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THE FOOTBALL SEASON 1906-07.

Matches played	Matches won	Lost	Drawn	Goals for	Against
26	13	10	3	53	50

THE results of the past season, as set forth above, are eminently satisfactory. It is a long time since so many matches have been won in a single season, and of the matches lost the majority were splendidly contested. Still further have we cause to congratulate ourselves in the knowledge that the present team has produced a better class of football than has been the case in recent years, the shooting being more frequent and more accurate, the dash and combination better, and the general keenness excellent. The forwards seemed to realise that it is goals that win matches, and the quality of the defence can be estimated from the fact that in only two of the twenty-six matches were more than three goals scored by our opponents. Against all this must be put

the disappointment caused by our failure to win either of our school engagements; in Charterhouse we confess we met a better side, but the loss of the Winchester match on our own ground was a bitter disappointment, rather aggravated than otherwise by the fact that we have only ourselves to blame.

Individually the team contained several players of whom more should be heard in the future. The side was handicapped by lack of a regular goal-keeper; for when Harris, who kept goal excellently for the first part of the season, was able to take his place in the forward line, an efficient substitute was difficult to find, and Treatt, who eventually secured the position after various trials had been made, can hardly be considered up to the average standard of school goal-keepers, well as he played at Charterhouse. The backs were excellent. Birchall should be very good, if he gains in weight and strength, as he has a very sound

knowledge of the game, kicks well, though not strongly with either foot, heads well, and last, but not least, is always trying to place the ball to one of his own side, thus avoiding that all too common fault among inexperienced players of what for want of a better phrase we will describe as 'purposeless and indiscriminate punting.' Wylde, after a temporary falling off, came again in great style, and is an extremely useful and bustling full back, though at times a little erratic. He must remember that a full back should part with the ball as early as is convenient, thus avoiding danger and giving himself a better chance of finding his forwards unmarked. Edgar suffered from playing forward and half in turn. His proper place is half-back, and with a little more pace he should be very good; he tackles, heads, and passes very well indeed, and can shoot when an opportunity presents itself.

Oxley is a hard working centre half, who lately has not played up to his earlier form; he is weak with his head work, which is so essential in a centre half, but his chief fault lies in not passing soon enough. Mason is a very fair half, but would be 50 per cent. better if he had two feet to play with instead of one. Jones tackled very well, but kicks too hard and high for a half-back, who should always push the ball along the ground to his forwards whenever possible. Peacock and McManus are much too slow for half-backs. The latter can dribble well, and coming into the team late at outside right did very useful work in that position. Ferguson, the other candidate for the position, has pace but no resource; his proper place in the field is full back. Gover has the makings of a very good player; he can make a nice opening for his wing man, and has scored the majority of the goals gained. His chief asset, however, is a very quick turn, which frequently puts him clear of the defence, and though a trifle slow he has the knack of dribbling with the ball very close, but it is a pity he can only shoot with one foot. Lloyd-Williams, the other inside, is slow and rather clumsy; but is a very useful player, who gets a fair percentage of goals, makes good passes to the wing, and is always working. Harris, at outside left, is the best forward in the team; not over fond of work, but fast and clever, with a quick turn and good centre, and nice control of the ball. The one real weakness throughout has been the want of a good centre forward. Edgar, Geare, Maxwell, and others have been tried in that position,

but none have proved quite satisfactory, and we must hope that next year this much-desired individual will make his appearance. It is high time.

The contest for the House Shield has resulted in a victory for H.B.B., and the annual match between K.S.S. and T.B.B. ended in the rout of the latter, whose defence was weak, and who sadly missed Gover from the forward line. We present our congratulations to the victors, but above all to Birchall, whose untiring zeal, combined with judgment and tact, has done much to make the season a success.

Historical Notes.

EARLY CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS. BUNDLE 17.

No. 263.

[*Transcript.*]

"To the ryght reverent and wyrchypfull lord the Archbysshopp of Canterbury and Chancellor of England."

Between 8 Hen. IV. &
35 Hen. VI.

"Right mekely besecheth your pouer servant and oratour George Mortymer, scole maister of Westmyenster, that where Agnes, late the wyfe of your said pouer besecher toke to kepe uppon trust to oon Robert Goldsmyth, that tyme beyng servant and submaister to the said George, certayn godes to the value of xx^{li}, that he shuld delyver thies forsaid godes when he were required. Sone after the said Agnes fell seke and she confessed to the forsaid George her husband that she hade delyvered to the forsaid Robert the godes aforesaid and that he hade hyndered the forsaid George hyr husband in divers maners to the value of xl^{li}, and then she dyed, like as your pouer suppliant shall informe yowe in confession, and as ye shall have knowled be the examination of the forsaid Robert nowe beyng preest in savyng the reverence of presthode that he shuld not be openly shamed, the wech offence is to the gret hurt and hynderyng and utter undoyng of your said besecher. Please hit unto your gracious lordshyp to consider thies premisses and theruppon of your gode grace to graunt to your said besecher a writt sub pena direct unto the forsaid Robert, gyfng hym in charge to appere before yowe in the chauncerie att a certayn day under a certayn payne, ther of the forsaid premisses to be examined

and to do as goode faith and conscience requiren for the luf of Almyghty God and in the way of charite.

