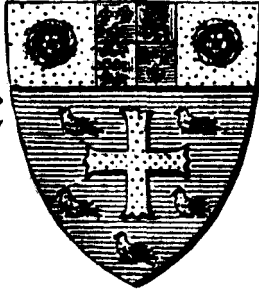


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EDITORIAL.

The Editor of the Grantite Review has a very difficult task before him when he has to write an Editorial. Most Editors have to write three Editorials during their period of office and therefore have a chance of redeeming themselves if they write a bad one. With only one to write the task is more difficult. At the present moment the House is doing well, but I feel, before it is too late, that some warning to ensure that our success will not be short-lived, would not be out of place. I refer, of course, to the younger people in the House who will soon be bearing the burden of responsibility, and on whose shoulders will rest the power of prolonging the success of the House. I firmly believe that the success which we enjoyed a few years ago was what inspired us to make the efforts for which we have now been rewarded. 'Fore-warned is Fore-armed,' and I am certain that as long as this is borne in mind Grant's will continue to do well in the future.

HOUSE NOTES.

There left us last term: J. R. Moon, B. N. Gedye, E. F. P. Bennett, J. B. Latey, H. T. James, P. Talfourd-Jones, P. H. G. Wright, R. G. Nicholson.

We wish them every success in the future.

We welcome this term: D. L. Wilkinson, D. F. Cunliffe, J. P. Hart, J. S. Rivaz, E. T. Argyle, D. G. Fevez, S. Moller, R. B. Stock (boarders), H. A. Budgett, J. L. Dick, H. T. N. Sears, J. A. Mortimer (half-boarders).

A. N. Winckworth obtained a non-resident scholarship in the Challenge. We wish him success in his new position.

J. Harrop has come up to Inner from Middle, and R. W. Edgar from Outer.

T. W. Brown, J. F. Turner, G. C. Daisley and A. G. Hunt have come into Middle from Outer.

G. D. Everington, E. A. Bompas, M. V. Argyle, K. de K. Bury, L. R. Carr, H. M. Baillie, G. O. Nares, H. C. E. Johnson have come up into Outer.

We heartily congratulate R. W. Edgar on his football Pinks and D. F. Cunliffe and P. J. Sutton on their Colts Colours.

We won the Football Juniors Cup after beating Busby's 6—0, Ashburnham 3—0, and Home Boarders 3—1.

We congratulate L. R. Carr, P. J. Sutton, R. G. Reed, P. F. L. Forbes, D. F. Cunliffe, D. L. Wilkinson and H. A. Budgett on their Junior House Caps.

We won the Fives Cup for the first time, defeating Home Boarders, Rigands and King's Scholars, winning in all 16 games and losing only 2.

We also won the League Cup, our Second League winning 21 games out of 22, the other being drawn.

We drew Rigands in our heat of the House Ball Cup and T. B. B. Rudder. We only lost after a very plucky fight.

We congratulate W. H. C. Cleveland-Stevens and H. C. E. Johnson on their water house colours.

I. K. Munro is captain of Fives; J. F. Turner and R. W. Edgar play for the school.

R. W. Edgar and J. F. Turner have represented the school in shooting; A. G. T. James in fencing; M. V. Argyle and S. Moller in boxing.

J. F. Turner and R. B. Stock beat I. K. Munro and D. G. Fevez in the final of the Fives Ties.

I. K. Munro, P. J. Sutton and R. G. Reed beat J. F. Turner, C. J. G. Lonsdale and S. Moller in the final of the Yard Ties.

THE PLAY SUPPER.

The hall was once again beautifully decorated by several Chiswickites, who worked hard throughout the afternoon to achieve the final result. Miss Tice, had, as usual, prepared a magnificent dinner and had bought a great many crackers and other amusing toys which were not noisy—a very good thing.

