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## FOOTBALL.

**H**AVING in our last number given some hints about Football, which have been universally acknowledged to be useful, we now proceed to say a few words on some points on which great misapprehension prevails. A few years since it would not have been—and we hope that a few years hence it will not be—necessary to warn young players that dribbling is not selfishness, backing-up is not laziness, and off-siding is not brilliant play. But in the present state of the Association game, when most of the London clubs consider that a player should kick the ball the instant that he gets it, some remarks on these points may be worth consideration. Any player who can turn quickly (and in this Westminster dribblers mostly excel) knows that it is infinitely easier to pass three or four forwards of the opposite side who are all close together, than it is to get by a single back who is charging straight down upon him. In the former case every one just puts his foot where he thinks the ball is coming, in order that, if he can take it away from his opponent, he may have it himself to dribble in the opposite

direction, and kick the ball each step in such a way as to make his adversaries hamper one another. But a back goes straight at the ball, and attempts to kick it quite away; consequently he moves his foot much quicker than he otherwise would, and is more difficult to dodge; and even if he misses the ball, he continues his course and charges his opponent, who, before he can recover himself, finds that some one else has got the ball. Now, let us compare these facts with the received opinion of the right way to play under the circumstances. It is usual to suppose that a player, if there are no opponents near, when he gets the ball should start with it as fast as he can, while at the same time, on either hand, one or two players of his own side should run on a little in front of him. When he comes up to the supposed knot of the three or four opponents, he is to kick the ball to one of the three friends in front, at the risk of its being intercepted, as frequently happens, by an adversary, or of going a foot or so behind the foot of the friend for whom it is intended, in which case he either misses it, or has to stop his onward career, and waste a few precious seconds in "getting hold" of the ball, a process which is extremely difficult

when the ball is coming nearly at right angles to one's course, and has a screw on, as it must have if kicked in the way supposed. On the other hand, a man who cannot run round a single back, has no means of getting on when opposed to one, as his friends who have been all along in front of him, have now either changed their relative positions by falling behind him while he is too much engaged to watch them, or are offside; in either case, if he attempts to pass, he will not be at a disadvantage unless he has time to look round and see where any of his own side are, a process which, requiring considerable coolness, is not rendered more easy by the ceaseless shouts of "Now, then, here you are!" "This way!" "Kick it!" and other phrases, in which it is the fashion to indulge. We have now said as much on this subject as our space will allow, and must close with a few words of advice, which it is to be hoped the reader has already anticipated. Learn to dribble before you learn to pass: never pass unless some advantage will be gained by it (and, as a general rule, never except near your opponents' end of the ground): always back up, but never get in front of the ball: never shout too much at a dribbler, when he wants all his wits to help himself, and can spare none to listen to you: and last, but not least in football as in everything else, play up to the last, when you are winning, as well as when you are losing.

### School Notes.

ON the last page of *The Elizabethan* will be seen a curious and unexpected, if not ridiculous, suggestion from the pen of a correspondent signing himself W. He thinks it would be advisable to have a Skating Rink at Westminster. "The Racquet Courts," he adds, "would answer the purpose very well;" no doubt they would, but what is to become of Racquet playing? Now we have not the smallest objection in the world to having our Courts paved with asphalt or cement, if that were possible, but to turn them into a Skating Rink would be an absolute impossibility. The space available for Racquet playing is sufficiently limited as it is, and to establish what our Correspondent suggests would be either to set up, what could never bring forth any fruit, or else to abolish Racquets. And as the second of these alterations would be impossible, the first would be inevitable.

It is said "misfortunes never come singly," and we are certain suggestions do not. It seems to have become a kind of fashion lately to suggest to us what is impracticable; and so far from being surprised at W's. letter, we can only wonder that he contented himself with only asking us to turn our Racquet

Courts into a Skating Rink, and did not suggest at once that we should make it open to the public.

THROUGH the kindness of the Head Master and Mr. Ingram, we are soon, we hear, to be allowed to go to the floating Swimming Baths at Charing Cross at half price. This will be a great comfort to us, especially as those in Great Smith Street, we are compelled to patronize now, are by no means so clean or roomy as might be wished.