Pledges to ROBERT DERLYNG, of the vill of Westminster, in the county of Middlesex, gentleman.
 prosecute. } WILLIAM THORNETON, of the vill of Westminster, in the county of Middlesex, gentleman.

[We owe this note to the kindness of Mr. W. J. Hardy.]

School Notes.

WE offer our hearty congratulations to A. P. Waterfield on winning the Public School Medal for the Royal Asiatic Society's Essay. The medal will be presented by Lord Elgin at a special meeting of the Society on June 19.

It is an equally pleasant duty to congratulate Mr. F. G. Worlock (O.W.) and C. C. Treatt on their successes in the Royal Drawing Society's Exhibition at Skinners' Hall. Out of 800 entries among Public School exhibitors Westminster secured first and second places: Worlock, with a drawing of figures from life (done while at school) winning Sir Charles Holroyd's prize; and Treatt, Sir James Linton's with a water-colour sketch of the School.

The Corps attended the Public Schools' Field Day on March 19.

The House Squad Competition was held on March 26 and was judged by Lieut. G. N. Ford (O.W.). The result was: Grant's, 1; Ashburnham and Home Boarders, 2; K.SS., 4; Rigaud's, 5.

The School Confirmation was held on March 23 by the Bishop of Rochester. There were 40 candidates.

At Aldershot this year B. V. T. Worthington and D. M. Griffin represented the School in gymnastics; C. C. Treatt and H. J. Davis in boxing; G. J. Hunter in fencing and R. A. E. Voysey in sabres. The latter gained second prize.

The winning league is G, captained by W. G. Goodale.

The following are the elevens:—

<i>Pinks.</i>	<i>Pink and Whites.</i>	<i>3rd XI's.</i>
*W. R. Birchall.	*A. W. Peacock.	W. R. Horton.
W. B. Harris.	J. C. Gow.	J. Geare.
*S. C. Edgar.	J. W. Ferguson.	*C. G. Reed.
C. C. Gover.	*M. T. Maxwell.	G. G. Feasey.
*J. C. Davidson.	*G. W. Hamel.	*A. M. Harding.
C. C. Treatt.		J. S. Heaton-Ellis.
*E. W. Wyld.		A. E. F. Wood.
K. R. H. Jones.		D. L. Summerhays.
*J. E. Lloyd-Williams.		S. D. Graham.
*D. McManus.		P. H. Wyatt.
*E. R. Mason.		E. C. Clarke.
A. E. Rice-Oxley.		*G. C. Formilli.
		C. B. Bonner.
		R. M. Barrington-Ward.

* Will have left by next year.

The following is the Football Card, with results:—

1906.

Sat. Sept. 29	v. Clapham Rovers.	(Won, 1-0.)
" Oct. 6	v. Old Harrovians.	(Lost, 0-2.)
2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters A.	(Lost, 1-4.)
" Oct. 13	v. R.M.A., Woolwich.	(Drawn, 1-1.)
2nd XI.	v. King's College and Hospital.	(Drawn, 2-2.)
Wed. Oct. 17	v. Jesus College, Cambridge.	(Lost, 0-3.)
Sat. " 20	v. Old Carthusians.	(Lost, 1-2.)
" " 27	v. Old Malvernians.	(Lost, 0-2.)
" Nov. 3	v. Barnes.	(Won, 4-3.)
Wed. " 7	v. Old Foresters.	(Lost, 2-3.)
Sat. " 17	v. Old Felstedians.	(Won, 4-1.)
Thurs. " 22	v. Cambridge Old Westminsters.	(Won, 1-0.)
Sat. " 24	v. A Cambridge XI.	(Won, 5-1.)
2nd XI.	v. St. Thomas's Hospital A.	(Won, 5-0.)
" Dec. 1	v. Brasenose College, Oxon.	(Won, 4-0.)
" " 8	v. Casuals.	(Lost, 0-6.)
" " 15	v. Old Westminsters.	(Drawn, 2-2.)
2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters A.	(Lost, 1-7.)

1907.

Sat. Jan. 26	v. Casuals.	(Scratched.)
2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters A.	(Scratched.)
" Feb. 2	v. Beckenham.	(Lost, 1-3.)
Wed. " 6	v. Mr. S. S. Harris's XI.	(Lost, 0-6.)
Sat. " 9	v. Christ Church, Oxon.	(Won, 3-1.)
2nd XI.	v. King's College and Hospital.	(Won, 4-3.)
Tues. " 12	v. Trinity Rest.	(Scratched.)
Sat. Feb. 16	v. Exeter College, Oxon.	(Won, 4-2.)
2nd XI.	v. Old Foresters A.	(Scratched.)
" Feb. 23	v. Winchester College (at Vincent Square).	(Lost, 1-2.)
Wed. " 27	v. Old Westminsters.	(Won, 6-2.)
Sat. Mar. 2	v. Charterhouse (at Godalming).	(Lost, 0-3.)
Wed. " 6	v. R.M.C., Sandhurst.	(Won, 4-2.)
Sat. " 9	v. Old Etonians.	(Drawn, 0-0.)
2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters A.	(Lost, 4-0.)
" Mar. 16	v. Old Aldenhamians.	(Won, 2-1.)
Wed. " 20	v. Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.	(Won, 2-1.)
Thurs. " 21	v. Oxford O.W.W.	(Won, 5-1.)
Sat. " 23	K.SS. v. T.BB.	(K.SS. won, 6-1.)