After dinner, when the noise had died down somewhat, Mr. Willett proposed the King. The head of house then began by thanking Miss Tice for the splendid supper, which, he said, was just as splendid whether the House had been successful or not. This year he thought the House had been successful. He enumerated the Cups which had

been won, laying particular stress upon the Cricket Shield, which we had only won once before in seven years of being in the final, and also the Fives Cup which had never been in the House before. With that he finished by thanking Mr. Willett for all the help he had given him in the past term and proposed his health. Mr. Willett then rose, and after thanking the Head of House, said how pleased he was to see all the Old Grantites, who were present that night, amongst whom were the officers of the Old Grantite Club and expressed a wish that all Grantites would join it when they left. After this the Head of House proposed the health of the Old Grantites, and Mr. Bevan replying, told some humorous anecdotes, after which Mr. Garrard spoke, augmenting Mr. Willett's wish that all Grantites would join the Old Grantite Club when they left. After the speeches there was an entertainment in which many amusing songs were sung. Mr. Daisley accompanied beautifully on the piano. Mr. Brandon-Thomas was very amusing with his sketches, particularly that of a small boy learning to play the piano. After that we finished a very pleasant evening with "D'ye ken John Peel" and "Auld Lang Syne."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

I want, through the medium of this magazine, to appeal to you to join the School Branch of the League of Nations Union. The membership entails a cost of but 6d. a year and in return you are entitled not only to attend lectures and debates on the League, but to borrow books from the excellent League of Nations Union Library.

The importance of the League of Nations cannot be over-estimated. There is no doubt what the result of another war would be on this world; it would mean the complete destruction of our present civilisation. The weapons of war are now so deadly that it would only be a question of days before cities like London or Paris would be entirely demolished by hostile aircraft, to say nothing of the gas attacks which would cripple the non-combatant population just as severely as the actual fighters. The only organisation which now stands between the World and the

eventual certainty of another war is the League of Nations, formed with the express purpose of preventing future wars.

Now the influence of the League depends entirely on the strength of the public opinion behind it in the various countries. The English Government can take no important step at Geneva without the knowledge that it has the support of the nation and this only can be shown by people joining a Branch of the League of Nations Union.

Whatever your feelings about the League may be at present, I should like you to join the School Branch. If you know little or nothing about the League, join and you will find out, and it will interest you. If you disapprove of some or all of the League's present activities, join and see from close knowledge if your disapproval is really justifiable. If you still think it is, use your position as a Branch member to have things put right. You will never be able to do this by standing outside. To those who are already interested in the League, I can only say: "Join the Branch immediately and—what is more—use your influence to make your friends do likewise."

M. W. B.

Juniors (1st Round).

GRANT'S v. BUSBY'S

(Won 6—0).

Teams.—GRANT'S: P. F. L. Forbes; R. G. Reed, R. D. H. Preston; D. L. Wilkinson, P. J. Sutton and H. A. Budgett; A. R. Laurie, A. N. Winckworth, D. F. Cuncliffe, L. R. Carr and J. B. Bury.

BUSBY'S: J. F. Baker; G. R. Johnston, L. O. Collins; R. G. P. E. Dormer, V. R. Ivanovic, J. F. Temple-Bird; E. D. Tyler, D. F. M. Balfour, A. A. Bindloss, A. H. Palmer, J. L. L. Arback.

The conditions were perfect for a Juniors' Match. The ground was not too soft and the ball was very light. The wind was blowing down the hill and the sun, if anything embarrassed those playing up. Grant's were never fully extended, and this is further emphasised when it is

