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EDITORIAL.

LET us hope that there are not many among us who are ashamed of Westminster's reputation, if only for the reason that this sense of shame usually proves to be mutual. We all know the type of person who parades his condescending pity for 'the old School' coupled with an inventory of spurious reasons for her seeming decadence. When we sing 'Domus alma Floreat' do we ever think of the present as much as we should do? For not only is it certain that Westminster will flourish, but also that it is flourishing now. In scholarship the School will never lose any lustre: a classical reputation extending back so many years, coeval with its relationship with the great Universities, suffers no danger of eclipse. It is rather in the sphere of athletics that our detractors revel. They tell us to consider the annual records at football and cricket, reflect on the number of Blues turned out at the 'Varsity, and devise some remedy for the apathy which, they say, everywhere prevails in School Sport.

We consider this now. In football, the record

for the past season is by no means bad. Indeed, there is here considerable ground for satisfaction, since although the proportion of wins to losses was not large, what victories there were were sound and decisive. In a word, the team never despaired, and was trying as hard at the end of a losing game as at the beginning. The most recently devised system of League games worked well, and was a distinct incentive to keenness.

On the Water, too, prospects are bright and there is a remarkable increase of new talent.

And not only in the chief departments of School Sport can these carping critics be refuted, but equally in the cases of Fives, Fencing, Boxing and Gym. The application lists for Fives Courts are always full: our fencers are becoming really proficient: the Boxing Class numbers some thirty or more, and there is always a large attendance at Gym. Last of all, let us consider the Sports. In spite of dreadful weather, they were held without a hitch; no records, indeed, were broken, but there were many good figures, and enthusiasm was provoked to unusual lengths by the neck-and-neck struggle of the two leading Houses.

This pleasing fact was fully confirmed in the athletic match with Aldenham, where we only lost by four events to three, and where a record Long Jump was achieved, and very nearly a record Quarter Mile. Any objection in face of the undeniable athletic vigour of the School falls quite flat. In the case of the boy at Westminster, in somewhat familiar words,

“Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound:
His strength the more is.”

We therefore look forward to a successful cricket season. With several of last year's XI still with us, we cannot fail to put our much-maligned enthusiasm to excellent account.

School Notes.

CONFIRMATION was held in Abbey on Tuesday, March 29, when the Bishop of Southampton confirmed the candidates at the High Altar.

During the whole of this term the Head Master will be away on the Continent. Mr. Smedley is acting as his deputy.

We note that THE ELIZABETHAN was too forward when in the last issue it claimed to be the sixth oldest of school magazines. It must perforce yield sixth place to the *St. Edward's School Chronicle*.

The Corps was inspected up Fields on Wednesday, March 23, by General Sir H. W. Hodgson, K.C.B., who professed himself well satisfied with general discipline, turn-out, and drill, and was generous enough to make excuses for our palpably bad musketry.

The Drill Competition, held the following Friday, was again won by Home Boarders. It was judged by Lieut. The Marquis of Hamilton and Lieut. Miller, of the Grenadier Guards.

H. B. Magnus has been elected to the Monitorial Council.

There was a meeting of the School (Junior) Branch of the League of Nations Union on Monday, March 21, in the Old Library, when the President read a paper on 'The League: its general constitution and organization.'

Through the kindness of Mr. Knapp Fisher, the Monitorial Council were privileged to attend the ceremony in Abbey on the occasion of President Dourmergue's visit to lay a wreath on the Unknown Warrior's Tomb.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

WESTMINSTER v. ALDENHAM.

OUR first Inter-School sports match was held at Aldenham on Monday, April 4. It was an interesting match, not only because of its close result (lost by *three* events to *four*), but because our team did, for the most part, better times, etc., than they achieved up Fields. The most astonishing result was a long jump by H. L. Jones of 20 ft. 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins., beating the School record of 20 ft. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. made in 1885 by L. A. M. Fevez, and equalled in 1914 by M. A. Thompson. Another excellent figure was Heard's Quarter-Mile, done in 55 4-5 secs., only 4-5 sec. outside W. F. Corfield's record in 1897.

The Westminster team was composed as follows:—

100 YARDS.—Franklin, Porterfield.
MILE.—Sheldon, A. H. Smith, Mackenzie.
HURDLES.—Porterfield, Franklin.
LONG JUMP.—Franklin, H. L. Jones.
HALF MILE.—A. H. Smith, Sturdy.
HIGH JUMP.—Sheldon, C. M. Harrison.
QUARTER MILE.—Heard, H. L. Jones.

RESULTS.

100 YARDS.—1 Walmsley (Ald.), 2 Franklin (West.).
Time, 11 1-5 secs. Won by 2 ft.
ONE MILE.—1 Sheldon (West.), 2 Seymour-Lucas (Ald.).
Time, 5 mins. 2 secs. Won by 5 yds.
HURDLES.—1 Bird (Ald.), 2 Porterfield (West.). Time,
20 secs. Won by 4 yds.
LONG JUMP.—1 Jones (West.), 2 Noone (Ald.). Distance,
20 ft. 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ins. Won by 2 ft.
HALF MILE.—1 Walmsley (Ald.), 2 Sturdy (West.).
Time, 2 mins. 12 4-5 secs. Won by 8 yds.
HIGH JUMP.—1 Stoner (Ald.), 2 Sheldon and Harrison tied
at 4 ft. 10 ins. Height, 4 ft. 11 ins.
QUARTER MILE.—1 Heard (West.), 2 Soole (Ald.). Time,
55 4-5 secs. Won by inches.

THE SPORTS.

IN spite of an atrocious spell of rainy weather the Sports were held, as usual, last term. Remarkable keenness was shown throughout, increased not a little by the competition between the King's Scholars and Ashburnham for the Inter-House Challenge Cup. Eventually the King's Scholars captured it by one point, thus repeating their victory for the third year, and getting that one deciding point exactly as they did two years ago. Sheldon won the Victor Ludorum Cup by one point from Franklin. Our thanks are due to Sir George Sutherland (O.W.) for kindly presenting the prizes, to Messrs. M.F. Young and W.N. McBride (O.W.W.) for acting as judges, and to Messrs. D. J. Knight and T. M. Murray Rust for their services as starter and timekeeper.

The following are the complete results :—

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (under 15).—1 Aitken (RR.), 2 Bird (A.HH.). Distance, 59 yards.
 HIGH JUMP (under 15).—1 Aitken (RR.), 2 Shearman (A.HH.). Height, 4 ft. 4 ins.
 HALF MILE (under 16).—1 Mackenzie (K.SS.), 2 Thompson (H.BB.). Time, 2 mins. 31 secs.
 HALF MILE (Open).—1 Smith (RR.), 2 Sheldon (A.HH.), 3 Sturdy (K.SS.). Time, 2 mins. 22 secs.
 LONG JUMP (Open).—1 Franklin (K.SS.), 2 H. L. Jones (K.SS.). Distance, 17 ft. 10 ins.
 HURDLES (under 15).—1 Bird (A.HH.), 2 Aitken (RR.). Time, 22 secs.
 300 YARDS HANDICAP (over 16).—1 Edmunds (RR.), 2 Johnson (RR.). Time, 35 2-5 secs.
 LONG JUMP (under 15).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 ten Doesschate (K.SS.). Distance, 15 ft. 4 ins.
 QUARTER MILE (under 16).—1 Thompson (H.BB.), 2 Mackenzie (K.SS.). Time, 63 secs.
 100 YARDS (under 16).—1 Mackenzie (K.SS.), 2 Thompson (H.BB.). Time, 12 1-5 secs.
 ONE MILE (Open).—1 Smith (RR.), 2 Sheldon (A.HH.), 3 Baker (H.BB.). Time, 5 mins. 22 1-5 secs.
 ONE MILE (under 16).—1 Mackenzie (K.SS.), 2 Symington (RR.). Time, 5 mins. 41 secs.
 QUARTER MILE (Open).—1 Heard (GG.), 2 Sheldon (A.HH.), 3 H. L. Jones (K.SS.). Time, 61 4-5 secs.
 THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (Open).—1 James (A.HH.), 2 Cook (GG.). Distance, 83 ft. 1 in.
 HURDLES (Open).—1 Porterfield (A.HH.), 2 Franklin (K.SS.). Time, 19 4-5 secs.
 100 YARDS (under 15).—1 Lawton (GG.), 2 ten Doesschate (K.SS.). Time, 12 1-5 secs.
 HIGH JUMP (Open).—1 Sheldon (A.HH.), 2 Harrison (K.SS.). Height, 4 ft. 9½ ins.
 QUARTER MILE (under 15).—1 Lawton (GG.), 2 Argyle (K.SS.). Time, 69 2-5 secs.
 100 YARDS (Open).—1 Franklin (K.SS.), 2 Porterfield (A.HH.), 3 Cook (GG.). Time, 11 secs.
 150 YARDS (under 14).—1 Ivanovic (A.HH.), 2 Argyle (K.SS.). Time, 18 4-5 secs.
 CONSOLATION RACE.—1 Sahler (A.HH.), 2 Knight (H.BB.).
 O.WW. RACE.—1 McBride (GG.), 2 Young (RR.).
 INTER-HOUSE TUG.—Rigaud's.
 K.SS. v. T.BB. TUG.—Town Boys.
 INTER-HOUSE RELAY CUP.—King's Scholars.
 VICTOR LUDORUM.—Sheldon (A.HH.), 14 points.
 INTER-HOUSE SPORTS CHALLENGE CUP.—King's Scholars, 39 points. Grant's, 14 points. Rigaud's, 19 points. H.BB., 9 points. Ashburnham, 38 points.

