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## VALE.

OF all the occasions on which much should be thought and little said, that of leaving school surely stands foremost. For the Editor of the *ELIZABETHAN*, indeed, it means a new lease of life, and he feels freed from the terror of a vampire that sucks his very life blood—a creature which causes him no great sorrow when he hands it on to its next keeper. But even for the Editor this seems the only joy in leaving, and we who have spent five or six years at Westminster, absorbing the best from our unique surroundings, are sometimes prone to unbecoming sentimentality. For the Editor, as we have seen, the resignation of his organ precludes all chance of sickly reflections, but there may conceivably be other people who have been foolish enough to count the number of days to the end of the term, and to reflect that at such and such a moment they will cease to be intimate members of a society which they have known and cherished so dearly, and pass into what seem the Olympian ranks of the Old Westminsters. To such we would say that they

should rather reflect on the greatness of the School and feel pride at their share in its activities. Westminster is a school where there is a tradition of spirit far more valuable than any tradition of custom. Custom does indeed sometimes prove a useful vehicle for this spirit, but the School's ancient setting performs this function even better; it is at once a remembrance of work to be done, and a history of work achieved. The School must, of course, suffer small changes in externals; but short of leaving its old surroundings, nothing can damage its spiritual legacy, at once healthy and virile. We must, therefore, feel thankful and hopeful when we echo the traditional message of good fortune to the generations of our successors.

FLOREAT.

## School Notes.

OWING to infectious illness at both Charterhouse and Sherborne, it was unfortunately found necessary to scratch the fixtures against these Schools.

The Masonic Essay Prize and the Phillimore Essay Prize were won by H. B. Ripman.

The Senior Cheyne Arithmetic Prize was won by T. H. S. Wyllie, and the Junior by Campbell.

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### THE CHALLENGE.

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THE following candidates have been recommended for election:—

#### *To Resident Scholarships.*

- A. F. Stephenson, from Bedford School.  
 R. H. Vigor, from the Abbey School, Beckenham.  
 T. R. Crook, from Westminster School, and Mr. Lord, Merton Court, Foot's Cray.  
 J. F. B. Stevens, from Gate House School, Kingston Hill.  
 W. R. S. Doll, from Westminster School, and Mr. Gibbs, Sloane Street.

#### *To Non-resident Scholarships.*

- E. C. Baughan, from Westminster School and Seabrook Lodge, Hythe.  
 P. Hacker, from Westminster School, and Mr. Gladstone, Cliveden Place.

#### *To Exhibitions.*

- I. C. W. Jutte, from Gate House School, Kingston Hill.  
 E. R. Smith, from Mr. Gladstone, Cliveden Place.  
 R. C. Terry, from Mr. Pearce, Ealing.

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### INFORMAL CONCERT.

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ON Monday, June 20, an interesting Informal Concert took place up School. The most noticeable thing was the variety of instruments played; we also heard an unusual thing in two tenor solos. The first item was the first movement of Schumann's Quintet in E flat for Piano and Strings, played by Engleheart, Negus, Hacker, Martin and Makower. To open the programme is no enviable task; the audience is probably avid for music, and unduly critical. It is true that here technical finesse was not conspicuous, but a certain dogged and brutal resolution carried it through safely. Next came ten Doesschate with the Gavotte in D by Bach. This performance was characterised by a beautiful delicacy of touch, and this, together with a good appreciation of tone, entirely avoided any monotony likely to be occasioned by this music-form. Kallas with his horn was heroic. 'Rêveries' are at any time difficult in their sentimentality, and Glazounow's certainly presents great difficulties to the horn.

Lewis and Fouracre played Number 2 of Grieg's Norwegian Dances, and played it delightfully, and the light insistence on rhythm, together with a certain all round sparkle of execution, were much appreciated. Bach's Prelude in C, so often heard with Gounod's 'Méditation,' loses by its very familiarity unless handled ably. Straker did so, and his playing was very creditable, being neither sickly nor flippant. Played thus well, it is sheer joy all through. Thomson, with Brahms' Valse in E, was somewhat uncertain as to his notes, and this particular piece of Brahms inevitably sounded rather blatant after the previous item. Fouracre had by this time abandoned the piano for the trumpet, and he played the Choral from Bach's 'Sleepers, wake!' He played it well and without faltering; here a word of praise must be given also to Lewis' accompaniment, in a piece where the piano says infinitely more than the trumpet. He played throughout with due restraint and appropriateness, and did not monopolise our attention. Negus played an old friend in Beethoven's Violin Minuet. This charming thing is often spoilt by excessive use of an open string at the ends of the phrases, and when strings go flat . . . Except in this, Negus' performance was finished, and feeling. Brahms' Ballade in D Minor is a grand piece of music, and seems to call for an organ for its interpretation; Bridgewater gave us the nearest approach to this on the piano, and played very finely. Barlow's two tenor solos, 'Where'er you walk' (Handel) and 'The Vagabond' (Vaughan Williams) were more spontaneous than anything else in the programme. Singing is an art much neglected, and many a boy un-instructed in instrumental music might well give his attention to singing. The enunciation of words was not perfect, but in all else Barlow showed appreciation and discrimination in what he sang. The programme ended with Mendelssohn's First Movement from Sonata in D for 'Cello and Piano, played by Makower. He appeared to be very nearly note-perfect; of his expression it was difficult to judge, owing to the healthy exuberance of Mr. Lofthouse's accompaniment! A 'cello is at its best on the low strings, and these were somewhat covered up.

Altogether a very good concert, for which we must thank Mr. Lofthouse and his musicians heartily.

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### MUSIC COMPETITIONS.

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THE Music Competitions took place on Friday, July 1. The individual events during the morning were adjudicated by Miss Jane Joseph and Mr.

Carrit in the Music School, and to them we owe our thanks for their keen and helpful criticisms as well as our apologies for the rush which was unavoidable if the morning events were to be concluded satisfactorily. Perhaps the best performances were Gibson's Piano Solo and a duet played with remarkable vigour and lightness of touch by Bridgewater and Engleheart. Other winners were Negus (Instrumental Solo and Sight-reading); Gibson (Piano Sight-reading); Engleheart (Piano Solo under 15), and Sutherland (Solo Singing). The combined events were held up School at 4.15 p.m., and a pleasing number of visitors was present. Dr. Percy Buck had kindly consented to judge, and from the first moment captured audience and performers alike with his delicate humour and intimate way of talking. The piece chosen for the House Quartets this year—a rather more difficult one than those of recent years—was Purcell's "Fairest Isle." King's Scholars gained first and second places, with Home Boarders third. In the House Unison Choirs, too, King's Scholars were placed first, and were commended by Dr. Buck for the 'colour' and variety of tone they secured in what was certainly a very lively rendering of 'Spanish Ladies.' Grant's, who sang with considerable vigour, conveyed to their audience better than any other choir the essential light-heartedness of the piece, but did not manage to sustain the interest to the end and were placed second, beating Ashburnham by a narrow margin. In the House Orchestras, Mendelssohn's 'Cornelius' March was the piece selected, and few, if any, opportunities were missed by any of the Houses competing, and Dr. Buck expressed himself particularly well pleased with the standard achieved. Grant's deservedly won this event with a rather larger orchestra at their command, and King's Scholars and Home Boarders were awarded second place. In the Chamber Music it had been decided to leave the choice of piece to the discretion of the performers, and the arrangement was fully justified with regard to each piece that was played. It was in this event that the outstanding performance of the afternoon was heard, when the Brass Quartet entered by Grant's won an easy first with the first movement of Beethoven's Three Æquales. Grant's were also awarded third place with a piece by Corelli, while King's Scholars were second with a spirited performance of Handel's 'Samson' Minuet. We have to thank Dr. Buck for his kind and encouraging remarks on the School's music and, in particular, on the various events which he submitted to judge. The House Cup was awarded, as last year, on the combined results of all the competitions, and King's Scholars with a total of 202 points won it from Grant's, who were second with 145 points.

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS FUND ACCOUNT.

<i>Credit.</i>	£	s.	d.	<i>Debit.</i>	£	s.	d.
J. Spedan Lewis, Esq.	21	0	0	Oboe and Case	24	0	0
G. Murray Hill, Esq.	21	0	0	Pair of Drums,			
I. F. Smedley, Esq.	1	0	0	Covers and			
Various ...	4	14	6	Sticks ...	31	5	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>£47</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>55</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<i>Debit</i> balance		7	11				
	<b>£55</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>				

(Signed) C. T. L.  
E. F. B.

We must not omit to record the generous action of Sir George Sutherland, who defrayed the debit outstanding last year, a sum of thirteen guineas.

It is hoped that in the near future it will be found possible to purchase a bassoon, a horn, and a viola.

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THE FIELDS.WESTMINSTER v. HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE.  
(Lost.)

Played May 28.

## HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE

J. Jefferson, c Wakely, b Symington ...	...	...	...	1
Capt. A. O. J. Hope, c and b Evetts ...	...	...	...	24
T. Bevan, c Paulson, b Gardiner ...	...	...	...	17
C. M. D. Venables-Llewelyn, run out ...	...	...	...	12
Capt. T. B. Trappes-Lomax, b Evetts ...	...	...	...	3
J. C. Lewis, c Aitken, b Paulson ...	...	...	...	0
Major J. S. Hughes, c Wakely, b Paulson ...	...	...	...	0
J. U. Hogarth, b Cook ...	...	...	...	34
Capt. G. A. I. Dury, c Cook, b Paulson ...	...	...	...	40
Capt. G. M. Cornish, not out ...	...	...	...	13
Major J. S. N. Fitzgerald, b Symington ...	...	...	...	7
Extras ...	...	...	...	9
				<b>Total ... 160</b>

*Bowling.*—Wakely, 6-1-20-0; Symington, 14-5-29-2; Gardiner, 6-1-22-1; Evetts, 13-1-43-2; Paulson, 14-4-29-; Cook, 3-1-8-1.

