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## WESTMINSTER IN THE COUNTRY.

AT first sight this may seem a re-opening of that well-worn question about the removal of Westminster into the country, which has, however, lain dormant for several years.

No, our purpose is far from this. Indeed, rather would we give reasons why this venerable school with its ancient and hallowed traditions should remain where it is. How often is it said 'Yes, Westminster, but I should never care for school in town.' These people quite naturally fail to realise the actual fact. Westminster is *not*

a school in town. This may seem a paradox, but the fact remains that it is rather 'a town round a school.' Year by year the inexorable growth of greater London continues, year by year the green fields, which are the pride and glory of many a less renowned school, shrink back as if in fear from Westminster's dark precincts; but nevertheless, now centuries ago, she stood, a sacred fane and famous school, for they were one amid fair country upon the Thames green banks. Then indeed, far more than Eton or Winchester is to-day, Westminster was a school in the country. Then did the scholars enjoy all the pleasures of free and open surroundings.

But London was approaching, and in Noorthouck's map of 1745 we find that the Abbey is reached by London's south-western tentacle. The Sanctuary indeed then bore its blessed name, and well it might, for just to the north in the same map is marked 'Thieving Lane.' The Artillery Ground, from which Artillery Row on the way up-fields derives its name, also appears, but far different from its present condition. Rochester Row we also find, it is true, but on only one side are houses, the other being an avenue of shady trees.

By 1775 the Abbey and School were completely surrounded by buildings, but the Tothill fields were beautified by a large lake boasting no less than two islands.

The next thirty years saw an extraordinary growth, and in 1810 Dean Vincent had ten acres (why not twenty?) railed off from the remnants of Tothill Fields, forming what we know as Vincent Square. However, as we read in Markham's 'Recollections,' snipe shooting in Tothill Fields went on as late as 1818.

But while the north side of the river was thus being covered with houses, the south was still more or less undeveloped, for we read in Markham's delightful book that on the level meadows behind the Red House at Battersea, ditch-leaping was an annual institution. Every year, it would appear, on St. David's Day, all the bigger members of the school used to go up the river to leap the dykes, while each one brought a fag to carry his shag for him. One ditch, with the expressive nick-name of 'Spanking Sam,' was almost an impossible jump, and into it they all went, 'to the intense joy of the fags!'

London, then, has enveloped the school, and, humanly speaking, it is impossible that the school should again see green fields; but 'we go on for ever,' whether enclosed in town or not, and it is abundantly evident that we can always be a school of the first rank, provided our numbers exceed not the fixed space allotted to us. In our compact and beautiful position, we can always stand, as stood the ἀνὴρ τετραγώνος of the Greeks, four square to all the attacks of those who would move us from it.

## Historical Notes.

WE give some further extracts from the MS. volume referred to in our February number. It should have been stated that the book was a present from Major-General Astley Terry. It was compiled about the year 1730, certainly by a Westminster and probably by an Oxford Westminster. It contains some highly complimentary lines intitled 'On Miss Nanny Brickenden's going to Newenham by water.' From a passage in Hearne's Diary, 21 November, 1723, we are able to identify the lady. 'I was told yesterday, by a gentleman, that Miss Anne Brickenden (daughter of the late Dr. Brickenden, Master of Pembroke College), who is about eighteen years of age, and lives at present with her mother at Iffley, for fear of the small-pox, w<sup>ch</sup> is at this time very bad and very fatal in Oxford, is the prettiest woman, in all respect[s], that ever he saw in his life. She was courted, it seems, lately by Sir Edward Obyran, a young noble Man (a Baron<sup>t</sup>) of Balliol Coll., but he was at last dissuaded from marrying her, because of y<sup>e</sup> Narrowness of her Fortune.' The book has other evidence of an Oxford origin, but it cannot have been compiled, as a bookseller's catalogue suggested, by Bishop Hooper.

The MS. gives the Prologue to the 'Phormio,' beginning 'Tollite vos Aulaea,' and ascribed in the 'Lusus' to the year 171 $\frac{3}{4}$ . Our MS. and a British Museum MS. assign it to 1723, and the latter adds that it was 'spoken by Mr. Johnson . . . Nov. 26, 1723.' This is doubtless the right date since James Johnson, afterwards Bishop of Worcester, was the Captain, and was elected to Oxford in 1724. The Epilogue, beginning 'Adeste vos,' is also rightly assigned to the same performance of 1723.

The Prologue of 1725 beginning 'Jam tristes' is dated November 19. It has the special interest of having been spoken by Charles Wesley.

The Prologue and Epilogue to 'Ignoramus' in 1713 were spoken, the one by Anthony and the other by Ignoramus. Our volume enables us to recover the Prologue and Epilogue of the earlier performance in 1713, those given in the 'Lusus' belonging to a special performance in honour of Harley. The change of manners obliges us to omit one line in the Prologue.

PROLOGUE TO IGNORAMUS, BY ANTHONY. 1714.

Once in an age let Ignoramus come,  
To make a visit near his proper home.  
Long is it since at Cambridge he appear'd,  
And since that time (I speak with due regard)  
He has not oft at Westminster been heard.  
If any such there be amongst the gown,  
He's some recorder of a factious town,  
Or petty manager against the crown.  
An Ignoramus amongst all the swarm  
Cannot be seen here every day in term.

None to y<sup>e</sup> bar, none to y<sup>e</sup> band pretends,  
 But he y<sup>e</sup> laws with eloquence defends.  
 Against the gown no evil we intend,  
 On them our glebe and future tiths depend.  
 All we propose is to give some delight,  
 A scholar-like diversion for a night.  
 For at that ancient seat of learning, where  
 This play first entered on a Theatre,  
 The gravest students deign'd to have a share.  
 And twice (if Cambridge poets rightly sing),  
 Did Ignoramus entertain a King.  
 The character is pleasant humour hit,  
 The King with gracious mirth had like to split.  
 Our hope is then, tho' black should be our doom,  
 You'll go, if less diverted, sooner home.

## EPILOGUE BY IGNORAMUS AND DULMAN.

O Auditores Spectatoresque benigni,  
 O all ye hearers, and ye standers by,  
 Crede mihi dolet hoc munus demandari.  
 This Epilogue puts me in a great Quandary.  
 Effudique sales, mea lex consumitur & tout,  
 My Wit is at an end, my Law is out.  
 Nescio quid dico aut dico quod ego non nosco.  
 I know not what I say, or say not what I know.  
 Why truly, may it please you, I demurr—  
 Memoria sine brief is never sure.  
 We as we humbly do conceive may move  
 The honourable benchers, as above.  
 That we may now be clients unto you,  
 'Tis not *in formâ Pauperis* we sue.  
 And as we in your judgement stand, that we  
 May likewise in your honours favours be.  
 This being granted, may be, Gentlemen,  
 We'll humbly move this bench to sit again,  
 After due notice how, and where, and when,  
 And so we stand adjourn'd.  
 (DUL.) God save ye Queen.