realised that Forbes only had to save one shot throughout the game. Our strength lay in our half-backs, for Preston was far below his best form, while Reed, especially at the start, was wild, though he kicked a long way and was very fast. For long periods Sutton was the best man on the field, and Wilkinson and Budgett easily held the Busby's wing men. In the second half, Budgett began to take the ball up the field on his own, before making some delightful passes to the forwards. Although a 6—0 win is convincing enough, our forwards were definitely poor. Laurie, by spending the whole of the first half in the middle of the field, neutralised much of Wilkinson's hard work; it seems a pity that Bury does not play on the right, since he has always to turn round and use his right foot to get in an effective centre. The insides, Carr and Winckworth, worked hard but seldom did anything, and Cunliffe, who played excellently and scored 3 goals, was never adequately supported. Moreover, 3 of our goals were the result of palpable mistakes by the Busby's goalkeeper. Cunliffe opened the scoring with a lovely shot after about 20 minutes play. Almost immediately afterwards, Winckworth intercepted a lovely pass along the ground from Baker and scored. Laurie scored again just before half-time, from inside-right's position. Half-time: Grant's 3, Busby's 0. Grant's attacked most of this half, only Ivanovic and Bindloss making a few ineffectual break-aways for Busby's Collins was sound in defence, but after Cunliffe had scored 2 goals (one of which should have been saved), Busby's were discouraged. Winckworth scored again near the end, after Bury had got across one of his few effective centres.

M. V. A.

Round 2,
GRANT'S v. ASHBURNHAM,
Won 3—0.

GRANT'S: P. F. L. Forbes; R. G. Reed, R. D. H. Preston (capt.); D. L. Wilkinson, P. J. Sutton, H. A. Budgett; J. B. Bury, J. A. N. Winckworth, D. F. Cuncliffe, A. R. Laurie, J. R. Carr.

ASHBURNHAM : S. C. W. Béranger ; A. F. Huxley, A. R. S. Tweddle ; R. R. Brackenridge, C. L. Bang, M. Howard ; J. Collins, M. R. Turner, H. F. B. Symons (capt.)' C. H. Clout, W. Collins.

The conditions were not as good as in the first round. Although the weather was fine and the sun shining, there was a very strong wind blowing, which made accurate kicking almost impossible. Ashburnham suffered from being composed of two men, Symons and Béranger, who were infinitely superior to any of Grant's team, yet having no one to back them up. Many times did Symons break away but was successfully tackled by the Grant's backs, who kept the opposing forwards so well in check, that Forbes had very few shots to save. The halves played very well and fed their forwards well, Budgett's passing being highly commendable. Wilkinson on the right played a very plucky game, invariably tackled successfully, and was the only person to use his head with any effect. It is quite certain that Cunliffe held the forwards together. He is a very agile player and always seems to evade his opponents. The forwards kept their positions well, which enabled effective movements to be achieved. The first half was a hard fight for both sides and it was not for 20 minutes that Grants managed to score. This was done by Cunliffe who broke away by himself and scored unaided. The second goal was scored seven minutes later by one of the opponent halves in a vain endeavour to save a shot of Laurie's. This was the result of a good movement by Cunliffe who broke away down the wing and gave Laurie a beautiful pass in front of goal. The second half was quite different, and except for some dangerous moments when Symons broke away, Grants attacked the whole time. The shooting was very poor and many more goals should have been scored. The last goal was scored ten minutes from the end when Sutton took a shot and again, in an effort to save it, another of their halves kicked it in.

T. W. B.

Final of Juniors,
GRANT'S v. HOMEBOARDERS,
Won 3—1.

Teams.—GRANT'S : P. F. L. Forbes ; R. G. Reed, R. D. H. Preston (capt.) ; D. L. Wilkinson, P. J. Sutton, H. A. Budgett ; J. B. Bury, A. N. Winckworth, D. F. Cunliffe, A. R. Laurie, L. R. Carr.

HOMEBOARDERS : R. E. Lygon ; J. M. Herbert, J. R. Quertier ; C. W. Pullen, G. Holliday, V. F. Valli ; K. G. Neale, A. E. F. C. Long, J. A. G. Corrie (capt.), E. F. S. Seal, G. M. Abrahams.

