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THE PAST CRICKET SEASON.

'HOPE deferred maketh the heart sick' is a well-worn saying of undisputed truthfulness. As the years roll by and successive cricket seasons come to an end, there usually appears in these columns, under the above heading, a would-be congratulatory record of the doings of the Cricket Eleven on the Fields. The season has not been so successful as the writer could have wished, but he hopes that next year etc., etc. But alas ! it seems to be a hoping against hope. Last year we were told that we were at the beginning of a new era, and that cricket had at last taken deep root at Westminster. Is this hopeful theory borne out by facts ?

Indulgent readers will pardon us if we decline to give an answer at once to the weighty question which we have proposed to ourselves, before we have entered upon some slight discussion on the subject. As a basis for this

discussion it must be remembered that cricket has, till lately, occupied a somewhat anomalous position at Westminster. When schools first began to compete one with another in various branches of athletics, Westminster staked its all on 'Water.' And it must be allowed that the result was satisfactory. Cricket was cultivated only as a $\pi \alpha \rho \epsilon \rho \gamma \rho \nu$, as a form of amusement which might be tolerated but was not to be encouraged. In the early days of this century, few matches were played except that between Town Boys and Oueen's Scholars. As a general rule the whole School took to the river during the times devoted to recreation. For a few days before a match, some of the bigger fellows would go to the Fields and try their hands with the bat instead of the oar, and a choice was made of the best of these to represent the School in its encounter with the visiting team. For the last forty years Cricket has been gradually creeping into favour and ousting 'Water' from its place. At last the difficulties with which 'Water' had been struggling for some time appeared so great that it was decided to

give up the struggle, and we must admit that Cricket gains by the concentration upon it of the interest of the whole School. Famous cricketers have issued from Westminster; but it is useless to deny that it has yet to make its reputation as a great cricketing school. What then are the chances for its so doing ?

First of all, the whole School is free to devote its energies to this end. Racquets are little in favour, and not likely to be distracting, Tennis is strictly tabooed.

Next, the ground is all that could be desired, the games well arranged, and the coaching good. These advantages, having been once attained, may easily be continued.

Lastly, the necessary *enthusiasm*, without which neither Cricket nor anything else can be improved, is not lacking. Anyone who can look back three or four years and call to mind the general slackness which used to ruin the games, day after day, will not require to be convinced of the great change which has taken place. If this enthusiasm is fostered, our hopes of improvement will have a sure foundation; if it fails, Cricket cannot prosper.

Yet, with all these expectations, to a casual observer the actual results of matches for the past season seem discouraging. Five matches lost, six drawn, and but one solitary win, is not a brilliant record. Of all ways of accepting defeat the most ignominious is to try and explain it away. But we think that it is generally allowed by those who have had opportunities of judging that this record does not do justice to the quality of our Eleven. The teams that have met us have been formidablewe might say, exceptionally so ; but the names speak for themselves, and the fact demands no more than a passing mention. No crushing defeats have been sustained, and three at least of the drawn games have been distinctly in our favour. The aggregate number of runs made by the Eleven equals, if it does not pass, the aggregate of our opponents; and while our opponents have only once scored over 300, we have done so on three separate occasions. But the past Cricket Season has been distinguished by the great improvement shown by the School as a whole rather than by brilliant successes achieved by the Eleven. The improvement among the younger fellows was especially noticeable in the House matches, in which the scoring of fellows below the Eleven was higher than it has been in previous years. As was noticed above. greater keenness was observable in the small

games, which were well managed; and there was more accommodation at the nets. The result of this was good competition for the vacant places in the Eleven; and the good form displayed in the School matches by the Second and Third Elevens augurs well for next season, and justifies the hopes which we venture to entertain about the future of Westminster Cricket.

We will now take the matches in detail. The season began unluckily, the Eleven being beaten by Kensington Park by only 3 runs. The next match, against Lords and Commons, showed some improvement in the Eleven, and we venture to think that if there had been sufficient time to finish the match we should have won, although, perhaps, with few runs to spare. We were beaten by I Zingari simply through our inability to play lobs, Hargreaves taking 15 wickets at a very small cost; and yet their score was nothing out of the common. The match with the Orleans Club was a draw, but vastly in their favour. We could hardly, however, have expected any other result, as their team included five county men. As usual, we showed our worst form to Old Carthusians, there being a total collapse after the fall of our third wicket. Our batting against the Butterflies was good all through, and after this match we had good reason to hope that this would continue. Our win against the M.C.C. we owe entirely to the fine batting of our Captain, who, with the aid of the last man in, literally pulled the match out of the fire, the hitting of both being very good. We played the Incogniti (as we did the two following matches) without the aid of the Captain, which had proved so invaluable in the previous match, and we only wanted his bowling to have made a win of it. The match was played with twelve men a side, which was a great mistake, as their last wicket knocked off the runs. Our bowling in this match was very steady, and the fielding safe and clean. The Masters' Eleven, whom we have not beaten for some time, we kept out in the field all day, putting together the large score of 432. In this match a century was compiled for the first time since 1883, and two other batsmen very nearly reached the coveted number. We may pretty confidently assert that this would have ended in a victory for us if there had been time to play it out. On the Saturday following we put together 324 against the Authentics, but then allowed them to get 143 for two wickets. From the results of the last two matches we naturally expected to make a good fight at Godalming. Our total for the first innings was very fair, and although our opponents passed us by 16 runs we still hoped to wipe them off with a good deal to spare in the second innings. But it was not to be. A regular 'rot' set in, our total only reaching 71. This left our opponents only 56 to get, which they did for the loss of two wickets.

We can offer no excuse for this unexpected and unfortunate collapse, except that the wicket was rather tricky in our second innings and aided the bowling considerably. But, making all allowances for this, everyone was surprised that we failed to reach at least 100. A victory at Godalming would have redeemed the credit of the Eleven; but, as things turned out, the match was perhaps the least creditable of the season. For the last match the O.WW. brought down a fair team, including several past captains. We kept them out in the field the greater part of the day, scoring 333, against which they made 33 for the loss of two wickets.

To conclude, in spite of appearances, Cricket has made great strides at Westminster under the careful and able management of the late Captain; and, although he is unlucky in not having many victories to show, yet he has laid down a solid foundation which will make the work of future captains far easier. We must not close this review without giving expression to the universal satisfaction which has attended Harris's labours. All the clubs which have played at Vincent Square have praised the wicket that has been provided for them. We hope that Harris's careful coaching will bear fruit next year in a long and brilliant series of victories.

The following is a list of matches, with results :

		Result	Westminster	Opponents
May 8	v. Kensington Park	Lost by 3	97	100 and 203
,, 15	v. Lords and Com-	runs Drawn	176	for 9 wkts. 103 for 6 wkts.
,, 22	v. I Zingari	Lost by 102 runs	61 and 56 for 8 wkts.	163
,, 29	v. Orleans Club	Drawn	71 for 8 wkts.	340
June 5	v. Old Carthusians	Lost by 120 runs	104 and 44 for I wkt.	244
,, 12	v. Butterflies	Drawn	223	44 for I wkt.
,, 19	v. M.C.C	Won by 6 runs	198	192 and 47 for 3 wkts.
,, 26	v. Incogniti	Lost by 19 runs	132	151
30	v. Masters' XI	Drawn	432	Did not bat.
July 3	v. Authentics	Drawn	328	143 for 2 wkts.
,, 10	v. Charterhouse (at Godalming)	Lost by 8 wkts.	} 196 and 71 {	212 and 57 for 2 wkts.
,, 17	v. Old Westminsters	Drawn	333	33 for 2 wkts.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

No. VII. (CONCLUDED).-BARTON BOOTH.

