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## RECOLLECTIONS OF A TOWN BOY.

We are sure that few Westminsters will fail to read Captain Markham's entertaining book. We have no intention of forestalling the pleasure of the reader by referring to any of the stories which Captain Markham tells so vividly. We congratulate the author on a memory so lively and accurate that it recalls the events of fifty years ago as clearly as though they had happened yesterday. This remarkable faculty is possessed also by Sir Clements Markham, to whom his kinsman owns his obligation. Men who were reared at other schools may

Look back and thoughtfully wonder
What they were like in their work and their play.
Westminsters, or at any rate Westminsters
of the house of Markham, have no cause to wonder, for they know exactly what they were. They have moreover the literary faculty to inform posterity. This literary faculty is one of the many charms of Captain Markham's book.

In the life of a school changes are inevitable. Some arise from ideas which affect the whole current of national history, others from circumstances which affect a particular place. Westminster to-day is not in all points the same as it was in Captain Markham's day, nor in his time was it exactly the same as it had been when his great-grandfather was Head Master. But the changes have been less than is sometimes supposed. The setting of many of Captain Markham's stories is quite familiar to the present Grantite or Rigaudite. Water, of course, we have no longer, but on land we
do much that he did fifty years ago. Among the things which he regrets are mills on Fighting Green, the old form of the Pancake Grease, and Shadow and Substance. The first of these we cannot help, since later Deans see with other eyes than Turton's or Buckland's. Of our present Pancake Grease Captain Markham takes his conception from a very inadequate picture in an illustrated paper. The Grease is no longer general but it is much larger than he seems to believe. This year it was a very vigorous affray, and we who took part in it did not regard ourselves as part of 'a little trickle of boys.' We are happy to inform Captain Markham that his regret for Shadow and Substance is quite superfluous. It is true that these personages are not known in Form, but on that matter Captain Markham does not speak. If he could come back a new boy to Grant's we can assure him that he would be provided with a Substance who would do for him just what Reginald Somerville was supposed to do for him in the year of grace 1849. We will add that a Substance who should leave him, as Somerville left him, 'to his own devices,' would soon have corporal reasons to lament such neglect. Captain Markham seems to think that a new Shell should have been built after the fire. There are, however. Westminsters who hold that Dean Stanley was wise in making no attempt to simulate antiquity. Nor is Captain Markham disposed to deny that the new work, which Stanley executed at his own cost, improves the appearance of the room. On this point he who has seen both is better able to judge than we who know School only in its present form. Its present form we admire and love. The silver rudder, whose loss Captain Markham laments, is not lost but is preserved in the Scott Library.

In commending our readers to this book we may be allowed to hope that after fifty years our own memories of life in College may be as accurate and pleasant as Captain Markham's recollections of life in Grant's. We further hope that we may have some share of his ability to describe the days of boyhood.

# gin telemoriam. 

H. R. KIRBY.<br>Died Friday, May I5, 1903.

The news of H. R. Kirby's death will surely evoke much sympathy at Westminster. Few words are best in such circumstances, but perhaps I may be allowed to offer a small and wholly inadequate tribute to his memory. It is not a marvel that on returning from a walk on the Friday afternoon I refused to believe that the friend with whom two other Old Westminsters and myself had had tea only the afternoon before was dead : for he had seemed cheerful enough then: but that was his way: he was not given to complaining ; a stranger would have had to go elsewhere for the knowledge of the disappointment through ruthless ill-health of so many intellectual and athletic hopes. Kirby's unobtrusive excellence had won for bim a truly enviable popularity at Christ Church, truly enviable because it was absolutely unassociated with the unpleasant attributes of ordinary popularity. So sudden a death is the more shocking for its unexpectedness, but it brings at least a slight consolation, in the absence, as in this case, of a harrowing foreknowledge of the end : for he sank quietly and unknowingly into sleep.

Ex Aede Christi.