The date of 1714 assigned to this Prologue should doubtless be 1713, the performance being mentioned in a letter of Atterbury, dated February 1713. The reference to the proper home of Ignoramus is, of course, to the Law Courts in and about Westminster Hall, though the nominal scene of the play is in Bordeaux. It is, however, possible that this Prologue and Epilogue do not belong to a Westminster performance.

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 School Notes.
 

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THE new King's Scholars were admitted up School on Thursday, October 16th, by the Rt. Rev. the Dean, who afterwards gave an appropriate address.

The Mission Offertory on St. Luke's Day amounted to £5 19s. 6d.

The Play this year is the 'Andria'; the play nights are December 11, 15 and 17.

The subject set for the Gumbleton prize, which was won by N. A. Bechman, was 'St. Francis of Assisi'; the prize poem is given elsewhere.

Commemoration will be held on November 17. The Dean has given permission for an offertory on behalf of the School Mission at Commemoration.

The Editors of *The Trifler* wish it stated that any Old Westminsters who wish to take it in, should write to the Treasurer, at Ashburnham House.

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 WESTMINSTER SCHOOL  
 FOOTBALL FIXTURES.
 

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

		1913.	
Sat.	Sept. 27	v.	Clapham Rovers. Lost 0-1.
	2nd XI.	v.	H.A.C. 2nd. Lost 0-3.
Sat.	Oct. 4	v.	O.WW. Lost 0-4.
	2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A). Lost 2-3.
„	Oct. 11	v.	Casuals. Lost 0-8.
	2nd XI.	v.	Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. Lost 3-5.
Wed.	Oct. 15	v.	R.M.A., Woolwich. Lost 1-4.
Sat.	„ 18	v.	Beckenham. Won 1-0.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Aldenhamians (A). Lost 0-6.
Sat.	Oct. 25	v.	R.M.C., Sandhurst. Lost 1-4.
	2nd XI.	v.	Bank of England 2nd XI. Lost 2-4.
Sat.	Nov. 1	v.	Old Wykehamists.
	2nd XI.	v.	King's College (A).
Sat.	Nov. 15	v.	Old Foresters.
	2nd XI.	v.	H.A.C. 2nd XI.
Sat.	Nov. 22	v.	Old Cholmelians.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Cranleighans 2nd XI.
Wed.	Nov. 26	v.	Old Carthusians.
Sat.	Nov. 29	v.	Old Aldenhamians.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Foresters 2nd XI.
Sat.	Dec. 6	v.	St. Thomas's Hospital.
	2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A).
Sat.	Dec. 13	v.	Lancing Old Boys.
	2nd XI.	v.	Old Cholmelians (A).
		1914.	
Sat.	Jan. 17	v.	Emeriti.
	2nd XI.	v.	St. Gabriel's Mission.
Sat.	Jan. 24	v.	Old Felstedians.
	2nd XI.	v.	School Mission.
Wed.	Jan. 28	v.	Outcasts.
Sat.	„ 31	v.	Old Berkhamstedians.
	2nd XI.	v.	„ „ 2nd XI.

Sat. Feb. 7	v.	Charterhouse (at Vincent Square).
Wed. Feb. 11	v.	Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.
Sat. „ 14	v.	Old Bradfield Boys.
2nd XI.	v.	St. Thomas's Hospital 2nd XI.
Sat. Feb. 21	v.	Casuals.
2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A).
Tues. Feb. 24	v.	Christ Church.
Sat. Feb. 28	v.	O.WW.
2nd XI.	v.	King's College (A).
Thurs. Mar. 5	v.	Winchester College (at Winchester).
Sat. Mar. 7	v.	Old Brightonians.
2nd XI.	v.	Bank of England 2nd XI.
Sat. Mar. 14	v.	Old Etonians.
2nd XI.	v.	O.WW. (A).
Wed. Mar. 18	v.	K.SS. v. T.BB.
Kick off 2.30.		Play Wet or Fine.

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Poetry.  
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GUMBLETON ENGLISH VERSE.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI.

THROUGH the soft vapours of the night that rise  
To lap our earth, which all day long the sun  
Has scarred and vexed, pale stars, world-haunting  
eyes,

Blink down, and timidly the moonbeams run  
Athwart the dim lawns to the long dark rows  
Of houses weirdly limn'd against the skies;  
And here and there a gold-lit window glows,  
And shapes of men are thrown upon the blind.  
I lean from out my window to the wind:  
Above dark wastes, and darker wastes beneath;  
The breezes sing and play about my hair,  
And pour into my ears their broken song,  
Brought from the woful, city-tainted heath,  
The wanton music of the muddied fair,  
Of noisome booths that stench and seethe and  
throng,

And lights that flare to kill the tranquil moon,  
Bedizened women dancing to a coon,  
A yelping hound, the joy-wheel whirls around  
Amid mad laughter and a jangling sound.

Oh, shut the window, keep the world away!  
Those vermin are my brothers; let them play  
And shriek and fight and scuttle to their doom.  
Yet are we brothers, and our parent He,  
Great Father of the rat, the rose—and me.  
Yet do I hate; and like some anchorite  
Would free my soul and bare it to the light,  
And lay my body in its earthly tomb.  
O Saint, sweet Francis, thou who did'st not shun,  
But meanly clad would'st toil among the mean,  
How could'st thou love, hold converse with each  
one,

Caring for those who better had not been?

I see thee now amid the surging throng:  
Some scoff, some kneel, some cry, 'The world  
runs wrong!'

Pietro, the cobbler, laughs: 'Forsooth divine  
Our Bernadone's son! he spurns my awl,  
Whose father loved his ducats\*' Some cry,  
'Cease!

To-day we thank our Father for our wine,  
And this man bids us thank and dwell in peace.  
And here come others from a drunken brawl;  
Who's piping? lo! the devil makes them dance;  
What says our Saint, what says the man of  
France†?

