly scored three hits. In the Second Round he met and easily defeated A. H. Lavis, of Epsom. In the Third Round he met C. M. G. Ogilvie, of Bedford Grammar School (last year's winner), and won comfortably by three hits to one.

In the Semi-Final he had a very close fight with D. Buckley, of St. Paul's. For some time the score stood at two hits each; but Adrian managed to get another hit and so won. In the Final he fought B. C. Newton, of Wellington. Adrian was a little too keen on attacking his opponent, who was very skilful in defence. It was a good fight, ending in a win for Newton by five hits to two. Adrian did exceedingly well in winning a medal in his first year of serious fencing; and is to be congratulated on his perform-

ance.

On the whole, we may feel pleased with the work which the School representatives did this year. We gained greater successes than have been gained by the School in this competition, and added to the reputation which had been won for us in recent years by the two Worthingtons, Hunter, D. M. Griffin, and C. C. Treatt.

We remember with regret that Davis, Adrian, and Macklin will have left us by next year. They have done well for us and deserve our thanks; but others must arise to take their places. For this task much hard work is required, and much careful training; but we have an excellent Instructor, and we may reasonably hope that the present generation of Westminsters will not be dismayed by thoughts of hard work and serious training from fitting themselves to wear the School colours at Aldershot, and win for us even greater honours than have been won in the past.

RACQUETS.

THIS year for the first time Westminster entered for the Public School Racquets Championship. School were represented by F. G. Turner and C. M. L. Circuitt, and were drawn a bye in the first round. In the second round they met Charterhouse, represented by A. H. Denison and C. P. Leatham, and were defeated by four games to love. It was hardly to be expected that our pair would be able to do more than make a respectable resistance against their formidable opponents, considering the short time that the game has been played at Westminster and their lack of experience, but this they certainly were able to do. Charterhouse won the toss and Denison serving very well scored ten aces before he was put out, the first game going easily to Charterhouse. Westminster struggled pluckily and a good fight was made, especially in the fourth game, in which Turner played very well, for at one time Westminster were leading 9-3. Denison, however, found his service again and managed to run out. Our pair were by no means disgraced; Circuitt made some good strokes until upset by the breaking of a racquet, and Turner played pluckily to the end.

Great satisfaction was expressed at Queen's Club that Westminster should have sent up a pair, and the first appearance of the famous 'Pink' in the court was greeted with enthusiasm. Quite a large number of Westminster supporters were present, and it is to be hoped that present members of the school will be encouraged to make every effort to bring racquets at

Westminster up to the necessary standard.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, March 19, to discuss the Motion:—

'That this House approves of the policy of India

for the Indians.'

The Proposer (A. C. Boult) began by remarking that, even before he had given the question really serious thought and studied it in all its details and side-issues, it had seemed to him somewhat hard that India's able men should not be allowed to govern the country that gave them birth. Further study and reflection had only served to strengthen his opinion into positive conviction. Now, he did not wish to advocate our abandonment of the country; left alone, India would almost immediately become the scene of internecine strife, of quarrels between native princes all equally ambitious of supreme government, and all equally powerless to protect themselves and the country against the aggressions and intervention of some other great Power, which would be the inevitable finale. England has certainly had little experience in the government of such a country as India, but in her rests India's entire hope. He did not suggest, nor would he approve of, England's entirely withdrawing from Indian affairs. Her general supervision was undoubtedly required, but it must be a supervision of an entirely different character from that which now obtains. The Indian Council is nothing more than a mockery of a government. As regards financial affairs, it has absolutely no power at all.

In the Indian Civil Service clever Englishmen are forced to come home, though young and anxious to continue their work, and yet they still receive the Indian pension. On the other hand, native Indians are not educated up to the standard required for admission into the Civil Service. The old system of deciding quarrels by recourse to force has naturally been stopped. This has been followed by an increase in population. So far, so good; but it has also resulted in distinct deterioration as well; and the horrors of a plague are more terrible than those of a To return to the financial side of the question, is it not manifestly unfair that we should confiscate 20 per cent. of India's annual income for the purposes of our own home government? The average individual income of the Indian nation as a whole is steadily decreasing. He concluded by saying that he had contented himself with formulating India's grievances; the SECONDER had thought out an excellent scheme for India's reform.

