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THE PAST YEAR.

ONCE more it is our duty to attempt a survey of the last twelve months. In many ways they have been a time of stir and stress, but in purely School matters there has been little to check the usual flow of events. Perhaps the most satisfactory point has been the steady increase in the numbers of the School. Lack of space forbids us ever to go far beyond three hundred, but last term was the first for nearly a century in which we have reached that number. Soon after these words appear we shall suffer a great loss in the departure of the present Dean. But this is not strictly an event of the past year, and we must say no more of it now. We regret that the Annual Records must be held over till next month. At the same time we venture to

hope that when they do appear they will show that Westminster is still sending forth her sons to be 'profitable members of this church and nation.'

With the doings of the School itself we must try to deal rather more in detail. The Football season of 1909–10, if not completely successful, was at least satisfactory in that more matches were won than last, while of the three School matches one was won, one lost and one drawn. The opening half of the present season has been more successful than many expected, and we hope that the team, even though deprived of its captain, will do better still. The Cricket season calls for little comment. There was nothing particularly striking in it. On the other hand there was nothing of which we had any cause to be ashamed. The Sports, socially at any rate, were a great success, and the performances

were always up to the standard and sometimes above it.

The O.T.C. enjoyed what was probably the most successful year of its existence. The inspection passed off without a hitch, and a larger detachment was sent to camp than ever before. The Shooting Eight, we must confess, was not all that could be wished. The opportunities for practice are distinctly limited, and at the same time make a considerable drain on the Corp's finances. Perhaps some means will be devised of solving the difficulties before next season.

Fives was as popular as ever, and Racquets met with plenty of support. We cannot but think, however, that it would be as well to put in plenty of practice in private before appearing at Oueen's again.

The Debating Society was again quite good, and so was the Glee Society. The Natural History Society, after being rescued from imminent extinction, has enjoyed something of a boom for the last year or two. If last year showed a slight falling off, it may well be called a natural reaction. The Shakespeare Society has been making valiant efforts to reform itself, which seems quite a step in the right direction, if only carried out properly. So much for the past. The future is still in the lap of the gods.

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School Notes.

THE RT. REV.H.E.RYLE, D.D., Bishop of Winchester, has been appointed Dean of Westminster.

There are ten new boys this term.

L. Rice-Oxley has been elected to a Scholarship in History at Keble College, Oxford, and J. W. N. Smith, to a College Exhibition in Classics at Christ Church.

The Phillimore Translation Prize has been won by D. F. Jerrold.

G. C. Formilli has passed into Woolwich. His place as Captain of Football and as a School Monitor has been taken by R. C. Cooke, and as Head of Ashburnham by D. F. Jerrold.

E. H. Gray has passed first into Sandhurst. His successor as Head of Home-boarders is F. C. Doherty. D. M. McManus also passed.

On the Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul, the Mission Offertory amounted to £3 15 6.

As the Abbey is to be closed at the beginning of March, the Confirmation will take place about February 23.

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

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| Sat. | Oct. I | 71. | Clapham Rovers. (Lost, 0-1). |
| | and XI. | 2. | O. WW. A. (Lost, 1-3). |
| Wed. | Oct. 5 | 2. | Old Bradfield Boys. (Lost 0-1). |
| Sat. | ,, 8 | 2. | Old Wykehamists. (Drawn, 1-1). |
| ,, | ,, 15 | 71. | Casuals. (Drawn, I-I). |
| | and XI. | 2. | Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. (Won, 4-2). |
| ,, | Oct. 22 | 7. | Old Brightonians. (Lost, 2-4). |
| ,, | ,, 29 | 7. | Old Foresters. (Drawn, 1-1). |
| | and XI. | υ. | O. WW. A. (scratched). |
| Wed | Nov. 2 | v. | Outcasts. (Won, 8-4). |
| Sat. | ,, 12 | 71. | Kenley. (Won, 4-2). |
| ,, | ,, 19 | 2. | Old Westminsters. (Drawn, I-I). |
| 100 | and XI. | | King's College A. (Won, 3-2). |
| ,, | Nov. 26 | v. | Lancing Old Boys. (Won, 4-0). |
| ** | 2nd XI. | 2. | Old Foresters A. (Won, 4-2). |
| Sat. | Dec. 3 | 2. | Old Berkhamstedians. (Lost, 1-3). |
| ,, | ,, 10 | v. | R.M.A. Woolwich. (Drawn, 3-3). |
| ** | and XI. | | Old Cranleighans 2nd XI. (Drawn, 2-2). |
| Wed | . Dec. 14 | 2. | Mr. W. B. Harris's XI. (Drawn, 6-6). |
| Sat. | ,, 17 | v. | Emeriti. (Won, 4-0). |
| | and XI | | The Mission (Lost 4-12) |