GYMNASIUM.

THE Senior Gym. Competition was held March 25. Sergeant-Major Satchell set the exercises. There was a considerable entry, all houses except Grant's being represented; the standard attained was extremely high. It resulted in a win for Barlow (K.S.), with Johnson (RR.) second, and A. C. Bird (A.H.) third. The Inter-House Cup was won by King's Scholars, who gained first and fourth places.

The Junior Competition, on Monday, March 28, was won by Napier (GG.), with C. A. Bird (A.H.) second, and Lewis (A.H.) third. Very good work

was done, and most of the competitors, small in all cases, acquitted themselves quite creditably. The entry might well have been larger.

FIVES.

THE result of the Inter-House matches were as follows :—

GG.	}	GG.	}	GG.	}	K.SS.
v.		2-1					3-0.
RR.	}	v.	}	K.SS.	}	3-0
		A.HH.				
		a bye.				
		K.SS.		K.SS.		
		v.		3-0		
		H.BB.				

Grant's played well to reach the final; in particular their match against Ashburnham was very close. Gardiner played a very good game indeed, and Grant's were unlucky to lose his services in the final—owing to an injured thumb— for K.SS. had it all their own way.

FIVES v. RACQUETS.

RACQUETS has now been regenerated for something over a year, and for the most part the existing opinion is that the results are not commensurate with the outlay and its expectations. It has been suggested that the conversion of the Racquets Court into four covered Fives Courts would make what seems at present a white elephant into a really valuable means of raising the athletic standard of the School. This was briefly referred to in a previous notice, which was answered by at least one generous alumnus. In the meantime the Head Master, himself favourable to the scheme, has secured a moderate estimate, from which it is clear that the conversion is inseparable from the combined efforts of a unanimous body of O.WW., by which, if O.WW. were willing to provide a little assistance, courts could be constructed of the best material and with the best lighting arrangements. Against the suggested alternative of Squash Racquets, only one argument is needed, that in a school of small numbers, the more various the subdivision of the branches of sport, the less the proficiency in each. Fives is a game which all can and should play; it demands neither expense nor professional coaching; and, as much as any game, provides a School with opportunities of success and prowess in competition with its rivals.

FOOTBALL SEASON, 1926-27.

CHARACTERS OF THE ELEVEN.

A. CLARE (*goalkeeper*).

He did useful service for the School in this position, and made many brilliant saves. He was too slow in getting rid of the ball, and allowed himself to be charged in possession. Failing that, too prone to punch the ball away wildly, instead of pulling the ball down and holding it, and then clearing with a quick kick or a hastily executed throw.

J. A. COOK (*right-back*).

A much improved player who should soon develop into a first-class one. A beautiful kick, who has learnt the art of setting going his own forwards—the hall-mark of a successful full-back. Still a little on the slow side. Did yeoman service in defence, and the large tally of goals scored against us cannot be laid to his charge.

W. H. R. JEREMY (*left-back*).

A very consistent player. Very good at dashing in at the right moment and tackling, or intercepting an opponent's pass. Made good use of his head. Needed a little more pace. A stout-hearted player.

C. J. THURLOW (*right-half*).

Did not maintain his early form. A hard worker, but lacks pace, and not a very accurate feeder of his forwards. He did not get back sufficiently far to aid the backs in defence—a fault common to all our half-backs.

J. H. K. THOMAS and C. E. LONSDALE (both *centre-halves*).

The former worked hard, but was very weak in his tackling, especially on a rain-soaked or slippery ground. The latter tackled a little more effectively, but lacked dash and energy, and failed entirely to create openings for his forwards. Both were almost negligible factors in defence, even when present at the point of danger, which was not often.

L. J. D. WAKELY (*left-half*).

The best of a poor half-back line. Lacked experience in tactics, but created good openings for his forwards. A player of promise, who should improve. Wants more pace and dash.

J. B. STURDY (*outside-right*).

A dangerous attacking wing, when in form (which was not always), and when not opposed by

a good half-back. Very fast, and very good at cutting in towards the goal with a sudden burst of speed, and then pushing the ball back along the ground to his own inside-forward. Needs greater resolution. Should improve.

K. J. GARDINER (*inside-right*).

Our best forward, and a very fine dribbler, with a natural swerve, and a sound knowledge of the close passing game. Might have fed his wing with a little more consistency and accuracy. A fair shot. At present too easily rattled when things do not go quite rightly for him.

K. H. L. COOPER (*centre-forward*).

Has all the makings of a class player; he knows the game and has a very fine sense of 'positioning' himself for the reception of what may prove a goal-scoring pass. At present lacks pace and resolution. Feeds his wings well. Always well in the opponents' goal-mouth and ready to ram home an accurate centre.

R. W. D. CARR (*inside-left*).

A very clumsy player who spent a great deal of his time falling head over heels. But he made up for this by great energy, dash and resolution, and never gave up trying his utmost. Began to shoot fairly well towards the end of the season.

G. M. E. PAULSON (*outside-left*).

With his long raking strides was more effective and faster than at first sight he appeared to be. Centred well, but lacked finesse and a knowledge of the finer points of wing-forward play. A clumsy player, but a real "trier."

D. J. K.

FOOTBALL COLOURS.

Pinks.—* J. A. Cook, * A. Clare, * W. H. R. Jeremy, K. J. Gardiner, J. B. Sturdy, * C. J. Thurlow, * G. M. E. Paulson, R. W. D. Carr, L. J. D. Wakely, K. H. L. Cooper.

Pink-and-Whites.—* J. H. K. Thomas, C. E. Lonsdale, A. C. Bird, N. L. Foster, J. W. M. Aitken, * C. H. V. Sutherland, R. G. Wormell, H. B. Graham, * A. J. Ropes.

Thirds.—D. A. Bompas, J. W. A. Symington, G. Radermacher, M. Levey, M. Mackenzie, J. O. Sahler, J. K. Luard, J. D. Evans, D. M. T. Macdonald.

Colt's Caps.—P. Aitken, G. Freeman, J. D. Argyle, C. Y. Mills, H. Thomson, C. A. Bird.

* Will probably have left by next season.

MUSIC.