THE acme of Booth's histrionic fame, however, was not reached until the year 1713, when Addison brought out his famous tragedy of Cato. He was then in his thirty-second year. The part of Cato, after being successively offered to, and refused by, Cibber and Mills, was given to Booth ; and besides bringing him universal applause, it marked him out at once as one of the leading actors of the day. It also brought him the patronage of Lord Bolingbroke; and by the instrumentality of this nobleman he was added to the number of the managers of Drury Lane Theatre, by the command of Queen Anne. This royal command was much disliked by Colley Cibber, Thomas Doggett, and Robert Wilks, who were at that time the licensed managers, and who attained to that honour by reason of their pre-eminence in their profession. The cause of their displeasure was, no doubt, their jealousy of the rising theatrical genius; and so great was the chagrin of the comedian, Doggett, that he is said to have immediately abandoned the stage, and only to have performed twice afterwards at the distinct command of George I. Speaking of this play, Dr. Johnson, in his Life of Addison, says : 'The whole nation was at that time on fire with faction. The Whigs applauded every line in which liberty was mentioned, as a satire on the Tories; and the Tories echoed every clap to show that the satire was unfelt.' The story of Bolingbroke is well known. He called Booth to his box, and gave him fifty guineas for defending the cause of liberty so well against a perpetual dictator, The Whigs, says Pope, design a second present, when ' they can accompany it with as good a sentence.' The following verses, highly eulogistic of his character of Cato, were 'amongst the many compliments' which Booth now received :

> Cato, a lonely spirit long had been, Aerial and unbodied never seen; Hover'd o'er States, o'er theatres; but there Still found, or servile, or unequal men. The Briton Booth the Genius did recrive, Took home the soul, and made our Cato live.

With reference to Booth's performance of the part of Cato, the following story is told : 'Booth and his gifted fellows went down to Oxford to play Addison's famous tragedy before the most learned audience in the world. After the third and last performance was concluded, Dr. Sandridge, Dean of Carlisle, addressed a letter to Barton, in which the writer remarked : "I heartily wish all discourses from the pulpit were as instructive and edifying, as pathetic and affecting, as that which the audience were then entertained with from the stage."

Besides acting at Drury Lane, Booth sometimes appeared at Windsor, and on these occasions he often found, as we learn from Chetwood's General History of the Stage, a carriage and six horses ready provided to drive him back to London. During the seven years which succeeded his appointment to the joint management of Drury Lane, nothing worthy of record here occurred; he, of course, continued to act principal characters, some of which we shall enumerate presently. In 1708 Downes published his Roscius Anglicanus, and thus quaintly describes Booth, reminding one forcibly of the language of Fuller. He terms him 'a gentleman of liberal education, of form venust ; of mellifluent pronunciation, having proper gesticulations, which are graceful attendants of true elocution; of his time a most complete tragedian.'

The next event in the life of Barton Booth was his marriage, in 1719, with Hester Santlow, an actress and dancer ; which union, contrary to the expectation of those who had their doubts on the subject, turned out to be a very happy one. By some persons he has been accused of marrying her on account of the money she possessed, but this does not seem probable. Under his will he left her all his own money, and that which he acquired by marriage, and thereof appointed her executrix. Of his wife, Theophilus Cibber, in his Life of Barton Booth, thus speaks : 'She was a beautiful woman, lovely in her countenance, delicate in her figure, a pleasing actress, and a most admirable dancer; generally allowed, in the last-mentioned part of her profession, to have been superior to all who had been seen before her, and perhaps she has not been since excelled. But, to do her justice, she was more than all this : she was an excellent wife ; which he [her husband] has frequently. in my hearing, talked of in such a manner as nothing but a sincere, heartfelt gratitude could express; and I was often an eye-witness (our families being intimate) of their conjugal felicity.'

In this 'conjugal felicity' and in the discharge of his theatrical duties Booth continued until the year 1727, when he was first stricken down by illness, which took the form of a fever, lasting for forty-six days, during which time he was attended by Dr. Broxham and Dr. Friend. Towards the close of the year, however, he returned to the stage to take the character of Julio in *The Double Falsehood*, by Theobald; but the strain of the rehearsal proved too much for him, and his illness again returning, he was unable to take his part for the first two or three nights, his place being filled by an actor of the name of Williams. On the earnest solicitations of Theobald that he would make the attempt for the benefit of his play, Booth's good feeling got the better of his discretion, and he appeared for six nights, from the sixth to the twelfth. But nature could now stand the strain no longer, and he again left the stage for rest-this time for ever; his connection with the profession terminating in his forty-sixth year. In addition to his former medical attendants, the services of Dr. Colebatch were procured, and his illness assumed now the form of jaundice. On this becoming known, Dr. Mead was also called in, and he ordered the patient to Bath, whence after a sojourn of some eleven weeks, he returned, unbenefited by the change, to London. In 1729, Booth, after remaining a short time in London, thinking that a short sea voyage might be beneficial to his health, crossed over, accompanied by his wife, From here he proceeded to Antwerp, to Ostend. and it was his intention of continuing his journey further to procure advice from Dr. Boerhaave, to whom his 'case' had been previously mentioned; but his fever returning with increased severity, rendered further progress incompatible with his strength, and he was forced to return to England as soon and as quickly as he could, having, we are told, as he journeyed, to take to his bed alternate days.

On his return he remained in a very critical condition for some time; and in the year 1731 he took up his abode at Hampstead. This change lessened the severity of his illness, so much so that he was able to receive visits from his friends; and he himself, as well as some of his more hopeful friends, went so far as to harbour the pleasant hope of his being once more able to appear on the stage and delight his audiences. This hope, however, which was shared in by his old tutor, Michael Mattaire, who wrote a Latin ode on the occasion, was not to be realised. As in a storm, when a lull ensues, dispersing all despondent and fearful thoughts, it is only the precursor of the worst part, the wind, seemingly asleep, in reality gathering increased strength before bursting out afresh in its destructive fury; so his fever, during its abatement, which dispelled the fears and cheered the hearts of his friends, was only recruiting its power, and returned to the attack with reduplicated severity, against which his now shattered and weakened constitution was wholly unable to combat. On the 10th of May, 1733, after some intervening variations in his condition, he died at his house in Charles Street, Covent Garden, in his fifty-second year. According to the desire expressed in his last will, he was buried in the quiet churchyard of Cowley, near West Drayton, and here his widow, who survived him forty years, was also laid to rest. In this parish Booth is said, in Davis's Life of Garrick, to have possessed some property, and hence, we suppose, his connection with the locality, and his desire of being buried there.

'Mr. Booth's merit as an actor,' says his bio-

grapher, B. Victor, writing in 1733, whom we have already quoted, 'was of late years unrivalled, and even so extraordinary as to be almost beyond the reach of envy. He was of a form absolutely graceful, accompanied with an air which gave the highest dignity to all his gestures. His face had a manly sweetness, and his features were so happily turned as to be able to express the roughest passions, without losing anything of the agreeableness of his countenance. His voice had a great strength in it, and a tone uncommonly musical. His articulation was so exceedingly distinct and clear, that he could be heard at the farthest part of the theatre, even in a whisper. With these talents joined to a most accurate knowledge of the various passions, and the proper peculiarities by which they express themselves, he could personate majesty without grimace, and rage without ranting; and when any passage in the part he acted required the extent of his voice, he never delivered anything harsh or disagreeable.' A contemporary of his, Aaron Hill, likewise an O.W., also speaks to the same effect.

Besides the tragedies already mentioned, in which Booth sustained principal characters, may be particularised those of Brutus in *Julius Casar*; Othello; Timon, in *Timon of Athens*; Hotspur, in *Henry IV*.; King Lear; Tamerlane, in the play of the same name, and Lothario, in *The Fair Penitent*, both by Nicholas Rowe; Osmyn, in Congreve's *Mourning Bride*; and Jaffeir, in *Venice Preserved*, by Thomas Otway.

Though he was at his best in tragedy, Barton Booth was also 'not without great merit in comedy'; and had he confined himself to the latter branch, he would still have made his mark in his profession. In comedy the following are among the characters which he impersonated :- Bevil, in Steele's Conscious Lovers; Dorimant, in Sir Fopling Flutter, or, The Man of Mode, by Etherege; Pinchwife, in The Country Wife, and Manly, in The Plain Dealer, by Wycherley; Heartfree, in The Provoked Wife, by Vanbrugh; Sir Charles Easy, in The Careless Husband, by Cibber; and Sir Harry Wildair, in the play of the same name by Farquhar. The several characters in both branches of the drama which we have given above will abundantly testify to the versatility of Booth's power of acting, and to his genius for the stage.

In addition to his being an actor, Booth was also the author of a masque, entitled, *The Death of Dido*, which was published in 1716, and is said to have been in the same year performed at Drury Lane. After his death were published several poems which were the fruit of his pen in his leisure hours ; and he also composed a Latin epitaph on Smith, the actor.