1911.

| Sat. Jan. 21 | 2. | Old Aldenhamians. (Won, 5-2). |
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| 2nd XI. | 2. | Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. (Lost, 4-7). |
| Wed. Jan. 25 | 2. | Old Westminsters. (Won, 2-1). |
| Sat. ,, 28 | v. | New College, Oxford. |
| 2nd XI. | 7. | Old Cranleighans 2nd XI. |
| ,, Feb. 4 | 2. | Old Etonians. |
| Wed. ,, 8 | 2. | Mr. S. S. Harris's XI. |
| Sat. ,, 11 | 2. | Casuals. |
| 2nd XI. | 2. | O. WW. A. |
| ,, Feb. 18 | 2. | Old Felstedians. |
| 2nd XI. | υ. | King's College A. |
| ,, Feb. 25 | 7. | Charterhouse (at Godalming). |
| Tues. ,, 28 | v. | Christchurch. |
| Sat. Mar. 4 | 2. | Winchester (at Vincent Square). |
| ** | v. | An Eton Eleven (at Vincent Square). |
| ,, ,, 11 | 7/. | Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI. |
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Wed. ,, 22 v. K. SS. v. T. BB.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v OLD WESTMINSTERS.

(Drawn, 1-1.)

This match, played up Fields on November 19, produced a very even game. Formilli won the toss, and from the beginning the School pressed strongly. After the insides had missed one or two chances, the School got their first goal with a hard high drive from Murray. After this some good centres at both ends were allowed to go begging, until McManus scored for O.WW. with a long shot which Hallward might have saved had he not run out of goal. After some feeble shots by the School forwards and halves, half-time came with the score I-I. On the resumption Marriott was very conspicuous, but Formilli, Edgar and Potter had their insides well in hand throughout this half. McManus was given off-side when he was on the point of scoring, and at the other end Cooke was only just stopped by Birchall, who played excellently throughout the game. For the School the defence, as usual, was sound, but the forwards were poor, Miles being the best.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

B. M. Hallward; G. C. Formilli, R. F. Potter; F. W. Pink, A. C. Edgar, R. R. Rawson; K. D. Murray, R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, H. N. Hume, C. V. Miles.

O. WW.

G. L. Crowe; G. G. Feasey, W. R. Birchall; A. E. Rice-Oxley, C. B. Barnett, E. C. K. Clarke; W. E. Young, D. M. McManus, T. F. C. Marriott, E. Coleby, D. L. Summer-hayes.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v LANCING OLD BOYS.

(Won, 4-0.)

This match was played up Fields on Saturday, November 26, and resulted in a win for the School by 4–0. Winning the toss, Formilli chose to defend the Hospital end. From the outset the School pressed, and Hume had hard luck in heading a nice centre from McCullock against the upright. Rudd missed an open goal from the rebound, but Cooke and Edgar put in good shots which were well saved. The visitor's right back dribbled right up the field, and Hallward did well to save from him. Hume replied by running through twice in succession, and scoring each time. Half time, 2–0.

On resuming the School pressed hotly, but failed in their shooting; at last Rudd gave Hume a nice chance of which he availed himself (3–0). Rudd and Cooke both missed easy shots, but Hume added the last goal (4–0) from a nice centre. Cooke then ran through but failed to score, as did Rudd, whose shot hit the crossbar. Time found the result as above. For the School Formilli, the halves, Rudd and Hume, were good, while the visitor's defence was quite sound.

Teams:-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

B. M. Hallward; G. C. Formilli, F. E. Robinson; F. W. Pink, A. C. Edgar, R. R. Rawson; J. W. McCulloch, R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, H. N. Hume, C. V. Miles.

LANCING OLD BOYS.

A. Stephens; A. C. Greenfield, C. H. Wade; F. R. C. Cobbold (sub.), L. W. Hudson, A. M. Graves; A. Bickley, D. Hilton, L. Stephens, C. A. Bartmore, E. F. Bentley.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v OLD BERKHAMPSTEADIANS

(Lost, 1-3.)

Played up Fields on Saturday, December 3. Formilli lost the toss, and the School kicked off from the Hospital end. The visitors, especially on the right wing, kept the defence busy, Morgan putting in a fine low shot which Hallward got away rather clumsily. Another attempt, however, by the same inside was successful (o-1). Edgar replied with a good long shot, which was saved well. Half time, o-1. The opening play of the second half was again in the visitors' favour, but our halves and backs kept them out, until Rudd had equalised from a very suspicious position (1-1). Roused by this the Old Boys forced a corner which was beautifully utilised by Bishopp (1-2). Bowyer centred well for Morgan

to add the last goal (r-3). This result was not so unsatisfactory as it sounds, as the visitors were a very strong side; Morgan was invaluable. All the School defence was good, Edgar being at the top of his form. Rudd played very well in the forward rank.

