

# The Elizabethan

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## EDITORIAL.

THOSE who read their newspapers carefully will have observed that during the summer holidays considerable correspondence appeared in the Press, notably in the *Times*, on the subject of the School year. Some of the suggestions were humorous—unintentionally, of course—others were merely ridiculous. There was one, however, which attracted more notice than all the others put together, and which soon became the object of a furious controversy, itself the best possible earnest of the importance and intelligence of the scheme. The outlines of the proposal are exceedingly simple; they are as follows: Instead of three terms of an average length of twelve and a half weeks there should be four terms with an average length of nine weeks. In this way the actual division of the year into thirty-six or thirty-seven weeks of term to fifteen or sixteen weeks of holiday would be maintained. There would be only two important differences from the present routine.

First of all we would be spared the indescribable

horror of the fourteen, or, at least, thirteen week term. Without exception in the present state of affairs everyone in the place, master and boy alike, is completely fagged out by the end of nine weeks. The last four weeks are a nightmare of haggard faces; work is done by gaunt spectres too washed out to think at all about what they are doing. We would have done with this once and for all.

Moreover, there is yet a second advantage to be got from the scheme. We should be spared the terrible ordeal of working through the very hottest part of the year, when the June and July sun makes every form room into a Black Hole of Calcutta, and—I would venture to say—every form master into a Suraj-ud-Daulah. During these months, so horrible to work in, but so lovely to play in, we should have our 'long vac,' from the middle of June to the end of July. The other three holidays would fall at Christmas, Easter and Michaelmas, and would consist of at most four, three, and three weeks respectively, thus bringing our total holiday time to sixteen weeks.



This division of the holidays, implying as it would in some cases a holiday of at the very outside three weeks, is the second big difference which would result. It might be urged against them, that it is much better to have long stretches, instead of short bursts from time to time. Against this I would maintain that with a shorter term a shorter time is needed to recuperate; and that three weeks would be ample time to recover from one term and get a push off for the next: too long a holiday is often as irksome as too long a term.

To sum up, I would pronounce the scheme decidedly attractive. Minor objections it may have, as, for example, that games would suffer, but taken as a whole, it seems to me to be highly commendable.

### School Notes.

THE offertory for Dr. Barnardo's homes on the feast of St. Matthew was £4 10s.

The offertory for the School Mission on the feast of St. Michael and all Angels was £4.

There is no formal concert this term, but the Madrigal and Orchestral Societies will give an informal Concert up School at 5 o'clock on Monday, October 26, and a sing-song at 4.15 on Friday, December 4.

The Mure Scholarship was won by Winniffrith. Oppenheimer was second and F. W. Allen third.

There was a lecture up School on Friday, October 2, on 'The Navy,' by Commander G. Solfleet.

Other lectures this term are: 'The Air League,' on Wednesday, November 11; 'Exploring the Himalayas,' by Gen. Sir Francis Younghusband, K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E., on Monday, November 16; and 'Walks in Rome,' by Mr. C. E. Gabb, on Monday, November 23.

A new Boarding House, at present a waiting house, has come into being since last term. It is called Busby's and is situated at No. 7, Dean's Yard, on the Terrace. It provides accommodation for 16 boys and is under the ægis of Mr. Hilary.

We welcome two new assistant masters this term: Mr. Simpson (O.W.), of Christ Church, who comes to us from Giggleswick School to take the Under VI, and Mr. Burn, who joins the staff for one term only.

There are 66 new boys this term, bringing our total number to 370.

### COMMEMORATION, Nov. 17, 1925.

THE triennial Latin Service in commemoration of the founder and benefactors of the School will be held in Abbey at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17.

The Head Master and the Masters will be At Home in Ashburnham House and up School after the service. All old Westminsters and their ladies are invited to be present.

*Admission both to Abbey and to School can be obtained by the printed admission paper only.* Those who intend to be present are asked kindly to send to the Bursar, as soon as possible, a post-card stating the number of their party and requesting the form of invitation to be sent to them. It would be a convenience to the Bursar's office if an addressed envelope accompanied the card.

Old Westminsters who are able and willing to help in the choir are asked kindly to communicate with Mr. C. T. Lofthouse at the School.

### SCHOOL OFFICERS.

THE following are officers for the coming year:—

*Captain.*—S. Chapman.

*Monitors.*—C. W. Myring, A. B. L. Murison, G. N. Gabell.

*Captain of K.SS.*—S. Chapman.

*Prin. Opp.*—C. W. Myring.

*Head of Grants.*—A. M. Shepley-Smith.

*Head of Rigauds.*—E. C. Blakstad.

*Head of Home Boarders.*—G. N. Gabell.

*Head of Ashburnham.*—C. W. Myring.

*Captain of Football.*—J. A. Cook (GG.).

*Captain of Cricket.*—A. M. Shepley-Smith (GG.).

*Head of Water.*—A. J. D. Winniffrith (K.SS.).

*Other Members of the Monitorial Council.*—M. F. L. Haymes (K.SS.), A. A. G. Black (K.SS.), R. R. Holmes (H.BB.), P. May (K.SS.), L. E. Barker (A.HH.).

*C.S.M.*—No. 1 Coy., D. Meares; No. 2 Coy., S. Chapman.

### THE ELIZABETHAN.

THE following are officers for the coming year:—

*Editor.*—S. Chapman.

*Hon. Secretary.*—A. B. L. Murison.

*Hon. Treasurer.*—I. F. Smedley, Esq.



## ELECTION, 1925.

*Elected to Christ Church.*—H. F. de C. Pereira, E. C. Lester, A. B. Gourlay.

*Elected to Trinity.*—J. H. Shakespeare, J. E. Jenkyn-Thomas, J. M. H. Hoare.

*Elected to Christ Church Exhibitions.*—A. L. Binney, D. C. Watherston.

*Samwaies Exhibitions were awarded to* J. H. Shakespeare, J. E. Jenkyn-Thomas, J. M. H. Hoare.

*Triplet Exhibitions were awarded to* J. St. L. Philpot, J. H. Shakespeare, J. M. H. Hoare.

*The Hinchliffe Scholarship was not awarded.*

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PRINCIPAL SCHOOL PRIZES  
AWARDED IN THE COURSE OF THE YEAR  
ENDING ELECTION, 1925.

*Phillimore I.—Essay:* A. L. Binney; *Translation:* S. Chapman.

*Mure Scholarship.*—S. Chapman.

*Ireland Prizes.—Latin Prose:* H. F. de C. Pereira; *Greek Verse:* E. C. Lester.

*Gumbleton Prize for English Verse.*—H. F. de C. Pereira.

*Waterfield Greek Prose Prize.*—H. F. de C. Pereira.

*Vincent Prize.*—Senior: C. H. V. Sutherland; Junior: H. A. P. Phillips.

*Henry Troutbeck Prize for Orations.*—H. B. Magnus.

*O.W.W. Masonic Lodge Prizes for Science.—Essay:* J. St. L. Philpot, W. A. Macfarlane; *Practical:* J. St. L. Philpot.

*Phillimore II.—For Greek and Latin Compositions:* E. C. Lester; *for English Compositions:* A. L. Binney.

*Toplady Prizes for Scripture Knowledge.*—Senior: K. S. Watt; Junior: J. L. Tabor.

*Clifton Gordon Reading Prizes.*—Senior: A. J. D. Winniffrith; Junior: G. R. Ellison.

*Goodenough Medal for French.*—G. P. Young.

*Marshall Memorial Prizes.*—VII (Classics): P. May; H. VII: J. S. H. Shattock; Mod. VII: J. H. Shakespeare.

*Marshall Prizes.*—VI<sup>1</sup> (Classics): H. B. Ripman; VI<sup>2</sup> (Classics): R. H. Lloyd-Jones; M. VI (Classics): V. J. Wilmoth.

*Cheyne Prizes for Arithmetic.*—Senior: W. A. Macfarlane; Junior: T. H. S. Wyllie.

*Rev. A. Jones' Prize for Geometry.*—D. C. Watherston.

*Eastlake Prize for Drawing.*—E. L. Franklin.

*Knapp Fisher Prize for Music.*—A. L. Binney, C. T. H. Dams.

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THE PLAY.

THE Play this year is the *Rudens* of Plautus. The Play nights will be Saturday, December 19, Monday, December 21, and Wednesday, December 23.

Several plays of Plautus have at various times been given on the Westminster stage. The *Rudens* itself was performed as long ago as 1566: of this performance a play-bill still survives. It was given again in 1798, when the chorus of fishermen sang the following song:—

O Neptune, si fecisses  
Maris undam vinum,  
Biberemus sicut pisces  
Laticem marinum.

Hauserimus tale nacti  
Gaudii suasorium  
Piscatores piscesfacti  
Totum vas aequoreum.