WE are afraid little more can be said about the new introduction up fields—Lawn Tennis—than was stated in our last number. Wind, rain, and the Athletics have exerted their varied, yet unitedly unfavourable influences; and the other inevitable difficulties of every innovation have been experienced. For instance, some difficulty has been felt in obtaining the names of those who really wish to play and support the new game, by forming themselves into a club for the purpose. It is evident, unless this step be taken, that members may look after their own interests, Lawn Tennis will have anything but a fair start and chance of success: and we feel sure that nothing could be further from the wishes even of those who are not its most ardent partisans.

### COMMODORE GOODENOUGH, C.B., C.M.G.

ONE of the most distinguished of the modern generation of Old Westminsters has been lost to his country in the person of James Graham Goodenough. The second son of Dean Goodenough (Head Master of Westminster from 1819 to 1828), he spent two years at the School as a Town Boy from 1842 to 1844, where he was conspicuous for his fondness for the water. On the 7th of May, 1844, he entered the navy, and soon took the lead among his companions, as a linguist, in navigation, in seamanship, and in all exercises. After serving in the Pacific and on the African Coast, he was in 1851 promoted to the rank of Lieutenant for passing the best Examination at the Naval College; and, after nearly three years spent on the Brazilian station, he was sent to the Baltic during the Russian war, and was engaged with rocket-boats at the bombardment of Sweaborg. In the China war he was four times specially mentioned in the *Gazette*, and on the 26th of February, 1858, the day of the capture of Canton, he was promoted to the rank of Commander. After further service in China and with the Channel squadron, he attained the grade of Captain in 1863; and in the following year was deputed to visit the United States, and collect information respecting the navy of that Republic. After some years spent on duty in the Mediterranean, Goodenough was selected in 1871 to re-victual Paris after the Prussian siege, and to distribute the "Daily News Peasant Relief Fund." In the latter part of that year, he was again employed by the Admiralty on

a tour of inspection, and reported on the Naval Dockyards of Russia, Austria, Italy, and France. In May, 1873, he was appointed to the *Pearl*, as Commodore on the Australian station, and on his way out visited the Fiji Islands, and, by the measures he adopted, prepared the way for the annexation of the youngest of our colonies. For this service he was, in the distribution of honours, on her Majesty's birthday this year, rewarded with a Companionship of the Order of St. Michael and St. George; while his war services were at the same time recognized by his admission into the military division of the Order of the Bath. Two months before, a captain's good-service pension had been awarded to him. On the 12th of August, 1875, Commodore Goodenough landed at Carlisle Bay, on Santa Cruz Island, to open kindly intercourse with the natives; and, after a friendly conference, he was getting into his boat, when he was struck in the side by a poisoned arrow aimed by a savage from a distance of four yards. He died on board his vessel eight days afterwards. It is unnecessary for us here to repeat the narrative of the last days of this brave sailor and Christian gentleman, as told in the recently published letters of his sorrowing comrades. We feel sure that the lesson of his life will not be lost, either to the Navy or the School of which he was so distinguished an ornament.

### Athletic Sports.

OUR Annual Athletic Sports came off on Oct. 13th and 14th, under the management of the following Committee:—E. H. Alington, L. S. Bristowe, E. Waddington, F. D. Crowdy, W. C. Aston, A. N. Jackson, and H. C. Frere. Owing to an unfortunate mistake the course was measured wrong, the mile being 176 yards too long; the weather on the first day was not actually bad, but on the second rain fell the whole day. Great thanks are due to the Old Westminsters who helped us, especially H. Curteis, who officiated as starter, and W. S. Rawson, E. Sealy Vidal, and R. J. Boyd, who kindly acted as judges. The following is an account of the several events:—

#### 1. *Throwing the Cricket Ball.—Under 15.*

This was as usual the first event, and was won by Secretan. The throw was much better than last year's, which was only 61. C. Secretan 1, J. Fox 2, Edwards 0, Owen 0, Ritchie 0, Robson 0, Rogers 0, T. Rumball 0, F. Ryde 0, Newman 0, Rodocanachi 0. Distance, 73. 2. 5.

#### 2. *1 Mile.—Open to all.*

Out of 116 entries only 22 started for this race. By an unfortunate mistake the course had been made 44 yards too long every quarter, which was the cause of the bad time. The wetness of the ground probably also prevented any good running being shown, since it was extremely heavy. Immediately upon starting Fox, Reeks, and Waddington went off with the lead,

Fox being ahead at the end of the first lap. He then gave up and Reeks went to the front, Macnamara and Hamilton being next to him. This order continued the same till the last lap, when Macnamara went ahead, closely followed by Hamilton. The latter, when about 100 yards from the finish, spurted, and, after an exciting race, won by about 3 yards.

