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'FIDIMUS ELOQUIO.'

THERE lived at Rome in the reign of the Emperor Domitian a distinguished scholar named Quintilian, who wrote a book of a somewhat unnecessary length about the proper way to train an orator. It is with no wish to rival or outdo this learned gentleman that we take up our pen to write this article, nay, we even intend to borrow some of his arguments and maxims. The purpose of our effort will, we think, be quite clear to any fairly regular attendant of the School Debating Society. He cannot fail to have recognised the fact that some members of this august assembly have either forgotten the objects and benefits of such an institution or have never known them. For the purpose, then, of dispelling this ignorance, we would wish to point out briefly the aim and advantages

and review the history of that much-maligned institution, the School Debating Society.

We feel we are perfectly justified in making the statement, that of all the great public schools of England hardly one is to be found that does not possess a Debating Society and derives no little advantage therefrom. Westminster of all schools has a right to such a society, placed as it is in the near neighbourhood of the chief deliberative body of the kingdom, where some of its members enjoy the unique privilege of hearing the flower of English eloquence. It will perhaps be hardly necessary to explain the purpose of the Society. All the world knows that the higher members of the School meet once a week in the Old Library to talk on important subjects and to weigh in the balance the fate of nations. This part of our subject may be dismissed with a quotation from the

rules of the Society, where we read that 'the object of the Society is to promote a sociable interchange of ideas in the School by the holding of debates on various subjects of interest.' Such sociable interchange of ideas often furnishes abundance of healthy amusement. From this we pass to the advantages to be obtained from such sociable interchange, which are at once numerous and manifold. At the present time there are few qualities more highly valued than the gift of fluent speech and a good delivery. It is very often the case that a man has to return thanks at a public meeting, or to propose or respond to a toast at some festive gathering. If in such a case, instead of amusing and entertaining his audience with a ready flow of wit and humour clothed in fluent and appropriate language, he blushes and mumbles a few disconnected sentences, his disgrace is complete. This sort of thing is only too common. Then how often do we see in the pulpit the preacher who fails utterly from incapacity to speak extempore or from a faulty delivery? The question How are such faults to be cured? is easy of answer. A man can only learn to speak by practice, and where else could he find better opportunities of such practice than in the School Debating Society? Here he can learn to face the critical gaze and careful attention of his fellows, by which means he will soon overcome his natural shyness, and will at the same time acquire the indispensable power of thinking when on his legs. We may perhaps be allowed to quote the above-mentioned Quintilian's instruction to the would-be orator. He must first of all read, to obtain matter for his speeches and a good supply of words to express his thoughts. He should also listen to good speakers, that he may form a good style and delivery. Thirdly, and lastly, he must have practice. We have already alluded to the unusual opportunities possessed by some of the School for carrying out the second precept, while the Library and Debating Society enable us to obey the first and third. A short consideration of the history and career of the Debating Society may also prove of interest. In a very early number of *The Elizabethan* we

read that in Election Term 1866 a similar institution 'lapsed out of being,' so we must suppose this Society dates back to a very early period. Then a meeting held by the Sixth on February 22, 1875, decided to adopt a scheme for a Debating Society. This scheme, however, fell through, and for four years more the School remained without such a Society, in spite of the numerous and importunate letters in *The Elizabethan* advocating its institution. Such societies had for some time flourished Up-Grant's and among the Under-Elections in College, till in February 1879 the Sixth met together and framed the necessary rules which gave birth to the flourishing Debating Society known to Westminsters of the present day. This is not the place to speak of the oratorical talent of the School, but we are sure Westminster is not inferior to the majority of schools in that respect. We have, perhaps, no Cicero or Demosthenes among us, but there are many of whom it might be said as of Pericles of old, *in labris eorum sedisse quandam persuadendi deam*.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

WE continue the list begun in a previous issue :—

- BEALE, WILLIAM, D.D., left 1605, d. 1651. Royalist divine.
- BEAUMONT, ROBERT, d. 1567. Divine.
- BECHER, JOHN THOMAS, b. 1770, adm. 1784, left 1788, d. 1848. Clergyman and writer on social economy.
- BECKFORD, WILLIAM, b. 1709, adm. 1723, d. 1770. Alderman and twice Lord Mayor of London.
- BEDFORD, THOMAS, d. 1773. Non-juror and Church historian.
- BENNET, HENRY, EARL OF ARLINGTON, b. 1618, d. 1685. Member of the Cabal Ministry.
- BENNET, JOHN, left 1676, d. 1686. Controversial writer.
- BENNET, THOMAS, b. 1645, left 1663, d. 1681. Grammarian.
- BENTHAM, SIR SAMUEL, b. 1757, left 1771, d. 1831. Naval architect and engineer.
- BERKELEY, GEORGE, b. 1693, adm. 1708, left 1711, d. 1746. Politician.
- BERTIE, WILLOUGHBY, FOURTH EARL OF ABINGDON, b. 1740, d. 1799. Politician.
- BINGHAM, GEORGE, b. 1715, adm. 1727, left 1732, d. 1800. Divine and antiquary.
- BISBY, or BISBIE, NATHANIEL, D.D., b. 1635, left 1654, d. 1695. Divine.
- BISSETT, WILLIAM, left 1687, d. 1747. Clergyman and pamphleteer.
- BISSETT, WILLIAM, D.D., b. 1758, adm. 1771, left 1775, d. 1834. Irish bishop.