Piscatores, Piscatores,  
Vinum coronemus,  
Liberi feliciores  
Genio libemus!

This song was 'accompanied on the fiddle by Rich. Bligh with a wooden leg; composed by Jas. Wm. Dodd, the Usher.' (*Lusus Alteri West.*, p. 178). The song will be repeated in this year's performance.

The *Amphitryon* was performed in 1704 and 1792: the *Aulularia* in 1796, and the *Trinummus* regularly from 1860 till 1907.

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BISHOP RYLE.

By the death of Bishop Ryle Westminster School has lost a very dear and loyal friend. The Dean of Westminster, whoever he be, is always closely concerned with the School, since by the provision of the Act of 1868 he is ex-officio Chairman of the Governing Body. Moreover, since by immemorial usage which has remained unaffected by constitutional changes the Abbey Church is also the School chapel and the centre of its life, the Dean is essentially brought into intimate official contact with the boys. But official relationships in Dr. Ryle's



hands were converted into bonds of living friendship. His duties in connection with us, as with all the many corporations with which he was associated, he unfailingly discharged with the conscientiousness, tact, punctuality and sympathetic understanding that were characteristic of him. They involved a good deal of work and thought and time. With the patience and generosity of the really busy man, he devoted himself without stint to every issue great or small that came before him. And that not in any perfunctory way: to help, wherever help was needed, was a transparent joy to him. One instance, but one of many, will be within the memory of many who read these lines. Three years ago the opportunity suddenly arose of securing a boathouse at Putney, a matter of great importance for the success, and indeed the stability, of Water. This project, being put before the Governing Body by an old Westminster member with immediate promise of practical support, was at once espoused by the Dean. The same evening, at Election Dinner, making a gallant breach of precedent, the Dean got up and made a speech. The humour and bonhomie with which he urged the new cause carried irresistible conviction with it; and within a few days the boathouse was ours.

His innate courtesy combined with his moral sympathy and the swiftness of his intellectual perception to make him a master of the art of conciliation—a priceless gift. His wisdom and experience made him the helpfullest of counsellors, and his door was never shut to those who sought his advice.

Naturally it was to the older members of our community that he was known best; but the whole School welcomed, and afterwards remembered, the opportunities of meeting and hearing him which Confirmation and the Admission of the new King's Scholars regularly brought round. At such times they learned the principles of manliness from one who was a true man, and the meaning of Christian Faith from one whose character was visibly inspired by it. His name will ever be held in honoured and affectionate memory by Westminsters.

### SCHOOL CONCERT.

THE last School concert, on July 24, was again the best we remember. The Madrigal Society gave a delightful programme, including that sweetest and saddest of madrigals, the 'Silver Swan,' Dowland's 'Fine Knacks for Ladies' (happy the man that thinks of no removes), and two short pieces, Handel's setting to 'Haste thee, Nymph,' and Dyson's 'Pleasure it is.' We do not

remember the Society ever being better together, nor, apart from an occasional noticeable nasality from the tenors, better balanced. Grants' choir sang 'The Tree in the Wood' less vociferously but more tunefully than in the House Competition; the College Quartet sang, a little sharp, but cheerfully, 'Now is the Month of Maying,' and Ellison gave us an old song to a Parry setting with his usual skill.

The Orchestral Society's programme was not so well chosen. The orchestra contains of necessity more outside helpers than School performers, so we feel its function to be educational rather than demonstrational. And we doubt if Bach's 'Overture No. 1 in C' converted any sceptics. Though 'Tea for Two' is a tenacious devil, we do not doubt that John Sebastian could cast him out. But he would need stronger magic than 'Overture No. 1 in C.' Butterworth's 'Banks of Green Willow' we enjoyed greatly, but we did not find Gibbons' 'Galliard for Strings' any more inspiring. We wish that the Society would try part or the whole of a Beethoven Symphony. Its continuity would give more opportunity for individual practice, so it would be well within their powers and more likely to convince a doubting audience of its quality.

The Minuet and Presto from Haydn's C Major Quartet proved rather too difficult for the School String Quartet. Their courage is commendable, but they would have been happier with a professional leader or in a piece with a piano to keep them together.

The concert ended with an Irish Ballad, 'Phaudring Crohoore,' with an orchestral accompaniment by Stanford. It was a long piece, but sheer joy from start to finish, and we congratulate Mr. Loft-house and his societies on the choice and the performance. We will gratefully devour as much of a like kind as they can produce for us.

### O.W. GOLFING SOCIETY.

THE annual meeting took place on October 1 at West Hill Golf Club. In spite of a very small entry, the scoring was very good. The Sutherland Challenge Cup fell to Dr. H. Gardiner Hill, 72 scr. = 72, with W. L. Hartley 71+2=73 and W. B. Enever 89-16=73, bracketed second.

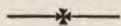
The bogey foursomes were won by W. L. and R. W. Hartley+2 with 2 up.

At the subsequent annual meeting Dr. Gardiner Hill retired from the captaincy and is succeeded by W. L. Hartley, and R. C. Orpen retired from the secretaryship and is succeeded by Rex W. Hartley, Broom Hill Lodge, Bickley.



The Club came into existence a year ago to meet the needs of those O.W. interested in the game. There is an entrance fee of 10s., but no subscription. All members of The Elizabethan Club are eligible who are members of and have a handicap at any recognised golf club.

All enthusiasts are asked to communicate with the Secretary at the above address.



### MR. MANGEOT'S STRING QUARTET.

ON Monday, October 5, the School attended a concert given up School by 'The Music Society String Quartet,' comprising André Mangeot, Henry J. Berly, Boris Pecker, John Barbirolli. Their programme was:—

1. (a) TWO FANTASIES for 4 strings.  
*Henry Purcell, 1658-1695.*
- (b) THREE FANTASIES for 3 strings.  
*Orlando Gibbons, 1583-1625.*
2. QUARTET in E flat major, Op. 76, No. 6.  
*Haydn, 1732-1809.*  
Allegretto—Adagio—Minuetto—Allegro ma non troppo.
3. (a) MARCH OF THE LITTLE FOLK  
PEAT REEK ... } *J. B. McEwen,*  
RED MURDOCH ... } *b. 1868.*
- (b) SIR ROGER DE COVERLEY.  
*Frank Bridge, b. 1879.*
4. Two Sketches.  
(a) BY THE TARN. *Eugène Goossens, b. 1893.*  
(b) JACK O' LANTERN.

We publish below the account which was awarded the prize offered to members of the School for the best appreciation of the performance.

On Monday afternoon, October 5, the School had the privilege of hearing the Music Society String Quartet, represented by Messrs. André Mangeot, Boris Pecker, Henry J. Berly and John Barbirolli, who delighted us with a very varied programme of Chamber Music.

'Chamber Music,' we were told on our programmes, is 'music for performance in private houses,' so we were not surprised to find that its chief characteristic is homeliness. Chamber Music is essentially intimate, and in this quality lies its especial charm.

The first item on the programme consisted of two fantasies for strings by Purcell, followed by three fantasies by Gibbons. In this 17th century music we find Chamber Music in its infancy—the most conspicuous feature is the simplicity of its design. The theme is treated in a severely fugal

manner and is supported by the most simple harmonies. This simplicity lends itself to a very high degree of beauty, as was especially remarkable in the pieces by Gibbons, with whose skill in the blending of voices we were already well acquainted.

The *pièce de résistance* followed: a Haydn Quartet in E $\flat$  major. The contrast of this with the previous works was very interesting. The style had gained confidence and artistic merit, and the robustness of the English composers—a direct heritage from Elizabethan folk-song—was noticeably absent. The 18th century was the Golden Age of Chamber Music, and it was to the genius of Haydn and Mozart that this perfection was due. Haydn was rightly described as 'the father of the String Quartet,' and every bar of this work, especially in the adagio movement, showed unerringly that he was a master of his craft.

One of the most essential features in Chamber Music, as in all kinds of quartets, whether vocal or instrumental, is the balancing and blending of the individual parts. In the Music Society Quartet this was particularly exemplified, for, while the individual brilliance of the respective players was evident, the perfect balance of the whole remained absolutely undisturbed. The brilliance in execution that there undoubtedly was was of a sustained and general nature, and was not merely manifested in the playing of one particular part or passage.

The third item on the programme consisted of three interesting, but otherwise unimportant, descriptive pieces by J. B. McEwen. These suffered rather by comparison with what had gone before. There followed what was described as 'a modern setting of a well-known old English country dance'—Sir Roger de Coverley—by Frank Bridge. It seemed a pity to make Sir Roger jig about like a circus clown, aiding his antics with all the licence of modern harmony—even carrying him exhausted out of the ring to the tune of 'Auld Lang Syne.' The great need of modern music is creative work. Modern composers have evolved new and revolutionary systems of harmony, but they so far lack in a considerable degree the creative inspiration to demonstrate to the full the powers of their discoveries. While they waste time trying to substitute old folk tunes for creative inspiration, they are not likely to meet with much success, for there is much truth in the saying that you cannot keep new wine in old bottles.

