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THE PAST CRICKET SEASON.

IT is the custom at Westminster to review the past cricket season with regret, and to look forward to the future with expectation; only one of these conditions will be fulfilled in this article. For although the season has in some of its results been disappointing, yet in others it has shewn considerable improvement on last year. The Charterhouse match, of which no account is needed, was, as usual, a failure. There was no independent spirit in the team; and this characteristic is peculiarly noticeable in Westminster cricket; we rely too much on one another, and too little on ourselves. To partially counterbalance this match, however, there are the satisfactory victories over the Incogniti and the Authentics, and the brilliant success achieved over the Old Carthusians, while the Masters' match would have certainly proved a win for us, had time allowed. Other matches were lost against inferior teams to those

mentioned above; however, with no regard to results, it is plain that Westminster cricket has improved. To this the higher totals bear witness, and although the improved state of the ground in some measure accounts for this, yet, considering the quality of some of the bowling against us, they are highly creditable. Individual scores of fifty were more frequent than in the seasons of 1892 and 1893. The improvement in the ground and the weather also naturally accounts for the fact that the bowling has not come out quite so well as in previous years; yet the change bowling was more reliable, especially as this department was under good control. It may be mentioned that out of this year's team seven will be available next year, and we therefore look forward to the future with unusual confidence. To turn to individuals: the team was very well managed by J. F. More; he changed the bowling judiciously, and the improved fielding is greatly due to the confidence which he, unlike former captains, inspired by his non-interference.

Although unlucky with the bat, he proved a fair bowler and an excellent captain. C. D. Fisher did not this year meet with that success with the bat which we had hoped to witness. His bowling, however, was again the mainstay of the team in that respect, and we expect great things from him next year. Although A. R. Severn did not altogether fulfil expectations, he yet proved one of the most useful members of the team; his defence, it must be allowed, was rather weak, but, once set, he scored well and rapidly; his bowling, too, was at times not unuseful. A. Whittow failed to improve his last year's form as a bowler; he quickly tired, and that though he greatly fell off in pace, and soon lost his length; still he occasionally proved successful. In L. J. Moon the School has found a really excellent wicket-keeper, and also a very good batsman, his cutting being especially noteworthy; we anticipate great things of him next year. Although playing in somewhat uncouth style, E. P. Garrett was a patient and steady bat, with excellent defence and some good strokes on the off-side; he was a useful man to go in first, and was a really good field at cover-point. H. O. C. Beasley was an ugly batsman, but sometimes made runs on occasion, though labouring under great stiffness; he was generally a safe field. R. E. More was distinctly disappointing as a batsman, but met with considerable success as a change bowler; though he made runs once or twice, he must improve greatly before he can become in any way a reliable bat. J. A. Robertson was a hard hitter with no defence, but sometimes made runs when they were wanted; he at times fielded well. W. F. Fox batted steadily, several times proving useful, but he is rather stiff; with a little more height he would do himself more justice as a bat; as a field he was rather uncertain. About S. C. Probyn little need be said; he is certainly likely to be useful next year, his batting and bowling being both of a kind which may improve greatly. In addition to the above, it may be mentioned that C. Van der Gucht played a few times for the School, and showed some promise as a batsman. Thus we have every reason to look forward to a successful season next year.

A VERY SMALL BOY'S IMPRESSIONS OF WESTMINSTER AND ITS PRE- CINCTS HALF-A-CENTURY AGO.

VII.

I HAVE nearly come to the close of what I can set down as my recollections when I was a *very* small boy. I was looking forward to the proud day when I should myself be admitted into the number of Westminster boys, and take my own part in all the interests on which I had hitherto only looked as a spectator; but my admission to the school was postponed owing to a terrible blow which fell upon us. The Dean and Chapter decided that our house and garden were needed to provide a residence for the organist and a school for his choir. We therefore received notice to give up the house. My father was very unwilling to leave the precincts, and he obtained permission to complete the row of houses upon the terrace in Great Dean's Yard, by building upon the three vacant spaces, and to keep the largest of the new houses for himself. This stood next to what had been Stelfox's boarding-house, in the days when my father was at school, and both now form part of the church house. However, a couple of years or so elapsed before the house was ready for occupation; and consequently I was not quite so young when I was first entered at Westminster as were my brothers and cousins of my own generation, though even I would be considered 'a very small boy' by the lowest form of the present school.

Ah! it was a sad day when we heard that we were to leave our dear old house, and it was a melancholy procession that, shortly before we quitted it, was allowed to traverse every part, even the forbidden staircase and the unfloored garret, and the gutter between the gables, from which we, shuddering, looked sheer down into the yard. I think it must have been at that time that we got on to the cloister roofs and thence on to those of the Abbey, which we explored to our heart's content. Indeed, we made our way down one staircase where, from the sound of voices, we discovered that we were only separated by a door or thin partition from the kitchen of one of the Abbey dignitaries. Not wishing to have our presence discovered, we speedily beat a retreat.

This reminds me of another adventure, which I had on the roof of the Abbey several years after this. I must, in fact, then, have been an upper election. Mr. Rigaud, the master of the shell, and afterwards Bishop of Antigua (I observe that he is the hero of one of the epigrams this year), invited several of us senior boys to meet him one morning upon the roof of the south aisle, where he had set up a nice telescope. The sun had promised—at least so the astronomers declared—to give us an exhibition. It may have been an eclipse, or, I think more likely, a transit of Mercury. By the way, there will be a transit of Mercury on November 10, this year. If any of you can get a darkened glass and a position from which you can see the sun shortly before he

sets, you will do well to try if you can distinguish it. Transits of Mercury are rare, but not so rare as those of Venus, which none of you can hope to see, for the next will not occur until a new millennium has come in. I have seen two of them; the first was in India, where there was a fine telescope at one of the colleges, and the principal invited the most intelligent native students to watch the phenomenon. They were shown in turn the disc of the planet crossing the sun's surface, after which they held a whispered consultation, and their spokesman addressed the Professor: 'But, Sir, we do not perceive any female form.'