## WESTMINSTER.

J. W. M. Aitken, c Trappes-Lomax, b Dury ...	...	...	...	4
D. A. Bompas, c Dury, b Fitzgerald ...	...	...	...	0
K. J. Gardiner, st Hogarth, b Fitzgerald ...	...	...	...	2
J. A. Cook, b Dury ...	...	...	...	4
N. L. Foster, b Dury ...	...	...	...	14
I. W. A. Symington, c Venables-Llewelyn, b Fitzgerald ...	...	...	...	0
J. A. Evetts, b Hughes ...	...	...	...	11
H. B. Graham, c Trappes-Lomax, b Fitzgerald ...	...	...	...	5
H. L. Jones, c and b Cornish ...	...	...	...	18
L. J. D. Wakely, c Trappes-Lomax, b Hughes ...	...	...	...	6
G. M. E. Paulson, not out ...	...	...	...	0
Extras ...	...	...	...	6
				<b>Total ... 70</b>

*Bowling.*—Capt. Dury, 17-9-28-3; Major Fitzgerald, 16-5-22-4; Major Hughes, 4-2-9-2; Capt. Cornish, 3-0-5-1.

WESTMINSTER *v.* I ZINGARI.

(Lost.)

Played Tuesday, May 31.

## WESTMINSTER.

J. W. M. Aitken, b Ormerod ... ..	2
D. A. Bompas, b Ormerod ... ..	47
K. J. Gardiner, b Ormerod ... ..	0
J. A. Cook, b Ormerod ... ..	24
N. L. Foster, c Hill-Wood, b Bardsley ... ..	7
I. W. A. Symington, c and b Ormerod ... ..	19
J. A. Evetts, lbw b Hill-Wood ... ..	10
H. B. Graham, c Hill-Wood, b Wynyard ... ..	18
H. L. Jones, c Ormerod, b Fox ... ..	2
L. J. D. Wakely, c Ormerod, b Hill-Wood ... ..	10
G. M. E. Paulson, not out ... ..	2
Extras ... ..	18

Total ... 159

*Bowling.*—Major Ormerod, 14-1-47-5; Major Aubrey-Fletcher, 17-7-31-0; R. V. Barsley, 4-0-18-1; Capt. Wynyard, 6-1-16-1; P. R. Johnson, 3-0-9-0; R. H. Fox, 4-1-6-1; D. J. Hill-Wood, 4-5-0-14-2.

## I ZINGARI.

P. R. Johnson, b Wakely ... ..	2
R. H. Fox, b Wakely ... ..	9
R. V. Bardsley, b Paulson ... ..	81
Major G. le Roy Burnham, c Wakely, b Cook ... ..	70
N. J. Mordaunt, b Paulson ... ..	0
D. J. Hill-Wood, b Paulson ... ..	3
E. H. Tattersall, b Paulson ... ..	0
Major Ormerod, b Paulson ... ..	10
Major H. L. Aubrey-Fletcher, b Evetts ... ..	6
Major C. Macrae, b Paulson ... ..	5
Major E. Wynyard, not out ... ..	2
Extras ... ..	7

Total ... 195

*Bowling.*—Wakely, 6-1-26-2; Symington, 4-1-22-0; Gardiner, 2-0-17-0; Foster, 3-0-29-0; Evetts, 6-0-34-1; Paulson, 13.5-4-24-6; Cook, 7-0-36-1.

WESTMINSTER *v.* LORDS AND COMMONS C.C.

(Drawn.)

Played Thursday, June 16.

## WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, c Hope, b Campbell ... ..	39
H. L. Jones, b Hogbin ... ..	11
K. J. Gardiner, b Braithwaite ... ..	17
J. A. Cook, c Hope, b Lloyd-George ... ..	95
N. L. Foster, c Everard, b Hope ... ..	8
J. W. M. Aitken, not out ... ..	59
I. W. A. Symington, lbw b Hogbin ... ..	35
G. M. E. Paulson, not out ... ..	22
Extras ... ..	22

Total (for 6 wickets dec.) ... 308

H. B. Graham, J. A. Evetts and L. J. D. Wakely did not bat.

*Bowling.*—H. C. Hogbin, 22-4-112-2; C. Bray, 6-1-17-0; E. T. Campbell, 15-2-61-1; Capt. Hope, 4-0-33-1; Major Lloyd-George, 6-0-38-1; Major Braithwaite, 2-0-25-1.

## LORDS AND COMMONS C.C.

Captain Metcalfe, b Paulson ... ..	15
Major Everard, c and b Evetts ... ..	18
C. Bray, c Gardiner, b Foster ... ..	55
Capt. A. O. J. Hope, not out ... ..	48
Col. Moore Brabazon, c Graham, b Foster ... ..	15
Lord Harris, c sub b Foster ... ..	7
Lord Curzon, not out ... ..	2
Extras ... ..	18

Total (for 5 wickets) ... 178

Major Lloyd-George, H. C. Hogbin, E. T. Campbell and Major Braithwaite did not bat.

*Bowling.*—Wakely, 7-1-14-0; Symington, 2-0-13-0; Paulson, 9-3-16-1; Gardiner, 9-1-44-0; Foster, 13-1-40-3; Evetts, 7-0-25-1.

WESTMINSTER *v.* WELLINGTON.

(Lost.)

Played June 4. Wellington won the toss and batted on a hard wicket, which gave little or no help to the bowlers. The first pair batted freely and scored 56 before they were separated. Although Cook tried seven bowlers before lunch, the score was 120 for 3 (all to Paulson) at the interval. Another wicket fell shortly after, and with the score at 159 for 4 Symington and Gardiner brought about a surprising collapse, 5 wickets falling in 5 overs for 8 runs. The last wicket pair by hard hitting took the score to 192 (incidentally winning the match), when Wakely went on for Gardiner and Paulson for Symington. Paulson missed a hard drive off his third ball, but in the same over Graham at mid-off held a very similar catch.

When Westminster went in the light became very bad and a desultory drizzle began. Bompas edged a ball into slip's hands at 5 and Aitken and H. L. Jones after some confident batting were out in quick succession. A few runs later Cook was bowled and Gardiner brilliantly caught on the leg. Foster made a few good strokes, but eventually cocked one up to silly point with the score at 65 for 6. Evetts and Symington then came together and by careful batting took the score to 149, when Evetts was caught at the wicket for a splendid 46, scored mostly behind the wicket. Symington, on being joined by Graham, made some big hits to the off and offered a hard chance to long off, who, however, did well to get his hand to it at all. Graham turned one ball nicely to the long leg boundary, but was leg before in attempting a similar stroke. Wakely got two full pitches away to the leg boundary, but at 175 Symington was cleaned bowled for a very good 51. With only 15 runs needed to win Paulson pushed an easy catch to silly point, who held it, some twenty minutes from time.

For the winners, C. P. Hamilton played well for 44, while of their bowlers P. F. Garthwaite most

troubled our batsmen, dismissing five of them for 58. Westminster, through beaten, showed that two batsmen, both under sixteen, could defy this good bowling; it was disappointing that the necessary sixteen runs should not be forthcoming through the inconsistency of the other batsmen, although it in no way affected the enjoyment of a most exciting match.

WELLINGTON

A. A. Benn, c and b Paulson ... ..	25
C. P. Hamilton, st Bompas, b Paulson ... ..	44
T. J. R. Dashwood, c Foster, b Paulson ... ..	8
C. C. Garthwaite, c Paulson, b Symington ... ..	28
J. Q. Wood, b Gardiner... ..	35
A. C. Hamilton, b Gardiner ... ..	12
P. F. Garthwaite, lbw b Symington ... ..	1
C. E. Godley, lbw b Symington ... ..	0
H. C. B. Berens, b Symington ... ..	1
A. Corbett, c Graham, b Paulson ... ..	23
D. A. Affleck-Graves, not out ... ..	5
Extras ... ..	14

Total ... 196

*Bowling.*—Wakely, 8-2-24-0; Symington, 16-5-38-4; Gardiner, 14-1-45-2; Paulson, 12-5-3-35-4; Evetts, 8-3-9-0; Foster, 7-1-21-0; Cook, 6-1-10-0.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, c C. C. Garthwaite, b P. F. Garthwaite ... ..	4
H. L. Jones, lbw b Affleck-Graves ... ..	11
J. W. M. Aitken, b Affleck-Graves ... ..	15
J. A. Cook, b Affleck-Graves ... ..	2
K. J. Gardiner, c Affleck-Graves, b Berens ... ..	2
N. L. Foster, c C. C. Garthwaite, b P. F. Garthwaite ... ..	46
J. A. Evetts, c Corbett, b P. F. Garthwaite ... ..	9
I. W. A. Symington, b P. F. Garthwaite ... ..	51
H. B. Graham, lbw b C. C. Garthwaite ... ..	8
L. J. D. Wakely, not out ... ..	12
G. M. E. Paulson, c C. C. Garthwaite, b P. F. Garthwaite ... ..	3
Extras ... ..	18

Total ... 181

*Bowling.*—C. C. Garthwaite, 16-4-35-1; H. C. B. Berens, 10-4-17-1; P. F. Garthwaite, 21-4-5-58-5; A. C. Hamilton, 6-1-20-0; D. A. Affleck-Graves, 13-3-23-3; A. A. Benn, 2-0-10-0.

WESTMINSTER v. FREE FORESTERS C.C.

(Lost.)

Played Saturday, June 18.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, c Hunt, b Crutchley ... ..	15
H. L. Jones, b Doggart ... ..	18
K. J. Gardiner, b Doggart ... ..	13
N. L. Foster, c Masterman, b Crutchley ... ..	31
J. W. M. Aitken, retired hurt ... ..	13
I. W. A. Symington, c and b Masterman ... ..	20
J. A. Evetts, lbw b Impey ... ..	10
H. B. Graham, b Doggart ... ..	3
L. J. D. Wakely, c Masterman, b Doggart ... ..	0
W. P. Mallinson, lbw b Doggart ... ..	0
G. M. E. Paulson, not out ... ..	0
Extras ... ..	9

Total ... 132

*Bowling.*—A. G. Doggart, 22-6-49-5; Capt. Graves, 6-1-15-0; G. E. V. Crutchley, 14-2-44-2; M. Impey, 6-2-9-1; J. C. Masterman, 8-4-5-1.