The programme was concluded with two sketches by Goossens, who is one of the foremost of the younger school of British composers. The thematic material was not of high value, but the extremely fine texture obtained was admirable.



These two sketches also elicited the fact that the possibilities of the string quartet are by no means exhausted.

We are very grateful indeed to the Music Society Quartet for providing us with a most enjoyable entertainment, and for carrying us through the whole range of Chamber Music in the course of an admirably selected programme. It was an experiment which we sincerely hope they will repeat, for it is extremely doubtful whether we could have the privilege of hearing Chamber Music better rendered anywhere in Great Britain to-day.

A. B. L. M.

## HALL EPIGRAMS.

THE book of 'Carmina et Epigrammata' was in print before it was decided that, owing to the illness of the late Dean, Election Dinner should not be held this year. As many therefore were deprived of the pleasure of hearing them recited in Hall, THE ELIZABETHAN will perhaps allow a little extra space for quotation in this number.

First, it is fitting to give in full the four *carmina* with which the book opens.

### HINC NOSTRAE LACRIMAE.

*In obitum viri desideratissimi, Ranulfi Tanner, olim magistri.*

Ante iocos dictisque epigrammata crebra facetis  
tristis parumper neniae  
vox sonet abreptum vita cessisse querentis  
et carum et insignem virum,  
quem schola paene octo norat per lustra magistrum,  
quem cuncta dilexit domus,  
et merito, iustum pariter vultusque sereni  
et corde toto candidum.  
Sit locus Orbilio, noster tamen ille docendi  
potiore processit via  
dum socium pueris, dum se coniungit amicum,  
pudore fretus, non metu.  
Iam senior, sed adhuc animi superante iuventa,  
abit silentes in locos,  
nec tamen omnis abit cuius dulcedinis aetas  
plura una labetur memor.

### HINC NOSTRAE LACRIMAE.

*In memoriam Donaldi Shaw.*

Te quoque, quem sera reducem Bellona sagitta  
sustulit, ad Samarae cognite miles aquas,  
prosequimur lacrimis, nostrae non laudis egentem  
voce tuus patriae dum celebratur honos.

### HINC NOSTRAE LACRIMAE :

IN DECANUM HUIUS AEDIS.

Tu quod abes, nostrum quis non dolet, optime praeses ?  
Apta quoque est precibus Musa faceta domus.

ἤλιξ ἤλιχα τέρπει.

Te salvere iubet, Christi venerabilis Aedes,  
Laudibus antiquis par schola nostra parem.  
Si patriam ornasti vel si virtutibus orbem,  
Haec aliis cedo commemorare lyris.  
Nos sed amicitiam canimus, longumque per aevum  
Pignora non rupto mutua facta iugo.

O veteri matres per saecula foedera vincitae !  
Improba quas aetas non tetigisse valet,  
Sic totidem et plures validae maneatis in annos,  
Vincla nova ut semper tempus utriusque ferat.

The gracefulness and felicity of these four are such as we expect from their authors; there is no more to be said.

To come to the *facetiae*: the theses were (1) *Hinc illae lacrimae*, (2) ἤλιξ ἤλιχα τέρπει, and of these the first proved the more popular; as Corporal Nym might have said, 'That's the humour of it.' As though to prove the truth of the second thesis, no fewer than twelve were in the Latin tongue, a pleasing feature, and two in French; but it looks, alas! as if Greek must wait for a new Revival of Learning—say on the Greek Kalends. Though we cannot agree with the cynic (an old habitu , by the way) who wrote

Why do you laugh at epigrams  
To-night, as is your wont ?  
A few because they see the jest :  
The rest, because they don't.—

yet it may be admitted that, as with the jests of the Epilogue, one gets the full flavour of Hall epigrams better in the seclusion that the study grants than by a cursory hearing over the walnuts and the wine in Hall.

Political epigrams were not so much in evidence as usual; of these there were only two, in fact, but one of them contains a pun so excruciating that Charles Lamb would surely have approved it. Moreover, it has the distinction of being the only one of the whole batch with a tincture of Greek in it:—

When a woman buys a stocking  
Her display is truly shocking.  
Traucherous Winston—O fie, fie !  
' ς  π λοιοτο' is her cry.

Even the Hudson memorial produced only two protests. School topics, too, like politics, were out of fashion this year. One effort, however, deserves reproduction, if only for its nice derangement of epitaphs from Shakespeare and Tennyson:—

Boys, idle boys, they know no mortal thing,  
Boys from the depth of Modern Under Shell,  
Wangle removes, and O ! they pay the price.  
Gone now their peace, their dewy ignorance,  
With Latin, French, maths., science, history  
All desecrate and rudely plastered o'er,  
Blind mugs ! too late they inly ruminate  
The deep damnation of their taking up  
By beaks who deal in School Certificates.

And another, obviously from the pen of a K.S., will be appreciated for its neatness.

The Canons own a garden  
Where I would fain go walking ;  
But the Canons own the garden—  
So what's the use of talking ?



THE WATER.

CHARACTERS OF FIRST VIII.

*Bow.* H. NASH.—Not an ideal bow oarsman. His stiffness made him very slow in all his movements, with the result that he did not always get hold of the water behind the rigger, and he never learnt real control of his slide. Apart from these faults he was a very hard worker and raced extremely well.

2. A. J. D. WINNIFRITH.—Came into the crew late in practice, but settled down at once and improved rapidly. He never got quite the length forward of the rest of the crew, but he did learn to get hold of the beginning and he pushed hard.

3. C. E. W. LEWIS.—Started by rowing very well in the early stages of practice, but later developed some of his old faults, rushing his slide up and skying his blade. He managed to get rid of these to some extent before Henley, and his keenness and watermanship made him always a useful member of the crew.

4. F. R. WORTHINGTON.—Suffered from lack of rowing experience and was very rough to begin with. He learned a great deal during practice, but never quite mastered the art of getting a clean, firm beginning right behind the rigger. Tried and pushed hard.

5. J. M. H. HOARE.—Rather disappointing; he did not make the progress I had hoped for. His slide was too often rushed forward, with a result that the beginning was missed and he did not learn to keep on swinging after the first two minutes of a row. He must try to learn to economise time at the finish, swing and slide forward steadily and drive his body on faster at the beginning, then he will be a really useful oar.

6. J. W. FILSON.—Improved very much since last year. He learned to get on his feet and to get a true beginning, though he never quite achieved that easy swing forward which would have given him an extra inch of length and made him a first-class oar.

7. H. R. A. EDWARDS.—A very fine oarsman, who rowed consistently well all through practice. A good waterman. He should do well.

*Stroke.* L. P. KNIGHT.—A habit of lying back too far at the finish, which he could never get out of, spoiled him as an oar, and led to a strained stomach at Henley. As a stroke he was excellent, giving his crew good length and driving them all the time. The way in which he stroked against L.M.B.C. at Henley, with a strained muscle, which must have given him considerable pain, was characteristic of him.

*Cox.* G. P. YOUNG.—Vastly improved from last year; he steered well and used his voice much better.

THE FIELDS.

CRICKET.

WESTMINSTER v. LORDS AND COMMONS.

Played at Vincent Square on June 25. Westminster won by 45 runs.

LORDS AND COMMONS.

E. J. Campbell, c L. Clare, b Paulson...	...	...	14
Capt. A. Hope, b Paulson	...	...	2
Capt. Metcalfe, b Cambell	...	...	8
W. Smithers, lbw, b Cambell	...	...	39
Earl of Dalkeith, c Robson, b Cambell	...	...	13
Major Crawford, st Robson, b Cambell	...	...	0
Lord Harris, b Cambell	...	...	10
O. W. Nicholson, c Cook, b Stratford	...	...	2
Col. Horlick, not out	...	...	50
Viscount Curzon, b Stratford	...	...	1
Sir R. Blades, not out	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	5

Total ... .. 144

*Bowling.*—Cambell 5 for 59; Paulson 2 for 31; Stratford 2 for 29; Cook 0 for 20.

WESTMINSTER.