Well, all this is a digression. On the day I have mentioned there was no form to be seen, female or other. No doubt the sun had kept his appointment; but we had neglected to secure the co-operation of the clouds, who completely hid him from view. Some of us grew tired of standing in vain expectation, and set off to explore the staircases and passages of the Abbey. When the master gave up the observation as hopeless, and carried away the telescope, he told one of our comrades, who had remained with him; to call us down and lock the door. This injunction he carried out literally, for he did not give us time to descend before he went off with the key. There we were imprisoned in the upper regions, for we could pass from inside to out and make our way all round the building, but we failed anywhere to find an unlocked door, by which we might escape. Time went on, the great clock struck, and the little clock struck. We heard the shout of the under-school fellows, proclaiming that the head-master was on his way up the yard. We had an admirable bird's-eye view of boys and masters going into school. But this failed to console us for the fact that we, too, ought to have been in school and were not. School must have been half over, when we at last discovered a workman, who had either come for his daily duties or been sent to release us.

I ventured that morning to touch the face of the great clock, but I was never cut out for an Alpine climber. My legs shudder whenever I look down from a height, and I could not have stood on the broad slab below the clock, with its unprotected downward slope, as an uncle of mine once did, to inscribe his name upon the clock-face. His name is written in large letters now, within sight of where he then stood, at the head of those upon the Indian Mutiny Column. He was known throughout the Bengal Army as 'Handsome Jack,' and I have seen him hold the door open for his little wife, while she passed out under his arm, without a bend of her dignified head. Although he had served through the siege of Candahar,—where he was delighted to find that the Afghans knew how to make Devonshire cream—and had held various appointments of trust, promotion was slow in those days, and he was posting to take up his first independent command, when a body of mutineers happened to cross the road, and killed him and the native driver. His travelling companion managed to escape.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

No. 42. RICHARD CUMBERLAND.

(Continued from page 275 ante.)

It has been said that Cumberland 'had the misfortune to be bred a courtier without ever taking his degree in that school'; and if that phrase mean that the patronage of friends in high places proved in the long run far from profitable, it is not without truth. But the young man's career opened under apparently most favourable auspices. Lord Halifax obtained him the post of Crown Agent for the Province of Nova Scotia, and the office of Ulster Secretary in Ireland; made him the offer of a baronetcy, and, when Cumberland composed his first tragedy, made Garrick's refusal to present it on the stage the ground of a personal quarrel with the great actor. As Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland he did not neglect to push the fortunes of the elder Cumberland, who became Bishop in succession of Clonfert and of Kilmore; but when Richard refused the baronetcy, a gift rather of the nature of a white elephant to a young man of his position and fortune, his zeal on behalf of his protégé seems to have somewhat abated—whether from that, as Cumberland hints, or from some other cause. However, a permanent situation was secured in the Board of Trade, where the duties were little more than nominal. This appointment was the more welcome to Cumberland as he had already vacated his fellowship by his marriage in 1759 with a distant cousin, Elizabeth, daughter of George Ridge, Esq., of Kilmiston, Hants. And now his thoughts turned seriously to dramatic literature.

His first tragedy, already alluded to, was entitled the 'Banishment of Cicero'; and despite Garrick's refusal, for which the piece itself affords ample justification, it was printed in 1761. Bishop Warburton, in a letter to the author, described it as 'too good for a prostitute stage'; he would have been within the mark had he pronounced it totally unfit for scenic representation; but for reading it is a play of considerable merit. His next attempt was in the style which Bickerstaff had rendered popular; but although his 'Summer's Tale' was well set with airs by Bach, Arne, and other well-known composers, it succeeded only in arousing Bickerstaff's jealousy, though when re-written and cut down to two acts under the title of 'Amelia' it enjoyed a moderate share of success. An old Cambridge friend whom he unexpectedly encountered in the company at Covent Garden remonstrated with him politely on turning his talents to so unworthy a use; and to this influence we may ascribe the form in which he next courted the suffrages of the playhouse. The comedy of 'The Brothers,' though one of the scenes is admittedly borrowed from Beaumont and Fletcher, is a work which would raise the reputation of any dramatist of the day except Goldsmith; though it is inferior to 'The West Indian,' by which it was soon followed. The chief characters in the latter comedy are a West Indian

and an Irishman ; this fact was noised abroad, and on the first night the pit was full of West Indians and the gallery of Irishmen, eager to avenge themselves on the satirist of their countrymen. Garrick declared that he had never seen so hostile an audience ; but when it was found that the West Indian's very faults were akin to virtues, and the Irishman's worst failings were the possession of five wives and a propensity for concealing himself in order to overhear private conversations, the hostility rapidly passed into a complacency which went far to ensure the success of the piece. The success, indeed, was so marked that Lord Clare felt it his duty to register his protest against the five wives ; and the then Lord Lyttelton, who, unless he has been much maligned, could have felt little sympathy with that criticism, took the author severely to task for allowing a 'gentleman' to listen behind a screen.

It would serve no useful purpose except a bibliographer's to specify each of Cumberland's dramatic compositions by name ; the author was not without grounds for his boast, that no English author had ever equalled his list of dramas in point of number—Goldsmith, it is true, wrote only two—but we need not pursue the contrast. We may remark that Cumberland's success with his Irishman in 'The West Indian' induced him to bring a Scotchman on to the stage in 'The Fashionable Lover,' but not having those varied and occasionally unpleasant experiences of the Scotch character which his visits to his father's diocese gave him, where the Irish were in question, his failure was as marked as his previous success. Cumberland had already begun to manifest that impatience under criticism which induced Garrick to style him the 'man without a skin,' and Sheridan to take him as the model of Sir Fretful Plagiary ; and on this occasion he was rash enough to attempt to retort on the critics, a style of warfare in which no dramatist ever won laurels or even an honourable retreat ; and Cumberland was no exception to the rule.

The success of his earlier literary efforts had gained Cumberland admittance into the brilliant literary circle where Johnson reigned supreme—the club of Burke, Goldsmith, Reynolds, and Garrick—and at a later date of Sheridan and Gibbon. Among these men whose names will die only with the English language, Cumberland played no mere listener's part, and this fact may be regarded as a stronger proof of intellectual capacity than any of the works he has left behind him. As a member of the club he was included in Goldsmith's series of 'Retaliation' epitaphs in the following lines :

'Here Cumberland lies, having acted his parts,
The Terence of England, the mender of hearts,
A flattering painter who made it his care
To draw men as they ought to be, not as they are.
His gallants are all faultless, his women divine,
And comedy wonders at being so fine ;
Like a tragedy queen he has dizen'd her out,
Or rather like tragedy giving a rout,' &c.