ON Monday, February 21, shortly before 5 p.m., Mr. Carritt was seen to be crossing Yard carrying with difficulty what appeared to be a small coffin, which he deposited up School. There was in consequence a suggestion of mystery at the start of his most entertaining lecture on the 'Romantic Element in Music.' It was not long, however, before the lecturer decided to satisfy our eager curiosity as to the nature of the contents of what he playfully referred to as 'the body,' for with a few deft touches 'the coffin' was suddenly transformed and stood before us in the shape of an instrument not unlike the old clarichord. Mr. Carritt assured us that the instrument, far from being an antique, was of the most modern workmanship, and that its great advantage lay in that it was impervious to damp and could thus be taken on a camp holiday. No one who was present at the lecture could have failed to be impressed by its soft yet remarkably clear tone, especially in the higher register. The lecturer began by showing that the Romantic Movement was not, like Aphrodite, born suddenly, a perfect creation, in the history of music, but that its seeds are to be found long before the nineteenth century. He illustrated this statement by playing Schumann's 'Child Falling Asleep' and 'Traumerei' on the piano, and Giles Farnaby's 'Dreame' and 'Rest' on the smaller instrument, and, as he played them, it was impossible to miss the similarity of feeling displayed by the two composers. There was not, it is true, the same poignancy of harmony in the earlier compositions, but there was without doubt an equally fine melody. The lecturer remarked, too, on the similarity of Purcell's song in 'Dido and Æneas,' 'When I am laid in Earth,' with a song or two of the essentially romantic Schubert. Dido's song has not, as so many of the so-called classical airs of Mozart, beauty of melody and nothing else; it has depth of beauty as well. In its ground bass and tragic descending scale it is of the very stuff of Romanticism. This elusive quality Mr. Carritt went on to define as 'expression of personality exhibiting itself in many forms.' Chopin, it seems, was attracted by the spirit of Nationalism, and expresses himself in his music by his Mazurkas and Polonaises rather than by his Etudes or Nocturnes. The pictorial and objective side of Romanticism appealed more to Berlioz, whose aim it was to make his music 'tell a story' or 'call up a picture.' Two Preludes were then played, the one by Bach, the other by Chopin, to show the essential difference in feeling between what is called Classical and Romantic music. The lecturer called Bach the 'complete classic,' because his greatness made him

rise above the human weakness of the Romantic, who in his effort to express himself is always prone to over-indulgence of emotion. By his sympathetic playing of the Bach Prelude he succeeded in communicating to his audience the strange impersonal beauty of all his music. The opera gives plenty of opportunity for high imagination, and yet for fifty years it remained wholly classical in spirit, owing to the bad orchestras at the command of the composer. Not until the time of Gluck was the opera made representative of human action and personal feeling. The influence of the orchestra on Romanticism in opera he illustrated by telling of the mysterious echo-effect produced by orchestras below and behind the stage in the wonderful aria from Gluck's romantic opera, 'Orpheus,' 'How can I live without thee.' Oratorios, he said, are not in their nature dramatic but reflective pieces of music, and it was Handel who transformed them into Romantic music by making them dramatic. The lecturer recalled the hailstones and frogs in 'Israel in Egypt,' and the 'glissando' in 'Saul,' which represents the javelin passing through the air. Mr. Carritt did not make it quite clear why these episodes in an oratorio should make it at all Romantic. Would the lecturer call the effect of the baby crying in the bath in Strauss's Domestic Symphony Romantic? Together with scores of similar effects in music from Moussorgski to the present day, is it not rather directly opposed to Romantic, that is realistic? Beethoven, he called the Supreme Romantic, in that the personal note behind every symphony and sonata is the predominating element in the music. We have to thank Mr. Carritt for a most fascinating lecture.

E. F. B.

The terminal concert was held on Monday, April 4, when the Madrigal and Orchestral Societies gave the following programme:—

- 1 Choral, "Awake, thou wintry earth" *Bach* (1685-1750)
- 2 Symphony No. 1 in C (1st and 2nd movements) *Beethoven* (1770-1827)
- 3 Five Mystical Songs *R. Vaughan Williams* (1872-)
 - Easter.
 - I got me flowers.
 - Love bade me welcome.
 - The Call.
 - Antiphon.
- 4 A Serenata, 'Acis and Galatea' *Handel* (1685-1759)
- 5 Carmen Feriale Westmonasteriense *Sir F. Bridge* (1844-1924)

On Wednesday, March 9, the Music Society String Quartet, composed of Messrs. André Mangeot, Boris Pecker, Frank Howard and Herbert Whithers, gave us the following programme:—

- 1 Quartet in D Minor *W. A. Mozart* (1756-1791)
Allegro Moderato—Andante—Menuetto and
Trio—Allegretto, ma non Troppo.
- 2 Quartet in G Minor *Claude Debussy* (1862-1918)
Animé et très décidé—Assez vif et bien
rythmé—Andantino doucement expressif
—Très modéré—En animant peu à peu—Très
mouvementé et avec passion.

What was perhaps most noticeable (in the first quartet especially) to the uninitiated in music was the extraordinary variety and subtlety of tone which can be obtained in the String Quartet, making it at once the least monotonous and the most intimate form of instrumental harmony. The Mozart Quartet was a thing of variety all through, in which pause and resumption of rhythm and variation of tone enhanced the natural delight of the brilliant airs, as brilliantly executed by the first violin. Of the Debussy Quartet it would be enough to say that its sub-title describes it almost exactly; it does not, however, tell of the bold chords of the opening, which tone down gracefully to a beautiful muted movement, soft, yet strong—strong enough to vanquish February coughs and Westminster inattention. Then we climbed by a gradually ascending scale to the grand and animated climax. Our best thanks are due to this String Quartet for the beautiful music they made for us.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER *v.* CHRIST CHURCH.

Played, Saturday, May 14. The first match of the season resulted in a somewhat severe defeat. The House, who brought down a strong team, batted first, and compiled a formidable score. Perhaps the best innings, though not the largest, was that of G. C. Newman. Of our bowlers, Gardiner was unquestionably the best. Against the bowling of Newman, and especially the fast left-handed deliveries of C. K. Hill-Wood, the School did little; in these circumstances Gardiner's 34 represents a capital knock, and of the rest only Graham showed any enterprise, in going in eighth and scoring 29. The School fielding was not up to the standard usually seen up Fields.

CHRIST CHURCH.

D. J. Hill-Wood, b Mallinson	...	...	...	108
P. V. F. Cazalet, b Gardiner	...	...	...	8
R. E. Butterworth, b Gardiner	...	...	...	43
S. H. Eccles, b Gardiner	...	...	...	0
G. C. Newman, not out	...	...	...	76
N. Mordaunt, b Mallinson	...	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	...	17
Total (for 5 wickets, dec.)				253

T. A. Pilkington, J. B. Aird, F. W. H. Loudon, R. C. Dobson, C. K. Hill-Wood did not bat.

Bowling.—Heard 0 for 20, Symington 0 for 68, Gardiner 3 for 41, Paulson 0 for 63, Mallinson 2 for 26, Graham 0 for 18.

WESTMINSTER.

D. A. Bompas, lbw b Newman	...	...	...	8
J. W. M. Aitken, lbw b Newman	...	...	...	1
K. J. Gardiner, c Loudon, b C. K. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	34
J. A. Cook, b C. K. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	4
I. W. A. Symington, b C. K. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	2
H. L. Jones, b C. K. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	0
L. J. D. Wakely, b C. K. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	0
H. B. Graham, c D. J. Hill-Wood, b C. K. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	29
G. M. E. Paulson, c Mordaunt, b D. J. Hill-Wood	...	...	...	3
W. P. Mallinson, not out	...	...	...	2
Extras	...	...	...	8
Total				91

Bowling.—Butterworth 0 for 16, Newman 2 for 29, C. K. Hill-Wood 7 for 30, D. J. Hill-Wood 1 for 8.

WESTMINSTER *v.* BUTTERFLIES C.C.

