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WORK.

'WORK! Work! Work!' sings poor Tom Hood, one of the truest and best of our English poets, but in his song it is the excess and abuse of work to which the kindly-hearted poet draws our attention. 'Rest! Rest!' cried one of the best of our great metropolitan preachers: 'Don't talk to me about rest, rest will come in heaven-work is for earth!'

The truth lies, as truth very often lies, halfway between these extremes. Work is, indeed, our lot on earth, and in good hearty work our heavenly Master has conveyed a joy and content which only the honest conscientious worker feels. But rest also is His precious gift to season work, enjoined and sanctified by each seventh day, which He has bid us set apart, partly to enable us to worship Him, but partly also, as both the language and spirit of the commandment show, for the recreation of the bodily strength and powers. There have been, and we fear there are, men of all classes, but especially of the professional classes, who deem labour during the seven

days of each week as necessary to professional success and not inconsistent with bodily and mental health and strength. For our own part we believe them utterly in error, and that, to use a homely but expressive phrase, they 'cannot burn the candle at both ends.' Horses cannot work seven days a week without suffering for it, nor man. But what is Work? And what is Rest? For the latter word, whose meaning is perhaps somewhat ambiguous, let us put recreation, and the seeming antagonism then lies between work and recreation.

Well, we will take it that recreation, among healthily minded men, means change of occupation. The 'rest' which means utter idleness of body and vacuity of thought can have no attraction for our readers, and is, in fact, unworthy our further notice. But the rest or recreation which

Climbs the hill with ease, or mounts the stile,

after hard reading, or flies to Dante, Shakspere. or Gibbon, after a week's hard work in the factory or on the desk is the only noble rest.

These thoughts occurred to us on the Thames some few days ago as we, in pleasant company, were 'pulling up' from Henley to Streatley. Pretty hard mental work for some months past made that to us a rest which to the bargee would be a heavy toil and labour, and we

enjoyed our day's recreation.

From the pleasant Henley water, through the long Sonning and Caversham reaches, past lovely Mapledurham and charming Pangbourne, up to Streatley and Goring, we joyously pulled our boat; or, exchanging the oar for the towline, trotted merrily along the pleasant banks of old Father Thames. Here, in the parlour of the 'Miller of Mansfield,' in pretty Goring village, we sit down to scribble a few words to our *Elizabethan* readers.

Some few observations on our little voyage have made us see with regret the absurd and very disappointing ideas which some people conceive in regard to work and play, while at the same time we could not but observe amid our own enjoyment how unequally allotted is the work of men, how trifling and unsatisfactory is that of many, how terribly laborious and how

badly remunerated is that of others.

Strolling out in the evening, we visited the signal-box at the Goring Station of the Great Western Railway, where at 8 P.M. we found the night signalman at his post, and engaged in the almost incessant labour which until 7 A.M. of next day must keep him on the alert. This man and one other share the whole duty here, one on the other off, watching five electric telegraph instruments and working nineteen signal bars, each of them too hard to work for any but a powerful These two men can have no Sunday, no recreation, scarcely any certain and unbroken sleep! Yet on their skill, vigilance, and alacrity, depend the lives and safety of thousands of human creatures daily! Of their humble pay we say nothing, but their incessant toil we record with sorrow and some degree of shame.

And does not this in a measure apply to the poor woman who waits on us? She toils each day, and almost every hour, and the Day of Rest is none to her, for Sunday guests are not the least exacting, and for one considerate visitor

she serves fifty troublesome ones.

How little does one in the ordinary school and college life think of the incessant toil, the never-ending labour, of the doctor, the servant, the signalman? Even the little lad whom in the early morning we found, far up on the pretty Streatley hills, 'scowering the birrds,' as he called it, works a long and tedious day, to which the hardest Westminster or Oxford day may well seem light and easy.

These objectless, endless, unvaried lives of

hard, relentless labour deserve our bitterest and most earnest condemnation, and our hearty endeavours, as occasion serves us, to lighten, relieve, and transform them.

It is difficult to decide which is the more melancholy to behold—the ceaseless toiling life of those to whom no rest seems accorded in this world, or the ever-continuing round of so-called amusement and fruitless entertainment of those who find neither pleasure nor profit in work.

It is well worth serious consideration whether at the present day our steam-launches, railways, omnibuses, do not make us forget the needful alternation of work and rest, neglecting too often the fair and wise exercise of legs and arms, the true and easy recreation after head work.