Goldsmith goes on to say that Cumberland's

characters were all so superior to the ordinary run of men and women, that he could not but suspect him of using himself as a model. One of Goldsmith's editors (Mr. Corney) interprets the passage 'Goldsmith calls his rival—if I read correctly—a coxcomb,' but the impression which the passage leaves on my own mind is that Goldsmith was averse to touch on foibles to which it was dangerous to allude, and sooner than give pain to his friends, contented himself with a vague criticism, which with almost equal justice might have been directed against any English dramatist of the century—always excepting Goldsmith himself.

In 1774, the same year in which 'Retaliation' first saw the light, a fortnight after the death of its author had deprived England of its greatest modern dramatist, Cumberland had the misfortune to lose both his father and his mother. The shock was doubtless softened by distance, but must nevertheless have been a severe one to a man whose harshest detractors never denied him a full share of the domestic virtues ; but St. George's Channel had separated him for some years from the parents of whom he always writes with such becoming affection and veneration, so it can hardly have been expected that their death would have any practical effect on his daily life.

That life, indeed, presents but few salient landmarks to be referred to by a biographer. The accession of Lord George Germaine—the Lord George Sackville of Minden notoriety—to the Colonial Seals gave Cumberland a welcome step of official promotion, and his patron an uncompromising defender of his by no means unsullied reputation. Indeed, the warmth with which Cumberland defended his benefactor, if benefactor be not too strong a word for the relations between them, long after the latter's death, reflects credit both upon the superior who could inspire such feelings and on the subordinate who could retain them.

In 1780, unfortunately for himself, Cumberland was sent to Spain upon a secret mission, the nature and history of which is by no means clear ; but it is certain that after a trip in a cruiser to Lisbon, in which the dramatist made his first and last acquaintance with the realities of warfare—the *Milford*, in which he sailed, capturing a French privateer—and a lengthened sojourn in the Spanish capital, he was recalled, after contracting a debt of £5,000 in the public service, which Government refused, or at least neglected, to pay. It has been asserted that he exceeded his powers, and compromised his employers, but of this no evidence has been produced, and the pecuniary mulct inflicted was certainly a severe punishment for a mere error of judgment. On his way home his bills were stopped and his credit rendered so utterly bankrupt that he would have been thrown into prison at Bayonne had not a fellow-traveller supplied him with the means to continue his journey.

Misfortunes never come singly : soon after his return to England his office was abolished, and at the age of fifty he was thrown on the world with a most

inadequate compensation. Cumberland met these reverses with a manful heart, and, fixing his residence at Tunbridge Wells, endeavoured to restore his fortunes by the industry of his pen. Plays, novels, religious epics, pamphlets and essays he produced in great profusion, but with the exception of one comedy, 'The Wheel of Fortune,' his later works did little to increase his reputation.

The outbreak of the French revolutionary war roused his patriotic ardour—and although he had reached an age at which men bred to the sword would begin to think of laying it aside, he undertook the command of a detachment of volunteers formed in the neighbourhood of Tunbridge Wells, discharging the duties of major-commandant to universal satisfaction up to the conclusion of the Peace of Amiens, when he could claim to be the oldest volunteer officer serving. For the sake of the service, it is to be hoped that his claim was just—for whatever opinion we may hold concerning the efficiency of the volunteers, whether of 1800 or of 1860, we can hardly regard a force largely officered by septuagenarians as a reliable factor in a system of national defence.

His latter days were spent chiefly in London, and he died, after a short illness, at the house of a friend in Bedford Place, on the 7th of May, 1811. He had just entered his eightieth year. His wife, who had borne him four sons and three daughters, had predeceased him. His eldest son died abroad, and his second fell at the siege of Charlestown; but before his death he could number a score of grandchildren, and we should not omit to mention that he placed the sons of his widowed daughter 'at school at Ramsgate until they were old enough to be sent to Westminster.' He had 'had a taste of the spring and felt the influence of the waters.'

Though his attempts in other walks of literature were numerous enough to establish his claim to a place in a biographical dictionary, it is on his achievements as a dramatist that Cumberland's reputation rests. Goldsmith called him 'the Terence of England,' but as Aristotle remarks, 'Both being friends, it is a sacred duty to prefer the truth,' and Terence has some claims to be regarded as an O.W. by adoption—Cumberland has no claim to be regarded as the Terence of England except that he bears more resemblance to 'P.T.A.,' as a memorable Geta once affectionately styled him, than to Aristophanes or to Plautus. Few would be daring enough to compare him with Sheridan or with Goldsmith—but, with those exceptions, there is no dramatist of the two last centuries who can unquestionably be placed above him.

His private character has scarcely had justice done it. For though he was honourable, affectionate, and conscientious, these essential virtues were concealed by two grave superficial faults—an overweening vanity and an insincerity which scarcely took the trouble to conceal itself. He was extremely sensitive; but he easily forgave, and if he was intolerant of criticism, what literary man ever welcomed it?

though some may have dissembled more successfully than others. 'By the admission of his contemporaries, few men appeared to more advantage in conversation or evidenced a more perfect mastery, when he chose to exercise it, of the art of pleasing.' His business capacity does not seem to have been great, which may partly account for his failure as a public servant. But no account of his personal character would be complete without some reference to his conduct towards a relative who had devised him his estate to the exclusion of his natural heir, and when Cumberland protested, insisted on executing an immediate deed of gift—to take effect on his death. Some years later he repented of his precipitation, and wished to revoke the instrument, which Cumberland returned to him without hesitation or complaint. To a man capable of such disinterestedness as Cumberland exhibited throughout the transaction, of which it is impossible to convey any adequate idea without giving all the details of the affair, many surface faults of manner or temper may be pardoned. But the world sees and notes what is on the surface; a man's true character is only accidentally and incidentally discovered.

FLOREAT.

EPIGRAMS.

THE Election dinner took place on Monday, July 30th, when we were glad to have a very large audience of O.W.W. One 'Reverend senior' present was Mr. Tollemache, who remembered the School in the days of George IV., when Stellfox's, now part of the Church house, was still a boarding-house. At the coronation of William IV. he was inside the Abbey, in right of his privilege as a Westminster boy, but at that of her present Majesty he was less fortunately placed outside the same venerable building as an officer in the Guards. The services of later days were represented by Admiral Sir Augustus Phillimore and General W. H. Goodenough. We trust that the latter will live to attend many Election dinners of future years, but Westminster is not likely to see him for some time, since we have to congratulate him on his appointment to command the forces at the Cape of Good Hope. The House of Commons spared us Mr. W. Wickham and Mr. W. E. M. Tomlinson.