BLACKBURNE, LANCELOT, b. 1658, left 1676, d. 1743.
Archbishop of York.
BLACKMORE, Sir RICHARD, left 1668, d. 1729. Physician
and voluminous writer in verse and prose.
BLAKE, Sir FRANCIS, b. 1738, d. 1818. Political writer.
BLAKE, JOHN BRADLEY, b. 1745, d. 1773. Naturalist.
BLAKEWAY, JOHN BRICKDALE, b. 1765, adm. 1775,
left 1782, d. 1826. Topographer.

GUMBLETON ENGLISH VERSE.

1901.

'ODE TO MOUNT SINAI.'

Thou heaven-touching mount of Araby,
Whom, journeying along the wilderness
Towards far Palestine, the Hebrews saw
Raising thine everlasting loneliness
(Fit symbol of their stern, unchanging law)
Against the southern sky.
Cool seem'd thy heights, while through the long hot
day
On burning sands they toil'd, nor seem'd to come
Nearer thy slopes, where they might make their
home
Awhile—then take again their weary way.

Thou knewest Jethro and dark Zipporah
Whom Moses won, when shepherds in rough mood,
Feeding their flocks beside the mountain pool,
Evil entreated her. Often he stood
On thy grey, silent crags, while eve grew cool
And faint star follow'd star
Into the deep'ning sky, and heard the roar
Of new-rous'd lions seeking for their prey,
The scream of eagles on their nestward way,
And the far murmur of th' Arabian shore.

Here, too, upon thy grassy slopes appear'd,
While that in peace he kept his father's sheep,
The flame of God, steady and strong and bright
As candles for some Saint that vigil keep
On the white altar, burning through the night.
And Moses greatly fear'd

When from the fire there came the high command,
'Go, tell them that Jehovah hath come down:
'The might of Pharaoh shall be overthrown,
'And I will lead them to their promis'd land.'

Thou lookest over Horeb and the sand
Of far Paran, and up the Red Sea shore
To Egypt and the cities of old kings,
Where Israel toil'd all those black years before
God spake by Moses, and on heavy wings
His angel smote the land,

That, sorrowing, Pharaoh let the people go,
Heedless of all, his first-born being dead;
Fallen his stubborn pride, he bowed his head,
And by the Nile was universal woe.

O most majestic, when the thunder-cloud
Girdled thy head with blackness, and a blast
Of mighty wind swept through each rocky cleft.
Then through thy misty terrors Moses passed
To speak with God, and in the valley left

That light, forgetful crowd,
Who knew not their true Lord, but chose a calf
To lead them into Egypt, yea, so soon
Had they forgot their purpose,—as at noon
Dew fails, so they—God scatter'd them like chaff.

Thee, too, in those dim watches of the dark,
While dawn drew nigh the world, and round thee lay
In sleep the sleepless sands, oft have men seen
Stand sentinel, silent and grey and stark
Girt with high majesty, till far away
There trembled a faint sheen
Of sunlight on the desert's rim, and smote
Thy heights with fire, swift came a happy breeze,
Blown from the East across far shining seas;
Came, and so past into the wilds remote.

So soarest thou up through the realms of night,
Finger of God, that thou dost seem to pierce
Beyond the veil of Heaven and to know
Eternal things: thou hear'st the happy spheres
Sing in their perfect courses, but below
More rarely comes their light.

Through dark earth-rising mists, scarce can we see
Thy summit faintly outlined on the sky;
Still have we courage, for we know thee nigh,
Sign of what is and evermore shall be.

Even as thou is God above the earth;
And as thou lookest over many lands
Which the dry desert wastes can never know,
Even so the high eternal Spirit stands
Beholding good and evil, even so
He sendeth rain and dearth,
Knowing the end of all things; but we men
Must through the desert blindly struggle on,
Nor know how far to go, nor how far gone,
Yet can God count our still increasing gain.

F. W. H.

School Notes.

COMMEMORATION will be held this year on
November 18.

The offertory in Abbey on St. Luke's Day
amounted to £3. 2s. 8d., and on St. Simon and
St. Jude's to £2. 15s. 9d.

There was an Exeat from Friday, November 1, at
1 P.M., to Tuesday, November 5, at 9.30 A.M.

A fire-hose has been ordered for the School.

The matches against the Emeriti on November 2, and the R.M.A., Woolwich, on November 13, have been scratched, the former owing to the Exeat. The Emeriti match will be played on November 13.

The School now rejoices in a new Literary Society.

In the first round of the Junior House Matches, College beat Ashburnham 4-0.

We hear the School is to have a cadet corps. We wish the project all success.

In the second round of the Junior House Matches College beat Home-Boarders 4-2 and Grant's beat Rigaud's 0-7.