Played, Saturday, May 21. On a pitch that was at times made dangerous by frequent showers of rain, the School batted first. Considering that Foster and Gardiner were absent from the team, the total of 166 was good. Bompas and Cook added 35 for the second wicket. The best innings was that of 40 by H. L. Jones. Some of his drives were especially good, and he was not afraid, with three men in the deep, to bang Taylor's googlies. The Butterflies, consisting mainly of O.W.W., were a good bowling side; Kann's analysis especially is notable; three wickets for 3 runs in 12.2 overs, 9 of which were maidens. Symington and Evetts, skilfully aided by Bompas, were chiefly responsible for the poor batting form of the visitors, of whom only Kann showed real confidence, hitting the ball hard all round the wicket. The School was unlucky in not leaving sufficient time to press its advantage to its conclusion.

WESTMINSTER.

J. W. M. Aitken, b Cleveland-Stevens	...	...	...	11
D. A. Bompas, c Stratford, b Kann	...	...	...	32
J. A. Cook, c Patterson, b Hickley	...	...	...	21
I. W. A. Symington, c Turner, b Feasey	...	...	...	11
H. B. Graham, lbw b Stratford	...	...	...	16
J. A. Evetts, c Hickley, b Cleveland-Stevens	...	...	...	8
H. L. Jones, b Kann	...	...	...	40
J. K. Luard, lbw b Turner	...	...	...	1
L. J. D. Wakely, b Taylor	...	...	...	10
G. M. E. Paulson, not out	...	...	...	9
W. P. Mallinson, c Feasey, b Kann	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	7
Total				166

Bowling.—Feasey 1 for 25, Cleveland-Stevens 2 for 11, Stratford 1 for 22, Dunn 0 for 24, Hickley 1 for 39, Kann 3 for 3, Turner 1 for 12, Taylor 1 for 23.

BUTTERFLIES C.C.

P. W. G. Kann, not out	...	...	...	58
A. M. Shepley-Smith, c Cook, b Wakely	...	...	...	0
H. G. Patterson, b Symington	...	...	...	6
C. H. Taylor, c Bompas, b Symington	...	...	...	8
A. N. Hickley, b Paulson	...	...	...	19
P. J. H. Dunn, b Symington	...	...	...	3
F. S. Fleuret, c Luard, b Evetts	...	...	...	0
M. G. Stratford, st Bompas, b Evetts...	...	...	...	1
E. C. Cleveland-Stevens, c Bompas, b Evetts	...	...	...	0
A. C. Feasey, b Symington	...	...	...	4
F. G. Turner, not out	...	...	...	5
Extras	...	...	...	13
Total (for 9 wickets)	...	...	...	117

Bowling.—Wakely 1 for 11, Symington 4 for 37, Paulson 1 for 17, Evetts 3 for 37, Mallinson 0 for 2.

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THE WATER.

THE ROUSE BALL CUP.

THE Rouse Ball Cup was rowed for in the Lent term. Training was interrupted while various members of all the crews succumbed to the seductive charm of influenza and that quiet life in bed which affords so favourable a contrast to alternate sensations of cold and despair on Putney waters made 'popply' by March winds. The crews were able to reach a high standard, as the races were not rowed till the eighth week of training, and most of the illness was disposed of in the earlier stages.

In the first race on Tuesday, March 8, the holders, Grant's, met Rigaud's. The course is from the V.B.R. Stone to the Mile Post. After a false start, both crews got off evenly, but after a minute's rowing Rigaud's began to go up, and soon were leading by a length and, rowing hard and well together, they increased their lead to half a length of daylight at the football ground, and were going away fast at the finish, when they won by $2\frac{1}{4}$ lengths.

Rigaud's.—Northcott (*bow*), Johnson (2), R. Ball (3), R. Buckney (*stroke*), K. Allen (*cox*).

Grant's.—D'Malley (*bow*), Woodward (2), G. Halahan (3), Salvi (*stroke*), G. Watson (*cox*).

On the Thursday, Home Boarders met Ashburnham. The former were a very strong combination, consisting of two pinks and two pink-and-whites, all of whom are now rowing in the first VIII. Ashburnham were at first weak, chiefly owing to a hurried swing forward, but they came on rapidly just before the races; and in the race itself they rose to the occasion magnificently. The crews rowed downstream to get the advantage of the tide. A perfect start was made; Home Boarders were very quick off the mark and had a length's lead after the first twenty strokes; then

ensued a dogged race. Ashburnham lengthened out, and swinging well, kept well together. At Beverly Brook, Smith made a determined effort, and Ashburnham began to go up and were overlapping by nearly a canvas at the Boat House; but Home Boarders finished the more strongly, and won a very good race by two lengths.

Home Boarders.—G. A. Ellison (*bow*), D. F. A. Freeman (2), B. H. Dulanty (3), G. B. Knight (*stroke*), R. de Bunsen (*cox*).

Ashburnham.—N. Montefiore (*bow*), D. Cragg-Hamilton (2), J. Teed (3), K. Smith (*stroke*), Hardie (*cox*).

While Rigaud's and College were getting out for the second race of the afternoon the tide changed, and owing to a misunderstanding the two crews were waiting for each other at opposite ends of the course. The race was rowed upstream. At the start the crews nearly crashed, College driving Rigaud's towards the Middlesex shore. The King's Scholars rather surprised the critics by showing a turn of speed for the first two minutes, in which they kept dead level with Rigaud's—but soon after the Boat House Rigaud's drew ahead, and settling down after their two anxious minutes they rowed away from College and won fairly comfortably by $2\frac{1}{4}$ lengths.

College.—N. Lucas (*bow*), G. O. Lace (2), C. Harrison (3), F. Allen (*stroke*), Somerset (*cox*).

On the Saturday Home Boarders met Rigaud's in the final in a memorable race. The race was rowed downstream with a light following wind. Home Boarders took the Middlesex station, and Rigaud's the Surrey. Home Boarders got off well at the start, but Rigaud's were not quite together and their cox had difficulty in keeping his course; after the first ten strokes they got going really well, but Home Boarders were leading by $\frac{3}{4}$ length. Both crews were racing hard at a fast stroke; Home Boarders were just able to keep the lead all the time, but never by much more than a canvas. The issue of the race was in doubt up to the end. Home Boarders won by a little over $\frac{1}{2}$ length, in the very fast time of 4 mins. 57 secs. As the *Times* said, and the many spectators will agree, it was a fine race.

Amongst those who were on the launch which followed the race were:—Sir George Sutherland, H. F. Manisty, Esq., K.C., Rev. G. Ellison, J. S. Rudwick, Esq., R. J. Hilary, Esq., T. Murray-Rust, Esq. Mr. Franklin, O.U.B.C., was umpire, and Mr. Fisher, C.U.B.C., was timekeeper.

Watermen are grateful to Mr. Manisty for so kindly providing the launch.

CHESS.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL.

Played on March 4.

WESTMINSTER.		ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL.	
1. J. P. Winckworth	o	H. T. Reeve	... 1
2. R. M. Mere	... ½	G. A. Garrean	... ½
*3. H. A. Burt	... ½	A. P. Corin	... ½
4. L. J. D. Wakely	o	B. Tooke	... 1
*5. N. C. Masterman	1	A. C. Howe	... o
6. C. H. Croft	... 1	W. R. Elliot	... o
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3		3	

* After adjudication by Sir G. A. Thomas

Result—Match drawn.

WESTMINSTER v. THE MASTERS.

Played on March 18.

WESTMINSTER.		THE MASTERS.	
1. J. P. Winckworth	o	A. H. Franklin, Esq.	... 1
2. R. M. Mere	... ½	Rev. W. B. Dams	... ½
3. H. A. Burt	... 1	A. H. Fisher, Esq.	... o
4. L. J. D. Wakely	1	A. R. W. Harrison, Esq.	o
5. N. C. Masterman	1	D. C. Simpson, Esq.	... o
6. C. H. Croft, w.o.	1	D. J. Knight, Esq., scr.	o
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4½		1½	

Result—Match won.

WESTMINSTER v. THE IMPERIAL CHESS CLUB.

Played on March 19.