Our goals were scored by Laurie, Cunliffe and Carr ; Corrie scored for Homeboarders. Grants lost the toss, and were faced with a strong wind, besides having to play uphill. We were thus at a great disadvantage during the early stages, before our defence got to know the tricks of the wind. Once again, our defence was very good ; throughout Juniors we have owed a great deal to it. Sutton is a better offensive than defensive centre-half, but he looked after Corrie fairly well through the game ; he was greatly helped by Corrie's lameness during the second half which rendered him much slower than usual. Budgett had his wing more or less under control all the time ; he is fast, tackles well, and is always in the right place ; he was the best of our halves in this game, and on this showing should go far. Wilkinson was completely outpaced by Abrahams, but he is quite good, and, with a little added height and speed, should be very good next year. He played excellently in the two preceding rounds, and was very useful in this game. Preston, at left back, was not so effective as usual. He miskicked on several occasions, and failed to cover Reed adequately, but, after a poor first half, he improved, and hardly made a mistake during the last half-hour. Reed, at right-back, was very good. He held Abrahams on most occasions, used his head quite effectively, kicked further than anyone else on the field and was very speedy and safe. He has steadily improved all the season and is now very good indeed. Corrie very seldom beat him, which is high enough praise, and, like Wilkinson, he will be young enough to play next year. Forbes only made one

mistake throughout Juniors, which was when he let a hot drive from Corrie slip through his arms. Otherwise he was entirely reliable; one cannot say he was brilliant because he was never severely tested, but he got through his work well and was most satisfactory, especially in his excellent punting. Once again our forwards were disappointing. Cunliffe is still very small, but he knows a good deal about the game, and was the best man in the line. Laurie woke up once and scored a magnificent goal, but he gives the impression of being comatose, and he seldom gave Carr a good opening. Carr, at outside-left, had quite a good game. He lacks a really effective kick, but his goal in the second half was superb. He deserved his Junior House Cap. Winckworth, playing at inside-right, did an enormous amount of work, without ever doing anything good. He had no idea of constructive play. It was hardly to be expected that we should hold our own in the first half, and the only breakaway of note was when Cunliffe ran through and beat Lygon with a magnificent shot which struck the upright and rebounded into play. Most of the time our defence were hard at work repelling Homeboarders' attacks. Forbes let through a shot he should have saved, but otherwise Grant's kept them out. Half-time: Grant's 0, Homeboarder's 1. We felt fairly confident of pulling the game round, now that the conditions favoured us, and, after 10 minutes play, Laurie, though tackled by two opponents, scored with a magnificent shot into the roof of the net. Grant's proceeded to do everything but score for 15 minutes, until Cunliffe rolled a simple ground shot at Lygon, who, in some inexplicable manner, let it through into the goal. The match was almost certainly ours now, and Carr made matters safe by scoring with a magnificent shot with his right foot from the left wing. The ball curled across the centre of the field into the corner of the net without anyone touching it in its flight. The following will be available next year:—Reed, Forbes, Wilkinson, Budgett, Winckworth, Cunliffe, Laurie.

Result: Grant's 3. Homeboarders 1.

M. V. A.

JUNIOR'S CRITICISMS.

R. D. H. Preston (left back and Captain). He played a sturdy if somewhat crude game in Juniors. He tends to kick the ball too much in the air, instead of getting his knee over it. He is inclined to miss his tackles, but when they do come off they are usually very effective. He captained the side very well in Juniors.

L. R. Carr (inside left). A disappointing player. He does not seem to have improved at all since last year. He has a fair idea of ball control, but lacks kicking power. His constructive play is good and he should improve with more determination.

P. J. Sutton (centre half). He played a very good offensive game in Juniors. His ideas of marking are rather crude and he tends to kick rather wildly. He has a good knowledge of the game, and since he has plenty of determination should become a good player.

J. B. Bury (outside right). He showed no signs of being able to play football in Juniors, until he manages to overcome his clumsiness, there is no hope of his being able to play a good game.