Teams :-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

B. M. Hallward; G. C. Formilli, F. E. Robinson; F. W. Pink, A. C. Edgar, R. R. Rawson; J. W. McCulloch, R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, H. N. Hume, C. V. Miles.

OLD BERKHAMPSTEADIANS.

E. L. Fifoot; W. E. Kingwell, G. D. Thomas; P. C. Hoyland, E. Bishopp, E. W. Stagg; F. Bowyer, J. J. Dunn, W. F. Inman, J. S. Morgan, C. M. Cox.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v R. M. A. WOOLWICH

(Drawn, 3-3.)

The ground was in a shocking condition on December 10 for this match, and the continuous drizzle did not help things much. Cooke obtained possession soon after starting and opened an energetic game by scoring with a neat shot. After missing two open goals the R.M.A. equalised through the inside left. Rudd however restored our lead from a nice pass from Miles (2-1). After the interval Cooke took a good pass well and increased our score with a safe shot. The R.M.A. whose forwards were poor shots, missed one or two chances, but equalised through Booth and Roupell. Cooke should have put us ahead, but miskicked at the goalkeeper. Formilli played very well, but the forwards were quite at sea on the treacherous ground.

Teams :-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

B. M. Hallward; G. C. Formilli, E. H. Gray: F. W. Pink, A. C. Edgar, R. R. Rawson; K. D. Murray, R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, H. N. Hume, C. V. Miles.

R. M. A.

A. G. Hewson; E. E. Calthrop, E. Purchase; J. Eilpin, P. H. Murray, O. H. Lund; E. P. Graves, O. Hunt, A. F. Middleton, F. F. Roupell, L. E. Booth.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v Mr. W. B. HARRIS'S XI.

(Drawn, 6-6.)

This match was arranged for Wednesday, December 14, in place of that with the Royal Engineers, who scratched. Rain had made the ground almost unplayable, and greatly hampered the game. Rudd enabled Cooke to open the scoring with a fine shot. Squire and Harris ran down, but Hallward cleared to let Hume in with a fine run. Rudd sent Cooke through to score a third, while Hume put the ball gently through Gow's legs (4-0). Two magnificent runs and shots by Harris and Squire concluded this half (4-2). Changing their positions somewhat the visitors were very dangerous on resuming, and from a fine run by Clark, Squire put in a very hot shot. Harris made the score equal with a long shot from the touch line (4-4). From a corner Crommelin-Brown netted with a fine effort and their scoring was completed by Squire with a hard cross-shot. Rudd got through very nicely and reduced their lead, and just on time Cooke equalised from a bungle by Geare. (6-6). All the School forwards were good in the first half, but Rudd alone was reliable against the new centre half, Crommelin-Brown. The visitors' forwards gave our defence a tremendous lot to do, and it did very well against such a powerful combination. Squire, Harris and Crommelin-Brown played their usual good game, while Birchall and Lang were always dangerous.

Teams :-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

B. M. Hallward; G. C. Formilli, F. E. Robinson; F. W. Pink, A. C. Edgar, R. R. Rawson; K. D. Murray, R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, H. N. Hume, C. V. Miles.

MR. W. B. HARRIS' XI.

J. Geare; J. C. Gow, H. G. Evans; W. G. Gabain, J. L. Crommelin-Brown, L. H. Lang; J. C. Davidson, G. F. Clark, W. R. Birchall, C. E. Squire, W. B. Harris.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v EMERITI.

(Won, 4-0.)

The last match of Play Term took place up Fields on December 17. As usual the School started playing from the Hospital end, and in the first ten minutes Cooke opened the scoring with a good cross shot. Soon afterwards the same player wound up a fine run from half-way by scoring a second goal, while before the interval Colbran, after making a good save, was again defeated by a hard shot from Hume. In the second half the School continued to have all the best of the game. The forwards, however, seemed unable to put the ball into the net, until not long before the close Rudd scored the fourth goal Although the visitors were not at full strength, the game was a very satisfactory conclusion to the term's work.

Teams :--

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

K. Hill; G. C. Formilli, R. F. Potter; F. W. Pink, A. C. Edgar, R. R. Rawson; K. D. Murray, R. C. Cooke, G. B. F. Rudd, H. N. Hume, C. V. Miles.

EMERITI.

B. Colbran; H. G. Blomfield, R. B. Cooke; E. W. Horry, H. S. Chappell, A. Prescott Day; W. B. Knight, G. Jones, L. C. Warmington, H. E. Schwartz, O. L. M. Simpson.

and XI. v THE MISSION.

