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## 'THE DOGS OF WAR.'

IT is even more difficult than usual to write a Leading Article in time of war. Frivolity is out of place, questions *re* school reform, change, etc., seem petty, and war criticism is beyond either our scope or ability. Let us take warning from the none too rare individual who seizes any opportunity to air his views as to Army or Navy or anything else that to his mind calls for criticism. (He, by the way, is not one of 'The Dogs of War' from which we take our title). Worst of all is the combination of amateur critic and pessimist, who starts with the greeting, 'Well, things look very black, don't they? Our Russian allies are simply crumbling away; no help can be expected from that quarter. Oh, that naval engagement of

ours? My friend, So-and-so in the Admiralty, tells me it was no victory to us at all. We suffered more than they really. Of course, you know . . . ' and then follows a dissertation of how England has degenerated.

No, we have wandered rather far from our point. It was in desperation of discovering any martial topic to sate 'the fiery maw of bellicose readers,' that we searched through an old volume of THE ELIZABETHAN and chanced upon an article entitled as above. This looked hopeful; nor were we deceived. It dealt with the formation of the School Corps in 1902. The following extract is of topical interest to us who labour almost daily at one form or another of military activity:—

'There are, doubtless, not a few in the School who will regard the project with disapprobation. There is the cynic, who, having no patriotism himself, will jeer at what he terms the jingoism of his fellows.

There is the athlete, who will fear that drill and practice will interfere with the athletics of the School. There is the quiet man, who will dislike what he calls "making a fool of himself," and thinks he will look ridiculous "marching about in a uniform." Others we could name, but we think that all these objectors will be convinced once the Corps is in proper working order. Difficulties, of course, there must be at the start, but we are confident that when fully organised the Corps will prove of great practical use.

'For the advantages of such an institution are many and combine advantages both to the State and School. To take the advantages of the State; *in these days, when England may be threatened with invasion at any time, when every citizen may be called upon for the defence of his country,* it is important that every able-bodied man should know how to use a rifle. Where can a man better learn to shoot than in his School Rifle Corps? For many it will be the only opportunity they will ever have of learning this necessary accomplishment. In the same way drill and discipline will be learnt, things of great moment in warfare. For those, on the other hand, who later contemplate joining a Volunteer regiment, some training at School will be exceedingly useful; and though many, no doubt, will scoff at Volunteers, the present war has shown their value in a most striking manner. We now pass to the advantages which the School is likely to obtain, which, though, perhaps, not so useful as those accruing to the State, are, nevertheless, of considerable practical benefit. At a school like Westminster, where exercise in the gymnasium is not compulsory, it is extremely desirable that there should be some better kind of physical training than that furnished by Form Drill and the punishment of Penal Drill. The discipline of a School Rifle Corps would certainly help largely to strengthen and set up the slack forms and loose limbs of some of the smaller members of the School, and how necessary this is will be recognised by anyone who goes into the yard during the afternoon and watches the progress of drill. Here, let it be said, no blame attaches to the Sergeant; but, surely, something more might be done towards improving the physique and personal smartness of the lower forms.'

How extraordinarily foolish now seem the objections that were apparently raised at starting a Corps.

The italics in the second paragraph are our own. 'Scaremongers from THE ELIZABETHAN' might have quite a large sale. If the value of Volunteers was proved in 'the present war' (the campaign in South Africa), *a fortiori* it is proved to-day, and it is with the deepest gratitude that we regard all those to whose enterprise and energy the formation of the Corps was due some thirteen years ago.

### Historical Note.

THE Elizabethan Club has lately bought an interesting portrait of Lord George Sackville, one of the makers of Westminster, and by consequence of English, cricket. Lord George was born in 1716, and the painting represents a man of thirty or thereabouts. He holds a cricket bat in his hand and a wicket is in the background. It will be remembered that in 1770 he took the name of Germain on succeeding Lady Betty Germain in the Drayton property, now in the possession of his great-grandson. In 1782 he was created Viscount Sackville. He is well known for his repeated refusals to charge when in command of the English cavalry at the battle of Minden in 1759.

There is one difficulty about the picture. The name of Lord George Sackville is painted on the top right-hand corner, and apart from this the resemblance to the late portraits by Romney and Reynolds sufficiently identifies the subject. But on the coat there is what appears to be a star. Lord George was not a knight of any British order, and the star awaits explanation.

### School Notes.

R. C. MAY, S. L. Holmes, G. R. D. Gee and J. H. Spence received their Pinks after the Charterhouse Match.

The Seventh Form, all the Sixth Forms and all Colours went down to Godalming. As the match was to be regarded as 'semi-private,' the usual number was largely reduced.