The following is the card of the Debating Society, filled in to date:—

Oct. 4.—'That this House would approve of the School being moved into the country.' Proposer, A. E. F. Wood; Seconder, F. G. Turner; Opposer, D. J. Jardine. (Lost, 10-20.)

Oct. 11.—'That this House disapproves of Phonetic Spelling.' Proposer, W. R. Birchall; Seconder, G. G. Williams; Opposer, E. R. Mason. (Carried, 20-4.)

Oct. 18 and 25.—'That this House disapproves of Vivisection.' Proposer, J. R. H. Harley; Seconder, R. M. Barrington-Ward; Opposer, H. G. F. Longhurst. (Carried, 10-6.)

Nov. 1.—'That this House would welcome Female Suffrage.' Proposer, J. Benvenisti; Seconder, A. C. Boulton; Opposer, R. W. Williams. (Lost, 12-14.)

Nov. 8.—'That this House would welcome Fiscal Reform.' Proposer, F. G. Turner; Seconder, C. C. Gover; Opposer, B. V. T. Worthington. (Carried, 25-9.)

Nov. 15.—'That this House disapproves of Party Politics.' Proposer, J. C. Gow; Seconder, W. E. Horsley; Opposer, J. W. Ferguson. (Lost, 4-20.)

Jan. 24.—'That this House considers that a Channel Tunnel would be disadvantageous to the Nation.' Proposer, O. V. Thomas; Seconder, L. E. Tanner; Opposer, E. D. Adrian. (Carried, 18-8.)

Jan. 31 and Feb. 7.—‘That this House would welcome a change of Government.’ Proposer, D. J. Jardine; Second, W. R. Birchall; Opposer, J. D. Marks. (Carried, 20-7.)

Feb. 14.—‘That this House would not welcome a rapprochement between England and Germany.’ Proposer, O. V. Thomas; Second, J. Benvenisti; Opposer, M. H. B. Lethbridge. (Carried by acclamation.)

Feb. 21.—‘That this House approves of Plural Voting.’ Proposer, J. C. Gow; Second, J. R. H. Harley; Opposer, H. G. F. Longhurst. (Carried by acclamation.)

Feb. 28.—‘That this House would welcome the abolition of Compulsory Greek in English Education.’ Proposer, J. W. Ferguson; Second, B. S. Horner; Opposer, A. S. R. Macklin. (Lost, 6-17.)

March 7.—‘That this House considers the English nation at the present day neglectful of its responsibilities.’ Proposer, D. J. Jardine; Second, M. T. Maxwell; Opposer, K. R. H. Jones. (Lost, 6-8.)

March 14.—‘That this House disapproves of the growth of Socialism.’ Proposer, S. C. Edgar; Second, G. J. Hunter; Opposer, K. R. H. Jones.

March 21.—‘That this House approves of Mr. Haldane’s Army Reforms.’ Proposer, S. McKenna, Esq.; Second, A. C. Boulton; Opposer, D. J. Jardine. (Carried, 18-7.)

‘That this House considers the Past Year eminently satisfactory.’ Proposer, A. P. Waterfield; Second, W. B. Harris; Opposer, F. G. Turner.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS GYMNASTIC, BOXING, AND FENCING COMPETITIONS, ALDERSHOT 1907.

A SCHOOL Competition was held on February 26 to decide who should be the School second string in the Gymnastics. The competitors were D. M. Griffin, C. B. Bonner, and A. S. R. Macklin. Griffin showed much better form than the others in all the exercises, and easily secured first place. Macklin was obviously out of practice, and failed to do himself justice.

The Public Schools Competition was held at Aldershot on Friday, March 22. The School representatives were:—

<i>Gymnastics</i>	{ B. V. T. Worthington.
	{ D. M. Griffin.
<i>Boxing</i>	{ Middle Weights . C. C. Treatt.
	{ Light Weights . H. J. Davis.
<i>Fencing</i>	{ Foils . . . G. J. Hunter.
	{ Sabres . . . R. A. E. Voysey.

In the Gymnastics, Worthington secured 88½ points—the two top boys in the competition getting 100½ and 95 respectively. Worthington is to be heartily congratulated on doing so well. Griffin obtained 73½ points. Amongst the teams the School secured fourteenth place.

It was very unfortunate that the School representatives drew so low a place. They had to sit still without doing anything all through the morning competition; and then had to come on when the spectators had grown tired of gymnastics.

In the Middle Weights Boxing, Treatt very easily disposed of his opponent in the First Round, knocking him out after fighting for forty seconds.

In the Second Round his opponent proved a good deal tougher. Treatt knocked him down after about a minute’s fighting, and repeated the treatment several times during the first bout. About half-way through the second bout Treatt knocked his opponent down again, and the referee stopped the fight.

In this round Treatt had the misfortune to put out the first finger of his right hand. In the Third Round, Treatt had a very hard fight, his opponent having the advantage in reach. Treatt put his finger out again, and so was unable to use his right at all. He fought on gamely, but was eventually beaten after a very hard fight. His opponent proved the winner in this competition.

In the Light Weights, Davis had a walk-over in the First Round.

In the Second Round he had a very good man against him. The fight was a close one throughout, and Davis did very well to win.