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

		1901.	
Sat.	Sept. 28	v. Clapham Rovers.	(Lost, 1-2.)
Wed.	Oct. 2	v. Old Carthusians.	(Lost, 0-8.)
Sat.	" 5	v. Casuials.	(Won, 5-4.)
"	" 12	v. H. B. Willett's XI.	(Won, 5-1.)
"	2nd XI.	v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.	(Scratched.)
"	Oct. 19	v. Old Foresters.	(Lost, 1-10.)
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.	(Won, 4-1.)
"	Oct. 26	v. Old Etonians.	(Lost, 0-10.)
Wed.	" 30	v. Brasenose Coll., Oxon.	(Won 4-1.)
Sat.	Nov. 2	v. Emeriti.	(Scratched.)
"	" 9	v. New College.	
"	2nd XI.	v. London Hospital 2nd XI.	
Wed.	Nov. 13	v. R.M.A., Woolwich.	(Scratched.)
Sat.	Nov. 16	v. Christ Church.	
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Foresters 2nd XI.	
"	Nov. 23	v. Old Westminsters.	
"	" 30	v. Old Felstedians.	
"	Dec. 7	v. Old Harrovians.	
"	2nd XI.	v. St. Bartholomew's Hospital 2nd XI.	
"	Dec. 14	v. West Kent F.C.	
		1902.	
Sat.	Jan. 18	v. Clapham Rovers.	
"	2nd XI.	v. St. Bartholomew's Hospital 2nd XI.	
"	Jan. 25	v. Old Wykehamists.	
"	2nd XI.	v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.	
"	Feb. 1	v. University College, Oxon.	
Wed.	" 5	v. Clare College, Camb.	
Sat.	" 8	v. Pembroke College, Camb.	
"	2nd XI.	v. London Hospital 2nd XI.	
Wed.	Feb. 12	v. Old Etonians.	
Sat.	" 15	v. Casuials.	
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Foresters 2nd XI.	
"	Feb. 22	v. Charterhouse (Vincent Square).	
"	Mar. 1	v. Old Brightonians.	
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.	
"	Mar. 8	v. An Eton XI.	
"	" 15	v. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.	
Wed.	" 19	v. Old Westminsters.	
Sat.	" 22	v. T.B.B. v. K.S.S.	

The following is the card of the Debating Society, with results to date:—

October 3.—That this House disapproves of the method of supplying the present deficit in the Budget by raising the Income Tax. Proposer, C. B. H. Knight; Seconder, A. N. Colville; Opposer, W. T. S. Sonnenschein. (Lost, 7-12.)

October 10.—That this House disapproves of the strengthening of the Army to the detriment of the Navy. Proposer, T. C. S. Keely; Seconder, G. T. Boag; Opposer, J. A. C. Highmore. (Carried by acclamation.)

October 17.—That this House disapproves of the public Gambling prevalent on the Continent. Proposer, F. W. Hubback; Seconder, P. H. Ormiston; Opposer, W. A. Greene. (Carried by acclamation.)

October 24.—That this House would welcome a Public School Football and Cricket League. Proposer, L. A. Woodbridge; Seconder, J. C. Vernon; Opposer, G. M. S. Oldham. (Lost, 9-10.)

October 31.—That this House disapproves of the Education of the Masses. Proposer, W. A. Greene; Seconder, E. A. Bell; Opposer, J. D. H. Dickson. (Lost 6-8.)

November 7.—That this House disapproves of Conscription. Proposer, J. A. C. Highmore; Seconder, E. E. S. B. Atherley-Jones; Opposer, F. N. Ashley.

November 14.—That in the opinion of this House the punishment of Crime in this country is conducted on totally wrong principles. Proposer, F. H. Nichols; Seconder, H. B. Philby; Opposer, A. L. Crossman.

November 21.—That in the opinion of this House Agricultural Depression is much to be deplored. Proposer, C. B. H. Knight; Seconder, P. H. Napier; Opposer, D. Robertson.

November 28.—That this House approves of Socialism. Proposer, G. Schwann; Seconder, H. Logan; Opposer, W. A. Greene.

December 3.—That in the opinion of this House the increase of Novels and Magazines is greatly to be deplored. Proposer, C. B. H. Knight; Seconder, P. H. Ormiston; Opposer, W. T. Kennedy.

December 12.—That this House approves of Corporal Punishment. Proposer, E. A. Bell; Seconder, G. Schwann; Opposer, C. A. Wood Hill.

THE WESTMINSTER SCHOOL LITERARY SOCIETY.

A SOCIETY with this name has been instituted, consisting of the following members:—

Mr. Sargeant.	F. W. Hubback.
Mr. Smedley.	C. Powers.
W. A. Greene.	P. H. Ormiston.
W. T. Kennedy.	C. B. H. Knight.
W. T. S. Sonnenschein.	L. A. Woodbridge.
J. A. C. Highmore.	E. A. Bell.

The Committee consists of the following officers:—

President, W. A. Greene; Vice-President, W. T. Kennedy; Secretary, W. T. S. Sonnenschein; Treasurer, J. A. C. Highmore.

The Society held its first meeting on Tuesday, October 29, when Sheridan's *The Critic* was read; the reading was on the whole a good one. Mr. Sargeant as 'Sneer' was good, as was also Mr. Smedley as 'Sir Fretful Plagiary.' Greene gave us a rather senile 'Mr. Dangle,' and Kennedy a most remarkably rapid 'Puff.' Sonnenschein was tender as 'Tilburian.' The smaller parts were also well rendered. Might we venture to suggest in future that members should stand when reading their parts?

POETRY.

TRANSLATIONS.

(CATULLUS, BK. I., ODE V.)

'TO LESBIA.'

Ours, my Lesbia, be life and love together,
 And all talk of the sterner, stricter elders
 Let us hold never worth a single farthing.
 Suns can set and return again to cheer us,
 But when once sets the light of our brief lifetime
 Sleep through one everlasting night awaits us.
 So give me kisses thousand, then a hundred,
 Then more, thousand yet, give a second hundred,
 Then always, yet a thousand, then a hundred,
 And last, when many thousands we have given,
 All we'll mix, that we may not know their number,
 Or that spitefully none may grudge our fortune
 When he knows that so many kisses have we.