All holders of Challenge Cups are requested to return them to the Captain, St. Peter's College, before March 22.

The Greeze on Shrove Tuesday was won by T. M. Ker, of Ashburnham. The pancake was very well thrown over the bar, but the competitors did not appear as large or lusty as usual. The winner was down first on the pancake and managed to retain possession of it whole.

The Mission Offertory on the Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle, amounted to £3 16s. 5d. On Candlemas the Offertory was £4 5s.

In the new arrangement of House leagues (School Colours not allowed to play), King's Scholars lead in the 1st XI., and Ashburnham in the 2nd XI.

The Waterfield Prize for Greek Prose has been awarded to N. A. Bechman.

THE WAR.

THE following additional names and corrections have been noted or received since the War Number of THE ELIZABETHAN went to press:—

THE NAVY.

AGAR, C. T. .. .. Assistant Paymaster, R.N.V.R. .. .. Home Boarders.  
 BQSWORTH, J. S. .. .. R.N.V.R. .. .. Rigaud's.

THE ARMY.

ARMSTRONG, W. L. .. 2nd Lieut., 9th (Service) Battalion (Pioneers), Seaforth  
 Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's) .. .. Rigaud's.  
 BILLINGHURST, H. H. .. Captain, 11th (Service) Battalion, The Loyal North  
 Lancashire Regiment .. .. Grant's.  
 COVENTRY, W. J. .. Lieut., 7th Hariana Lancers, Indian Army .. .. Ashburnham.  
 MYERS, G. P. .. Lieut., R.F.A. .. .. Rigaud's.  
 RODOCANACHI, T. E. .. 2nd Lieut., 3rd Battalion (Reserve), The Hampshire  
 Regiment .. .. Rigaud's.  
 \* ROSE, T. W. .. Lieut. (late 5th (Cinque Ports) Battalion, The Royal  
 Sussex Regiment) .. .. Home Boarders.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

BENDALL, G. S. M. .. Now Lieut. and Adjutant.  
 GATES, E. C. .. Now Captain.  
 HALL, G. L. D. .. Should be *Ashburnham* and not as stated. Add (on sick leave).  
 LETHBRIDGE, N. B. .. Add (again wounded).  
 LONGHURST, H. G. F. .. Now Captain.  
 McCULLOCH, J. W. H. .. Now Lieut.  
 METCALFE, C. H. F. .. Now Brigade Major.  
 SARGEAUNT, W. A. .. Resigned his Commission through ill-health.  
 \* ST. LEONARDS, LORD ..  
 VERNHAM, N. M. .. Now 2nd Lieut., 4th Battalion (Extra Reserve), The East Surrey Regiment.  
 WILKINS, T. H. .. Substitute temp. Lieut., R.A.M.C.

\* Known to be at the Front.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL.

JANUARY 30.  
 (Drawn, 4-4.)

THIS match was played on January 30 at Vincent Square. The Visitors won the toss and decided to defend the Barracks end. For the first few minutes the Visitors pressed and managed to score from a corner. The School forwards after this began to settle down a bit and managed to force a corner. From this corner the School scored by pushing the goal-keeper into the goal before he had time to clear. This goal was soon followed by another scored by Julian with a good long shot; score (2-1). Twenty minutes later the Visitors again scored, owing to bad play on the part of the School backs. Just before half-time Julian scored again for the School with a long shot that went through the corner of the goal (3-2). At the beginning of the second half the Visitors equalised, the School left back this

time miskicking badly. A quarter of an hour later Julian once more put the School ahead by scoring from a good centre from Gardiner. The School maintained their lead until five minutes from the end, when the Visitors' centre forward scored with an excellent shot that gave May no chance (4-4).

In this match the School defence was very weak at times. The backs kicked badly and did not always tackle surely. The halves were better, Davison in particular tackling extremely well. The forwards showed some improvement but shot badly, especially the inside right and left. On the whole, the School were slightly better than their opponents.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

R. C. May; J. H. Spence and J. V. Rathbone; G. R. D. Gee, R. Smith and E. Davison; M. A. Robinson, S. L. Holmes, C. R. Julian (Capt.), K. Brodie and G. B. Gardiner.

ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL.

G. A. Goolden; T. Davies and E. Jones; G. A. Bird, T. L. Price and C. H. Jones; C. Harris, R. C. Cooke, A. H. Clarke, B. M. Whitcombe and P. R. Phillips.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* HAMPSTEAD.

FEBRUARY 13.