The Opposer (C. K. Covington) remarked that the Proposer had evidently come to the same conclusion as he himself had reached: that the Indians are incapable of self-government. So soon as the PROPOSER had denied the impeachment by pointing out that all required to make Indians capable of governing their own country was education, the OPPOSER proceeded with his speech. In the course of the last year two natives were appointed to the Indian Council. The number will in due course be gradually increased. Before any legislative step is taken, the India Secretary listens to the very best opinions and advice on the subject. At present the taxation is exceedingly small; put the power in the hands of the rajahs, and the weight of taxation would at once begin to grow heavier. Taking everything into consideration, he felt himself amply justified in saying that English rule is essential to the peace and prosperity of India.

The Seconder (R. H. Williams) observed that 'India for the Indians' is considered now to be the socialistic proposal of a certain M.P. His own proposal, so far from being treasonable, would give our position in India even greater stability. He would suggest that the Viceroy have a legislative council of six Englishmen, and an executive of thirty members, twelve of the latter department to be natives. The Viceroy would, of course, be dependent on his councils.

Now the Secretary of State is a varying office, while the members of the council have perhaps never been to India. In his stead a rajah or retired Civil Service officer shall be appointed. Each province

shall have its committee of natives, who must be approved by the Governor-General and his councils. There ought to be no more examinations for the Indian Civil Service, but natives should be trained in a university to take the place of the present Civil Service officers. In a few years the administration would thus pass into the hands of the natives.

As to the Army, he would in three years withdraw half the English troops and put the remainder in charge of the borders. The native troops should be led by English officers, and would then take the place of the English in the more pacific provinces. He ventured to undertake to bring about this state of affairs within thirty years. Canada and Australia have their commonwealths. Then why should not India have her chance of working out her own destinies?

Mr. J. C. C. M. DAVIDSON, who was present, speaking from the visitors' bench declared that we could not solve the Indian problem before getting the natives to look at law and religion from our own To overlook such vital differences of point of view. race and development can only brew a storm of discontent and race-hatred. To educate the natives we must set up Universities in India. By the time we have educated India to a knowledge of our own civilisation and ideals, then, and not till then, shall we be able gradually to withdraw our troops. this scheme, men of brains would be kept from wasting those brains in petty administration, and could use them in our own Courts; while, not indeed so quickly as the somewhat drastic proposal of the SECONDER would ensure, but more slowly and far more thoroughly should we draw India to western ideas and prosperity.

E. D. ADRIAN then rose, and said that the Proposer appeared to imagine that petty wars and feuds were the only means of killing off sufficient population. Could not England kill them off quite as satisfactorily and much more mercifully? growth of India's prosperity cannot keep pace with the growth of her population, and neither of the schemes suggested provides any real means of stopping famine. The Seconder's speech was full of contradictions; for instance, under his scheme the Viceroy could still act on his own authority. This was not exactly 'India for the Indians'! If one must rule India by force or threats, to reduce the army would be positive foolishness, for the native character is by no means remarkable for its honesty, and native decisions in the law courts were bought an l sold.

The PROPOSER wished to know what was the result of this policy in what is now the United States.

After J. L. Benvenisti had pointed out that America was a young white country, while India is a collection of ancient native powers, E. D. Adrian once again addressed the House. Why should we allow India to govern herself simply because she may have to do so some 300 years hence? Left to themselves, the various rival native powers would merely

make overtures to Russia, or act in some similar fashion.

The Proposer then concluded the debate. The last speaker's remarks had shown evidence of profound thought; but why refuse India Home Rule when in every other case its introduction had been followed by an eminently satisfactory rise in the revenue?

The Motion was then put to the House, and was lost by acclamation.

On Thursday, March 26, Impromptu Debates were again held with considerable success, though the standard of speaking and the interest shown were, perhaps, not quite so satisfactory as on the former occasion. It is to be hoped that in future at least one evening every session can be given up to impromptu debating.

The session concluded, on April 2, with the usual discussion of the Motion:—'That in the opinion of this House the past year has been eminently satisfactory.'

With the exception of a remarkably convincing speech by the Seconder (R. M. Barrington Ward), the debate was poor. On the Motion being put to the House, the votes were equally divided, the President giving his casting vote in favour of the Motion, which was therefore carried by II votes to 10.