In the meantime, let us rightly appreciate work and rest, regarding the latter only as the food to recreate soul and body, the wholesome alternation which may fit us each day for

Something attempted, something done To earn a night's repose.

AN OLD SCHOLAR.

CRICKET.

LAMPROBATICS was this year a greater farce than The only one of the Under Elections who showed the least form was Sandwith, who played well The fielding of the Q.S.S. was atrocious, with the exception of perhaps Sandwith and Brandon. Sandwith also bowled well, and four or five easyridiculously easy-catches were missed off his first three overs. With the exception of Boyd, not one of the T.B.B played a decent innings. Robson was let off three times before he had made half-a-dozen. Altogether, two such wretchedly bad elevens have never played in this match in the memory of present Westminsters. We have in our School Notes made a suggestion which it would be well to follow. Under Elections always make a better fight in the Football match, and the reason of this is that they have a chance of playing, and are made to play, which they never get a chance of doing at Cricket. I saw the other evening four fellows up, two bowling and two batting. If one of them hit a ball, he had to run after it; if he missed it, the bowler walked slowly after it, and so two or three minutes were lost between every ball. Under Elections will never win while this sort of thing goes on. Again, why are there never any fellows up in the middle of the day? Allowing for fifteen of the first two elevens, and say half-a-dozen Under Elections, where are the other 180 fellows? Say fifty belong to that lot of homeboarders who know about as much of Vincent Square as they do of the North Pole; and drawing, drilling,

and gymnastics take another fifty, where are the remaining eighty? We can remember the time when there were always twenty or thirty up at least; now, however, only about eight or nine fellows go up regularly, and they are as regularly picked up, and getting sick of it, stop going up, the result now being that the second eleven seldom have any one to pick up for them at all. Mr. Gray, Mr. Gibson, and Mr. Freeman have no doubt given a great impetus to cricket, by the kind way in which they give up their evenings to play matches between their forms; but while the boys do not of their own accord play up, we will never have the fame which, twenty years ago, used always to be attached to the Westminster Eleven.

ELEVEN v. NEXT NINE WITH MANTLE AND HOLMES.

This match resulted in an easy victory for the eleven by an innings and 45 runs. Owen's bowling was specially destructive, as he took 7 wickets for 37 runs.

THE ELEVEN.

J. Abernethy, b. Mantle	II
H. S. Westmorland, b. Holmes	3
G. Dale, b. Mantle	
A. M. Hemsley, c. Mirehouse, b. Mantle	68
H. C. Benbow, b. Holmes	1
W. F. G. Sandwith, c. and b. Holmes	3
C. V. Wilks, run out	57
F. W. Janson, b. Mantle	
R. S. Owen, c. and b. Mantle	14
E. P. Guest, run out	
E. U. Eddis, not out	10
B. 7, 1b. 6, w. 5	18
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Total	209

THE NEXT NINE, WITH MANTLE AND HOLMES.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
	b. Hemsley 5
	b. Wilks 0
	c. Guest, b. Hemsley 41
H. N. Robson, b. Wilks 19	c. Wilks, b. Janson II
	b. Wilks 2
	absent 0
	c. Abernethy, b. Jan-
A CATELOGRAPHIC CALLS	son 0
C. Sandwith, c. Janson, b. Owen I	c. Janson, b. Hemsley o
	not out 8
Mantle, not out II	c. Hemsley, b. Wilks I
P. H. C. Fulcher, b. Owen I	c. Abernethy, b. Jan-
	son I
B. 7, 1b. 2, w. 2, no ball, I 12	b. 5, lb. 2 7
10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 -	
Total 88	76

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. T. A. MANTLE'S ELEVEN.

This match was played on Wednesday, July 3, and resulted in a victory for us by 58 on the first innings. For us, Hemsley played capitally for 53 and 16,

both not out, and in the second innings Janson and

Westmorland played well for 23 and 21 respectively. Wilks bowled seven wickets for 10 runs only. For them no one but Mr. Gibson was able to get into double figures.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
J. Abernethy, c. and b. Mantle	0	c. Hemsley (subs.) b.	
		Mantle	0
H. S. Westmorland, b. Holmes	13	b. Hervey	21
G. Dale, b. Harper	I	b. Mantle	3
A. M. Hemsley, not out	53	not out	16
H. C. Benbow, c. and b. Mantle	13	b. Hervey	0
F. W. Janson, b. Holmes	3	c. Edell, b. Mantle	23
W. F. G. Sandwith, c. and b.			
Holmes	0	run out	2
C. V. Wilks, l. b. w., b. Mantle	I	not out	4
E. U. Eddis, b. Mantle	0		
R. S. Owen, c. and b. Holmes	3		
E. P. Guest, l. b. w., b. Holmes	10		
B. I, lb. I	2	b. I, lb. I	2
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Total	99		71
T. A. MANTL	E'S	ELEVEN.	
	5533		