*(Lost, 4-6.)*

THE Visitors won the toss and chose to defend the Hospital end. About five minutes after the start Turner scored for Hampstead from a mêlée in front of goal, and shortly after Strachan put in a good shot which resulted in the Visitors' second goal. The ground was in an extremely bad state owing to the rain, there being several large puddles in front of the Hampstead goal which frequently spoiled good runs by the School forwards. Gardiner made one or two good runs up the wing, which, however, resulted in nothing, and half-time was called with the score 0-2. On re-starting Hampstead scored again immediately, and ten minutes' later Smith scored the School's first goal with an excellent long shot. Soon after this Julian scored the School's second goal from a good pass from Brodie (2-3). The Hampstead forwards then found the net twice more, and but for a good save by May would have scored again. After a good run from the half-way line Julian scored the School's third goal (3-5), and, after another goal by Hampstead, he scored the last goal with an excellent long shot from a good pass by Bennett. Time was called with the score 4-6 against the School.

Nothing much can be said about this match, as the state of the ground did not permit good football to be played. The School defence was weak throughout, the left back miskicking badly several times. May did not play so well as usual, owing to the ball being difficult to handle. The forwards were weak the first half, but bucked up the second and showed some dash.

Teams:—

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

R. C. May; J. H. Spence and J. V. Rathbone; G. R. D. Gee, R. Smith and A. M. Bennett; M. A. Robinson, S. L. Holmes, C. R. Julian (Capt.), K. Brodie and G. B. Gardiner.

## HAMPSTEAD.

Davis; Lynch and Street; Horsey, Johns and Clarke; Burkart, Moore, Turner, Robertson and Strachan.

WESTMINSTER *v.* CHARTERHOUSE.

FEBRUARY 20.

*(Lost, 1-4.)*

THIS game was played in perfect weather, and the Charterhouse ground, with its wonderful drying powers, was in excellent condition. Even play marked the first ten minutes of the match, the balance being slightly in favour of Westminster, whose inside left, Brodie, had very hard lines in not scoring with a long shot, which beat the goal-keeper, but unfortunately hit the cross-bar. Charterhouse, however, soon began to press,

their combination being much the better, and Cawston scored their first goal, following some good play in which all the forwards took part. For the rest of this half, play was mostly in the Westminster half of the ground, though there were occasional rushes, in which Julian and Brodie took a prominent part. The score at half-time was three love against Westminster, one of these points being the result of a bad mistake on the part of the two backs, who tackled each other with considerable skill for the space of some moments. Apart from this, however, they had played well, so it would be unfair to emphasise it. After the interval, Westminster attacked for some time, Brodie again hitting the cross-bar with a good long shot. Charterhouse, however, came again, Reiss scoring a very good goal. Somewhat late in the game, Brodie got away and, outpacing the backs, scored Westminster's only goal with quite a good shot. The final score was 4-1 in favour of Charterhouse.

To turn to general and individual criticism, there is no doubt that Charterhouse was the better team, especially forward. Their right wing was quite efficient, Cawston showing plenty of pace, while Hansell, though a trifle inclined to overdo trickery, was really the most skilful player on the field. The centre forward, too, showed promise and knew the game.

Both teams were young, but Westminster was at a disadvantage in the matter of weight. The Carthusians all tackled well, but the kicking of the backs was frequently at fault. Westminster suffered greatly from a weak forward line. Julian and Brodie showed that they understood the theory of the 'through pass,' but the fast ground often upset their calculations, while Holmes, though he worked his hardest and kept going throughout, lacked that skill in footwork which is necessary for the 'three-inside game.' Both outsides were outweighed and outpaced, and there was practically no wing combination at all. Bennett worked like a horse at centre-half, but in addition to missing his kick several times—a fact easily accounted for by the ground—he was none too accurate in his passes.

The wing halves also did their full share of work, and Gee, on the whole, was the best of the trio, but he dribbled much too close on to his forwards and only passed moderately. The backs did well, especially Spence, who was not afraid to use his weight. May, in goal, was good in every way. He evidently understood his job and was never afraid to take justifiable risks. The game, as a whole, was fast and well contested, but not a great one, as dash rather than skill characterised the play. In one point, Westminster were markedly inferior to their opponents, and that was in heading. It was a rare thing for a Westminster player to head the ball, but a common one for a Carthusian. It would be as

well to practise this point, for it is quite essential and bears largely on the play.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER.

R. C. May; J. H. Spence and J. V. Rathbone; G. R. D. Gee, A. M. Bennett and M. G. Farquharson; M. A. Robinson, S. L. Holmes, C. R. Julian (Capt.), K. Brodie and G. B. Gardiner.