R. G. Reed (right back). Played a more stalwart game in Juniors, and in company with Preston very effectively checked any raids on our goal. His kicking is good, and when his heading has improved, and his tackling is a little more determined, he should become a good player.

A. N. Winckworth (inside right). He is a somewhat clumsy player, but tried very hard in Juniors and made up for what he lacked in skill by a determined game. With more experience he should improve.

P. F. L. Forbes (goal keeper). He was never severely tested, and what he had to do he did well.

D. F. Cunliffe (centre forward). He held the forwards together very well and himself played consistently well in Juniors. His constructive play was sound and his passes to the wingers were well-timed. When he has grown a little and has got more thrust he should be a very good player.

H. A. Budgett (left half). He plays very hard and has a sound knowledge of the game. At present he is a little clumsy and does not look up enough before passing. He should become good with added experience.

A. R. Laurie (outside left). Since it is his first experience of soccer he acquitted himself surprisingly well. He is a very good individual player, but as yet has little idea of combining with the other forwards.

D. L. Wilkinson (right half). Played a very plucky game in Juniors. He used his head well and his passes were accurate. He must learn to recover quicker after he has missed his tackle. He is a very promising player.

I. K. M.

THE WATER.

Cleveland-Stevens is to be congratulated on the energy with which he has started a revival of the activities of the House on the water. The seed has been sown, some small shoots have appeared, and these will, with patient hard work in due season, blossom out into useful and perhaps finished oarsmen. We all hope that Cleveland-Stevens will continue to receive the steady support of a growing band of enthusiasts.

GG drew RR in their heat for the House Ball Cup and the T.B.B. Rudder. The course was from the Mile Post of the School Boathouse and GG had the Middlesex station. At the start the stroke of GG came off his slide and the boats came back for another start. This time both boats got away well, GG striking 34 in the minute to RR's 36. GG, who were less experienced than their rivals, hanging on unexpectedly well for the first part of the course, but RR still striking the higher rate drew away to win by four or five lengths. That GG were able to do as well as they did, was due to their neat blade-work. Somehow they avoided the digging which usually shows up crews of beginners. But they lacked cohesion and a powerful leg-drive.

CRITICISMS.

P. N. Cardew (Bow). Improving but must learn to swing straight, and drive with accurate timing.

A. J. Glyn (2). He is improving, and should work hard. He must cultivate a straight swing forward, really under control, preparing for a harder drive forward than he gets at present..

H. C. E. Johnson (3). Also shows promise. He needs to develop the leg-drive further, and to carry the body through with a powerful swing. His work was the best in the crew.

W. H. C. Cleveland-Stevens (Stroke). Promising because of his undoubted strength and keenness. At present he is slow and clumsy, but with practice he will greatly improve.

J. G. Boyd (Cox). Steered a good course.
A. H. F.

FIVES.

1st Round.	Grant's	v.	Home Boarders.	
	I. K. Munro		W. H. Studt	
	J. F. Turner	v.	D. E. Samuel.	15-3, 15-6.
	R. W. Edgar		C. F. Byers	
	T. W. Brown	v.	E. R. Hobbs	15-10, 15-7.
	J. Harrop		K. S. Maclean	
	E. A. Bompas	v.	J. R. Quertier	15-1, 15-3.

This year we entered the House Fives competition with considerably better chances than we had previously had. We had three out of the four representatives of the School team and had drawn into the half opposite to our greatest rivals. We drew Home Boarders in the first round; they had obviously not practised much, and were beaten

without undue effort, each pair winning by 2 games to 0.

2nd. Round	Grant's	v.	Rigauds.
	I. K. Munro		P. G. F. Rice-Stringer
		v.	15-1 15-1.
	J. F. Turner		T. N. Baker-Cresswell.
	R. W. Edgar		B. B. Willmott
		v.	15-1 15-1.
	T. W. Brown		N. Wallis
	J. Harrop		R. H. Angelo
		v.	15-10, 15-9
	E. A. Bompas		A. G. A. Beyts

Our next opponents were Rigauds, whose side consisted mainly of people who very seldom play. This third pair appeared to be their best, as their first two pairs together only succeeded in collecting 4 points.