The theses were: 'Ex nihilo fit nil,' and 'Fraus pia'; and there were twenty-nine epigrams ranging over a variety of subjects, though Harcourt's budget, Herr Döwe's cuirass, and the frauds of Mr. Jabez Balfour each produced a couple. Of the last we give the following:

Fraus Pia.

Quantum pietatis habes,
Liberator noster, Jabez,
Qui, fato victus nefando,
Cuncta solvis—ambulando!

And an Auctore Epigram on the same subject is :

Fraus Impia.

'Ecquis adest qui det? Nostra est tutissima rerum;
Si nobis dederis, plurima mox capies.'
Sic ait ille Jabes; nimium sed creditis illi;
Nam vos non vobis aedificatis opes.

America affords another current topic in the collapse of Mr. Coxe's wind-bag of the march of a labour army.

Ex nihilo fit nil and Fraus Impia.

Coxius aggreditur Capitolium,
Magna frequentia quem comitabitur:
Coxius imminet en! Capitolio;
Magna frequentia? nil—nisi Coxius.

Of our own local topics we have a pretty Greek Epigram on the accident which deprived Westminster of a very staunch friend.

Ex nihilo fit multum.

(M. I. F. Brickdale, O.W., lost his life (May, 1894) by falling over a precipice in the Alps, Aetat. 77.)

κέϊται ἀνὴρ, δεκάκις τελέσας ἔτος ἔβδομον, ὕπερ
οὐ βροπὴ εὐνάξει γήραος οὐδὲ νόσον·
ἀλλ' ὄγε τῶν ὁρέων στειψίας ὀδόν, ὡς τις ἔφηβος,
καὶ κατακρημισθεὶς οἶκον Ὀλυμπίον ἔχει,
νῦν οὐδὲν τὸ πτώμα, τὸ δ' αὖ μέγα κῦδος ἀπ' αὐτοῦ,
ἔργ' ἐπιχειρήσαι, τηλικόν ὄντα, νέων.

And a school legend of half a century ago.

Fraus Pia.

'Apriles stultos' comites cum dicere vellet,
Clamabat juvenis 'Liddelus ecce venit!'
Obvenit attonito primus tamen ipse magister;*
'Poenam igitur debes solvere tu meritam.'

Protinus apportat virgam, monitorque trementem
In cameram arcessit quo reus ire timet.
Ille tamen blande deridens, 'Nonne Kalendas,
O Stulte, Apriles cernis adesse tibi?'

* Rigaud.

As usual, the subject of cricket is not barren.

Ex nihilo fit nil.

Nothing is made from nothing! I deny it;
The other day a cricket match I played.
Getting a duck's egg first, I thought I'd try it
Once more; a pair of spectacles I made.

It furnishes also an amusing Greek Auctore.

Ex nihilo fit multum.

'οὐδεμίαν σφαῖραν' πρὸς τέρμα τις ἤλασεν ἴφι,
αὐτίκα καὶ πλείους τέτταρας ἔσχε δρόμους.

Here is an anecdote of, we think, Bishop Wilberforce :

Fraus Pia.

Fatigued with cares diocesan, a worthy Bishop chose
A rustic and secluded inn, to gain a week's repose.
The days soon sped, the landlord showed no rustic want of
skill

In making up and swelling out a prelate's little bill.
The Bishop winced, but took it as the penalty of place,
The bill without a murmur paid, the waiter tipped with grace.
But when with deferential smile the host demurely s'ood,
And bowed and hoped the change and rest had done his
lordship good,
Though smarting still at lightened purse, the Bishop liked his
jest;
Said he, 'The waiter has the change, and you have got the
rest.'

And here is the time-honoured grenadier of our nursery days:

Ex nihilo fit nil.

Heus! quis adest?—Miles.—Quid poscis?—Pocula vini.—
Solve prius.—Careo.—Quin fuge, pote; mades.

This last is, we fear, a fit conclusion to our paper.

Ex nihilo fit nil.

Lege nimis dura cogor componere versus,
Ex nihilo nil fit; quid pote simplicius?

School Notes.

THERE are 39 new boys this term, bringing the numbers of the School up to 226.

The Ireland Latin Verse Prize has been awarded to J. F. Waters, and the Mure Scholarship and Gumbleton English Verse to W. C. Mayne.

We beg to congratulate H. L. Stevenson and F. J. Varley on passing into the Indian Civil Service.

The following is the football card up to date :

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Sat.,	Oct. 6 . . .	Old Westminsters. Lost (3-5).
"	" 13 . . .	Old Rossallians. Lost (0-2).
"	" 13 2nd XI. v.	Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. Won (1-0).
Wed.,	" 17 . . .	Crusaders. (Lost 1-5).
Sat.,	" 20 . . .	Old Carthusians. (Lost 2-4).

The remaining fixtures are :

Sat.,	Oct. 27 . . .	Clapham Rovers.
"	Nov. 10 . . .	Old Foresters.
"	" 17 . . .	Cambridge O.W.W.
"	" 24 . . .	Magdalen College, Oxon. 1895.
Wed.,	Jan. 23 . . .	Old Brightonians.
Sat.,	" 26 . . .	Clapham Rovers.
"	Feb. 2 . . .	Trinity College, Oxon.
Wed.,	" 6 . . .	Crusaders.
Sat.,	" 9 . . .	Christ Church, Oxon.
"	" 16 . . .	Casuals.
"	" 23 . . .	Keble College, Oxon.
"	Mar. 2 . . .	R. T. Squire's XI.
"	" 9 . . .	Charterhouse (at Godalming).
"	" 16 . . .	Old Etonians.
"	" 23 . . .	Old Harrovians.
"	" 30 . . .	Old Westminsters.
Wed.,	April 3 . . .	Q.SS. v. T.BB.

There will be an exeat this term from 4 P.M. on November 2, till 9.15 on November 6.

The Mission offertory in Abbey on September 29 amounted to £17. 10s. 2d., which was increased by the Headmaster's subscription and late money to £22. 3s.

The theses for 'Up School' Epigrams last term were *Vis inertiae* and *Quot homines tot sententiae*. There were very few Epigrams, but these were much better than usual.