WESTMINSTER.		I.C.C.	
1. J. P. Winckworth	o	J. F. Chance, Esq.	... 1
2. R. M. Mere	... ½	Victor Soanes, Esq.	... ½
3. H. A. Burt	... o	Miss Chater	... 1
4. L. J. D. Wakeley	o	A. N. Streatfield, Esq.	... 1
5. N. C. Masterman	½	Mrs. Chase	... ½
6. C. H. Croft	... o	Mrs. Arthur Rowson	... 1
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1		5	

Result—Match lost.

WESTMINSTER v. THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Played on March 23.

WESTMINSTER.		HOUSE OF COMMONS.	
1. J. P. Winckworth	o	Captain J. G. Fairfax	... 1
2. R. M. Mere	... o	J. W. W. Hopkins, Esq.	1
3. H. A. Burt	... o	Goodman Roberts, Esq.	1
4. L. J. D. Wakely	... o	Sir M. Manningham-Buller	1
5. N. C. Masterman	½	Lt.-Col. Sir Philip Richard-	son
		... ½	o
6. C. H. Croft	... 1	A. N. Skelton, Esq.	... o
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1½		4½	

Result—Match lost.

Summary.—Matches played, 12; Won, 3; Drawn, 3; Lost, 6.

The Inter-House Chess Competition was won by Grant's, the holders, without the loss of a match against Ashburnham, the only challengers.

At an extraordinary meeting of the Society on April 4, the Vice-President (J. P. Winckworth), referring to the increase in fixtures and the defeat of Charterhouse, reviewed a season which has been quite creditable. Vacancies in next year's Committee were filled in advance, and the officers will be:—

President.—REV. W. B. DAMS.*Vice-President.*—H. A. BURT.*Hon. Treasurer.*—L. J. D. WAKELY.*Hon. Secretary.*—K. J. GARDINER.*Fifth Member.*—N. C. MASTERMAN.

House Notes.

K.S.S.—Our first duty is to congratulate all concerned in retaining the Sports Cup for the third successive year, together with the Relay Cup for the second. Our points were secured by Franklin, Mackenzie, H. L. Jones, Harrison, Sturdy, Argyle and ten Doesschate. Our second duty is to congratulate Barlow on winning the Senior Gym. Competition, and, with the good placing of D. J. Jones, keeping the House Cup in College, and also on keeping the Fives Cup, with Cooper as his partner. Congratulations also to Sutherland on his Pink and Whites, Mackenzie on his Thirds, and to Argyle on his Colt's Cap, at football, and to Somerset on his House Colours, on the water. Nor must we omit to mention that Elliston has won the Junior Vincent, that Milne and Heaton together won the Stebbing Essay, and that D. J. Jones halved the Ireland Greek Verse. Of the athletic team against Aldenham five were K.S.S. This term has started auspiciously. H. L. Jones and Evetts have played with success in the XI (the latter is to be congratulated on his House Colours). Lloyd-Jones has become an Under-Officer, while H. L. Jones, Sturdy, Lee, Grigg, and I. C. Allen have been suitably bestriped and bestarred on their triumphal exit from the labours of 'A' Cert.

GG.—Last term there left us G. E. W. May and C. C. W. R. Ivimey, to whom we wish every success in the future, while we welcome two new boys: A. R. Edey (from Busby's) and P. P. W. Young.

Congratulations are due to C. E. Lonsdale on being awarded his Football Pink and Whites, and to D. A. Bompas and G. H. Radermacher on their Thirds. Before finally bidding good-bye to last term we must express our satisfaction at winning the Boxing Cup, and at sharing the Football League Cup with Rigaud's.

Passing straight from the past into the future, let us say that our chances in Seniors seem good, as six members of the House played for the First Eleven against Christ Church.

It is bound, however, to be a very hard struggle—what term passes without a hammer and tongs House match? As regards Juniors, we have a large number of very promising players, several of whom will probably be in the Colts' Eleven.

Water, Tennis, and Swimming are all being taken very seriously, and a great effort is being made to wrest the two latter cups from their present owners. We shall, of course, 'with music made of diverse voices,' endeavour to retain the Singing Cup.

RR.—We had to say good-bye last term to D. M. T. Macdonald, A. H. de P. Smith, R. G. Lemmey, and J. J. James. We wish them good luck and every success. We have also to welcome to the House Fulton and Lewis as new boys, and extend the same good wishes to them.

In the Sports we made quite a good show, the great feature being the success of A. H. Smith, in both the Open Half and the Open Mile. Smith also represented the School in the match *v.* Aldenham. Our great triumph, however, was the winning of the Tug Cup, which was a complete surprise to everyone, and all the more so in that we only had three practices. We had an exceptionally heavy team, averaging nearly 12 stone per man, and in the first round we easily pulled over Home Boarders by 2 tugs to 0. In the final we met Ashburnham, and after losing the first tug, we got down to it, and won the second and third in great style, thus bringing the Cup up Rigaud's for the second time only in its history. Our team was G. H. Freeman, L. B. Edmunds, R. G. Wormell, G. M. E. Paulson, R. Gatty, D. M. McDonald and N. L. Foster (cox). We also had two representatives, Gatty and Paulson, in the T.BB. Tug.

Our energy and keenness in Army matters were not rewarded by the winning of the Corps Cup, and once more we were second, H.BB. deservedly retaining the Cup. However, we may console ourselves that our energy was by no means misplaced, for quite 90 per cent. of the House wear the clothes every uniform parade and the House platoon is very keen and hard working. We owe a debt of gratitude to U. O. N. L. Foster, to whose inspiring leadership our efficiency is due.

Our next duty is to condole with our representatives in the Gym. and Boxing Competitions, who made terrific efforts to win their respective competitions; from early morning till late at night the changing room resounded with the noise of their training. Unfortunately, their labours were once more in vain, but, nevertheless, Foster and Johnston deserve great credit for the way in which they inspired their teams with keenness.

Affairs have been quite quiet down at Putney, and there have been no House events since the Rouse Ball Cup was rowed off. Buckney and Ball are in the First Eight and Northcott in the Second Eight.

This term we seem to have plenty of representatives in the Cricket Eleven, Paulson, Foster, Graham, Symington and Aitken all representing the School in the first two matches, whilst Gatty sits in the scoring box, surrounded by pencils and india-rubbers, and helps to keep down our opponents' scores and our own bowling analyses.

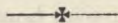
In fact, our prospects for Seniors look very bright, and we may expect an enormously exciting game with Grant's, should the luck of the draw fall out that way. In Juniors prospects are not quite so bright, but we have some promising players and Symington is not over age.

A.HH.—Our first duty is to congratulate our Juniors team on their victory over Grant's in the Final. Junior House Colours were awarded to: I. Ivanovic, J. B. Reeves, M. Broadhurst, H. F. Charrington, J. C. Jewell, E. H. V. McDougall, T. H. S. Wyllie. Congratulations are also due to: J. H. K. Thomas and A. C. Bird on their Pink and Whites; J. O. Sahler on his Thirds; C. A. Bird on his Colt's Cap, J. P. Teed and F. M. Hardie on their Water House Colours. In the Sports, for the third time we were close runners-up, K.S.S. beating us by one point. Heartiest congratulations to W. B. S. Sheldon on being Victor Ludorum. In the tug we beat GG. 2-1 after the second pull had lasted 22 mins. We much appreciate RR. action in agreeing to put off the Final for a few days, owing to our damaged hands. They finally beat us 1-2. H. F. Charrington is House Captain of Cricket. The following passed Certificate 'A':—Sergt. Thomas, Sergt. Cragg-Hamilton, L.-Cpls. Corbould, Newman, Roberts, and Cadet Baker. Last term there left us: W. G. Hiscox, D. W. Worthington, D. Montefiore, G. K. James, G. A. Baker, D. R. Greig, J. M. Terry, A. D. W. Pimm, and R. E. d'A. Corbett. We welcome in their places: R. W. P. Smith, H. Balliol-Scott, R. H. C. Brousson, F. R. Bailey and E. R. C. Lewis.