Here come they from the fields, where all day long  
They've steeped their hearts in wine and sport  
and song,

While sunbeams wallow in the luscious grass,  
And dancing yet into the square they pass.  
Our pale-faced sculptor beats the tambourine—  
With greater cunning than his blocks of stone;  
Now slowly goes the step, and slowly sways  
The bright-clad line, and with its setting rays  
The streak'd sun splashes on the motley scene;  
And faster now they move in one long row,  
A spangled serpent wriggling on the sand.  
More loud the clangour, and the mad mob stand  
And laugh and shout and clap the dazzling dance,  
Now breaks the line and couples wind alone,  
Now turn they swifter, surging to and fro,  
Wilder pulses the pipe, and wild, aw whirl they go,  
And forms and minds are reeling in a trance . . . .

But hold! a voice serene above the throng:  
'My brothers, peace! to-day our heav'nly King  
We thank for brimming vats, His gifts, His care.  
Ye curse, ye hate, ye love, ye dance, ye sing,  
The Father weeps, while ye ring out your song.  
To-day ye laugh, to-morrow ye shall sigh;  
Let grief be now, and joy when ye shall die!'

A hush fell on the tumult of the square,  
And there arose soft whisperings of praise,  
As, when the storm has rumbled round the skies,  
Round and round it runs, and then it dies,  
Then lull'd the once mad welkin, and the showers  
Fall softly on the grasses and the flowers;  
Again the crofters on the hill have stirred;  
The full rill babbles down . . . .

And now they heard  
The vespers ringing, ringing, 'Come along,  
Repent the wrong, and join the good in thankful  
song!'

And by the wall, with lanterns lit, and slow,  
The nuns, dark-wimpled, and their abbess go;  
And then the choir, and with their lips they raise  
A song to heaven.

To the township-gate

\* St. Francis despised all seeking after riches, though his father, Bernadone, had amassed a large fortune as a merchant.

† His baptismal name was John; but from familiarity in his youth with the Romance . . . he acquired the name of "Il Francesco" ("The Little Frenchman").

Went Francis, and the postern sentry cried :  
 ' Father, give thee good night ! thou goest late ! '  
 ' Ay, late,' said he, ' but time is with us still ;  
 Soldier, Christ bids thee watch, the foeman hide ! '  
 And to the wood went Francis up the hill.  
 A stillness rose before the night that came,  
 Creeping adown the dank hills like a dame,  
 Wrapt round in faded weeds, descending slow,  
 Upon the hamlet in the vale below.  
 Around the wood there went a hem of light,  
 Feeble and ghostly, here the cold wind grieved,  
 The tree-tops mingling spoke of summer's flight,  
 And sang soft songs of sadness as they weaved  
 A mystic shroud to sheet the dying year,  
 Of leaves and spring's fond dreams and branches  
 sere.

Beyond the wood rose three gaunt trees alone  
 And swayed their naked arms, old giants that  
 moan

Their worldly sins. By one St. Francis kneeled  
 And spoke to heaven, but his lips were sealed.  
 ' Good Father, gone is yet another day,  
 Bright Brother Sun has shone, and Sister Moon  
 Sits sorrowful among her stars, and soon  
 Sweet Sister Death will summon me away.  
 For these I thank ; and yet my spirit shuns  
 To leave our Mother Earth, while thus her sons,  
 My brothers, riot. Lo ! Thy garden, dight  
 With flow'rs and streams and glorious with Thy  
 light,

A fair wherein they dance and curse and fight ;  
 And lit it is with lustful lamps and gold.  
 O, Father, watch the wand'rings of Thy fold.  
 Grant me a spark of sacred fire to show  
 Where Thy lost path leads joywards out of woe.'  
 All night prayed Francis on the wind-swept  
 wold.

A gleam was round him ; nigh him sate the owl,  
 Nor wish'd to fly, nor raptured wolf to prowl ;  
 And hush'd the river glimpsing in the glen . . . .  
 But soft ! the white-armed goddess of the day  
 Comes o'er the hill, and shadows roll away.

St. Francis rose and turned again to men.  
 N. A. B.

## HALL EPIGRAMS.

THE verses recited at Election Dinner form what may be termed a miscellaneous collection of quips and cranks ; they usually include, however, a few serious pieces such as serve to express the loyal sentiments that befit the occasion. Hence the official title—' Poems and Epigrams recited in College Hall in the presence of the Electors.' We reprint from this year's book what seem to us the best examples of either class. So far as the verses themselves are concerned, they are as good as ever ; but we cannot truthfully say the same of the way

in which they were recited. In this respect we shall look for an improvement next year.

Παθὼν νήπιος ἔγνω.

AD NOSTRAM SCHOLAM.

Iam iam exiturus e tua, mater, domo  
 Boni quid orem quasve agam tibi gratias,  
 Quae me excepisti puerum, vitae et artium  
 Rudem, paventem, mollem, mores in malos  
 Propensum cum nescirem meliores sequi ?  
 Tuam sed disciplinam expertus mox satis  
 Vidi quem me esse velles, ingenuum virum  
 Quid dedeceret, quid probum civem dare  
 Et facere esset pro patria consentaneum.  
 Tali doctrina imbutus, o mater, tui  
 Non obliviscar unquam et hanc reddam vicem,  
 Ut, me quocunque terrae sors vocaverit,  
 Te dignus vivam et laudes producam tuas.

Παθὼν νήπιος ἔγνω.

Sese paratos Teutones volunt Marti,  
 Infestus etsi nemo praeparat bellum :  
 Seseque dites omnium volunt rerum,  
 Cererisque Liberique, fontium vitae.  
 Adversa petitis, Teutones ; nec id tantum,  
 Nos, nos eodem cogitis. Quid hoc stultist !  
 Cereremque Bacchumque abstulit furor belli.

DONUM EXITIALE and Παθὼν νήπιος ἔγνω.

' Here's a straight tip of brother G.'s ; '  
 says brother R., ' Let's test it :  
 Old pals, our paltry salaries  
 may surely be invested.'

Forced by the clamours of the press  
 to show what shares they bought,  
 ' We erred,' they cry, ' and now confess  
 we're sorry—that we're caught.'

DONUM EXITIALE.

Frater ni monitum, donum exitiale, dedisset,  
 Rufe, tuae fidei quaestio nulla foret.

DONUM EXITIALE.

Why, when Smith meets me, is his greeting arid ?  
 I introduced him to the girl he married.

Παθὼν νήπιος ἔγνω.

When every other seat was taken,  
 I strolled to one that seemed forsaken,  
 And failed to mark the letters faint,  
 Which all too truly ran ' Wet Paint.'