Thirty-nine years after his death, in the year 1772, a monument was erected to his memory by his widow in Westminster Abbey. The work of a sculptor named W. Tyler, it was placed in Poets' Corner, where it is undoubtedly in excellent company, surrounded by or in sight of the monuments of poets, actors, and other well-known personages. His medallion is placed between two cherubs, one of which holds a crown of laurels over his head, the other having a scroll, which is inscribed as follows :

IN MEMORY OF

BARTON BOOTH, Esq.,

Descended from the ancient Family Of that name in the County of Lancaster. In his early youth he was admitted Into the Collegiate School of Westminster, Under the celebrated Doctor Busby : Where he soon discover'd and improved a Genius, Which, favour'd by the Muse he lov'd, So happily combined The expressive powers of Action With a peculiar grace of Elocution, As not only procur'd him the Royal Patronage, But the grateful applause Of a Judicious Public. He died in 1733, in the 52nd year of his Age, Very justly regretted By all who knew how to estimate Abilities in an Actor, Politeness in a Gentleman, Fidelity in a Friend.

Beneath is portrayed a shield of arms which, we may conclude, represent those of the Booth family. ALPHA.

School Notes.

THE Busby Trustees held their annual dinner in Jerusalem Chamber, on Tuesday, June 22.

The English Essay Prize has been awarded to H. Morgan-Brown, Q.S.; *proxime accessit*, G. G. Phillimore, Q.S. The Ireland Greek Prose Prize has fallen to B. M. Goldie, Q.S.; C. A. Sherring, Q.S., *proxime accessit*.

All the OWW. who sat in the late Parliament have been again chosen to represent the same electoral divisions as before; and the Hon. J. Lowther has been elected for the Penrith division of Cumberland.

The following is the result of the Examination to fill vacancies in College and among the Exhibitioners. Elected to College :

H. F. L. Stobart.	A. C. Nesbitt.	
I. S. Phillimore.	*H. E. Oliver.	
E. H. Cox.	*H. J. Gully.	
I. S. Shearme.	*H. L. Stephenson	1.
*C. A. Phillimore.	a state of the state of the	

Elected to Exhibitions of value of £20: *R. R. Howlett. *C. Agar.

Those marked with an asterisk are from the School. It will be seen that there are an exceptionally small number of new Exhibitions given this year. Many of the Exhibitioners of previous years have not passed on into College, as till within a few years ago was generally the case ; and most of them have had their Exhibitions renewed. Of these the following is a list:

> S. Liberty. G. H. Fry. R. C. Barnes. W. A. W. Last.

A. E. Balfour. F. P. Farrar. C. T. G. Powell.

The result of Election this year is as follows :

OXFORD.	CAMBRIDGE.
G. G. Phillimore, Q.S.	F. M. Yglesias, Q.S.
H. Withers, Q.S.	C. A. Sherring, Q.S.
R. M. Towers, T.B.	C. Bompas, T.B.
TRIPLETT EXI	HIBITIONS.
R. H. Bellairs.	J. W. Aris.
TRIPLETT GRATUI	TIES OF £100.
J. Salwey.	C. L. Freeman.

F. W. Bain and J. B. Hodge have taken Firsts, and W. L. Benbow a Second, in the Final School of Literal Humaniores at Oxford.

We notice the names of S. G. Buttar, A. Ellershaw, and A. McHardy as successful in the recent examination for the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich. Buttar passed in fifth.

No account of the match against the Authentics is forthcoming. The School scored 329, A. H. Harrison making 88, Sandilands 69, H. Harrison 34, Tritton 29, Street 26, and Balfour 17, not out. The Authentics put together 143 for 2 wickets, Holmes making 69 and Edgar 46.

It is a great pleasure to us to state that Stobart, the head Minor Candidate of this year, comes from the school which Mr. Freeman and Mr. Blackburne are now managing at Park House, Southborough. We sincerely hope that this is but the firstfruits of their labours, and that they will, year by year, supply the School with young blood trained upon the right lines. The severe loss which Westminster sustained by their departure will thus be in some measure compensated ; and the regret which all who had been connected with either, in school or out of school, felt so keenly will be mitigated by the knowledge that they are doing useful work elsewhere for the School for which they laboured so perseveringly and successfully within its walls.

At the end of the summer term the three Cricket Elevens were as follows :

FIRST ELEVEN.

H. Harrison (capt.).	A. M. Balfour.
C. Gibson.	H. Berens.
C. A. Sherring.	A. H. Harrison.
R. R. Sandilands.	H. B. Tritton.
P. C. Probyn.	H. B. Street.
C. S. W. Barwell.	and the second second

SECOND ELEVEN.

J. G. Veitch. A. G. Prothero. F. Street. E. G. Moon. H. W. Smyth.	*	H. E. A. R.	P. Stevens.H. Gordon.L. Clapham.G. Hemmerde.C. Mills.	
R. E. Oliver. F. L. Prothero. A. G. Lambert. C. C. Sharpe.	THIRD	ELEVEN. C. L.	E. Balfour. Thornton. Garrard. C. Daniel.	

W. N. Winckworth. W. A. Last. F. G. Oliver.

- A. R. Woodbridge. R. E. A. Hamilton.
- I. S. Rutherford.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER v. BUTTERFLIES.

THIS match was played at Vincent Square on Saturday, June 12th, and resulted in a draw, the School, who went in first, scoring 223, and their opponents losing one wicket for 46. There was a decided improvement in the School batting this match, five of the team scoring over 20, and Sandilands heading the list with a good 45. Barwell was not far behind with 39, while A. G. Prothero, who had not played before this season for the School, was not out for 25, hitting a fine 6. There were nearly 30 extras. As we were in the greater part of the day, there was only time for our opponents to make 46, which they did for the loss of one wicket. Score :

WESTMINSTER.

C. Gibson, b. Campbell	I
A. H. Harrison, c. and b. Burton	3
C. Barwell, b. Leggatt	39
R. Sandilands, c. Coxe, b. Burton	45
H. Harrison, c. Campbell, b. Burton	22
P. C. Probyn, b. Leggatt	I
H. B. Tritton, c. Becher, b. Hemsley	38
A. M. Balfour, b. Hemsley	7
H. B. Street, c. Hemsley, b. Burton	7
H. Berens, b. Leggatt	Î
A. G. Prothero, not out	25
F. Street, c. Whitmore, b. Burton	5
Extras	29

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BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Wides
Campbell	22	8	37	I	0
Burton	31	12	47	5	I
Hemsley	14	3	36	2	0
Leggatt	30	12	58	3	I
Whitmore	5	2	5	õ	0
Becher	I	0	7	0	I
Statfield	5	2	8	0	0
	BUT	TERFLIES			
P. H. Coxe, not	out				19
P. R. Toynbee,	c. Sand	lilands, b.	. Harri	son	19
A. Statfield, not	out				Ó
Extras					8

Messrs. Campbell, Hemsley, Whitmore, Becher, Leggatt, Burton, and three others to bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	No balls
H. Harrison	7	0	21	I	I
Gibson	. 4	0	12	0	I
Street	. 3	0	6	0	0

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C. AND GROUND.

Played at Vincent Square on June 19th, resulting in a win for the School by 6 runs, after an exciting match, a result, according to the *Sportsman*, 'mainly due to the fine innings of the School Captain, whose 74 was a fine display of resolute hitting.'

The visitors won the toss, and elected to go in first, sending in O. R. Borrodaile and Clayton. The first wicket fell for 79, which was far from a promising beginning, from our point of view. Clayton, who was out, was well caught and bowled by Tritton for 36. Borrodaile and Cowper-Coles continued to make runs, putting on 22 for the next wicket. Toynbee came in, but was caught off Balfour, just as he was beginning to hit about, for 10. Cowper-Coles made 20, and Coxe 17, but the other wickets fell very fast, Balfour bowling with great success. The innings closed for 192, a much more moderate total than might have been expected.