MAY.

Ah! my beloved, let us live and love,
 And all reproaches value not above

A farthing, nor let it our love disturb
 If any stricter greybeard should reprove.

For suns, my Lesbia, can come and go,
 But nought for us eternity can show

Save one long, dark, unending night of sleep
 When once from us this fleeting life shall flow.

Give me a thousand kisses, then five score,
 Another thousand, and a hundred more,

And then again another thousand give,
 And then another hundred as before.

Then, many thousand kisses being set
 Upon thy lips, un-kiss them and forget,

Lest any evil heart should envy feel
 When that he knows how oft our lips have met.

ANON.

BALLADE.

O, be we some fantastic dream
 To entertain the gods asleep?
 Or whether from this complex scheme
 There is some harvest yet to reap?
 Or if to laugh or if to weep
 At this strange show us most behave,
 O, let us yet our courage keep—
 There's life to live and love to love.

Stand we as gods where suns down stream
 Glory on life's high joyous steep,
 Watching, where never comes a gleam,
 The wearied world for ever creep,
 A toilsome swarm, or in that deep,
 Though hopeless of the things above,
 Let us not fancy all things cheap—
 There's life to live and love to love

Tho' dull necessity's sad stream
 In endless circle all things sweep,
 Tho' fruitless prayer and incense steam
 To old dead gods, not we as sheep
 Tamely should follow, let us leap
 Beyond the fold, and freely rove,
 In highest height, in deepest deep—
 There's life to live and love to love

L'ENVOI.

Prince, ere your last sad state you keep
 In some fair field or silent grove,
 O, may you find, before you sleep,
 A life to live, a love to love.

M. W.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER *v.* CASUALS.

PLAYED Up-Fields on Saturday, October 5, and resulted in a victory for the School by 5 goals to 4. Harrison kicked off for the School at 3 o'clock. The School immediately ran down and Harrison should have scored, but his shot hit the crossbar. Soon afterwards he scored the first goal for us (1—0). After a fine run by Vernon, Coleby scored a second goal for the School. Then Deed scored for the Casuals from a corner kick (2—1). Twenty-five minutes after the start Harrison scored a third goal for the School (3—1), and a few minutes later the same player shot over when the goal was at his mercy. Half-time came with the score 3—1 in favour of the School. Immediately after the restart Lonsdale let the ball go through his legs. The School then ran down and enabled Harrison to score a fourth goal (4—2). The School still had the better of the game, and Coleby scored a fifth goal (5—2). The Casuals retaliated, and Symms and Deed scored for them (5—4), both of which shots Lonsdale might have stopped. No further scoring took place, and the School were left the victors by 5 goals to 4. For us Harrison, Coleby, and Napier were best of the forwards. Ashley and Hubback played well at half. The backs did not have much to do.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER.

W. S. Lonsdale (goal); C. Powers, A. T. Willett (backs);
 F. W. Hubback, F. N. Ashley, E. Colt-Williams (half-backs);
 J. C. Vernon, S. A. Dickson, F. I. Harrison, A. T. Coleby,
 P. H. Napier (forwards).

CASUALS.

A. S. Grant (goal); H. K. Bramley, R. Howard (backs);
 C. E. Carpenter, E. A. Belcher, A. E. Ferris (half-backs);
 L. Y. Barnby, S. C. Deed, I. F. Morris, C. Mackintosh, and
 J. M. Symms (forwards).

WESTMINSTER v. H. B. WILLETT'S XI.

Played Up-Fields on Saturday, October 12. The visitors were a weak team and played only ten men. The School won by 5—1. H. B. Willett kicked off for the visitors from the Church end at ten minutes to three. The visitors pressed at first, but the School forwards soon got together and Harrison scored our first goal about a quarter of an hour after the start. Shortly before half-time Woodbridge scored our second goal (2—0). After half-time the School pressed almost the whole time. Now and then the visitors broke away, and once they scored through H. B. Willett. Harrison, who was playing extremely well, scored three more goals for the School. He and Woodbridge combined extremely well, and they worked hard the whole time. The defence was not very severely tried. Ashley played well, and Logan made a promising first appearance. For the visitors A. S. Willett and P. Johnston played up very hard. Page's kicking seemed wilder than last year.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER.

S. A. Dickson (goal); H. Logan, A. T. Willett (backs); F. W. Hubback, F. N. Ashley, R. P. Mears (half-backs); J. C. Vernon, L. A. Woodbridge, F. I. Harrison, E. T. Corfield, E. E. S. B. Atherley-Jones (forwards).

H. B. WILLETT'S XI.

W. S. Lonsdale (goal); H. E. Cooke, C. M. Page (backs); C. Smith, P. Johnston, and M. S. Thompson (half-backs); A. R. Woodbridge, H. B. Willett, A. S. Willett, W. S. Sonnenschein (forwards).

WESTMINSTERS v. OLD FORESTERS.