Hamilton 1, C. Macnamara 2, Alington 3, Bolton 4, J. Williams 0, Arnold 0, Brinton 0, Caiger 0, C. Fox 0, H. C. Frere 0, Gamble 0, German 0, Hicks 0, H. Macnamara 0, C. Reeks 0, Renouf 0, Simson 0, Vyvyan 0, Waddington 0, Whitlock 0, Rogers 0. Time, 5 mins., 50 secs.

#### 3. *Throwing the Cricket Ball.—Open to all.*

Gamble by his last throw obtained the first place, Fox being previously the best.

Gamble 1, 96yds. 2ft. 3in.; C. Fox 2, 95yds. 2ft. 9in.; Watson 3, 95yds. 1ft. 2in.; Alington 0, Brinton 0, C. Macnamara 0, Waddington 0.

#### 4. *100 yards.—Under 15.*

For this race 8 competitors started, and the result may be summed up in a few words; Fox took the lead and kept it, winning 2 yards from Leggatt, Frere being a good third.

J. Fox 1, Leggatt 2, J. Frere 3, Blumberg 0, Caiger 0, Ritchie 0, Owen 0, Robson 0. Time, 11½ secs.

#### 5. *Long Jump.—Open to all.*

For this competition only 9 out of 63 tried. It afforded little interest, as it was well known beforehand that Waddington would have all his own way.

Waddington 1, 17ft. 3in.; C. Fox 2, 16ft. 9in.; Alington 0, Crowdy 0, H. Frere 0, Gamble 0, Jackson 0, Watson 0.

#### 6. *440 yards.—Under 16.*

This race was won easily by Fox, Lutyens being second. The latter went off with the lead, but was soon passed by Fox, who won as he liked.

J. Fox 1, Lutyens 2, Hamilton 3, Arnold 0, Caiger 0, German 0, Rogers 0, Scott 0. Time 72 secs.

#### 7. *Hurdle race.—100 yards.—Over 8 flights of hurdles.*

This race as usual was run in heats, the results being as follows.—

1st heat—C. Fox 1, Watson 2, Secretan 3.

2nd heat—Alington 1, Williams 2, Frere 3, Simson 0.

3rd heat—Waddington 1, Crowdy 2, Aston 3, C. Macnamara 0.

The final heat was won by Waddington, last year's winner. In fact the result was exactly the same as last year.

Waddington 1, Alington 2, Watson 3. Time 16½ secs.

#### 8. *Pole Jump.—Under 15.*

Only 3 competed for this, which was won easily by Caiger, Dale being second, only just managing to beat T. Secretan. Height 6ft. 10in.

9. 300 yards.—*Under 14.*

A good race, won by Rumball, very little ahead of Bury.

T. Rumball 1, O. Bury 2, Ritchie 3, Battersby 0, F. Clarke 0, E. Frere 0, German 0, C. Ingram 0, Morseby 0, Newman 0, Owen 0, Samson 0, Titcomb 0. Time 40 secs.

10. *High Jump.—Open to all.*

Though there were 68 entries for this event, only 6 competed. Although the state of the ground was very bad, the jumping was better than it has been for some years. After an exciting contest, Crowdy won by 1 inch, just clearing 5 feet.

Crowdy 1, Gamble 2, Alington 0, Fox 0, Simson 0, Waddington 0.

11. *Final heat of Hurdle Race.*12. 100 yards.—*Under 16.*

This race produced almost exactly the same result as the under 15 competition. Fox again won easily by 3 yards, a foot only separating second and third.

J. Fox 1, J. Frere 2, Leggatt 3, Arnold 0, Caiger 0, F. Clarke 0, Lutyens 0, Petrocochino 0, Robson 0, B. Rogers 0, T. Secretan 0, J. Rogers 0.

## SECOND DAY.

The second day of the sports opened most miserably, the rain, which had been threatening for some hours, set in with a steady drizzle about ten o'clock and continued throughout the day, making the ground so heavy and slippery that really good time was out of the question; the performances, however, considering the state of affairs, were as a rule extremely creditable, and some of the races produced very exciting and close finishes.

1. *Challenge Hammer.—Open.*

This was won by a fair throw of 72 feet 6 inches by Waddington, Aston being only a foot behind him.

Waddington 1, Aston 2, Fox 0, Frere 0, Gamble 0.