H.BB.—The H.BB. summer news bulletin is full of interest and variety. With very great regret we said good-bye last term to A. Clare, our head of House; he is a real loss to Home Boarders, and is missed on every hand. We have extended a fitting welcome to seven new boys.

The House is to be congratulated on two successes at the end of last term. In the final of the Rouse Ball Cup our House four beat Rigaud's after

a very fine race, making a worthy completion to our successful efforts in the T.B. rudder last year. Our best thanks are due to our coach, Mr. C. H. Fisher. In the Drill Competition our squad displayed an amazing military talent, of which the sparsely attended early morning practices gave little indication. Turning to this term's affairs, our inability to raise a member of the 1st XI is more than made up for by the fact that the House provides half the 1st VIII and three places in the 2nd.



FORGOTTEN PLAYS.

WILLIAM GUTHRIE was a Scottish Jacobite who lived in London and wrote for his living. Dr. Johnson had nothing worse to say of him than to deny him the possession of any great fund of knowledge; 'but by reading so long and writing so long he has no doubt picked up a good deal.' Some of his letters are among the Laing papers now in the possession of Edinburgh University. In 1752 he wrote from Cowley Street to his brother:—

'I live in Westminster, where I have got a very good house for the benefit of my son and his cousins going to School there.'

And on February 4, 1755, he writes again:—

'It may perhaps give you pleasure to know that your godson was chosen by all Westminster School to play the head part (that of Chamont) in 'The Orphan,' which was lately twice acted in public with unprecedented applause. Harry the second time was dressed in a suit of the Prince of Wales' cloaths, and was allowed by the best judges in England not to fall short of Garrick or any actor that ever appeared upon the stage. The rest of the parts was acted incomparably well by young noblemen and gentlemen of the highest distinction in the School. Poor Jamy (my 2nd boy) was degraded down to the part of Serina, which he did tolerably well, but nothing answerable to Harry, but he met with great applause.'

This performance of 'The Orphan' must have been almost as massive and concrete in its excellence as was Mr. Wopsle's rendering of Hamlet; but it is hard to see why Westminster should have preferred Otway to Dryden. The same play had been acted in 1720, Lord Erskine taking the part of Monimia, and Lord Dupplin (then aged about ten) that of Cordelio the page, and also speaking a prologue contributed by Prior. 'Henry IV' had been performed in 1709; and Henry Mordaunt Clavering wrote in his old age with enthusiasm of the triumphs achieved about 1780 in 'The

Siege of Damascus' and 'The Author' by his school friend John Ventris Field. Probably there were many other such performances the records of which have perished.

But the nineteenth century seems to have killed amateur theatricals at Westminster outside College. It would be interesting to have a record of the Second Election Play which flourished intermittently during the greater part of that period. It was acted privately in Dormitory after the stage for the regular Play had been put up, and the Second Elections had their own Cap; their Play was certainly a recognised institution in 1842, for W. K. R. Bedford, who was in College at the time and afterwards was distinguished as an amateur actor at Oxford, has preserved some lines of an epilogue written in that year by the Rev. J. Benthall. Probably nothing more elevated than a farce was ever attempted; but there are those who still remember a future Bailiff of Guernsey as Alderman Podge in 'Doing Banting,' and a brilliant performance of *Taraxacum Twitters* in 'My Turn Next,' which was given by the present Rector of St. Andrew's, Holborn. A production of 'Little Toddekins' took place up Grant's before Christmas, 1879, in which R. C. Batley and H. P. Adams were prominent; and about the same time certain home boarders and half boarders formed a dramatic society which gave more ambitious performances away from the School, Philip Jeffcock especially distinguishing himself in what were probably his earliest attempts as an amateur actor.

The Elizabethan Club.

President.—The Rt. Hon. LORD PHILLIMORE, D.C.L., LL.D.

Hon. Treasurer.—SIR ERNEST GOODHART, BART., Stroods, Uckfield.

Hon. Secretary.—D. C. SIMPSON, Esq., 20, Gt. College Street, S.W. 1.

Hon. Secretary, Games Section.—W. N. McBRIDE, Esq., Craigmore, Pampisford Road, Croydon.

NOTICES.

Photographs.—At a recent meeting the General Committee agreed that it would be of great interest if the Club possessed a collection of photographs, taken at the School, of teams, House groups, etc. Mr. J. Heard and Mr. L. E. Tanner were asked to take the matter in hand. They consider that in order to find out whether such a collection would be possible the Club should first invite the O.W.W. who have photographs taken before the year 1900 to inform the Hon. Secretary, if they are willing

to present them to the Club. The Hon. Secretary would, therefore, be grateful for the support of O.W.W. in promoting this scheme and in bringing it to the notice of others. The value of such groups would be greatly enhanced if they bore names, dates and any other information that might be of interest. The assistance of Heads of the School Houses is also invited, as it is believed that there are a number of early photographs in the Houses which might add materially to the value and interest of the collection.

Telephone up Fields.—The number of the telephone installed for the School by the Club at Vincent Square is Victoria 1884.

Annual General Meeting.—The date fixed is Tuesday, July 12.

Annual Dinner.—Provisional date: November 17.

LAGOS, NIGERIA.

May 1, 1927.

To the Secretary of The Elizabethan Club.

DEAR SIR,—THE ELIZABETHAN asks for news of O.W.W. abroad. Nigeria boasts several. There are probably some of whom we in Lagos are unaware (and, by the way, for news of whom we should be grateful). To my knowledge there are five—or were, until a month ago, when Mr. D. J. Jardine left us to take up the appointment of Chief Secretary to the Government of Tanganyika. Home Boarders is the only House unrepresented amongst us. Mr. Jardine was up Ashburnham.

Grant's claims two, Mr. F. N. Ashley and Mr. E. T. Holmes. The former is the Resident of the Ogoja Province. He has seen many years' service in this country, and will be able to retire soon, if he likes.

Mr. Holmes is in the Agricultural Department, and is engaged in trying 'to develop the country.' He is fortunate in being stationed up North at present.

Our Rigaudite is Mr. Davidson-Houston, a soldier. He has been over most of the globe in the few years of his service, and is doing a tour on the Coast, as being a place hitherto unknown to him. He works for promotion examinations mostly, but also plays polo.

Of myself I have little to say beyond that I am the K.S.S. representative, and shall this week celebrate having only 27 more years' service to do.

Perhaps some other Westminsters think of coming here. It is not such a bad place, and there must be half a dozen people who have survived twenty-five years. The climate is not by any means good, but there is no reason why an ordinary person should die if he is careful. And it is getting

better every year. It is a good service and the life enjoyable. Twelve to eighteen months abroad, and then three to five at home are not to be sneezed at. If any more Westminsters come, they will be welcomed.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN H. BLAIR.

CRICKET.

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

THERE is as yet nothing to report in the way of victories or inexplicable defeats, but the opening of the season on May 28, with games against the Old Merchant Taylors and Byfleet, is awaited with more than the usual amount of optimism.

Will all members who have not as yet received fixture cards owing to the omission of their names or addresses from the Elizabethan Club list, please communicate with the Hon. Secretary should they desire a copy?

Old Westminsters wishing to play in any of the various matches, are again urged to send in their names of their own accord, and not wait until they are invited. In case there are any young Old Westminsters who would like to take part in the Channel Islands tour, but are deterred by the thought of possible excessive expense, the Hon. Secretary hastens to disillusion them on that score, and would point out that most advantageous terms have been obtained for both members of the touring team and their wives—should they desire to bring them—and he will welcome any enquiries thereon.

GOLF.

(Secretary—W. B. ENEVER, Esq., Broad Street House, Broad Street, E.C. 2.)

THE Golfing Society was well represented for the Halford-Hewitt Cup at Deal on April 1 by the following:—

R. W. Hartley, J. E. Dunning; W. L. Hartley, L. R. Walton; C. M. Page, H. Gardiner-Hill; G. S. Blaker, R. Chapman; J. B. Sutton, M. de J. Creswick.