In the Semi-Final he had to meet Gabain, of Charterhouse (the eventual winner). The first bout was decidedly in Davis’s favour. In the second bout, after some even fighting, he had the misfortune to throw his opponent. The throw was purely accidental, but seems to have prejudiced the judges against him. In the third bout the fight was always in Davis’s favour, but the judges returned Gabain as winner. It seems to the writer that Davis should have pressed Gabain harder in the third bout, and so have made up the points which he lost in the second. But it is idle to give advice now. The fight was an exceedingly good one, and brought out the best boxing of the day. The authorities had great difficulty in checking outbursts of cheering during this fight.

In the Foils, Hunter won his first two rounds quite easily, but was beaten in the Semi-Final.

In the Sabres, Voysey fought his way to the Final Round, but was beaten after a good fight. Voysey was thus the only School representative to secure a medal.

Although we did not do quite as well as we had hoped, we had nothing to be ashamed of.

ACCOUNTS OF ‘THE ELIZABETHAN’

FOR 1906.

CURRENT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
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Balance from 1905	0 3 1	Printing ten numbers	74 13 0
O.W.W.	22 17 0	Postage, Secretary	7 1 11
College	8 1 6	Do., Treasurer	0 7 5
Rigaud’s	7 7 0	Do., Editor	0 2 6
Grant’s	11 0 6	Balance in hand	4 10 10
H.B.B.	13 6 0		
Ashburnham	14 9 6		
Masters	4 6 6		
Others	1 7 6		
Back and odd numbers	0 9 0		
Interest	3 8 1		
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CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

ASSETS	£ s. d.	ESTIMATED LIABILITIES.	£ s. d.
On January 1st	134 0 0	To Life Subscribers	90 0 0
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N.B.—There are now twenty-eight Life Subscribers.

J. SARGEAUNT, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct,

A. P. WATERFIELD, *Editor.*

THE MISSION.

THE Committee met on March 22, and among the O.W.W. present were Sir Alfred Turner, Judge Wheeler, Mr. Oldham, Mr. Pole, and Mr. Watherston.

Lieut.-General Sir Alfred Turner was elected Chairman in place of Mr. Failes.

Mr. Hardy and Mr. Raikes were elected Treasurers in place of Mr. Failes and Mr. Preece.

Mr. Esau asked for a grant towards the expenses of the Boys' Cricket Ground, and a sum of £17 was voted, towards which Judge Wheeler announced that he should contribute two guineas specially.

Mr. Pedler explained the constitution and working of the Mission Cadet Corps. A Sub-committee was appointed to consider how a shooting-range could be provided and arrangements made for a band.

It was decided to pay a sergeant to instruct the Company of the Church Lads' Brigade, on the understanding that the Brigade should serve as a recruiting source to the Cadet Corps.

Mr. Raikes called attention to the fact that O.W.W. did not contribute as much as might reasonably be expected to the Mission. He gave notice that at the next meeting he should move resolutions on the point.

It was arranged that the Committee should meet again on May 10.

We are sure that O.W.W. will be much pleased to see so distinguished a school-fellow as Sir Alfred Turner in the Chairmanship of the Mission. He has kindly promised to help the work as far as his scanty leisure will allow, and also to subscribe five guineas yearly. We hope that his patriotic example may stimulate other O.W.W.

It is much to be desired not only that more O.W.W. should subscribe, but also that more should take a direct part in the work of the Mission. At present Mr. Pedler has all the work of the Corps on his shoulders. Mr. Pole has a very large and successful music class.

The names and addresses of the new Treasurers, to whom subscriptions should be sent, are as follows :—

B. F. Hardy, Esq., 7 Vincent Square Mansions, Vincent Square, S.W.

A. W. Raikes, Esq., 89 Eccleston Square, S.W.

[Communicated by the Hon. Sec.]

ORATIONS.

THE second trial of Orations took place on Friday, March 15. The number of competitors was reduced to four, Waterfield and Adrian having retired. The passage selected was Milton's 'Lycidas,' lines 1-49. The difficulty of this piece lies in its meaning rather than its diction, and close thought is necessary to enable a reciter to deliver it intelligently. Benvenisti alone thoroughly understood his lines, and for this reason two judges out of three gave him the best mark, though he lost something by dropping his voice too much. Gordon, who was second, speaks well, but his expression is apt to be exaggerated, and he did not understand the prelude. Bonner had the same faults. Usher dropped his voice too much, and frequently adopted an expression that was ill-adapted to the meaning.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER *v.* WINCHESTER.

(Lost, 3-1.)

THIS match was played Up Fields before a large gathering both within the railings and without. The frost, whilst making the surface somewhat slippery, left the ground very hard underneath, but despite this the match was a very fast and interesting one, and resulted in a win for Winchester by two goals to one, a result hardly justified by the day's play, as there was very little to choose between the two sides. Westminster had perhaps a shade the better of it, but weakness in front of goal lost them several opportunities of scoring.

