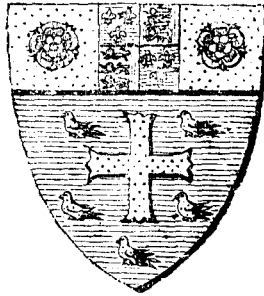


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HALL.

Why am I always passed by with unmerited contempt? Chiswick is one of the stock subjects for a leader for the "Grantite," recurring at regular intervals of about three years, but I have had no historian. But though the men of the pen pass me by in this disgraceful way, I alone am entrusted with the care of the Shields—Grant's dearest possession. And I, too, have my relics of the past, just as Chiswick has her panels, and I have traditional customs while Chiswick has none. There is that secret trap hidden in a remote corner with the name of all the famous old hallites inscribed thereon. Then too in me is found the only big fireplace in the house, and great is the competition for a front seat in the cold winter months. My inmates have the inestimable privilege of fagging: and thereby earning favour in high quarters. Of customs, perhaps the chief is walking the mantlepiece—that terror of all new boarders. And then, too, it is whispered that in the past, I have been the scene of certain illicit punishment inflicted with a toasting-fork by my 'head.' I am the nursery of the Chiswickites, and I urgently hope my history—social and political—will some day be written.

SHIELD MATCHES.

FIRST ROUND *v.* RIGAUD'S.

This match was played up-fields on the big game ground on Wednesday, March 5th. Woodbridge kicked off for Grant's towards the Church end at 2.35, and Grant's at once attacked, Newman sending behind. Rigaud's took the ball down, but C. W. Lonsdale cleared. The play for the first quarter of an hour was all in Rigaud's favour, but Logan and Pemberton kept clearing very well, Knight also saving well. Grant's made a fine run down, due to good combination between Sonnenschein, Woodbridge, and Newman, which resulted in Langton having to handle. Rigaud's attacked and looked dangerous, but Oldham cleared, only for them to again attack, whereupon Knight conceded a corner, which Logan cleared. Owing to a mistake by Oldham, Atherley-Jones ran right down, but Knight ran out and saved, and the ball apparently went behind off Jones, but the referee gave a corner, from which Fraser scored by kneeing it through (0—1). Grant's now attacked strongly but Kirkpatrick kicked behind several times, thus giving away some very good chances. Dickson centred well more than once, but the insides failed to utilise their opportunities. Langton fisted out a good shot from Dickson. Johnston was next conspicuous; he ran down and centred very well from which Sonnenschien put in a very tight shot thus equalising (1—1). Sonnenschien made a good run down, but failed to score: he again took the ball down, and forced a corner, which however was fruitless. Rigaud's made another run which was cleared. Half-time was now called (1—1). Kirkpatrick was conspicuous for several good runs, and Sonnenschein and Woodbridge combined well, Sonnenschein doing a lot of work. On restarting, Grant's made a run and got a corner, which went behind. Dickson then made a smart run, but sent behind. The game was now stopped through Oldham being hurt. A little while after the game was again stopped through Fraser hurting Pemberton. Grant's now pressed hard till the end of the game, but the Rigaudites made some spasmodic rushes, however failing to get near enough to score. Woodbridge put in a fine shot, which Langton just tipped over the bar. From the ensuing corner, Kirkpatrick scored from a scrum (2—1). C. W. Lonsdale put in a magnificent long shot, which hit the bar, but was not utilised on the rebound. Dickson followed suit with several good centres, and one splendid shot which only just missed its mark. The team played very well as a whole, Sonnenschein being by far the best: but Dickson was very good in a position new to him. All the others played well. For Rigaud's, Willett, Craig, and Langton were good. We must thank More for kindly consenting to referee: his decisions gave universal satisfaction.

TEAMS.

Grant's—C. B. H. Knight (goal); M. Pemberton, H. Logan (backs); L. G. Kirkpatrick, C. W. Lonsdale, M. S. Oldham (half-backs); S. A. Dickson (capt.), W. T. S. Sonnenschein, L. A. Woodbridge, K. E. Newman, J. L. Johnston (forwards).