W. B. Hervey, c. Janson, b. Wilks	2
A. Freeman, Esq., b. Wilks	
J. Gibson, Esq., b. Wilks	IQ
Rev. H. Sloman, l. b. w., b. Wilks	Q
O. Borradaile, b. Owen	I
B. Andrews, b. Wilks	I
J. Harper, b. Owen	2
A. B. Boyd, b. Owen	0
H. Edell, l. b. w., b. Wilks	I
H. Holmes, not out	9
J. A. Mantle, b. Wilks	6
B. 2, lb. I, w. 2	5
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Total	41

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WEST MINSTERS.

This match was played on Saturday July 6, and resulted in a victory for the present Westminster by one innings and 14 runs. For the School the batting was altogether good, and there was no particularly very large score made. For the Old Westminsters Wilson and Eastwick were the highest scorers,

OLD WESTMINSTERS,

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	
W. S. Trollope, b. Owen R. M. E. Eastwick, c. Eddis,	7 c. Abernethy, b. Eddis	5
b. Hemsley	30 did not bat	0
J. A. Hicks, c. Abernethy,		
b. Owen		0
S. Wakley, b. Wilks	o b. Wilks	9
- Borradaile, run out	o c. Abernethy, b. Wilks	I
W. H. C. Wilson, c. & b. Eddis		
R. Boyd, b. Eddis	4 run out	
W. C. R. Bedford, b. Wilks	6 b. Wilks	3
O. R. Borradaile, c. Sandwith,		9
b. Eddis	I not out,	16
C. Y. Bedford, b. Wilks	o b. Eddis	T
W. R. Basham, not out	I did not bat	0
	6 B 4 1 b 7	2
B. 3, lb. 2, w. I	6 B. 4, lb. I	5
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Total 1	102	60

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	J. Abernethy, c. Wakley, b. H. S. Westmorland, b. Tro. G. Dale, b. Trollope A. M. Hemsley, b. Trollope H. C. Benbow, c. and b. V. F. W. Janson, b. Trollope W. F. Sandwith, b. Bedfor C. V. Wilks, c. Borradaile, R. S. Owen, b. Trollope E. U. Eddis, not out E. P. Guest, c. Borradaile,	e V. Bed d b. Wa B. 10,	ford akley .kley . lb. 3		15 20 18 18 0 21 25 16 16 7	
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	E. U. Eddis	38	4	12.1	0	
	C. V. Wilks	18	3	12	5	
	water a red file					
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					60	
2	Hamilton Ross, Esq., b. W. R. M. Curteis, Esq., b. Wi G. G. Hearne, l. b. w. b. Y. Willett, Esq., b. Wilks — Norman, Esq., b. Wilks G. H. Tuck, Esq., c. Eddi S. Bircham, Esq., c. Benbo A. F. Manly, Esq., not out H. Curteis, Esq., b. Wilks Flanagan, c. and b. Wilks . B. 7, lb. 2	oung s, b. W	Vilks Jansor	1	15 21 0 0 3 1 18 11	
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F. W. Janson, b. Flanagan C. V. Wilks, not out R. V. Owen, b. Hearne E. U. Eddis, b. Hearne E. P. Guest, c. Willett, b. Hearne B. 2, lb. 1	15 2 1 8 3	b. Hearne b. Hearne b. Hearne b. Flanagan B. 1, 1b. 2	0 4 0 0
Total	55		71

THE ELEVEN v. NEXT FIFTEEN WITH MANTLE.

This resulted in an easy victory for the Eleven by ten wickets. Hemsley and Dale played very well for the Eleven, making 93 between them, out of a total of 137. For the Fifteen no one was very conspicuous, Boyd and Whitehead where the highest scorers. Rumball's wicket keeping was very creditable.

THE ELEVEN.