2. *Throwing the Hammer.—Under 16.*

Fox, who threw in far the best style, carried off the first prize with a throw of 66 feet 2 inches, and he seems likely to improve with practice as he grows older.

Fox 1, 66 feet 2 inches, Frere 2, Robinson 0, Parker 0, Caiger 0, Hemsley 0, Secretan, T. 0.

3. *Half-mile with Hurdles at the end.*

This race, which we believe is peculiar to Westminster, was won easily by E. H. Alington for the third time, who, notwithstanding the slippery state of fields, finished very neatly and in good form. Fox and Macnamara went off with the lead, with Waddington, Alington, and J. H. Williams close behind; this order was maintained till close to the finish, when Fox and Macnamara, not liking the look of the hurdles, gave in, and Alington immediately ran to the front and won as he liked; Waddington coming in second with Crowdy, who ran with considerable judgment, close

behind him. Williams, by a very hard piece of luck, touched the first hurdle with his hands, and consequently was disqualified.

Alington 1, Waddington 2, Crowdy 3. Time, 2 min. 29 secs.

4. *Long Jump.—Under 15.*

This was won easily by last year's favourite, who made the very good jump of 16 ft. 3 in. This, considering his age, is a very fair performance.

Leggatt 1, Fox 2.

5. 150 yards.—*Under 13.*

This race, which derives the principal part of its interest from the diminutive stature of most of the competitors, fell to the lot of Boyd after a good race.

Boyd 1, Bovill 2, Frere 3, Samson 0, Petrocochino 0, Radcliffe 0.

6. *High Jump.—Under 15.*

This proved another triumph for Fox, who easily defeated his other competitors, although De Sausmarez at one time seemed likely to beat him; the bad state of the take-off greatly hindering the jumping.

Fox 1, 4 ft. 6 in., De Sausmarez 2, Stuart Edwards 0, Eddis 0, Ritchie 0, Secretan, T. 0.

7. 100 yards.—*Open to all.*

The result of this race was a surprise, as Macnamara was first favourite; however, Frere got off with the lead, which he maintained to the end, and in spite of the efforts of Waddington and Macnamara to overhaul him, finally winning by about 3 or 4 yards. Considering the fearfully heavy running and the greasy state of the turf, the time may be considered good.

E. R. Frere 1, Macnamara 2, Waddington 3. Time, 11 seconds.

8. 440 yards.—*Under 15.*

Fox again pulled off the first prize in this event, and very easily he did it, winning as he liked by several yards; no one coming near him when he once began to spurt.

Fox 1, Stuart Edwards 2, Eddis 3, Secretan, T. 0, Benbow 0, Campbell 0.

9. *Pole Jump.—Open to all.*

The next event was not productive of much excitement as only two came forward, namely Waddington and Crowdy. A friendly contest ensued, Waddington finally winning with a jump of 8 ft. 5 in., beating Crowdy by 4 in. On a fine day with harder ground, the winner would probably have cleared 9ft.

Waddington 1, Crowdy 2, 8ft. 5in.

10. *Hurdle Race.—Under 15.*

The number of competitors in this race made it necessary that it should be run in heats. These were three in number, won respectively by Fox, Frere, and Edwards. The final produced some very good racing, the three first being very close; however, Fox, running well within himself, came in first by about a yard.

Fox 1, Edwards 2, Leggatt 3. Time, 18 secs.

11. 440 yards.—Open to all.—Challenge Cup.  
(Winners of the Mile and 100 yards excluded.)

The result of this event was never in doubt, as Waddington, who also won it last year, was again successful this year. At once Macnamara, Waddington, and Frere went away with the lead. But coming into the straight, Waddington passed Macnamara and won by 2 yards, Alington who came up with a rush at the end just beating Frere on the tape. Time, 60 secs.

Waddington 1, Macnamara 2, Alington 3, Frere 0.

12. Consolation Race.—300 yards.

The Consolation race fell to Black,—who ran by far the best; Needham second, being closely pressed by Davson, who spurted hard for the last hundred yards.

Black 1, Needham 2, Davson 3. Time, 40 secs.

An Old Westminsters' race brought the proceedings to a close. The distance was 150 yards, and was won easily by Harrison, who, when he was here, was such a formidable competitor in most races. Boyd got well away with the lead, but could not keep it, and was passed by the winner not far from the post; N. C. Bailey came in third a short way behind.