FREE FORESTERS C.C.

F. H. Hollins, c Gardiner, b Evetts ... ..	44
F. D. Howie, c sub b Foster ... ..	25
Capt. H. Gardiner, c sub b Evetts ... ..	29
G. E. V. Crutchley, not out ... ..	27
Lord Hyde, not out ... ..	23
Extras ... ..	4

Total (for 3 wickets) ... 152

S. W. Beadle, T. C. Hunt, A. G. Doggart, M. E. Impey, Capt. G. C. Graves and J. C. Masterman did not bat.

*Bowling.*—Wakely, 7-2-18-0; Symington, 11-4-26-0; Foster, 8-0-39-1; Paulson, 4-0-20-0; Gardiner, 5-1-20-0; Evetts, 3-0-25-2.

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C.

(Won).

Played Saturday, June 25.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, b Maude ... ..	57
K. J. Gardiner, st Bankes, b Maude ... ..	23
H. L. Jones, c Youngusband, b Maude ... ..	1
N. L. Foster, lbw b King ... ..	0
J. A. Cook, lbw b Pfeiffer ... ..	10
J. W. M. Aitken, b Fowler ... ..	5
I. W. A. Symington, c Youngusband, b Pfeiffer ... ..	5
J. A. Evetts, run out ... ..	45
J. K. Luard, b Fowler ... ..	55
H. B. Graham, not out ... ..	2
G. M. E. Paulson, not out ... ..	7
Extras ... ..	20

Total (for 9 wickets dec.) ... 230

*Bowling.*—Capt. Pfeiffer, 18-3-48-2; L. R. Percival, 9-0-27-0; Col. G. C. Maude, 18-6-40-3; R. H. King, 15-1-43-1; A. Fowler, 20-4-43-2; G. A. Ridley, 3-0-9-0.

M.C.C.

Col. G. C. Maude, b Symington ... ..	5
Capt. G. E. Youngusband, b Cook ... ..	7
R. H. King, c Cook, b Foster ... ..	49
G. A. Ridley, lbw b Paulson ... ..	0
R. G. S. Bankes, c Cook, b Paulson ... ..	0
H. R. Blaker, c Paulson, b Evetts ... ..	1
L. R. Percival, b Paulson ... ..	19
Capt. Pfeiffer, b Evetts ... ..	0
L. A. M. Fevez, c Symington, b Evetts ... ..	5
A. Fowler, c Paulson, b Gardiner ... ..	13
E. A. Bennett, not out ... ..	0
Extras ... ..	7

Total ... 106

*Bowling.*—Cook, 4-0-7-1; Symington, 7-1-31-1; Gardiner, 5-3-1-15-1; Paulson, 5-3-17-3; Evetts, 5-0-25-3; Foster, 2-0-4-1.

WESTMINSTER v. MALVERN.

(Lost.)

Played June 21 and 22 at Malvern. We went down to Malvern without Cook, who was doing an exam. up at Cambridge, and this fact seemed to

affect the whole side, inasmuch as the batting display we gave in both innings was poor in the extreme. There had been rain overnight and in the early morning, and the wicket if not difficult was by no means conducive to run-getting. We won the toss and decided to bat. Our opening was disastrous, Bompas and Jones being both dismissed in Bradshaw's first over. Both seemed to mistime their shots completely, although Jones' ball appeared to be rather a good one. Upset by these two disasters, Foster offered no resistance, and Aitken, who had joined Gardiner after shaping well for a few overs and appearing to be well dug-in, got another snorter from Bradshaw. With Symington and Gardiner together the best partnership of the innings commenced. The former keeps a beautifully straight bat and hits the loose ball very hard, but he does not yet quite get his left leg far enough across and is apt to put the ball into the air at times. Gardiner, though never sound, is an extraordinarily pretty and fast-scoring player, his cutting being his strong point. His defence is weak, however, and needs improving. After these two were out, both rather unluckily, no one else offered any resistance, and the side was out for 114. This was a bad score admittedly, but it must be remembered that we had against us two very good bowlers in Bradshaw and Nunneley. The former keeps an immaculate length and most of his balls are dead straight, whilst he can vary his pace and swing very cleverly. Malvern had half an hour before lunch and scored 18 without loss. Gardiner was bowling very fast and dismissed Pyne almost directly after the resumption. Shebbeare and Bradshaw at once set about the bowling, which lacked length, Evetts in particular coming in for punishment. The Malvern ground is so narrow that hits that at Vincent Square might be caught in the deep go right out of the ground among the spectators. But eventually Shebbeare was bowled, and Pullan and Illingworth did not stay long. Short, however, batted well, and Bradshaw continued to hit hard until Paulson held a hard return. Perhaps the best batting form of the day was shown by the younger Bradshaw. He has an excellent defence and hits the bad balls even harder than his brother. Malvern were all out for 278, 164 runs ahead of us.

Of our bowlers Graham was perhaps the best. He kept a good length and varied his pace well. Gardiner bowled well at first, and Foster, although he had to bowl his slows into a gale which was so strong that both bowling screens were blown down, did quite well. Paulson came out with the best figures, but his length was bad and he bowled far too many loose balls. The fielding was good, even

better than our opponents, and the picking-up clean, and the throws well directed.

Our second innings commenced just as disastrously as our first, although there was nothing wrong with the wicket. Bompas was caught at the wicket, Jones was bowled and Gardiner and Foster both failing and Evetts and Graham only collecting 2 between them, 6 wickets were down for 30 when stumps were drawn. Next day Symington was soon out, and Aitken, who had hurt his elbow while fielding, and Mallinson made a plucky stand, but they were never really happy, and when Mallinson got out there was no one to support Aitken. Paulson stuck for a time, but to no purpose, and we were all out for 94 before lunch.

We may not be a good side, but certainly our display was not indicative of the general standard of the batting. Perhaps the cause of our batting failure was the fact that as soon as the first two batsmen got out so cheaply panic seized the rest. However there is no need to despair, as next year we shall still have many of the side left, and we may then be able to win our first victory over Malvern.

## WESTMINSTER—FIRST INNINGS.

D. A. Bompas, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	...	...	1
H. L. Jones, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	...	...	0
K. J. Gardiner, c Pullan, b Patchett	...	...	...	47
N. L. Foster, c Patchett, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	...	...	3
J. W. M. Aitken, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	...	...	13
I. W. A. Symington, c Illingworth, b Nunnely	...	...	...	25
J. A. Evetts, b Nunnely	...	...	...	1
H. B. Graham, not out	...	...	...	8
L. J. D. Wakely, b Nunnely	...	...	...	0
G. M. E. Paulson, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	...	...	1
W. P. Mallinson, b Nunnely	...	...	...	7
Extras	...	...	...	8
Total	...	...	...	114

*Bowling.*—Bradshaw (W. H.), 17-3-39-5; Nunnely, 16.1-2-43-4; Illingworth, 7-2-13-0; Patchett, 7-0-11-1.

## MALVERN.

J. M. Pyne, b Gardiner	...	...	...	9
R. A. Shebbeare, b Paulson	...	...	...	22
W. H. Bradshaw, c and b Paulson	...	...	...	76
C. D. A. Pullan, c Jones, b Evetts	...	...	...	21
M. Illingworth, b Foster	...	...	...	1
J. F. E. Short, c Bompas, b Graham	...	...	...	40
R. M. Bradshaw, c Paulson, b Foster	...	...	...	66
R. Carmichael, c Paulson, b Graham	...	...	...	10
J. Patchett, b Paulson	...	...	...	13
G. B. H. Horrocks, b Paulson	...	...	...	4
L. C. Nunnely, not out	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	16
Total	...	...	...	278

*Bowling.*—Evetts, 6-0-40-1; Gardiner, 15-1-45-1; Symington, 11-1-38-0; Paulson, 8.3-0-43-4; Wakely, 8-2-23-0; Foster, 7-0-29-2; Mallinson, 2-0-22-0; Graham, 9-4-22-2.

WESTMINSTER—SECOND INNINGS.

D. A. Bompas, c Horrocks, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	4
H. L. Jones, b Nunnely	...	0
K. J. Gardiner, c Shebbeare, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	3
N. L. Foster, b Nunnely	...	1
J. A. Evetts, b Nunnely	...	1
I. W. A. Symington, c Bradshaw (W. H.), b Illingworth	...	20
H. B. Graham, b Nunnely	...	1
L. J. D. Wakely, b Carmichael	...	7
W. P. Mallinson, lbw, b Nunnely	...	10
J. W. M. Aitken, not out	...	23
G. M. E. Paulson, b Bradshaw (W. H.)	...	12
Extras	...	11
Total	...	93

*Bowling.*—Bradshaw (W. H.), 12.5-3-30-3; Nunnely, 20-7-37-5; Illingworth, 9-3-14-1; Carmichael, 1-1-0-1.

WESTMINSTER v. RADLEY.

(Lost.)

Played June 28, at Radley.

In the morning when we left London it looked as though this match was certain to be spoilt by rain; but surprisingly the weather cleared, and at Radley the sun was shining when Cook won the toss for Westminster. It was perhaps not a very good toss to win, since there was still some moisture in the wicket, and, provided no more rain fell, it was certain to get faster as the day wore on. There was, however, no question of putting the other side in, since there was little likelihood of the wicket proving to be at all "sticky," and, anyway, it is a dangerous policy under the most favourable circumstances.