## AS OTHERS SEE US.

' What is Side ?' asked I of myself some ten years ago and waited for an answer. (Mark you, 'I' am not the writer of this: ' I' am a purely imaginary 'I.' ' I ' might equally well be 'you,' or at any rate one of many of you.) Finding that I could not satisfactorily answer my question, I asked my friends. The wag suggested 'Look in the glass.' 'Stale!' said I, and turned to another. 'Look at that fellow,' be replied: 'he got his "pinks" yesterday, and today he is wearing everything pink that he can lay hands on: that is side.' After the next match I got $m y$ 'pinks.' Remembering the last definition or rather example of side, I appeared Up Fields on Monday in a College 'shag ' and a third-eleven cap. Immediately I heard around me whispers 'Look at _—, mere side ; pretending that he has been a 'pink' all his life and can afford to think lightly of it ; he only does it to attract attention.' 'This was very perplexing.
' What is Side ?' asked I again and again, and waited for an answer. 'There you are!' exclaimed someone, pointing out a double pink, who was going out to lunch at his father's club. I looked but saw nothing very peculiar about him : he wore a collar perhaps nearer three than two inches high, a wellbrushed hat and a well-cut coat, patent-leather boots, and a simple tie-pin; but was that side? I inquired. 'Of course it is,' said the other, adding sotto voce : ' Brute ! he tanned me for ragging last night.' 'Well!' said I to myself, 'at last I know what side is,' and the next time I went out I was careful to wear the same clothes that I ordinarily wore in school. As I came through the archway into Dean's Yard I heard: 'There goes - ; siding as usual! He might make himself respectable when he goes out. It is mere side.'
'What on earth is side ?' asked I of myself in bed that night, and my thoughts went back to the wag's suggestion, 'Look in the glass !' Perhaps, after all, the key to the solution of my puzzle lay there, though I was quite sure that simply 'Look in the glass' was not the answer. I turned it over in my mind. 'I have it!' I said at last. 'Everyone of us puts on side ; it is part of human nature ; and it is visible to all eyes except our own, so that it is no good looking in the glass. But what of our best friends? They do not think that we put on side.' I was stuck again. Do our friends' eyes, through intimacy, become infected with the distemper which blinds our own eyes to our own side? This seemed possible, but I was not satisfied; and so after ten years I still sometimes ask myself 'What is side?' and still wait for an answer.

X-Ed.

## Stbool 急 10 tes.

There is an Exeat this term from Friday afternoon, June 12, till Wednesday morning, June 17.

Our intercourse with Eton, so close in the days of the Eton and Westminster race, has of late years been to a certain degree renewed by the annual football match, and is likely to be further increased next year if, as is at present arranged, the match is played at Eton. We cannot, therefore, pass over without allusion the grave calamity which has befallen our sister Royal College. We offer her our deepest sympathy at this time of her distress.

The situation of Westminster, in immediate con. nection with the most venerable of all national monuments, has doubtless helped to protect us from a similar disaster. There are hydrants and hose in
the Yard and ladders in the Dark Cloister, and watchers, of whom one at least is a fireman. But the fire at Eton has called the attention of our authorities to the structure of our buildings, and pains will be taken to provide for every room of every house adequate means of escape.

The Mission Offertory on Ascension Day amounted to $£ 3.7$ s.

The result of the first round of the Inter-House Fives ties was as follows:-
H. BB. beat Ashburnham (15-5, 15-12).
K. SS. beat Rigaud's ( $15-4,15-1$ ).

Grant's a bye.

In the first round of the Junior House matches K.SS. beat Ashburnham, and Rigaud's beat Grant's.

The following is the Cricket Card filled in to date :-

May 9 Sat. v. Incogniti. (Abandoned, owing to rain.) ," 16 " , Eton Ramblers. (Lost. Westmimster, IOI ; Eton Ramblers, 144)
,, 23 ,, v. Old Wykehamists. (Lost. Old Wykehamists, 186 ; Westminster, 162 )
,, 30 ,, v. Butterflies. (Lost. Westminster, 193 ; Butterflies, 202 for 4 wickets )
June 6 ,, v. I Zingari. (Drawn. Wesıminster, 309 for 7 wickets * ; I Zingari, 252 for 6 wickets.)
> ,, 10 Wed. v. Free Foresters. (Abandoned owing to rain.)
> $", 13$ Sat. v. O.WW.
> ", 20 ," v. Oxford University Authentics.
> ", 26 Fri. v. Charterhouse.
> July 27 Sat. v. West Kent.
> ,, 8 Wed. v. M.C.C.
> ", if Sat. v. Old Carthusians.
> ,, 15 Wed. $v$. Harrow Blues.
> ", I8 Sat. v. Crusaders.
> ", 27 Mon. T.BB. v. K.SS.