DONUM EXITIALE.

Ninepence for fourpence toilers get,  
 Joy days, refreshing fruit.  
 What for the Liberal candidate ?  
 The order of the Boot.

DONUM EXITIALE.

A. A gift we bring. B. A deadly thing.  
 A. 'Tis called Home Rule. B. By us Rome Rule.  
 A. But you'll not fight ? B. Yes, and be right.

## DONUM EXITIALE.

Throughout the kingdom papers gave the tip ;  
Plungers they plunged ; the public thought the  
'snip'

A 'dead 'un' ; thousands took short odds ; so sure  
Was the reputed cert.—'twas Craganour.

## DONUM EXITIALE.

'To prove unjust the Court's award,  
Though specious it appears,  
Grant me five minutes, kind my Lord !'  
He gave him fourteen years.

## FIVES.

The draw for the Senior ties resulted as follows :—

A. N. Charlton and R. R. Turner	v.	G. R. Byham and E. J. Longton
S. F. Waterson and G. G. F. Greig	v.	A. G. Pite and R. C. May
H. B. Thacker and A. L. Leighton	v.	D. G. Veitch and J. L. Strain

The following have drawn byes :—

M. A. Thompson	H. A. Carless	A. C. Feasey
S. L. Holmes	N. C. Champness	P. W. Gardiner

The draw for the Junior ties resulted as follows :

R. C. May and G. C. Johnson	v.	K. Brodie and W. E. E. Gerrish
A. Gordon and R. M. Neill	v.	G. H. Thompson and J. Brookman
G. G. F. Greig and J. Wood-Roberts	v.	P. W. Gardiner and C. A. A. Robertson

The following have drawn byes :—

M. A. Robinson	E. F. Lutyens	P. L. Leighton
L. M. Mansbridge	L. West-Taylor	M. E. Gonne

## THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. O.WW.

OCTOBER 4.

(Lost, 0-4.)

THE School kicked off at 3 P.M. from the Church end and Leighton nearly got away, but was stopped and the ball returned to our half, where they forced a corner that proved useless. Soon after a rush by Cooke was just stopped, but Clarke scored with a long shot. Our forwards got away from a corner, and Feasey put in a good shot which Covington saved, but the game stayed in their half for some

time, though our forwards made no use of it. Half-time (0-1). Directly play was resumed their forwards made a rush that resulted in a goal kick, from which Pink nearly scored with a long shot. Cooke and Birchall, who came centre forward in the second half, Feasey going back, made several runs, Birchall giving Cooke through passes. Thompson stopped several of these, but two of them, owing to Cooke's pace, resulted in goals. Charlton and Thacker took the ball down the wing, and from the centre Veitch put in a good shot, but Covington saved it, and their forwards got away and scored. Just before time Julian got clear, but sent the ball over the goal, and the game ended (4-0) in their favour.

Teams :—

O.WW.

C. K. Covington ; R. E. D. Cargill and W. R. Birchall ; C. G. Cardew, J. C. Gow and F. W. Pink ; G. G. Feasey, E. C. K. Clarke, C. Powers, R. C. Cooke and J. W. H. McCulloch.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless ; M. A. Thompson and K. Brodie ; R. Smith, D. G. Veitch and G. C. Paul ; A. N. Charlton, H. B. Thacker, C. R. Julian, A. C. Feasey and A. L. Leighton.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. CASUALS.

OCTOBER 11.

(Lost, 0-8.)

THIS match took place on Saturday, October 11, up fields. It rained continuously the whole time, and none of the School team seemed to have had practice on wet grounds. The visitors, however, played extremely well, the forward line being especially conspicuous. For the first quarter of an hour the School defence managed to keep the Casuals from scoring, but after a time a shot from the centre forward found the goal, and in a short time no less than four goals had been scored against. The School forwards were completely at sea, and only succeeded in reaching the opposing goal three times during the game. The final score was 8-0 against us ; but it should be said that the Visitors brought down an excellent team and found us by no means at the top of our form. The play of Miles Clark, the centre-forward, was perhaps the outstanding feature of the game, while Dixon's centering from the left was very good.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless ; K. Brodie and M. A. Thompson ; G. Paul, D. G. Veitch and R. Smith ; A. C. Feasey, C. R. Julian, G. R. G. Byham, H. B. Thacker and A. N. Charlton.

CASUALS.

J. L. Davidson ; G. Witherington and St. J. D. Buxton ; H. A. Birrell, C. H. Shupton and P. H. Pilditch ; K. Rayner, E. F. Stokes, Miles H. Clark, D. H. Clark and G. F. Dixon.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* R.M.A.  
WOOLWICH. OCTOBER 15.

(*Lost, 1-4.*)

R.M.A. won the toss and elected to play with the wind from the Hospital end. The game remained in our half for some time, as the wind made it very difficult to clear. At last, however, our forwards took the ball up the field, and Waterson scored off a pass from Julian. The ball returned to our end and their inside right just reaching the ball before it went behind near the goal, passed back and Payne scored. The game stayed in our half, as our backs were not timing their kicks well and could not pass back to Carless, as he had hurt his leg. Carless saved a shot but could not clear, and the ball was put through the goal. Half-time (2-1).

When the game was restarted we pressed and Waterson nearly scored, their backs finding the wind too much for them at first. Their right wing, however, got going, and the inside right scored with a shot along the ground which Carless might have saved had his leg been well. Soon after they scored again, but for the last quarter of an hour the game was very even, both sides shooting badly, and the whistle blew, leaving them victors by 4 goals to 1.

Teams :—

R.M.A.

W. F. Pattison ; E. H. Lee, W. Brazier ; H. B. Russell, F. L. Reynolds, E. B. Morris ; S. Williams, B. C. Denning, H. Payne, F. Nash, R. W. Goldney.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless ; M. A. Thompson and K. Brodie ; R. Smith, D. G. Veitch and G. C. Paul ; M. A. Robinson, A. C. Feasey, C. R. Julian, S. F. Waterson and N. F. Furze.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* BECKENHAM.  
OCTOBER 18.

(*Won 1-0.*)

BECKENHAM won the toss and chose to defend the Church end. The School forwards started pressing and would have scored but for the fine kicking of Wimble, the left back. Once, however, he missed a centre along the ground from Furze, and Julian had no difficulty in scoring. After this Beckenham had the best of the game, but their forwards did not pass well enough to beat their defence, who played very well. Once G. Aste nearly scored, as Carless ran out and failed to get to a ball. Paul, however, came across and cleared very well as the ball was bouncing into the goal. Half-time (1-0).

