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THE PAST FOOTBALL SEASON.

THE past season which opened with bright prospects (for we had lost only four of what had been a good side the previous year), has been partly successful, partly disappointing; of the latter adjective the reason is simple, we lost the Charterhouse Match, a disappointment the greater that our hopes of success were high; of the former, more may be said in explanation. We beat Winchester more easily than the score would seem to show, and we had no great difficulty in defeating an Eton XI. Indeed in the last term the team played excellently, and it would not be an exaggeration to say that on its day the XI. was perhaps the best that we have seen for some fifteen years. At any rate it is a long time since any school side has scored fourteen goals in one week against teams that

were by no means the weakest in the fixture list. In the Play term the record was not so good. After the first few matches the team did not appear likely to fulfil the hopes that some had entertained of it; but a timely rearrangement of the forward line proved most beneficial; and from that time the team steadily improved.

Before passing on to a criticism of individual members of the team, it may not be out of place to give a brief statement of the prospects for next year. To the pessimist the outlook is indeed gloomy. Probably there will not be one of this year's side left, and of those who have played for the School in some matches this season, there will remain only two, Hodgson who will make a good player when he gives up a foolish habit of breaking some bone in his body each season, and Thompson, who played a useful game against Charterhouse, and who

should be of great assistance as he is young and willing to learn. Besides these, we shall have among the younger players Veitch, a good defensive half, and Paul, an energetic player, though neither will be of much value till they realise that feeding their forwards well is nearly as valuable as robbing their opponents of the ball. Of forwards there will be a dearth as far as one can see, though it must be admitted that the second eleven forwards have not done badly in their matches. Cobbold is a player of promise with a fair knowledge of the game. If Waterson has not improved much this year, there is the more reason why he should do so next year, and he is fortunately quite young. Julian and Bovey are both useful players, though the latter is probably leaving. Lastly, there will still be Mr. Day to coach. No one who knows what the School forwards were like ten years ago and who has seen them of late years will underestimate the value of his coaching.

As a captain, Pink set his team an excellent example of keenness and energy. He is fast, a fair tackler, good with his head, and feeds his forwards well. He and many others of this team should be of great service to the Old Westminsters. He was at his best in the Lent term till his unfortunate accident in the Charterhouse match. Rudd, if at times a little lethargic, was easily the best of the forward line, which he kept well together. He has a good knowledge of the game, passes and dribbles well, and can put in powerful though not always well-directed shots.

McCulloch was brought in from outside to inside right. His pace and his ability to combine with Rudd were of the greatest assistance. He failed to find his true form at Charterhouse, but he was a forward who always required careful watching.

Cargill, after playing poorly throughout the Play term, played extremely well in the Lent term. He is a good kick, tackles well, and places himself well. In the Charterhouse match and in the other school matches he was invaluable.

Cardew is the most energetic of players. As a defensive half there have not been many

who have excelled him, but his passing to his forwards was rather wild, though he showed some improvement towards the end of the season.

Hurst-Brown was a much-improved player at inside left. He combined well with Rudd, and could dribble well on his own, but his inability to shoot detracts from his usefulness. At the same time his keenness and his willingness to learn were most praiseworthy.

Kann exchanged places with Hurst-Brown to the benefit of the side. Though Kann was too slow to make a first-class outside, he was not one who could be neglected, and he learnt to centre fairly well with his left foot, an ability that not all outside lefts of late years have possessed.

Miles is fast and strong, but his short-sightedness nullifies to a certain extent his good qualities. Owing to his pace, however, it was not wise to leave him unmarked.

Troutbeck is hampered by lack of pace, but he played well with Cargill. He could use his head well, backed up his forwards, and gave them reasonable passes.

Carless was, as a rule, very safe in goal, showed good judgment in running out, placed himself well, but was not a powerful kick.

Cobbold finally secured the vacant place at back, and probably he was the best of those who were tried. He lacks determination, but he improved in this respect in the Lent term. The excellence of his kicking was of great assistance to his forwards.

Mansel-Howe had hard luck in injuring himself, as he was a useful player who might well have secured a place.

Durrant though not quite so safe as Carless, was his superior in some respects, and was a goalkeeper whom the School in most years would have been pleased to possess.

In conclusion, a few words of exhortation to those school-colours who are to be here next year may not be out of place. The prospects, as has been said, are not of the brightest, and it behoves everyone to do his best not only when playing but also by watching the lower games, refereeing in Leagues, and in other similar ways.

For the first time for some years Pinks have been seen this last season refereeing in Leagues, and it is surely only fair that if the school teams expect the rest of the School to watch them that they should in their turn show some interest in the lower games, and should not forget the existence of Fields when they are not personally about to give a display.