(Lost, 4-12.)

The Mission was a very good team and the game on December 17 was very much one-sided. The School won the toss and ran down, but play was soon transferred, and in quick succession their inside left and the centre (twice) scored with nice shots. Lawrence broke away, but his centre was cleared, and they added two more before the interval (0-5). On restarting we forced a corner and reduced their lead through our centre half. Oxley in goal was playing very well, but let their two insides in soon after (1-7). A nice effort by Hansen reduced their advantage again, but good shots by the insides, centre forward, and centre half, and a rush from a melée, left them with 12 goals to their credit. Hansen scored twice more for us, leaving the score 4-12. against the School. It was a very hard clean game, and equally enjoyable to both sides. The School improved towards the end, but were clearly outplayed.

No teams, unfortunately, are available.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

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| F | | | W 3—0 | | W 9-2 | | | D 1—1 | | | = 7 points |
| G | | L 0-3 | | | | | - | W 1-0 | | L 0—3 | = 2 points |
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| J | | L 1—4 | | | | | W 3—0 | | W 5-0 | - | = 4 points |
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| В | M. Holroyd. | G | C. J. Brooks. |
| C | J. M. de Slubicki. | H | B. Smith. |
| D | R. S. Partridge. | I | C. A. M. Faure. |
| E | J. M. Troutbeck. | J | R. W. Dodds. |

SCHOOL FIVES TIES.

In the semi-finals of the School Ties for Play Term-

| R. R. Rawson and D. F. Jerrold | } | beat (2-1) | 1 | G. C. Formilli and H. N. Hume |
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| A. C. Edgar and R. H. Walpole | } | w. o. | { | C. A. M. Faure and J. C. Hobson |
| In the Final— | | | | |
| A. C. Edgar and R. H. Walpole | } | beat (2-0) | { | R. R. Rawson and D. F. Jerrold |

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, November 24, to debate the following motion: 'That this House deplores the modern tendency to speed.'

The Proposer (F. C. DOHERTY), inveighed against the hurry and bustle of the every-day life of the present age, drawing an analogy from the decline and fall of Rome, and feared we, too, might be on the edge of a disaster.

Owing to the fusing of the lights, the House was forced to adjourn to another venue. This untoward occurrence made this speech somewhat disconnected, though otherwise it was a sound

statement of the case.

The Opposer (E. H. GRAY), pointed out that nearly every recent invention was a time-saving device. Where would we be without them? He accused the Proposer with dealing only with one phase of the question. He had a great many sound arguments, but quite failed to connect them with each other.

The Seconder (E. A. MEYER), supported the Proposer's arguments from the bad effect of excessive hurry in modern life. He quoted, from personal experience, New York as a typical home of hurry. He failed to add any fresh range of argument.

- E. F. LAWRENCE and the Proposer bandied for some time some rather trivial questions concerning motor-cars, a discussion in which the Opposer also joined.
- M. HOLROYD said, in a short but pithy speech, that speed was civilisation, which could not exist without it.
- R. R. RAWSON seemed dubious on most points raised in the previous speeches, and finally abstained from voting.

The President found considerable difficulty in deciding which way his opinions led him to vote, but eventually determined that progression was better than retrogression.

The Secretary, as usual, corrected some previous mis-statements and begged the House to deplore modern speed as pernicious, both morally and physically.

On the motion being put, eight votes were given on either side, whereupon the President gave a casting vote against the motion.

The Society met on December 1, the motion to be discussed being: 'That in the opinion of this House the French Revolution has not been justified by its results.' The Proposer (J. W. N. SMITH), said he did not wish to justify the state of France before the Revolution, but to show that the objects of the Revolution might have been better obtained by other means. His chief argument was that in 1793 France had cast aside all religion, save that of 'Reason,' and had never since been able to regain any. The French, he said, were a decaying nation, and their colonies a disgrace to civilisation. Both the form and the matter of this speech, which was delivered with excellent effect, showed signs of careful preparation and firm conviction.

The Opposer (A. K. GILMOUR) after dealing shortly with a few of the Proposer's remarks, urged that the usual view of the Revolution and its leaders was most misleading; the horrors had been grossly exaggerated. The Revolution, he maintained, was not the cause of the corruption now prevalent in France, but it was directly answerable for the increased material prosperity of the country. This speech, like its predecessor, was in many ways excellent, and showed a full knowledge of the period, while its cold logic was in marked contrast with the fervid rhetoric of the Proposer.

The Seconder (D. F. Jerrold), accused the Opposer of ignorance, and contended that the progress of France in the last century had been made in spite of, rather than because of, the Revolution. It was Napoleon, he said, who delivered France from anarchy, and his wars were inevitable. The Seconder has always a fine flow of language at his command, but his delivery is rather monotonous and it is not always easy to pick out his essential ideals from the words that envelop them.