As we have omitted to print the names of any new members elected in the course of the last two sessions, we append a complete list of the members of Society at the end of last term. The following were old members:—

K. R. H. Jones	E. D. Adrian
W. B. Harris	J. C. Gow
A. E. F. Wood	B. S. Horner
D. M. Low	C. C. Treatt
A. S. R. Macklin	R. H. Williams
A. C. Boult	J. L. Benvenisti
R. M. Barrington Ward	A. E. Rice-Oxley
O. V. Thomas	L. E. Tanner
C. G. Reed	G. G. Williams
J. W. Ferguson	

The following new members were elected on or after September 26, 1907:—

H. J. Davis
A. W. G. Hinchliffe
F. G. Hobson
W. H. C. Hardy
C. E. Torrey
J. E. D. Manlove
J. W. Geare
G. C. Formilli

The Officers and Committee remained unchanged throughout both sessions, except that D. M. Low was elected TREASURER, vice F. G. Turner, who resigned at the beginning of Lent Term.

SHAKESPEARE SOCIETY.

DURING the course of Lent Term the above Society read 'Othello,' 'Coriolanus,' 'As You Like It,' and 'King John.' On Feb. 22 Mrs. Murray Smith very kindly took the Society to see Mr. F. R. Benson's production of 'Coriolanus,' at the Coronet Theatre.

A General Meeting was held on Friday, May 1, when it was decided to continue the meetings of the Society through Election Term, and that Papers on Shakespearean subjects should be read instead of

Plays.

Mouse Hotes.

K.SS.-Our first duty is to offer our apologies and tardy congratulations to A. E. F. Wood on his Pink and Whites. We were hardly surprised at our lack of success in the Sports, lamentable though it was. With the exception of W. F. Lutyens, whose plucky victory in the mile brightened an otherwise extremely dark afternoon-so far as K.SS. were concerned-A. E. F. Wood was the only one able to run of those on whom we had relied for gaining points in the open events; and he himself had strained his knee on the Wednesday! As it is we congratulate him on the admirable pluck with which, in spite of his bad knee, he almost achieved the impossible, being only beaten by inches for second place in a very fast race. have also to congratulate R. S. Partridge and C. A. M. Faure on their successes, and hope they have each this year opened a very long list of points to be won for College in the years to come.

We congratulate H. J. Davis on his success at Aldershot. Had he not met with such strong opposition in the preceding rounds, he would undoubtedly have given an infinitely better account

of himself in the Final.

Looking back on last term, we must confess that never in our time have we met with so entire a lack of success. It is a great consolation, nevertheless, to know that our failures have in no case been due to our own fault. The fates were against us, and 'who can fight against fate?' At last, we are happy to record, we are again almost at full strength, and hope this term to justify our existence.

As we go to press, our heartiest congratulations are due to H. N. Wood on his Pink and Whites and brilliant first appearance for the School against Old Wykehamists; he and his brother securing all the wickets but one between them. Our other representatives were J. C. Gow, J. S.

Heaton-Ellis, and J. W. Ferguson.

ASHBURNHAM.—With a phenomenal victory in the sports we concluded a most successful Lent Term. The number of points gained by Ashburnham establishes a record, as we totalled 56 as against 59 amassed

by the rest of the School, the nearest individual House being Rigaud's with just under half our points. Not only is this very gratifying, but the individual performances were also exceedingly good. On the first day our hopes were more than realised, G. C. Formilli capturing the quarter with W. B. Harris and A. E. Rice-Oxley in attendance-nine points; and C. C. Treatt winning the Hammer with a good throw of 72 feet 2 inches. On the second day G. C. Formilli had some more surprise packets for us; a splendid leap of 5 feet $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches winning the High Jump, while he got the Cricket Ball as well. W. G. Goodale and W. B. Harris took eight points for the 100 yards, both in well under eleven seconds, while Goodale also won the Long Jump with a magnificent effort of 19 feet 5 inches. The Hurdles' first and second places came to Ashburnham; and R. C. Macnamara and W. L. Selby did well in the Junior events, while G. M. Plaskitt also rendered valuable assistance. A. E. Rice-Oxley proved himself invaluable as a long-distance runner. On Monday, April 6, we had a House Dinner to celebrate the successes of the term. It was fully appreciated by all, and we were delighted to see many old Ashburnhamites present. Mr. S. S. Harris (O.W.) captained the English team which defeated Northern France by 13 goals to none; he was responsible for five goals, in addition to a speech in excellent French at the banquet. His brother accompanied the team as reserve. Last term's Fives ties were won by A. E. Rice-Oxley and D. F. Jerrold. It is with the deepest regret that we bid adieu to the former, who left us last term. First as a junior, then as a Pink, he rendered invaluable services to the House, services which cannot be overestimated. W. G. Goodale has also left us, another whom we could ill spare, and to whom we owe much. We take this opportunity of wishing them both the best of fortune in their future spheres of life.