The Prizes were afterwards given away up School by Mrs. Scott, having previously been taken up fields for inspection. When the presentation was finished, three cheers were given for Mrs. Scott. The Headmaster upon this returned thanks as usual in a neat and appropriate speech, in which while he regretted that woman's rights were not so far advanced that she could express her appreciation of the way in which she had been received, stated that any help she could give would always be at our disposal (cheers). He concluded his speech in a highly amusing and jocular vein, amid general cheers and laughter. Cheers were then given for the Old Westminsters, who had helped us in the important duties of starting, judging, &c.; Curteis then came forward and put the task on the shoulders of his younger associate, alleging that he had had enough exercise for his lungs in calling out the names for each race; accordingly the burden fell on Boyd, who after a few words called for cheers for the ladies; these were given, and the meeting dispersed, none the worse, it must be hoped, for standing about so long on such a day and with such weather as characterized the sports in 1875.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT FUND.

THE contributions received up to this date and now lodged at Messrs Cocks' and Biddulph's are as follows:—

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| F. B. Lott . . . . .         | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| H. S. Otter . . . . .        | 5 | 0  | 0 |
| E. M. Rodocanachi . . . . .  | 5 | 5  | 0 |
| A. W. Wms. Wynn . . . . .    | 5 | 0  | 0 |
| H. G. Bramwell . . . . .     | 1 | 0  | 0 |

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| W. S. Rawson . . . . .      | 5     | 0 | 0 |
| E. V. Arnold . . . . .      | 5     | 5 | 0 |
| M. M. Rodocanachi . . . . . | 5     | 0 | 0 |
| J. B. Liberty . . . . .     | 3     | 3 | 0 |
| C. F. Brickdale . . . . .   | 2     | 0 | 0 |
| E. A. Horne . . . . .       | 5     | 0 | 0 |
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December, 1874.

The Fields.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. UPTON PARK.

As this match was fixed for the Saturday after the Athletics, most of the Eleven were in good condition, and we were able to gain an easy victory. Almost all the time we kept the ball at their end, especially after half time was called, but did not succeed in putting it through for a long while, in spite of numerous shots on the parts of Crowdy and Frere, nor was it till after ends had been changed, that we were enabled to score our solitary goal, which was the result of a good piece of dribbling by Aston being finally put through by Crowdy. They seldom brought the ball into very close proximity to our goal, but occasionally Bastard and Hunter made good runs: they were not very strongly represented, some of their men having very vague ideas of dribbling. We ought to have beaten them by more, but we had bad luck in not being able to score. Besides those already mentioned, Alington, Waddington and Fox played well, and Frere, whom we gave them as a substitute, was quite as good as any of their side. H. C. Frere was put into the Eleven after the Match.

*Westminster.*—E. H. Alington, Capt., E. Waddington (half back), F. D. Crowdy, C. J. Fox (back), W. C. Aston, J. H. Williams, C. S. Davson, A. F. Gamble (goals), F. L. Rawson, H. C. Frere, G. A. Hicks.

*Upton Park.*—F. Barnett, Capt., H. Hailey, F. Walkley, S. R. Bastard, J. Berry, T. Micklem, H. Compton, T. C. Curwen, S. E. Sleigh, J. B. Hunter, E. R. Frere (subst.).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. S. NORWOOD.

Rain falling all the previous day and night, and till two o'clock on Saturday, did not improve the state of fields. We won the toss, and had a slight wind in our favour; the ball soon travelled down to the S. Norwood goal, where it stayed most of the time, with the exception of a few runs by White and Stevens; several rather easy shots on our part failed to score, but at last Jones managed to get it between the posts, from a scrimmage in front of goals: nothing further was scored till after half time, when Crowdy took the ball down, and one of the S. Norwood backs, in trying to save the goal, failed utterly, and kicked the ball through himself. The game thus ended in our favour by two love, although we ought to have got another goal or two. Crowdy played by far the best for us;

while Davson and Jones worked hard in their different places. For S. Norwood the most prominent were Leeds (half back), White, and Stevens.

*Westminster School.*—E. H. Alington, Capt., E. Waddington (back), F. D. Crowdy, C. J. Fox (half back), W. C. Aston, A. F. Gamble (goals), F. L. Rawson, H. C. Frere, C. C. Macnamara, T. B. Jones.