L. RICE-OXLEY doubted the truth of the Opposer's statements as to the condition of the peasants before the Revolution. He was not even sure that the Revolution had been necessary.

The Opposer thereupon challenged the Seconder and the last speaker to refute his statements by proof. Some further remarks were hazarded by various speakers, and, after a rather hesitating defence of the religion of the French peasantry by C. A. M. Faure, the motion was put to the House and carried by acclamation.

The House met on December 9. The motion to be discussed was: 'That this House would welcome a reform in the School Dress.'

The Proposer (J. B. Calkin), inveighed against the unsuitability of Etons or tail-coats and top-hats for boys. He suggested in their place straw hats or bowlers and round black coats. He also wished to have shags of better material with a School crest on them. The arguments used were sound as far as they went, but were far from convincing, while the speech was delivered in rather a funereal manner.

The Opposer (G. B. F. Rudd) in a short maiden speech, urged that our present dress was most suitable for a London School, and gave us an air of respectability. The sight of a gown, he added, worn over a shag suit, would be truly horrible. His remarks seemed to carry the precept 'Avoid the obvious when you can' rather too far, as he passed over several of the most apparent objections to the changes.

The Seconder (C. A. M. FAURE), seemed distinctly doubtful about his own argument. In his speech, which, owing to the frequent pauses in it, seemed longer than it really was, he advocated a number of minor changes. Substantially he accepted those outlined by the Proposer, though his constant return to the question of collars rather destroyed the sequence of his remarks.

E. A. MEYER supported the motion in a few refreshingly vigorous sentences, and J. G. BARRINGTON-WARD disagreed with the Proposer on a question of historical precedent.

R. R. Rawson, speaking from the point of view of a half boarder, strongly deprecated any change in our dress. If anything wanted changing, he said, it was the manner of dress, not the dress itself. He then attacked the Proposer and Seconder in great detail. The speech was not one of his happiest efforts. It was, indeed, very comprehensive, but it was unnecessarily long and often tedious.

After a remark by H. A. G. PHILLIMORE, the Proposer made a somewhat unsuccessful attempt to defend his position. The Motion was then put to the House and lost by acclamation.

The House met on December 15 to discuss the motion: 'That this House would welcome the Nationalisation of Railways.'

The Proposer (M. Holroyd), commenced by pointing out the difficulty under the present system of a working agreement between two systems of railways. He then considered the question from a financial point of view, and by somewhat intricate arguments seemed to show that State government would result in a saving of expense. Finally he drew some rather misleading analogies from Continental and Colonial railways. His speech was long, but its accuracy did not equal its comprehensiveness.

The Opposer (J. G. Barrington-Ward), armed with an astounding collection of statistics drawn from a Blue Book, refuted some of the more glaring errors of the Proposer's financial arguments. A great Railway Trust would, he maintained, abolish the existing abuses as effectively as would State management. The latter would interfere with the industries of the people. In short, red tape and Socialism were the two objections to nationalisation of railways.

The speech was careful and eminently sensible, but was rather hard to follow, especially in the masses of figures which it contained.

The Seconder (J. C. Hobson), in a few remarks, of which only the gist could be gathered, criticised some of the Opposer's arguments. The Proposer had said all there was to be said for the motion, and he concluded his maiden speech with a few words on the various modes of transit in foreign countries.

J. W. N. SMITH, after a few quite inconsequent jibes, heartily opposed the abolition of all competition.

The Secretary spoke feelingly from personal experience of the evils of State management in France and Germany, where profit was only made at the expense of all comfort to passengers.

As it was already 6.30 the motion was adjourned till the next meeting of the Society.

The discussion was continued at a special meeting, held on December 20. Unfortunately the attendance was comparatively small. The chief speakers were the Proposer, the Opposer, the Secretary, A. K. Gilmour and W. L. Selby. After spending some time in disputing each other's statements, they considered whether nationalisation would be fair or expedient. The President pointed out that it would result in trebling the National Debt. After some difference of opinion as to the Post Office and the French railways, the motion was put to the House and carried by seven votes to six.

The following is the list of Debates for Play Term, 1910:—

Sept. 29. - Impromptu Debates.

Oct. 6.—'That in the opinion of this House no man is worthy of condemnation on Circumstantial Evidence alone.' Proposer, J. M. de Slubicki; Seconder, R. C. Cooke; Opposer, H. A. G. Phillimore. Lost by acclamation.

Oct. 13.—'That in the opinion of this House a system of International Spying is justifiable.' Proposer, B. H. Lunn; Seconder, C. V. Miles; Opposer, O. I. Burgess. Ayes, 12; Noes, 11.