This match resulted in a most disgraceful defeat for the School. The visitors brought down a strong team, which completely outplayed the School. The visitors lost the toss, and Grogono kicked off at 2.50. They immediately ran down, and through a misunderstanding Willett put the ball through his own goal (0—1). The School forwards then ran down, and Coleby scored with a brilliant shot. Up till half-time, although the visitors scored 5 more goals, the game was by no means so unequal as the score would seem to prove. The School forwards threw away many chances of scoring. For the first quarter of an hour of the second half there was a very sharp shower, which made scientific football impossible. The School forwards went altogether to pieces, with the exception of Vernon. The Old Foresters scored 4 more goals. The final score was 10—1 (Brinksley 5, Grogono 4, Guy 1) in favour of Old Foresters. Knight in goal certainly might have done better, especially in the first half. Of the backs Logan was the better, quite maintaining his form of last Saturday. The halves were quite outpaced, and did not play well. Of the forwards Vernon played extremely well. Woodbridge worked hard. Harrison and Coleby might as well have been off the field. Coleby had not played for ten days, but there was no excuse for Harrison. He was most disappointing after his excellent play in the

last two matches. Coleby and Harrison were as slack and as useless as they ever were last year. The moment the game goes against us Harrison seems to take no further interest in the game. Teams :—

WESTMINSTER.

C. B. H. Knight (goal); H. Logan, A. T. Willett (backs); F. W. Hubback, F. N. Ashley, F. S. Fleuret (half-backs); J. C. Vernon, L. A. Woodbridge, F. J. Harrison, A. T. Coleby, E. T. Corfield (forwards).

OLD FORESTERS.

T. O. R. Rees (goal); G. W. Ramsey, E. Crawley (backs); F. G. Nichols, E. C. Russell, and K. C. Nichols (half-backs); M. Miller, T. H. Brinksley, E. W. Grogono, J. K. Guy, C. Bryant (forwards).

Referee: Mr. P. H. Napier.

2ND XI. v. OLD WESTMINSTERS 2ND XI.

This match was played Up-Fields on Saturday, October 19, and resulted in a win for the School by 4 goals to 1. We withhold the full description till our next number.

THE MISSION.

MUCH help has been given in the last twelvemonth by the Rev. E. W. Pole, O.W. It is much to be desired that some other Old Westminsters would also assist. It would tend greatly to the prosperity of the Mission if two or three would undertake to come to the Mission House on one evening each a week.

Mr. Pole is getting up a cantata for a concert to be given at the Mission House in January. He wants male voices to help the boys, and instrumentalists for the orchestra. Will any Old Westminsters who are ready to help communicate with the Rev. E. W. Pole, 1 Bessborough Mansions, S.W., or with the Rev. C. Knight, 51 Gloucester Street, Warwick Square, S.W.?

EXTRACTS.

'THE LONDON CHRONICLE,' SATURDAY,
JULY 19, 1760.

FRIDAY, near 500 people, poor inhabitants of Westminster, brewers' servants, gardeners, &c., assembled near St. John's Church, Westminster, to revenge the many insults they imagined to have received from the Westminster scholars, notice of which having been sent to the masters, the scholars were all locked up.

'THE TIMES,' OCTOBER 17, 1801.

An insurrection manifested itself last week in the very heart of the Metropolis, threatening the destruction of one of our most ancient institutions.

Some of the young gentlemen of Westminster School, having been addressed with the appellation of Trencher-caps by an inhabitant of one of the streets adjoining, took vengeance of the offender by

flogging him. The man made a complaint to the master, Dr. Vincent, declaring at the same time he would seek redress at law from the principal offender. The master, zealous for the preservation of the discipline of the School, prepared to inflict corporal chastisement, and the students prepared to rebel.

Accordingly, on Friday morning, after throwing some books on the headmaster's table, they marched out of school in a body, broke the windows of Dr. Wingfield, the second master, and absented themselves from all duty for the whole of that day; but, on the next day, reflection and the advice of their friends convinced them of their folly; the culprits returned, repentant and submissive.

The principal offender, he who had been most active in flogging the man, yielded himself to punishment, and the principal instigator of the rebellion was sentenced to expulsion.

Old Westminster.

H. A. ROBERTS played in the Freshmen's match at Oxford.

S. S. Harris played in the Seniors' match at Cambridge. He has since played for the University.

F. Young is Captain of the Cambridge Association football team this year, while B. H. Willett is our only Blue at Oxford.

O. J. R. Howarth, B.A., of Christ Church, has been awarded the University Geographical Scholarship of £60 a year, offered by the University for proficiency in geographical studies.

P. T. Jones is one of the successful candidates for the Indian Civil Service.

The Rev. E. M. Tomlinson has resigned the vicarage of East Meon, which he has held since 1889.

Mr. H. Warrington Smyth has started for Johannesburg to take up his duties as secretary to the Mining Department of the Transvaal. Mr. G. W. Grant-Wilson has been chosen secretary of the Elizabethan Club in his stead.

Captain and Honorary Major the Right Honourable the Earl of Cardigan, Royal Wiltshire Imperial Yeomanry, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order.

R. K. Gaye has been elected a Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge. He was elected head of Trinity in 1896 after winning a minor scholarship there in the previous December. In 1897 he was elected to a major scholarship. In 1898 he won the second Porson Prize and the Browning Medal for a Greek Epigram, and was placed in the first division

of the first class in Part I. of the Classical Tripos. In 1900 he won the Porson Prize a second time, was Chancellor's Medallist, and obtained a first class in Part II. of the Classical Tripos.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met again on October 10, when the following motion was discussed, 'That this House disapproves of the strengthening of the Army to the detriment of the Navy.'

The PROPOSER (T. C. S. Keely), in a long and indistinct speech, began by saying that Naval defence had been a matter of vital importance to England ever since the days of Alfred. The Navy was, and always would be in spite of any army, the first line of defence. In his opinion the loss of the *Cobra* was only another reason for the strengthening of the Navy. The Army, too, would be useless for offensive purposes without the assistance of the Navy to cover a landing. The rest of the Proposer's remarks were quite inaudible.