J. Abernethy, b. Mantle	0
H. S. Westmorland, l. b. w., b. Sercombe	
G. Dale, c. and b. Robson	
A. M. Hemsley, b. Mirehouse	50
H. C. Benbow, thrown out	5
F. W. Janson, st. Rumball, b. Mirehouse	
W. F. Sandwith, c. Coke, b. Mirehouse	
C. V. Wilks, c. Rumball, b. Mantle	
E. U. Eddis, st. Rumball, b. Mantle	
R. S. Owen, b. Mantle	
E. P. Guest, not out	
B. 9, lb. 2, w. 3	14
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Total	137

THE FIFTEEN.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mantle, c. Janson, b. Wilks	3	b. Wilks	6
Boyd, b. Hemsley	3	c. and b. Hemsley	19
Reece, b. Hemsley	9	b. Wilks	3
Mirehouse, b. Hemsley	í	run out	7
Sercombe, b. Wilks	2	b. Wilks	8
Rumball, b. Hemsley	0	b. Wilks	0
Robson, b. Wilks	5	b. Owen	0
Beaumont, b. Hemsley	2	c. Eddis, b. Wilks	4
P. Fulcher, b. Wilks	9	b. Wilks	o
Whitehead, b. Hemsley		c. Sandwith, b. Janson	12
C. Sandwith, b. Wilks	2	b. Wilks	
E. Bedford, run out	I	b. Wilks	0
Coke, b. Wilks	0	b. Janson	2
Markham, b. Hemsley	0	not out	0
Tepper, not out	0	c. and b. Hemsley	I
B. 4, lb. 1	5	B. 14, w. 1	15
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Total 5	56		87

THE FIRST ELEVEN WITH BROOMSTICKS v. THE SECOND ELEVEN WITH BATS.

This match resulted in a victory for the First Eleven by 135 runs.

THE FIRST ELEVEN WITH BROOMSTICKS.

1st Innings,	2nd Innings.
J. Abernethy, b. Mirehouse	b. Robson 11 not out 39 b. Robson 0

30

A. M. Hemsley, c. Reece, b. Robso H. C. Benbow, c. Robson, b. Mireho W. F. G. Sandwith, c. Fulcher, b. Re C. V. Wilks, b. Reece F. W. Janson, b. Robson. R. S. Owen, run out. E. P. Guest, c. Sercombe, b. Mireho E. U. Eddis, not out. B. 7, 1-b. I, w. I	ouse 45 eece 27 3 6 0 ouse 0	b. Reece 23 b. Robson 4 b. Robson 8 b. Robson 0 c. Hoskins, b. Robson 0 b. Robson 0 c. Boyd, b. Reece 7 run out 29 B. 10, w. 2 12
	120	133
THE SECOND ELEVEN	WITH	BATS.
1st Innings. A. B. P. Boyd, b. Wilks	c. Ow run of c. Gue c. Jan c. Jan c. and (subs.	en, b. Hemsley out

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

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1st Innings.

	Runs.	Wkts.	Overs.	Maidens.
C. V. Wilks	28	3	16	4
A. M. Hemsley	23	4	15.2	7
R. S. Owen	II	0	6	3
F. W. Janson	13	2	8	0
2nd	Inning	s.		
C. V. Wilks	15	. 3	10.3	4
A. M. Hemsley	10	6	10	6

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL LORDS AND COMMONS.

This match was played on Wednesday, July 24, and resulted in a victory for Westminster, on the first innings by a wicket and 50 runs. The innings of Westminster was left unfinished on account of the

For us Hemsley 59, Janson 27 (not out), and Wilks 26, made good scores, but the bowling of McCanlis was very effective at the beginning of the innings.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		Wkts.	Overs. M	aidens.	Balls.
Wilks	. 58	6	19.2	5	97
Hemsley		2	12	3	60
Owen		2	7	2	35
Lords	AND	Соммо	ONS.		

Lord Lanesboroug	h, b. Wilks		0
G. B. Estcourt, E.	q., b. Wilk	5	9

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15 10 24 8 13 12 9 0 1	Hon. S. Herbert, c. Dale, b. Hemsley W. E. Denison, Esq., c. Sandwith, b. Hemsley McCanlis, c. and b. Owen J. Round, Esq., b. Owen A. W. Nicholson, Esq., b. Wilks Major Vaughan Lee, b. Wilks C. Forester, Esq., b. Wilks C. Kennard, Esq., b. Wilks Hon. H. Tracy, not out B. 10, lb. 3, no ball 1
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15	Total
	 Westminster.
9 0 59 13 0 26 27 5 1 12	J. Abernethy, c. and b. McCanlis H. S. Westmorland, b. McCanlis. G. Dale, b. McCanlis. A. M. Hemsley, b. Denison H. C. Benbow, c. Round, b. McCanlis W. F. G. Sandwith, c. Round, b. McCanlis C. V. Wilks, b. McCanlis F. W. Janson, not out R. S. Owen, l. b. w., b. McCanlis E. P. Guest, c. Kennard, b. Denison E. U. Eddis, not out B. 8, lb. I, w. 2, no balls 2
65	Total

CHARTERHOUSE v. WESTMINSTER.