L. Clare, b Campbell	...	...	1
A. M. Shepley-Smith, st Nicholson, b Earl of Dalkeith	...	...	64
M. F. L. Haymes, run out	...	...	53
J. H. Robson, not out	...	...	32
J. A. Cook, lbw, b Campbell	...	...	23
A. W. D. Leishman, b Campbell	...	...	0
D. R. F. Cambell, b Campbell	...	...	0
M. G. Stratford, lbw, b Smithers	...	...	0
A. Clare, b Smithers	...	...	3
P. J. H. Dunn, st Nicholson, b Campbell	...	...	5
G. M. E. Paulson, st Nicholson, b Campbell	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	8

Total ... .. 189

*Bowling.*—E. J. Campbell 5 for 47, W. Smithers 3 for 36, Earl of Dalkeith 1 for 9, Col. Horlick 0 for 18, Major Crawford 0 for 32, Lord Harris 6 for 18, Capt. A. Hope 0 for 11, Sir R. Blades 0 for 10.

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C.

Played at Vincent Square on June 27. Won by M.C.C. by 6 wickets.

WESTMINSTER.

A. M. Shepley-Smith, c Clarke, b Doggart	...	...	47
M. F. L. Haymes, b Doggart	...	...	0
J. H. Robson, b Druce	...	...	26
L. Clare, b Homan	...	...	0
J. A. Cook, run out	...	...	0
M. G. Stratford, b Homan	...	...	8
A. Clare, b Homan	...	...	2
P. J. H. Dunn, not out	...	...	51
A. W. D. Leishman, c Firth, b Homan	...	...	30
G. M. Paulson, c and b Doggett	...	...	4
D. R. F. Cambell, c Doggart, b Harris	...	...	4
Extras	...	...	29

Total ... .. 201

*Bowling.*—R. W. Robertson-Glasgow 0 for 23; A. G. Doggart 3 for 55; F. V. Harris 1 for 22; E. A. C. Druce 1 for 13; D. D. Homan 4 for 47, G. A. Firth 0 for 6, H. R. Blaker 0 for 6.



## M.C.C.

E. A. Bennett, b Stratford	...	...	...	...	54
A. W. Breakspear, lbw, b Cook	...	...	...	...	10
Maj. A. E. Stanley Clarke, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	0
E. A. C. Druce, c Clare A., b Stratford	...	...	...	...	49
D. O. Homan, not out	...	...	...	...	39
A. G. Doggart, not out	...	...	...	...	35
Extras	...	...	...	...	16

Total (4 wickets) ... 203

G. H. Firth, F. V. Harris, R. W. Robertson-Glasgow, G. Bankes, H. R. Blaker, Capt., did not bat.

*Bowling.*—Cambell 1 for 69, Cook 1 for 21, Paulson 0 for 39, Stratford 2 for 36, Dunn 0 for 22.

## WESTMINSTER v. RADLEY.

Played at Radley on July 11. Match drawn.

## WESTMINSTER.

L. Clare, c Green, b Preston	...	...	...	...	74
A. M. Shepley-Smith, b Reid	..	...	...	...	39
M. F. L. Haymes, b Green	...	...	...	...	3
J. H. Robson, c Percival, b Green	...	...	...	...	0
J. A. Cook, c Preston, b Green	...	...	...	...	9
M. G. Stratford, b Reid	...	...	...	...	6
P. J. H. Dunn, b Green...	...	...	...	...	16
G. M. E. Paulson, run out	...	...	...	...	5
A. Clare, lbw, b Green	...	...	...	...	4
A. W. D. Leishman, not out	...	...	...	...	1
D. R. F. Cambell, b Preston	...	...	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	...	...	11

Total ... 171

*Bowling.*—H. V. Green 5 for 52, W. E. Preston 2 for 25, J. W. Reid 2 for 31, R. R. H. Few 0 for 8, L. D. Cambridge 0 for 33, J. F. Metcalfe 0 for 22.

## RADLEY.

A. L. Stampa, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	24
M. C. Percival, b Paulson	...	...	...	...	14
G. C. A. Adams, run out	...	...	...	...	36
L. D. Cambridge, run out	...	...	...	...	1
J. M. Celling, lbw, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	10
W. E. Preston, b Paulson	...	...	...	...	3
R. R. H. Few, c Haymes, b Stratford	...	...	...	...	14
H. C. F. Harwood, not out	...	...	...	...	5
J. F. Metcalfe, not out	...	...	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	...	...	17

Total (7 wickets) ... 125

J. W. Reid, H. V. Green, did not bat.

*Bowling.*—Dunn 2 for 18, Paulson 2 for 18, Stratford 1 for 25, J. R. Cook 0 for 8, Cambell 0 for 39.

## WESTMINSTER v. D. J. KNIGHT'S XI.

Played at Vincent Square, July 14. Match drawn.

## D. J. KNIGHTS XI.

M. Watkins, lbw, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	0
M. H. Ellis, c Pereira, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	0
D. J. Knight, lbw, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	34
C. F. N. Harrison, c Shepley-Smith, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	1
X. Y. Cousins, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	1
W. N. Macbride, c Pereira, b Paulson	...	...	...	...	90
A. W. D. Leishman, lbw, b Stratford	...	...	...	...	1
R. J. Hilary, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	33
Elsoa, b Paulson	...	...	...	...	1
C. F. Macfarlane, b Paulson	...	...	...	...	6
D. A. Bompas, not out	...	...	...	...	8
Extras	...	...	...	...	17

Total ... 192

*Bowling.*—Cambell 2 for 16, Dunn 4 for 44, Cook 4 for 21, Stratford 1 for 14, Paulson 3 for 40, Johnstone 0 for 17, Robson 0 for 15, Shepley-Smith 0 for 8.

## WESTMINSTER.

L. Clare, c Bompas, b Knight	...	...	...	...	42
A. M. Shepley-Smith, c and b Macbride	...	...	...	...	22
J. H. Robson, b Hilary	...	...	...	...	1
J. A. Cook, b Macbride	...	...	...	...	30
K. J. Gardiner, b Macbride	...	...	...	...	0
G. M. E. Paulson, b Knight	...	...	...	...	26
M. G. Stratford, c and b Macbride	...	...	...	...	5
P. J. H. Dunn, c Watkins, b Macbride	...	...	...	...	14
G. E. Johnstone, not out	...	...	...	...	10
Extras	...	...	...	...	7

Total (8 wickets) ... 157

H. F. de C. Pereira, D. R. F. Cambell, did not bat.

*Bowling.*—Macbride 5 for 56, Elson 0 for 21, Knight 2 for 42, Hilary 1 for 31.

## WESTMINSTER v. O.WW.

Played on July 25. Westminster won by 16 runs.

## WESTMINSTER.

L. Clare, c Newall, b Macbride	...	...	...	...	0
A. M. Shepley-Smith, c and b Feasey	...	...	...	...	0
M. F. L. Haymes, lbw, b Kann	...	...	...	...	22
J. H. Robson, c Feasey, b Kann	...	...	...	...	17
J. A. Cook, hit wkt, b Kann	...	...	...	...	10
N. L. Foster, c Frampton, b Feasey	...	...	...	...	9
M. G. Stratford, c Newall, b Kann	...	...	...	...	0
A. Clare, b Munt	...	...	...	...	16
P. J. H. Dunn, c Newall, b Macbride	...	...	...	...	8
G. M. E. Paulson, not out	...	...	...	...	8
D. R. F. Cambell, c and b Macbride	...	...	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	...	...	13

Total ... 104

*Bowling.*—Feasey 2 for 23, Macbride 3 for 30, Kann 4 for 18, Newall 0 for 12, Munt 1 for 8.

## O.WW.

P. G. W. Kann, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	0
J. H. Alderson, c Shepley-Smith, b Paulson	...	...	...	...	1
P. E. Mellor, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	19
E. R. Munt (Capt.), c Haymes, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	5
W. N. Macbride, c Cambell, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	17
G. J. Warlock, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	5
A. C. Feasey, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	14
F. S. Fleuret, not out	...	...	...	...	16
W. B. Frampton, hit wkt, b Cambell	...	...	...	...	6
P. L. Leighton, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	0
W. E. Newall, b Dunn	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	5

Total ... 88

*Bowling.*—Cambell 4 for 35, Paulson 1 for 10, Dunn 5 for 26, Stratford 0 for 12.

## CHARACTERS OF CRICKET XI, 1925.

L. CLARE.

Played some splendid and spectacular innings; has the gift of hitting the bad ball very hard. Should show more powers of discrimination in choosing the right ball to hit; several times his



innings was needlessly sacrificed by hitting across the flight of good length balls, and the hook stroke was often overdone. But he afforded an excellent example to the School of how a cricket ball can be struck both with power and wholeheartedness.

A. M. SHEPLEY-SMITH.

A most improved batsman. Plays in the correct style, and with a little more power behind his scoring strokes should very soon develop into a class player. A most consistent and reliable run-getter. Should develop his bowling, as there are distinct possibilities in his slow leg-breaks. Held some good catches in the slips.

D. F. R. CAMPBELL.

A bowler who uses his head. His power of slightly varying and concealing the flight of the ball gained him many wickets; kept a good length, and we shall always remember his long sustained effort in the Charterhouse match. Our best bowler of last season.