The OPPOSER (J. A. C. Highmore) said that though he quite admitted the Proposer's arguments on the importance of Naval defence, yet that was no reason for neglecting the Army. Napoleon could have done anything he liked in Europe, he would never have been forced to abdicate, if it had not been for the drain on his resources caused by the British army in the Peninsula. The Navy, though it is the first line of defence, can rarely, if ever, satisfactorily complete a war without the assistance of an army. The Admiralty did not make proper use of the money entrusted to them. They were to be censured for the faulty construction of several new vessels. The war in S. Africa had clearly demonstrated the necessity for stringent reform in the Army.

The SECONDER (G. T. Boag) said that the three functions of the Navy were, to prevent invasion, to secure trade, and to protect the colonies. He thought that there was far more need of reform at the Admiralty than at the War Office. The Navy was not in a fit condition to successfully meet a probable coalition of European Powers.

The OPPOSER said that though he would be the last to wish the Navy to be starved, yet the Navy ought not to be strengthened to the detriment of the Army. The British Army had to defend the colonies, to be ready to take the field in support of the Navy in Europe, and to defend Great Britain against invasion.

The Debate was resumed on October 17, when Mr. NICHOLS said that the Opposer had given no reason for the fact that the Army was in a worse condition than the Navy. Experience has shown that the British Army is for quelling rebellions (*sic*). The Navy is only to be used in European Wars. He thought that the Army should be strengthened and the Navy kept at a minimum.

After some remarks by C. B. H. KNIGHT the motion was carried by acclamation.

The following motion was then discussed:— 'That this House disapproves of the public Gambling prevalent on the Continent.'

The PROPOSER (F. W. Hubback), in a speech that was amusing rather than convincing, said that gambling was a mania which was not exciting. People only lost their money while the bank gained it. He did not see why small States should be allowed to support themselves in such a dishonest way. At Monte Carlo the principal frequenters of the gambling table were fat, prosperous merchants and dowagers. He considered it a stupid way of spending one's time. The habitual gambler had always a pallid, miserable expression, as if he could think of nothing else. He concluded by saying that he thought it a most objectionable amusement.

The OPPOSER (W. A. Greene) said that it was quite evident that the Proposer had never been at a gambling place. The Proposer had said that gambling supported small States such as Monaco, but he forgot Ostend, Dieppe, &c., which certainly do not exist by gambling houses. The banks of the Casino at Ostend support a large theatre, which forms a means of attracting visitors. There are two classes of rich men who gamble—the sensible and the foolish. The foolish men deserve to lose their money. If they do not lose it at a gambling table they will probably lose it on the Stock Exchange. Gamblers are very philanthropic and would give their last shilling to a beggar. People bet with their eyes open, with full knowledge of the possibility of winning or losing. All business is more or less gambling.

The SECONDER (P. H. Ormiston) said that the Opposer's arguments were convincing. It was true gamblers do play for the sake of playing. Gambling on the Stock Exchange is limited to a minority, and most men prefer a safe investment to gambling. The risks of gambling are not confined to the gambler: his wife is left destitute; he frequently takes to drink and commits suicide. Besides, men who lose their own money very often lose other people's. A theatre in connection with a gambling saloon attracts persons to the tables. Besides public gambling, lotteries are very common on the Continent, and persons enter for them systematically.

The PROPOSER said that Mr. Carnegie, who had given £2,000,000 to the Scottish Universities, had got his money by operations on the Stock Exchange.

C. B. H. KNIGHT regretted the President's intimate knowledge of gambling. He said that gamblers' thoughts were absolutely concentrated on the gaming tables; they worried themselves to death over it. He was glad that gambling was not so prevalent in England as on the Continent. He saw no objection to a man gambling provided he did not mind losing his money.

The OPPOSER said that a man may be as much a born gambler as a born drunkard. It did not matter to him where he gambled, whether it was in a

drawing-room or at Monte Carlo. Nothing could prevent such men gambling if they wanted to. Public gambling, he thought, was better than private.

J. A. C. HIGHMORE said that no Government or anything else could stop gambling.

The SECONDER recommended that all gambling places should be closed, so that as far as possible the temptation to play might be removed.

C. B. H. KNIGHT said that all Europeans were born gamblers. He thought there was very little private gambling, but that severe measures should be taken to stop it.

The motion was carried by acclamation.

House Notes.

COLLEGE.—Little enough has happened in College since the publication of the last number. The time seems so short since H. F. Jacob and G. N. Ford left us. F. I. Harrison, A. T. Coleby, F. W. Hubback, and E. W. Colt-Williams have all played for the School, and G. L. Crowe for the 2nd XI. We must congratulate our junior team on their first victory over Ashburnham. Our Fives ties are progressing. The Chess Club tournament is proceeding at an alarming rate, and Jacob appears to have found a worthy successor. E. A. Bell has been elected a member of the School Debating Society, and we are looking forward with pleasurable anticipation to sententious speeches from him. The Literary Society have read *The Taming of the Shrew*, and are now in the midst of *Macbeth*. We noticed with pleasure that H. A. Roberts played in the Freshmen's match at Oxford. We hear with joy that H. T. Jacob has been generally distinguishing himself at Cambridge.