The play in the second half was not so good. The Beckenham defence came up the field to draw

our defence, but kept the ball too long, until their forwards were off side. This left our forwards free and they had several chances of which they made no use. Just before the end of the game a good centre from Duttson fell at the feet of the inside right, who should have scored, but Carless made a fine save from close quarters, and the ball, which went across the goal, was kicked out. The game ended (1-0) in our favour.

Teams :—

BECKENHAM.

R. Igglesden ; H. R. Wimble and F. C. Harvey ; E. W. Garry, G. Bower and J. W. Dawe ; C. Duttson, L. R. Thomson, P. Lincoln, G. Aste and L. Aste.

SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless ; M. A. Thompson and K. Brodie ; R. Smith, D. G. Veitch and G. C. Paul ; N. F. Furze, S. F. Waterson, C. R. Julian, A. C. Feasey and M. A. Robinson.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI.  
*v.* O.W.W. 'A.' OCTOBER 4.

(*Lost, 2-3.*)

AT 3.5 the Visitors kicked off and we began to press at once, and after some mid-field play the Visitors made a rush and forced a corner. We then made a rush, and Kitchin put in a shot, which was saved. The opposing team then made a rush, which was stopped, however, by our left back. They then pressed and put in a shot, but it flew wide. Then there was some play in the home half, and Oliver made a good rush, but it had no result. Then some play ensued in mid-field. Our opponents then pressed, and the centre half put in a good shot, which hit the cross-bar. A rush was then made by the home side, but had no result. Afterwards another rush was made by Westminster. Their right outside shot and the ball found the net. The Visitors continued to press, and after some time Westminster forced a corner from which a goal resulted.

Their centre forward scored again. The Visitors still pressed and the centre forward shot again and got a goal. Half-time was then called, the score being 1-3. On resuming play our opponents began to press almost at once, and nearly scored a goal. Soon after Ashley saved a good shot. A rush was made by the School and Chidson scored (2-3). After several indecisive rushes a shot was put in to the opposing goal, but was saved excellently by their goal-keeper. The final score was 2-3.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI.

J. O. Ashley ; R. C. May and N. F. Furze ; J. H. Spence, N. C. Champness (capt.) and J. V. Rathbone ; F. R. Oliver, P. W. Gardiner, S. L. Holmes, L. H. Chidson and D. H. Kitchin.

O.W.W. 'A.'

Worlock ; Estall and Potter ; K. Johnson, Rice-Oxley and A. Johnson ; Macpherson, Parker, Denzer, Coleby and Linde.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. v. OLD ALDENHAMIAN'S 'A.' OCTOBER 18.

(Lost, 0-6.)

We kicked off with the sun in our eyes. Turner made a good save. Then they scored with a low shot. They forced a corner, and scored again after a misunderstanding between our backs. We nearly scored, but afterwards a goal was almost headed for them. The game remained pretty even until half-time came, with the score at 2-0 against. After some even play, they scored. Then their outside made a rush and scored (4-0). Soon after this we had a free kick, which was no good, for they scored a fifth goal ; they pressed a great deal. We made a good rush, which ended in a shot being well saved by their goal-keeper. They pressed again, and their inside left scored, after a corner.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI.

R. R. Turner ; R. C. May and G. V. Rathbone ; J. H. Spence, N. C. Champness and L. H. Chidson ; A. L. Leighton, G. R. Byham, A. M. Charlton (capt.), H. B. Thacker and D. H. Kitchin.

OLD ALDENHAMIAN'S 'A.'

Leage ; Inman and White-Bowman ; Mathieson, Townsend and Collins ; Leach, Brachi, Smith, Worssam and Collinson.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	K.SS.	A.HH.	G.	R.	H.BB.	
K.SS. . . . .	—		L 0-4			0 points.
A.HH. . . . .		—		W 7-1	W 3-2	4 points.
G. . . . .	W 4-0		—		W 6-0	4 points.
R. . . . .		L 1-7		—		0 points.
H.BB. . . . .		L 2-3	L 0-6		—	0 points.

WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	
A	—		W 5-2			L 0-3			= 2 points
B		—			L 2-6				= 0 points
C	L 2-5		—	W 5-1					= 2 points
D			L 1-5	—		L 0-5			= 0 points
E		W 6-2			—				= 2 points
F	W 3-0			W 5-0		—			= 4 points
G							—	W 3-1	= 2 points
H							L 1-3	—	= 0 points

- A.—S. L. HOLMES.
- B.—F. R. BURFORD.
- C.—N. KOHNSTAMM.
- D.—T. R. DAWSON.
- E.—L. H. CHIDSON.
- F.—F. H. PHILPOT.
- G.—M. A. PHILLIMORE.
- H.—C. W. FOWLER.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

The House met on Thursday, October 2, to discuss the motion 'That in the opinion of this House the School has passed its prime.'

The Proposer (the VICE-PRESIDENT) said that it was true that the numbers of the School were going up, but that was only because people could not afford to send their sons to more expensive schools. He argued that the fact that there were so many closed Scholarships to the 'Varsity was in itself bad for the School, because boys did not trouble to work up for open scholarships. He then went on to talk about the low standard of the School games. Finally he read a list of famous men who were at the School under Busby, and declared that the School did not produce such men nowadays. He would have made a greater impression on the Society if he had spoken more seriously.

The Opposer (the PRESIDENT), in answer to the Proposer's last assertion, pointed out that in the time of Busby Westminster was the chief and



almost the only public school in the country. Consequently people who sent their sons to school sent them to Westminster. He said that the numbers in the school did not affect the question, as small schools were better than large ones. He admitted that two Headmasters about the year 1840 had let the school down greatly, and that the Ecclesiastical Commissioners had robbed it of a large amount of money.

The School's great age, however, and association with the Abbey were a great advantage to it now. As to health, he ridiculed the idea that other Schools were any healthier. He claimed that Westminster combined the advantages of a day school and boarding school, and said he hoped this would soon be recognised by the public.

The President's speech was a good one, and embraced most aspects of the subject.

The Seconder (Mr. A. G. PITE) then rose and tried to define the word 'prime' in as many ways as possible. He said nothing in favour of the motion, and it was impossible for the Society to tell what he meant.

The TREASURER, after pointing out that Mr. Pite's playing with words had proved nothing, remarked that the School had lately produced Froude and Hamel. He denied that work at Westminster was bad. He said that the Upper School was certainly not slack, while the Lower School could not be expected to be anything else.