J. H. ROBSON.

A wicket-keeper well above the average; quick and neat in all his movements in this capacity. Bats in good style, but fails to punish the bad ball owing to a marked stiffness of the wrists and fore-arms. A bad judge of a run, and as such, often a source of danger to his partner.

P. J. H. DUNN.

A bowler of the plain slinging type, who, nevertheless, bowled with pluck and grit, and took several wickets for the School. A batsman who breaks most of the known axioms of batting, and whose success in this department was as gratifying as it was surprising, and which afforded an example of what sheer pluck alone can accomplish with the bat.

J. A. COOK.

With his physique and reach should be a better bat than he is, though he has improved vastly. Drives well past mid-off, but is apt to play most of his drives through the covers off a bent right leg, instead of standing up and launching his left leg boldly to the ball. A fine thrower and hard working outfield. A bowler of promise, if he would fling his arm up higher in the air and make more use of his weight and height.

M. F. L. HAYMES.

A batsman of some promise; at present too often prone to reach weakly forward, when he might be playing back. Very weak on the leg-stump; has wrists and can time the ball. His fielding at cover has been splendid, and he has set the rest of the side a fine example in this respect. Stands a little too deep at times.

J. M. E. PAULSON.

Has been disappointing as a left-hand bowler. Bowls far too many long-hops, and he must cultivate more finger spin, and not bowl the faster ball which comes into the batsman with the arm so often. However, he has distinct possibilities and should do well next year. As a batsman a hitter pure and simple and should play no other type of game.

M. J. STRATFORD.

Has bowled well at times, notably against Malvern. Has accuracy of length and life from the pitch. As a batsman he is altogether too stiff and cramped, and he must learn to swing the bat very much more freely from the shoulders. Watches the ball splendidly.

S. J. P. ROCK.

Fearfully disappointing batsman. Appeared to lose all confidence, and shaped for each stroke as if Colin Blythe was bowling to him on a sticky wicket. Should take his life into his hands and hit boldly whenever he strikes a bad patch again like this. A fair field.

K. J. GARDINER.

Promising batsman—but he must cure himself of the fatal habit of drawing away from fast bowling. Moreover, must give up cutting straight balls (or trying to). He must also curb and keep under control his excitable and jumpy temperament. When all this has been done he might possibly be able to bat.

A. CLARE.

Tries very hard to improve, but he is at present too stiff and awkward, and stoops too much, although towards the end of the season he was rapidly eradicating these faults, and as he has considerable power and a long reach as well, should do well next year.

#### SUMMARY OF CRICKET SEASON, 1925.

*Played*, 16; *won*, 2; *drawn*, 3; *lost*, 11.

*Runs for*—2,806 for 182 wickets.

*Runs against*—3,546 for 122 wickets.

*Average runs per wicket*—*For*, 15.85; *against*, 29.06.

*Centuries for*, 0; *centuries against*, 5 (170, 154,\* 113, 113, 108\*). \* Not out.

#### CRICKET COLOURS, 1925.

The following Colours were awarded:—

*Pinks*.—L. Clare, A. M. Shepley-Smith, J. H. Robson, D. R. F. Cambell, J. A. Cook, P. J. H. Dunn, G. M. E. Paulson, M. G. Stratford, M. F. L. Haymes, A. Clare, G. E. Johnstone.



*Pink and Whites.*—A. W. D. Leishman, K. J. Gardiner, N. L. Foster, H. L. Jones, S. J. P. Rock, J. G. K. Green, A. A. G. Black, D. A. Bompas.

*Thirds.*—E. C. Lester, H. F. de Pereira, D. R. P. Mills, S. Chapman, H. A. Cuming, T. G. Hardy, C. F. Bull, P. C. Carter, R. G. A. Mordaunt, E. L. B. Hawkin.

*Colts Caps.*—Sturdy, Wakeley, Heard, Evans, Mangeot, Boot.

#### BATTING AVERAGES FOR SEASON 1925.

	Inns.	Runs.	H.S.	Not out.	Av.
A. M. Shepley-Smith ...	19	563	88*	2	33.11
L. Clare ...	19	533	70	0	28.05
P. J. H. Dunn ...	18	255	51*	4	18.21
J. A. Cook ...	19	310	58	1	17.22
J. H. Robson ...	17	253	50*	2	16.86
M. F. L. Haymes ...	12	152	53	0	12.66
A. Clare ...	10	96	24	1	10.66
G. M. E. Paulson ...	19	139	32*	3	8.68
M. G. Stratford ...	16	109	24	0	6.81
K. J. Gardiner ...	11	51	20	1	5.10
S. J. P. Rock ...	10	47	14	0	4.70
D. R. F. Cambell ...	16	34	12	3	2.61

*Also batted :—*

A. W. D. Leishman ...	4	32	30	1	10.66
G. E. Johnstone ...	2	10	10*	1	10.00
N. L. Foster ...	1	9	9	0	9.00
H. L. Jones ...	5	35	18	0	7.00
A. A. G. Black ...	2	6	6	0	3.00
D. A. Bompas ...	1	2	2	0	2.00
T. G. K. Green ...	1	1	1*	1	1.00

\* Not out.

#### BOWLING AVERAGES FOR SEASON 1925.

	O.	M.	W.	R.	Av.
P. J. H. Dunn ...	123.1	16	22	486	22.09
D. R. F. Cambell ...	216.2	31	34	818	24.05
M. G. Stratford ...	114.1	10	19	478	25.15
G. M. E. Paulson ...	174.3	28	19	634	33.36
J. A. Cook ...	86.4	7	13	441	33.92

*Also bowled :—*

A. M. Shepley-Smith ...	35	5	4	135	33.75
K. J. Gardiner ...	29.1	2	5	183	36.60
J. G. K. Green ...	6	1	0	16	—
G. E. Johnstone ...	11	1	0	66	—
H. L. Jones ...	1	0	0	6	—
L. Clare ...	4	0	0	25	—
J. H. Robson ...	2	0	0	15	—
S. J. P. Rock ...	3	0	0	33	—

### FOOTBALL.

#### WESTMINSTER v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

(Lost, 0-4)

Played September 26 on a rather slippery ground. Play was pretty even all through, though at the end the Old Westminsters had rather the better of it. The difference in the two sides lay in the forwards. Their forwards shot at every opportunity, whereas ours, who had nearly

as many opportunities, did not take advantage of them.

*Westminster.*—A. Clare; J. A. Cook, W. J. R. Jeremy; M. F. L. Haymes, M. D. Doulton, J. H. B. Bird; M. F. Wingate; L. R. Moore, L. E. Barker, R. G. Mordaunt, R. W. W. Carr.

*O.W.W.*—W. N. Macbride; G. B. Keilly, E. F. Lutyens; E. R. Munt, A. H. T. Chisholm, A. E. Rice-Oxley; N. P. Andrews, A. L. Leighton, W. E. Newall, E. H. Horton, J. B. Pickering.

#### WESTMINSTER v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

(Won, 4-0)

The second match of the term was played on Saturday, October 3, against a team of Old Westminsters. At first the game was quite even, but the School soon asserted itself, and thanks to a good goal by Mordaunt, reached half-time with the score 1-0 in their favour, a score which would have been larger but for some very good goal-keeping by K. M. Hill. In the second half, the School continued to attack, and three more goals were scored, by Mordaunt, Gardiner, and Cook. No further scoring resulted, although the Old Westminsters were pressing hard at one time, and the School twice failed to face an open goal.

*Westminster.*—A. Clare; J. H. B. Bird, T. G. Hardy; M. F. L. Haymes, M. D. Doulton, P. May; W. J. R. Jeremy, M. F. Wingate, K. J. Gardiner, J. A. Cook, R. G. Mordaunt.

*O.W.W.*—K. M. Hill; A. J. Verdier, P. M. Wyatt; G. E. Johnstone, A. E. Rice-Oxley, C. Kann; P. G. R. Burford, F. N. Hornsby, A. C. Feasey, W. M. Hansen, J. W. Dullely.

#### WESTMINSTER v. OLD MALVERNIANs.

(Lost, 2-3)

Played at Vincent Square on Saturday, October 10. The Old Malvernians started vigorously and pressed hard for the first five minutes, which were marked by some fine work by A. Clare. The tables then turned and Wingate scored the first goal of the match with a really beautiful shot. Soon after the Old Malvernians equalised, and at half-time the score was 1-1. The second half was marked by the apparent inability of our forwards, except Wingate, who was playing really well, to get their legs uncrossed, especially when anywhere near the goal. They seemed all Tishy-wise. Over and over again we might have scored but each time we failed. We finally straightened out just before time, when Cook scored our second goal. But in the meanwhile the Old Malvernians had scored two more, and we were too late. Our defence played splendidly all through, Clare, Haymes, Bird and Doulton all doing good work. The wing halves were not so good and never got really moving.