Westminster, as has been their depressing habit throughout the season, started badly, Bompas being clean bowled by what looked to me like a slow half-volley. Symington, Foster and Cook were all quickly dismissed and half the side were out for under 50 runs. For this disastrous start it was impossible to blame the wicket. I never saw one ball turn sharply, and only one kicked up. Symington and Cook might perhaps with justice feel a little aggrieved at being got rid of by two such magnificent catches. I don't think I have ever seen a better c and b than the full drive, two inches off the ground, which Jeffreys picked up to dismiss Symington. Meanwhile Gardiner, who had gone in number one, had been playing a free, confident game in marked contrast to the timidity of the other batsmen. When he was joined by Evetts, I looked hopefully to see a stand made, since this young cricketer has on most occasions stayed in at a crisis. This time, however, it was not to be, for Evetts was bowled almost at once by a length ball at which he played far too late.

The only stand of any real length was that between Gardiner and Graham; Graham's knock was an invaluable one. Gardiner eventually reached his century and was caught at mid-on off a full pitch directly afterwards. To him we owed over half our runs. At times he played really well, and he was always making strokes, but one always felt that he was in danger from the slips. Fortunately, however, the Radley slip fielders had a bad day off, and Gardiner's innings continued until he was ninth out. He showed clearly that he possesses nearly all the strokes: it is a pity that he cannot become a little more sound.

The Westminster innings closed for 184, and from the start Radley always looked like getting them. They, too, owed a great deal to one batsman, Adams, who going in first wicket down played with the utmost confidence and got right on top of the bowling, which suffered consequently in length. Gardiner followed up his century by bowling more consistently than the others, but none of them looked dangerous on a wicket which had rolled out quite plumb.

The fielding on both sides—with the exception of the Radley slip-fielders—was good. Adams and Foster, the two cover-points, were excellent, and covered any amount of ground.—C. H. T.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, b Jeffreys	...	0
K. J. Gardiner, c Miller, b Jeffreys	...	100
I. W. A. Symington, c and b Jeffreys	...	0
N. L. Foster, c and b Jeffreys	...	13
J. A. Cook, c and b Baddeley	...	2
J. A. Evetts, b Baddeley	...	1
J. W. M. Aitken, b Blunt	...	10
J. K. Luard, b Jeffreys	...	4
H. L. Jones, c Henderson, b Jeffreys	...	13
H. B. Graham, not out	...	18
G. M. E. Paulson, b Miller	...	7
Extras	...	16
Total	...	184

*Bowling.*—Baddeley, 20-4-57-2; Jeffreys, 21-2-58-6; Miller, 9.3-1-22-1; Blunt, 7-2-19-1; Adams, 3-1-14-0.

RADLEY.

P. J. Jeffreys, b Gardiner	...	7
R. A. Henderson, c Luard, b Gardiner	...	10
G. C. A. Adams, c Cook, b Graham	...	86
P. T. Miller, run out	...	13
W. K. Rogers, c Bompas, b Gardiner	...	37
P. I. van der Gucht, not out	...	17
C. G. Hearn, c Foster, b Graham	...	7
C. M. Blunt, not out	...	5
Extras	...	3
Total (for 6 wickets)	...	185

*Bowling.*—Cook, 4-2-3-0; Symington, 7-1-26-0; Paulson, 6-1-20-0; Gardiner, 19.1-5-64-3; Evetts, 3-0-18-0; Foster, 6-1-23-0; Graham, 9-1-27-2.

### FIXTURE CARD.—UP TO JULY 8TH.

Date.	Opponent.	Result.	Westminster	Opponents.
May 14	v. Christ Church, Oxford	Lost	91	254 (for 5 dec.)
" 21	v. Butterflies	Drawn	166	117 (for 9)
" 28	v. Household Brigade	Lost	70	160
" 31	v. I Zingari	Lost	159	192
June 4	v. Wellington	Lost	181	196
" 16	v. Lords and Commons	Drawn	308 (for 6 dec.)	178 (for 5)
" 18	v. Free Foresters	Lost	132	152 (for 3)
" 21-22	v. Malvern (away)	Lost	114 and 93	278
" 25	v. M.C.C.	Won	230 (for 9 dec.)	106
" 28	v. Radley (away)	Lost	184	185 (for 6)
July 2	v. Charterhouse	Scratched.		
" 7-8	v. Sherborne	Scratched.		
" 7-8	v. Tonbridge (away)	Drawn	103 and 121 (for 8)	191 and 118 (for 6 dec.)
<i>Colts' Matches :</i>				
June 9	v. Eastbourne	Lost	117	121 (for 8)
" 23	v. Aldenham	Won	167 (for 8)	73

The 2nd XI match against Stowe on June 30 was scratched owing to the weather.

### CRICKET AVERAGES.

UP TO JULY 7.

#### BATTING

	Inns.	Runs.	H.S.	Not out.	Av.
K. J. Gardiner	10	244	100	0	24.40
J. A. Cook	8	162	95	0	20.25
J. W. M. Aitken	11	156	59*	3	19.50
D. A. Bompas	11	207	57	0	18.81
I. W. A. Symington	11	188	51	0	17.09
H. B. Graham	10	108	29	3	15.42
J. A. Evetts	9	133	46	0	14.77
G. M. E. Paulson	11	64	22*	6	12.80
H. L. Jones	11	114	40	0	10.36
N. L. Foster	9	86	31	0	9.56
L. J. D. Wakely	8	45	12*	1	6.43

*Also batted.*—J. K. Luard, 3-60-55-0-20.00; W. P. Mallinson, 5-19-10-1-4.75; W. E. Heard, 1-0-0-0-—.

#### BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
G. M. E. Paulson	87.1	19	284	22	12.90
J. A. Evetts	56	4	246	13	18.92
N. L. Foster	46	3	183	7	26.14
K. J. Gardiner	88.4	14	313	11	28.45
I. W. A. Symington	101	23	328	11	29.81
L. J. D. Wakely	51	12	136	3	45.33

*Also bowled.*—H. B. Graham, 21-5-67-4-16.75; J. A. Cook, 24-4-64-3-21.33; W. P. Mallinson, 6.1-0-50-2-25.00; W. E. Heard, 6-2-20-0-—.

\* Indicates not out.

### THE WATER.

#### HENLEY ROYAL REGATTA, 1927.

TRAINING: *Putney.*

The 1st VIII quite early showed promise of being a quick and lively crew, but all the men behind the stroke seat were so unsteady forward

that the quickness and liveliness was wasted; successive strokes proved unable to check the unsteadiness. No stroke can set a balanced rhythmical swing with a unbalanced crew behind; but the fault lay partly with the strokes. They were too slow for a crew not sure on its feet to wait for. Later the crew gained in steadiness and control, but the drive of the legs against the stretcher at the beginning was feeble, so that the blades were ineffectual in the water. Some long paddles hardened the crew, and produced an encouraging approach to uniformity in swing and work, although this desirable progress was delayed by rough water and winds on the Putney and Chiswick reaches. Once, fortunately before the new eight was used, the crew had to be rescued by a launch, their boat having been submerged beneath a raging sea, a few yards from the place where the Oxford crew sank in 1925.

#### *Twickenham.*

The crew showed excellent form in a series of long paddles, when, on June 14, they rowed up to Twickenham, where they were the guests of the Twickenham R.C. At Twickenham the progress made was disappointing, perhaps due to bad, windy weather, but more probably because the crew had reached the inevitable period of staleness which is a good sign at the right period during training. It was lacking in the springiness that goes with real pace, and they were defeated in a practice race against Twickenham R.C. Thames Cup Crew from Eel Pie Island to Glover's Island by a margin of two and a half lengths. But even at this stage the crew showed that they could leave the Twickenham Second crew comfortably behind.

While at Twickenham, they rowed the measured 'Henley' course, against the flood, with a strong following wind, in 8 minutes 15 seconds.

#### Kingston.

Before going to Henley the crew moved along Teddington Lock, Tuesday, June 21, to enjoy nontidal water and the hospitality of Kingston R.C., which was rather deserted owing to their practising at Henley. Here the water was much better, and the crew, after undergoing some hard work, suddenly developed that mysterious and elusive thing, *pace*. The period of depression passed and was replaced by real determination to make the boat move, accompanied by a constant improvement.

#### Henley.

At Henley critics hardly recognised the crew they had seen at Twickenham. The crew steadily improved and showed its pace in practice rows. It defeated with ease a IV from Worcester College, Oxford, which included two blues, and the Vesta IV, which reached the final of the Wyfold Cup. Perhaps the most exacting tests were against the Isis Boat Club VIII, which was stroked by Llewellyn, and Wadham College VIII, both of which crews won heats in the Thames Cup. The School was able to beat Isis and to keep level with Wadham in short practice rows.

### THE LADIES' PLATE.

It was strange that this year, when our usual fixture with Beaumont College could not be arranged, we should draw them in the Ladies' Plate. Beaumont had produced an unusually strong VIII, which a few days before Henley had won fairly comfortably the Junior Eights at Marlow Regatta. Our heat with them was rowed on Wednesday at 4.30 in bad conditions; the gusty head wind grew stronger as the day went on; the stream was heavy and while the crews were waiting at the start there was a heavy downpour of rain. These conditions did not favour a crew averaging 10 st. 8½ lb. rowing against one averaging 11½ st. Both crews got a good start, Beaumont rowing 38 to Westminster's 37; at the quarter-mile Beaumont were leading by three feet; both crews settled down well, and Beaumont, rowing a longer stroke, were ¾ length up at Fawley, reached in 3 min. 54 sec. Here Westminster began to make a well-sustained spurt and stroke put in a fine effort at Remenham, which only just failed, Beaumont winning an exciting race by only ½ length.

#### CREWS AND WEIGHTS.

*Westminster*.—G. E. D. Halahan (*bow*), 10 st. 13 lb.; L. A. R. Buckney (2), 9 st. 9 lb.; B. H.

Dulanty (3), 11 st. 7 lb.; D. F. A. R. Freeman (4), 11 st. 12 lb.; R. E. Ball (5), 11 st.; K. J. H. Smith (6), 10 st. 4 lb.; G. A. Ellison (7), 10 st.; R. H. Northcott (*stroke*), 9 st. 9 lb.; H. G. N. Allen (*cox*), 7 st.