CHARTERHOUSE.

F. W. Winterbotham; A. G. Vlasto and F. G. Emley; J. E. S. Anderson, J. Pollock and R. G. L. Garth; E. Cawston (Capt.), K. J. N. Hansell, V. Reiss, J. C. Ritchie and B. B. Edge.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. 16TH (PUBLIC SCHOOLS) BATTALION, THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

FEBRUARY 27.

(Won, 4-1.)

THE Visitors won the toss and chose to attack the Church end. They started fairly strongly, but the score was opened after some twenty-five minutes' play by Julian, who made a good shot at full speed. Another goal was added soon after by Brodie from a through pass from Holmes. Half-time, 2-0. Westminster had rather the better of the game in the second half, and a further goal was added after a scrimmage from a good corner kick by Robinson, Oliver finally putting the ball in. This was counteracted soon after, for the Visitors' centre scored their only goal, but Brodie put the School still further ahead with a shot that dropped neatly over the goal-keeper's head, after taking the ball down the field on his own. Time was called at 4.45, the School winning 4-1.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

R. C. May; R. M. Neill and J. V. Rathbone; G. R. D. Gee, A. M. Bennett and M. G. Farquharson; M. A. Robinson, S. L. Holmes, C. R. Julian (Capt.), K. Brodie and F. R. Oliver

PUBLIC SCHOOLS BATTALION.

Pte. Larkins; Corp. Hess and Pte. Parkinson; Pte. Keefe, 2nd Lieut. Purnell, and Pte. Riley; Corp. Pope, Sergt. Peakin, Sergt. Turner, Lieut. Douglas (Capt.), and Lance-Corp. Davies.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. v. OLD LINTONIANS.

FEBRUARY 27.

(Lost, 1-3.)

THE School won the toss and decided to defend the Pavilion end. Soon after the start the School inside right scored the first goal of the game. An energetic attack was then made upon the School goal but was repulsed; play continued for some minutes after this in mid-field. After a dangerous rush by our forwards the whistle blew for half-

time, leaving the score at 1-0. The first score after half-time was made by the Old Lintonians outside right. After this the play was fairly even, both sides making occasional rushes. Before very long the opposing outside right scored a second time with a good shot. Very soon after this the opposing forwards got right away, and the outside right again scored. We then made several attempts on our opponents' goal, all of which were repulsed, however, until the whistle sounded for time, leaving our opponents the conquerors. Score, 3-1.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI.

F. T. R. Rowlands; T. Edwardes and M. G. Hewins (Capt.); T. M. Ker, E. F. Lutyens, and H. C. Harcourt Smith; R. L. F. Forster, B. G. Scholefield, P. W. Gardiner, P. L. Leighton, and R. J. V. Pulvertaft.

OLD LINTONIANS.

H. Appel, A. Varconcellos, A. J. Taylor, H. E. Diff, H. F. Smith, L. S. Pulham, W. C. M. Berridge, E. A. Roberts, K. W. Davy, C. Woolf, and L. Grimaraes.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	K.SS.	A.HH.	GG.	RR.	H.BB.	
K.SS. . . . .	—	W 4-1	W 5-1	W 5-0	W 4-1	8 points
A.HH. . . . .	L 1-4	—			W 2-0	2 points
GG. . . . .	L 1-5		—	L 0-2		0 points
RR. . . . .	L 0-5		W 2-0	—		2 points
H.BB. . . . .	L 1-4	L 0-2			—	0 points

GAMES COMMITTEE.

BALANCE SHEET FOR 1914.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance from 1913 . . . . .	242 3 1	Wages . . . . .	253 15 0
Levies . . . . .	451 19 8	Expenses of Ground . . . . .	16 2 7
Masters' Fund . . . . .	20 0 0	Football . . . . .	16 10 8
Elizabethan Club . . . . .	10 0 0	Cricket Goods . . . . .	61 2 1
Sports Entries . . . . .	18 18 0	Horse Hire & Carriages . . . . .	34 10 6
Railway Fares repaid . . . . .	4 17 6	Printing & Ledgers . . . . .	12 14 6
Shop Profits . . . . .	16 5 10	Sports Prizes . . . . .	36 14 8
		Machines & Repairs . . . . .	28 5 1
		Gas . . . . .	6 7 10
		Seeds, Loam, &c. . . . .	42 3 7
		XI. Boards . . . . .	3 7 0
		'Water' . . . . .	10 0 0
		Racquets . . . . .	50 13 0
		Postage & Sundries . . . . .	1 2 6
		Balance . . . . .	200 15 1
	£774 4 1		£774 4 1

R. TANNER, President.

## THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the Society was held on Friday, February 5, to discuss the motion 'That in the opinion of this House the Liberal Government has for a number of years persistently misled public opinion regarding the possibility of war.'