A. T. W.

Historical Notes.

MR. DAY has presented to Mr. Scott's Library two small volumes in the exquisite handwritings of Jeremy Bentham. The contents are mainly school and college exercises of Westminster and Oxford. A copy of Latin alcaics on the death of George II. was a work of the author's thirteenth year. A pencilled note of some later owner says that the verses were warmly admired by Dr. Johnson. If that was so, the learned critic may, in kindness, have passed over a false quantity. An ode in Latin asclepiads, addressed to Dr. Markham, is a remarkable production of yet tenderer years, and a long copy of Greek hexameters was written before the boy's twelfth birthday. A school friend, Lord Carmarthen, afterwards the fourth Duke of Leeds, was greeted on his recovery from sickness with a copy of fourteen Latin couplets. As is well known, Bentham kept through his long life this habit of composing Latin verses. One of these volumes gives some English verses 'in praise of Queen Elizabeth on the Jubilee which was celebrated in commemoration of our Foundress; it being the 200th year since the Foundation—made and spoke by the Captⁿ of Westm^r School, June [3rd] 1760.' The blank is probably to be filled by the name of Abel Moysey, who three weeks before, had been elected head to Christ Church. The verses, which celebrate not only Queen Elizabeth but also Cowley, Dryden, Prior, Rowe, Pulteney and Murray, and end with a compliment to the 'myt'ed sage,' Zachary Peasse, the Dean, are a creditable piece of work. Two defects have led Bentham or some later owner to use a penknife upon the peccant words. A microscopic examination shows that Moysey made 'divine' to rhyme with 'Rime.'

The second volume of the Register of Christ's College, Cambridge, compiled by the late Master, gives the names of some fifteen Westminsters who were at that College between 1671 and 1814. One of them is well known, having been a King's scholar, and therefore figuring in the alumni. Moreover he became Master of Christ's. The remainder were Town Boys. Several of them were of the house of Finch and Finch-Hatton, whose most distinguished members were at Westminster

in the seventeenth century. Another was William Holcombe, who was fourth wrangler and died Prebendary of St. David's. John Abernethy, who matriculated in 1725, is conjectured by Dr. Peile to have been the grandfather of the eminent surgeon of those names. In that case he was the direct ancestor in the fifth generation of one of our masters, himself also a Westminster, but the identification seems doubtful.

The Goodenough papers, to which reference was made in our March number, are chiefly manuscript copies of old prologues and epilogues already published in the *Lusus*. They include the contemporary copy of the Epilogue ascribed to the year 1750, of which there is no known duplicate. Some of the papers are newspaper cuttings of the 'thirties and perhaps the 'twenties, with accounts and criticisms of the Play. Some letters from Williamson, the Headmaster, and Hodgson, the Master in Grant's, throw an amusing light on the visit of William IV. to the Play in 1834. It seems there was a young O.W. described as 'one of the young Whites, a son of Midas White, of College Street.' He had not been a K.S. and his career both as a Town Boy and at Cambridge had been, to say the least of it, inglorious. This speckled hero took upon himself to call on Sir Herbert Taylor, the King's private secretary, and represent himself as coming on behalf of the King's scholars. Sir Herbert being busy, turned the young man on to Sir H. Wheatley, another Court official, who thought such a visitor would amuse the King and promptly introduced him into the royal presence. No doubt White, though he was in much ill-odour with Williamson, was acting in collusion with the King's scholars. Their object was to save the Play from the postponement threatened by the death of the King's cousin, known to courtiers as the Duke of Gloucester and to the world as Silly Billy. The mission was more than successful. His Majesty was not only willing that his faithful King's scholars should suspend the poignancy of their grief for his cousin and brother-in-law, but ready to suppress his own as well, even to the point of attending the Play in person. Down comes Sir H. Wheatley to make arrangements with the Dean. The Dean avows that White was an unauthorised agent and his Majesty had been the victim of an impostor. Of this report is made to the King. Clearly the Dean and the Headmaster supposed that Master White would now suffer all the terrors of the royal displeasure. Not a bit of it. The King saw impudence in another light. Had he known the facts he would have given White a different reception, but, as it was, the young man's conduct would not alter his Majesty's 'wish to gratify the boys and patronise the play.' He would come to the third performance. White had been forbidden to show himself in the School,

but now in his pride came to the second performance. The Headmaster ordered him out and after some demur and a threat of removal by force, he 'departed growling.' Unhappily the letters do not tell us whether White returned under the shield of the royal presence. It is to be supposed, from the expressed anticipations of our authorities, that his Majesty's enjoyment of the Play was signified by the same sign of absorption that Mr. Pickwick displayed during the reading of the back numbers of the *Eatanswill Gazette*. The actors, whose glances were directed to the royal eyelids, had no reason to be displeased. In the June before the King had come to a service in the Abbey, and all through the Dean's sermon his eyes had been closed. It must have been his method of concentrating his thoughts, and the sounds which the vulgar associate with somnolency in fact indicated the royal approval of the sermon and of the Play.