*S. Norwood.*—W. H. White, Capt., C. E. Leeds (half back), D. Rumboldson, F. White (goals), F. O. S. Reade, A. A. Meers, A. F. Stevens, H. W. Wilson (back), A. W. Borman, G. M. Borguis, E. R. Frere (subst.).

#### ELEVEN *v.* TWENTY-TWO.

Played October 27th, and resulted in a tie, as neither side succeeded in obtaining a goal. The Eleven won the toss, and immediately the ball was kicked off, it was taken down to the goal-lines of the Twenty-two, but, however, no goal was scored. After a time, Crowdy made a very good run down the whole ground, and obtained a kick from the corner, which was well saved by Leggatt the goal-keeper. After this the Twenty-two played well together, and took the ball by a general rush up to their opponents' goal; but Waddington, by a good piece of back play, prevented its downfall. The Eleven then completely penned their adversaries, and several easy chances were missed. For the Eleven, Alington, Crowdy and Davson were most conspicuous, and Fox and Waddington, as backs, were invaluable, whilst for the Twenty-two, Bolton, Macnamara, C. A. Jones, and Jackson, played well amongst the forwards, Watson and J. Fox doing good service as backs.

*Eleven.*—E. H. Alington, Capt., E. Waddington (back), F. D. Crowdy, C. J. Fox (half-back), W. C. Aston, C. S. Davson, A. F. Gamble (goals), F. L. Rawson, H. C. Frere, G. A. Hicks, E. R. Frere.

*Twenty-two.*—G. A. Bolton; R. D. Brinton, J. H. Watson (half-back), C. A. Jones, C. C. Macnamara, R. McMillan, T. B. Jones, A. N. Jackson, C. A. Leggatt (goals), H. R. Rogers, A. E. Black, H. G. Olliffe, R. H. Godfrey, C. B. Ryde, J. Fox (back), W. Tayloe, H. P. Robinson, T. Williams, W. E. Parker, W. A. Cuppage, C. and T. Secretan.

#### FIRST NINE *v.* NEXT FIFTEEN.

Rather a one-sided game, the Nine winning by 8 goals to none. The goal-kickers were Aston, Waddington, Alington, Davson, Rawson (2), and Fox (2). Among the Fifteen the most conspicuous were Hicks, Tayloe, and Watson.

*The Nine.*—E. H. Alington, Capt., E. Waddington (back), F. D. Crowdy, C. J. Fox, W. C. Aston, C. S. Davson, A. F. Gamble (goals), F. L. Rawson, H. C. Frere.

*The Fifteen.*—G. A. Bolton, R. D. Brinton, G. A. Hicks, T. B. Jones, J. H. Watson (half-back), H. R. Rogers, C. B. Vyvyan, A. E. Black, A. N. Jackson, E. Frere, R. H. Godfrey, W. Tayloe, W. E. Parker, C. A. Leggatt (goals), J. Fox (back).

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* UPTON PARK (return).

The return match was more successful than the first

one, as we won very easily by 5 goals to none. As soon as the ball was started we took it down to their goals, and Crowdy, by a skilful piece of play, scored our first goal; shortly after he added a second from a squash in front of goals. Rawson then came to the front, and, after kicking the ball against the tape and posts, at last managed to put it through. After change of ends the Uptonians redoubled their efforts, and Hunter made a good run down, but his try at goal was not successful. This was their last rally, and afterwards they were completely hemmed in, never getting past the half-distance flag. Alington scored a neat left-footed goal, and Davson brought up the score to five, the ball being well middled to him by Aston.

*Westminster.*—E. H. Alington, Capt., E. Waddington (back), F. D. Crowdy, C. J. Fox (half-back), W. C. Aston, C. S. Davson, F. L. Rawson, H. C. Frere, T. B. Jones, G. A. Hicks, C. A. Jones (goals).

*Upton Park.*—F. Barnett, Capt. (half-back), H. Hailey, S. R. Bastard, J. Berry, E. Curwen, T. C. Curwen, T. Walkley, T. Hunter, J. B. Hunter, C. Devitt, W. Self (back).

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* WANDERERS.