The School then sent in A. H. Harrison and Sherring to face the bowling of Clayton and Flanagan, who bowled almost unchanged through the innings. At 9 Sherring was out, but A. Harrison and H. Harrison played steadily, and runs came rather slowly. At 35 A. H. Harrison was out, and Barwell, who came in, was bowled without scoring; but Sandilands, the next man in, did what he liked with the bowling while he was in, for his innings was 'short but sweet.' He made 18 in four consecutive hits—a 4, a 6, a 5, and a 3. [After this remark-able performance he was bowled for 27, having made his runs extraordinarily quickly. Probyn was out for 3, and Balfour for o; but Tritton hit well for 20. When he was out Gibson came in, but only made I before he was caught and bowled. Street did not score. Berens now came in to help H. Harrison, who had been playing exceedingly well. With one wicket to fall, we were some 60 runs to the bad, and our chances were far from rosy; however, Berens came off just as he was wanted to, and the score crept up gradually. At about 185 a fast bowler, Parkin, went on, a change which, if anything, did the School service, as some byes were immediately scored. Ere long the winning hit was made, and was greeted with loud cheers. We won, however, with very little in hand, H. Harrison being bowled for an admirable 74 just when it seemed probable that he would carry his bat out. Berens was not out for an invaluable 25. M.C.C. went in again, and lost three wickets for 47. Score :

M.C.C. AND GROUND.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
O. R. Borrodaile, run out	44	not out	2
Clayton, c. and b. Tritton			
A. C. Coles, run out	20		
P. R. Toynbee, c. Sandilands,			
b. Balfour	20	b. Gibson	19
P. H. Coxe, c. Sherring, b. Balfour	17	not out	24
T. Parkin, c. Berens, b. Balfour	2		
J. W. Blundell, c. Sherring, b.			
Balfour	10	c. Harrison, b. Gibson	0
M. Horner, c. and b. Harrison	12	c. and b. Gibson	2
W. H. C. Wilson, c. and b. Balfour			
H. Curtois, b. Balfour			
Flanagan, not out			
Extras	17	Extras	0
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WESTMINSTER.

A. H. Harrison, c Clayton, b. Flanagan	II
C. A. Sherring, b. Clayton	
H. Harrison, c. Horner, b. Parkin	
C. S. W. Barwell, b. Flanagan	0
R. R. Sandilands, b. Flanagan	27
P. C. Probyn, b. Flanagan	3
A. M. Balfour, b. Clayton	
H. B. Tritton, b. Clayton	
C. Gibson, c. and b. Flanagan	
H. Street, c. Borrodaile, b. Clayton	
H. Berens, not out	
Extras	31

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BOWLING ANALYSIS. M.C.C. AND GROUND.

First Innings.

		T. 01 20 TIMIC	ings.			
	Overs	Maidens	Wide	No balls	Runs	Wkts.
H. Harrison	23.3	2	I	2	62	IÍ
Balfour	19	4	0	0	40	6
Gibson	IO	2	0	0	21	0
Street	8	2	0	0	16	0
Tritton	II	0	0	0	27	I
		Second In	nings.			
Gibson	6	2	0	0	17	3
Balfour	2	0	0	0	14	0
Tritton	4	0	0	0	18	0

WESTMINSTER v. INCOGNITI.

This match, played on June 26th, resulted in a defeat for the School by 19 runs, after an exciting match.

The School went in first, sending in A. H. Harrison and Sherring, neither of whom did much; but Barwell and Sandilands, as usual, made matters lively, Barwell scoring 31 and Sandilands 26. When, however, these two were out there was a collapse, no one making double figures until Berens and Veitch got together. These two hit about pretty freely, and put on a good many runs for the last wicket, which fell with the score at 134, Berens scoring 14, and Veitch (not out) 13.

When the Incogniti went in they collapsed in an extraordinary manner at first, some seven wickets falling for under 50, owing to the excellent bowling of Balfour and Tritton. Bonner alone made any runs worth speaking of, and E. O. Powell was out first ball-to a very good first ball, however. Yarborough made 14, and Jackson 11. Then Raven came in and hit about him as hard as he could, taking considerable liberties with the bowling, and when Wade joined him, after Jackson was out, he had made about 40 runs. There were now two wickets to fall, and some 20 runs to make. The new-comer, Wade, played artfully, frequently getting the ball away to leg for single runs. At length our score was passed, and shortly afterwards Wade was caught off Balfour for 13. Gregory only made 5, and the innings closed for 151, or 19 in excess of our total.

With no hope of winning, the School went in again, and did very badly, losing six wickets for only 51; Probyn (22) and A. H. Harrison alone made double figures. It should be stated that we played without the captain of the team, H. Harrison, who was suffering from an injury to his leg sustained in the M.C.C. match. Score :

WESTM	INST	ER.		
 C. A. Sherring, b. Cobbold A. H. Harrison, b. Raven C. Barwell, b. M. P. Betts R. R. Sandilands, b. Bonner C. Gibson, b. Bonner P. C. Probyn, b. Bonner A. M. Balfour, b. Cobbold H. B. Tritton, run out A. J. Prothero, c. Winter, b. Cobbold H. B. Street, c. Winter, b. Bonner H. Berens, c. Bonner, b. Cobbold H. Berens, c. Bonner, b. Cobbold J. G. Veitch, not out 	26 31 26 8 8 6 4 0 14 13 16	b. Bonner b. Wade b. Cobbold b. Bonner c. Wade, b. Cobb not out c. and b. Wade not out	oold	I 16 4 0 0 22 0 5 3
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 H. Winter, b. Tritton P. F. Bonner, b. Balfour . E. O. Powell, b. Tritton H. W. Gribble, b. Balfour M. P. Betts, c. Gibson, b. W. Hynes, c. Probyn, b. W. C. Yarborough, l.b.w. H. S. Jackson, st. Barwell J. E. Raven, not out C. W. Cobbold, b. Balfour C. F. Wade, c. Barwell, b. P. Gregory, b. Street Extras 	Balf Balfo , b. 1 , b. , b.	our ur Balfour Balfour Ifour	2 26 0 16 54 11 50 6 13 5 12	
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	First .	Innings.		
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Cobbold	25.4	8	47	- 4
Raven	8	3	19 16	I
Yarborough	7	2	16	0
Betts	4	I	19 16	I
Bonner		10	16	4

	Second	Innings.		
Cobbold Bonner Wade	Overs 8 10 3	Maidens I 2	Runs 18 23	Wickets 2 2 2
	INCO	OGNITI. Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Balfour	Overs 27	5	71	7
Tritton Street	20 2	- 4 I	49	3
Gibson	9	3	13	0

WESTMINSTER v. CHARTERHOUSE.

The twenty-third match against Charterhouse was commenced on Friday, July 9th, at Godalming, and resulted in a win for them by eight wickets. This year will be marked with a red letter, as being the first year in which a two-days' match was played. This is of course in every way an improvement ; and the next thing we must hope for is that the match will be played at Lord's.

We won the toss, and sent to the wickets Sherring and A. H. Harrison, who were opposed by Streatfeild and Shaw. Harrison, who did not seem very much at home on the slow wicket, was soon finely caught and bowled by Shaw, making room for the Captain. 7-1-5. H. Harrison returned one hard to Shaw, which he dropped, but which obliged him to give up the ball to Wilkinson. After some slow play, Sherring was well caught in the slips for a careful 4. 26-2-4. Barwell followed, and began to hit at once, bringing on Shaw instead of Wilkinson, by the last ball of whose first over Harrison was bowled for a useful 16. 43-3-16. Sandilands then joined Barwell, and these two made a good stand, hitting the bowling to all parts of the field, and producing a change of bowling, Streatfeild giving way to Hawkins. In one over of Wilkinson's each batsman scored a 6. At last Barwell was bowled by Hawkins for a splendid innings of 39, including two 6's, a 5, and two 4's. Gibson came next, and at once hit Steele, who had taken Wilkinson's place, to leg for 5, bringing up the century. Soon after, Sandilands was bowled for a steady display of 22. Probyn followed, and the game became more lively, Gibson scoring 12 runs off one over. The changes of bowling were numerous, Shaw, Currey, and Streatfeild all going on, Gibson being bowled by Shaw for a well-hit 29. 139-6-29. Tritton joined Probyn, who, however, did not stay long, being caught in the slips off Currey. 141-7-15. Balfour followed, and the scoring for a time became slower. For the addition of 10 runs, Balfour was bowled for a single. 151-8-1. Street joined Tritton, who was playing well, and the score gradually mounted up. Tritton cut Currey square for 4, and Street hit Shaw to leg for 5, bringing up 170. Then Shaw clean bowled Tritton for a well-played 20. 178-9-20. Berens brought up the rear, and used his hitting powers to the greatest advantage, scoring 18 very quickly, while Street played carefully, until he was caught in the deep field for 14, the innings closing for 196. The batting all round was decidedly good, no less than eight batsmen obtaining double figures. After the usual interval, Charterhouse sent Nixon and Tringham to the wickets, to face the bowling of Sandilands and H. Harrison. Ten runs were scored in about five minutes, and then rain drove the players to shelter. As it did not seem likely to leave off, it was decided to abandon play for the day, the score standing at II for no wicket.