The VICE-PRESIDENT proposed the motion, and contended that the Government had deliberately blinded themselves regarding the possibility of war. In 1912 Germany had endeavoured to obtain a statement from the British Government that the British Empire would remain neutral in case of any war, and this proposal must have shown the Government Germany's aims. The rapidity with which Germany increased her armaments and railways should also have served to show her intentions. In spite of all this, the Chancellor of the Exchequer had stated that the War was entirely unexpected.

He then denounced the attacks that had been made on Lord Roberts by members of the Government, and deplored the folly of the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary, who had stated that Germany was very friendly to us. He was convinced that the Government must have known the true state of affairs, but had chosen to mislead the people.

The Vice-President made a good speech, but adopted his usual tone of utter contempt for the Liberal Government and all its doings.

The SECRETARY opposed the motion, and began by attacking the Vice-President for the narrow way in which he had dealt with the motion. In his opinion, the Proposer had practically accused the Government of having a secret and traitorous understanding with Germany. The Government had taken the view that the best way to avoid war was to say as little as possible about the likelihood of it. The scaremongering policy adopted by a section of the Press had certainly not improved our relations with Germany. In answer to the Proposer he said that if the Government had realised the great need for a large Army, there was no reason to suppose that they would have hesitated from raising it and making it as efficient as possible.

Mr. M. G. HEWINS seconded the motion and poured scorn on the Secretary's speech, affirming that it was merely a personal attack on the Vice-President. If the Government did not know that war with Germany was an extremely likely event, why had the Army Service Corps been specially trained for service in Belgium? He cited several statements made by members of the Government to show how badly the public had been deceived.

Mr. N. KOHNSTAMM pointed out that the great patriotism with which the Government had acted since the outbreak of war should alone be

sufficient to defend it from the imputations cast upon it by the Vice-President.

The PRESIDENT regretted the attacks made on Lord Roberts by members of the Government. He then made every sort of accusation against the Government and even stated that some of its members had acted dishonestly over their Marconi investments. He ended by attacking the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The SECRETARY then indignantly denounced the President for his grossly libellous statements.

Mr. M. A. ROBINSON considered that General Bernhardt's book, 'Germany and the Next War,' should have made it quite plain to the Government what Germany's intentions were.

The debate then degenerated into a discussion on the Marconi investments of Cabinet Ministers and other matters, which had little or nothing to do with the motion.

The motion was carried by acclamation.

R. S. B.

A MEETING of the Society was held on Thursday, February 11, when the following motion was discussed: 'That in the opinion of this House the Press Censors are unduly strict.'

Mr. E. F. LUTYENS, who proposed the motion, began by explaining how rumours were spread. The Russians who were supposed to have passed through this country were not Russians at all but Scotch troops. Why could not the Censors have allowed us to know that before the rumour became so prevalent and so widely believed that an official denial of the story was more or less inefficacious? There is no point in withholding news which is of no military consequence, and to do so breeds a spirit of distrust. What are the papers for if not to publish news? He ended by expressing regret at the manner in which the news of the loss of H.M.S. *Audacious* had been withheld. This was Mr. Lutyens' maiden speech and was quite meritorious.

Mr. G. F. WALEY, who opposed, agreed that the public ought to have been told of the loss of H.M.S. *Audacious*, but denied that the Press Bureau were to blame for the news being withheld. The man who is utterly ignorant of military matters and thinks that the Press ought to be allowed to publish War Office secrets is a public nuisance. Mr. Waley read a cutting from *The Morning Post*, in which attention was called to the fact that a portion of the Press seemed to think that the War was being waged for their benefit. The task of the Press Censors was a difficult one, and they could only learn by experience to what extent it was necessary to muzzle the Press. It was far safer to give the public too little than too much information.

Mr. M. G. HEWINS seconded the motion, and said that the primary object of the Censorship

was to prevent the publication of news which might be of use to the enemy. He considered, however, that the publication of the whereabouts of our troops would be of no advantage to the enemy, who already knew. The fact that we only heard of our successes and were kept in the dark about our misfortunes was detrimental to the progress of recruiting.