GRANT'S.—We offer our heartiest congratulations to Adrian on getting into the final in the Public Schools Fencing Competitions at Aldershot, also on passing his 'Little-go.' Horton, Geare, and Storer were also successful at Cambridge. We must congratulate the two former on receiving their Pink and Whites at the end of last term, and R. A. Graham, Marriott, and Miles on their Pink and Blacks. Mr. R. W. Reed (O.W.) and Mr. E. R. J. Ratcliffe-Cousins (O.W.) distinguished themselves at the Christ Church Sports at the end of last term, on which we congratulate them. Present Grantites did not do so at the School Sports. One or two did well, but some of those considered 'certainties' failed; thus Grant's only came out third. The Inter-House Drilling Cup remains up the House for another year, thanks to the keenness and untiring efforts of its Section-Commander, Sergt. Boult, who deserves our most hearty congratulations. The Literary Society finished a very successful and enjoyable session with Sheridan's 'Critic.' Cricket Yard Ties have been started,

and it is hoped there will be a second draw taken in the term. Godfray left us at the end of last term, while his place is filled by A. Yolland, a half-boarder; H. Eyre has come as a boarder.

H.BB.—To plunge 'in medias res,' we had very hard luck in seniors last term, for after a great fight we were only beaten 3-2, and we flatter ourselves-not unduly we think-that the absence of Wyatt made more than one goal difference. As it was, we had about two-thirds of the game, while Turner should certainly have stopped Ashburnham's third goal. It seems almost invidious to mention names, where all (with a couple of exceptions) played so well, but we think it is no injustice to the rest to say that Summerhays, Circuitt, and Hill did excellent work forward, while Feasey was very good at back, and Bonner at half played a splendid game. Hill, Geate, and Estall received House Colours, and at the end of the term Feasey and Bonner were among the Pink and Whites, while Turner and Hill got 'Thirds.' Before leaving the subject of football, we should like to remark what an energetic captain Summerhays was: it was his keenness that did so much to help the team in its uphill fight in the Final.

We were not, it is true, very successful in the Sports; but we hardly think that a total of two points does justice to our deeds; for we took most things in both handicaps, won the Consolation race, were very prominent in O.WW. race, while last, but not least, we won the Tug easily in magnificent style. Hulme is to be condoled with on being unable to throw in the Junior Cricket Ball on the Friday, after being

first in the 'Trials.'

We were surprised at the result of the Drill Competition, in spite of our sanguine expectations

being only placed a bad fourth!

We keep the best news till near the end: in the final of the Racquets our pair—Turner and Circuitt—won in decisive fashion, and thus we retain this Cup another year.

Summerhays and Wyatt left us last term. We are most grieved at their loss, and hope that they will meet with the success in after life with which they

met when at school.

It is too early yet to say much about our prospects for this term; these must keep till next month, especially as we have already run on to a far greater length than usual.

RIGAUL'S.—This term we have to regret the loss of four of our numbers—Harding, Gates, Walker and Dodgshon—but in their stead there are three new fellows; therefore the numbers of the house are only reduced by one. We welcome Martin back this term after his illness of two terms, although he is no longer a boarder. Last term we did very well in the sports, coming second to Ashburnham with 27 points, which were the efforts of two people only, Cooke carrying off

nearly all the junior events, and securing 20 points, and Leck getting the remaining 7. At the end of last term Cowie and May received their Pink and Whites, Lamb his 'Thirds,' and Walker his House Colours, to all of whom we offer our heartiest congratulations. In cricket we hope to keep the Junior Cup, as we still have seven of last year's team. It is still early to think of Seniors, but with improvement and keenness we hope to do great things.