* Innings declared closed.

We are interested to hear that Surgeon-Colonel Reed, who was the Chemistry Master here in 185., has just returned from Australia, and is now living in Victoria Street.

We hear that the new buildings and racquet court in Great College Street are likely to cost $£ \mathrm{I} 4,000$. The foundations will have to be carried down 16 teet.

The Headmaster has purchased for the Scott Library a large water-colour drawing (varnished) by the late G. R. Sarjent, who was Art Master here
about the years $1830-1855$. The picture represents College Dormitory about the year 1835 , and is much more correct in details than the small lithograph by the same artist that already hangs in the library. It was bought from a grand-nephew of Mr. Sarjent's.

## THE MISSION.

We are sorry to hear that there is another delay in the building of the parish rooms. It is proposed to remove St. Mary's Church to another site, and the Bishop of London has requested that the matter be put off for a twelvemonth. The Ecclesiastical Commissioners offer a site for the church and the rooms in Cawston Street. We are afraid that in these circumstances the cadet corps cannot be started till next year.

## ELECTION DINNER.

The Committee of the Governing Body, appointed last November to consider the regulations for Election Dinner, has drawn up the following rules :-
(1) The Dinner shall be held in College Hall on Election Monday,
(2) The number of diners shall be limited to 100 .
(3) Invitations shall be issued, as a matter of course (a) to officials, viz. the Governing Body, the electors and examiners, the Canons, the Masters, the Secretary and Receiver ; (b) to O.WW. who are members of either House of Parliament or judges; (c) to certain former members of the Staff and the Governing Body; (d) to all O.WW. of fisty-five years of age or more ; (e) to the officers of the Elizabethan Club.
(4) It, after the foregoing have been invited, there are any vacant places, invitations for these shall be issued in rotation to O.WW. above thirty years of age, the invitations in the second year to begin where those of the previous year left off.
(5) The Secretary shall continue to send out the invitations.
(6) The names of the guests shall be printed and their seats assigned to them, contemporaries being placed together.

Some attempt is to be made to render College Hall more comfortable than heretofore by the introduction of chairs, electric light, \&c.

## THE FIELDS.

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. ETON RAMBLERS.

Played Up Fields on Saturday, May 16, and ended in a win for the visitors by 43 runs. Eton Ramblers won the toss, but decided to put the School in. The start was disastrous, as four wickets went down for 17 . However, Coleby and Walters made a useful stand, the former doing most of the scoring, and took the score to 4 I before Walters left. Colt-Williams then came in and with Coleby put on 25 runs for the sixth wicket. Coleby was then bowled by A. H. Hoare after a good innings of 25 . The rest, with the exception of Fleuret, did not offer much resistance, and the innings closed for 10 .

Eton Ramblers opened with Matthews and Tabor, and runs came at a rapid pace. When Matthews had made 26 he was badly missed by Lane-Claypon at mid-on. Kirkpatrick then went on for Hepburn, with the result that Matthews was splendidly caught by Fleuret at short leg. Tabor was bowled by Gardner at roo. Hepburn then went on again, and in his first over got four wickets, all clean bowled, including the hat trick, which he did with his first three balls. Hepburn and Gardner then bowled so well that the visitors were all dismissed for 144 .

## SCORE AND ANALYSIS.

## Westminster School.

H. Logan, c. sub., b. V. R. Hoare ................ 7
G. L. Crowe, c. Peacock, b. Lane-Fox ......... 4
R. G. Gardner, b. V. R. Hoare ...................... o
E. W. Lane-Claypon, run out ..................... 3
O. H. Walters, b. V. R. Hoare ...................... 4
A. T. Coleby, b. A. H. Hoare ...................... 25
E. W. D. Colt-Williams, b. V. R. Hoare ...... 17
C. Powers, b. V. R. Hoare ............................ o
F. S. Fleuret, not out ....................... ...... 16
L. G. Kirkpatrick, c. V. R. Hoare, b. Lane-Fox 5
J. K. Hepburn, c. Rodwell, b. Lane-Fox .. ... o

Extras ..................................................... 20
Total ............................................... 10 .