Mr. H. A. MEYER, in a maiden speech, denied that British misfortunes were concealed. He thought that the rumour about Russians passing through England might have served a useful purpose, as it probably caused a certain amount of mystification in Germany.

The PRESIDENT was inclined to think it a disloyal act to criticise the action of the Censors, and said that we had no right to believe that the Censors withheld news without having very good reasons for doing so.

The SECRETARY said that it seemed a pity that professional journalists were not allowed at the Front, and regretted that most of the descriptive news of the fighting in which the British Army was engaged came from the pen of 'Eye Witness,' who was no doubt an extremely efficient officer, but not a journalist of the highest order.

Mr. WALEY defended 'Eye Witness.'

Mr. M. A. ROBINSON wanted to know what grounds the House had for believing anything definite about the loss of H.M.S. *Audacious*.

After further discussion the motion was lost by acclamation.

R. S. B.

## THE SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

ON January 30 Mr. J. L. Strain read a paper before the Society on the 'Diseases of Plants.' He explained that the majority of diseases of plants were produced by the attacks of fungi, though other agencies might also produce a diseased condition, such as protozoa, for example. He then went on to describe the more common fungi which are responsible for causing a diseased condition in their host. A very interesting portion of his paper was his description of the reproduction of these fungi. Mr. Strain showed a very thorough knowledge of his subject, which he illustrated with large diagrams on the board.

On Saturday, February 6, Mr. R. J. Pulvertaft read a paper on the 'Survival of the Fittest.' He began by pointing out that there is a constant struggle going on between the various species of living organisms, both plant and animal. In this way individuals who were for some reason defective would be unable to grow up and reproduce their kind, and so only those individuals who managed to survive would be able to propa-

gate their species. He also showed how, by the mysterious power known as 'heredity,' the offspring tend to resemble their parents, and so peculiarities which had enabled the parents to survive would reproduce themselves in their young. This was the reason for the various modes of protection we find in animal and plant kingdoms, such as protective and warning colours, mimicry, &c. Mr. Pulvertaft illustrated his points with a large number of actual specimens, chiefly insects, showing these protective features. In conclusion, we may say that Mr. Pulvertaft's paper was most clearly and convincingly delivered, and that it was probably one of the best to which the Society has had the privilege of listening.

On February 13 Mr. C. L. Bayne read a paper on 'Sleep.' He commenced by describing the common symptoms of sleep and the causes to which they were due, and also the physiological significance of sleep. For the greater part of his paper he confined himself to the subject of Dreams and the phenomena connected with them, discussing the various theories, psychological and otherwise, put forward to explain them. Mr. Bayne evidently has an extremely close knowledge of his subject, and his audience certainly learnt a great deal about a subject with which, it is safe to say, the great majority were entirely unacquainted previously.

We regret that the attendance at meetings this term has been so poor. This is possibly due to the fact that it is not properly realised that, in the absence of the President, all people in the Upper School on both sides may attend meetings without obtaining special leave from any one. We hope that in future we shall see more people from other forms, especially those of the Classical Side.

A. C. T. P.

## FIVES.

At a meeting of the Games Committee it was approved to have no School Ties this term, owing to the pressure of other matters.

The draw for the Inter-House Competition has resulted as follows:—

1st Round.	2nd Round.	Final.
Rigaud's	} a bye	}
z.		
Ashburnham	}	}
Home Boarders		
z.	}	}
King's Scholars		
Grant's,	a bye	

## RACQUETS.

BELOW is given the result of the Singles Competition. We also give the draw for the Inter-House Competition.

### FIRST ROUND.

T. Edwardes	beat	H. W. Watkins	by 3 games to 0
P. D. T. Powell	„	W. E. Gerrish	„ 3 „ 0
F. R. Oliver	„	R. Smith	„ 3 „ 0
R. M. Neill	„	P. L. Leighton	„ 3 „ 1
J. Brookman	„	F. C. M. Forward	„ 3 „ 0
K. Boddy	„	G. B. Gardiner	„ 3 „ 0
R. S. Browning	„	J. H. Spence	„ 3 „ 0
R. J. V. Pulvertaft	w.o.	A. C. H. Calvert (scratched)	3
S. L. Holmes	beat	H. C. Harcourt-Smith	by 3 games to 0
A. M. Bennett	a bye		

### SECOND ROUND.

P. D. T. Powell	beat	T. Edwardes	by 3 games to 0
R. S. Browning	„	R. M. Neill	„ 3 „ 2
S. L. Holmes	„	K. Boddy	„ 3 „ 0
F. R. Oliver	„	A. M. Bennett	„ 3 „ 0
R. J. V. Pulvertaft	w.o.	J. Brookman (scratched)	

### THIRD ROUND.

F. R. Oliver	}	byes	
S. L. Holmes			
R. J. V. Pulvertaft			
R. S. Browning	beat	P. D. T. Powell	by 3 games to 0

### SEMI-FINALS.

F. R. Oliver	beat	R. J. V. Pulvertaft	by 3 games to 0 (15-0, 15-1, 15-3), 45 aces to 4.
R. S. Browning	beat	S. L. Holmes	by 3 games to 0 (15-10, 15-11, 15-5), 45 aces to 26.