Although the Wanderers brought an extremely hot team against us, we managed to show very stubborn resistance. At first we had a little the best of it, and a well-concerted rush enabled Crowdy to score a goal for us; the Wanderers then ran the ball down, and, in spite of the efforts of our backs, obtained a corner kick, from which Kinnaird equalized matters. Giffard kicked the next goal from a free kick, Gamble unfortunately having touched it with his hands. Rawson, whose play throughout was excellent, brought up the score to 2 all, by a fine side kick. One more goal was scored by Barlow out of a scrimmage before goals; he was outsidng, but the umpire did not see it. Throughout the Wanderers showed great pace, and were well supported by Stratford at back. For us Fox and Waddington behind were invaluable; all the forwards worked hard, notably Crowdy, Rawson, Alington and Hicks.

W. H. White kindly officiated as umpire.

*Westminster.*—E. H. Alington, Capt., E. Waddington (back), F. D. Crowdy, C. J. Fox (half-back), W. C. Aston, J. H. Williams, C. S. Davson, A. F. Gamble (goals), F. L. Rawson, H. C. Frere, and G. A. Hicks.

*Wanderers.*—Hubert Heron, Capt., F. Heron, W. D. O. Greig (goals), C. E. Smith, A. H. Stratford (back), F. P. Barlow, A. F. Kinnaird, J. R. Sturgis, J. T. Green (half-back), M. Beaufoy, and J. H. Giffard.

The Eleven has sustained a loss in the person of H. C. Frere, who has left the school to go into business; he always worked hard as a forward, and, although only a short time in the team, proved himself one of its most efficient members. Let us wish him all success in his new sphere. There still remain two places in the Eleven, which will be filled as soon as possible.

### Obituary.

It is our sad task to record the death of another illustrious Old Westminster, namely, the Right Hon. Sir Edward Vaughan Williams, who died on Tuesday at his residence in Queen Anne's Gate, Westminster, in the seventy-ninth year of his age. A son of the late Mr. John Williams, Serjeant-at-law; he was born in London in the year 1797, or early in the following year, and was educated at Westminster School, where he was elected head into College in 1812. Thence he obtained his election to Trinity College, Cambridge, where he took his Bachelor's degree in 1820, and Master of Arts in due course. In 1823 he was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn, and went the South Wales and Chester Circuit. In 1847 he was appointed one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, when he received the honour of knighthood, and he held his seat on the Judicial Bench down to his retirement on a pension in 1865, when he was sworn a member of Her Majesty's Privy Council. The late Judge was well known to the profession as the Editor of "Saunders' Reports" in 1824, and in 1836 of "Burns' Justice;" he was also the author of a "Treatise on the Law of Executors." In his person the legal profession loses one of its most learned and venerable members, and Westminster loses one of her oldest and most distinguished alumni.

The lamented death of James Graham Goodenough is recorded in another column; it is not for us to detail the sad end of his devoted life; his noble career and tragic death in his country's service are written in the hearts of all Englishmen, and we hope that the example he has set to the world at large of Christian courage and earnest zeal will not be lost on the old school of which he was a member.

### THE ABBEY-SINGING.

To the Editor of the *Elizabethan*.

SIR,—In your last issue a School note appeared on the well-worn subject of the Abbey Choir and Singing. The Choir receives its usual share of critical castigation, and "suggestions" are made that more "stringent attendance should be enforced" at practice, that "certain penalties should be inflicted," &c. I think the "practical" result "of these suggestions" would be that the singing classes would be deserted. Besides, I do not see how it would be possible to make any such test of proficiency, as you

propose. Now, bad the Choir may be, but I think it is scarcely fair, that they should be the scape-goat of the whole school. Is it fair, is it reasonable to expect that they should put *any* spirit into their work when the rest of the school not only do *not* go so far as opening their lips, but never allow such an idea to enter their heads? Is not this the object of a choir, to *lead* the singing *of* the congregation, not to do the singing *for* them? Surely the use of a Church-Choir is not that the rest of the congregation should hear it perform correctly a certain amount of music! Above all it is necessary, that the whole congregation should join or attempt to join in the singing; it is only thus that the Choir feel that their efforts are appreciated, and of any real value. As regards the Choir itself, I do not see how it is likely to attain to any great proficiency, considering the limited time it has for practice, but am quite "certain that it is" *not* "the will" nor "the power that is wanting," *but* sufficient practice. It is to this that the excellence, or at least, the heartiness of the singing at the Concert is due. The only suggestions I have to offer, which seem to me of any practical value, are:—

(1) That in the practices for Abbey Service, the singing should be accompanied by the organ, and not by the pianoforte: a great deal of the unsteadiness in the singing, especially of the chants, is due to this difference of the accompanying instrument.