## Eton Ramblers.

C. L. Matthews, c. Fleuret, b. Kirkpatrick ...... 55
J. C. Tabor, b. Gardner ............................... 27
A. H. Hoare, b. Hepburn ........................... 32
G. L. Hoare, b. Hepburn ............................ 3

Capt. W. S. Gosling, b. Hepburn ................... o
V. R. Hoare, b. Hepburn ... ....................... o
W. C. Bridgeman, b. Hepburn ....................... 18
E. Lane-Fox, b. Gardner.................................... $\quad 0$
H. H. Rodwell, b. Gardner................................. I
H. St. G. Peacock, b. Gardner ....................... $\quad$ o
V. A. Malcolmson, not out .............................. o

Extras.........................................
Total

| BOWLING ANALYSIS. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Westminster School. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Overs | Maidens | Runs | Wickets |
| E. Lane-Fox ........ | 20 | 4 | 40 | 3 |
| V. R. Hoare ........ |  | 14 | 24 | 5 |
| A. H. Hoare ....... |  | 0 | 17 | 1 |
| Eton Ramblers. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Ove | Maidens | Runs | Wickets |
| C. Powers | 8 | 1 | 32 | 0 |
| J. K. Hepburn ... |  | 1 | 32 | 5 |
| L. G. Kirkpatrick | 5 | 0 | 28 | 1 |
| R. G. Gardner ...... | - 8 | 0 | 44 | 4 |

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WYKEHAMISTS.

Played Up Fields on Saturday, May i6, and ended in a win for the visitors by 24 runs. Old Wykehamists won the toss and had no difficulty in compiling 186, of which Symes-Thompson contributed 54 by excellent cricket and Hunt 50. Powers was the most successful bowler, capturing six wickets at an average cost of 12 runs. Hepburn got four wickets for 67 runs.

Westminster started badly, losing Logan in the second over with the score at 4. Coleby, Gardner, and Lane-Claypon all made runs and stayed with Crowe while he compiled 5 I by splendid cricket. His cutting was especially fine. Bonser also played a steady innings of 26 . The innings closed for 162, and so the visitors won by 24 runs.

## SCORE AND ANALYSIS. <br> Old Wykehamists.

H. E. Symes-Thompson, b. Powers ................ 54
V. M. Fortune, b. Hepburn ........................... 17
G. Marshall, b. Powers ......................... ... 5
E. C. Lee, b. Powers ................................ I9
J. H. C. Hunt, b. Powers ........................... 50
I. L. Johnson, c. Bonser, b. Powers ................ o
C. H. Allison, not out ................................. II
G. A. C. Phipps, b. Powers ......................... II
A. E. Haig, b. Hepburn .............................. 2
B. J. Majendie, b. Hepburn ....................... Io
C. B. Charlesworth, b. Hepburn ................... o

Extras .................................................... 7
Total ............................................... 186
Westminster School.
H. Logan, c. Lee, b. Fortune......................... o
G. L. Crowe, c. Marshall, b. Hunt ................ 5I
A. T. Coleby, c. Majendie, b. Hunt ................ I3
R. G. Gardner, l.b.w., b. Phipps . ................ II
E. W. Lane-Claypon, b. Hunt ..................... 15
P. T. Rawlings, b. Allison ............................ 0
W. J. W. Bonser, b. Phipps ......................... 26
C. Powers, b. Allison .................................. o
L. G. Kirkpatrick, b. Phipps ......................... 2 I
J. L. Johnston, b. Phipps .............................. o
J. K. Hepburn, not out .............................. 2