*Westminster.*—A. Clare; J. H. B. Bird, M. F. L. Haymes; G. M. Paulson, M. D. Deulton, M. G. Stratford; W. J. R. Jeremy, R. G. A. Mordaunt, J. A. Cook, K. J. Gardiner, M. F. Wingate.

*Old Malvernians.*—L. G. Lawrence; G. L. Miller, G. K. T. James; G. J. Bannerman, G. W. Bolam, W. A. Fairclough; L. A. T. Prichard, J. Harvey, G. Hofield, C. F. Morice, J. Miller.

WESTMINSTER 2ND XI v. OLD CHOLMELIANS  
(Lost, 4-5)

Played on Saturday, October 10, at Vincent Square. The ground was small, the grass long, and the play, with one or two exceptions, mediocre. The best display was by May for the School, who scored three of our goals.

*Westminster.*—A. M. Shepley-Smith; R. G. Wormell, C. V. H. Sutherland; J. H. Thomas, P. May, R. B. Orange; R. Broadie Griffiths, N. L. Foster, L. E. Barker, L. R. Moore, J. B. Sturdy.

*Old Cholmelians.*—C. Fox; D. S. Ferguson, P. H. Allen; T. Plowman, A. R. Dickinson, A. Killick; B. Reichhardt, C. Plowman, D. Hay, E. McPeake, F. Trevilian.

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CHESS.

A MATCH was played between Westminster School Chess Club and the City of London School Chess Club at Westminster on Friday, October 9, 1925.

Result.

WESTMINSTER.		CITY OF LONDON.	
1. R. M. Mere	... 0	J. A. Allworthy	... 1
2. H. H. Elliott	... 0	A. A. E. Moore	... 1
3. T. G. Hardy	... 1	D. H. McLachlan	... 0
4. C. N. Popper	... 0	A. F. N. Smith	... 1
5. R. B. Orange	... ½	G. L. M. Tippitt	... ½
6. J. P. Winckworth	... 0	M. I. Ackland	... 1
7. H. A. Burt	... 1	A. B. Summerfield	... 0
	—		—
	2½		4½

Result.—Westminster lost by 2½ to 4½ matches

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SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

THE officers of the Society for the current session are:—

- President*—F. O. M. EARP, ESQ.  
*Vice-President*—A. B. L. MURISON.  
*Secretary*—W. A. MACFARLANE.

There was a large attendance at the inaugural meeting, and there is every promise of a successful season.

We should like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Spedan Lewis for his kindness in making possible a visit to the Perivale Bird Sanctuary, last May, through his generosity in providing the Society with means of transport.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

At an extraordinary meeting held on September 18, the following were elected as officers for the year:

- President*—S. CHAPMAN.  
*Vice-President*—C. W. MYRING.  
*Secretary*—J. D. WINNIFRITH.

On September 28 a meeting was held to discuss the motion that: 'This House would welcome the advent of a Liberal Ministry.'

A. B. L. MURISON (*The Proposer*) dwelt learnedly upon the country's economic condition. He then announced that the Liberal Party was the party of the future. This statement he rationalised by explaining that there would be no future for England—in 100 years we should be ruled by Blacks. He then formulated the New Land Policy which had taken 8 years to formulate and would take 100 years to put into operation. We therefore gather that the Liberal Party, having failed to find sufficient English supporters, hopes to proselytise the negroes, so that when they conquer this country they may do so in the name of Mr. Lloyd George's Land Party.

G. P. YOUNG (*The Opposer*) was incoherent and inaudible. His attitude was chiefly negative. He did not want a Liberal Ministry, he did not want to speak and he did not like Mr. Lloyd George.

C. H. V. SUTHERLAND in the course of a maiden speech pointed out that since the Conservatives had vested interests in the land, and the Labour supporters were workers on the land, the Liberal Party, being the only people who were not connected with the land, plainly had the best knowledge of how to rule the land.

W. A. MACFARLANE was pertinacious but not pertinent. The first part of his speech was a repetition of Mr. Murison's, the latter was an appeal for Dr. Barnardo's homes. The President was restless throughout, and we are surprised he did not apply the theological ban to this missionary endeavour.

J. S. H. SHATTOCK spoke torrentially on Liberal shortcomings. This last led to an altercation in the 'Stichomuthia' manner with Mr. Sutherland, which was belatedly terminated by the Secretary.

F. W. ALLEN said that Conservatives were loyal Britons.

A. B. L. MURISON pitied Mr. Allen.

W. A. MACFARLANE, at last awake to the subject of the debate, appeared as unsuccessful apologist for the Conservative party. He pointed out that Lloyd George originated the policy of subsidies.

THE PRESIDENT asserted that a Liberal, Sir Alfred Mond, was the author of the only sound



remedy for unemployment. He had not, he continued, examined this plan, but it bore the hall-mark of soundness—presumably on the cover.

P. J. RENDLE condemned Lloyd George's Land Scheme. He pointed out that it was derived from an examination of conditions on large Dominion farms, and its principles were inapplicable to the smaller farms of England.

The motion was then put to the vote and defeated by acclamation.

### House Notes.

K.SS.—We said good-bye last term to seven of our company. Lester, Pereira, Binney and Watherston go to Christ Church, and Shakespeare and Hoare to Trinity as the result of Election. Philpot goes as Brackenbury Scholar to Balliol.

In their place we welcome into College nine juniors: I. I. Milne, D. A. G. Hinks, G. F. A. Somerset, R. S. Hunt, R. N. Heaton, A. C. Baines, J. A. Evetts, J. W. S. Sprigge, E. D. Phillips.

Congratulations to Haymes on his Cricket Pinks; Black and H. L. Jones on their Pink and Whites, Chapman on his Thirds, and Sturdy on his Colts' Cap. Also to Winnifrith on winning the Mure, which thus remains in College.

In the Corps we boast eleven N.C.O.s: Chapman is C.S.M.; Macfarlane, Homfray and May are Sergeants; Winnifrith is Drum-Major; Murison, Haymes and Black are Corporals; Pagan, Allen and Franklin, Lance-Corporals.

On the Monitorial we are strongly represented: Chapman and Murison are School monitors; Winnifrith is head of Water; and Haymes, Black and May are also members.

The Play this year is the Rudens of *Plautus*, and attention is drawn to the dates of the Play Nights. With a good proportion of last year's caste still 'in residence,' we can look forward to a successful performance.

GG.—Last term there left us: A. W. D. Leishman, G. E. Johnstone, G. H. Rountree, D. I. Peacock, C. E. Lewis, F. A. Macquisten, R. G. Samuel, C. MacPherson and A. Walker. They will be much missed and we wish them every success for the future.

We have in their stead: H. S. Gardner, D. S. Munro, C. Arnold (boarders); W. H. Wakely, J. S. Kennedy, J. M. Ocklershaw, C. C. Irving, R. Clark, N. Woodward (half-boarders). We give them a hearty welcome.

We congratulate M. G. Stratford and G. E. Johnstone on their Cricket Pinks; W. P. Leishman, K. J. Gardiner and D. A. Bompas on their Pink and Whites; and D. R. P. Mills, T. G. Hardy and

R. G. A. Mordaunt on their Thirds; also W. P. Mallinson on his Cricket House Colours, and R. P. Adler on his Water House Colours.

D. R. P. Mills, T. G. Hardy, F. R. Rea, A. B. Lousada and M. G. Stratford are monitors, while A. M. Shepley-Smith is head of House.

So often have the results of Seniors been prophesied with such little success that we will refrain from comment.

We congratulate J. A. Cook on being Captain of Football, and wish him and his team every success.

Lousada and Stratford are Sergeants, Shepley-Smith, Hardy and Rea, Corporals, and Mills and Hildesley have received their first stripes.

The Literary Society has been restarted, and we are at the moment in the midst of *The Rivals*.

We look forward to a very successful term both for the House and for the School.

RR.—It was with not a little regret that we said good-bye to F. R. McQuown, our late head of House, and also to J. H. Robson and D. R. F. Cambell, both of whom were Pinks for cricket. It was equally hard to take leave of H. A. Cuming, H. H. Clark, H. M. Symonds, H. D. Johnson and R. E. Clarke.

Up Fields last term we were fortunate enough to be in the Finals, both of Seniors and Juniors. In Juniors we were rather unlucky, but we were more successful with regard to the more sought after trophy. It is not at all improbable that we shall meet with similar success this term and next, especially as the Junior members of the House shape so well.

On the water we were, through no fault of our own, unfortunately unable to compete for the Town Boys' Rudder, but this term there is no apparent reason why the Cup which was presented last year for the Senior House Fours should not remain in its proper place.