The cricket elevens were made up last term as follows :

<i>Pinks.</i>	<i>Pink and Whites.</i>	<i>3rd XI's.</i>
J. F. More.	T. S. Holland.	G. Hornor.
C. D. Fisher.	C. Van der Gucht.	A. P. Day.
A. R. Severn.	A. H. Hogarth.	R. Blaker.
A. Whittow.	M. A. V. Allen.	C. W. Underwood.
L. J. Moon.	A. Berens.	A. H. Woodbridge.
E. P. Garrett.	G. F. Martin.	R. Barnett.
H. O. C. Beasley.	H. J. Kirkpatrick.	T. N. R. Griffin.
R. E. More.	R. E. Murray.	W. A. E. Stamp.
J. A. Robertson.		E. H. Waterfield.
W. F. Fox.		C. F. Armstrong.
S. C. Probyn.		

Orations were held 'Up School' on Thursday, October 11, when Martin was placed first and Phillimore second ; they were much the best of any that have been heard 'Up School' for some years.

THE SCOTT LIBRARY.

The following is the report for the year :

PLAY TERM 1893—	
Volumes purchased	45
Volumes presented	22*
LENT TERM—	
Volumes purchased	74
Volumes presented	4†
ELECTION TERM 1894—	
Volumes purchased	38
Volumes presented	0
Total	183
Total in Library at Election 1893 4,494	
Additions to Election 1894	183
	4,677
Volumes worn-out and removed	16
Total in Library on July 31, 1894	4,661

* 'Shakespeare's True Life,' J. Walter, presented by the Author ; Twenty-one volumes of Tales by G. A. Henty (O.W.), presented by the Author.

† 'Alumni Westmonasteriensis,' presented by C. E. Bird, Esq. ; 'The Purgatory of Dante,' translated into English Verse by C. L. Shadwell, Esq. (O.W.), presented by the Author ; 'Xenophontis de Cyri Institutione,' Hutchinson, presented by M. W. C. Marklove, Esq. ; 'Musical Gestures,' Dr. J. F. Bridge, presented by the Author.

THE FIELDS.

SHIELD MATCHES: 1ST ROUND.

GRANTS (HOLDERS) v. RIGAUDS.

THIS match was begun in lovely weather on June 29. More won the toss and Rigauds started on a perfect wicket with Probyn and Blaker, the bowling being shared by Severn and Kirkpatrick. A catch at the wicket sent back Blaker at 11, and nobody except

More and Beasley offered any resistance to Severn, who came out with the fine analysis of 7 wickets for 28, the total amounting to 61. Grants opened with Moon and Fox, and runs came apace until Fox, in trying a sharp run, was thrown out by Beasley. Severn then became associated with Moon, and the score was carried from 47 to 181, when Severn was caught in the slips, where he had previously given a chance, for 74. Moon, not long after, was beaten and bowled by a fine ball from Probyn, for 103 in which he gave no chance and which contained eight fours, eight threes and ten twos. After this, no one offered serious resistance to the bowlers, and the venture closed for 260. Rigauds started their second innings with a deficit of 199, and Beasley and Blaker faced the deliveries of Severn and Fox, and with the exception of the two named who had respectively 15 and 22 to their credit, and Probyn 13, Armstrong 25, and Stewart 29, they did little better than in the first innings, Fox getting 7 wickets for 43. Score and analysis :

RIGAUDS.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>
S. C. Probyn, l.b.w. b. Severn	6	b. Fox 13
R. N. Blaker, c. Moon, b. Severn	6	b. Fox 22
R. E. More, l.b.w. b. Kirkpatrick	13	b. Fox 6
H. O. C. Beasley, not out	11	b. Fox 15
A. Berens, b. Severn	1	b. Fox 0
J. E. Matthews, run out	1	b. Severn 0
C. Armstrong, b. Kirkpatrick	0	b. Severn 25
K. H. Stenning, b. Severn	7	b. Fox 0
K. R. Barnes, b. Severn	0	b. Templer 6
G. Norman, b. Severn	4	not out 1
A. E. Stewart, b. Severn	5	b. Fox 29
Byes	7	Wide 1, Byes 25, Leg-byes 4 30
Total	61	Total 147

GRANTS.

L. J. Moon, b. Probyn	103
W. F. Fox, run out	17
A. R. Severn, c. Berens, b. Blaker	74
H. J. Kirkpatrick, b. More	7
G. Hornor, b. More	1
C. G. Bird, b. More	16
S. Taswell, b. More	0
A. H. Woodbridge, b. More	0
H. Templer, c. More, b. Probyn	0
A. Day, b. More	10
D. Tacey, not out	1
Extras	31
Total	260

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

RIGAUDS.

	<i>First innings.</i>			
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Severn	14	4	28	7
Kirkpatrick	11	2	26	2
Fox	2	2	0	0
	<i>Second innings.</i>			
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Severn	23	5	60	2
Kirkpatrick	3	1	6	0
Fox	19	7	43	7
Templer	3	0	8	1

GRANTS.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
More	25	6	58	6
Probyn	28	5	88	2
Blaker	6	0	33	1
Berens	9	2	30	0
Stewart	2	0	11	0
Matthews	2	0	9	0

Stewart and Berens each bowled a wide.

ASHBURNHAM v. H.BB.

This match was begun 'Up Fields' on Monday, June 25. Ashburnham, winning the toss, elected to bat first. Griffin and Colvin were sent in to oppose the bowling of Whittow and Allen. The start was very inauspicious, as Griffin left at 8, and three wickets were down for 18. Robertson and Barnett, however, offered some determined resistance to the bowling, Barnett being top scorer with 24. But the innings closed for 80. The H.BB. then went in to face the bowling of Holland and Wallis. Whittow was unluckily run out immediately after the start. Allen made some good hits for his 18, and Anderson played a good game for 14. Underwood going in first was not out till seventh wicket, and played an extremely slow game. However, H.BB.'s total only reached 84, or four runs to the good. Ashburnham in their second venture played up much better, and, chiefly owing to Robertson's fine innings of 41, their total reached 93. Holland, Lecky, and English also played well. Thus H.BB. were left with 90 to get for a win. Despite the efforts of the two Murrays and Greenway their total only amounted to 75, and so Ashburnham were left victors after an exciting game by 14 runs. The bowling on both sides was good, Whittow taking 10 wickets for 59, Holland seven for 50, and Barnett six for 28. The fielding was very fair throughout, being quite up to the standard of former Shield matches.