Old Westminsters.

ARCHDEACON FRERE has been presented to the family living of Roydon, in Norfolk.

At Oxford, Mr. E. N. R. Trentham is in the Second Class in Moderations.

Mr. S. S. Harris captained the A.F.A. team which defeated Northern France, himself scoring five goals out of the total.

Messrs. H. J. Plaskitt, C. Kent, and D. M. MacManus took part in the A.F.A. Easter tour in France, playing for the 'Outcasts,' who won all their matches.

Birth.

On April 6, the wife of Charles Talbot Agar, of a daughter.

Marriages.

MARKHAM—BARNE.—On April 23, the Rev. Algernon Augustus Markham to Winifred Edith, younger daughter of Lady Constance Barne and the late Colonel Barne.

WINCKWORTH—HELLARD.—On April 30, Wadham Bruce Winckworth to Dorothy Frances, eldest daughter of Edwin Hellard, of Stogumber, Somerset.

JOSEPH—COHEN.—On March 11, Francis George Joseph, B.A., to Matilda Waley, youngest daughter of Nathaniel Louis Cohen, Esq., of 11 Hyde Park Terrace, W., and Round Oak, Englefield Green, Surrey.

Obitnary.

We have to regret the death of COLONEL SIR CHARLES E. HOWARD VINCENT, K.C.M.G., C.B., who was at the School in the sixties. After a period spent in the army he was called to the Bar, and was for some years Director of Criminal Investigations. He was M.P. for Central Sheffield from 1885, and was a well-known figure in the House. He was also an enthusiastic volunteer. The state of his health kept him at home during the late war, and he died suddenly on April 7. He was a frequent attendant at Election Dinner and the Play. The Vincent Prize was founded in memory of his elder brother. [See the *Times* of April 8.]

We have also to lament the death of HENRY COLLIER LECKY, who was at the School from 1893 to 1896. After taking his degree from Christ Church he entered the medical profession, and was for some time Medical Superintendent of the Brighton Sanatorium, and acted as Medical Officer of Health for Brighton. He was rapidly making a name in his calling, and his high character made a great impression on his friends, to whom his early death is a great loss. His death, which was caused by pneumonia, occurred on March 31.

In James Alfred Hallett there has passed away one who was the son, father, and grandfather of Westminsters. Born in 1818 he was admitted in 1829. He was many years Chairman of the Westminster Bench of Magistrates, and did much good service for Westminster Hospital and for St. Margaret's Parish. His six sons were at the School in the sixties and seventies, and the next generation has been lately represented among us.

THE OLD WESTMINSTERS' FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE past season, although it cannot be described as strikingly successful, will at least be a most memorable one in the annals of the Club, chiefly for two reasons: first, the O.W. Cricket Club was amalgamated with the Football Club; and, secondly, the Amateur Football Association was formed.

The amalgamation of the Football and Cricket Clubs should be of mutual benefit to both games, and ought to tend to put the finances of the Club on a sounder basis.

The reasons which led to the formation of the Amateur Football Association are too well known to need recapitulation in our pages, but a few remarks

thereon may not be out of place. The game of Association Football has in recent years suffered very considerably from the ever-increasing canker of commercialism. To counteract this evil, so antagonistic to the spirit of true sport, and to ensure the future playing and administration of the game by rightminded sportsmen rather than by speculative directors, the Amateur Football Association was formed on July 8, 1907. It has the cordial good wishes of the Club for its complete success, the good wishes not only of the Club as composed of O.W. members, but also of the School, as constituting the Club's honorary members. The practical sympathy of a great many O.WW. has already been extended to the new Association in the shape of a donation of one, hundred guineas towards its funds, subscribed by O.WW. generally both at home and abroad, aided by a small donation from the Club. It will be interesting to all Westminsters to know that out of twenty-one vice-presidents of the Association six are Old Westminsters, viz. N. C. Bailey L. A. M. Fevez, S. S. Harris, W. R. Moon, S. Oldham, and R. T. Squire—a tribute to the great football traditions of Westminster.