Congratulations are due to Filson on regaining his Water Pinks, and to Robson and Cambell on regaining their Cricket Pinks. Paulson, also, received his well-merited Pinks, whilst Foster got his Pink and Whites and Carter and Cuming got their Thirds. House Colours were awarded to Hill, Aitken, Graham, Symington and Wingate.

New boys this term were B. Rolfe, Chalk, Aitken, Allen, Joly, Hunter, Sutton and Foster. We wish them every success.

Certain of our members received promotions in the Corps.

A.HH.—Our first duty is to congratulate the following for colours gained last term: S. J. P. Rock and J. G. K. Green upon their Cricket Pink and Whites, E. L. B. Hawkin (Thirds), A. R. Fairman and G. L. Oliver-Watts (House Colours).



D. W. Worthington and W. H. G. Boot were awarded Colts' Caps, and Boot, D. E. Barker, H. F. Charrington, J. O. Sahler and R. H. Bromley, Junior House Caps. Turning to Water we congratulate G. P. Young and F. R. Worthington on their Pinks, and E. W. R. Guymmer and V. J. Wilmoth on their Pink and Whites. Shooting Half-Pinks were won by J. G. Fisher, H. B. Ripman, J. H. B. Bird, P. S. Peak and A. R. Fairman, all of whom receive our congratulations, as does C. R. Lane on his Tennis Half-Pink.

As is usual this term we have lost many valued members of the House. An untimely death has removed from us R. P. H. Shirley, and this loss has been deeply felt by every one of us who knew him. We have said good-bye to R. C. Gates (head of House), G. L. Oliver-Watts, so invaluable in many spheres, E. W. R. Guymmer, F. R. Worthington, J. G. Fisher, H. R. A. Edwards, D. S. Miller, A. B. Gourlay, C. R. Lane, S. J. P. Rock, J. G. K. Green, V. J. Wilmoth, A. R. Fairman, C. T. H. Dams, A. R. Scarisbrook, A. J. W. Beard, H. C. Paxon, J. G. Ruther, T. H. H. Godfrey and M. de Pange. They have done much for the House and we wish them all success.

Turning to this term, C. W. Myring is Head of House and a School Monitor, and we congratulate L. E. Barker and J. S. H. Shattock upon becoming House Monitors. L. E. Barker is also on the School Monitorial. We are six fewer this term, and the Upper has been again reduced to nine. E. L. B. Hawkin, R. H. Charles and E. F. B. Nunns have gone to Busby's.

We hope to keep our six Cups and the Rudder in our rightful ownership this year. Our prospects for Juniors and Junior-Juniors appear to be especially encouraging. We have particularly lost several Water stalwarts, but their successors are at hand.

In Corps matters we appear to lack mature talent, as E. J. Rendle is our only Sergeant. C. W. Myring and L. E. Barker have been made Corporals, while Lance-Corporals abound, so we may yet win the Drill Competition.

We also heartily congratulate A. F. L. Beeston upon winning a non-resident Scholarship. We welcome among us the following new boys: J. E. Chard, C. H. Croft, T. H. M. Edwards, R. S. Gunn, J. L. Hackforth, P. G. Harrison, S. F. Hoppé, T. A. Frazer, C. A. Marsden, A. C. Mortimore, J. R. Bailey, J. B. B. Burch, E. L. Dams, G. B. Dallas-Edwards, F. E. Lord, N. W. McCaw, M. W. H. Davies and J. F. Salter-Chapman.

H.BB.—We take the opportunity at the beginning of a fresh term to express our heartiest good wishes to all those Home Boarders who left us last term to take up their various pursuits, and

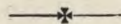
whose cheery company we miss so much. To the eleven new boys who joined us this term we also extend a warm welcome.

Our congratulations are due to A. Clare upon his last term's Cricket Pinks, and upon his present position as vice-captain of football. Clare and W. H. R. Jeremy ably represent H.BB. in the first Eleven.

R. R. Holmes, for the second year in succession, is captain of the School fencing.

In the O.T.C. we heartily congratulate D. Meares upon his promotion to C.S.M. of A Coy. Holmes, Lloyd, and Gabell have also been made sergeants. It is encouraging to discover what a large percentage of H.BB. are members of the O.T.C. It is with the highest confidence, therefore, that we look forward to the Drill Competition this term.

In conclusion, we would offer our encouragement to Freeman and the H.BB. House Four, in whose hands we feel confident that the reputation of the House is safe.



## HISTORICAL NOTES.

### DOMUS ANTIQUA.

THE following letter from the Rev. H. F. Westlake appeared in the *Times* at the end of July:—

SIR,—On July 16, 1920, you printed an article by me entitled 'Westminster School and Abbey.' In the course of it I said that the first undoubted reference to a school at Westminster appears in the year ending at Michaelmas, 1371. Kindly allow me to qualify this statement. I find in the Chamberlain's Roll for the year 1339-40—the last place where one would look for it—the record of a payment of 9s. 8d. to one John Payn for finding scholars for the School. The date, I think, is not without significance. The bull *Summi Magistri* of 1336 must have given a considerable impulse to the educational activities of the Benedictines in England. It must have been the subject of considerable discussion at the first joint meeting of the Provincial Chapters of Canterbury and York at Northampton in 1338, a union which the bull itself had enjoined. Is it rash to suggest that Westminster School was founded or refounded in the following year? However that may be, it would seem that we may now date the existence of the School some 30 years earlier than we have previously known.

H. F. WESTLAKE.

Westminster Abbey, July 25.

The payment to John Payn 'pro scolar(ibus) inveniend(is) ad scolas' was published by Dr. Scott in THE ELIZABETHAN for March, 1900 (Vol.



IX. No. 21). He wrote:—'This entry may be held to fix the date of our foundation, but another interpretation is not impossible.' On the other hand, Mr. Westlake's ingenious theory that it was connected with the bull *Summi Magistri* (1336) is attractive and worthy of careful consideration.

L. E. T.

## A CRY OF DISTRESS:

EARLY 19TH CENTURY.

THE following letter which has been received will be of great interest to our readers:—

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—In the course of recently reading and arranging a large number of documents I have come across a letter from which I make the following extract for edification of your readers. It is addressed to Thomas Coutts, the celebrated banker, 1735–1822, who did not found, but certainly made famous, the well-known banking house, which, to this day, carries on business in the Strand.

The writer was an Old Westminster, one Parrin, who thus speaks for himself.

'I am an Undergraduate in the University of Cambridge, having received my previous education in Westminster School. I enter'd as a sizar in St. John's College in 1809; having resided and regularly kept my terms I should have taken my Bachelor's degree, had not the death of my father prevented that event taking place—by his death I was deprived of the means of liquidating my Tutor's demand to the amount of three and thirty pounds: since the above melancholy occurrence I have endeavour'd by every possible exertion to raise the sum necessary for the attainment of my degree—not having either relations or friends who can assist me I am induced in consideration of my having a Mother and two sisters wholly unprovided for, whose sole dependence is on my future exertions, to make known my unfortunate dilemma, in hopes, by private donations I may be enabled to remove the only obstacle to my taking holy Orders.'

He then goes on practically to ask Mr. Coutts to pay up the £33, on the sole ground, apparently, of the reputation of that gentleman as a person of wealth at once and of liberality.

Now the current Westminster School Register published in 1892 gives the surname 'Parrin,' but absolutely no further particulars under that name.

From the clue given by this letter, however, Mr. G. F. Russell Barker, our great Westminster genealogist, has been able to ascertain, for the purposes of the next edition of the Register, for

the early issue of which some impatient people are even now clamouring, that Mr. Alfred Battishall Parrin was admitted to St. John's College, Cambridge, May 11, 1809, graduated B.A. 1814, ordained (Lincoln) deacon December 10, 1815, priest May 12, 1818, was curate of St. Peter's, Hammersmith, died January 19, 1850.

Enquiry at that Church reveals many of the Rev. A. B. Parrin's signatures in the official Registers of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, the last signature, which agrees very closely with that on his letter, being dated December 22, 1849, from which it would appear that having achieved his laudable object of becoming a clergyman, whether with or without Mr. Coutts' assistance I have been unable to discover, he remained in harness, and at work, until within a month of his death.—R.I.P.

Yours faithfully,

T. STAVELEY OLDHAM.

To the Editor of  
*The Elizabethan*, Westminster.

## A SCHOLAR TO MR. CAMDEN.

THOMAS CROSFIELD was a North Country man who graduated at Oxford in 1622, becoming a Fellow of Queen's College; where a diary which he kept from 1626 to 1640 is still preserved in the Library.