Full score and analysis :

ASHBURNHAM.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
T. N. Griffin, b. Whittow	6	b. Whittow ...	1
G. L. Colvin, b. Allen	4	c. Allen, b. Whittow ...	2
J. A. Robertson, b. Whittow.....	12	c. Corfield, b. R. E. Murray	41
E. O. Kirlew, b. Whittow	1	b. Corfield ...	1
R. O. Barnett, b. Allen	24	c. R. J. Murray, b. Corfield...	0
T. S. Holland, c. Greenway, b. Whittow	2	c. Maughan, b. Corfield	10
H. S. Haweis, b. Whittow.....	9	b. Whittow ...	2
T. C. English, c. Allen, b. Whittow...	2	c. Woodhouse, b. Whittow	9
H. P. Mercer, c. Greenway, b. Allen	4	c. Woodhouse, b. Corfield...	1
H. C. Lecky, not out	4	b. R. E. Murray	10
H. W. Wallis, b. Allen	0	not out	4
By.s 10, Leg-bye 1, Wide 1 ...	12	Byes 11, Wide 1	12
Total	80	Total	93

H.BB.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
A. Whittow, run out	0	b. Barnett	3
C. W. Underwood, c. Colvin, b. Wallis	12	c. Griffin, b. Barnett	8
C. M. Woodhouse, b. Holland	0	b. Barnett	0
M. A. V. Allen, b. Holland	18	b. Barnett	5
R. E. Murray, c. Griffin, b. Holland	5	not out	21
T. H. Corfield, b. Wallis	12	run out	0
B. Maughan, b. Lecky	0	b. Holland ...	2
G. M. Anderson, c. Holland, b. Wallis	14	b. Holland ...	0
R. J. Murray, c. Haweis, b. Holland	4	b. Barnett	9
P. T. Jones, b. Holland.....	2	b. Barnett ...	0
T. C. Greenway, not out	2	run out ...	11
Byes 11, Wides 3, No-ball 1	15	Byes 11, Leg-byes 4, Wide 1	16
Total	84	Total	75

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

ASHBURNHAM.

<i>First Innings.</i>				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. Whittow	15	5	32	6
M. A. V. Allen	14.4	4	36	4
Allen bowled a wide.				
<i>Second Innings.</i>				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. Whittow	11	2	27	4
M. A. V. Allen	7	1	24	0
R. E. Murray	5	1	12	2
T. H. Corfield.....	8	3	18	4
Allen bowled a wide.				

H.BB.

First Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
T. S. Holland	11.3	2	27	5
H. W. Wallis	14	4	28	3
H. C. Lecky	4	0	14	1
Holland bowled a no-ball and Wallis 3 wides.				

Second Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
T. S. Holland	11.4	4	23	2
H. W. Wallis	2	1	3	0
R. O. Barnett	14	4	28	6
J. A. Robertson	1	0	5	0
Wallis bowled a wide.				

FINAL.

GRANTS (HOLDERS) v. ASHBURNHAM.

This match began on Tuesday, July 10, and resulted in an easy win for Grants by 9 wickets. Robertson won the toss and took first innings, sending in Griffin and Lecky to meet the bowling of Severn and Fox. Griffin was soon bowled by Severn for 8, and Robertson came in and began at once to hit about with great freedom ; but he could not get anyone to stay with him till Haweis came in, when a stand was made, but Templer was then put on to bowl, and clean bowled Robertson with a very good ball for 44. He had played extremely well, and his side would have fared sadly without him, as he made more than half of the total number of runs exclusive of extras. After his departure the innings soon came to a close for 93. Severn and Fox both bowled well

for Grants, but the fielding was not very good. Grants began their innings with Moon and Fox, who were opposed by Barnett and Holland. Runs came fast till Moon got out with very hard luck, the ball hitting him and falling on to the wicket. Severn then joined Fox, and a long stand was made, runs coming with great rapidity, till Severn was bowled by Robertson for a hard hit 54. Kirkpatrick then came in, and was bowled by Robertson, after making 12. Day was next in, and contributed 13. Fox was next out, having played extremely well for 59. The innings soon after closed for 179. Robertson bowled exceedingly well for Ashburnham, taking 7 wickets for 44 runs. Ashburnham began their second innings a good deal better, and five batsmen got into double figures. Grants had luck in getting rid of Robertson for 20. Griffin and Lecky were bowled by Fox for 6 and 13 respectively. Kirlaw was run out for 10, and Barnett was very well stumped by Moon off Severn for 0. Later on Holland made 13 and English 17, and the innings closed for 106, leaving Grants 21 to get to win. Severn and Moon went in, and quickly made 17, when Severn was caught by Kirlaw in the deep field off Robertson. Fox then came in, and Moon knocked off the remaining runs in two hits, without Fox getting a ball, Grants thus winning by 9 wickets.

This is the third year in succession that Grants have won the Shield.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

ASHBURNHAM.

First Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Severn	12.2	2	37	5
Fox.....	11	2	42	4
Templer	1	0	3	1

Second Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Severn	16	3	37	5
Fox	15.3	2	40	4
Templer	1	0	9	0
Kirkpatrick	1	0	7	0

GRANTS.

First Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Holland	26	7	45	0
Barnett	20	4	64	2
Lecky.....	3	0	10	1
Robertson	19.2	5	44	7
Wallis	4	1	10	0

Second Innings.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
Robertson	3	0	14	1
Holland	3	0	5	0

Q.SS v. T.BB.

This annual match took place 'Up Fields' on Monday, July 30, and resulted in an easy win for Town Boys by ten wickets. First innings fell this year to Queen's Scholars, and was opened by Garrett and Van der Gucht, to the bowling of Whittow and Probyn. Disasters began at once, as when only one run had been scored Whittow beat Van der Gucht, and Fisher left one later. Garrett and More took the total to 12, but matters went so badly that the total was only 16 when the eighth wicket fell. Martin and Waterfield then added 9, and Wyatt made a few hits, the innings closing for the miserable score of 31. Martin played very carefully and was at the wickets a long time for his single. Whittow and Probyn, who bowled unchanged throughout, met with remarkable success, the latter's analysis being especially fine—5 wickets for 11 runs. Moon was very smart behind the wicket. T.BB. sent in Fox and Probyn, Fisher and More bowling. Fox left at 6, but Probyn was not dismissed till he had made 18, the second wicket falling at 28. At 42 three wickets fell, Severn failing to score. Allen and Robertson, however, played freely towards the close, and the venture realised 96. More bowled very well throughout, keeping an excellent length; his seven wickets only cost six runs each. In their second innings Q.SS. began worse than before, Garrett being out before a run was scored. More and Van der Gucht, however, improved matters, but eight wickets were down for 55, and it looked as if T.BB. would gain a one-innings victory. But now a most timely and creditable stand was made by Hogarth and Waterfield bringing on Severn and R. E. More. At 104 Waterfield left for an invaluable 21. Wyatt failed to

ASHBURNHAM.