Extras ................................................... 23
Total................................................ 162
WESTMINSTER SCHOOL $v$. BUTTERFLIES.
Winning the toss, Logan sent in Crowe and Bonser to face the bowling of Winter and Gardiner. Crowe opened the score with a single off Winter, following it up with a four to leg off Gardiner. The scoring proceeded fairly rapidly until Crowe was bowled by a good ball at the end of Gardiner's second over, having scored all the runs (15) so far. Coleby then went to the wicket and took some time getting his eye in ; meanwhile Bonser, who had taken twenty minutes making a single, was bowled with the score at 2I. The scoring grew faster with Coleby and Lane-Claypon in, and 61 was reached before the former was out to a good catch by Winter off Barry, having scored 22. Lane-Claypon followed him three runs later. Logan and Gardiner quickly brought the score to roo, but four runs later the latter was caught and bowled by Bromley-Martin. Gardiner bowled Rawlings for o after Logan had scored ${ }_{17}$ more runs. Bromley-Martin then bowled Logan, who had played a good innings ; his 35 included two fives and five fours. Colt-Williams and Fleuret carried the score to 134 , when the latter ran himself out. With Powers in the scoring was more rapid, and 50 runs were added before Colt-Williams was out for 25. At the fall of Hepburn's wicket the innings closed for 193, Powers carrying out his bat for 35 .

Bromley-Martin and Arbuthnot opened for the Butterflies against the bowling of Powers and Hepburn. The former scored very fast and made 34 out of 60 before being caught by Logan off Hepburn. Arbuthnot was bowled soon after, but Bennett and Sandilands kept together for some time. When Bennett left Symes-Thompson joined Sandilands, but after scoring 14 was well caught by Logan off Powers. Winter and Sandilands stayed till rain, after giving time for our defeat by six wickets, stopped further play. Sandilands carried out his bat for a superb 52 .

## SCORE AND ANALYSIS.

Westminster School.
G. L. Crowe, b. Gardiner ........................... I5
W. J. W. Bonser, c. Southey, b. Winter .......... I
A. T. Coleby, c. Winter, b. Barry .................. 22
E. W. Lane-Claypon, b. Bromley-Martin ...... 21
H. Logan, b. Bromley-Martin......................... 35
R. G. Gardner, c. and b. Bromley-Martin ...... 17
P. T. Rawlings, b. Gardiner ......................... o
E. W. D. Colt-Williams, b. Southey ............ 25
C. Powers, not out .................................... 35
F. S. Fleuret, run out .................................. 8
J. K. Hepburn, c. Winter, b. Southey ............ 3

Extras ......... ........................................... II
Total .............................................. 193

## Butterflies.

G. Bromley-Martin, c. Logan, b. Hepburn ...... 34
L. Arbuthnot, b. Powers............................... 20
R. A. Bennett, b. Fleuret ............ ............. 30
R. R. Sandilands, not out .......................... 52
H. E. Symes-Thompson, c. Logan, b. Powers... 14
G. E. Winter, not out ........................ ....... 28
B. J. W. Barry
G. A. Gardiner
T. P. Heywood-Lonsdale $\}$ did not bat
P. R. Selby
J. Southey

Extras ................................................. 24
Total (for 4 wickets).......................... 202
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
Westminster School.


| Butterflies. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overs | Maidens | Runs | Wickets |
| C. Powers ............. | 13 | 1 | 77 | 2 |
| J. K. Hepburn... . ... | 7 | 0 | 3 I | 1 |
| R. G. Gardner......... | 10 | 1 | 44 | 0 |
| F. S. Fleuret. | 5 | 0 | 24 | I |

## THE CONCERT.

Of the Annual Concert, given Up-School on May 22, we can only speak in terms of the highest praise. The attendance was large, though fortunately more restrictions had been placed on the number of tickets given out, and there was consequently no such crush as last year. Up-School, however, was quite full, and the stewards are highly to be commended for the successful way in which they cleared the chairs away at the end and so made a comparatively easy exit.