Final.	Grant's	v.	King's Scholars.
	I. K. Munro		J. Alderson
		v.	15-6, 15-8.
	J. F. Turner		J. R. O'Brien
	R. W. Edgar		F. G. Adams
		v.	15-5, 15-12.
	E. A. Bompas		J. O. H. Powell-Jones
	J. Harrop		C. M. O'Brien
		v.	9-15, 10-15.
	T. W. Brown		J. P. Rayne

In the final we met King's Scholars who were probably our greatest rivals. Both their second and third pairs had a fairly high reputation as Fives players, and if their second pair did not quite live up to it, their third pair certainly did. Our first and second pairs won comfortably, and our third pair lost after a rather disappointing display. We had won the first time since the competition was started. In all we had won 16 games and lost only two, showing that Grant's supremacy at Fives is unquestionable.

GRANT'S FIVES CRITICISMS.

I. K. Munro. He plays a good game. He did not meet much opposition in the Fives Competition.

R. W. E.

J. F. Turner. He is a very good top-court player and knows well how much power to put into his shots. His smite is very accurate and he varies it very cleverly. He plays well from the back-court and is becoming much more accurate from there. He has not yet learnt the value of the slow shot into the box.

R. W. Edgar. He has improved a lot this year. He plays a very good game in the back-court, making his shots accurately. His top-court play lacks accuracy and needs improving. He should vary his smite a little more.

E. A. Bompas. He has improved enormously but must try to move a little quicker. He knows a good deal about the game but as yet his shots are too inaccurate.

T. W. Brown. His round-arm smite is effective but very tiring. He is still very weak with his left hand and his shots are not accurate enough.

J. Harrop. He is a clumsy player and is still apt to get a little flustered. He has a good smite and plays a good back-court game. He must practice more with his left hand.

I. K. M.

 O.T.C.

HOUSE SQUAD COMPETITION.

Grant's, unfortunately, did not occupy a very prominent position.

Last year we concentrated on the inspection and arms drill and left the squad drill too much to chance, and this year in striving to rectify last year's fault we completely

reversed the position, and did badly in the inspection and arms drill, and well in the squad drill.

Since extra corps parades are so tedious to everyone, we decided to adopt the policy of having only two parades a week, and of making those parades more severe than hitherto. That we did not prove successful can in no way be attributed to the failure of this policy. In fact I still remain convinced that this is a better policy than the old one of parading every time it was possible and becoming thoroughly stale and fed up before the competition arrives.

The squad was :—

I. K. Munro, Squad Commander; R. W. Edgar, Squad Sergeant; J. Harrop, G. C. Daisley, J. F. Turner, A. G. Hunt, E. A. Bompas, A. S. H. Kemp, G. O. Nares, A. E. R. Hadden, J. W. Finn, R. D. H. Preston, P. J. Sutton, P. C. Kavanagh.

Epitaph on an evil Spirit.

Here lies he of the tiny ears,
Of the fearsome face, and the angry glares.
A fiery temper he possessed,
And with abuse his mind obsessed.
Of Tophat he was ever talking,
Whither he was always walking,
And now he's there he'll be well pleased,
Home of unworthy sons deceased.

'Twas said an office he was seeking,
But it ne'er came within his keeping.
It wasn't his face
That worried His Grace,
But his horrible manner of speaking.