There then followed some more remarks from Mr. A. G. PITE about the meaning of the word 'prime.'

Mr. R. W. STANNARD said that the last few years at the School had been very successful. He saw no reason why several present members of the School should not one day become famous men. He finally referred the Society to what the Headmaster had said about 'tone' in his last sermon.

Mr. A. C. FEASEY contradicted several irrelevant remarks which the Proposer had made about 'rowing' at Westminster.

Mr. C. A. CROW said that the position of the School and the limited size of its playing-fields were great disadvantages in the public eye.

The SECRETARY said that the quality of a School should be judged by the average person, not by the number of famous men it produced.

The motion was put to the House and lost by acclamation.

T. R. D.

THE House met on Thursday, October 9, to discuss the motion 'That in the opinion of this House exhibition flights are a useless risk of human life.'

The Proposer (A. L. W. STEVENS) said that he disapproved of reckless flying, which merely pleased the sensation-seeking portion of the public. Such flying had been the cause of several regrettable accidents. He held that aerial gymnastics neither furthered the advancement of aerial navigation nor

stimulated others to take up flying. He said it would be much better if airmen confined their efforts to long-distance flights.

The Opposer (A. N. CHARLTON) asserted that men had a right to risk their lives in this way, if it was their means of livelihood. People went to other evil entertainments, why should they not go to these?

The Seconder (M. A. PHILLIMORE) maintained that the performance of gymnastic feats in the air was not the object of aviation, neither was it a stimulating sight for the public.

Mr. M. A. THOMPSON said that these exhibitions convinced the public of the stability of aeroplanes and inspired confidence in other aviators.

Several other members then made remarks which were either unintelligible or had been made earlier in the debate.

The motion was put to the House and lost by 15 votes to 7. There was not much to be said on this motion, and the House adjourned very early. Most of the speeches were maiden speeches and none of them were good.

T. R. D.

THE House met on Thursday, October 16, to discuss the motion 'That in the opinion of this House it would be inadvisable at the present time to give Ireland Home Rule.'

The Proposer (the VICE-PRESIDENT) started by saying that Home Rule was unnecessary and was only a matter of religion between the Protestants in the north and the Roman Catholics in the south. He said that Gladstone's Land Act had been impracticable. The present improvement in the state of Ireland was due in the first place to the abolition of the 'middle-man' who had extorted money unjustly from the farmers. Secondly, the Conservatives had given land to poor tenants for their own. One third of the population in Ireland was Protestant, and they had the money and were prepared to fight against Home Rule. His final argument was that if the principle of Home Rule was always upheld, it would end in giving Home Rule to every county and man in the kingdom.

The Opposer (the SECRETARY) said that since the Act of Union had been passed in the year 1801 Ireland had been treated as a conquered country. She had only with difficulty obtained any reforms, and Territorials were not taken from Ireland. The misery which had always existed in Ireland since the Union showed that the system of Government was wrong. It was only since the passing of the Land Act and the Act giving Local Self-Government that the state of things in Ireland had shown signs of improvement. The good example set by the Irish magistrates and borough councillors showed that the Irish were fit to govern themselves. He denied that Home Rule meant separation from England, and said that Mr. Redmond only wanted complete control over purely Irish matters.

Finally, referring to Ulster he said that the minority who opposed Home Rule ought not to try to keep it from the majority who wanted it, but an arrangement should be made so that they might be treated differently.

The **Secunder (R. M. Howe)** in a maiden speech declared that Ulster was one of the most prosperous parts of the Empire, and asked why, if Ireland were improving, was it necessary to give it Home Rule. He said that the case of Canada was different, as Ireland could not pay her way, but would have to be supported by the British taxpayer. The only object of the Government in introducing the Home Rule Bill was to keep the Irish vote.

**Mr. N. A. BECHMAN** said that England had ravaged Ireland and she had a right to Home Rule. He then abused the Unionist party for its policy with regard to Ulster. Mr. Bechman's speech, though fluent, did not bear much relation to the subject, and was utterly unconvincing.

**Mr. S. F. WATERSON** said that Ulster was the only part of Ireland which had ever done any good to the British Empire. He did not see why, if Ireland were given Home Rule, there should still be Nationalists sitting at Westminster.

The **SECRETARY** said that the Roman Catholic Irish had done great services to the Empire as soldiers, and the reason why the Protestants in Ulster were the wealthiest class was that the English kings in years past and the English Government had always favoured them.

The **TREASURER** said that the English government of Ireland was improving and was doubtful whether Home Rule would benefit the Irish. Mr. Redmond and the Nationalists had been stirring up the Irish against England for the last few years, and he was afraid that if Home Rule was granted they would want to become altogether separate from England. He said that they could not possibly be allowed to do so, as Ireland was a very important position to us from a naval and military point of view.

The motion was then put to the House and was carried by acclamation.

This debate was a good one and roused the Society's interest. T. R. D.

THE following is the list of Debates for Play Term:—

*Oct. 2.*—'That this House considers that the School has passed its prime.' For the motion, L. H. Chidson and A. G. Pite; against the motion, S. L. Holmes and R. G. Garvin. Lost by acclamation.

*Oct. 9.*—'That in the opinion of this House, exhibition flights are a useless risk to human life.' For the motion, A. L. W. Stevens and M. A. Phillimore; against the motion, A. N. Charlton and M. A. Thompson. Ayes, 7; Noes, 15.

*Oct. 16.*—'That this House considers that at the present time it would be inadvisable to give Ireland Home Rule.' For the motion, L. H. Chidson and R. M. Howe; against the motion, T. R. Dawson and N. A. Bechman. Carried by acclamation.

*Oct. 23.*—'That in the opinion of this House, State control of railways would be conducive to the public welfare.' For the motion, N. Kohnstamm and D. G. Veitch; against the motion, R. W. Stannard and G. R. Gee.

*Oct. 30.*—'That in the opinion of this House, the relations of master and man in labour should not be controlled by Act of Parliament.' For the motion, R. S. Browning and S. L. Holmes; against the motion, R. R. Turner and R. G. Garvin.

*Nov. 6.*—'That in the opinion of this House, electricity is the greatest revolution of modern times.' For the motion, J. C. Ainsworth-Davis and F. E. D. Hodges; against the motion, J. Shepherd and A. G. Pite.

*Nov. 13.*—'That this House strongly disapproves of the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Welsh Church.' For the motion, S. L. Holmes and T. R. Dawson; against the motion, H. A. Carless and G. R. Gee.