The Concert began punctually at eight with Sullivan's 'Pirates of Penzance.' The solo parts in this were well filled; Depree in particular gave a very good rendering of the difficult part of Frederic. Argyle has a pleasant voice, but it was not always easy to catch his words, and he seemed rather inclined to get out of tune. Bowen needs to practise enunciation; he has some excellent high notes, but his singing is spoilt to an audience who have no words by his indistinctness. Bottomley and Shearman both filled their respective parts with success, and Pedler's low F, in the Chorus of Shearman's song, brought the house down. Chesney as 'Ruth' seemed rather unimpassioned for a 'Pirate Maid-of-all-Work,' but in his song and in his duets with Depree his words were far more audible than in many others. The Chorus kept well together and showed signs of careful training and diligent practice.

The second part opened with a splendid performance by Hackforth of Liszt's Hungarian Storm March. It was, indeed, a pleasure to hear such fine music, and we hope to hear Hackforth often again on similar occasions. After a part-song well given by the Chorus, Summerhays gave his charming song 'A Birthday.' This song was quite one of the features of the evening and well deserved the enthusiastic reception accorded it. He was followed by Bottomley, who used his bass voice to good effect. Mr. Piggott gave a very musical rendering of Arensky's Intermezzo in F minor. Argyle's song seemed well suited to his voice, and was well given. Leslie's beautiful trio 'Memory' was on the whole successful, though the voices seemed rather unequally balanced. Shearman was bold in attempting 'The Song of Hybrias the Cretan,' but he proved quite equal to the task. Hallett then gave us our old favourite 'Where the Bee Sucks'; he was not very distinct. Another old friend followed-'The Chough and Crow.' The solo parts were taken by Argyle, Chesney, and Bottomley; the Chorus thoroughly entered into the work and made it a great success. Next came Dickson's Solo, which we always look for with such expectation. Though perhaps his choice this year was too classical for some of the audience, it was appreciated as it fully deserved by the majority. Chesney's song was followed by Bishop's part song 'Oh, by Rivers,' and then Charles and Chesney sang Marzials' beautiful Duet in Canon 'Go, Pretty Rose' ; this was rendered with due feeling. To Pedler's extraordinary voice was due to a large extent the great reception accorded to his song, for very few, if any, can have heard the words. He was recalled for a well-deserved encore. Bowen's song was marred again by his terrible indistinctness ; as regards tune and time there was no fault to find. Johnston gave us a song, and then came the ever popular Gendarmes' Duet. As an encore a topical verse from the pen of one of the performers was sung and received with great applause. The part song 'Now is the Month of Maying'. brought to an end the most successful concert we remember for many years. It is specially rẹmarkable
that this year no help was received from O.WW., so that the School deserves the entire credit of possessing so much musical talent. The credit of bringing the talent forward and of training it is, as we all know, due to Mr. Ranalow's persistent keenness. If a Concert can be made a success he will make it so, as the several concerts of the past few years have shown, but none more so than this year's. As long as he is here to superintend the practices, there need be no fear of a decline in the standard attained; that he may be able to superintend many more concerts here must be the wish of all Westminsters past and present, to whom the success of the Concert is a matter of interest. We heartily congratulate him and all the performers on the great success achieved this year.

The programme was as follows :-

## PART I.

Comic Opera ... ... ... ... Sir Arthur Sullivan.

## THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE.

Act I and Act II, Nos. 9, Io, II, 12.
Soloists.

| Major-General Stanley | G. T. Boag. |
| :---: | :---: |
| The Pirate King ... | A. C. Bottomley. |
| Samuel (his Lieutenant)... | J. L. Johnston. |
| Frederic (the Pirate Apprentice) | S. B. Depree. |
| Sergeant of Police | .. J. Shearman. |
| Mabel ( Major-General Stanley's |  |
| Kate $\} \quad$ Daughters) | S. D. Charles. |
| Ruth (a Pirate Maid-of-all-Work) | E. C. Chesney. |

PART II.



God Save the King.

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College.-Little has happened since the May Elizabethan except that our Juniors have beaten Ashburnham by nine wickets, a success that we hope will soon be followed by others. R. G. Gardner, E. W. D. Colt-Williams, A. T. Coleby, G. L. Crowe, E. W. Lane-Claypon, O. H. Walters, P. T. Rawlings, and W. J. W. Bonser have all played for the School. We congratulate Crowe in particular on his fine innings against Old Wykehamists. As we go to press we hear that R. G. Gardner and A. T. Coleby have been given back their 'Pinks'; we congratulate both. The Literary Society is engaged on 'King John.' We were well represented among the soloists at the Concert.