(2) That an attempt should be made to raise something of an *esprit de corps* in the Choir. To effect this, a list of their names should be kept (that is, of those who really intend to sing regularly in the Abbey Choir); they should go separately into Abbey (at least in the case of those in the lower forms of the school) before the body of the school, and answer to their names from the separate list; and each member should know exactly where to take his place. I trust the importance of the subject may excuse this somewhat lengthy letter, and secure its insertion.

I remain, Sir, yours, &c.

C. O. M.

### School Library.

THE following letter has been received from an Old Westminster on this subject:—

DEAR SIR,—In the last number of *The Elizabethan* I see a suggestion, which appears to me to be a very good one; it is that there should be a Library at Westminster. Of the advantages

of having one I should think there were no doubt; there are plenty of occasions—wet Wednesday afternoons to wit—when, even by those who are not very fond of reading, such a place would be thoroughly appreciated, while to those who are fond of reading it would always be very welcome; what, then, are the difficulties in the way of having a Library? You seem to suggest one, and I must confess it is a very formidable one, that is the want of a room for the purpose; but I do not see why, with the consent of Dr. Scott, the present Library should not be made a real one, and not one in name only. True, it is used as a Class-room for the Sixth, but only during School hours, and the time when a Library would be used would be after School hours. If, then, it is possible to obtain the room, a judicious alteration of forms, desks, and shelves would make the Library a capital place for the purpose. The next question of course is, where are the books to come from? In this I should think there would be no difficulty; of course a Library could not be made in a day, but doubtless many Old Westminsters would be only too glad to give books to their old School. Probably, too, The Elizabethan Club and the Governing body would lend a helping hand, and so Westminster might raise such a Library as she ought to possess, and one where every standard work should have its place. Its future success will, as it appears to me, depend entirely upon present Westminsters, for if Old Westminsters find it used as a Library, and not as a room for cricket and other such amusements on wet days, they will keep adding books for the sake of “Auld Lang Syne.” If, sir, your suggestion does not die in its infancy, but grows into a reality, I shall be very happy to give a few books, and help to make a start.

Yours truly,  
J. M. YATES.

[Practically, the present Library would not be much use, as even when the Sixth are not at work there, some drawing class is to be found there; thus, unless some other place be found for the Sixth and the drawing classes, the Library cannot be given up, and so the scheme must fall through till we get more room, or some other suggestions show a way out of the difficulty.]

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

DEAR SIR,—It is with surprise, and the reverse of satisfaction, that I notice in your last issue that Lawn Tennis has been added to the list of Westminster games. May I ask what object its promoters have in view? It cannot be to foster pluck and endurance, as none whatever is required in the game, and though it may demand a certain amount of activity and quickness of eye, it is not comparable in these respects to Cricket, Football, or Racquets. Its presence up fields is as superfluous as that of Croquet or Bowls would be.

Westminster has plenty of out-door amusements already, and though the introduction of Lawn Tennis may be a source of satisfaction to a certain number of Third Elections and Home-boarders who have a horror of violent exercise, it cannot fail to divert the attention of others from the nobler games in which the School has achieved a well-deserved reputation. That the scheme may be at once and for ever knocked on the head is the fervent desire of

Your obedient Servant,

CANTAB.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

DEAR SIR,—Now that Westminster has increased so much in importance and numbers during the last few years, there is no reason why she should not take the initiative, and start what no public school has hitherto thought of having, I mean a skating-rink; the racquet-court would answer the purpose very well; the only necessary outlay would be to cement or asphalt the present court, which is certainly not well paved; two things would be gained, a good court for racquets, and a capital out-door skating-rink, which would afford amusement and exercise both to the Sixth (at division), and to those who do not consider themselves equal to playing football every day, and who would otherwise spend their time in a far more unprofitable way,

Yours, &c.,  
W.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ELIZABETHAN.

SIR,—I noticed in two leading London papers a statement in their account of the sports that the Challenge Cup for the “Half-mile hurdles at the end” had now become the *property* of this year's winner, he having won it twice previously. Now I want to ask if these were the *expressed* terms on which the Cup was given? As, if they were not so expressed, the Cup is still the *property* of the School. It is the more urgent that this subject should be well ventilated, in that there seems to be a fair chance of the “100 yards” and “mile” being won three times by the same boy; and therefore it is very necessary that the matter should be settled at once.

I remain, Sir, yours, &c.,  
AN OLD WESTMINSTER.

*Floreat.*