### FINAL.

F. R. Oliver	beat	R. S. Browning	by 3 games to 1 (13-18, 15-10, 15-9, 15-5), 58 aces to 49.
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### INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION.

1st Round.	2nd Round.	Final.
Ashburnham	} a bye	}
Grant's		
Home Boarders	} a bye	
Rigaud's		
King's Scholars,	a bye	

## House Notes.

K.S.S.—Three of our members, E. A. Barclay-Smith, W. L. de C. Baldwin and F. T. Birdwood, have been in for the recent Army Examinations, we trust, with success. We congratulate S. L. Holmes and G. R. D. Gee on being given their Pinks after the Charterhouse Match, and M. A. Robinson and M. G. Farquharson their Pink-and-Whites on the same occasion. Our 1st XI. in the House League easily holds the first place, and has not suffered defeat. We should have little difficulty in retaining the Fives Cup, as College Ties have been played with exceptional vigour, and friendly games among all elections

are quite frequent. We hope, too, to see the Junior Football, Racquets and Gym. Cups all back in Seniors' Room again before long. The Literary Society made a successful innovation in reading Gilbert's 'Princess,' and is looking forward to King Henry IV. (pt. 1).

As we go to press we are glad to be able to say that Rigaud's have been beaten 5-0, and that the Junior Cup has just returned.

ASHBURNHAM.—We have less than the usual nothing to say and so will not occupy much of your valuable space. We must not, however, forget to congratulate Mansbridge on tardy but well-earned House Colours. We must also apologise to Grey for not including him in the list of those congratulated last month on being promoted to the proud position of Lance-Corporal in the Corps. Fives Ties are progressing at a little more than the normal rate, and we rejoice to hear that four ties of the first round have already been played off. We are glad to see a lot of promising youthful talent at this game in the House. Brodie and Rathbone were our representatives in the Charterhouse Match; the former is to be congratulated on scoring our only goal and the latter on his Pink-and-Whites. Our 1st House League Team still continues its dismal career, but the 2nd still carries all before it and is now practically certain of ultimate victory.

GRANT'S.—Our first duty this month is to congratulate J. H. Spence on getting his Pinks after Charterhouse, and G. B. Gardiner on playing in that match. We note also with pleasure that M. G. Hewins has captained the 2nd XI., and that R. L. F. Forster has played for that team. Our House first team is undefeated up to the present, having won one match and drawn two. Unfortunately, we shall have to take the field in future without Gardiner, who has received his Thirds. Before we leave the subject of football we must condole with R. Smith on being absent from the Charterhouse Match owing to 'flu,' and congratulate F. R. Oliver on being twelfth man on that occasion and on playing since for the School in Gardiner's absence.

We look forward with all confidence to keeping the Corps Cup under the leadership of our able N.C.O.s, and we shall be disappointed if Oliver and Gardiner do not keep the Racquets Cup in its proper place for another year.

Turning to another subject, we hope that every success has attended the efforts of Gardiner and Spence in their recent examination for entrance to Woolwich. Finally, we must mention Dr. Martin-Leake, an Old Grantite, who has received a Clasp in addition to the V.C., which he won in the South African War, a distinction hitherto unachieved.

HOME BOARDERS.—We must begin this month by congratulating R. C. May on getting his Pinks



after the Charterhouse Match. Our two elevens have not come up to their expected form, but we hope that better things are to come. The House Platoon is getting on very well, especially the first three sections, who are not only very keen but are really quite smart. Fives ties are going along but very slowly, we are afraid. Our Fives pair are playing K.S.S. in the first round of the Inter-House Competition, while, if we send in a pair for the Racquets Competition, we are drawn against Rigaud's. We will conclude by wishing the House the best of luck in all their competitions and by apologising for these scanty notes.

RIGAUD'S.—The House has again returned to its normal strength, and we welcome back all those who have successfully repelled the onslaught of influenza and other divers complaints. Notable amongst the returned is Davison, for whom the military members of the House have been anxiously waiting.