School Notes.

ON Tuesday, March 4, the School beat Winchester at Vincent Square by two goals to love. It was a most exciting match and the School's supporters suffered many anxious moments before the score was opened, as though by far the better side, our forwards seemed unable to shoot though almost permanently in front of their goal.

On Thursday, March 13, the School defeated an Eton Eleven at Vincent Square by six goals to love. Our opponents put up a far better fight than the score denotes.

The Senior Vincent Prize has been awarded to N. Beckman, the Junior to C. L. Bayne.

The Ireland Greek Verse Prize was awarded to J. M. Troutbeck; the Waterfield Latin Prose to R. S. Partridge.

The School enjoyed an exeat from March 19 to March 26.

The Headmaster has been ordered abroad for his health and will not return till next term.

The School Fives Ties this term have been unduly protracted, but an effort will be made to reach the semi-finals before the end of the term.

The following is the Football Fixture Card, filled in to date :—

		1912.	
Sat.	Sept. 28	v.	Clapham Rovers. Lost 1—2.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Cholmelians (A). Lost 1—2.
Sat.	Oct. 5	v.	O.WW. Drawn 1—1.
	2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A). Lost 0—3.
"	Oct. 12	v.	Casuals. Won 3—0.
	2nd XI.	v.	Clapham Rovers (A). Drawn 2—2.

Wed.	Oct. 16	v.	R.M.A., Woolwich. Won 2—1.
Sat.	" 19	v.	Old Aldenhamians. Lost 1—2.
	2nd XI.	v.	King's College (A). Won 3—2.
"	Oct. 26	v.	R.M.C., Sandhurst. Lost 0—1.
"	Nov. 9	v.	Old Bradfield Boys. Won 5—2.
"	" 16	v.	Old Carthusians. Lost 0—3.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Cranleighans 2nd XI. Lost 1—2.
Wed.	Nov. 20	v.	Outcasts. Lost 1—5.
Sat.	" 23	v.	Old Foresters. Won 4—1.
	2nd XI.	v.	Bank of England 2nd XI. Drawn 2—2.
Sat.	Nov. 30	v.	Old Brightonians. Lost 0—2.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Foresters 2nd XI. Won 5—2.
Wed.	Dec. 4	v.	Seniors. RR. beat GG. 5—0. A.HH. beat H.BB. 2—0.
Sat.	" 7	v.	St. Thomas's Hospital. Won 5—1.
	2nd XI.	v.	King's College (A). Lost 0—1.
Wed.	Dec. 11	v.	Seniors. A.HH. beat RR. 3—1.
Sat.	" 14	v.	Old Etonians. Drawn 2—2.
	2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A). Won 3—0.
1913.			
Sat.	Jan. 18	v.	Keble College, Oxford. Lost 1—3.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Finchleians. Lost 1—2.
Sat.	Jan. 25	v.	Old Felstedians. Drawn 1—1.
	2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A). Lost 1—2.
Wed.	Jan. 29	v.	Emeriti. Won 6—0.
Sat.	Feb. 1	v.	Lancing Old Boys. Won 8—1.
	2nd XI.	v.	School Mission. Lost 4—5.
Tues.	Feb. 4	v.	Christ Church. Scratched.
Sat.	" 8	v.	Casuals. Lost 1—4.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Cranleighans 2nd XI. Scratched.
Wed.	Feb. 12	v.	Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI. Won 2—0.
Sat.	" 15	v.	Beckenham. Won 2—1.
	2nd XI.	v.	Bank of England 2nd XI. Drawn 3—3.
"	Feb. 22	v.	Charterhouse (at Godalming). Lost 0—2.
Sat.	Mar. 1	v.	O.WW. Won 2—1.
Tues.	" 4	v.	Winchester (at Vincent Square). Won 2—0.
Sat.	" 8	v.	Old Wykehamists. Drawn 2—2.
	2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A). Drawn 3—3.
Thurs.	Mar. 13	v.	An Eton XI. Won 6—0.
Sat.	" 15	v.	Old Berkhamstedians. Lost 0—1.
Wed.	" 19	v.	K.SS. v. T.BB. K.SS. Won 2—1.