Rigaud's.—S. W. Langton (goal); W. S. Lonsdale, A. T. Willett (capt.) (backs); F. S. Fleuret, J. M. Craig, C. Powers (half-backs); E. E. S. B. Atherley-Jones, C. J. Couchman, J. Hepburn, R. L. Fraser, A. C. Holland (forwards).

Referee: Mr. R. E. More. Linesmen: A. L. Stephen and H. B. Philby.

[Though printing the above, we cannot help feeling that full justice has not been done to the excellent work done by Lonsdale, Oldham, Johnston and Logan.—ED.]

FINAL ROUND *v.* H.BB.

This match was played on Friday, March 14th. Vernon won the toss, and chose to defend the Hospital end; Woodbridge kicked off at 2.35 p.m. Grant's at once pressed, Sonnenschein just kicking over the bar, a good centre by Johnston. Grant's kept up the pressure, and after getting a corner, which was cleared, the forwards ran right through, and Newman scored (1—0). Shortly afterwards Sonnenschein dribbled through and scored (2—0). H.BB. then attacked, but Knight cleared. Two corners then fell to Grant's, which were cleared. Grant's pressed continually but missed several opportunities, Sonnenschein having very bad luck, just shooting over the corner of the goal, with a very hot shot; Woodbridge, with an open goal, kicking straight to Oppenheimer, and Lonsdale hitting the outside of the net from a corner. Oldham then shot past Oppenheimer (3—0), and after a good run by Sonnenschein, Woodbridge got a goal from his pass (4—0). The game at this period was very one-sided. After a good run by Dickson, Woodbridge put on another goal (5—0), a little after Johnston added a sixth with a very nice shot (6—0). Grant's again attacked, Newman missing a very easy shot, as the whole of the goal was at his mercy. Dickson then ran down the right wing and nearly scored with a fine shot. Half-time was then called, with the score (6—0) in favour of Grant's. After half-time the game was much more even. The ball was continually out on the Grantite left wing for the first quarter of an hour. When it came in Grant's forced several corners, which were cleared. Sonnenschein was conspicuous for some good runs, unfortunately shooting wide at the end. Vernon kept trying to get away, and roaming all over the field, but he

never got thoroughly away, being too well looked after by Lonsdale and Oldham, who were playing a very fine game throughout. Pemberton stopped some rushes by Corfield and Vernon in good style. H.B.B. then forced a corner from which Grant's got away, Sonnenschein scoring a fine goal (7—0) amidst great enthusiasm. H.B.B. then attacked, and Vernon took the ball right down and scored (7—1), Knight very nearly saving, the ball going through his legs. Grant's redoubled their efforts; Macdonald being too good for Woodbridge, robbed him a good many times. Neither side scored again, and the match ended with the score (7—1) in favour of Grant's. There was a great deal of rain during the second half, which was rather against us, as it was driving straight in the faces, and also we had the wind against us. For us Sonnenschein played by far away the best game of the forwards, his energy was untiring. Of the others Oldham was invaluable, and, though left-half, he helped Lonsdale a great deal in stopping Vernon who was doing a lot of work inside right and elsewhere. The backs, Logan and Pemberton, defended their goal extremely well, having a lot of nasty work second half. For H.B.B. Oppenheimer played well in goal, Macdonald (right-half) played a very good and plucky game. To terminate it might be said that, as a whole, Grant's played up very well, having bad luck in not scoring more goals, and they are to be heartily congratulated on their victory.

TEAMS.

Grant's.—C. B. H. Knight (goal); M. Pemberton, H. Logan, (backs); L. G. Kirkpatrick, C. W. Lonsdale, M. S. Oldham (half-backs); S. A. Dickson (capt.); W. T. S. Sonnenschein (right); L. A. Woodbridge (centre); K. E. Newman, J. L. Johnston (left).

H.B.B.—R. Oppenheimer (goal); A. Maughan, R. E. Graham (backs); M. Macdonald, C. Macdonald, B. Murray (halves); J. Tull, J. C. Vernon (capt.) (right); E. T. Corfield (centre), G. Castle, A. P. D. Davey (left).

FINAL.