SECOND DAY.

The game was resumed at a quarter to twelve n Saturday, July 10th, on a rather wet wicket, rain having fallen since eleven o'clock. At last a start was made, and Nixon and Tringham resumed their innings. Sandilands soon gave way to Tritton, who started with a maiden ; but as a separation could not be effected Street was tried, Balfour at the same time taking Harrison's place at the other end. All this while the score had been mounting steadily, both batsmen playing good cricket. At last, soon after 50 was hoisted, Street got Nixon l.b.w. for 31. 53-1-31. Hawkins followed, and commenced to hit at once, bringing on Gibson instead of Balfour. As the score continued to mount fast Street gave up the ball to Harrison, who caught and bowled Hawkins for 18. 92-2-18. Currey came next and quickly scored 15, and was then bowled by Sandilands, who had taken Harrison's end. 121-3-15. In the meantime Tritton had replaced Gibson and bowled five maidens consecutively, and in his sixth over clean bowled Price. 126-4-3. Carson joined Tringham, who was batting very well, completing his 50 by means of a 4 off Sandilands. Soon after this the elevens retired for luncheon.

After lunch wickets fell more quickly, and with only two more wickets still to fall Charterhouse were 30 runs to the bad. Rumour said that the Charterhouse Eleven had a 'tail,' so that things looked well for Westminster. But when Wilkinson joined Meyer a good stand was made, and these two batsmen were not separated till our score was passed. Wilkinson especially played a dashing game, and landed two loose balls to leg out of the ground, scoring 6 runs for each hit. Meanwhile Meyer played carefully, and the score gradually crept up. At 198 the separation was effected by Gibson, who clean bowled Wilkinson. The new-comer, Shaw, also gave some trouble, making 9 before he was bowled by Gibson, the innings closing for 212. Great praise is due to Tringham for his very sound batting, to which the Charterhouse victory on the first innings was chiefly due, though Wilkinson and Meyer also deserve favourable mention for their steady play at a critical stage of the game.

It seemed now as if the match would end in a draw, but the unexpected collapse of the Westminster Eleven in their second innings put a different aspect upon affairs. Sherring and A. Harrison went in first. Both batsmen played carefully, and runs came very slowly. After nearly twenty minutes Sherring was bowled by Shaw, the score being only 5. H. Harrison then joined his namesake. The latter gave two chances in the very first over, but succeeded in making 10 runs before he was bowled. 20-2-10. Before another run had been made H. Harrison was caught off Streatfeild. Barwell was smartly caught at the wicket by Currey without having scored. 20-4-0. Sandilands then went in, and played an excellent innings. He batted carefully and in his best style. He did not hit any 6's, as on the previous day, but made 15 in five consecutive hits. No one else made anything worth mentioning, unless we record a ball Probyn hit to leg for 5; he played up hard, but was bowled by Wilkinson. Our ten wickets went down for the poor score of 71, of which Sandilands contributed nearly half. Shaw had the best analysis, taking six wickets for 32 runs. Streatfeild and Wilkinson each took two, for 16 and 18 runs respectively.

Charterhouse went in again soon after five o'clock, with only 56 runs to make in order to win the match. Nixon and Tringham went in first, but were soon disposed of by Gibson for 3 and 2 respectively. There were found some sanguine spirits who were so much elated by this that they thought we should not be beaten, but Hawkins and Currey settled down and soon knocked off the requisite runs. Charterhouse thus won by 8 wickets. The best score made for each side was Tringham's 59 for Charterhouse, and Barwell's 39 for us, both on the first day; and the best analysis for the two days added together was Shaw's 7.9 for Charterhouse, and Gibson's 9 for us. We do not grudge Charterhouse their victory, for they worked hard both in batting and fielding. We thought, by-the-way, that we picked up smarter than our opponents, but perhaps that is from prejudice. We take this opportunity of thanking our hosts for their kindness both to players and non-players, for which latter Mrs. Haig-Brown, on the second day, provided tea and ices about five o'clock, to which ample justice was done.

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First Innings.

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J. B. Hawkins, c. and b.	····· 59	b. Gibson		2
Harrison		not out		5
E. S. Currey, b. Sandiland	ls 15	not out		
H. C. Price, b. Tritton	3			
H. J. Carson, c. A. H. I				
rison, b. Sandilands				
E. C. Streatfeild, c. Prol b. Sandilands				
H. S. Steele, b. Sandiland				
H. R. Meyer, not out				
L. R. Wilkinson, b. Gibso				
W. A. Shaw, b. Gibson .	9			
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J. B. Hawkins 16		I 5	2	
H. S. Steele 12	R I	I 4	I	
E. S. Currey 24		2 18	7	
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	ond Innin	0		
W. A. Shaw 32		6 31	17	
E. C. Streatfeild 16		2 27	19	
L. R. Wilkinson 18		2 11	5	
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H. Harrison 32		kets Over I I9	rs Maidens 7	
R. R. Sandilands 79		5 27		
H. B. Tritton 35		I 24	4 8	
H. B. Street 17		I 7	2	
A. M. Balfour 8	1	0 4	I	
C. Gibson IO		2 II	5.	

A. M. Baltour	8	0	4	I
C. Gibson	19	2	II	5 .
Tritton bowl	ed I ar	nd Harrison	3 no balls.	
	Second	Innings.		
H. Harrison	13	0	9	6
C. Gibson	17	2	14	8
H. B. Tritton	8	0	2	0
A. M. Balfour	8	0	2	0
H. B. Street	7	0	2	0

GRANT'S v. RIGAUD'S.

The first match for the House Shield this year was played on June 21st and the following days. Rigaud's hardly showed as well as was expected in the first innings, making the poor total of 78; and their second innings was not much of an improvement upon the first. Grant's, with a good total of 191 in their one innings, gained an easy victory by an innings and 14 runs. For Rigaud's, Harrison, Berens, and A. M. Balfour showed the best batting. Grant's owed their victory chiefly to Smyth and Gibson; the former played sound cricket for 57, and the latter, besides contributing 24 runs from his bat, took 11 wickets in the match for 66 runs. Mills and Oliver also played well. Score :

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G	K.	<i>.</i>	1.1	1	3.

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First Innings. Second Innings. A. H. Harrison, l.b.w., b. Gibson..... 26 b. Gibson I H. Berens, b. Gibson c. Veitch, b. Stevens 31 P. C. Probyn, b. Stevens 18 b. Gibson 0 F. Burge, b. Gibson A. M. Balfour, b. Gibson b. Gibson T 4 6 b. Gibson 21 T. Wheeler, b. Gibson run out 0 0 L. Garrard, b. Stevens not out..... T II A. E. Balfour, c. Winckworth, b. Stevens E. Daniel, b. Gibson..... b. Stevens 7 12 b. Moon ī b. Stevens C. Ash, c. Moon, b. Gibson ... 7 3 H. Power, not out ó b. Moon 17 Extras 2 Extras 3 78 99

GRANT'S v. HOME BOARDERS.