The following is the list of the season's colours :—

<i>Pinks.</i>	<i>Pink and Whites.</i>	<i>3rd XI.</i>
F. W. Pink.*	K. T. D. Wilcox.	S. F. Waterson.
G. F. Rudd.*	A. Mansel-Howe.*	A. N. Charlton.
J. W. McCulloch.*	M. A. Thompson.	E. L. Hodgson.
R. E. Cargill.*	W. B. Durrant.*	D. G. Veitch.
E. G. Cardew.*	A. M. Cobbold.	G. Paul.
C. Hurst-Brown.*		C. R. Julian.
P. W. G. Kann.*		N. E. Barraclough.*
J. M. Troutbeck.*		Q. C. D. Bovey.*
A. C. V. Miles.*		K. Brodie.
H. A. Carless.		R. S. Partridge.*
F. R. Cobbold.*		R. Waddington.
		G. Hurd-Wood.
		R. Smith.
		N. C. Champness*

* Denotes will have left by next year.

THE FIELDS.

THE WINCHESTER MATCH.

Westminster 2 ; Winchester 0.

PUNCTUALLY at 2.30 Rudd kicked off towards the Hospital end and Westminster at once attacked some good work on the right wing nearly leading to a score in the first minute. The attacks by the Winchester forwards were very spasmodic and Cardew and Cargill, both of whom were in great form, were continually getting the ball and placing it well up the field; consequently, nearly the whole of the play took place in the Winchester half and a good deal of it round the Winchester goal. Yet in spite of continuous pressure, no goal was scored in the first half and it must be confessed that the Westminster forwards finished extremely weakly. Time after time opportunities of scoring seemed to present themselves, and yet the goal-keeper was never very seriously troubled. Whereas a little more dash in front of goal and accuracy in shooting must have produced several goals. No doubt a strong cross wind and a light ball made goal scoring more difficult than it looked. Apart from this weakness, in front of goal the forwards played well, while the defence was never seriously troubled. After half-time the same condition of affairs continued, although the Wykehamist attack was more prominent than before. The right wing made one good and dangerous-looking dash and on another occasion, Carless looked to be beaten, but the ball hit the bottom of the upright and was cleared. Meanwhile, at the other end, the Westminster forwards continued to miss excellent chances, McCulloch once, Hurst-Brown twice, and Rudd three times sending outside when well placed. However, twelve minutes before time, just as the spectators were beginning to despair of a goal ever being scored, from a scramble following a well-placed corner, the ball was cleverly hooked into the net by Hurst-Brown. Three minutes later, Rudd made a fine run and looked like scoring, but the goal-keeper intercepted just as he was shooting; however, the ball went out to Hurst-Brown, who scored with a cool and accurate shot. This completed the scoring. Winchester were not so strong and dangerous as usual, and their forwards, though very fair players individually, seemed to have no method of attack and combined poorly. The centre half was good in defence and the backs both played excellently, tackling strongly and kicking with great accuracy. The Westminster forwards, though rather lifeless, were good in mid-field but bad in front of goal. Rudd and McCulloch were the best. Cardew played splendidly and Cargill, Cobbold, and Troutbeck were very safe indeed. Thompson was rather uncertain, but the unfortunate absence of Pink was not severely felt in actual play, owing to the

weakness of the opposing attack, though his presence and example would probably have made an immense difference from a moral point of view. Mr. P. R. Harrower was referee.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER.

H. A. Carless, F. R. C. Cobbold, R. E. D. Cargill, M. A. Thompson, C. G. Cardew, J. M. Troutbeck, A. C. Miles, J. W. McCulloch, G. B. F. Rudd, C. Hurst-Brown, P. W. G. Kann.

WINCHESTER.

G. L. Hough, R. N. Hamilton, H. C. S. Munro, P. Ashton, D. N. K. Gregson, C. H. Ferguson, A. M. T. Eve, M. R. H. Morley, P. M. Hall, W. L. Barnard, H. H. Burn.

WESTMINSTER v. OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

(Draw, 2-2.)

THE Visitors kicked off from the Hospital end, but were well held, in spite of superior dash and weight, by the School defence. After some even play the Visitors forced their first goal from a corner-kick (0-1). Soon afterwards the School forwards got well away, and McCulloch, making use of a good pass from Hurst-Brown, easily beat the Visitors' goal-keeper with a well-placed shot (1-1). After the kick-off, the School immediately recaptured the ball, and a run on the left wing resulted in Hurst-Brown adding to the score (2-1). Play then ruled even for a considerable time, till the Visitors broke through the home defence by their weight, and equalised, shortly before half-time.