Grant's.-We have very little to record since the last number. In Juniors we were beaten by Rigaud's. Kirkpatrick has been playing regularly for the School, but owing to an accident to his knee has been out of School for some time. Grant's was well represented at the concert. J. D. H. Dickson was as good as ever, and H. C. G. Pedler gave one of the most successful songs of the evening. We are glad to see that Captain Markham's 'Recollections of a Town Boy at Westminster' is devoted very largely to Grant's, which has been rather neglected in all previous books on Westminster.

Rigaud's.-We wish to offer our hearty congratulations to Matcham on passing his preliminary law examination, and to Hepburn on his regular appearance for the School and remarkable bowling performances. We hope the 'schoolboy trundler'
will keep his place and take some more hat-tricks. Seddon has returned to our midst after an attack of German measles. Our Juniors started well with a signal victory over Grant's. Another boarder has arrived. Congratulations also to Craig and Capon on home-colours.
H.BB.-Little has happened since last House Notes. We have beaten Ashburnham in the first round of the Inter-House Fives ties ( $15-3$ ) ( $\mathrm{I} 5-12$ ) after a fairly good game. Our representatives were Vernon and P. M. Bartlett, who both played up well. We are still in the course of the second round versus Grant's. Our Juniors were a bye in the first round of the House matches, so we can give no account of our cricket prospects. We were poorly represented in the concert this year, only having two soloists and eight in the chorus. Hackforth gave a delightful rendering of the 'Hungarian Storm March,' and Summerhays, whom we welcome back after a somewhat lengthy absence, is to be congratulated on his song, 'A Birthday.'

Ashburnham.-We enjoy some recompense this hot weather for the lack of light in the upper room in the comparatively low temperature that prevails there. Nothing particularly exciting has occurred lately. Our Juniors made a poor show against College, and we believe we lost a fives-tie against H.BB. Cricket, the heat, ard sundry other causes kept our proper pair from playing, and we are glad to be able to gratify H.BB. with this small measure of success. We are glad to see that an interest in racquets seems to have arisen in the upper room. The House did not display much oak-leaf on Restoration Day, but it was at least more loyal to monarchy than any other house. Congratulations to H. L. Henderson on winning the Gaisford Prize for Greek verse, and to H. W. Beveridge on the good form in the recent golf championship. We were glad to see S. S. Harris appearing in the cricket field once more for Cambridge.

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[Any information for this column will be most acceptable to the Editor.]

At Oxford the Gaisford Prize for Greek Verse is awarded to Mr. H. L. Henderson. This prize has not before been won by a Westminster. Mr. Henderson had already won the Chancellor's Prize for Latin Verse and the Craven Scholarship.

Our attention has been called to an omission in our war lists. Mr. F. V. C. Livingstone-Learmonth, who was at the School in 1877 and 1878 and afterwards settled in Australia, served as a lieutenant in the New South Wales Mounted Infantry and was awarded the D.S.O. for service in the field.

The Dean of Christ Church has published a second and revised edition of his 'Manual on Theology.' He is also the author of the last volume of Longman's Handbooks for the Clergy. Its title is 'Authority in the Church.'

Captain Francis Markham's 'Recollections of a Town Boy at Westminster' is published by Edward Arnold.

Mr. C. R. Cockerell, R.A., the designer of our play scenery, left a Journal of his Travels in Southern Europe and the Levant from 181 I to 1817 . This is now edited by his son, Mr. S. P. Cockerell, and published by Longmans. The author was at the School under Vincent and the editor under Scott.

The Rev. Ivor G. Farrar is the author of 'Some Fathers of the Reformation,' published by the Religious Tract Society.

Among those who exhibit at the Academy this year are Sir Edward Poynter, Mr. W. H. Y. 'Titcombe, and Mr. Herbert Marshall.