His face indeed was grey with hair,
His nose did oft let drop a tear,
But his voice—that foul flow
Of elongated phrases, so
He only got a minor post
In Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Now when alive he used to thrive
 On jokes and jests and verses,
 And oft to occupy his mind
 Used horrid words and curses.
 Now e'en when in the throes of death
 He failed not as a poet,
 He wrote this little epitaph,
 And on his grave does show it.
 " Here lies a grisly pastor,
 Who preached and prayed in vain.
 Here lies a tyrant master,
 Exponent of the cane.
 Here lies old Harry, dead and gone,
 Who governed our estate,
 Whom Earth could never living love,
 Whom dead e'en Hell doth hate.
 Now he were our boss, so it were a loss—
 Yours a very great loss to lose him.
 By two tiny ears and grey oily hairs,
 I am sure you could never confuse him.

REMINISCENCES OF AN OLD GRANTITE.

by

The REV. FREDERIC WILLETT.

1852-1857.

Honorary Member of the Old Grantite Club.

I went up Grants for the first time at the end of
 January 1852; a man-servant opened the door, asked my
 name and then ushered me into 'Mother Crowther's' Room,
 (to the left, on entering). My careful Mother, thinking that
 in the hurry of being in time for School I should find a
 difficulty in my necktie, provided me with a stock, buttoning
 behind. On emerging from 'Mother Crowther's' Room, I
 was met by a boy, Richard Grosvenor,¹ who exclaimed:

¹ Richard de Aquila Grosvenor, 1st Baron Stalbridge. Up Grants,
 Lent Term 1849-?1855. An intimate school friend of Francis
 Markham, who frequently mentions him in: 'Recollections of a
 Town-Boy at Westminster.' Col.-Commandant: 'Queen's Own'
 Dorset Yeomanry Cavalry: 1870-1882.

“ We’ve got a sodger come this term ! ” and away went my stock in his hands. The House-master spoke to me and the man-servant took me upstairs to my bedroom on the top floor, and put my baggage in it. There were three beds. I unpacked and was ready for bed, when a boy came in from another room and seized my night-shirt; after a fight I secured it and got entombed. Times are changed for new boys up Grants since then !

On going up School in the morning, I was directed to the Head Master’s (Liddell) desk. On being interrogated as to knowledge, I was taken by him to the Under Fourth. He spoke to a boy, by name Julius Alington,² and told him off as ‘ Substance ’ to take charge of me as ‘ Shadow ’; he took charge of me for a week and was responsible for putting me up to all manners and customs of Westminster. In after years I came across him as Squire of a parish. I was fag to old Berens,³ (with his brother,⁴ a lifelong friend).

In those days up Grants, the 6th. had a Chiswick to themselves; so also the Shell and the Upper 5th. The Under 5th. sat in the Library and the 4th., and Under School had to live in Hall, where after tea had been cleared away, we were supposed to ‘ muzz ’ for School next day. Hence my first adventure !

It would be Play-Term of my first year. When sixteen or more boys in winter-time are left entirely to themselves without superintendance of any sort, what is likely to happen? On one such evening there had been a boisterous row; suddenly the Hall door opened and a voice said: “ Southey,” (The Head⁵), “ says the noise in Hall has been disgraceful. The Hall is to draw lots for four to be tanned. They are to go to him.” Instant silence, but acceptance; Lots prepared; on four ‘ Tanned ’ was written;

² Julius Alington: Up Rigauds, October, 1851. Went to Natal, and became a famous Hunter. See ‘ Recollections of a Town-Boy.’

³ Richard Benyon Berens. Up Grants, 1848. Head of House, 1852. High Sheriff of Kent, 1893. d. 1916.

⁴ Edward Osmond Berens. Up Grants, 1851-1857. d. 1872.

⁵ Reginald Southey. Up Grants, 1848-1853. A distinguished Physician. d. 1899.

from the eldest Lots were drawn. I drew a 'Tanned' Lot; very indignant I said I had'nt been in the row and would'nt be tanned. So the four went to the 6th. Chiswick; Southey slanged the Hall for its general behaviour and said it must be stopped; to the senior of the four; "Hold out!" and the cane descended. I was the junior of the four and when told to hold out, I refused, saying I had not been in the row. Southey could, of course have used force, but he only said: "You'll have to: when you will take your tanning, come." On my return to Hall I was accounted a hero, and so thought myself. But in the night I felt I had shirked something and was uncomfortable; and so, coming from School next morning, I went to a senior Q.S. whom I knew at home, and who had promised to look after me. I told him about the last evening; he replied: "Don't be a fool; go and take your tanning and have done with it." So I did, and learned a life-long lesson: (a) to grin and bear, and (b) to recognise the value of a Public-School life in which boys manage themselves without a Master ever watching and spying on them.