Westminster, having kicked off, at once took the ball into the Winchester half of the ground, where they remained for the first ten minutes, one or two chances of scoring presenting themselves which were not turned to account, the forwards apparently finding great difficulty in controlling the light ball. After this Winchester commenced to assert themselves, and rushed the ball down to the Westminster goal, where Treatt was called upon to save several times from the Winchester forwards, Arkwright being particularly dangerous on one occasion. Birchall and Wylde, however, were equal to the occasion, and succeeded in keeping the opposing forwards well in hand. After this there were a considerable amount of play in midfield, and then Gover, twice very cleverly tricking the Winchester halves, passed out very neatly to Ferguson, who found himself offside on each occasion. Harris also made some good runs about this time, and several shots were put in at the Winchester goal, but Gray in goal was very safe, one save of his being particularly brilliant. It was not until well on in the first half that the first goal was

scored, and this fell to Winchester, the result of some very good passing amongst the forwards. From this point until half-time the game was very even, the defence on each side prevailing over the attack, and half-time arrived with Winchester leading by one goal to love.

Very shortly after the restart a second goal fell to Winchester from the right wing, a longish shot, which Treatt certainly ought to have saved, finding its way into the net, and very soon afterwards the Westminster goal was again in jeopardy, some robust play by Wylde alone preventing an increase in the score. Harris and Gilbert then showed up prominently on their respective wings, and Edwards also did some very good work in defence. Towards the end of the game Westminster had considerably more of the game than had their opponents, but Gray brought off some brilliant saves and kept Westminster from scoring until close on time, when he was completely beaten by Lloyd-Williams. Winchester then rushed down again, but Birchall was very safe, and the game was transferred again to the Winchester goal, and when the whistle blew for time Winchester were left the winners of a hard fought and, in the last twenty minutes, exceeding exciting match, by two goals to one.

For Westminster Treatt did not inspire confidence in goal. Birchall was very good, and kicked to his forwards with the greatest judgment. Wylde, if at times too vigorous, was also quite a success. Rice-Oxley worked very hard at centre half, but hesitates too long and does not pass well. Edgar started badly, but improved, and in the second half was the best half on the field. Harris was clever, but did not meet with any support from his insides; he ran down and centred time after time, but without success, and Lloyd-Williams was inclined to pass long before he was tackled and did not draw the defence sufficiently. For Winchester, Gray in goal certainly gave a very fine exhibition, and seemed able to catch the ball at whatever angle or height it came. With a less capable goalkeeper Westminster would have scored three or four times. Winchester certainly have to thank him for their victory. Both McArthur and Ashton were sound tacklers and capable kicks with either foot, and Crommelin-Brown and Edwards were the best of the halves. The forwards were a very level and useful lot, the two outsides being perhaps the best.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER.

C. C. Treatt (goal); W. R. Birchall and E. W. Wylde (backs); K. R. H. Jones, A. E. Rice-Oxley, and S. C. Edgar (halves); W. B. Harris, J. E. Lloyd-Williams, J. Geare, C. C. Gover, and J. W. Ferguson (forwards).

WINCHESTER.

B. Gray (goal); H. D. McArthur and P. Ashton (backs); J. B. Edwards, J. L. Crommelin-Brown, and M. Edelsten (halves); K. N. W. Gilbert, A. L. Fleming, A. G. Pawson, C. H. Arkwright, and T. R. Pinsent (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* O.WW.

(Won, 6-2.)

This match was played on February 27, and ended in a victory for the School by 6 goals to 2. Several changes had been made in the School side, and they proved to be beneficial. Birchall won the toss, and Beasley kicked off for the visitors from the church end. The game had not been started long when Plaskett scored for the visitors owing to a misunderstanding between Treatt and Wylde. The same thing occurred at the other end, Willett and Hepburn letting in Gover, who equalised with a good shot. Harris made several good runs down the left wing, but Willett managed to clear his centres. After some pressure, Gover ran through and scored again with a good cross shot. The O.WW. now brought Milne forward instead of Plaskett, and adopted rushing tactics without any great success. Before half-time came Gover scored a third goal.

On resuming, the O.WW. again rearranged their forward line, Plaskett going outside right, Houdret centre half, and Captain Chatterton left half. After some even play, Rice-Oxley scored a fourth goal from close range, to be followed a few minutes later by a fifth from McManus, who scored with a good long shot from the wing. A sixth was added by Edgar, and Bompas replying for O.WW., the game ended in favour of the School by 6 goals to 2.

On the School side the forwards were distinctly stronger than last week, Gover making a welcome return to his true form. For O.WW., Willett and Bompas were good.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

C. C. Treatt (goal); W. R. Birchall and E. W. Wylde (backs); K. R. H. Jones, A. E. Rice-Oxley, and E. R. Mason (halves); W. B. Harris, J. E. Lloyd-Williams, S. C. Edgar, C. C. Gover, and D. McManus (forwards).

OLD WESTMINSTERS.

G. Hepburn (goal); B. H. Willett and A. Whittow (backs); M. C. Houdret, A. A. Milne, and C. V. Chatterton (halves); J. McPherson, P. Plaskett, H. O. C. Beasley, J. S. Bompas, and Capt. Chatterton (forwards).

WESTMINSTER *v.* CHARTERHOUSE.

(Lost, 0-3.)