*Nov. 20.*—'That in the opinion of this House, Great Britain should not participate in the Olympic Games at Berlin.' For the motion, H. A. Carless, T. R. Dawson; against the motion, C. A. Crow, A. N. Charlton.

*Nov. 27.*—'That this House would welcome the building of a Channel Tunnel.' For the motion, S. F. Waterson and H. L. Helsdon; against the motion, R. W. Stannard and W. H. V. Nelson.

*Dec. 4.*—'That this House deplors the modern tendency to vegetarianism.' For the motion, R. G. Garvin and A. G. Pite; against the motion, S. F. Waterson and F. R. Burford.

## SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

The following are the officers of the Society:—

*President.*—H. A. Wootton, Esq.

*Vice-Presidents.* { S. L. Holmes.  
J. C. Ainsworth-Davis.

*Secretary.*—T. R. Dawson.

ON Saturday, October 4th, the President gave a very interesting lecture on 'Railway Signalling.' He first referred to several railway disasters which had been caused by wrong signals, and said that the public seemed to think that the system of signalling employed on our railways had no safeguards to prevent accidents. He then shewed what precautions are actually taken, and explained the electric system of signalling employed on the Metropolitan Railway. Finally, he described how sometimes if an engine enters a section of the line where there is another train, an electric current is made to pass through the engine and give a signal to the driver in the cab.

ON Saturday, October 11, A. L. W. Stevens read a paper on 'Oil Engines.' He first explained at length the action of a Diesel Engine. Then, after pointing out its advantages and disadvantages, he explained what improvements would be necessary in order to make it and other oil engines more useful, and compared the efficiency of oil engines with the efficiency of steam engines.

ON Saturday, October 18, J. C. Ainsworth-Davis read a paper on the 'Optics of Photography.' First of all he outlined the fundamental properties of Light, explaining what happens when light

is refracted at a spherical lens. He then went on to speak of lenses, and showed how it is necessary to arrange the lenses in a camera in order to avoid spherical and chromatic aberration and to obtain a sharp image on the plate.

The following is the list of papers :—

LIST OF PAPERS.—*Play Term, 1913.*

- October 11.—‘Oil Engines,’ by A. L. W. Stevens.  
 October 18.—‘Optics of Photography,’ by J. C. Ainsworth-Davis.  
 October 25.—‘Aeroplane Accidents,’ by J. M. E. Shepherd.  
 November 1.—‘Modern Building,’ by C. A. Crow.  
 November 15.—‘Submarines,’ by W. H. V. Nelson.  
 November 22.—‘Coast Erosion,’ by R. R. Turner.  
 November 29.—‘Psychical Research,’ by C. L. Bayne.  
 December 6.—‘Rivers and Lakes of Scotland,’ by D. H. Kitchin.
- Lent Term, 1914.*  
 January 24.—‘Radium and Radioactivity,’ by T. R. Dawson.  
 January 31.—‘Colour Photography,’ by J. C. Ainsworth-Davis.  
 February 14.—‘Scientific Method,’ by H. A. Wootton, Esq.  
 February 21.—‘High and Low Temperatures,’ by A. L. Leighton.  
 February 28.—‘Röntgen Rays,’ by C. P. Warren.  
 March 7.—‘Evolution,’ by T. R. Dawson.  
 March 14.—‘Photography,’ by N. Kohnstamm.  
 March 21.—‘Apes,’ by A. G. Pite.
- There will also be Lectures on Tuesday evenings on scientific subjects.

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### House Notes.

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K.SS.—We must congratulate Mr. G. B. F. Rudd on playing for Oxford University and Mr. R. E. D. Cargill on his performance in the Freshmen’s match at Oxford. Besides, M. A. Thompson, S. F. Waterson, and A. N. Charlton and M. A. Robinson have played for the School, while S. L. Holmes and D. H. Kitchin have been playing in the 2nd XI. Our Juniors were beaten by Grant’s, but we have not yet given up all hope of winning the Cup. ‘Setting-up’ took place on October 21, and henceforth the play will be our chief thought. The Literary Society has finished reading ‘Love’s Labour’s Lost’ and ‘Macbeth.’

ASHBURNHAM.—Nothing startling or out of the way has disturbed the House since we penned our last notes, but the few facts there are, are totally satisfactory.

To begin, we must congratulate our juniors most heartily on handsome victories over Home-Boarders (3—2), and over Rigaud’s (7—1), Dolton and Matthews having been our most prolific goal-scorers; whilst Paul and Brodie have played regularly for the 1st, and Byham, Leighton, and Rathbone for the 2nd.

We must also congratulate Pite on getting the 1st round of the Fives Ties off, and also on his able canvassing on behalf of *The Trifler*.

Our numbers in the Corps are 37, and we congratulate Rathbone, Leighton, Pite, and Birdwood on their promotion.

Seniors are still distant, but our hopes are very bright, and we are confident of retaining the Shield for one more year. Last, but not least, we congratulate Mr. C. C. Trealt (O.A.) on his appointment at the British Museum.

GRANT’S.—Our first duty is to offer somewhat tardy congratulations to Mr. E. D. Adrian on being elected Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, and Mr. D. Smurthwaite on gaining a prize cadetship at the R.M.C., Sandhurst. While on this tack we should not forget that L. Stevens and J. Shepherd have exhibited wonderful skill in overcoming the Little Go Examiners.

The way our Juniors succeeded in defeating College and Home-Boarders was so exemplary that it ought to be remembered by all Juniors for generations to come.

The Literary Society has completed a successful rendering of ‘A Midsummer Night’s Dream.’

Did someone whisper that another Yard-tie had been completed? We wonder if this can be true.

H.BB.—Unfortunately the request for House Notes has come at an inopportune moment, as our Juniors have lost both to Ashburnham and to Grant’s. Our failure may be attributed to the absence of Furze, who was unable to support us owing to his appearance for the School the day before. Congratulations are due to him on getting his Thirds, and to May on House Colours.

Of course there is no mention, but no news is good news, and there is a rumour that several illustrious gentlemen are burning midnight oil in search of scholarships.

We close with the hope that our Seniors may acquit themselves nobly.

RIGAUD’S.—So far from following the example of those worms and no men, our predecessors, in bemoaning the demand for House Notes, we hasten to inscribe them with feelings of the most acute pleasure, for Rigaudites, past and present, have loomed large lately in the public eye, both in the realm of sport and work. Turning to the more important of these two branches, we must heap congratulations on the head of F. W. Pink for some very successful appearances for Oxford; we wish him the best of luck for the future, and in our mind’s eye we can already behold him tripping gaily over the turf at Queen’s Club.