The last contest for the possession of the Shield for this year was begun on June 24th. Grant's, having defeated Rigaud's, had to meet Home Boarders, the winners of the Shield last year. The play of the two elevens in the first innings was fairly even, and the result was looked upon as quite open. But in the second innings Grant's completely mastered the Home Boarder bowling, and put together the large score of 314. There could be little doubt as to the result after this, but the utter collapse of the Home Boarder batting in the second innings was a surprise to everyone. They only succeeded in making 34 runs, the last 6 wickets falling for the addition of only 3 runs. This extraordinary result was due in great measure to the splendid bowling of Stevens, who took 6 wickets for 17 runs. The batting honours of the victorious eleven were shared by Smyth, Oliver, and Mills. Smyth's careful play in both innings was much applauded ; in the first he contributed 49 runs, in the second 53. Mills and Oliver share the credit of the wonderful stand made in the second innings. This pair were associated when the score stood at 197 (for 8 wickets) and were not parted until they had raised it to 304, when Mills was bowled by Thornton for a fine 51. Oliver carried out his bat with the brilliant score of 70. Of course this tall scoring dwarfed all other performances; but Woodbridge, Winckworth, and Veitch all played remarkably well, the first two scoring highly in both innings. Of the Home

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Boarders A. G. Prothero and Gordon deserve a word of praise. Score :

GRANT'S.

First Innings.

Second Innings.

C. Gibson, c. F. L. Prothero,	0
b. Last 0	c. and b. Gordon 12
H. W. Smyth, b. Tritton 49	b. Gordon 53
W. N. Winckworth, b. Tritton 25	c. Gordon, b. Tritton 27
E. G. Moon, c. F. L. Prothero,	
b. Tritton 0	c. Whinney, b. Gordon 4
A. G. Lambert, b. Tritton 0	c. Whinney, b. Gordon 20
A. R. Woodbridge, c. Whinney,	
b. Gordon 26	b. Prothero 32
J. G. Veitch, b. Gordon 37	c. Whinney, b. Gordon 3
G. P. Stevens, not out 10	b. Tritton 6
R. O. Mills, run out 0	b. Thornton 57
F. G. Oliver, c. Whinney, b.	
Gordon 15	not out 70
C. N. Clarke, c. Pixell, b.	
Tritton 3	b. Tritton 5
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HOME BOARDERS.

First Innings. A. G. Prothero, b. Gibson A. T. Hemmerde, b. Moon H. B. Tritton, b. Stevens	48 5 13	Second Innings. c. Oliver, b. Stevens b. Gibson b. Gibson	13 0 5
F. L. Prothero, b. Stevens	5	c. Winckworth, b. Stevens	5
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E. Whinney, b. Stevens	3	b. Stevens	0
R. S. Thornton, b. Gibson		b. Stevens	7
W. A. Last, not out	15	b. Stevens	ó
	-5	hit w., b. Stevens	-
Pixell, c. and b. Gibson	-		0
J. P. Paul, b. Moon	0	c. and b. Gibson	I
Farquharson, run out	2	not out	2
Extras	7	Extras	0
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FIRST ELEVEN WITH BROOMSTICKS

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SECOND ELEVEN WITH BATS.

This match was played on July 14th, and resulted in a victory for the 'Bats' by an innings and 5 runs. Clapham took six wickets for 12 runs in the first innings.

BROOMSTICKS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A. H. Harrison, b. Gordon	26	c. Smyth, b. Gordon	28
C. A. Sherring, c. F. Street, b.			
Clapham	IO	1.b.w. b., Clapham	6
H. Harrison, b. Gordon	I	c. Moon, b. Gordon	0
C. S. W. Barwell, b. Clapham	6	b. Gordon	0
R. R. Sandilands, b. Clapham	0	b. Gordon	0
C. Gibson, b. Clapham	σ	c. Smyth, b. Gordon	0
P. C. Probyn, b. Clapham	10	c. Winckworth, b.	
		Clapham	0
H. B. Tritton, b. Clapham	0	not out	IO
H. B. Street, run out	5	b. Clapham	2
A. M. Balfour, st. Moon, b.			
Gordon	0	b. Clapham	6
H. Berens, not out	0	c. Winckworth, b.	
and the second		Clapham	4
Extras	5	Extras	8
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H. Smyth, b. Balfour	4
E. G. Moon, c. Barwell, b. Sandilands	31
A. G. Prothero, c. Gibson, b. Street	12
W. N. Winckworth, b. Sandilands	6
F. Street, c. and b. H. B. Street	I
G. P. Stevens, b. Sandilands	14
H. Gordon, c. Gibson, b. Sandilands	Ó
R. E. Olivier, not out	17
R. O. Mills, b. Tritton	II
A. Hemmerde, c. Barwell, b. Gibson	2
E. L. Clapham, b. Gibson	5
Extras	29
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WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

A strong Old Westminster Eleven visited Vincent Square on Saturday, July 17th, and were kept busy in the field most of the day. The feature of the day's play was the fine innings of Sandilands, who made 123 by dashing cricket—the largest score made at Vincent Square this season, and, indeed, for some time past. Barwell, H. Harrison, and A. H. Harrison all batted well, but their performances were rather put into the shade by Sandilands' splendid innings. Our innings closed for 333, and there was then little more than half an hour before time. Old Westminsters sent Wetton and R. Berens to the wickets. At 17 Wetton was bowled by Harrison for 11, and at 33 Fox, who joined Berens, fell to the same bowler. Scoones then came in, but there was only just time to play out the over. The match was therefore left a draw, very largely in favour of the School. Score :

WESTMINSTER.

A. H. Harrison, c. Moon, b. Higgins	34
C. A. Sherring, l.b.w., b. Welton	0
H. Harrison, c. Berens, b. Higgins	42
C. S. W. Barwell, c. Moon, b. Fevez	42
R. R. Sandilands, c. Tritton, b. Higgins	123
C. Gibson, b. Fox	I
P. C. Probyn, b. Fox	15
H. B. Tritton, c. Moon, b. Welton	IO
H. B. Street, not out	12
A. M. Balfour, b. Higgins	4
H. Berens, c. Fevez, b. Welton	20
Extras	30

OLD WESTMINSTERS.

H. Wetton, b. Harrison	II
R. Berens, not out	13
C. J. M. Fox, b. Harrison	9
O. Scoones, not out	0
C. B. Tritton	
B. M. Rogers	
F. T. Higgins	
W. R. Moon } did not bat.	
A. L. Fevez	
A. E. Ingram	
A. M. Hurst	

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TOWN BOYS v. QUEEN'S SCHOLARS.

The season ended in the orthodox manner with this match, which resulted in favour of T.BB. by 20 runs on the first innings. It has usually been the custom to consider the match a draw unless both innings are finished ; but as this arrangement has led to so many draws of late years it was arranged that the match should be decided on the first innings in case there should not be time for it to be played out. Probably few expected the match to turn out as it did. Q.SS. went in first, and Sherring, Harrison, and Barwell hit well, and the score stood at 80 when the third wicket fell. The rest of the Eleven did little with the exception of Olivier, who played very pluckily for his II not out; and the innings closed for 99. T.BB., thanks to Harrison's fine innings of 47, had little difficulty in beating this score. Next to Harrison's, Berens' innings was the best on his side. H. Harrison's bowling for Q.SS. was wonderfully effective, seven wickets falling to him at the small cost of 34 runs. There was no hope of finishing the match, as less than two hours remained before time; so Q.SS. could only hope to make a good score and play out time. In this they succeeded, putting together 123 for the loss of five wickets. Sandilands played well for his 49, and Barwell with 22 and Street with 23 not out both showed good cricket. Had Q.SS. shown this form in their first innings they would have saved the match.

Tritton was the most successful bowler for T.BB., taking six wickets in the first innings for 32 runs, five of them clean bowled.

QUEEN'S SCHOLARS.

First Innings.		Second Innings.	
C. A. Sherring, b. Tritton	21	run out	6
J. W. Aris, b. Gibson H. Harrison, c. Veitch, b.	5	not out	2
Tritton	28	c. Gibson, b. Tritton	9
C. S. W. Barwell, b. Tritton	17	b. Stevens	22
R. R. Sandilands, b. Tritton	5	run out	49
H. B. Street, b. Balfour	ĭ	not out	23
F. Street, b. Tritton	0		-5
R. E. Olivier, not out	II	b. Balfour	0
E. L. Clapham, c. and b.		Di Dunoui inininini	-
Balfour	0		
C. C. Sharpe, b. Tritton	õ		
R. A. Hamilton, b. Balfour	I	-	
Extras	IO	Extras	12
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TOWN BOYS.