First Innings.

T. Guffin, b. Severn	8	b. Fox	6
F. Lecky, b. Severn	8	b. Fox	13
J. A. Robertson, b. Templer	44	c. Day, b. Severn	10
E. O. Kirlaw, b. Fox	1	run out	10
S. H. Langston, b. Fox	2	b. Severn	5
G. Barnett, b. Fox	6	st. Moon, b.	0
		Severn	0
H. Colvin, b. Fox	0	b. Fox	3
T. S. Holland, b. Severn	1	c. & b. Severn	13
F. E. Haweis, c. Bird, b. Severn	13	not out	4
T. C. English, c. and b. Severn	0	b. Severn	17
H. Wallis, not out	0	b. Fox	1
Extras	10	Extras	14
Total	93	Total	106

GRANTS.

First Innings.

L. J. Moon, b. Lecky.....	24	not out	9
W. F. Fox, b. Barnett	59	not out	0
A. R. Severn, b. Robertson	54	c. Kirlaw, b.	
		Robertson ...	10
H. J. Kirkpatrick, b. Robertson	12	} did not bat.	
A. Day, c. & b. Robertson.....	13		
C. G. Bird, c. Barnett, b. Robertson	0		
S. L. Taswell, b. Robertson	2		
H. B. Templer, b. Robertson	2		
A. H. Woodbridge, l. b. w., b. Barnett	2		
D. Tacey, not out	3		
H. Barnes, b. Robertson	1		
Extras	7	Extras	4
Total	179	Total (1 wkt.)	23

score, and the innings closed for 104, Hogarth remaining not out for a well-played 25. T.B.B. were thus left 40 to win, and sent in Moon and Severn to obtain the runs. Severn should have been caught in the deep field with his score at 17, but the result was never in doubt, the runs being hit off in twenty minutes. Town Boys thus won as stated above. Score :

Q.SS.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
C. Van der Gucht, b. Whittow	1	b. Probyn	10
E. P. Garrett, c. and b. Whittow ...	8	c. Fox, b. Whittow	0
C. D. Fisher, c. and b. Probyn	1	c. Beasley, b. Whittow	6
J. F. More, c. Whittow, b. Probyn	4	b. Whittow	13
G. F. Martin, run out	1	st. Moon, b. Probyn	6
A. H. Hogarth, c. Murray, b. Probyn ..	1	not out	25
W. A. E. Stamp, st. Moon, b. Whittow ..	0	st. Moon, b. Whittow	0
H. T. Sheringham, st. Moon, b. Probyn ..	1	st. Moon, b. Whittow	0
C. E. L. Johnston, st. Moon, b. Probyn ..	0	b. Probyn	3
E. H. Waterfield, c. Beasley, b. Whittow	5	c. Robertson, b. Probyn	21
F. E. Wyatt, not out	6	b. Probyn	0
Byes	3	Byes 13, Leg-byes 6, wides 1	20
	31		104

T.B.B.

<i>First Innings.</i>		<i>Second Innings.</i>	
W. F. Fox, b. More	2		
S. C. Probyn, c. and b. Fisher	18		
H. O. C. Beasley, b. Fisher	10		
L. J. Moon, c. Fisher, b. More	12	not out	20
A. R. Severn, c. Hogarth, b. More	0	not out	21
R. E. More, c. More, b. Fisher	2		
A. Whittow, b. More	4		
J. A. Robertson, b. More	12		
M. A. V. Allen, c. Waterfield, b. More ..	21		
A. Berens, not out	5		
R. Murray, b. More	0		
Byes	10		
Total	96	Total (no wkts.)	41

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Q.SS.

<i>First Innings.</i>				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. Whittow	15	6	17	4
S. C. Probyn	14.3	9	11	5
<i>Second Innings.</i>				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
A. Whittow	14	4	33	5
S. C. Probyn	15	5	34	5
A. R. Severn	2	0	13	0
R. E. More	3	1	4	0
S. C. Probyn bowled a wide.				

T.B.B.

<i>First Innings.</i>				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
C. D. Fisher	20	6	42	3
J. F. More	19.4	8	42	7
C. Van der Gucht	1	0	2	0
<i>Second Innings.</i>				
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
C. D. Fisher	5	1	18	0
J. F. More	4	0	23	0

FOOTBALL.

THE SCHOOL v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

THIS match was played on Saturday, October 6, and resulted in a defeat by five goals to three. Old Westminsters kicked off and took the ball down to our goal, but kicked it behind. They began to press the School hard, and Fisher had several times to use his hands. Our forwards then got the ball away, but W. R. Moon and Sandilands brought it back, the latter sending in a shot which went behind. They soon afterwards got a corner which was ineffectual, and More made a run down, when the ball burst just as he was going to pass to Hogarth. On restarting, with a fresh ball, Willett and Page ran down, but it was taken back to the visitors' goal, but saved by Blaker, who ran a long way out of goal. Beasley gave the ball to Moon, who put it through after some combination (1-0). Not long after Shattock put in a good corner, which W. R. Moon headed through (1-1). Half-time was then called. On restarting Old Westminsters pressed and got two corners, the second of which was put through (2-1). The forwards pressed for a short time, but Old Westminsters took it back and got a hands against Fisher, from which Sandilands got another (1-3). Westminster pressed again, but Old Westminsters got away very often, and Willett and Sandilands scored in quick succession (1-5). Fisher then had several shots, all of which he succeeded in saving. Westminster pressed hard in the last few minutes, and Probyn scored from a corner. Sandilands ran down but shot over the bar, and More and Hogarth running down, the latter scored from the extreme right (3-5).