In beautiful weather and on a very fast ground, Charterhouse gained a well-earned victory. The Westminster team had been doing well this term, apart from a rather disappointing display against Winchester, and strong hopes of making a good game with our formidable rivals were entertained, hopes which the first half of the game seemed to justify, but which were sadly disappointed in the closing stages. It must be confessed that we did not expect to find Charterhouse possessed of two backs of such excellent class, for Braddell and Gehrs seemed to have the measure of our attack right through the game, and ably assisted by Preston

(centre half), took charge of the game whenever the ball was in Charterhouse territory, with the result that our forwards never got going. The Charterhouse forwards, on the other hand, frequently made nice passing runs always on the move, but were rather lacking in finesse in front of goal, otherwise the score might have been larger. Gooch was always good; he is quick, clever, and resourceful, and only wants a little more weight and strength to become quite first class. Parry at centre forward did many useful things; ran very straight and fed his wings well. The rest were only fair, though Evans fed Gooch well. The first half, as we have said, was well contested. Charterhouse pressed at first, and early on Treatt made one fine save, while an easy chance was missed. A little later Oxley almost scored with a good shot at long range, which the goalkeeper nearly misjudged, but recovered himself in time. Westminster forced two or three corners, but nothing came of them, and twice Harris got clear and a score seemed possible; but on the first occasion he was tripped by the half-back and the second time shot rather hurriedly, and the ball sailed over the crossbar. Meanwhile, at the other end Rice-Oxley failed to intercept a pass from the right wing, and Parry, seizing on the ball, scored with a quick, low shot, which gave Treatt no chance, though the goalkeeper, flinging himself on the ground, made a good attempt to save. Apart from these incidents, the play was of a give-and-take nature, both pairs of backs playing well, and Charterhouse crossed over with a well-deserved lead of one goal.

In the second half the Westminster forwards could make no headway at all, and the Charterhouse goalkeeper was not called upon until the last quarter of an hour, and then their goal was never seriously threatened. Charterhouse attacked almost continuously, and it speaks well for our defence that only two more goals were scored. The first of these was rather a scrambling affair, the ball coming across from the left and being put into goal by the inside right with by no means a clean shot after several intervening players had mistimed it. The third goal came just before the finish, and was well worked for, though there was a suspicion of offside about Parry's position when he received the ball on the halfway line, Wylde being well up the field at the time. He passed on to the right wing, who ran down fast and centred accurately, the rest being easy. Thus Charterhouse gained yet another victory and were clearly the better side.

Of the Westminster team, Treatt in goal was excellent, and played better than he has ever done before; he had much to do, and did it all well. The backs were good; Birchall, sound and resourceful, was always in the right place and worked untiringly, while Wylde tackled and kicked very well indeed. The wing halves both played very well and got through an immense amount of hard work. Mason might perhaps have let the ball go behind instead of kicking out just before the second goal came, but he

had not much time in which to make up his mind. Oxley at centre half was disappointing; he worked hard, but his tackling was weak, and his passes invariably went to the opposing backs, a fault which was partly responsible for the failure of the forwards. No doubt the extraordinary pace of the ground was partly accountable for this. The three inside forwards were deplorably slow on the fast, dry turf, and never got the pace of the ground at all. Gover's habit of letting the ball bounce instead of trapping it from the volley was fatal under the circumstances. Lloyd-Williams played very hard and did well on the whole, but found Harris too well marked to make many openings. The latter consequently did not get many chances; but when he did, he usually found the defence too strong. He might perhaps have worked more for the ball when he found that the openings were not forthcoming. McManus, with limited opportunities, did useful work and went very straight.

In conclusion, we congratulate Charterhouse on a well-deserved victory, and take this opportunity of thanking them for a pleasant visit, and also for the kind hospitality displayed to the whole School.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER.

C. C. Treatt (goal); W. R. Birchall and E. W. Wylde (backs); K. R. H. Jones, A. E. Rice-Oxley, and E. R. Mason (halves); W. B. Harris, J. E. Lloyd-Williams, S. C. Edgar, C. C. Gover, and D. McManus (forwards).

CHARTERHOUSE.

A. W. Waterhouse (goal); R. L. Braddell and T. Gjers (backs); W. Wardle, E. H. Preston, and A. Marshall (halves); C. T. Gooch, R. S. Evans, J. T. Parry, T. Pegram, and F. L. Rushbon (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. R.M.C., SANDHURST.

(Won, 4-2.)

This match was played Up Fields on Wednesday, March 6, 1907, and after a rather poor game ended in our favour by 4 goals to 2. The start was delayed for some time owing to the late arrival of the visitors, and play was accordingly curtailed to two 'thirty-fives.' A sensational start was made, Harris running down from the kick-off and centering into Lloyd-Williams, who scored with a lightning shot into the corner of the net. Play soon settled down to a very moderate character, and after about a quarter of an hour's play Lloyd equalised from a pass by Peet. The School soon regained the lead, Edgar making no mistake with a pass from Lloyd-Williams.

After change of ends the School continued to have the advantage, but the shooting was very bad, several easy chances of scoring being allowed to pass. Lloyd-Williams rushed a goal after Nance had saved well from Edgar; but Lloyd ran down, and, passing to Sprot in front of goal, enabled the latter to reduce the lead. Lloyd-Williams and Harris were very prominent on the left wing, and after some even play

Lloyd-Williams scored his third goal with a good cross shot. On the School side Lloyd-Williams and Harris were the pick of the forwards and Mason the best half, though his passing was rather wild. For Sandhurst the backs were good, Peet was very useful at half, and Lloyd the most dangerous forward.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

A. E. F. Wood (goal); E. W. Wylde and W. R. Birchall (backs); E. R. Mason, A. E. Rice-Oxley, and K. R. H. Jones (halves); D. McManus, C. C. Gover, S. C. Edgar, J. E. Lloyd-Williams, and W. B. Harris (forwards).