A. H. Harrison, b. Clapham	17
A. H. Harrison, b. Clapham H. W. Smyth, b. H. Harrison	8
C. Gibson, b. Clapham	8
P. C. Probyn, c. Barwell b. H. Harrison	0
H. B. Tritton, b. H. Harrison	
A. M. Balfour, l.b.w., b. H. Harrison	9 2
H. Berens, b. H. Harrison	18
A. G. Prothero, not out	2
J. G. Veitch, c. H. Harrison, b. Clapham	6
E. G. Moon, c. Barwell, b. H. Harrison	I
G. P. Stevens, l.b.w., b. H. Harrison	I
Extras	17

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RACQUETS.

OWING to the absence of 'Wires' in the School the Silver Racquet was not played for this year. The 'Woodens' took place as usual, and the entries were more than those of former years, as many as tweive entering; the short time, however, that remained after football and before the sports prevented all the ties being played off in the usual term, and the semifinal and final have had to take place later.

The first round resulted as follows :

A. G. Prothero, II, IO	beat	M. Druitt, 4, 3
F. L. Prothero, II, II	,,	Wheeler, 5, 3
H. Berens, 4, 11, 11		H. Smyth, 11, 7, 8
Farquharson, 11, 10, 15	.,	H. Harrison, 4, 11, 13
G. G. Phillimore, 11, 11	,,	C. S. Barwell, 8, 9
A. R. Hurst, 11, 6, 11	,,	E. Jervis, 9, 11, 3.

A. G. Prothero beat Druitt pretty easily; Wheeler, though the more brilliant, was overcome by F. L. Prothero's steady play. Harrison and Farquharson were perhaps the best matched, and '9 all' being reached in the final, the game was prolonged to 15 at the wish of the players. Hurst's victory over Jervis was chiefly due to his hard hitting and greater knowledge of the court; and Phillimore's steadiness mainly secured him his narrow wins in each game.

In the second round

H. Berens, 6, 11, 11	beat	Farquharson, II, 7, 4
A. R. Hurst, II, II	,,	A. G. Prothero, 6,10
G. G. Phillimore, 11, 1	II ,,	F. L. Prothero, 5, 3.

Farquharson got the first game, but Berens playing up won the second fairly easy, and in the third he went ahead from the beginning. Phillimore had not much difficulty with Prothero, though the rallies were good and the game lively. Hurst's superior strength proved too much for Prothero, though the latter made a good fight in the second game.

In the semi-final Phillimore won with 11, 11 from Berens, 7, 9; neither were in good practice, and the games were consequently not very exciting.

Hurst, who had drawn a bye in the semi-final, scratched to Phillimore for the final, thus leaving him winner of the 'Woodens' for 1886.

THE LITERARY SOCIETY.

'TWELFTH NIGHT' proved a very welcome set-off to the solemnity of the first two plays read this term. A genuine comedy is always hailed with delight by the Society, partly because it meets with more justice at its hands, and partly because it serves as a greater contrast to the week's work. The reception and treatment of 'Twelfth Night' were no exception to this rule. J. E. Phillimore read Sir Toby Belch with great success, his tone and delivery being well in keeping with the character. As Sir Andrew Aguecheek, H. B. Street led up well to Sir Toby, and added greatly to the humour of the scenes in which these two worthies appear. Mr. Hall read Olivia with a quiet dignity which rendered the part very effective. The part of 'the madly-used Malvolio' was hardly grasped in the first evening's reading by L. James, who was, however, more at home in it on the second night. Nor must we forget the Clown, who in Bellairs' experienced hands was made the most humorous character in a very humorous play. G. G. Phillimore was good as the Duke Orsino, the disappointed lover of Olivia; and O. Roos was fairly successful in his first appearance, as Sebastian. The crafty Maria, who is at the bottom of all the mischief, was taken by B. M. Goldie, whose manner contained the requisite combination of malice and woman's cunning.

This, however, was the last of comedy which the Society was to see for the term. It would be difficult to imagine more melancholy meetings than the last two of this term, in which 'Antony and Cleopatra' was read. The great merit of this play in the eyes of most critics is its faithful adherence to the facts of history. This quality, however, enhances its beauties but little as an effective play for reading in part. C. A. Sherring read the part of Antony with much force, and F. M. Yglesias exhibited his usual vigour as Enobarbus, while J. Salwey took the most difficult character in the play, that of Cleopatra, for which his voice was well adapted. The other parts of importance were taken as follows :

Octavius Cæsar	H. WITHERS.
Lepidus	
Pompey	G. G. PHILLIMORE.
Octavia	B. M. GOLDIE.
Charmian	O. Roos.

NOTES AND QUERIES.

NOTE.

DEAN'S YARD.—At the beginning of this century, if we may trust the *Trifler*, Dean's Yard seems to have had, though without reason, the reputation of being a very dangerous locality. I seem myself to recollect sundry stories connecting visitors to Dean's Yard with the venerable pump which used to stand there; but these may refer to an earlier date, and the editor of the *Trifler* confidently asserts that Dean's Yard was as well-behaved a neighbourhood as any in London. The extract from the *Trifler* may interest your readers :

'A young lady presents her compliments to the *Trifler*, and begs to know whether she may, without danger, venture into Dean's Yard, and whether the many strange stories that are told about the behaviour of his school-fellows to passengers are founded in truth. She has not been able to question any who have themselves been ill treated, but she has heard many reports of the kind. She hopes that the *Trifler* will not deceive her, and she trusts to his honour for a true answer.

'The ridiculous fears which some people express at entering Dean's Yard are more likely to provoke a smile than to raise indignation, and I have myself heard a lady declare she would as soon encounter an assemblage of fiends as venture among us. We can, however, safely assure our fair correspondent that the reports are not true which she has heard to our disadvantage, and that she may venture through Dean's Yard with as little danger as she could walk in any street in London. If she disbelieves us, we can boldly appeal to those who have been adventurous enough to make the attempt.'-Puck.

QUERY.

WESTMINSTER PERIODICALS.—In your last issue you give some account of the efforts of your predecessors in the literary line. Can you supplement your information by telling me who was the Editor of *The World at Westminster?* 'Thomas Brown the Younger' is, I infer, a nom de plume. I should also like to know who was the Editor of the *Trifler*, if he ever divulged his name.—PUCK.

REPLY.

CHARLES JAMES FOX (ante p. 55).—On this point I have referred to several books of reference, and only one of them states that C. J. Fox was at Westminster. This statement will be found in R. A. Davenport's 'Dictionary of Biography' (1831), but it may be noted that this book cannot by any means be relied on for absolute accuracy.—ALPHA.

Obituary.

It is our sad duty to record the death of two O.WW., who have indeed, in the words of the School prayer, 'become profitable members of this Church and nation,' and who, in different spheres of activity, have brought honour to themselves and their School by their talents and their achievements. The first, and perhaps the best known, the Rev. W. J. Early Bennett, died on Tuesday, August 17, at St. John's Vicarage, Frome. He was born in 1804, and was elected tenth into College in 1818. In 1822 we find him taking the part of Chremes in the 'Eunuchus,' while Dr. Eden, the late Bishop of Moray and Ross, and Primus of the Scottish Church, took the part of Thraso. Mr. Bennett, being captain for that year, spoke the prologue. At WhitTHE ELIZABETHAN.