We must also thrust felicitations at N. A. Bechman on the Gumbleton, and on being *proxime accessit* in the Mure Scholarship. His boundless energy has also gushed forth in a much needed direction, warmly resuscitating that moribund periodical, *The Trifler*.

In Juniors our start was far from auspicious, the majority of our team obviously suffering from

inexperience and lack of *anno domini*, both of which defects, we feel sure, they are remedying every day.

Condolences are due to N. Vernham on an injury to his eye, and we soon hope to see him once again restored to health, and in his right mind.

As regards future events, we abstain from any attempt at prophecy, knowing well that all such attempts are nothing but mere conjecture.

### Old Westminsters.

MR. JUSTICE PHILLIMORE has been appointed a Lord Justice of Appeal.

We must congratulate Mr. F. W. Pink, Mr. G. B. F. Rudd, and Mr. R. E. D. Cargill for appearing in the Oxford Freshmens' and Trial matches, and Mr. Pink and Mr. Rudd on playing for the University.

### Birth.

ON July 31, the wife of George C. Brooke of a son.

### Obituary.

It is our boast that our blossoms of to-day draw their sustenance from roots that go far back into the living past. The Westminster Play was already an institution when Hemming and Condell, the editors of the first folio of Shakespeare, hired us their costumes for the use of our little eyases. The learned sock of Ben Jonson had already been first worn in Dean's Yard. Even Busby first made his name as an actor in 'The Royal Slave,' the work of one of his contemporaries at Westminster. A generation later the place of the leading dramatist was held, however unworthily, by Dryden, who sometimes had Lee, another Westminster, for his co-operator, and was unkind enough to deride the comic efforts of yet another, Elkanah Settle. Betterton, it is true, was no Westminster, but his successor, Barton Booth, who has left his name in Barton Street, first made his name as Pamphilus in a Town-Boy presentation of the 'Andria.' Under George III. Colman was both actor and playwright, while sentimental comedy found its voice in Richard Cumberland. The second Thomas Sheridan won fame as a tragedian, and it is said that no Sir Peter Teazle, in the comedy of Sheridan's more famous son, has rivalled the Sir Peter of Thomas King. The younger Colman brings us into the last

century, and we have now to record the deaths of two Westminster actors, of whom one became popular at the end of that century, while the other first trod the boards in the twentieth, and has been cut off just as his early struggles were over, and his foot seemed to be on the ladder of renown.

CHARLES HALLAM ELTON BROOKFIELD was born in 1857, the son of William Henry Brookfield, the famous preacher, and grandson of Sir Charles A. Elton, the poet and man of letters. He was admitted in 1871 and afterwards went to Cambridge where he soon became a prominent member of the A.D.C. In 1878 he joined the Bancrofts' company, and won some name as an actor in farcical comedy. Six years later he gave up acting for the production of plays, most of which he adapted from the French. About two years ago Lord Spencer, who had played with him in the A.D.C., made him Censor of Plays. His health failed him somewhat early in life, and he died on October 20.

WESTMINSTERS of some dozen years ago may have recognised under the war-name of Robert Averell, their schoolfellow WALTER LIND GOLDSCHMIDT, the vivacious, if erratic, grandson of Jenny Lind. Born in 1885 he was at the School from 1898 to 1902, and on leaving went upon the stage. He did not at once win recognition, but later on he won the approval of some high authorities in the theatrical world, and was on his way to success when his career was cut short by death.

### Correspondence.

19 Pembroke Street, Oxford.

17 October, 1913.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I really feel that the extraordinary letter written in the last 'Elizabethan' by Mr. Conservative can hardly go unanswered. It is pretty obvious that the worthy enthusiast can hardly understand how colours are given. By taking careful note, he might discover that in 1912 only ten received their Pinks at all, let alone immediately after the Charterhouse match, and that in 1908 the team was again not filled up; it is quite obvious that in order to maintain keenness among the apparent members of the XI. who have not yet obtained their Pinks, they must be shown that even if Charterhouse is beaten, they do not receive their colours on the spot. In fact, the team is often altered after the great school match.

In conclusion I should like to ask Mr. Conservative firstly, if he has any idea of what first XI. colours at a Public School mean, and, secondly, whether he was disappointed himself?

I am, dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

'BIGOTED LIBERAL.'

PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLUB.

We have to thank two Old Westminsters, Mr. Ralph T. Squire and Mr. L. A. M. Fevez, for the following information about the Public Schools Club, which has moved to new and larger premises at 19 Berkeley Street, W.

'Premises leased for 96 years, containing:—Large hall and lounge, coffee-room, smoking-room, card-room, reading-room, 2 billiard-rooms, 32 bedrooms, lift. Twenty-six bedrooms can be obtained at 5s. each per night (which price includes bath and valet), whilst the remaining six bedrooms are 6s. each per night.

'The Entrance Fee and Annual Subscription remain unchanged, that is: Entrance Fee, £2 2s. Annual Subscription—Town, £4 4s.; Country, £2 2s.; Service Members, £2 2s.; Candidates under age, £1 1s.'

HOME-BOARDERS, WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—May I call attention to the disgraceful washing accommodation which exists, or, rather, does not exist, up Home-boarders. For a house of over eighty boys there are only a few wretched hand-basins supplied with cold water. Everyone of these boys, I hope, play football or take some other form of exercise, yet they are compelled to wait till they get home to make themselves respectably clean. Surely there is room for a shower-bath or two, or even a foot-bath. If money is the trouble, I believe a subscription would be readily paid by all in the house.

I am, Sir,  
Yours sincerely,  
ONE OF THE GREAT UNWASHED.

Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the following:—*The Harrovian, The Taylorian, The Wykehamist* (2), *The Magazine of the Geelong Grammar School, The Melbourneian, The Carthusian, The Cheltonian, The Eton College Chronicle* (3), *The Marlburian, The Salopian, The Haverfordian, The Meteor, The Haileyburian, The Wellingtonian, The Radleian, The Blue, The Reptonian, The Felstedian, The Alleynian, and the Westminster Abbey Choristers' Magazine.*

We have also to thank the Natural History Society of Winchester for their interesting Report, 1912-1913.

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Old Westminsters who wish to join the Club should communicate with the Hon. Secretary, L. E. TANNER, Esq., 2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W.

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