*Beaumont*.—J. Stevens (*bow*), 11 st. 4 lb.; T. Hilterman (2), 10 st. 4 lb.; J. McCann (3), 11 st. 10 lb.; C. Hamilton (4), 13 st. 1 lb.; A. Hewett (5), 12 st. 2 lb.; G. Lake (6), 12 st. 2 lb.; R. Maskall (7), 10 st. 11 lb.; G. Conway (*stroke*), 10 st. 8 lb.; G. Pritchett (*cox*), 8 st. 1 lb.

### CHARACTERS OF THE 1ST VIII.

- G. E. D. HALAHAN (*bow*), a promising bow; he is developing an easy action, and his drive is becoming effective, and will be more so when he learns to swing confidently on his feet.
- L. A. R. BUCKNEY (2) probably works as hard as any one who ever sat in a boat. He is hampered by an overreach which stiffens his shoulders, and this leads to an awkward finish. This awkwardness will vanish as he learns to take things easily with relaxed muscles.
- B. H. DULANTY (3), rather top-heavy in a boat; he does not yet swing with the lowest part of the body, and his leg drive does not come on immediately as the blade slips in the water.
- D. F. A. R. FREEMAN (4). His work would be inspiring in any crew; but has a tendency born of over-keenness to reach beyond his strongest position, and to lose his balance.
- R. E. BALL (5). He gets hold of the water well, but needs to get smoother in his action; this will come as the work is done more with the legs and the lower part of the body, and as the arms are allowed to work flexibly.
- K. J. H. SMITH (6) is cultivating a better sense of balance and timing, but his finish is rather awkward, and until he gets the swift tap down with the outside wrist firmer he will be liable to catch crabs.
- G. A. ELLISON (7) has an easy natural style, and gets a quick spring of the stretcher; his blade is not yet kept covered right through the stroke.
- R. H. NORTHCOTT (*stroke*). Rather short in the swing, but otherwise an excellent stroke, showing good judgment and an ability to rally his crew.
- H. G. N. ALLEN (*cox*). Rather suddenly transferred to a higher sphere, he proved not only adequate, but highly competent.

### THE SECOND EIGHT.

Owing to illness the 2nd VIII were unable to assume their final formation till after the Exeat.

Considering the shortness of the time available, they got together well and on June 23 went down to Eton. The course was their new Trial Eights course,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles up stream. Westminster won the toss and chose the Eton station. The crew got away rather scratchily, and round the first corner (which favoured the Windsor station) we were two lengths down. The crew settled down well and, rowing well together along the straight, caught up the Eton crew. At the next corner (in our favour) we led by  $\frac{3}{4}$  length, but at the final bend the stream caught the bows of the boat and we were  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lengths down, finally losing by 2 lengths. After the start the crew rowed splendidly and kept their life and form right to the finish.

In conclusion we should like to thank the Etonians for their hospitality, which all members of the crew very fully appreciated.

On Thursday, July 7, the 2nd VIII rowed St. Paul's 2nd VIII over a course from the U.B.R. stone to Harrods Wharf. Westminster won the toss and chose the Surrey station. Westminster started at 40 to St. Paul's 38, and led slightly. Then St. Paul's rowing at 36 drew ahead, until they had a lead of just over a length, Westminster rowing at the slow stroke of 32. St. Paul's seemed to have the race comfortably in hand. Then at the mile post Knight spurted well and the crew backed him up magnificently, rowing like men inspired. Westminster drew up and appeared to be level from the launches, but the verdict gave St. Paul's the race by the narrow margin of 3 feet. Watson steered his boat very well and did not hamper his crew by excessive use of the rudder, but he was rather too generous in giving the other crew plenty of room on the bend.

*The 2nd Eight.*—D. K. C. O'Malley (*bow*), 9 st. 1 lb.; F. W. Allen (2), 9 st. 5 lb.; A. C. Bird (3), 9 st. 10 lb.; A. E. K. Salvi (4), 11 st. 7 lb.; C. M. Harrison (5), 10 st. 8 lb.; A. D. Weigall (6), 9 st. 10 lb.; J. D. Carleton (7), 9 st. 10 lb.; G. B. Knight (*Stroke*), 9 st. 10 lb.; G. F. Watson (*Cox*), 7 st. 2 lb.

#### WESTMINSTER 1ST IV v. U.C.S. 1ST IV.

(Mile Post to U.B.R. Stone.)

THE crews got away smoothly and Westminster steering well gradually acquired a length's lead during the first two minutes. At Beverley U.C.S. began a spurt which brought them level at the Boat House. The crews raced nearly level until during the last ten strokes Westminster gained half a length; a fine spurt after an incipient collapse.

*Westminster 1st IV.*—H. D. Johnson (*bow*); A. B. Teed (2); D. Cragg Hamilton (3); T. E. R. Roberts (*stroke*); G. O. Lace (*cox*).

#### WESTMINSTER 2ND IV v. V.C.S. 2ND IV.

Westminster steadily drew away and were a length and a half up at Beverley. U.C.S. drew up slightly, but Westminster eventually won by two and a half lengths.

*Westminster 2nd IV.*—C. D. de Bunsen (*bow*), E. C. Higgs (2), E. F. Eaton (3), J. H. Lee (*stroke*), W. B. Young (*cox*).

Unperturbed by last minute accidents, both crews raced extremely well.

### —\*— BOXING.

#### WESTMINSTER v. BRIGHTON, LANCING AND TONBRIDGE.

(At Brighton, March 5.)

In the Fly Weights, Napier boxed Shankey (Brighton). Shankey did most of the attacking and won on points. Napier was a good deal lighter than Shankey, but fought back quickly and coolly all through. The fault in his boxing is his carelessness in directing his punches, which sometimes go too low. But he put up a good fight in all three rounds.

In the Bantam Weights, Phillimore lost on points to Campbell (Tonbridge). Campbell had the advantage of reach and attacked well throughout. In the second round he had Phillimore slightly dazed. But for the most part Phillimore's defence was good and his attacks were neat. In the third round especially he made a good recovery and was close behind his opponent on points.

In the Feather Weights, Foster had a very good fight with Copping (Lancing). In the first round Copping made one or two quick continued attacks, and got ahead on points. But in the second and third rounds Foster's good footwork enabled him to deal with these rushes, and he scored with his right swing neatly several times. Copping just managed to keep his first round lead, but there was very little in it.

In the Light Weights, Atkins beat Marshall (Tonbridge). He used lefts and rights well, and at the same time kept a good guard. Marshall did as much attacking as Atkins, but was not so clever with his guarding, so Atkins established a lead in the first and second rounds and kept it in the third.

In the final of the Light Weights, Atkins lost to Earle (Brighton) in the second round. Earle showed very good footwork, which enabled him to avoid Atkins' attacks.

In the Welter Weights, Winckworth lost on points to Godwin (Lancing). Godwin was the stronger of the two, and attacked throughout. Winckworth, not having sufficient speed, was driven to covering up a good deal, but he stayed the three rounds, and at times used his short punches with effect, especially at the end of the first round and in the third round.

In the Middle Weights, Levey boxed Davis (Tonbridge). The first round was very even, but in the second round Levey went in to Davis' powerful left much too often, and put in rather wild right swings. He thus lost the advantages of his speed and his reach. In the third round he boxed more carefully, though with his usual energy, but Davis kept ahead and won on points.

In the Heavy Weights, Gatty lost to Thompson (Brighton). Thompson had a very quick and powerful punch. He was a hard man for Gatty to run up against in his first fight (or indeed for anyone to run up against in any fight).

## LAWN TENNIS.

THE School was successful in its first match, beating St. Thomas' Hospital by 7 matches to 2. Played Saturday, May 28.

W. B. S. Sheldon and W. R. Lush beat 1st pair 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; beat 2nd pair 6-4, 6-0; beat 3rd pair 6-0, 6-2. A. B. Evans and P. Aitken beat 1st pair 5-7, 6-3, 6-2; beat 2nd pair 6-3, 6-2; beat 3rd pair 6-3, 6-2. E. G. Rayner and J. H. Thomas lost to 1st pair 3-6, 6-8; lost to 2nd pair 4-6, 6-4, 3-6; beat 3rd pair 6-4, 6-3.

The second match was won, when Weybridge L.T.C. were beaten by 5 matches to 3, rain preventing the decision of the ninth match.

W. B. S. Sheldon and W. R. Lush beat 1st pair 6-0, 6-4; lost to 2nd pair 12-10, 7-9, 3-6; beat 3rd pair 7-5, 6-3. A. B. Evans and P. Aitken beat 1st pair 6-2, 6-3; beat 2nd pair 4-6, 7-5, 6-4; beat 3rd pair 9-7, 6-1. E. G. Rayner and I. I. Bowen lost to 1st pair 3-6, 5-7; lost to 3rd pair 2-6, 1-6.

Our third match, against a strong O.W.W. team, was lost, by 9 matches to 0.

W. B. S. Sheldon and W. R. Lush, lost to Capt. Graham and G. R. Byham 3-6 1-6; lost to W. E. Gerrish and W. McC. Cross 1-6, 2-6; lost to M. C. Champness and G. B. Wilson 7-9,

2-6. A. B. Evans and E. G. Rayner lost to the 1st pair 3-6, 6-8; lost to 2nd pair 0-6, 6-4, 4-6; lost to 3rd pair 2-6, 5-7. I. I. Bowen and J. H. Thomas lost to 1st pair 0-6, 1-6; lost to 2nd pair 1-6, 1-6; lost to 3rd pair 2-6, 1-6.

## House Notes.

K.SS.—We are fresh from our victory in the Music Competitions, and congratulate all concerned. On the Water, we congratulate Harrison on his Pink-and-Whites, while Evett's consistent cricket has earned him his Pinks. We put up a very disappointing performance in Juniors, but our wealth of young talent should one day develop. It is with great regret that we say goodbye to Miss Aitchison this term. As a Matron and as a friend she has endeared herself to all since she came into College six years ago, and we wish her all happiness in her retirement.