This match was played at Charterhouse on the 27th of July, and resulted in a most disastrous defeat for us. The weather was all that could be desired. got down there about 11 o'clock, and shortly afterwards play began. Hemsley won the toss, and put them in, a decision which no doubt largely affected the results of the match. Their first two wickets fell for 13. But Somers-Cocks and Keith-Falconer raised it to 106, when the former was easily caught by Sandwith. When Falconer had made about 20, one of Owen's balls actually hit his stumps, but fell back again. Colvin then came in, and did not retire till by some hard hitting he had knocked up 52. 4 for 190. Keith-Falconer was soon afterwards bowled for a really good innings of 103. 5 for 227. Evan-Thomas hit hard for his 81, but the rest failed to do anything; the innings terminating for 330. We then went in, with no chance of winning, as we only had two hours and a half, but still hoping to be able to play time out. Our hopes were, however, quickly and rudely dispelled. Our first two men ran themselves out, and, except Benbow and Sandwith, no one could stand up at all, and the innings closed for 51 runs. The second innings was worse, 5 wickets being down for 25 runs. Our fielding was good, and our fellows stuck well to it all the way through; but Wilks, in whom we generally put all our trust, was completely off the spot. The Charterhouse band, which is an excellent one, played some selections during the afternoon, and as we drove off, the School assembled and gave us three hearty cheers. Altogether it was a very pleasant day. Score :-

CHARTERHOUSE.

E. F. Grouse, b. Wilks	II
J. G. N. Pollock, b. Hemsley	0
H. Somers-Cocks, ct. Sandwith, b. Wilks	36
C. E. Keith-Falconer, b. Wilks	103
E. G. Colvin, st. Benbow, b. Hemsley	52
O. Evan-Thomas, c. and b. Eddis	81
G. O. Powell, b. Wilks	14
H. M. Hull, b. Hemsley	23
J. Wakefield, h. w., b. Eddis	2
W. A. Evelyn, ct. Janson, b. Eddis	0
F. C. Morrison, not out	2
Extras	6
Total	330

WESTMINSTER.

	and Innings.	
2	c. Evelyn, b. Morrison	8
3	b. Morrison	5
0.73		
6		5
9	c. Cocks, b. Thomas	I
10	c. Cocks, b. Thomas	0
10		
4	not out	I
3		
0		
0		
2		
2	Extras	4
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51		25
	3 6 9 10 10 4 3 0 0 2	2 c. Evelyn, b. Morrison 3 b. Morrison 6 b. Evan-Thomas 9 c. Cocks, b. Thomas 10 c. Cocks, b. Thomas 11 not out 12 not out 23 c 24 Extras

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Balls.	Runs.	Maidens.	Wkts.
C. V. Wilks	200	123	6	4
A. M. Hemsley	123	114	4	3
R. S. Owen	55	34	0	0
E. U. Eddis	45	16	I	3
F. W. Janson	25	16	0	0
H. S. Westmoreland	10	9	0	0
W. Sandwith	10	4	0	0

Is	t Innii	ngs.			
	Balls.	Runs.	Maidens.	Wkts.	Wides.
F. C. Morrison	95	29	4	4	0
J. Wakefield	91	20	. 8	4	0
211	d Inn	ings.			
F. C. Morrison	75	7	II	2	0
J. Wakefield		II	3	0	I
O. Evan-Thomas	30	3	3	3	0

The eleven is now filled up as follows:—A. M. Hemsley (Capt.), H. C. Benbow, J. Abernethy, C. V. Wilks, W. F. G. Sandwith, R. S. Owen, G. Dale, F. W. Janson, H. S. Westmorland, E. U. Eddis and E. P. Guest.

The account of the Town Boy and Queen's Scholar boat-race is unavoidably postponed until the next number.

WATER.

SCRATCH FOURS.