RIGAUD'S.—Our notes this month will be mainly composed of congratulations to Atherley-Jones and Fleuret on playing for the School; to the former on his house-colours, also to Atherley-Jones and Craig on playing for the 2nd XI. Great promise was shown by some of our juniors in a recent house game; let us hope they fulfil it in the forthcoming matches. Debating Society has proved a great success, two or three really witty speeches coming from unexpected quarters. By the time this appears in print our yard-ties will be in full swing—some good games should result.

GRANT'S.—We have not much news to chronicle this month, for though we heartily congratulate *The Elizabethan* on its new fit of punctuality (perhaps it is the new brooms that are sweeping so clean), it cuts hard on the inventors of House news. Woodbridge, Knight, and Dickson have all been playing regularly for the School, whilst H. Logan has played and keeps his place. We very heartily congratulate him on playing, as on his 3rd XI's and his House colours. Kirkpatrick played for the 2nd XI. v. Old West-

minsters 2nd XI. We are confidently expecting to get the Junior Cup, and to finish first in trials. The Literary Society have finished *The Merchant of Venice*, and are next going to tackle *The School for Scandal*. The reading is a great improvement on last year. J. D. H. Dickson has joined the select band of the School Debating Society, whilst the House one still passes its verdict on affairs of importance to the School and the nation. Vaccination has been rife.

ASHBURNHAM.—Nothing of interest has happened since the last issue, except that G. Schwann and R. Mears played for the School against Old Carthusians and Willett's XI. respectively, on which we heartily congratulate them. Our Juniors succumbed to College by four goals to nil. The match was a disappointment, as we had expected greater things from a very promising team. Conolly and Geddes were most conspicuous. Malcolm also did good work at centre-half. C. Wood Hill has been elected a member of the School Debating Society, where we hope he will soon distinguish himself. Vaccination has played havoc with the Fives ties, only one having been played, in which Colville and Conolly defeated Wells and Geddes by two—love games. We must not forget to congratulate S. S. Harris (O. A.) on playing for Cambridge University *v.* London Caledonians on October 19. We sincerely hope that this year he will succeed in getting his Blue.

HOME-BOARDERS.—Owing to vaccination, numerous fellows have lately been prevented from playing football, but the majority are well again. For the same reason our Fives ties have been unavoidably postponed. Hearty congratulations are due to E. T. Corfield on playing twice for the School and receiving his 3rd XI.'s; also to A. Davey on representing the School in the 2nd XI. match *v.* Old Westminsters 2nd XI.; he shows much promise. Besides the latter we are delighted to find several juniors in the House who are likely to do well. Among these should be mentioned Tull, Farnfield, and Graham. We also heartily congratulate P. T. Jones (O.W.) on obtaining a first-class in the Final Honour Examinations at Oxford. The news of this success arrived too late for last month's House Notes.

Marriage.

BEDFORD—HORSFALL.—On October 9, at Walmley, Albert Edward Riland Bedford, vicar of Boldmere, fifth son of the Rev. W. K. R. Bedford, to Eva Elizabeth, eldest daughter of H. H. Coldwell Horsfall, of Penns Hall, Erdington.

WATERFIELD—BAYNES.—On October 9, at Christ Church, Mayfair, Richard Waterfield, of the East Indian Financial Service, eldest son of Sir Henry Waterfield, K.C.S.I., to Isabella Kathleen Dudley White, daughter of Dr. Donald Baynes, of Hertford Street, Mayfair.

Correspondence.

FROM OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I have a bitter complaint to urge against you. Why did you send us only four Freshmen this year from Westminster—a number quite out of due proportion compared with the heavy haul made by Oxford? I can discover none but C. W. Adams, P. T. Browning, H. F. Jacob, and R. D. Kitson, all of Trinity, also F. R. Baldock, of Selwyn. We welcome them, but we wish there were more. R. K. Gaye, the senior O.W. up, has been elected to a Fellowship at Trinity. Am I right in saying that he is the first O.W. Fellow of Trinity since Professor E. V. Arnold? How envious we feel when we think that he will probably be free from examinations in the future! He is still in great request at Newnham.

R. N. R. Blaker is said to be up, but we have heard a rumour that he is going with Lord Hawke's cricket team to the West Indies in January. Does that mean that we shall not have his services against Oxford in February? F. Young takes his place as Captain of the C. U. A. F. C.; we sincerely hope that he will not be so handicapped by ill-health as he was last season.

F. R. Mills has gone down from Trinity, and N. R. Cunningham from Caius. R. Airy, who, we notice, has written a book on Westminster, and E. H. M. Cooper paid us a flying visit last term. J. Heard has abandoned the idea of the medical profession, and has not confided to us his new plans; we have our own opinion, but mum at present. C. H. Edmunds is back again, apparently none the worse for the attack of scarlet fever which robbed us of him last term. He is still a recognised authority on life in Germany and motor cars. A. A. Milne, S. S. Harris, H. S. Bompas, E. M. Eustace, and K. B. Anderson are all doing good service for their several colleges. A. S. Gaye complains of gout and old age, and has not yet appeared on the football field. R. D. Kitson is resolved to revive the glories of Westminster on the river. The other day we had the pleasure of seeing W. A. E. Stamp (O.W.), at Cambridge, playing with success for the Harlequins against the University. It is an unusual and gratifying sight to see an O.W. playing Rugby football in such good company.

Yours, &c.,

TRIN. COLL. CAMB.