My life up Grants was uneventful otherwise. I took to Water at once, and many enjoyable days I had in the Town-Boy heavy Four: rowing in which was, as it still is in my opinion, the source of Westminster's prowess on the River. The Fours and the two Eights were brought over by the 'Jacks'⁶ from Searle's boatyard at Lambeth, to the 'Barges,' directly under where the Victoria Tower now is, and approached by a flight of steps. Our objective was the 'Old Swan' at Battersea and back in time for Hall. It was hard work sometimes with tide against us, but it taught leg and back to work together and to push the stroke right through. My first 'station' up Fields, I was made to fag out for the Eleven, and so became disgusted with Cricket. So I lived contendedly until I got into College.

⁶ "The 'Jacks' were two in number, and had to bring the boats across to our landing stages at the Barges . . . they had no known surnames, but were addressed as 'Cockeye' and 'Bloody.' 'Cockeye' had a squint, 'Bloody' had one eye diffused with blood."

"Recollections of a Town-Boy at Westminster."

De mortuis, etc. Marshall as House-Master,⁷ whose nick-name was accurately 'The Dodo,' was incapable of sympathy with boys; he entrusted the discipline of the House to the Head-Boy, and beyond saying Prayers in the Hall, morning and evening, and presiding at one o'clock dinner, we saw nothing of him, except as a Form-master up School⁸.

⁷ The Rev. James Marshall came to Westminster as Assistant Master in October, 1846, and became House Master of Grants in 1847. This position he held until 1868; he left the School in 1875 and died in 1912.

⁸ Col. Markham says of him, however: "We all liked him, and he was always fair and straightforward in all his dealings."

BIRTH.

KOHNSTAMM.—On December 8th, to the wife of G. L. S. Kohnstamm, M.D., a son.

MARRIAGE.

SALISBURY-TRELAWNY—BEEKER.—On July 29th I. R. Salisbury-Trelawny to Muriel, eldest daughter of Sir Eustace and Lady Beeker.

SHEPLEY-SMITH—PRINGLE.—On December 17th Arthur Michael, son of the Rev. Shepley-Smith to Isabel Mary, daughter of Robert Pringle of Rhodesia.

OLD GRANTITES.

Professor E. D. Adrian, F.R.S., has been awarded the Nobel Prize for 1932 in Medicine of Physiology jointly with Sir Charles Sherrington.

Mr. R. T. Squire has been elected President of the Corinthians Football Club.

Mr. L. J. D. Wakely passed sixteenth into the Indian Civil Service and has been elected to the Edwin Arnold Memorial Scholarship at University College, Oxford.

OBITUARY.

We record with much regret the death of William Stepney Rawson. He was a younger son of S. W. Rawson, W. R. Rawson, K.C., M.G., Governor of Barbados and was admitted up Grant's in 1867. In 1869 he was elected into College and was Captain of the School in 1872. At Oxford he took a First Class in Math. Moderations and played Football for the University against Cambridge. He also played for England v. Scotland in 1875 and 1877. He was afterwards an Electrical Engineer. In 1891, he married Alice Maud, daughter of General Fife, who is well known as an authoress. Mr. Rawson took a keen interest in the Grantite Society and only a few weeks before his death wrote some reminiscences of Grant's in his time which we hope to publish in the Grantite.

We regret to announce the death of Miss Roud who died during the course of the term after an operation. She had served the school faithfully for many years, and will be much missed from the bookshop.

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