On the evening of Friday, July 19th, the first heat of the Scratch Fours was rowed. The crews were :-

	SURREY.	(CENTRE.	M	IDDLESEX.
	Sikes. Cobby.		Batley. F. Learmonth.		E. C. Frere. Gilbertson.
3.	Lowry.	3.	Newington.	3.	Godfrey.
	De Sausmarez. Huggins.				F. R. Clarke. Burridge.

The race was rowed between Wandsworth and Battersea Railway Bridges. The boats got away well together at first, but De Sausmarez's was soon left behind, and Clarke's and Frere's boats made a good race, the former eventually winning by about two yards.

The second heat was rowed on Tuesday, July 23rd, between the following crews:-

	SURREY.	(CENTRE.	M	liddlesex.
I.	Acton.	I.	Thorne.	I.	Wills.
2.	German.	2.	Newman.	2.	Strick.
3.	S. Learmonth.	3.	F. G. Clarke.	3.	W. G. Bell,
Str.	Ritchie.	Str.	Campbell.	Str.	Cuppage.
Cox.	Jones.	Cox.	Hughes,		Crews.

The start was not a good one, as the fellows did not hear the starter, but the boats soon got away, and there was a very good race until about half way, when Campbell's boat, after nearly fouling Ritchie's, fell back, and the other two rowed a capital race to the finish, which was given as a dead heat.

Final heat.

The final heat was rowed on Thursday, August 1. The first two boats in each of the former heats were started. The stations of the boats were as follows :-

SURREY.	SURREY CENTRE.	MIDDLESEX CENTRE.	MIDDLESEX.	
Edwards.	Clarke.	Ritchie.	Cuppage.	

Frere was unable to come, and his place was filled by Edwards.

Clarke's boat drew away at the start, but was immediately passed by Ritchie, who kept his lead in a most exciting race, and ultimately won by a length. Cuppage was a good third. Edwards nowhere.

The eight is now filled up as follows:-

- F. Learmonth.
- F. E. Cobby.
- J. C. Frere. C. Campbell.
- W. Ritchie.
- F. R. Clarke.
- H. W. De Sausmarez.
- Str. W. A. Cuppage.

School Notes.

Notwithstanding the predictions of last year, lawn tennis is not only holding its own but gaining ground fast. There are now no fewer than four nets up fields, and I daresay if Mantle could find the room there would soon be as many more.

A MOVE in the right direction has at last been made in green. About twenty sheep have been turned in, and are gradually consuming the long rank grass, which has been growing uninterruptedly since April. We cannot expect the grass to last through more than a fortnight's football, when it grows from April to September without being cut. Let us hope that more attention will now be given to it, and that it may be a little less like a macadamized road after the first week of October.

LAMPROBATICS having resulted as usual in the defeat of the Under Elections, it is time that we should look for some of the causes of the yearly victories of the T.B.B. and complete failures of Q.S.S. The first and chief is the fact of the Under Elections having a wicket of their own. Allowing for water fellows, and the two or three who play in the big game, there are never more than seven or eight or most. Now we do not wish the Under Elections to be merged in the small game, but why should not T.B.B. down to Mr. Dale's form (Upper V.) inclusive share the wicket with them? It would improve their Cricket a good deal, besides removing one cause of great discontent among T.B.B., namely, that some thirty of them have only one wicket, when the half dozen Q.S.S. have the same.

The annual Confirmation was held on Saturday, the 20th of July, by the Lord Bishop of Adelaide. The service was as usual in Henry VII.'s Chapel. The Dean read the service and the anthem, Bennett's 'God is a Spirit,' was performed by the Abbey choir.

It is hard that such an unusually successful season as we have had, should be wound up by such a decisive defeat as we got on the 27th at Godalming. It shows the great uncertainty of the game, and all we can do is to try and make up for it next year.

Janson, Westmorland, Eddis, and Guest have been elected to fill the vacancies in the eleven.

THE HEAD MASTER'S REPORT.

THE internal arrangements of the School are much the same as before, the only innovation being the house in Barton Street which has been opened under Mr. Dale. The boarders in it are to be chiefly exhibitioners. It will only hold six, but still this is something. The number of Candidates for exhibitions was larger than any previous year, with one exception, and all those elected were boys who were not in the School before. We only had one fellow who got a certificate, but this is easily accounted for by the difficulty in making the times of examination tally with our own. A new prize for Divinity has been arranged, and there will be prizes in this subject given to the head boys in various sections of the School. The numbers of the School are steadily increasing, being greater now than they have been for many years.