The score remained unaltered during the second half, though the School were pressing most of the time and would have won had it not been for the steady play of the Visitors' backs and goal-keeper, who proved equal to all emergencies. Result (2-2).

Team:—

WESTMINSTER.

H. A. Carless, K. T. D. Wilcox, R. E. D. Cargill, M. A. Thompson, C. G. Cardew, J. M. Troutbeck, A. C. Miles, J. W. McCulloch, A. Cobbold, C. Hurst-Brown, P. W. G. Kann.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. ETON.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13.

(Won, 6-0.)

THIS proved to be an interesting game and the sides were more evenly matched than the score suggested.

Eton kicked off with their backs to the Hospital, and immediately took up the aggressive, the right wing showing useful combination, but Carless was not much troubled and soon the Westminster forwards got going; the insides combined well together, and the Eton goal-keeper saved splendidly on two occasions; Westminster still had the better of it but it was not until the first half was nearly over that McCulloch opened the score; Westminster rushed down from the kick off and gained a corner, off which Miles increased the score; Eton showed more life after

this and rallied well but were unable to get more than an occasional shot. Half-time, 0-2. In the second half play was much faster until a few minutes before time when every one seemed to be suffering from sore feet. Eton ought to have scored on at least two occasions when the centre forward got clean through the defence but was unable to shoot straight. Rudd was responsible for three goals and Hurst-Brown one. The Westminster forwards certainly played one of their very best games of the season, and the defence was as sound as usual. Eton were not half such a weak side as the score, perhaps, suggests, and they stuck to their work well right up to the end. Result, 6-0.

Team :—

WESTMINSTER.

H. A. Carless, F. R. C. Cobbold, R. E. D. Cargill, M. A. Thompson, C. G. Cardew, J. M. Troutbeck, A. C. Miles, J. W. McCulloch, G. B. F. Rudd, C. Hurst-Brown, P. W. G. Kann.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD
BERKHAMSTEDIANS.
SATURDAY, MARCH 15.

(Lost, 0-1.)

THIS turned out to be a very poor game, the School being short of three or four of their regular players, and the conditions being anything but favourable. Westminster won the toss and elected to defend the Church end. The Visitors had the better of the play for the first quarter of an hour or so, the Westminster forwards coming back too much into the defence, but thanks to the bad shooting of the Visitors there was no score. Our forwards then got on the move and Miles receiving the ball centred for Kann to put over from close range. Shortly afterwards the same player hit the bar with a good shot. The Visitors were much heavier and ought to have scored on more than one occasion, but the inside left seemed to think he could dribble through the whole defence by himself, and in consequence, missed several chances. Half-time, 0-0.

The second half was more or less a repetition of the first. The School forwards showed better form, and on one or two occasions had hard lines in not scoring. The Visitors managed to win the match a minute before time. Result, 0-1.

Team :—

WESTMINSTER.

H. A. Carless, K. T. D. Wilcox, F. R. C. Cobbold, G. Paul, D. G. Veitch, J. M. Troutbeck, A. C. Miles, J. W. McCulloch, A. M. Cobbold, C. Hurst-Brown, and P. W. G. Kann.

K.S.S. v. T.B.B.

(K.S.S. won, 2-1.)

THIS historic match, played on Tuesday, March 18, resulted in a win for the K.S.S. by the odd goal in three. For the first time for many years, the weather was fine, which fact added to the historic

nature of the game. T.B.B. kicked off from the Church end and got going as well as the tactics of the K.S.S. allowed. Soon, however, the defence of the T.B.B. team, weakened by the absence of several members, conceded two corners in quick succession from the latter of which Charlton netted (1-0). Now, however, nothing daunted, the T.B. forwards put in some good mid-field work, but a shot from the wing by Kann, which missed the bar by a few inches, was the only outcome of their efforts. Once again disaster almost overtook the Town Boys, a shot put in by Waterson when Carless was absent from goal almost scoring, but Cobbold cleared in the nick of time. The game during the first half was fairly evenly contested, if anything, the K.S.S. having slightly the better of it. On the restart, the Scholars began attacking fiercely but Veitch relieved the situation, and a run by Miles ended in Hurst-Brown putting behind. At this period of the game Cardew headed a goal from a well-placed corner by McCulloch (1-1). Inspired by this success, the T.B.B. pressed, but the K.S.S. forwards getting away, Partridge scored from a doubtful position (2-1). From this point onwards, play raged fast and furious, but in fairness to the T.B.B. one may say that the ready if not somewhat rough tactics of the K.S.S. were disconcerting, not to say perhaps a trifle unnecessary.

Teams :—

K.S.S.