A.HH.—Congratulations are due to K. J. H. Smith on his Water Pinks; to A. C. Bird on his Water Pink-and-Whites; to G. A. Jennings on his Junior House Colours; and to H. B. Ripman on winning the Phillimore Essay Prize. Our chances in Seniors do not seem too bright and they have been lessened by an unfortunate accident to Carter-Locke, who has broken his thumb. However, we wish our XI the best of luck. At Water it is unlikely that we shall regain the Town Boys Rudder, but we hope to uphold the traditions of the House in this event, and also to retain the Jeffreys Cup which we won last year. We may win the Tennis Cup, as we have several members of the School Tennis VI up the House. No doubt all those who are going on the Corps holiday will enjoy themselves!

GG.—We heartily congratulate K. J. Gardiner and D. A. Bompas on regaining their Pinks, and the former also on his invaluable century against Radley. G. E. D. Halahan again represented us at Henley, rowing bow, and J. K. Luard was awarded his Thirds after the M.C.C. match; he is now captaining our Junior's side in an uphill fight in the final against Rigaud's. We wish him and his team the best of luck.

The Music Cup has departed from our midst, which fact we assign to our recent failure to realise the full and proper uses of the bathroom.

The House Tennis pair, E. G. E. Rayner and R. W. D. Carr, were beaten in the first round after putting up a good fight in the third set.

Seniors are almost on us, and opinions as to our prospects cannot be said to have changed very much since the last House Notes were written. We have drawn Ashburnham in the first round and feel fairly hopeful about the result. Perhaps we may say without excessive presumption that we hope to have a magnificent game with Rigaud's in the final.

H.BB.—Seeing that the last number of THE ELIZABETHAN appeared but a month ago, while the next copy will not be seen until October, the H.BB. news sheet presents, if not a total blank, at least a high percentage of totality, and its writer should be a prophet rather than a historian. Our congratulations, however, are due to W. K. Tate on his becoming a Monitor, and to W. H. R. Jeremy and K. S. Watt on their entrance to the Upper; to G. A. Ellison on his Pinks, J. D. Carleton and A. D. Weigall on their Pink-and-Whites, and C. Y. Mills on his Junior House Colours. B. H. Dulanty has regained his Pinks. In Juniors we were unfortunately beaten by Rigaud's, and our chances for Seniors are uncertain. At Putney, however, the outlook is cheerful. With three Pinks in our House Four we should retain the T. B. Rudder during the coming year, and our best wishes will attend the crew.

R.R.—Our first duty is to congratulate Foster on regaining his Pinks, and Symington, Buckney, Ball, Northcote and Allen on theirs. Congratulations also to J. Aitken and Graham on their Pink-and-Whites.

We have been doing very well in Juniors so far. Having overcome H.BB. in the first round and A.HH. in the second, we are now in the middle of the final against G.G., in which we stand a very good chance of success. Our Seniors prospects, too, are no less bright, and we still have five members of the House in the 1st XI. In the Leagues this term we have been rather unfortunate, and have not met with the success deserved by the craft and subtlety of Wormell and Coulborn.

Down at Water we have done equally well, Northcote, Buckney and Ball helping to propel the boat at Henley, while Allen showed great skill in avoiding the booms. We have hopes of the T.BB. Rudder.

Our efforts at murdering innocent bull's-eyes have recently met with great success, and the House is represented at Bisley by the two Rogers and Titcombe, with Edmunds as spare man. If their bloodthirstiness can be kept up we should win back another shooting cup before long.

But to turn to more ladylike pursuits. We are represented by Evans and P. R. Aitken in the Tennis VI, who have so far avoided defeat at anyone's hands. We have begun our efforts to retain the House Cup auspiciously by defeating K.SS in the first round.

Nor is the martial spirit dead in us, and once a fortnight we toil on the parade ground, to plunge into a shower directly afterwards, if we are one of those happy few who do not go off parade in a faint.

And last, but not least, we have to thank Mr. and Mrs. Hardy for the delightful evenings spent in the consumption of the many pounds of strawberries and gallons of cream that they so kindly provide for the boarders.



### ONE OF OUR CRIMINALS.

NATHANIEL LACEY was elected from Westminster to Oxford in 1673, and was a student of the Inner Temple in 1676. A few years afterwards he seems to have left his country—perhaps for the country's good. It is just possible that he may have been for a short time at Westminster with George Stepney, who was born in 1663 and admitted into College in 1676. Stepney owed much of his success as a diplomatist to his school friend, Lord Halifax, and the curious can still read the tale of his various embassies on his monument in the Abbey. In 1695-6 he was at Dusseldorf, and came across Lacey under peculiar circumstances which he detailed in a letter to Sir William Trumbull, the friend of Dryden and patron of Pope, and at that time a Lord of the Treasury and Secretary to the Lords Justices during the King's absence from England.

After describing an adventurer named Borghese who, with his wife who claimed to be the daughter of an English peer, had ingratiated himself with the Elector Palatine by hopes of perfecting the philosopher's stone ('I take both man and wife to be of the family of Melchizedek, whose origin would be as difficult to trace as that of the Nile,' is Stepney's comment), the letter continues:

'In August last came hither an Englishman who calls himself Baron Tilly, pretending to have been Captain of Horse in Flanders, but that his being a Roman Catholic was a hindrance to his future under His Majesty. . . . The Elector has for some time had an intention of maintaining a Resident in London. Borghese and Tilly pretend to have an acquaintance in London whose name is Lacy, just cut out for the use the Elector required by the character

they gave of him, and the Elector had so near consented that a patent is dispatched for Lacy to be Resident in England. Tilly is the Lacy. He was known to me in 1688 at Hamburg, having been bred a King's Scholar at Westminster (about 10 years before my time), and if I am not mistaken was student at Christ Church in Oxford. For about 16 years he has been rambling about the world, chiefly in Italy. What I most wonder at is that he had the impudence to visit me. I soon remembered the figure of the man and made him confess that he was Lacy. . . . Our Baron Tilly or Dr. Lacy deserves punishment. He may be suspected of a plot; he is a papist, recommended by the Nonce, protected by Borghese and by his means to have been sent to England. If the traitor ought not to be hanged he deserves the pillory.'

The course of the ball thus set rolling by Stepney can be traced a little further in Trumbull's correspondence with William Blathwayt, the secretary-at-war, who was then in attendance on William III in Flanders. On July 31, 1696, Trumbull writes from Whitehall:

'Having received from Mr. Stepney the confession of Captain Tilly, now prisoner at Maestricht, I herewith send you copy of one Skelmerdine's information here concerning Tilly and Borghese, which if true shows Tilly to be as much a villain as he represents Borghese to be.'

And on August 21 he writes again:

'I sent you by last post Mr. Attorney-General's opinion for the trying Tilly on that side of the water which the Lords Justices agree with.'

And there cannot be much doubt as to the result of the trial. But probably Tilly, alias Lacy, did not lose much by being deprived of a state prosecution in London. In those days the way of transgressors was hard. For, as an O.W. poet has sung,

Sundry wise precautions  
The sages of the law  
Discreetly framed whereby they aimed  
To keep the rogues in awe.

For lest some sturdy criminal,  
False evidence should bring,  
His witnesses were not allowed  
To swear to anything.

And lest some wily advocate  
The Court should overreach,  
His counsel could not exercise  
The privilege of speech.

But still that he might understand  
The nature of the charge,  
The same was in the Latin tongue,  
Read out to him at large.

## STAT DOMUS ANTIQUA.

THE following is a poem printed in *The Gentleman's Magazine* for the year 1736:

'Fast by, an old, but noble fabrick stands,  
No vulgar work, but rais'd by princely hands:  
Which grateful to Eliza's memory, pays,  
In living monuments, an endless praise.  
High, plac'd above, two royal Lions stand,  
The certain sign of courage and command.  
If to the right you thence your steps pursue,  
An honoured room employs, and charms, your view.<sup>1</sup>  
There Busby's awful picture decks the place  
(Shining where once he shone, a living grace).  
Beneath the frame, in decent order plac'd  
The walls by various authors' works are grac'd.  
Fix'd to the roof some curious laurels show  
What they obtained who wrote the sheets below,  
Fix'd, to support the roof above, to brave,  
To stem the tide of Time's impetuous wave,  
Nine stately beams their spacious arches show,  
And add a lustre to the school below.  
Rank'd into seven, distinct the classes lie  
(Which with the Pleiades in lustre vie).  
Next to the door, the first and least appears  
Design'd for seeds of youth, and tender years.  
The second next your willing notice claims,  
Her numbers more extensive, more her aims.  
Thence a step nearer to Parnassus' height,  
Look cross the school, the third employs your sight.  
There Martial sings, there Justin's works appear,  
And banish'd Ovid finds protection there.  
From Ovid's tales transferred, the fourth pursues  
Books more sublimely penn'd, more noble views  
Here Virgil shines, here youth is taught to speak,  
In different accents of the hoarser Greek.  
Fifth. These better skill'd, and deeper read in Greek,  
From various books can various beauties seek.  
The sixth, in every learned classick skill'd,  
With nobler thoughts and brighter notions fill'd,  
From day to day with learned youth supplies  
And honours both the Universities.  
And now, my Muse, reduce thy wandering song,  
Thy thread already hath been spun too long.  
And let thy best, thy furthest aid be shown,  
To sing the class where all are joined in one.  
Beyond the utmost limits of the school,  
O dreadful place! of dire correction full!  
The Birch-room stands, there plac'd, to shew design'd  
Its inclination for the parts behind.  
Near these the shells,<sup>2</sup> high concave walls appear,  
Where Freind in state sits pleasingly severe.  
Him as our ruler, and our king we own,  
His rod his sceptre, and his chair his throne.'

The following notes are added:

<sup>1</sup> A museum.    <sup>2</sup> A class so called.