THE REVIVAL OF WATER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—Could not something now be done towards the revival of rowing, as, if the School goes on increasing at the present rate, the room 'Up-Fields' will be as inadequate as that in Hall?

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,

CHARON.

[We believe steps in this matter are to be taken when the School has further increased in numbers.—ED.]

REPORTS OF MATCHES.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—May I ask why accounts of matches never appear in the *Field*, but are inserted in a paper called *Land and Water*, which scarcely anyone has ever seen or heard of? Trusting this extreme slackness in high places will cease,

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,

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[This is entirely the business of the Captain of football.—ED.]

WESTMINSTERS IN THE WAR.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—Mr. Kirkpatrick, who was at Westminster a few years ago, is in the Prince of Wales' (Yorkshire) Regiment. The Mr. Kirkpatrick to whom your correspondent Mr. Gaye alludes as in the Dragoon Guards has the same initials, but so far as I believe is not an O.W. I feel sure that Mr. Herbert Kirkpatrick, if he sees this, will not resent my correction.

F. W.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Among the list of O.W.W. who had distinguished themselves at the war, I was surprised to find omitted the name of A. H. Hogarth, Imperial Yeomanry, a member of the Football XI. 1894-6, who won the Distinguished Conduct Medal. This medal corresponds to the D.S.O. for those of commissioned rank, and is equally prized. Trooper Hogarth's medal was the reward of a conspicuously gallant act of a kind which has frequently won even higher recognition.

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,
OXFORD O. W.

FOOTBALL IN BURMA.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Rangoon: October 18, 1901.

DEAR SIR,—I have just come back from a football match played under the shadow of Sluné Dagon, the most sacred pagoda in Burma, and I think it may interest readers of *The Elizabethan* to hear how kindly the Burman takes to the Westminster game. The occasion was a charity match for the benefit of the British Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Fund, between the regimental team of the Royal Fusiliers and St. John's, an English school for Burman boys, for Jack Burman is ambitious, and gives his son a liberal education in the hope that some day he may attain to the dignity of a clerkship in the Government offices.

The teams were very different to look at, the Fusilier XI., some of them standing six feet, and all thickset and of a sturdiness which speaks well for the commissariat bread and beef and the canteen beer, while the boys were small, as Burmans usually are. One or two of them would have caused rather a sensation Up-Fields. They all wore knickerbockers instead of lungyis, but what would the 'Railings' have to say to an outside left, rejoicing in the name Moug Bah Oon, who had long hair tied up in a pink handkerchief, and went bare-foot, and who showed a fringe of tattooed skin below his shorts! The hardest kicker in the team, left full back, also preferred to play without boots, and I am not exaggerating when I say that his kicks fully equalled those of, say, C. J. M. Fox (or his equivalent nowadays) in sureness, accuracy, and vigour. . . . The Burmans, boots or no boots, seem to keep and use their feet much better than the Fusiliers. Our friend Moug Bah Oon, the long-haired outside left, put in some good middles, and so the Englishmen were beaten 2-0. One thing that struck me very much was the absolute unselfishness of the Burmans' play; for instance, a wing outside, however fast he was, would always pass to his inside man, rather than play to the gallery and run round his opponent down the line; and what is more, his inside man was always there to take the pass.

And this brings me to the Gallery. This was as enthusiastic as the Railings are at Vincent Square, and showed a wonderful knowledge of the correct game, considering that many of them were staid old Burmans, whose days even for 'chi lou' must long have passed. The game was followed most closely, and when anything exciting or disappointing took place there was a regular roar of 'Amal,' the expression the Burman invariably uses to give vent to his feelings; and when the boys got a goal the scene and noise was just what one was accustomed to when Westminster scored against Charterhouse—old men screaming, young men beating each other in their excitement, and the small boys dancing madly up and down in front yelling shrilly the popular tune from the 'Piné' (the theatrical performance of the country). And the European spectators were just as keenly interested as the Burmans; when the ball on one occasion was kicked over the enclosure I heard a man sitting behind me say, 'Good; now I shall have time to light a cheroot.'

You see that in Burma Association has caught on thoroughly—not so Rugby—and though we cannot all still get our match or even game every week, yet we can see the game under the very best conditions, where professionalism is unknown, and the game is played for the game's sake, and this ought to continue as long as the character of the Burman remains what it is. It always strikes me as rather hard lines on Jack Burman that in Mr. Rudyard Kipling's best-known poem on this country he says, 'East of Suez, where the best is like the worst.' I venture to entirely disagree from such pessimism. I have seen all sorts and conditions of men from Aden nearly to Siam, and the best are very far from being like the worst; and among the best I reckon the Burman and the Gurkha—but that is another story.

I am, Mr. Editor,
Yours truly,
ARTHUR L. LONGHURST.

A MEMORIAL TO DR. RUTHERFORD.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—In view of the frequent overcrowding of the Library in the evenings and on wet afternoons, and also of the rapidly increasing numbers of the School, I venture to bring before your readers and all interested in the School the following proposal: to level the roof of the carpentry shop, and on it to build a room as an addition to the Library, communication with this room being obtained through the little disused room leading out of the Coin Room; further, to call this room the Rutherford Room. If the O.W.W. have not yet definitely decided how to perpetuate Dr. Rutherford's headmastership by a building, I think my proposal would be worth their consideration. The Scott Library was started in memory of Dr. Scott, and as such is the creation of Dr. Rutherford's residence at Westminster. Why not add to his work a handsome and useful room dedicated to his memory?

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,
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