W. B. W. Durrant, K. T. D. Wilcox, R. E. D. Cargill, H. C. Rambaut, G. B. F. Rudd, J. M. Troutbeck, R. S. Partridge, N. E. Barraclough, S. F. Waterson, N. E. Charlton, D. Kitchen.

T.B.B.

H. A. Carless, F. R. C. Cobbold, K. Brodie, D. G. Veitch, C. G. Cardew, G. Paul, A. C. Miles, J. M. McCulloch, A. Cobbold, C. Hurst-Brown, P. W. G. Kann.

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O.W.W.	35 5 6	Addressing and Postage	8 10 6
Boys	63 17 6	Treasurer's Postage.	0 8 1
Masters	3 10 0	Balance	13 14 4
Others	1 14 6		
Back and Odd Numbers	1 11 6		
Interest	4 2 5		
	£110 17 5		£110 17 5
CAPITAL ACCOUNT.		ESTIMATED LIABILITIES.	
ASSETS.	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
On January 1	191 0 0	To Life Subscribers	113 0 0
Four Compounders	14 0 0	To Subscribers in advance	32 0 0
	205 0 0		
Repair of Fives Courts	40 0 0		
	£165 0 0		£145 0 0

There are forty-one Life Subscribers.
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R. S. Partridge, Editor.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, March 13, to discuss the motion that 'in the opinion of this House Party Government is an impediment to honest politics.'

The Proposer (W. E. ASHMEAD-BARTLETT) had much to find fault with in the present condition of Party Government. He put it down to many causes, but above all, he attacked the Press, every member of which, he said, gave its own version of affairs and so prevented any but the chosen few from getting a glimpse of the truth. He then set forth as a substitute for Party Government a system of proportional representation when any section of the people could nominate its own candidate. This alone would secure the representation of every section of the community.

H. A. CARLESS, who opposed, attempted to show that proportional representation would prove no substitute for Party Government, as it would only lead to a number of small parties thinking of their own interests and ignoring the general welfare of the State. One proof of the efficiency of Party Government, he said, was the fact that all new countries deliberately take it up. There must be two sides to every question; without discussion, no business is done.

The Seconder (J. M. TROUTBECK) said that however efficient Party Government may be, it cannot be honest. Nobody would dare assert that every man who is in favour of Home Rule for Ireland is also necessarily in favour of the disestablishment of the Welsh Church, and yet under the present party system, he has to vote so.

P. W. G. KANN said that our system of Government is far more honest than that of any other civilised country. He took examples from Germany and the United States to prove this statement. A Bill, he said, can only be properly discussed when members make strong statements for or against it. When members vote for their party against their own judgment, it is a case of playing for their side and not for themselves.

W. B. W. DURRANT approved of Party Government for a young country such as our Colonies which have big questions to decide, but considered it the cause of much harm in old countries like ourselves.

C. HURST-BROWN drew the attention of the House to the political apathy of the country and put the blame on to the system of party politics.

After a discussion between the last speaker and P. W. G. Kann as to whether England is apathetic as regards politics at the present day or not, the debate came to a close.

The motion was carried by 14 votes to 10.

THE House met on Thursday, March 27, to discuss the motion that 'This House views with apprehension the Disestablishment of the Welsh Church.'

The Proposer (S. L. HOLMES) in a good maiden speech, first stated the advantages of an established Church, and then went on to say that a state without an established Church means an atheistical state; no one could deny that. Then it was obviously impossible to disestablish the Church in Wales without disendowing it, and there was no justification, legal or moral, for disendowing it. The property of the Church had been left to it, not by the State as is often alleged, but by private persons; such persons had left their money to the Church and to the Church alone, so that no other body, religious or otherwise, could have the smallest legal claim to it. Then what fault had anyone to find with the Church in Wales? It was comparatively small? But it was infinitely larger than any of the dissenting sects. It was apathetic? Investigation had proved that it was more energetic even than the Church in England. Radicals were accustomed to put forward the Disestablishment of the Irish Church as a precedent for disestablishing the Church in Wales. The two cases were utterly dissimilar. The Irish Church had been established by Parliament less than a century before its disestablishment. The Church in Wales had not been established by Parliament but grew up along with the Church in England.

The Opposer (S. F. WATERSON) brought forward no arguments to uphold his case, but merely attacked some of the Proposer's statements, and that none too successfully.

The Seconder (H. CHIDSON) repeated the Proposer's argument against taking the Disestablishment of the Irish Church as a precedent for disestablishing that in Wales. He showed that the Church was the only religious sect in Wales that was steadily growing.