'The above will give a general idea of the Institution. . . . The present learned and excellent master of Westminster School was appointed second master in 1771; and succeeded Samuel Smith, D.D., in the head mastership. It has been the custom to perform the plays of Terence for some years past in the school, by the scholars; and at no time have they been more correctly "enacted" than through the instruction and management of Dr. Vincent, who ranks as high as a judicious and elegant author, as he doth as an eloquent preacher.'

## The Elizabethan Club.

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WE are very grateful for two more letters received, one from Calicut, the other from Shanghai, and we can assure the writers that they will be read with interest by all O.W.W. at home and abroad.

A further handsome cheque has been received, and is at present in the Treasurer's keeping, towards the conversion of the rackets court at Westminster into five courts.

Mr. Wingate has received several names in response to the notice in the last number with regard to swimming. It is hoped that with a few more it may be possible to start a swimming section in the Club.

General satisfaction has been expressed with the plan instituted last autumn of publishing O.W. news in the ELIZABETHAN. Members can best show their appreciation of this move by continuing their own subscriptions and doing their utmost to bring it to the notice of others. Will those who started to receive THE ELIZABETHAN last September remember that their annual subscription is due before the next number? They can save the Treasurer a considerable amount of trouble by sending a subscription as early as possible. The Hon. Secretary is always glad to receive suggestions and contributions.

To suit the University terms the date of the Annual Dinner has been altered to Thursday, December 15.

## FOOTBALL.

THE following fixtures have been arranged for the beginning of next season:—

	1st XI.	'A.'
Sept. 17—	Practice Game.	Practice Game.
„ 24—	Carshalton.	
Oct. 1—	Lancing College.	Lancing College 2nd.
„ 8—	R.M.C.	H.A.C.
„ 15—	St. Lawrence College.	Forest School.
„ 22—	Bank of England.	London Hospital 2nd.
„ 29—	Old Cholmeleians.	Christ Church.

CALICUT, MALABAR,  
S. INDIA.

April 23, 1927.

DEAR SIR,—Mr. Munro-Faure's letter in the March number of THE ELIZABETHAN, in which he 'starts the ball rolling' from what he calls 'a comparatively remote corner of the Southern Hemisphere,' inspires me to endeavour to keep the ball on the move from this, still more remote, corner of the Northern Hemisphere.

There is a distressing dearth of O.W.W. in Malabar, in fact I am the sole representative, and, in seven years actual residence in Calicut, I have only met one in this district. I shall spare you any account of my own doings, but will, if I may, refer to some of the doings of an O.W. of some 150 years ago, who spent most of his life in this country.

William Hickey tells us in his *Memoirs* that he was at Westminster from January, 1757, until the end of 1763, by which time, he says, it was determined that he should be 'instructed in the common acquirements of a gentleman, for at Westminster nothing is taught but the classics.'

In August, 1768, Hickey took part in a cricket match between 'eleven gentlemen who had been educated at Westminster and Eleven of Eton.' He was, he says, 'considered a famous stop behind wicket.'

I regret to say that the match was 'for twenty guineas each person,' but the money was given to the poor, and another stipulation was that 'anyone of either side neglecting to attend on the day was to forfeit twenty guineas.' He hardly describes the match at all, and merely says: 'Our party proved successful after a hard match. As the Westminsters insisted we should have won easier had I played as usual, but—I let several balls pass me that ought not to have done so, by which our adversaries gained a number of notches.'

Shortly after this Hickey sailed for the East, and he gives the following description of what must have been one of the largest O.W.W. dinners ever held in Calcutta. Writing of the year 1784 he says: 'Mr. Hastings, the Governor-General, being a Westminster, he annually gave a dinner to all his schoolfellows resident in Calcutta, and very pleasant these meetings were.'

Hickey apparently enjoyed this dinner so much that he invited the same company to his house a fortnight later, when 'they all promised to attend except Mr. Hastings, whom etiquette did not allow to accept of any private invitations. On the day appointed, at two o'clock, the following party sat down to as good a dinner as could be provided, myself in the chair.' Hickey then gives the names of those present, to the number of no less than 26. He then proceeds: 'The same company as were at my house met at Mr. Burke's a fortnight subsequently. At this meeting a proposal was made, and unanimously assented to, to send a gold cup to Dr. Vincent, then headmaster of the school, as a mark of respect and attachment. An appropriate complimentary inscription in Latin was prepared by some of the gentlemen. I really do not recollect whom, but clearly I had nothing to do with the composition, having entirely lost the small portion of classical knowledge I acquired while at Westminster. Be it as it may, the event proved the work did the producers no credit. The cup, which was very splendid, being finished, was forwarded to Doctor Vincent by an Old Westminster returning to England. Eighteen months elapsed without acknowledgment of the receipt of it, the subscribers were greatly surprised thereat, and were thinking of making enquiries as to the cause of this extraordinary silence, when a young lad recently from the school arrived in Bengal, who told us that the Doctor was delighted at receiving such a token of remembrance from his former scholars until upon perusing the inscription he found a false concord, at which he was excessively hurt and offended, observing he never could receive as a com-

pliment bad grammar from those professing to express their gratitude for the education they had received under him as their head master. Yet with this correct feeling he nevertheless kept the cup; at least, we who sent it never heard anything more about it.

It would be interesting to learn the subsequent history of this cup.

Yours truly,  
G. H. HODGSON.

15, PEKING ROAD, SHANGHAI.  
c/o Teesdale, Newman & McDonald,  
Solicitors and Barristers-in-Law.

May 6, 1927.

DEAR SIR,—As a constant reader of THE ELIZABETHAN, the writer has read with considerable interest of the doings of O.WW. extending from Calcutta to the other ends of the earth—namely Valparaiso—and, in view of the suggestion contained in Mr. Cowell's letter appearing in the March, 1927, issue, the writer has thought that, as a good deal of interest in world politics is at the moment centred in Shanghai, a letter relating to the activities—and otherwise—of O.WW. in this so-called 'wicked city of the East' might be welcome.

As far as the writer can gather there are at present in Shanghai six O.WW.—five known by name, of whom more in detail hereafter—and one who has been seen sitting in a rickshaw riding about the streets sporting an O.WW. tie, but whose identity cannot, at the moment, be established. I will deal with the other five in the order of their age. There are also two more in Hong-Kong.

There has been an acrimonious discussion between the writer and C. N. ALPORT (Rigaud's, 1900-05) as to who is the elder, but the production of birth certificates, etc., has decided that he is entitled to the first biography. Alport has been out in the East (except for the duration of the War) for a great many years, so he tells me, and he now dispatches ships of enormous size to the uttermost ends of the earth. His own dimensions are growing with his business and his presence is very regal.

THE WRITER (Grant's, 1899-1906) occasionally has the honour to make his voice heard in the local Courts, in the defence of erring O.WW. and others who come within the clutches of the Law.

He and the said Alport have been spending the greater part of the last two months in directing the efforts of an armoured car, with a machine gun mounted thereon, with a view to persuading the local Celestial not to make a damned fool of himself any longer.

C. E. G. SHEARMAN (Grants, 1903-06) has just arrived in Shanghai as a fully-fledged captain in the 1st Battalion of the Beds. & Herts. Regiment, for the express purpose of defending and saving the lives of all O.WW. and others in Shanghai. He, at the present, lives in a wooden hut surrounded by field kitchens and other savoury (?) smells. Unfortunately he has completely lost his voice in attempting to make his Company emulate the Coldstream Guards who are billeted alongside. In spite of this infliction the Chinese have dubbed him 'the officer with the face that is always smiling.'

A. J. DANIELS (Home Boarders, 1905-06) (familarly known out here as 'Buggins') has also grown to enormous dimensions and performs the duties of a special constable with unusual dignity. He occasionally helps to sell petrol and paraffin on behalf of the A.P. Co., Ltd., in his spare moments, when not engaged in special constabulary duties.

C. T. BIRDWOOD (Ashburnham, 1908-13) makes terrible chemical concoctions—mercifully odourless—for the improvement of the local crops, under the auspices of Brunner, Mond & Co. (China), Ltd. He is also a volunteer defender of Shanghai and a rifle shot of no mean order.

Now as to Hong-Kong:

W. E. SMITH, the senior of us all, is head of the Union Insurance Co., Ltd., which is quite the biggest amalgamation of insurance societies in the Far East. I think he was up H.B.B. about 1895.

L. E. N. RYAN (College circa 1901-1906) makes flying trips to Shanghai—he controls the destinies of the large Canadian Pacific Liners in Hong-Kong. Of his other activities I fear I know little.

I trust I have not been too long, but I have taken my cue from the letters appearing in THE ELIZA.

In conclusion, may I for one moment strike a serious note when I tell all O.WW. that if the British troops had not arrived within a few days of the time when they did, it is the general opinion that few of us would have lived to write letters such as this.

It is a curious thing that all the above-mentioned O.WW. except Smith were at Westminster together, and if reference to any in China has been omitted, the writer would be only too glad to hear from them, when the omission will be promptly rectified in the next bulletin.

I notice that the O.WW. Cricket Team intends to tour Guernsey, where, I am sure, they will receive every hospitality from Sir Havilland de Sausmarz, O.W., who was our Senior Judge in Shanghai for many years, but who, much to everyone's regret, has now retired.

We hope to hold a small O.WW. local celebration in the near future, of which we will send you an account.

With the best of luck to THE ELIZA and its activities on behalf of the Elizabethan Club,

I am,

Yours sincerely,  
K. E. NEWMAN.

## CRICKET.

(Secretary—W. B. Frampton, Esq., 3, Overbury Avenue, Beckenham, Kent.)

THE record to date (namely, matches played 7, won 1, lost 3, drawn 3), cannot by any stretch of the imagination be called good, nevertheless there is on the whole no cause for despair, as not only have there been several excellent individual performances, but the Club has enjoyed much greater and keener support than has been the case for some seasons past.