JUNIOR GRANTS *v.* JUNIOR COLLEGE.

REPLAY.

This match was replayed up-fields on the big game ground on Thursday, 27th, and resulted in a victory for us (1—0). Grant's played up very well from beginning to end. For the first five or ten minutes College were in front of our goal, but failed unaccountably to score, throwing away many very easy chances.

Johnston and Newman combined well and made some very good rushes, after taking the ball right down to their opponents' goal, but in the end being "rotted" by Bonser, who was too good for them. Just before half-time Newman put in a shot from the front of goal giving us the lead (1—0).

In the second half Gardner made many good runs, but had no insides to help him, and also Pemberton and Smith continually "rotted" the College forwards when they got too near our goal. Oldham put in a splendid shot from half-way which just touched the top of the goal. The play in the second half was fairly equal. For us, Pemberton and Oldham played best, and Johnston and Newman also played well: Pedler saved well occasionally. For College, Crowe, Rawlings, and Birchall were good.

Grant's: H. C. G. Pedler (goal); M. Pemberton, G. C. Smith (backs); J. S. Lewis, M. S. Oldham, M. C. Houdret (half backs); R. W. Reed, K. E. Newman, J. L. Johnston, R. E. Tannar, R. W. Willcocks (forwards).

THE FOOTBALL TEAM.

S. A. Dickson: As a goalkeeper, the best the School has. He is especially neat and nippy, though a little lacking in size. In the house matches he unselfishly played outside right: he is very tricky and centres extremely well, but he is slow and does not go ahead enough. His real place forward is inside.

L. A. Woodbridge played at centre forward a very good game. He is very keen and unselfish. He combines well with his insides, and, as a rule, shoots very fairly well. He also keeps his forwards together well.

O. B. H. Knight is a good goalkeeper, and sometimes saves some very good shots, but has not had much chance of showing us how well he really can keep goal. He is not a very strong place kick, but punts fairly well.

M. S. Oldham, very keen, and plays an exceedingly hard game left half. He backs up for all he is worth, and is invaluable to the house. He passes well, and is a great help to the forwards.

H. Logan (left back) very rarely misses his kick, clears very well, and is good at tackling. He is strong and uses his weight with judgment.

L. G. Kirkpatrick (right half), can kick well with either foot, pass nicely, and dribbles very neatly. He plays a very good game inside right, but was found to be most useful at half. His shooting, as a rule, is very hard and straight.

O. W. Lonsdale is a good centre half, but perhaps is a little too slow and dawdling. His passing is fairly good, and he tackles with a certain amount of skill.

W. T. S. Sonnenschein, a very good inside right, he bucks up and plays a very hard and dashing game. He does a lot of work. He passes beautifully to his outside, and his combination with Woodbridge is very neat and useful. His shots are generally hard and straight.

M. Pemberton (right-half) is a good kick, but might use his head to advantage, he also can tackle well; his weight is very useful to him, and he uses it well.

J. L. Johnston plays a good game outside left, but is not yet able to kick well with his left foot, this he remedies by a very good double which enables him to centre with his right foot, which are invariably good.

K. E. Newman is a very good inside left, though rather small, he should grow and then he would be very useful. His combination and passing is very good for one so small, but he cannot shoot. He is quite the pluckiest player Up Grant's.

GRANTITE JUNIORS.

The fact that Grant's have won the Junior Cup is chiefly due to the hard work, dash, and keenness with which the whole team played in every match; a spirit which the School 1st XI. might well imitate. The defence was strong but the attack weak, and although on several occasions there was luck in not being scored against, many good opportunities of getting goals were lost.

The first match was against Rigaud's, easily won by 7—0, owing chiefly to fine shooting by Kirkpatrick, who, with Lonsdale, was a tower of strength to the team, until they rose to higher honours. Ashburnham were beaten 2—0; after half-time Grant's had much the worse of the game, but managed to keep their lead.

The game against H.B.B. was also very exciting, Grant's winning by 3—2. The first match against K.S.S. was a draw, decidedly lucky for Grant's. In the replay K.S.S. were weakened by the loss of Philby, and in spite of the fine defence of their backs, were beaten 1—0. Grant's bucked-up especially in this match. Perhaps a personal criticism is not out of place, for it is from among Juniors that future colours will come.