The most disappointing feature of the past season was the lack of success in Cup Ties. A. Whittow, who has done yeoman service for the club in the past, left England for West Africa before the beginning of the season. Thus, although he is expected back this summer, his services were unfortunately lacking all last season. Against this loss, however, J. M. Craig, C. Powers, and F. N. Ashley were back in England; W. R. Birchall, S. C. Edgar, and D. M. MacManus were valuable recruits; and W. B. Harris and J. C. Gow assisted during the School holidays. In fact, the teams selected and the players nominally available were much stronger than has been the case for some years past. This, of course, only serves to aggravate the disappointment, the real reason of the lack of success being the impossibility of ever getting into the field the team selected or even anything approaching it. The number of casualties was quite unprecedented; and some idea of the difficulty experienced in producing a representative team will be obtained when it is known that in the five cup matches played—and these were the five most important matches of the season—the club was represented by no less than twenty-seven different players!

There were, however, several good performances, notably the victory over Barnet (2-1) in the Middlesex Charity Cup, and those over Lancing Old Boys (13-0) and Guy's Hospital (4-2). In the last-mentioned match our half-back line consisted of S. C. Edgar, J. C. Gow, and T. G. May, who all played excellently, as will be seen when it is mentioned that Guy's had not been beaten previously this season. The matches against Oxford and Cambridge were also very good games, and fixtures have been arranged with both 'Varsities for next season.

The 'A' team has had a very fair season, though it suffered from the continual call upon its players to fill the many vacancies in the 1st XI. The standard of play in this team has been very much raised in the past three or four years, and the 'A' at full strength is a very useful team, as their good performance in the A.F.A. Junior Cup will show.

The 'B' team has had a better season and won two matches, one of these against the 'Colts,' thus at last realising the hope expressed last year. team is of great use in enabling the less accomplished players to get good games after leaving the School.

This year forty new members have been elected. This, it is very satisfactory to note, beats last year's record number of thirty-three. The Annual Dance was held in June at the Caxton Hall, and the Dinner at the Monico, both being most successful. This year the Dance is fixed for June 19, again at the Caxton Hall.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking the Head-Master for lending Vincent Square for

the Dunn Cup Tie.

The Annual Report of the Club for the past season has now been issued, and Mr. C. Kent, the hon. sec. of the club, will be pleased to send a copy to anyone who will apply to him. At the recent General Meeting the football officers were all reelected for the coming season. Appended is last season's fixture card, with results :-

Sept. 28 v. Old Cholmeleians. (Lost, 1-3.) Sat. Westminsters School. (Won, 5-1.) R.M.C. Sandhurst. (Scratched.) Oct. 5 2. " 12 2. 33 Brentwood Rovers. (Lost, 1-5.) 19 7. 23 25 Cambridge University. (Lost 1-5.) 26 2. ,, Old Wellingburians (First Round, Arthur Nov. 2 7). " Dunn Cup.) (Lost, 1-3.) Weybridge. (Drawn, 4-4.) Westminster School. (Won, 1-0.) 9 71. 99 35 16 2. 35 ,, Guy's Hospital. (Won, 4-2.) 23 21. " 55 Charterhouse. (Scratched.) 30 R.M.A., Woolwich. (Scratched.) Dec. 14 7. Mon. 16 Old Brightonians. (Lost, o-6.) 2. Barnet (Second Round, Middlesex Charity Sat. 2I v. Cup.) Won 2-1.) Old Etonians. (Scratched owing to the 21 2. Cup Tie.) Eastbourne. (Lost, 1-6.) 28 v. 1908. Old Cranleighans. (Won, 3-1.) Marcians (A.F.A. Cup). (Lost, 1-4.) 4 0. Sat. Jan. II 2. ,, Old Citizens. (Scratched owing to the II v. ,, Cup Tie.) Lancing Old Boys. (Won, 13-0.) 18 v. " Marcians (Middlesex Senior Cup). (Lost, 25 v. 33 3-5.) Hampstead. (Scratched owing to the 25 0. 22 Cup Tie.) Feb. Emeriti. (Scratched.) Beckenham. (Drawn, I-I.) 8 2. Wed. Westminster School. (Won 3-1.) 12 2. ,, Oxford University. (Lost, o-1.) Old Carthusians. (Scratched.) Sat. 22 2. Mar. 14 v. " Ealing (Second Round, Middlesex Charity 2I v. 27 Cup.) (Lost, 2-3.) Old Felstedians. (Scratched owing to the Cup Tie.)