Oct. 20.—'That this House approves of Lieut. Allan Sutor's recent protest against the Army System.' Proposer, A. C. Edgar; Seconder, E. L. Hawke; Opposer, K. D. Murray. Carried by acclamation.

Oct 27.—' That this House would welcome the abolition of Boy Scouts.' Proposer, G. C. Formilli; Seconder, R. H. Walpole; Opposer, R. R. Rawson. Lost by acclamation.

Nov. 3.— 'That this House deplores the spirit of Mr. Roosevelt's European Speeches.' Proposer, R. S. Partridge; Seconder, G. C. Lowry; Opposer, G. P. Antrobus. Carried by acclamation.

Nov. 10.—'That in the opinion of this House the theory of the Divine Right of Rulers is antiquated.' Proposer, A. R. I. Mellor; Seconder, D. M. Morriss; Opposer, L. Rice-Oxley. Ayes, 14; Noes, 12.

Nov. 24.—'That this House deplores the modern tendency to speed.' Proposer, F. C. Doherty; Seconder, E. A. Meyer; Opposer, E. H. Gray. Ayes, 8; Noes, 9,

Dec. I.—'That in the opinion of this House the French Revolution has not been justified by its results.' Proposer, J. W. N. Smith; Seconder, D. F. Jerrold; Opposer, A. K. Gilmour. Carried by acclamation.

Dec. 8-' That this House would welcome a reform in the School Dress.' Proposer, J. B. Calkin; Seconder, C. A. M. Faure; Opposer, J. M. Troutbeck. Lost by acclamation.

Dec. 15 .- 'That this House would welcome the Nationalisation of Railways.' Proposer, M. Holroyd; Seconder, W. L. Selby; Opposer, J. G. Barrington-Ward. Ayes, 7; Noes, 6.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

NOVEMBER 26 was the day selected by G. C. Lowry for reading before the Society a paper on 'The Sun and Moon.' He prefaced his address with the usual apologies and then proceeded to give the Society full information about the two most prominent bodies of the sky. At times he showed a tendency to bombard the Society with enormous figures of statistics of area and distance, and consequently it was often hard to follow his statements. Apart from this defect, however, he succeeded in giving the Society a large volume of useful and interesting information in a short space of time. After the lecturer had answered many questions (some of which, however, were hardly à propos to the subject), the President gave a simple but instructive example of the enormous size of astronomical figures, after which the meeting adjourned.

M. Holroyd read the last paper of the Term on December 10, taking for his subject 'The Descent of Birds.' In his preface he was candid enough to admit his obligations to Pycraft's 'History of Birds,' but the fact that his paper was not original did not take away from its interest. He showed both by word and sketch the descent of birds from an original type 'Archæopteryx,' and explained fully their relation to Reptilia; he then led the Society through the 'various periods of prehistoric change,' explaining any apparent difficulties and describing and discussing any different theories of any particular result. After J. B. Calkin had proposed a vote of thanks, which was cordially carried,

the proceedings closed.

GLEE SOCIETY.

A CONCERT was held up School on Friday, December 16, and the music reached a very high standard of excellence. The glees, especially Sullivan's Long Day Closes,' were good. Of the soloists, Brooks and Formilli were best, Hallward and Gray being very little behind them. Marzetti and Stannard played piano solos with pronounced

success. Not many visitors were present, but the boarding houses provided a fairly large and eminently appreciative audience. The following was the programme:-

| GLEE | "Sweet and Low" Barnby |
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| | THE GLEE SOCIETY. |
| Song | "Glorious Devon" German B. M. HALLWARD. |
| | "The Gendarmes" Offenbach FORMILLI & E. H. GRAY. |
| Song | "Indian Desert Song" A. W. Finden C. J. BROOKS. |
| GLEE | "A Catastrophe" Jackman THE GLEE SOCIETY. |
| PIANO SOLO | "Spanish Caprice" Moszkowski N. MARZETTI. |
| Song | "False Phyllis" Old English E. H. GRAY. |
| GLEE | . "The Long Day Closes" Sullivan THE GLEE SOCIETY. |
| Song ' | 'The Pretty, Pretty Creature' G. C. FORMILLI. |
| PIANO SOLO | "Frühlingsraushen" Sinding R. W. STANNARD. |

THE GLEE SOCIETY. GOD SAVE THE KING.

"Bright Sword of Liberty"

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House Rotes.