Pedler.—A most promising goalkeeper; makes full use of his great height and reach, keeps delightfully cool, and kicks well. Must be more agile, and watch the ball more carefully.
Pemberton.—An excellent back; tackles and kicks very well, but must keep the ball lower.
Castle-Smith.—Another useful back, but must learn to kick at once, and with either foot. Inclined to piffle.
J. S. Lewis.—At half-back often useful and shows some promise; must be quicker, keep the ball on the ground, and

mind his own business. **M. Houdret.**—A very fair half; much better than at outside forward; lacks speed, but is keen, and should improve. **Willcocks.**—Shows promise, but must do as he is told, and keep much further out. **Tanner.**—Very slow, but passes well to the outside when playing inside left. **Johnston.**—A most promising forward; has speed and control over the ball, can use his head, but shoots much too high; is keen and bucks-up; lacks confidence in himself. **Newman.**—A very good forward; passes well, has confidence and knowledge of the game; is keen, and should come on greatly. **Reed.**—Disappointing; better at outside than in the centre, but must buck-up much more; played well against K.S.S. in the second match; should use his weight and strength more. The three inside forwards muddled each other terribly, owing to the outsides keeping far too close inside. Of others who played Adrian was the best.—G.M.S.O.

[Of Oldham himself we cannot speak too highly. An able and keen captain, he set an excellent example of hard work to his men: he did the work of three forwards, two halves, and a back. The team could have done nothing right without him.—ED.]

THE STORY OF THE "GRANTITE."

Perhaps a few words on the history of "The Grantite Review" may not be uninteresting. This little paper started on its chequered career as long ago as March 1884, with the hopeful motto "nascitur exiguus, vires acquirit eundo." It was then a small 4to. of 4 pages published from two to three times a term. This *format* continued until November 1887, but in February, 1880, after 23 numbers, it appeared in its present form and consisted of 8 pages. The first 12-page number appeared in July 1889, and thenceforth the paper has appeared only once a term. So far the Review had never died the death in spite of frequent pecuniary embarrassment, but in July 1891 it prematurely deceased. In March 1892, the Grantite arose from its untimely grave owing to the energy of G. H. G. Scott, to whom it has since owed much. The paper took a decided turn for the good. Since then, except for just one term in 1898, the Grantite has appeared with unflinching regularity, and though its leaders are not conspicuous for their freshness or originality, it is a *κτῆμα ἐς αἰ,* and now that the old Grantite ledger is lost has proved absolutely invaluable.

HOUSE NOTES.

We heartily congratulate S. A. Dickson on getting his pinks for his first display of goalkeeping in the Charterhouse match. As he got them on the very day on which Ashley left, Grants have never been without one pink up the house.

We also heartily congratulate L. A. Woodbridge on getting *his* pinks after the match *v.* B. H. Willett's XI.

Congratulations to W. T. S. Sonnenschein on getting his 3rd XI.'s before the 2nd XI. match *v.* O.W.W. 2nd XI.

F. N. Ashley is greatly missed. On the football field he was an exceedingly hard-working half, with great possibilities, at cricket he could hit hard and field very well. The house is much quieter since his departure. Good luck to him in the army!

We hear that Grant's is to have a new roof put on during the Easter vacation. This will be good news to many.

We are greatly elated at getting the Junior Cup up Grant's for the first time. The whole team have played hard: but Oldham may well feel that most of the credit is due to him. All the team, however, must be congratulated on their creditable performance. The scores have been: Rigaud's (7—0), H.B.B. (3—2), A.H. (2—0), and College (1—0) after a draw (0—0).

G. J. E. Neville has made a box for hall for waste paper, &c., to be deposited in, and G. Radcliffe has made an excellent bracket to be the home of the Junior Cup.