R.M.C., SANDHURST.

W. J. Nance (goal); A. G. Copeland and R. P. Hessfock (backs); A. D. D. Carter, L. M. Peet, and G. V. Gaugh (halves); F. N. Fox, L. J. B. Lloyd, E. W. Sprot, T. S. Woollacombe, and E. A. Board (forwards).

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

ON Thursday, January 24, the House met to discuss the following motion: 'That this House considers that a Channel Tunnel would be disadvantageous to the Nation.'

The PROPOSER (O. V. Thomas) said people were apt to discuss details and technical points, and so to forget the main questions at issue. There were three points of view from which the question could be considered: first, on the strategical, secondly, on the commercial, and, thirdly, on the political advantages to be gained by a Channel Tunnel scheme. The designs for destroying the Tunnel in time of war might fail, and England's position would then be precarious. If a *corps d'armée* were to succeed in landing and occupied Dover, the English end of the Channel, although damaged, might be readily repaired by the invaders. More troops could then be rapidly poured into England. Another Power also might succeed in gaining possession of the French end of the Tunnel. English industries would be threatened by foreign competition. Since the English railways gave substantial rebates to foreign producers, it was unlikely that English farm produce would receive fair play. The Entente Cordiale was established on so strong a basis that the existence of a Channel Tunnel was hardly likely to affect the Entente.

The OPPOSER (E. D. Adrian) said that since the Tunnel would be a Government concern, the Government could protect England's interests against foreign competition. If Germany were to get hold of the French end of the Tunnel, surely the English end could be blown up before this happened. The Tunnel would open the beauties of English and Irish scenery to foreigners, trade facilities between towns such as Brussels and London would be greatly enhanced: in a word, the Tunnel would prove a boon to commerce generally.

The SECONDER (L. E. Tanner) depicted an amusing scene of the English Ministers sitting round

a table each fearing to take the responsibility of pressing the button to destroy the Tunnel. In the meantime, of course, he said, the enemy would occupy the Tunnel. It would be too late then to press the button!

The PROPOSER (O. V. Thomas), in replying to the Opposer's remarks, said that in Switzerland and other places on the Continent far more beautiful scenery could be found than in England. Though the Opposer had said that the Tunnel would be a great help in provisioning England, he would beg to remind him that, as a matter of fact, most of our corn supply came from the *West*.

W. R. BIRCHALL said that the whole point of the debate seemed to be whether England would run a risk of invasion by means of the Tunnel; if she did, then the scheme of building one must be strongly opposed.

The VICE-PRESIDENT said he could not see the advantages of a Tunnel. It was bound to facilitate an invasion. Crossing the Channel, moreover, in a submarine tunnel was a more dangerous affair than by ship. Although the Entente Cordiale was now flourishing, it might any day break down, and then we could never consider ourselves safe. It would be wise for laymen to be guided by the opinion of two military experts, such as Field-Marshal Wolseley and Roberts, who were strongly opposed to the Tunnel scheme.

J. R. H. HARLEY suggested that there would be the difficulty of deciding whether England or France should destroy the Tunnel. It would also be a great pity to render useless so many splendid ships now being built to cross the Channel.

L. E. N. RYAN said that if her fleet could not protect England her position was hopeless, with or without a Channel Tunnel. If a Tunnel were necessary merely to join England and France one would be even more necessary to connect England with Ireland.

S. C. EDGAR said the service between London and Paris would not be much accelerated. Goods, too, would never be taken *via* the Channel Tunnel, as the rate by railroad was far greater than by sea. The serious responsibility of flooding the Tunnel in time of war would rest on one man.

W. B. HARRIS replied that the man responsible for such an important step would, of course, be an expert in such matters.

The motion, when put before the House, was carried by 18 votes to 8.

On Thursday, February 21, the House met to discuss the following motion: 'That this House approves of Plural Voting.'

The PROPOSER (J. C. Gow) said that about 45 per cent. of those who had the privilege of more than one vote did not use it. The rich man who had shown himself capable of making money had more right to vote than the poor man. The abolition of Plural Voting would make it difficult to see whether the man with more than one vote was using

more than one. He concluded by saying that the senior partner of Pickford's had ninety-three votes, and that it would be obviously unfair to deprive him of them, as he used them for the good of the firm.

The OPPOSER (the Secretary) said that as men who have University votes are usually householders the abolition of Plural Voting would not deprive them of the franchise. It was unfair that the poor man who suffers more from bad legislation than the rich should have less privilege in the franchise. The abolition of Plural Voting would surely simplify matters, for everyone would be on the register once only, the man with more than one vote being allowed to choose in which constituency he would use his vote. The elections for Town or County Councils were carried on under the system of one man one vote. In conclusion he quoted from a speech of Mr. Chamberlain's in favour of the abolition of Plural Voting.

The SECONDER (J. R. H. Harley) said that the motion had nothing to do with party politics. It was unfair for the rich landowner to have the same number as the labouring classes. Those with many votes were only able to use a few of them.

S. C. EDGAR said that because the House approved of some of Mr. Chamberlain's speeches they would not necessarily approve of all. Simultaneous elections would do away with the evils of Plural Voting.