They were, however, unfortunate in being defeated by the Old Uppinghamians in the first round by 3 matches to 2. R. W. Hartley was not on the top of his form, as he was suffering from a severe chill, and he and J. E. Dunning lost their

match. Though masters of their opponents through the green, W. L. Hartley and his partner failed with their putting and lost the match at the 18th hole. C. M. Page and Dr. Gardiner-Hill took a slight lead at the start, which they maintained, and won their match 2 and 1. G. S. Blaker and R. Chapman, after losing the first two holes and halving the next three, began to draw away, and with some very good golf won by 6 and 5. The fortunes of the Society then rested with G. B. Sutton and M. de J. Creswick, who maintained a lead of one hole up to the 13th, where their opponents holed a mashie shot of some fifty yards. This was the turning point, and they lost 2 and 1.

The annual meeting was held at Addington Golf Club on Wednesday, April 27, and we were fortunate in having a fine day and quite a good gathering, there being 19 members present. W. L. Hartley was unable to defend the Sutherland Challenge Cup, and this was won by G. F. L. Circuit. The returns were:—

Morning.—SUTHERLAND CHALLENGE CUP.

G. F. L. Circuit	..	..	92-18=74
R. C. Orpen	..	..	87-11=76
G. B. Sutton	..	..	82- 5=77

Afternoon.—CAPTAIN'S PRIZES.

R. C. Orpen and R. S. Barnes—3 down.

A match has been arranged for Sunday, June 19, against Maidenhead Golf Club.

Hitherto there has been a shortage of fixtures, but this we hope to remedy in the near future.

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FIVES.

(Secretary—W. E. GERRISH, Esq., Ashburnham, Sandown Road, Esher.)

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RESULTS.

Mar. 12—v. Highgate.	Lost 0-4.
„ 16—v. Charterhouse.	Lost 1-2.
April 8—v. Cambridge O.WW.	Lost 0-4.
„ 23—v. O.W. Footballers.	Won 4-0.

During the season 13 matches were played, 5 being won, 7 lost and 2 drawn. 22 individual matches were won as against 27 lost.

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O.WW. v. CHARTERHOUSE.

Played at Godalming, March 16. This match proved one of the best of the season, the result being in doubt until the last game was played. This was just lost by our second pair, who had won the previous game after being 7 points behind at

game-ball. The first pair set a tremendous pace towards the end of their match, and ultimately won fairly easily, but with the third pair years began to weigh rather heavily before the end. All three matches lasted over two hours.

T. G. C. Lund and G. L. Oliver-Watts beat J. L. H. Fletcher and C. E. W. Everard, 12-15, 15-7, 14-17, 15-11, 15-5.

R. J. Dix and R. M. King lost to H. M. O. Knox and G. B. Eccles, 10-15, 14-17, 15-5, 17-15, 11-15.

W. E. Gerrish and G. P. Pick lost to H. G. Crabtree and D. W. Gardner, 17-15, 13-18, 10-15, 10-15.

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SQUASH RACKETS RESULTS.

Mar. 20—v. Millvale.	Won 2-2 (8 games to 7).
„ 27—v. Esher.	Won 2-2 (116 pts. to 115).

During the season 14 matches were played, 5 won and 9 lost. 17 individual matches were won as against 39 lost. Altogether 11 players took part in the matches.

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LAWN TENNIS.

WILL O.WW. please note that the Society does not at present embrace Lawn Tennis among its activities, but Mr. W. E. Gerrish is arranging one or two games in a private capacity, including a match against the School on June 14, and would be glad to hear from O.WW. who would care to play.

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SWIMMING.

WILL any O.WW. who would like to take part in a Swimming Match against the School communicate with Mr. M. M. F. Wingate, 43, Cambridge Terrace, Hyde Park, W. 2.

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FOOTBALL.

(Secretary—C. J. PINDER, Esq., 5, Coleherne Road, S.W. 10.)

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SUMMARY OF MATCHES PLAYED.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	G.F.	G.A.
1st XI. ..	22	11	7	4	66	65
'A' ..	17	7	9	1	43	50

The Club had, on the whole, a very successful season and did particularly well in reaching the semi-final of the A.F.A. Senior Cup on the first occasion of their entry for it.

Old Westminsters.

MIRZA HUSSEIN KHAN ALAI has been appointed Minister of Public Works in the Persian Cabinet. He is a son of a former Persian Minister at the Court of St. James's, and was at Westminster from 1898 to 1900. He was Persian Minister in Washington from November, 1921.

Mr. A. G. Pite, Head of Cambridge House, Camberwell, has been appointed Head Master of Weymouth College.

Mr. H. T. Tizard, C.B., A.F.C., F.R.S., has been appointed Secretary to the Committee of the Privy Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, on retirement of Sir H. Frank Heath, K.C.B. (O.W.).

Mr. C. Max Page, D.S.O., F.R.C.S., Resident Assistant Physician, has been appointed Surgeon at St. Thomas's Hospital.

Mr. H. F. Manisty, K.C., P.Dep.G.Reg., has been appointed President of the Committee of General Purposes of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England.

Mr. A. C. T. Perkins, M.C., M.B., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the West Suffolk County Council.

At Oxford Mr. H. G. G. Payne has been awarded the Conington Prize and Mr. R. A. Frost has been awarded the Stanhope Historical Essay Prize for an Essay on 'The Diplomatic Envoys of Henry VIII.'

In Classical Moderations at Oxford, Mr. E. C. Lester has been awarded a 'First,' and Mr. C. T. H. Dams, Mr. H. F. de C. Pereira and Mr. A. B. Gourlay, 'Seconds.'

Mr. W. L. Hartley has won the St. George's Champion Gold Challenge Cup at Golf.

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Birth.

WATERSON.—On April 16, in South Africa, the wife of S. F. Waterson, of a son.

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Marriages.

PERKINS-SPEEDY.—On April 13, in Henry VII's Chapel, Westminster Abbey, Alan Christopher Temple Perkins, M.C., M.B., B.S., eldest son of the Rev. Jocelyn Perkins, Sacrist of Westminster Abbey, to Doris Macdonald, only daughter of Percy Speedy, A.M.I.E.E., of Lynton, Worcester Park.

RUDWICK-WESTERN.—On April 6, at St. James's Church, Gerrard's Cross, Joseph Spencer Rudwick, Assistant Master at Westminster School, to Olivia Grace, daughter of John W. Western, of Dinthill, Gerrard's Cross.

Obituary.

PERHAPS the last of those who were at Westminster under Dr. Williamson has passed away by the recent death of the Rev. EDWARD ODELL VINCENT, at the age of 91. He was a son of the late Joseph Vincent, of Oxford, Proprietor and Printer of the Oxford University *Herald*, and was admitted to the School on October 5, 1845. He became a Q.S. in 1849, and was elected to Trinity in 1853. He was afterwards ordained. He had lived for many years in retirement at Oxford, where he died.

We also regret to have to record the death of WILLIAM EDWARD McCONNELL, which took place on April 24, at the age of 38. He was a son of Mr. W. R. McConnell, K.C., Chairman of the County of London Sessions, and was at the School from April, 1903, to July, 1906. Both at Westminster and afterwards his attractive character and striking personality gained him many friends. He had considerable powers of organisation, and since its inception he had been secretary and chief organiser of the Fellowship of Freedom and Reform. There is little doubt that his health was undermined by his war services in East Africa and the injuries he received in a crash when serving with the Royal Air Force. His early death will be greatly deplored by his many friends.

Many of those in the School will hear with deep regret of the sudden death of MAURICE DE PANGE, who was so recently among us. The son of the Comte Jean de Pange and a descendant of Madame de Sévigné, he was up Ashburnham from September, 1924, to July, 1925. His exceptionally attractive personality, his adaptability and his unflinching cheerfulness and good temper made him deservedly popular, and there was real regret when he left us to continue his education in France. It had been his intention to return in due course and matriculate at Christ Church. But it was not to be; and we can only express our sympathy with his parents at the loss of one whose young life seemed so full of promise for the future.