Pan, the very successful eights week paper (we beg pardon, 'piper'), is edited by Mr. G. K. A. Bell and Mr. W. T. S. Sonnenschein. It is very much a Westminster venture, for the first number had contributions by Mr. S. C. Woodhouse, Mr. Mostyn T. Pigott, and him who signs himself 'Haruld Simpson.' We detect yet another under the initials 'A. A. M.,' and we suspect others.

## Hlarriage.

Blakeney-Ellis.-On May 6, Major R. B. D. Blakeney, R.E., D.S.O., to Frances Dorothy, daughter of the late Major Nelson Ellis, Royal Munster Fusiliers.

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We have to regret the death of a Westminster well known to the elders of the present generation. Herbert Robert Kirby entered the School as a Q.S. in 1895 and was elected to a Christ Church exhibition in 1goo. He was never robust, and his career was much interrupted by il'ness, which he endured with a manly cheerfulness that endeared him to his friends. In spite of his physical weakness he was a coxswain of remarkable nerve and judgment, and, had his health allowed, it was thought that he would steer the University eight. He was taken ill on May 15 and died before night. He was buried in Osney Cemetery on the following Monday ; the first part of the service was held in Christ Church Cathedral and was attended by a large congregation of undergraduates. Both at Westminster and at Christ Church there are many to mourn the death of an exemplary character, a young man of integrity and fortitude.

We have also to regret the death of Vilfred Brinton, who was elec ed head to Christ Church in 1873. He was in the First Class in Moderations in 1875 and in the Second in Litteris Humanioribus in 1877. He was called to the Bar in 1882, and had a considerable and increasing practice. He died on April 17.

## Correspondence.

[From Our Cambridge Correspondent.]

## To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Dear Sir,-On May 23 a Cambridge Old Westminsters' Dinner was held in Trinity, and, in spite of one great disappointment, was generally voted a success. The disappointment was that Mr. H. O. C Beasley, who had kindly promised to take the chair, was forced to cry off at the last moment owing to an attack of tonsillitis. I do not know which we deplored most, the cause or the effect. Our heartiest gratitude and commendation are due to our secretary, R. D. Kitson, whose energy, both before and after the dinner, was astonishing.
H. S. Bompas has been playing for the 'Varsity at cricket, but at present is engaged in the more serious business of a Tripos, as also are S. S. Harris, A. A. Milne, and S. D. Kennedy. These last two will be sadly missed next year. But it is good to know that Bompas, Harris, and Anderson will be up for a fourth year.
C. Kent is coxing 3rd Trinity in the May races, and will presumably guide their fortunes at Henley, where we have good reason to hope for a repetition of last year's triumphs.

By the time this appears in print most of the Tripos Lists will be out. Westminster is strongly represented, and I feel sure that the present gloom of anxious anticipation will give way before a happy realisation of our best hopes. But before that there is a May Week to come, with all its attendant circumstances. The 'Footlights' Dramatic Club is to produce at the Theatre a comic opera from the pen of J. Heard (O.W.), who went down a year ago. I wish it all possible success. Yours, \&c.,

TRIN. COLL. CAMB.

## To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Dear Sir,-May I propose an improvement in the Pavilion, which I am sure would be generally welcomed? Anyone who sits there on match-days knows how trying the glare of the sun is. Surely an awning could be put up along the front, which would easily remedy this defect.

Yours truly,
Outis.
2 Little Dean's Yard, May 26, 1903.

## To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Dear Sir,---In Capt. Markham's interesting 'Recollections' the term 'Lamprobatic' is defined in the glossary as a match 'between the XI. and the VIII.'

This VIII. was presumably the rowing VIII., but it is not stated whether the match was a cricket match or a football match, so that the XI. may be either.

In the 'Athletic Records' (McKenna \& Gwyer, 1898' the Lamprobatic match is described as a T.BB. and Q.SS. cricket match for those 'who had not previously taken part in the great match.'

Can you or any of your readers throw any light on the matter ?

I am, Sir,
Yours, \&c.,
т. B.

June 4, 1903.

## ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT.

K. S.-Your letter has our complete approval, but as the grievance has already disappeared we refrain from printing.

## (1) $\mathfrak{x r}$ Contemporaries.

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## ERRATUM.

P. 263, 1. 1, for 'Yates,' read Gates,

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