Our solitary success was gained at the expense of Byfleet. The Old Westminsters batted first, and thanks to L. Clare, who opened the season with a very fine innings of 111, the respectable total of 245 was achieved. Byfleet, however, found A. C. Feasey in similar mood to last summer, and were all out for 112, Feasey securing 6 wickets for 41 and W. S. Lonsdale 4 for 42. By a curious coincidence these two bowlers shared all ten wickets last year for an exactly similar total, their figures then being 6 for 40, and 4 for 43 respectively.

In the match against the Bar at Vincent Square, things were at one time going badly for the O.WW., as in response to the Bar's total of 240 (J. H. Robson, O.W., 91 n.o.) 5 O.WW. wickets were down for 77, but P. W. G. Kann, having been badly dropped at square leg when 10 by another O.W.

overwhelmed by a sense of duty to both sides, proceeded to score 88 n.o., and ably assisted by M. G. Stratford, 69 n.o. was only prevented by time from snatching a victory.

The game *v.* the R.A.F. proved an exciting match, the airmen just winning on time, and by way of contrast the Club, with two sides in the field, suffered a severe set-back at Teddington *v.* Old Merchant Taylors, Hayzelden, the O.M.T. fast bowler, obtaining 8 of our wickets for 13 runs.

The scores and other individual performances of merit are as below.

	<i>Old Westminsters.</i>	<i>Opponents.</i>
<i>v.</i> Byfleet ... ..	245	112
<i>v.</i> O.M.T. ... ..	46	224
<i>v.</i> Highgate School...	129	187
<i>v.</i> The Bar ... ..	216 (5 wkts.)	240
<i>v.</i> R.A.F. ... ..	234 (5 wkts.)	247 (5 wkts.)
	dec.)	
<i>v.</i> Chiswick Park ...	142 (9 wkts.)	191 (8 wkts. dec.)
<i>v.</i> Hillingdon Court...	140	106 (5 wkts.)
<i>Batting.</i> —L. Clare, 52 <i>v.</i> Highgate School; N. P. Andrews, 99 <i>v.</i> R.A.F.; E. R. Munt, 55 <i>v.</i> R.A.F.		
<i>Bowling.</i> —M. F. L. Haymes, 6 for 60 <i>v.</i> O.M.T.; W. S. Lonsdale, 6 for 90 <i>v.</i> Chiswick Park.		

### Old Westminsters.

SURGEON-CAPTAIN A. R. BRAILEY, M.B., F.R.C.S., M.C., V.D., of the London Division, R.N.V.R., has been appointed an Hon. Surgeon to the King.

Sir Henry Frank Heath, K.C.B., late Secretary to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, has been created a G.B.E.

Mr. Harold McKenna has been appointed a Metropolitan Police Magistrate.

By the death of his father, the Hon. Stuart A. S. Montagu becomes the third Lord Swaythling.

At Cambridge Mr. S. Chapman was in Class I of the Classical Tripos, Pt. I, and has been elected to a Senior Scholarship at Trinity.

Mr. J. W. Baldon has been awarded a studentship by the Council of the Law Society.

Mr. J. H. Robson has been called to the Bar at the Middle Temple.

At Henley Mr. A. L. Binney and Mr. A. J. D. Winniffrith were rowing in the Ch. Ch. VIII, Mr. C. E. Wool-Lewis was in the Third Trinity VIII, Mr. E. C. T. Edwards in the Ch. Ch. Four for the Visitors and Stewards Challenge Cups, Mr. H. R. A. Edwards in the London Grand and Stewards VIII, Mr. Whitley in the London Thames

Cup crew, Mr. Reece in the King's crew, Mr. Montefiore in the Twickenham crew.

Mr. R. G. H. Lowe played for Cambridge against Oxford for the second year in succession.

### Births.

TENISON.—On May 22, in Ceylon, the wife of Edward Heron Ryan Tenison, of a daughter.

LOWE.—On June 16, the wife of Lionel Harold Harvey Lowe, of a son.

### Marriages.

DODDS-MOORE.—On May 21, Charles Dodds, younger son of Sir James M. Dodds, K.C.B., to Alice, only daughter of the late H. F. Bradley Moore, of Shelsley Beauchamp, Worcestershire.

MARTYR-LEE.—On May 31, Capt. James Brian Evans Martyr, son of James F. Martyr, of Surbiton, to Katherine Edith Lee, daughter of the late Lt.-Col. L. F. Childe, I.M.S.

GEDDES-GORDON-HALL.—On June 30, Noel Geddes, son of the late J. Geddes, to Eva, daughter of Col. Gordon-Hall, C.B., late of Leigh Court, Tonbridge.

MONTAGU-HELLSTERN.—Recently, the Hon. Ivor G. S. Montagu to Miss Hellstern.

### Obituary.

A WELL-KNOWN Westminster cricketer has passed away in ASHLEY WALKER, who died at Harrold, Bucks, recently at the age of 82. He was a son of the late William Walker, of Bolling Hall, Yorks, and was admitted in 1857. He became a Q.S. in 1858, and left in 1862. At Cambridge (where he was first at Magdelene and afterwards at Trinity) he quickly obtained his Blue.

Oxford won in all the three years, 1864-5-6, in which he played. In 1858, when Oxford had an eleven considered by some good judges to have been superior even to the great Cambridge eleven of 1878, Walker played a patient and invaluable innings of 38, and took five wickets in the match. After leaving Cambridge he continued to play for Yorkshire until he was lost to English cricket on taking up an appointment under the Department of Public Education in Ceylon. During the 25 years of his service abroad, Mr. Walker did much to foster his favourite game in the island, where, on his retirement, he left it firmly

established. He was one of the founders of the Elizabethan Club.

FRANCIS DOMINIC ELSDON was the younger son of the Rev. T. C. Elsdon, formerly of St. John's Vicarage, Clerkenwell, and was up Rigaud's from 1903 to 1907. He died at Vavau, Tonga Islands, on June 16, aged 36.

The air has taken its toll of another young Westminster. LAWRENCE PRATT OPENSHAW was the only son of T. H. Openshaw, C.B., C.M.G., F.R.C.S., and was up Ashburnham from 1906 to 1910. After leaving Westminster he went to Christ Church, Oxford, and later served with distinction in the Royal Naval Air Force in the War, and was specially promoted for his services. After the War he became associated with a marble business in Italy, but three years ago he decided to join the Westland Aircraft Company and became their chief test pilot. Just before Easter he married Jean, daughter of R. Bruce, the managing director of the Westland Aircraft Company. On June 6 he lost his life in a flying accident at Bournemouth.

The death at Oxford on July 1 of a lady in her 99th year recalls good service done by her husband, an O.W., during the Indian Mutiny.

George Carnac Barnes, born in 1818, came to Westminster in 1831, and became a King's Scholar in 1833. When the Mutiny broke out in May, 1857, he was Commissioner of the Umballa Division, and contributed to the safety of the army before Delhi by inducing the Punjab chiefs to guard the Great Trunk Road. Barnes thus made of his Division, in his own words, 'a kind of breakwater' to repel the tide of mutiny from the East. He also telegraphed to Lord Lawrence to persuade General Anson, the Commander-in-Chief not to entrench himself at Umballa, but to advance at once on Delhi. It was on this occasion that Lawrence telegraphed to Anson, who was the author of a text-book on whist: 'Clubs are trumps, not spades; when in doubt take the trick.'

Barnes married in 1856 Margaret Diana Stapylton, and died in 1861, being then Foreign Secretary to the Government of India. His wife thus survived him for sixty-six years. During the earlier part of the Mutiny she was at Kasaulif in the Simla Hills, without military protection, and in the absence of both civil and military officers took charge of the station.

## Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

MEADOWSIDE, UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

June 18, 1927.

DEAR SIR,—I was interested, and not a little amused, at your editorial in the June number and its comments on the Jeremiads about games at Westminster. Probably all O.W.W. remember the same in their time. Certainly it was so in mine—the '90's. Yet it was then that the School turned out S. S. Harris, probably the most brilliant soccer player she has produced, and in 1899 (I think) four old Westminsters figured in the 'Varsity match at Lords—C. D. Fisher and R. E. More (Oxford) and L. J. Moon and R. N. R. Blaker (Cambridge). So that's that. A murrain on all croakers.

Yours very truly,

JOHN ASTON.

## Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following:—

*Artist's Rifles' Magazine, St. Edward's School Chronicle, Blundellian, Eton College Chronicle (6), Bradfield College Chronicle, Trinity University Review, Cheltonian (2), Salopian (3), Wykehamist (2), Haileyburian (2), Radleian (2), Ulula, Meteor, Christ's College Register, Edinburgh Academy Chronicle, Brighton College Magazine, Boys' Magazine (2), Dovorian, Cliftonian, Reptonian, Rossallian, Blue, Malvernian, Pauline, Cholmelian, Felstedian, Sherburnian, Corian, Stoneyhurst Magazine, Marlburian, Harrovian, Johnian, Melburnian, Lancing College Magazine, Alleynian,*

## THE SCHOOL MISSION.

THE Mission was founded in 1888, and began work as a Boys' Club in Soho. In 1891 it moved to Westminster, and the work is now carried on in the parish of St. Stephen with St. Mary, Westminster.

The Mission is largely responsible for the upkeep of Napier Hall, Hide Place, Vincent Square, where the club-rooms and hall are used by the Parish (Westminster School Mission) Club for young men and boys, and by the 1st (City of Westminster) Troop B.P. Scouts. Religious instruction is provided by the clergy of the parish. Physical training and gymnastic classes, lectures and debates are held, and the club provides a library, billiards, and the usual recreations. The club has its own football and cricket ground. More personal help from Old Westminsters is urgently needed. The Hon. Secretary will give further information gladly to anyone willing to help.

Financial assistance is also given by the Mission to the 'E' (Westminster) Company, 1st Cadet Battalion, London Regiment, 'The Queen's.'

Subscriptions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, B. F. Hardy, Esq., Westminster School. Offers of service and of gifts in kind should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, J. R. Wade, Esq., O.W., 22, Norman Avenue, Twickenham.