The reports of the various examiners are, on the whole, fairly satisfactory. The French report, which comes first, is decidedly good, with the exception of translation from English to French. In Classics the chief complaint is of a want of finish and polish. In Mathematics, the Rev. J. Wolstenholme, M.A., the examiner, says, 'I am convinced that as much is accomplished in the School as is possible, with the time which is allotted for mathematical study. best mathematician among the boys would be sure to be high in any school I have ever examined; and the average mark in each subject will bear comparison with the average generally obtained in schools of the first rank.' The Euclid and Algebra seemed to please him most. With the junior forms the examiners seemed to have received great satisfaction.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the 'Elizabethan.'

SIR,—I believe that the question which I am about to introduce to your notice is one which has been previously discussed in your columns; but as a considerable lapse of time has taken place since that discussion I venture again to call your attention, and that of your readers, to the question, 'Why has Westminster no Debating Society?'

I have noticed in most of the other school publications with which I am acquainted a column or two devoted to an account of the doings and sayings of their respective debating societies; which same societies seem to flourish as well as can be expected of them, and I am in a position confidently to assert that Westminster is almost the only public school throughout the kingdom where no such society exists. I am quite aware, sir, that there have been, and doubtless are, many excellent reasons for this state of things; I know that during the Summer Term it would be impossible for a debating society to meet at Westminster—nor, indeed, would it be required; but during the Winter Terms it seems to me that such a scheme would be not only practicable but useful and amusing, and I only wonder that it has not already been resorted to.

The difficulties attending the formation of a debating society I do not think could prove very arduous, though they might be more so at Westminster than elsewhere. The advantages attendant on such a formation, if once accomplished, need not be mentioned, and if a feeling existed in the mind of the school in favour of the design, I think half the obstacles would speedily vanish. If such a feeling does not exist of course the attempt need not be made.—I am, Sir, yours &c.,

A LOVER OF IMPROVEMENT.

To the Editor of the 'Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Referring to a few old school books in my possession I find that

'Græcæ Gram. Rudimenta,' 1761, has a curious woodcut

of the arms of the school, but no motto.

'Comitia Westmonasteriensium,' 1728, has the arms with the motto 'Memores fecere merendo.' (This is the original edition, that of 1761 has no plate of the arms.)

'Grammatica Busbiana,' 1732, and 'Græcæ Gram. Compendium,' 1734, have the arms with the motto 'Dat Deus

Incrementum.

'A Short Introduction to Grammar,' &c., 1770, has the arms with the motto 'In patrium populumque,' which was used till within the last few years, when 'Dat Deus Incrementum' was revived.

Can you give me the origin of these mottoes, and the exact dates of their adoption?—Yours very truly,

ASTLEY TERRY, Capt. 60th Rifles.

[Any suggestion will be thankfully received in answer to these questions.—Ed.]

To the Editor of the 'Elizabethan!

Dear Sir,—Allow me again to call your attention to the threadbare subject of Lamprobatics. It is ridiculous to assert that the present conditions under which this time-honoured match is played are fair to the Under Elections, againt whom there is generally an outcry raised yearly, because of the crushing defeats which they have perpetually sustained. When we consider that the average number of the Under Elections is only twenty (and this year their number is below the average), and that of this number nearly half belong to water, and go to gym. instead of fields in the middle of the day, we easily see how it is that there are never eleven Under Elections, much less the eleven, playing on the pitch provided for them. Again, as I remember was pointed out last year, it not unfrequently occurs that town boys play for three years in this match, whereas, as a matter of course, no Under Election plays more than two. How the new system to be introduced next year into College will

modify this, I know not; but the present arrangement is unfair to the last degree.

Again, it has often been remarked that, for some inexplicable reason, the Under Election pitches are considerably more like a bagatelle board than a billiard table; last year I know there was not a square foot without a hole in it, and I have been told by the Under Elections themselves, that they come off far worse than the town boys as regards the bats, &c., with which they are provided, and this I can also fully endorse from my own experience as an Under Election. Why this should be so I do not know; for myself I should say that the Under Elections ought to have the prior claim; they are all in the upper forms of the school, were there no other reason. I think, sir, that this will in some degree vindicate the Under Elections, for, of course, their bad helding, &c. (and this year it was exceptionally bad), depends to a great extent on the causes I have mentioned.

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