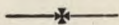
He noted in this diary under the date July 15, 1634, that among the 'Spectacula Oxonij hoc anno' was what he calls 'Hierusalem in its glory—destruction—The story divided into 5 or 6 parts.' Crosfield describes this spectaculum as having been 'invented by Mr. Gosling sometime Schollar to Mr. Camden.' This Gosling, according to Crosfield, was an 'engineer' to whom some property was left by his wife. This property was what Mr. Wemmick would have described as portable; for a dishonest maidservant made off with it, having stolen the key of the chest in which it was kept; and the result was that Mr. Gosling 'was glad to get his living by using his wits for such inventions.'

The exact nature of the 'invention' which Crosfield saw at Oxford is not specified; but Professor F. S. Boas is of opinion that it was probably of the puppet-show type. At Norwich it was called 'the portraiture of Jerusalem'; and it is to an entry in the Norwich Mayor's Court Books dated March 28, 1635, that we are indebted for our knowledge of the inventor's Christian name. According to this entry, 'William Gostlynge' brought into Court a license under the seal of the Master of the Revels dated the 9th day of August in the tenth year of King Charles



to show 'the portraiture of the City of Jerusalem' in all places for a year. Accordingly he had leave to exhibit his show for the ensuing week at Norwich.

If this mechanical genius was one of Camden's scholars he may be claimed as an Old Westminster, and we may hope that his show was a success. But bad times were coming for him unless Puritans were more indulgent to puppet shows than they were to plays. Perhaps some O.W. can tell us more about him.



### Old Westminsters.



MR. CHARLES EDWARD MALET DE CARTERET has been appointed to the office of Procurator-General of the Island of Jersey:



Mr. C. W. M. Turner was bracketed first in the Honours Examination of the Law Society.



At Oxford, Mr. M. de Selincourt was in Class I of the final Honours School of Natural Science. He has been elected to a Senior Hulme Scholarship at Brasenose College, Oxford.



Mr. E. G. H. Robey and Mr. W. B. Frampton have been called to the Bar.



### Births.



EALAND.—On August 22, the wife of Capt. V. F. Ealand, late R.A., of a son.

CAMPBELL.—On August 31, the wife of Archibald Y. G. Campbell, of a son.

SHARPE.—On September 25, the wife of Reginald T. Sharpe, of a daughter.



### Marriages.



SALWEY-PENRUDDOCKE.—On August 5, Humphrey John, son of the Rev. Canon Salwey (O.W.), to Lorna Mary, only daughter of John Powys Penruddocke of Winchester House School, Eastbourne.

LOWE-FORWARD.—On September 19, Lionel Harold Harvey, elder son of Harvey Lowe, to Marjorie, only daughter of Arthur Forward of Bickley, Kent.

### Obituary.



WE regret to have to record the deaths of several Old Westminsters who won distinction in various fields:—

EDWARD FREDERICK KNIGHT, War Correspondent of the *Times*, treasure-hunter, sailor and traveller, was a son of Edward Knight, of Brighton, and was at the School from 1867 to 1869. He was afterwards at Caius College, Cambridge, and was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn on May 7, 1879. After serving as a French soldier in the Franco-German War he led a curiously-varied and adventurous life in many parts of the world, and his adventures while hunting for treasure in Trinidad were afterwards embodied by Sir Rider Haggard in the pages of *She*. He then became a War Correspondent of the *Times*, and saw service on the frontier of India, in Matabeleland, Madagascar, the Sudan Campaign, 1896, Greece, Cuba and Spain. In the South African War (where he lost an arm) and in the Russo-Japanese War he represented the *Morning Post*, and thus became one of the best known War Correspondents of his time. He accompanied the present King and Queen on their tour to the Dominions in the *Ophir*, and retained their firm friendship. Many of his books such as *The Cruise of the Falcon* and his *Reminiscences* were marked by real distinction and literary charm. He was a man who was held in high regard and affection by a very large circle of friends, who were captivated by his sterling character, and by the fact that he retained to the end of his days 'the spirit of the adventurers of the Elizabethan age, with the candour of a boy and the heart of a child.' He died on July 3, in his 74th year. (See the *Times*, July 4, 1925.)

Another Westminster who will be mourned by a large circle of friends is WILLIAM CAINE, novelist and humorous writer, who died on a holiday in Belgium recently. He was a son of William Sproston Caine, M.P., Civil Lord of the Admiralty, and was a Home Boarder from 1885 to 1886. After leaving Westminster he went to St. Andrews University, and subsequently to Balliol College, Oxford. He was called to the Bar, but abandoned the law for literature. He published a large number of



books, of which, perhaps, the best known is *An Angler at Large*. He was also a caricaturist of considerable merit. Much of his leisure was spent in fishing.

ALEXANDER GRANVILLE FERRERS-GUY was the second son of T. Ferrers Guy, of Vicarage Gate, Kensington, and was one of several brothers, who were at the School in the '80's and '90's. He was himself at the School from 1886 to 1891 as a Home Boarder and afterwards became a solicitor. He died August 10.

CARLESS ATWOOD BARBER was a son of William Barber, of Sutton, and came to Westminster in 1895. He served in the Hampshires in the War and was awarded the Military Cross. He died on August 28, after seven years of intense suffering.

GEORGE GRENVILLE PHILLIMORE was the second son of the late Admiral Sir Augustus Phillimore, K.C.B. (O.W.). He was in College from 1882 to 1886 and was elected thence to Christ Church. He took a First in 'Mods' and 'Greats' and was called to the Bar, where he became an authority on International Law. Of late years he had filled the office of District Probate Registrar at Winchester, and took an active part in all local works of charity and usefulness. Like other members of his family his affection for Westminster never wavered, and he carried on the family tradition by sending both his sons to the School. He will be greatly missed by a large circle of Westminster and other friends.

RONALD PERCY HILL SHIRLEY was a son of Percy Shirley, of Holland Park, W. He was up Ashburnham from 1922 to the end of last term. Those who were with him at Westminster will remember his unfailing cheerfulness in spite of much ill-health and will deeply regret his sudden death. He died from the effects of ptomaine poisoning on September 1.

### Correspondence.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—What is the matter with the lectures delivered at the School? Looking over the list for the last year or two, one is struck by the vast preponderance of third or even fourth-rate men who have delivered lectures. They are for the most part professional lecturers, who do the round of the public schools, boring their audiences with

subjects of little interest and no importance. This is a great pity, especially as there is no better thing for educational purposes than a good lecturer. It commands an attention which a book has not the power of commanding. Anyone can refuse to read a book; but no one can refuse to listen to a lecturer.

Moreover, it is not as though there was a dearth of lecturers of the first class. There are any amount of people of ability and learning who would be only too glad to come and lecture if invited, but who would never degrade themselves to the pitch of asking to be allowed to come.

The trouble is not alleviated by the fact that the lantern is useless—wholly and entirely useless. It spits and sputters and produces a mere mockery of the actual slide. Seeing that a great many of the lecturers have this as their sole merit, that their slides are interesting and instructive, and that a good lantern could easily be purchased at no exorbitant expense, this is a state of things which ought to be remedied—in fact it ought not to have been allowed to go on so long.

Writing to the Press is usually an absolutely fruitless occupation and I am not so sanguine as to expect this letter to make any impression or to produce any change. It is, however, and I hope, sir, you will accept this as sufficient excuse for this letter, a great help to express our feelings in some way, either vocally or on paper.

Before closing, I would like to say one parting word. We must realise that there is nothing like a lecture for stimulating thought, which is the first essence of education and culture. One hour with a good lecturer does more good than a week in a form room, and to have impressed this fact on your readers will be, I trust, no barren accomplishment.

Yours faithfully,  
BORED.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—The racquet court was erected in 1905 at considerable expense to commemorate the services of the Rev. W. Gunion Rutherford, Headmaster of Westminster 1883-1901, with moneys subscribed by the Governing Body, Old Westminsters, and the Masters of the School.

It is a pity that, at the present time, it is not more frequently used. It is in comparatively good condition, if we except the fact that the roof is no longer a sufficiently adequate protection against inclement weather, and that the court is invariably full of dust.

The chief reason for this apathy is obviously the cost entailed in playing racquets, which is undeniably great. It could be remedied to a considerable degree if a Racquets Fund were to be instituted under the auspices of those who are interested in the game, of whom there must be many.

This Fund could be applied

- (1) to effecting the minor repair to the roof.
- (2) to enabling boys in the School to purchase racquets and balls at considerably reduced price.
- (3) to appointing a professional.

Racquets is a very fine game, and an old one, and, although it is apt to prove expensive, it seems unfortunate, even in these democratic days, that it should be ruled out on that account, especially at Westminster, where it has never really had a chance to instate itself. If it were subsidised in the manner I have suggested a School Pair could soon be permanently instituted, and Westminster would no longer lag behind all the other great Public Schools in this respect.

Just as the revival in Water has been so eminently successful, I beg to hope that a similar revival in Westminster Racquets is a thing of the immediate future, and