For them, Sandilands, W. R. Moon, and Page, forwards, and Blaker and Shattock behind, were best. For us, Beasley was very good at half, and Fisher in goal, while More, L. J. Moon and Van der Gucht were best forwards. Teams :

WESTMINSTER.

C. D. Fisher (goal), S. Muriel and A. M. Whittow (backs), H. O. C. Beasley, S. C. Probyn, and W. F. Fox (half-backs), G. F. Martin (centre), J. F. More (Capt.) and A. H. Hogarth (right), L. J. Moon and C. Van der Gucht (left) (forwards).

O.W.W.

H. R. Blaker (goal), R. T. Squire and H. Gordon (backs), G. Shattock, J. C. Hollocombe, and T. H. Newman (half-backs), R. R. Sandilands (centre), W. R. Moon and D. P. Winckworth (right), J. A. Willett and C. J. N. Page (left wing) (forwards).

House Notes.

ASHBURNHAM.—In the final Shield match last term we played Grants and were beaten by 9 wickets, which was as good as we could expect. The match was chiefly noticeable for Robertson's fine all-round play, scoring 44 and 20, and taking 7 wickets for 44

in their first innings. For them, Severn played a lucky innings of 54, but Fox's 59 was the result of sound defensive batting. We congratulate Lecky, English, and E. Kirlew on House colours, and Barnett on his 3rd XI's.

Our football prospects are not good, as it will be extremely hard to replace Griffin and Robertson. Guy is captain, being our only School colour.

COLLEGE.—Only four fellows left at Election—Harwood, Garrett, Loughborough, and Wyatt. We congratulate Van der Gucht, Hogarth, and Martin on getting their pink-and-whites at the end of last term, and Stamp and E. H. Waterfield on their 3rd XI's. More has come back, contrary to expectation. More, Van der Gucht, Fisher, Martin, and Hogarth represented College for the School against O.W.W. Fisher is trying goal and was by no means a failure, his punting being especially good. 'Setting up' for the Play took place on Monday, October 8. Several new people are necessarily in the caste, but there is every hope of a good play. Mr. Michell has resigned his place in the Literary Society—he will be greatly missed. College fives ties are already in progress. We congratulate Mayne on the Mure Scholarship and the Gumbleton Prize, and Waters on the Ireland for Latin Verse. We have practically the same team—if not a better one—for the T.BB. match at present, since Martin and Fisher were out of school last year.

GRANTS.—Our congratulations are due to Kirkpatrick and Woodbridge, who got respectively 'pink-and-whites' and 3 XI's at the end of last term; also to Bird, Templer, and Taswell on getting their house-colours. We are inclined to think that, though our House team this term will be fair, we shall hardly be able to beat Rigauds and H.BB. A pair of backs are badly wanted: added to which we shall lose the services of Woodbridge at the end of this term. We shall probably have a very poor team for Juniors.

H.BB.—It is as yet too early for us to have much news. T. H. Corfield has succeeded Allen as head of the House. We hope to have two pinks in our XI this year, and we have six of our last year's team. We have fifteen new fellows this term, and there are signs of promise for the football field in several of these.

RIGAUDS.—Things have not changed much since last term. We had four members in the Town-boy team, Beasley, More, Probyn, and Berens. Our prospects for the Shield this year are not so good, as we have lost Newman, Armstrong, Rivaz, Waterfield, Nye, and Stewart, since last season. We had two representatives in the School XI against O.W.W., Beasley and Probyn. We are pleased to see that Rigaudites are taking a more active part in the proceedings of the Debating Society.

Obituary.

OCTOBER 1, 1894, at Sullundur, in India, from the effects of an accident at polo, FREDERICK BURGE, son of Charles Burge, of Park Crescent, W. He was born March 3, 1870; admitted to the School April 1884, left July 1888. Gazetted 2nd Lieutenant R.A. February 14, 1890; Lieutenant, February 14, 1893.

HENRY GORGES MOYSEY was the second son of Charles Abel Moysey, who was also an O.W. He was admitted April 28, 1824, and left Christmas, 1826; he went to St. Mary Hall, Oxford, and matriculated May 25, 1836. He first entered the navy, but became Lieutenant 4th Dragoons January 11, 1839. He was made High Sheriff of Somerset in 1875. In 1841 he married Emily Faithful, third daughter of Rev. Charles Robert Fanshawe, of Fanshawe Gate, Derbyshire. He died July, 1894.

Correspondence.

SOUTHEY AND THE 'FLAGELLANT.'

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I have lately through the kindness of Mr. F. W. Lucas, three of whose brothers were at Westminster, come into possession of a complete volume of the 'Flagellant,' containing the article that brought about Southey's expulsion from the school.

On the fly-leaf is the signature 'Isaac Reed,' with the date 1793 (Southey was expelled in the spring of 1792), and underneath are written, evidently by the same hand, the following words:

'These papers were written by Mr. Robert Southey now of Oxford, Mr. Charles Grosvenor Bedford, and one or two more.'

'The fifth paper gave great offence to Dr. Vincent, Master of Westminster School, who prevailed on Egerton the publisher to give up the authors, in consequence of which Southey was expelled the school.'

'I took some pains to prevent Egerton from behaving in so scandalous a manner, but he would act like a rascal in spite of all I could do.'

Egerton's shop is described in the title-page as near Whitehall. Probably it was at No. 30 Charing Cross, now Potter the musical-instrument makers, where Thomson the poet resided in 1725 over the shop of Egerton, a bookseller. ('Memorable London Houses,' p. 22).

I have not been able to ascertain whether Isaac Reed was captain at that time. Apparently, however, he considered himself to be a person of some importance. His account as above given contradicts that given by Forshall's 'Westminster School,' p. 274, where it says that Southey confessed and apologised, but was compelled to leave the school.

This will, I hope, prove of interest to some of your readers, as correcting a small point in Southey's history in connection with the school.

I am, yours faithfully,
G. D. HOWLETT.

Our Contemporaries.

We beg to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following:—Meteor, Felstedian, Carthusian (2), Radleian, A. A. Notes (3), Cheltonian, Malvernian, Our Boys' Magazine, Barrovian, S. E. College Magazine (2), Danehillian, Newtonian, Ousel, Geelong Grammar School Quarterly, Dovorian, Brighton College Magazine, Queenmoriensian, Wellingtonian (3), St. Peter's School Magazine, Cantuarian, Reptonian, Rossalian, Cliftonian.

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