H. S. Bompas, we are glad to hear, is rapidly on the way to recovery.

The Play Supper was a great success, though no old Grantites came down. After full justice had been done to the magnificent repast, which the splendid munificence of Mr. Tanner had provided, Sonnenschein proposed his health which was heartily drunk. Mr. Tanner replied in some forcible words, and, after expressing his pleasure at both the Shields being up Grants, said that he hoped that the name Grantite would soon be absolute guarantee for the good conduct of him who possessed it. Then followed songs by Robertson, Woodbridge, S. A. Dickson, Knight, a violin solo by J. D. H. Dickson, and more songs by Johnston, R. E. Tanner, Logan, Castle-Smith, Reed, Pemberton,

Houdret, Thompson and Looker. J. D. H. Dickson's violin, was, as was only to be expected, splendid, whilst of the songs Knight's and Logan's were welcomed as much for old acquaintance' sake as for their intrinsic worth, whilst Woodbridge also sang very well. Pemberton certainly easily bore away the palm for originality; of the others we appreciated S. A. Dickson. R. E. Tanner, and J. L. Johnson most. The proceedings ended with vociferous cheers for Mr. Tanner.

The pancake, as often of recent years, fell to a Grantite in the person of H. Logan.

The shield, we are delighted to be able to state, will remain in its right home. After beating Rigaud's (2—1) we disposed of H.BB (7—1) in the final of the house matches. We congratulate M. Pemberton and J. L. Johnston on getting their house colours after the match.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

The first play read this Term was *Henry IV., Pt. I.* It was rather a novelty to read one of the historical plays, but all things considered the experiment was justified. The reading was hardly as good as last Term, Logan being sadly missed. Mr. Tanner was good enough to take the very dull part of Henry IV., whilst Falstaff was taken by Stephen. J. D. H. Dickson made a very attractive Hotspur, and Woodbridge a very melancholy Worcester. Sonnenschein was a lively Prince. The second play was the *Scheming Lieutenant*, when Mr. Tanner was seen at his very best as Lieutenant O'Connor. Ashley, who was Justice Credulous, must have been a "hanging" judge, we think; but Sonnenschein threw the house into tears as Dr. Rosy. The other parts were insignificant. As the play was so short, Act ii., Sc. 2, and Act iii. of the *Critic* were afterwards read, and great enjoyment was derived from this extempore reading.

Henry IV., Pt. II., was the next play tackled. Mr. Tanner gave a very different rendering to Stephen's of Falstaff; and another feature was S. A. Dickson's Hostess: a part which he read with more zest than he usually displays. Knight read with more care than expression; whilst Johnston was inclined to be monotonous. Sonnenschein was a distinctly explosive Pistol.

On the whole the readings this Term were evidently read up beforehand: an excellent practice which is not always so general as it should be.

In addition to that, J. D. H. Dickson, Stephen, and Sonnenschein usually put some life into their parts. Knight read with intelligence and interest, and if S. A. Dickson was only more

familiar with the sight of words he would really be excellent. He is however of a rather somnolent disposition. Ashley thundered forth at a uniform high pressure, and when Harrison took his place as a member there was a great contrast. Reading is not Woodbridge's *forte*, but he took great pains. Johnston struck us as being nervous: but for that he would probably put more expression into what he reads. R. E. Tanner reads with great care, but Kite is hardly brilliant. Needless to say the great success of these meetings was entirely due to Mr. Tanner himself, and the Society owe him a great debt of gratitude—apart from his reading—for the use of his drawing room, and—what appealed to some, we fear, even more—the refreshments he supplied afterwards.

GRANTITE TYPES.

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THE SANDOW.