Mr. H. V. NELSON, who read a maiden speech from newspaper cuttings, said that a huge percentage of Welsh members had for years been clamouring for the Disestablishment, and that as they represented the Welsh people, they should have their wishes granted. If the Church was disestablished in Wales, it would take exactly the same position as it holds to-day in the Colonies.

After a few remarks from Messrs. G. C. Lowry and W. J. N. Little, the motion was put to the vote and carried by acclamation.

J. M. T.

House Notes.

COLLEGE.—We must congratulate W. B. W. Durrant and W. H. V. Nelson on regaining for us the Gym. Cup which we had lost last year. Also our football team merits praise for the way in which for ninety minutes they sustained the doubtful fray against more skilled antagonists

and succeeded finally in winning their first victory over the Town Boys for six years. We must congratulate J. M. Troutbeck on his Pinks and N. E. Barraclough and R. S. Partridge on Thirds. W. J. N. Little visited Worcester College at short notice in an endeavour to wrest a scholarship from the University authorities, but unfortunately, without success. Our Tug team is practising assiduously and hopes to win its third victory in succession over the Town Boys who are reported to be a much lighter side and of inferior calibre. A few ardent enthusiasts have entered on an arduous training for the Sports, and we hope to see their zeal meet with the best possible results. The Literary Society having weathered Hamlet and the Scheming Lieutenant, has come to an anchor for the time being. Fives Ties are at a discount.

ASHBURNHAM.—We begin this month by congratulating Carless, H. A., on Pinks, Paul, Brodie and Hurd-Wood on Thirds, and Leighton, A. L., on House Colours; also Carless, H. A., Paul and Brodie on T.B.B. Caps.

The Fives Ties apparently are very, very weary and are undergoing a rest cure, owing chiefly to the fact, we suspect, that the draw has been lost, but the police have a clue as to its whereabouts, so doubtless all is well.

We must not forget to offer 'tardy though nonetheless hearty' congratulations to Kann and Carless, H. A., on getting through their Certificate 'A' Exam., and especially to Carless on his awe-inspiring efforts in the practical part of the Exam. Finally, we congratulate the House Section on its good display in the House Drill Competition, and at the same time condole with it on gaining only second place. We were just about to commit the unpardonable offence of omitting to thank H. A. Carless for his munificent gift, which has so greatly enriched the House Exchequer.

GRANT'S.—First we must congratulate Ealand on successfully manœuvring Additional. Turning to lighter subjects let us congratulate Miles on his Pinks, Hodgson, Veitch, Waddington and Smith on their Thirds, and Veitch on playing for Town Boys. The Literary Society has finished a most successful reading of Goldsmith's, 'She Stoops to Conquer.' We think the House should do itself justice in the Sports, judging by the keenness shown in training, and we hope in our next notes to congratulate ourselves on securing the Drill Cup. To return to a once familiar phrase, Yard Ties 'are in full swing' and may possibly be played off before the end of term.

H.B.B.—It is with mingled feelings of joy and sorrow that we begin our notes this month; joy in the great success of R. G. Garvin who won the foils at Aldershot for Westminster for the first

time; and also for the success of the House in the Drill Competition which has just taken place; and grief in the loss of the Gymnasium Competition, in which we came out third.

Many fellows have to be congratulated on various achievements this month, Garvin being the first, of course, and then Davis on his fine performance at Aldershot (where in the individual gymnasium competition, he came out fourth), and on winning the Senior Gym. Cup here. Hearty congratulations are also due to N. C. Champness and Julian on gaining well-deserved footer thirds, and to Ahrens on being bracketed first in the Junior Gym. Competition.

Our prospects for the Sports are not very rosy, but it will not be our fault if we do not gain several points, as many of us are always to be seen turning up fields in a most energetic and enthusiastic manner. We close these notes, wishing every member of the House the best of luck in the Sports and in the coming cricket, shooting, and swimming season.

RIGAUD'S.—Our House notes, as always happens this time of the year, must teem with congratulations, both for work and games. For the former, these are due to N. A. Beckman on gaining 'The Vincent,' and to Fewtrell and Freeston on satisfying the examiners at Cambridge; for the latter to F. R. C. Cobbold on getting well-deserved 'Pinks,' to A. M. Cobbold on Pinks and Whites, and O. C. D. Bovey on Thirds; nor must we forget N. M. Vernham who represented the School at Aldershot, and whom we have chiefly to thank for taking second place in the Gym. Competition; as we have the same pair next year, our chances for the Cup are surely rosy for the future. We entertain lively hopes for the Tug and Sports Cups, but we shall know our fate in the near future. Thanks to Mrs. Fox's characteristic energy, a Literary Society has been inaugurated and has already held too highly successful readings of 'As You Like It.' Lastly, we heartily congratulate A. M. Harding (O.R.) on his recent marriage.