K.SS.—As was only natural Play Term without a play came to rather a tame conclusion. Perhaps it was owing to the absence of the usual rush and hurry that both Fives Ties and Chess Ties reached their appointed end before the term closed. The keenness on Chess was quite remarkable, and a record entry is looked for this term. On the football field A. C. Edgar and G. B. F. Rudd were regular representatives of the School, while K. D. Murray made spasmodic appearances. To the two former we offer our heartiest congratulations on Pinks and Pink-and-Whites respectively. We must also congratulate C. A. M. Faure and W. B. W. Durrant on first appearances for the 2nd XI. Our Juniors showed their defiance of all rules of logic by beating Ashburnham and then succumbing to Home boarders. What they will do next remains to be seen.

As the present term is little more than a week old there is nothing to chronicle save the fact that owing to various illnesses or their infectious potentialities, we are seven short of our proper number. We trust that this state of affairs will soon be

remedied.

GLEE

ASHBURNHAM.—Our first duty is to condole with ourselves on the loss of G. C. Formilli; both as head of the House and as Captain of football, his services have been invaluable. At the same time we must not forget to congratulate him on his success in his Woolwich examination. We wish him the best of luck in the future. He is succeeded by D. F. Jerrold as head of the House, and by L. Rice-Oxley as Captain of football. We wish the latter a speedy recovery from his illness. Congratulations to Smith and Rice-Oxley on their brilliant success at Christ Church and Keble respectively, to Jerrold on the Phillimore Translation Prize, to Selby on being made a Monitor; Lunn has got into the VIIth and F. C. Cozens has come into the Upper. With the whole of our team once more available we have great hope of keeping the Junior Cup; we have every hope of administering the coup de grace to Home-boarders at our next encounter.

Grants.—The Lent Term sees us with slightly impaired numbers, since C. Hodgson, Colquhoun, W. Rawson and Imroth have left, and only Sankey and Heigham have come to fill their places. The holidays have made us forget much that happened last term, and perhaps it is as well. Our Juniors, if we remember aright, suffered defeat to the last. However, we have one pleasant duty to perform, and that is to thank Mr. Tanner most heartily for giving us so excellent a Play Supper at the end of last term. Many old Grantites were present, and some speeches followed by a selection of songs terminated a most enjoyable evening.

Our prospects for Seniors are good, and we hope to be able to keep the Shield, not merely for

a term and a half, but for the whole year.

H.BB.—We are asked for House Notes so early that there is really little to record. The departure of E. H. Gray is a great loss to us; however, he achieved a brilliant success in his Army Examination, upon which we heartily congratulate him. Our congratulations are also due to Mr. D. L. Purves (O.H.B.) upon two recent and remarkable successes on the links. It is our sad duty to record the death of Mr. R. F. Doherty (O.H.B.), whose successes in the world of lawn tennis are too fresh in the memories of all to need recalling. Before these notes are published, we hope that our Juniors will have carried off the Cup; and although it is still early, we are confident that our performance in Seniors will be worthy of those of former years. Mellor and Feasey won last term's Fives Ties, and a large entry should make the coming ties very successful.

There are four new boys up the House this term.

RIGAUD'S —Our pen must once more start with congratulations; they are due to J. M. de Slubicki on passing the second part of the 'Little Go' and 'Additionals,' to D. A. McManus on getting round the examiners for Sandhurst, to J. L. Buckman on getting through the 'Law Prelim.,' to F. W. Pink on his 'Pink-and-Whites,' to R. C. Cooke on becoming a School Monitor, and to C. Hurst-Brown on winning Yard Ties.

The House Supper took place on the last Monday of the Play Term, and proved a great success, especially as it was able to be started at an earlier hour than usual, on account of there being no play. There were several distinguished O.R.'s present, including Mr. R. R. Sandilands, Mr. E. G. Man, and our three last Monitors. We take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Fox for all the kindness they showed us, and we are sure that the success of the Supper and our obvious enjoyment of it are some recompense for their untiring efforts.

On returning to our 'seat of learning,' this term, we miss the familiar faces of D. A. McManus, J. L. Buckman, P. V. Kelham, C. T. Osman, and last, but not least, N. Marzetti, whose departure leaves a gap in the musical sections, not only of Rigaud's, but also of the School, a loss which will be keenly felt by all who heard him. We wish them all success in the future. There are only two new boys, which reduces our numbers to 55. A Marchetti and F. M. Lassetter come into 'Under,' Q. C. Bovey becomes a boarder and D. H. Brown a half-boarder.

Old delestminsters.

MR. JUSTICE LUSH has been elected to an Honorary Fellowship at Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

Mr. Charles Fortescue Brickdale has received the honour of Knighthood.

The Rev. G. Berens has been preferred to the Rectory of Foot's Cray in Kent.

At Oxford Mr. E. A. Spencer and Mr. A. P. Waterfield were distinguished in the examination for the Ireland and Craven Scholarships. Mr. Waterfield was handicapped by his Greats' work.