suntide, 1823, he obtained head election to Christ Church, Robert Eden going to Trinity College, Cambridge. He took his B.A. degree in 1827, and was for two years after this an usher at Westminster. In 1836 he was appointed incumbent of Portman Chapel, in Baker Street, then one of the most 'fashionable' of London churches. Here he soon made his mark by his earnest and eloquent denunciation of the sins of the wealthy and the mockery of fashionable church-going. After labouring for seven years in this incumbency, he was presented with the perpetual curacy of St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, by Dr. Blomfield, then Bishop of London. It was at this time that he showed the first signs of the ritualistic tendency which has made his name so famous in the great Church controversy of this century. His first inspirations were probably drawn, while he was still at Oxford, from the devoted band who were then at the commencement of their noble work of revival, and with whom he must have come in contact. Newman became a Fellow of Oriel in 1823, and was joined in 1826 by Robert Wilberforce and Hurrell Froude ; and it was about this time that the first of the 'Tracts for the Times' was published-tracts which were destined to awaken the Church to a keener appreciation of its duties, and to deepen and expand the religious life of the country. But more directly than by these, Mr. Bennett was influenced by Dr. Pusey, who was his tutor during his last year at Oxford. Something also he owed to Keble, with whom he became acquainted about this time-a few years before the 'Christian Year' was written and published. All these influences working upon a young mind at the same time were naturally not without effect. The development of his ideas was gradual ; but on his appointment to St. Paul's he set himself down with vigour to the task of evangelising the slums of Pimlico and introducing a purer form of worship in his church. But reforms are seldom acceptable to the multitude ; and Mr. Bennett's labours met with much opposition. In 1850, the Church of St. Barnabas, Pimlico, the funds for which had been raised solely by his energy, was consecrated by the Bishop of London. The advanced ritual which was introduced there provoked a storm of popular displeasure. Continued rioting took place, even in the church itself ; and at last Mr. Bennett sent in his resignation to the Bishop. Late in the next year he was appointed to the Vicarage of Frome. The previous Vicar had been non-resident, and the decayed state of the church and the apathy of the neglected parishioners were such as to dishearten the most sanguine. But the new Vicar did not despair. Each year saw some part of the church restored,

or some new beauty added; and year by year the congregation became more attached to the church and the impressive services held within its walls, more devoted to their Vicar, and more attentive to the earnest words which fell from his lips. Opposition there was, but it was overcome. The parish had been so long neglected that its members were not inclined to quarrel much as to the exact form in which consolation and guidance should be administered to them.

But perhaps the most trying part of Mr. Bennett's life was between the years 1870 and 1872, when he was defendant in a protracted and wearisome trial on a charge of heresy. It does not concern us to enter into the merits of the famous case, which has been the means of fixing definitely the doctrines of the Holy Communion in the English Church. After two unfavourable decisions judgment was finally pronounced by the Dean of Arches in favour of Mr. Bennett. This decision put an end to his more serious troubles ; and from that time Mr. Bennett's life was less troubled and more tranquil. His death is mourned by a large and devoted congregation, who have been attracted by his winning manner and religious zeal. Men of every shade of opinion can hardly fail to admire one who gave up his life to what he looked upon as his duty, and who, at a time when the Church of our land had fallen into decay, and religion generally into contempt, stood out among the leaders of a spiritual movement to which we owe the efficient state of our Church at the present day. Even those who cannot approve of his doctrines and ritual may well admire the sincerity of his views and the unselfishness of his work, by which he voluntarily gave up all hope of preferment to the position of distinction which his piety and ability well merited. Besides the beautiful church at Frome. he leaves as a memorial of himself numerous literary works, the most noteworthy being his 'Essay on Crime and Education,' 'Guide to the Eucharist,' 'History and Doctrine of the Eucharist,' 'Lectures on the Errors of Ro-manism,' 'Letters to my Children,' 'Plea for Toleration,' and ' History of the Parish Church of Froome Selwood.' By his death the English Church loses an able worker, the literary world a scholarly writer, and Westminster one of its most distinguished sons.

The other O.W. upon whose death we have to comment is the late Lord Henry Gordon Lennox, whose name has been well known in politics for the last thirty years. He was the second surviving son of Charles, fifth Duke of Richmond, himself an O.W., by the Lady Caroline Paget, eldest daughter of the famous Marquis of Anglesea, thus being connected with an O.W. family on his mother's side as well. He was born in 1821, and, after spending some years at Westminster as a Town Boy, he passed on to Christ Church, where he graduated M.A. in 1847. Previously to this, in 1845, he was for a year *précis* writer to the then Foreign Secretary, Lord Aberdeen, a post which he resigned upon being returned to Parliament for Chichester. This borough Lord Lennox represented continuously for nearly 40 years—from 1846 to November last. He was a Lord of the Treasury for a few months in 1852, and again from March 1858 to March 1859. He again held office for

Correspondence.

FROM OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,- ' This comes hoping '- to use a favourite expression of plebeian correspondents-that it will not be too late for your July number ; but with Commemoration falling at its latest, for this century at least, one's ideas of dates get rather mixed. It is not my task to record the honours lately won by O.WW., else I should have a better budget to make up. I have little to record but the Westminster 'Wine,' which was given on the 19th of June, and was a great success, except for the perversity of the authorities, who insisted in connecting it with a conflagration which burst out that night in Chaplain's Quad and consumed several chairs and tables, besides slightly scorching two or three shrubs. This tremendous effort of the devouring element was triumphantly encountered by the Junior Censor and porters, amidst the ringing cheers of the guests, some 35 in number, who crowded round to assist. This term has been noticeable for the number of visits paid us by old friends, and we have been delighted to welcome back to Oxford (though alas ! only for a brief period in most cases) such well-known figures as those of H. R. James, H. B. Cox, P. G. L. Webb, &c. Several Cambridge men were present at the 'Wine.' Excuse haste and flurry.

Yours, &c.,

FLOREAT.

[This reached us just too late for insertion in last number. -ED.]

THE CONCERT AND THE DISCONCERTED CRITIC.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—For many years I have been a regular attendant at the School Concert, and have there, like Rossini, 'sat patient in my stall.' I have also, almost alone among your contributors, strongly advocated in your columns that the concert should be held up School, and not in College Hall. My arguments were many and various, but they fell (so I thought) on heedless ears. Judge then of my surprise when, upon receiving my *Elizabethan* on May 29th (mark the date), I read in the School Notes that 'the Concert has now been definitely fixed for Friday, May 28th. It is to take place for the first time up School. The whole available space will be covered with chairs, so that there will be accommodation for about 500 people, and consequently the number of tickets issued will be more than doubled.' a short time from 1866 to 1868, as Secretary to the Admiralty. In 1874 he was appointed Chief Commissioner of Works and made a member of the Privy Council. This office he resigned in 1876. He married, in 1883, Amelia, widow of Mr. John White, of Arddarroch, Dumbarton. Lord Lennox was throughout his Parliamentary career a staunch Conservative, and in the various positions of responsibility which he held he rendered good service to the Conservative cause.

The obituary notice of Dr. Eden is omitted from this number for want of space.

This was my first intimation of the interesting event. Five hundred tickets, and (I presume) 500 chairs ! yet never a chair nor a ticket for your esteemed correspondent ! I ask you, sir, is this fair treatment for a meek and much suffering

SECOND FIDDLE?

'THE ELIZABETHAN.'

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—May I have a cover? As it is I am read by the curious postmen, who have no such right, when I go through the post; and I get dirty when left about, and am then not fit to be bound when a volume is finished. The colour suited to my taste is pink, and I should like the crest on the outside, and I should like to be labelled with my number and volume. I don't want the cover to be sewn or stuck on to me, for that would hurt the feelings of

Your affectionate friend,

'THE ELIZABETHAN.'

LISTS OF NEW BOYS.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—I ask your leave to make a suggestion. Let *The Elizabethan* publish at the beginning of each term (I) a list of new boys, with their names in full, their ages, and the forms they are placed in, and (2) a list of boys who have left the School since the preceding term. If once a year these lists were collated and the names arranged in alphabetical order, we should soon have at hand a very useful record, affording information not always easy to obtain.

I put forward this suggestion, confident that it will commend itself to your sound editorial judgment. If it fails to do so, kindly apprise me thereof in a pungent paragraph. I shall then (by your leave) be happy to defend my proposal, and to fill two columns of your valued print in enlarging upon the advantages to accrue from its adoption. I will also promise to indicate the lines upon which such a record, if begun, might be gradually developed, as, in the flight of years, new boys become old boys, and the stately tale of Old Westminsters grows ever longer and longer.

> I am, Sir, Your obedient servant,

STYX.

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WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of The Cambridge Review, The Durham University Journal, The Wellingtonian, The Marlburtan (2), The Tonbridgian, The Blue, The Cheltonian, The Meteor (2), The Melburnian, The Fettesian, The Felstedian, The Ousel, The Forest School Magazine, The Newtonian, and The St. Edward's School Chronicle.

ERRATA.

Page 62, col. i., 5th line from the bottom, for 'Mallaire' read 'Mattaire.'

Page 63, col. i., 8th and 9th lines from the end of the article, for 'Willis' read 'Wilks.'

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