For the above article on Old Westminster Football during the past season we are indebted to Mr. C. Kent, the hon. sec. of the club.—Ed. Elizabethan.]

Correspondence.

WESTMINSTER GAMES.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

3 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

DEAR SIR,—I am quite at one with Mr. Jardine when he observes that our 'Felix' is neither 'Boarder' nor 'Half-However, I do not intend to discuss further so intricate and puzzling a problem as the question, 'What is wrong with the management of Westminster games?' It will be a happy day when that problem is solved, but for the present I intend simply to let Mr. Jardine know the result of the Games Committee's deliberations on the suggestions made in the correspondence columns of The Elizabethan for last July.

In the first place, may I point out a slight misstatement made in his letter printed in your last number? He remarks that, besides the letter of his which appeared in the July number re Westminster games, several others were printed in the same number dealing with the same subject. In point of fact, one other appeared. Another point: in his last letter Mr. Jardine, whether consciously or otherwise, undoubtedly gave the impression that the proposals put forward by him and your other correspondent at the end of last Election Term dealt with Westminster games as a whole; and he implied that they should have been-but were not-acted upon in the course of the last two terms.

Actually, his own proposals amounted to nothing more than this-that 'some ten new nets should be set up on the Cathedral side of Vincent Square.' Your other correspondent advocated the introduction of nets in Green, proposing at the same time that cocoanut matting, nailed on boards, should form the pitches both in these nets in Green and in the games Up His additional remark, to the effect that 'a very good wicket would thus be obtained,' though I speak with all due deference, as befits one who has had no experience in the matter, I consider at least open to doubt.

How any one of these proposals could have benefited Westminster football last season I do not see. Yet, in his last letter, I think I am Justified in saying that Mr. Jardine implies that their adoption would have benefited our winter game in

some way or other.

I presume that I have now said enough to clear the Games Committee of any charge of remissness in considering proposals beneficial to Westminster football. Since no such proposals were made, it is apparent that they could not have been considered.

Mr. Jardine's actual proposal and those of your other correspondent have been considered by the Games Committee of 1907-8, with the result that three new nets have been set up in Vincent Square, and three new pieces of cocoanut matting have been bought, besides four tons of marl. Any too sudden change was, I think rightly, considered inadvisable. Nevertheless, I hope to see Mr. Jardine's proposals realised gradually-not at once-since personally I am convinced of their sound sense and the advantages that will ultimately result from their adoption.

I would also observe that I think he is right in denying the slackness of day boys in going Up Fields to watch Saturday matches. On the contrary, beyond all question there is far more enthusiasm and unselfish esprit de corps now in evidence in the day boys than has been the case for years. A sufficiently strong demonstration of the truth of this is the brilliant success this year of one of our two entirely day-boy houses, Ashburnham. As Mr. Jardine observes, we must seek the reason elsewhere.

Yours faithfully,

K. R. H. JONES, Hon. Sec. Games Committee.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

The Homestead,

Worcester Park, Surrey. April 20, 1908.

DEAR SIR,—I hope that the excellent results achieved in this year's Sports at Westminster will encourage the authorities to leave a space of at least three weeks for practice in future years; in a week it is improbable that one will get over the 'stiff' period, but at the end of three weeks, people ought to be in perfect condition. Surely it is just as important to get Blues at athletic sports as in other branches; we appear to have an excellent chance of gaining a Blue shortly for the High Jump, while the Long Jump, done correctly for the first time at Westminster, was in consequence increased by some 2 feet. May I suggest one more alteration? It is that there should be two separate pits for the Long Jump and High Jump; it is impossible at present for Long Jumpers to practise while there is High Jumping going on, and small boys would not like to push themselves forward; thus a promising long-jumper might be spoiled. If this is not practicable, perhaps a small pit for practice only, with, however, a proper taking-off board, might be arranged in some corner of the field.

With apologies for thus trespassing on your space, I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully, STANLEY S. HARRIS.

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