To Bennett and Davison our heartiest congratulations are due on gaining their Pink-and-Whites; the former played a manful game against Charterhouse, while we sincerely condole with the latter on being relegated to the sick-bed on the occasion. While we are considering our football stalwarts we must congratulate Scholefield on appearing for the School in the 2nd XI., also Rowlands, who has been given House Colours after playing several times in the big game.

Turning to military matters we must congratulate Watkins and Boddy on being promoted to the rank of Lance-Corporal, and F. R. Burford, C. V. Kerpen and N. Vernham on getting commissions in the City of London Fusiliers, Northants and East Surreys respectively.

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Old Westminsters.

THE first man to whom has been awarded a clasp to the Victoria Cross is a Westminster. We append an extract from the *Gazette*.

LIEUT. ARTHUR MARTIN-LEAKE, Royal Army Medical Corps, who was awarded the Victoria Cross on May 13, 1902, is granted a clasp for conspicuous bravery in the present campaign:

'For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty throughout the campaign, especially during the period October 29 to November 8, 1914, near Zonnebeke, in rescuing, whilst exposed to constant fire, a large number of the wounded who were lying close to the enemy's trenches.'

Sir John French's despatches mention Major A. Ellershaw, R.G.A., Lieut. G. W. H. Hodgson, Border Regiment (killed in action), Lieut.-Col. Sir W. B. Leishman, Medical Service, Lieut. E. S. Wise, R.N. (killed in action), and Lieut.-Col. A. R. Hoskins, North Staffordshire Regiment. Sir W. B. Leishman has been made a Companion of the Order of the Bath.

We regret to hear that Lieut. N. B. Lethbridge and 2nd Lieut. G. E. S. Fursdon have been wounded, the former for the second time.

Mr. W. E. Horne, M.P., is an original member of the New Board of Control of Regimental Institutes.

Mr. L. E. Barrington-Ward, F.R.C.S., is Surgeon-in-Chief to the Second Serbian Relief Fund Unit.

There was an error in our obituary notice of Mr. E. M. Mee. The musical work was not his but his brother's.

We are reminded that our list of living Judges in the last number should have included Lord Parker, on whom Eton has a joint claim.

Mr. G. T. Boag, I.C.S., has become a Life Subscriber to THE ELIZABETHAN.

Births.

ON December 26, the wife of O. J. R. Howarth, of a daughter.

On January 29, the wife of Philip G. Waterfield, of a daughter.

On January 31, the wife of K. J. Milne, of a son.

On February 15, the wife of Harold McKenna, of a daughter.

On March 2, the wife of Adrian McKenna, of a daughter.

## Marriage.

CHESNEY—MCCRACKEN.—On February 11, Captain E. C. Chesney, Indian Army, to Stella de Crez, only daughter of D. E. McCracken, of Kelvedon, Essex.

## Correspondence.

### AN OLD WESTMINSTER PATRIARCH.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

'He was a great man; he would have been 90 years old on March 13 next, had he been spared. A true and strong and upright character.' These words were said by the Preacher in a sermon after the funeral at Bexhill, Sussex, of James Harvey Simpson, a Prebendary of Chichester Cathedral, who died on January 20.

I knew him intimately as a friend and as a priest, and can endorse from my own knowledge the truth of these words.

But it is of him as an 'Old Westminster' that I venture to make a few notes that may interest your readers. I am now myself a very old Westminster, but he could tell me of days long before my time.

He got into College in 1838 and his election to Cambridge in 1842.

To the last years of his life he was an enthusiastic O.W. He could tell of the days when the Queen's Scholars lived by day as well as slept in the dormitory.

It was good to listen to the expression of his wrath at the way the School had been treated in olden days by the Dean and Chapter; how they, he declared, stole College gardens from the School, and generally 'feathered their own nest,' while leaving the School to starve.

He told me of an adventure from 'Barges' (a term unknown now at Westminster, but of old used for the steps where to the West of the Victoria Tower is now the Embankment, and from which in the happy days of old 'Water,' two eights and two heavy fours left for the Old Swan at Battersea every summer evening). There had been a very long and severe frost; gradually the river became covered with floating blocks of ice, and one day at low tide the ice 'packed,' and he crossed the river on foot.

He has passed to the majority of Old Westminsters; he made no name in the world at large, but in the work God gave him to do few have been more faithful, or more loved in doing it. The lesson he learned at Westminster, to 'endure hardness,' characterised his whole life, and few have better upheld the spirit and tradition of all that Westminster stands for.

FREDERIC WILLET.

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