This specimen is rather rare, but is certainly very amusing, affording great scope for study, a wide field for observation, and experiments of an interesting and instructive nature. It displays great keenness for football and sports in general, although it is never seen up fields for mysterious reasons of its own. It professes however to be a great authority on billiards, chess, cards, and plays. In the matter of the sports it almost surpasses itself, encouraging even the smallest and worst runners to enter for the mile, and pointing out their possible and impossible chances. For no doubt excellent reasons it does not itself take part, but its presence and exhortations are a great incentive to others. Sometimes it thinks itself strong and learned and on these occasions affects even greater superiority than usual. It gets indignant at the most ridiculous trifles. It is at such times as these that it is seen at its best. It will argue fluently and deny and rave at anything and everything, albeit obviously arranged for the purpose of annoying it, or "getting a rise from it," as Audrey would say, and if the matter is continued skilfully it will sometimes show the aforesaid strength, followed by a majestic indifference to everything, and everybody. At such times it is more like Hamlet or Lord Byron than any one else whom we know. All Sandows, as they are called by those who know them best, have a strange and almost unique resemblance to each other; but, no sooner is one reminded of its likeness to another, however much its superior, than it flies into an uncontrollable passion; its self respect is deeply wounded. But to such a state of debility is it reduced by its immoderate employment of strength-giving exercises and appliances that its rage can do harm to none but itself. It is carefully tended, and in return performs all the duties of a Spartan Helot. With age comes

experience, with experience a rejection of its trifling little eccentricities, and a manumission from its unbecoming slavery. Its hair is always pasted down firmly with a liberal allowance of water, which is renewed on every possible occasion. Its collar barely permits of any movement, but *il faut souffrir pour être beau*. It sometimes tries its eyes with reading over the fire and has been suspected of homesickness, but this if suggested is always indignantly repudiated. In fine, it speaks far more than it acts ; it threatens vengeance it would never dream of enacting.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

The debates this term have not been numerous, and have certainly not been productive of interest or ability. The first meeting took place on January 21st, and the motion was "That, in the opinion of this House, it would be a mistake for Westminster to compete with those schools who direct all their energies to the passing of examinations."

Perhaps the alarming length of the motion deterred members from speaking. C. B. H. Knight proposed, and pointed out that the object of school was education, and the formation of the character for "the great battle of life." He emphasised the liberal system of education for the career of a gentleman which had prevailed at Westminster for centuries, and the wonderful roll of her fame proved it to be a success. The practice of cramming for examinations was in his opinion an injurious one, and useless for true education. His speech had evidently been hurriedly prepared and he was inclined to repeat. He was answered by B. E. Tanner, who, in his opposition, maintained that as long as the K.S.S. existed Westminster would be a classical school, and the surpassing abilities both of her classical and modern sides would always enable her to ride triumphantly the storm of examinations. He was succeeded by W. T. S. Sonnenschein, as seconder, who, besides endorsing the Proposer's remarks, thought that the system at the greater Public Schools meant far more than the mere acquisition of learning. There was the social and administrative side, which some schools did not provide. After a few unimportant remarks the House divided : Ayes, 9 : Noes, 3.

As in all the debates hardly anyone else spoke except the three appointed. Courage or ability was in abeyance.

The House met again on February 11th to discuss "That this House does not consider suicide immoral."

The proposer, L. A. Woodbridge, was unfortunately somewhat

inaudible, and read his speech too much from his notes. He upheld the suicide of people suffering from incurable diseases, or in very low spirits, as thereby society was rid of a useless encumbrance. For the same reason he looked with favour on the suicide of criminals endeavouring to evade justice and the law. Finally, he could find nothing in the Bible against suicide.

A. L. Stephen, in opposing, was more lively and forcible. God gave man life : man is infringing upon God's rights when he takes away his life. Suicide, he said, was a mere subterfuge; there is no bravery in it. Criminals can reform and no diseases are absolutely incurable. It is noble to bear up against troubles; where, he asked, would England be if she had given way to them? Finally, every nation and religion held that suicide was an immoral or illegal practise.

J. Harrison, in seconding, was short and sweet. He maintained that incurable diseases were an adequate excuse for suicide.

O. W. Lonsdale was also short. Suicide, he thought, was immoral, despite its benefit to society.

W. T. S. Sonnenschein recapitulated previous arguments, and O. B. H. Knight repeated the well-known tale of the abortive attempts of suicide of Robert Clive, and made the novel remark "that every cloud has its silver rim."

The House then divided: Ayes, 2; Noes, 10.

This was the last debate of the term. Speeches had more vigour, and speakers were forthcoming. But the great loss has been that of Ashley and Logan. On the whole the term's work has been disappointing. Four speeches was the general maximum for a debate, and were not distinguished by marked brilliancy or by cogency of argument.

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