Old Westminster.

ON the newly elected London County Council, Mr. R. C. Phillimore sits for Deptford, Mr. M. Shearman for Bermondsey, and Mr. O. Lewis for Hoxton.

MR. SNOWDON HEDLEY, who for a short time held a commission in the Army and afterwards took to aeration, has been serving as an airman with the Bulgarian Army and won great distinction.

MR. R. R. RAWSON has won the heavy-weight boxing at Cambridge.

Lieut.-Col. N. M. SMYTH, V.C., completes this month his period of command of the 6th Dragoon Guards (Carabiniers).

Birth.

ON March 22, the wife of Henry G. H. Barnes of a daughter.

Marriage.

LONSDALE : GALE.—On March 26th William Stanley Lonsdale to Joan Courtenay, youngest daughter of the Rev. Courtenay Gale of Christ Church Vicarage, Sutton.

Obituary.

THE death of JOHN RICH removes one of our oldest school fellows. Born in 1826, he was admitted a few days before the coronation of Queen Victoria, and was present at the ceremony. He turned out a good oar and was one of the crew of the first outrigger launched on the Thames. He was elected to Oxford in 1844 and ordained in 1851, and for over forty years was Vicar of Chippenham. His tastes were musical and he was a composer of church music. He died on March 18.

IN HERBERT MENZIES MARSHALL we have lost a distinguished athlete and artist. Born in 1841 he was admitted in 1855. He was Captain of the cricket eleven in 1860 and elected to Cambridge in that year. He played four times against Oxford and scored 76 in his first match. He also appeared for the Gentlemen against the Players. Later on he played for the Free Foresters, and having a fine voice, was one of the glee singers who used to make a visit of the Foresters a delight to country houses two-score years ago. The present writer remembers seeing him play a fine innings in the afternoon and hearing him in the evening sing with Tom Ratliff and others in a beautiful rectory garden. He desired to be an architect and held the travelling studentship of the Royal Academy. His eyesight proving too weak for such a profession, he took to water-colour paintings, and attracted the favourable notice of Ruskin. It was appropriate that he should reach his highest mark in pictures of London. His vision of the London atmosphere has perhaps never been excelled. He died early in March.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Is not the author of this month's College Notes a little inconsistent in calling the days degenerate because they no longer keep the word 'moab' in constant use, while he himself compares College with 'any other House'? Or would he justify himself by quoting the use of ἄλλος in Greek? Or would he urge that the refusal to call College a House is mere sentiment, which, 'if it persists must go to the wall,' that such a refusal means 'the delaying of civilisation for an indefinite period'? My last two quotations are from your leading article. In passing, are not its pronouns a little mixed? 'We,' I take it, represents as a rule, the editor; but 'us' in line two, seems different. 'One,' I suppose, refers to the world in general; but, sir, who are 'you'? In conclusion, is not 'Home-Boarderites' something of a barbarism? With apologies for my insatiable curiosity,

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

K. MURRAY.

Christ Church, Oxford,
March 18, 1913.

[Unfortunately we fail to agree with our correspondent as to the fitness of things. First, to 'mix pronouns,' we take it, implies making them unintelligible; but, as far as we know, our March leader has been comprehensible to all but one of over six hundred readers. Again the designation 'Home-boarderite,' barbaric though it may seem to pedantic ears, is that used in common speech among the present generation of Westminster, and as such is justified in appearing in THE ELIZABETHAN, which magazine, after all, belongs more to the School than the Editor. To turn to College Notes, perhaps our correspondent would understand our meaning better, had 'degenerate' appeared in inverted commas. As for his objection to the words 'any other House,' it seems rather a quibble when a few lines above stands the general heading 'House Notes,' which misleading title has for years past craved just such a correspondent's indignation.—ED. ELIZ.]

THE REV. T. W. WEARE.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—With regard to Mr. A. P. Dawson's letter in THE ELIZABETHAN for December last, it may be pointed out that there are several allusions to Mr. Weare in Captain Markham's book, 'Recollections of a Town Boy at Westminster,' from which it appears that the author by no means regarded Mr. Weare as the tyrant described by Sir A. E. Turner.

Captain Markham describes the 'pinching' punishment, which seems to have aroused Sir A. E. Turner's indignation; but he generally refers to its inflictor as 'dear old Weare.' Possibly it was inflicted on boys who deserved something considerably worse.

Yours truly,

W. A. PECK.

Lincoln's Inn,
March 26, 1913.

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