We cannot pass unnoticed the deaths of two who were intimately connected with the School.

By the death of SIR HENRY CRAIK the School

loses a firm friend who had been a member of the Governing Body for many years, and had the interests of the School much at heart. As an old inhabitant of Dean's Yard, he was able to keep in close touch with the School. Its history and traditions appealed to his conservative instincts, and both the Governing Body and the School are the poorer by the loss of one whose counsel was much valued and whose interest was shown not merely by his work on the Governing Body, but by his regular attendance at the Play, Election Dinner and other School functions.

Old Westminsters, and especially old Q.SS. who were in College in the 70's and 80's, will hear with regret of the death of MRS. SLOMAN, which took place at Godmanchester on March 25. During the time (1880-86) that her husband was Master of the Q.SS. Mrs. Sloman endeared herself to those who were in College under him, and many old Q.SS. will have kindly and grateful recollections of her sympathy and consideration to them during their Westminster days.

Correspondence.

WE have received the following report on the School Mission from Mr. J. R. Wade :—

THE SCHOOL MISSION.

Since the annual report published last November there has been little of importance to chronicle of the activities at Napier Hall. But what little there is can be summed up in the words, 'All's well,' except that the Vicar of St. Stephen's with St. Mary's has been laid up since Christmas owing to the ravages of the 'flu germ. We wish him a speedy recovery, as we do also to Captain Twining, who has been ill again and has been ordered to take a sea voyage. In his absence the Scouts Troop is in the capable hands of his colleague, Scoutmaster F. Morris.

As regards the Westminster Company of the 1st Cadet Battalion, 'The Queen's,' work has been carried on as usual. The normal round means physical training on Tuesdays, Company parades on Thursdays, and shooting on most Saturday afternoons, while the Club is open for boys every evening except Saturday. A Battalion parade was held in Chelsea on January 30, with the object of obtaining recruits for E Company. The result, however, was not so good as was anticipated. But the numbers, low at the end of last year, are now steadily increasing, and are about the 40 mark. The only other event of interest was the annual tea early in February for past and present cadets, which was followed by a much enjoyed entertainment for cadets, relatives and friends.

We cannot end this short report without referring to the very satisfactory financial result of the Westminster Ball on December 15. That it was socially most successful hardly needs to be said: that it was financially no less so is a matter of the greatest interest to the Mission.

To Messrs. E. R. B. Graham and A. H. T. Chisholm in particular, and to the patrons and Committee in general, the School Mission is deeply indebted. In a future issue we hope to be able to inform all interested of the purpose to which this welcome addition to our funds has been devoted. For the moment we can do nothing but express our sincerest thanks to all who worked to obtain so gratifying a result.

14-3-27.

J. R. W.

[Some £130 were handed over to the Mission as a result of the Westminster Ball.—EDITOR.]

DUTIES OF COLLEGE.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Apropos of the document headed as above in the December number, you say the College Junior of 1865 had some justification for asserting, by a detail of his duties as such, that he had no time for school work. In 1857-58 I was Captain's Junior, and had to take my share with the other Juniors of the various duties, besides some extra, I presume, for the Captain. The duties of the complaining Junior would be no more arduous than in my time, and I certainly never had cause to complain of their being a hindrance to my school work. In fact, I used to exchange downstairs for upstairs call, because after attending to the Seniors' wants I got time to read before school.

I am, yours very truly,

R. BRUCE DICKSON.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Will you allow me to add a word to the obituary notice of the late Rev. F. A. O'Brien in your February issue? His interest in College and, in particular, the Play was constant and warm. I had the privilege, in 1923 and 1924, of going through the text of the 'Adelphi' and 'Phormio' with him before rehearsals began, and his suggestions were numerous and valuable.* In particular the successful addition of the 'music-girl' scene to the 'Adelphi' was due to his advice; and he warmly supported the revival of the 'Rudens.' When he left London some months before his death, he was much grieved at the prospect of losing touch with Westminster.

I am, sir,

Yours obediently,

H. K. LUCE.

* He had himself acted in these Plays in 1867 and 1868.

May 3, 1927.

THE LATE STANLEY S. HARRIS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—There are many thousands of people, enthusiasts in all that is best in the world of sport, to whom the name of S. S. Harris is a household word. There are many others, more especially the boys who began their school careers at St. Ronan's, West Worthing, who have reason to remember with the deepest gratitude all that his influence and guidance stood for in the shaping of their lives and character.

That gratitude is felt in no less degree by a large body of parents of St. Ronan's boys who, in conjunction with a number of friends and earnest admirers of Stanley Harris in his Westminster, Cambridge, and later days, have recently formed themselves into a Committee with the object of making a public appeal for funds for the establishment of a memorial in perpetuation of his memory as a great schoolmaster, a great sportsman and a great Christian English gentleman.

It has been decided that the memorial shall take the form of a Scholarship or Exhibition at his old College, Pembroke, Cambridge, tenable by an old St. Ronan's boy, or, failing such, by an old Westminster boy.

The Committee feels strongly that there are many who, hearing of the proposed memorial, will gladly help towards its establishment, and that the many Associations and Clubs with which he was connected, in the height of his athletic fame as Captain of the English Association Football Team and as a County Cricketer, will also gratefully welcome the opportunity of contributing. Above all there are those who, cognizant of the great part played by the Preparatory Schools of England in the formation of character, will gladly give financial support to a movement having for its object the perpetuation of the memory of one who, as a Preparatory School Headmaster, took highest rank in that capacity as Chairman of the Preparatory Schools Headmasters' Association.

Thanking you for your courtesy in allowing this appeal to be made known through your columns, we would add that subscriptions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Lady Corcoran, 62, Cornwall Gardens, S.W. 7.

Yours very truly,

R. N. R. BLAKER.
H. G. COMBER.
JOHN A. CORCORAN (Chairman).
H. COSTLEY-WHITE.
W. S. HADLEY.
MORGAN M. MORGAN-OWEN.
CYRIL NORWOOD.
H. R. L. SHEPPARD.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I was quite under the impression that the pink, black and white colours had been superseded by pink and black for all O.W.W. Recently, however, I was assured by a young O.W.W., who was wearing a pink, black and white tie, that these are still the O.W.W. colours, and the pink and black the colours of the Elizabethan Club only. Surely this is not so, is it? I thought all O.W.W. clubs were now merged into the Elizabethan Club, and it can hardly be that there are two different kinds of colours. In fact, I understood that the Cambridge O.W.W. (whose colours the pink and black originally were) resigned their colours to O.W.W. as a whole—and not to a certain section of them.

I am, sir,

Yours faithfully,

F. G. TURNER.

[The information was both correct and incorrect. On leaving school almost every boy simultaneously joins the Elizabethan Club, and the pink and black colours, therefore, symbolise the body of O.W.W., the object being the complete identification of O.W.W. at large with the Club. Pink, black and white colours, however, are still made for such O.W.W. as desire the old order of things.—EDITOR.]

Our Contemporaries.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following:—

Stonyhurst Magazine, Trinity University Review, King's College School Magazine, Ulula, Wycombe Abbey Gazette, Beaumont Review, Shirburnian, Salopian (2), Wellingtonian (2), Harrovian, Alleynian, Blundellian, Johnian, Dovorian, Elean, Cholmelian, Cheltonian (2), Eton College Chronicle (2), Haileyburian, Wykehamist, Limit, Meteor.

OLD WESTMINSTERS LODGE, No. 2233.

This Lodge was formed in 1888, and consists of Old Westminsters. It meets at Westminster School four times a year—in March, June, October, and December. It is the senior Public School Lodge belonging to the Public Schools Union, which holds an Annual Festival at each school in turn.

Old Westminsters desiring to join the Lodge should communicate with the Secretary, W. J. ARMITAGE, Esq., Longholt, Hildenborough, Kent.

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.

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