All the Westminsters who were in the last House of Commons held their seats at the election. Mr. R. C. Phillimore, a Liberal candidate in Hertfordshire, and Colonel Bernard, a Unionist in Buckinghamshire, were defeated candidates.

Births.

On December 12, the wife of Alfred Stuart Willett, of a daughter.

On December 24, the wife of Bernard Howlett, of a son.

On December 25, the wife of Charles A. Phillimore, of a son.

On January 14, the wife of John Edward Fanshawe, of a daughter.

Marriages.

WHITTOW—TWEEDIE.—In December, Richard Whittow to Eirene Frances Stewart, daughter of Richard Walker Tweedie, of Ashurst Hill, Kent.

Campbell — Young. — On December 15, Archibald Y. G. Campbell, I.C.S., Private Secretary to the Governor of Madras, to Frances Irene, fourth daughter of the Rev. H. Savill Young, of Mallards Court, Stokehurst.

Obituary.

WE have to regret the death of EDGAR SOAMES, who was at the School from 1876 to 1880, was a graduate of Trinity College, Cambridge, and practised as a solicitor at Bromley in Kent.

The death of Albert Hartshorne removes an antiquary of some note. He was the son of Charles Henry Hartshorne, Rector of Holdenby, from whom he inherited his taste for ancient lore. His mother was a daughter of Dr. Kerritch, Principal Librarian to the University of Cambridge. Mr. Hartshorne was a prolific writer, discoursing for choice on tombstones. His best book was on Old English Glasses, and is recognised as the standard work. He died on December 10, in his seventy-second year.

By the death of COLIN GRANT PATRICK, who was at the School from 1869 to 1872, the Mission has lost a constant supporter and many Old Westminsters a faithful friend.

There has also died lately Charles Smyth Johnston, who was admitted in 1858, graduated from Trinity Hall, and afterwards held successively several benefices in East Anglia.

By the premature death of REGINALD FRANK DOHERTY, who was at the School from 1883 to 1890, we lose one who as a lawntennis player probably had no equal. He had long been out of health and died on December 29, aged 38.

'Now you will not swell the rout Of lads that wore their honours out, Runners whom renown outran, And the name died before the man.'

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

A MISPRINT

SIR,—The slips on the chairs up school have *cruciatis* in error for *cruciatus*. This sometimes misleads the under school and new boys. Could it be corrected?

Your obedient servant,

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To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

The Window House, Claygate. January, 1911.

DEAR SIR,—The Annual Dinner of the O.W.F. and C.C., which was to have been held on December 17 last, was postponed on the 12th of that month, and I shall be glad of this opportunity to explain on behalf of the officials concerned why such a course was adopted.

Notice of the Dinner was sent to the members of the Club (some 600 in all) in October and November with a particular request that all applications for tickets should be made on or before December 10. Up to the 13th (four days before the Dinner), only eighteen applications for tickets had been received, and, naturally, it was considered necessary to cancel the Dinner at once, in order to avoid incurring financial responsibility.

Since this course was decided upon I have received many expressions of regret that the Dinner was cancelled, and an O.W., an official of the Club, wrote that he knew "literally dozens who wanted to go to the Dinner." If such was the case it seems a great pity that O.W. cannot take the trouble to apply for their tickets within the time requested. I can hardly think they realise the amount of trouble the President and Hon. Treasurer are put to over the Dinner, or they would make the small effort of applying for their tickets in good time, which is all that is expected of them.

The disappointment to the members who did apply for their tickets was obviously considerable, especially as two of them were home on leave. Some of the tickets applied for by members were for guests, which must have placed the applicants in an exceedingly awkward posi-

> Yours faithfully, REGINALD S. SUMMERHAYS, Hon. Secretary.

To the Editor of the 'Elizabethan.'

The Window House,

Claygate.

December, 1910.

DEAR SIR,—The following Members of the Club have either no address registered against their names in the Rules and List of Members for 1911 recently issued, or since publication envelopes addressed to them have been returned through the post:—

Anthony, H. V. Bain, F. W. Baker, C. W. Barclay, G. R. Barnes, H. C. Barnes, H. G. H. Bell, W. Benbow, W. L. Blackett, A. S. Burroughes, L. H. J. Chapman, G. P. Claremont, L. E. Clay, W. H. Davies, S. Dickson, S. A. Gardner, Capt. N. W. Gover, C. C. Hallett, H. P. Hemsley, A. M. Hicks, W. Hicks, Rev. G. A. Hodder-William, R. W. Holiday, C. G.
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If O.WW. can inform me of the present addresses of any of the Members mentioned above I shall be obliged.

Yours faithfully,

REGINALD S. SUMMERHAYS, Hon. Sec.

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