A. C. BOULT said that it was not right for a man with ninety-three votes to have such an advantage over a man with only one, and that Mr. Harcourt's Bill dealt admirably with the matter.

The VICE-PRESIDENT said that the question was bound to dissolve into a party question, not only because the abolition of Plural Voting was a Socialistic proposal, but also because it would be a serious blow to one party. Dealing with the Opposer's speech, he pointed out to the House that a very large number of University men had no votes other than what their University degree gave them, that Mr. Chamberlain had changed his politics since 1888, and that if one agreed with a man on one point one did not necessarily agree with him on another. In conclusion he assured the House that all competent authorities on Social questions were agreed that the yokel and other lower classes were unable and in many cases unwilling to exercise their franchise; to put such people on a level with the higher and more intellectual classes was a preposterous proposal.

After some remarks by A. C. Boulton, who denied the ignorance and incompetence of the lower classes, the motion was put to the House and carried by acclamation.

House Notes.

K.SS.—Our heartiest congratulations are due to Messrs. H. B. Philby and G. B. Wilson (O.WW.)

on their Major Scholarships at Trinity; to K. R. H. Jones, J. E. Lloyd-Williams, and E. R. Mason, on their 'Pinks'; to M. T. Maxwell on his 'Pink-and-Whites'; and to J. S. Heaton-Ellis, A. E. F. Wood, and R. M. Barrington-Ward on their College Colours and 'Thirds'; also to R. A. E. Voysey on his success at Aldershot. In this competition we had further representatives in D. M. Griffin and H. J. Davis, who both acquitted themselves well. It is with great pleasure that we hear that A. P. Waterfield has won the gold medal presented by the Royal Asiatic Society, and we offer him our sincerest congratulations. In the Inter-House Drill competition we were unfortunately unsuccessful, but our hopes are high for both the Gymnastic competition and Sports; we wish our representatives all good luck. Finally we record our success in the T.B.B. match: this is the third year in succession in which Birchall has led us to victory, and we congratulate him and our team most heartily.

ASHBURNHAM.—For the last time this school year football must be our topic. Our heartiest congratulations are due to J. C. C. M. Davidson, C. C. Treatt, and A. E. Rice-Oxley on their well-earned 'Pinks'; to G. W. Hamel on his 'Pink-and-Whites'; to G. C. Formilli on 'Thirds' and House Colours; to J. S. Gregory and W. G. Goodale on House Colours. In House matches we won a victory over Rigaud's in the first round by six goals to love, but were beaten by H.B.B. in the final by two goals to love. Excuses we have none; but the reason is not far to seek. We were beaten by a better team, as we have a dearth of good forwards. It should not be forgotten, however, that it is a great loss to a house team to go on the field without a player of Davidson's calibre. C. C. Treatt again distinguished himself in the Public Schools Boxing (Middle-weights) Competition. We condole with him on the narrow margin by which he was finally overcome by the winner. H. R. Fuller won the Junior Gymnastic Competition, on which we heartily congratulate him. We hope that in years to come he will represent the School at Aldershot. In the Inter-House Drill Competition we were placed second to Grant's; this result is a repetition of last year's. C. C. Treatt is to be congratulated on his promotion to be colour-sergeant in the corps. Our chances of retaining the Sports Cup at present seem fairly rosy, and we take this opportunity of wishing our athletes every success. Our last and most pleasant duty is to congratulate W. E. Horsley on the Exhibition for Classics which he has gained at Selwyn College, Cambridge.

GRANT'S.—We offer our heartiest congratulations to E. W. Wylde on receiving his 'Pinks' after the Charterhouse match, also to W. R. Horton and D. S. Graham on receiving their 'Thirds,' and to R. A. Graham on receiving his House Colours. In Seniors, alas! we lost the Shield; in the first match against Home-Boarders we drew after a very

even game. On meeting them the second time they managed to win by the skin of their teeth. We had practically all the game, and lost through our inability to score. Although we met with this rebuff we were not to be beaten in the Inter-House Drill Competition. This we won by a clear margin of eight points, mainly due to the untiring efforts of Sergeant Boulton. The Literary Society has read Sheridan's 'Rivals,' and brought the session to a close with a successful reading of the 'Critic.' We thank Mr. Tanner very much for the many pleasant meetings we have had. Mr. E. R. J. Ratcliff-Cousins (O.G.) has been running with considerable success up at Oxford; we wish he were up the House at present to help us in our somewhat gloomy prospects for the Sports.

H.B.B.—First and foremost this month come our great victories in Seniors: in the first match against Grant's we only drew 1-1, but had decidedly bad luck. In the re-play, however, though we just managed to win 1-0, Grant's were unlucky, and we offer them our sympathies in their defeat. In the final with Ashburnham the team played splendidly—in fact much better than ever before—and we gained a glorious victory by two clear goals, though we were handicapped by the absence of Summerhays, who was unable to play owing to an injured ankle. Summerhays, Bonner, Wyatt, Circuit, Fisher, Dicker and Longhurst were given their House Colours, on which we congratulate them; the first three of the above got 'Thirds,' while Summerhays also played for T.B.B. We have certainly been most successful during the last year, and now only want the Junior Cricket Cup to complete the set.

In the Drill Competition we did well and were bracketed second with Ashburnham, eight marks behind Grant's; our squad worked very hard and thoroughly deserved to do so well. We were glad to see that Hunter, who represented us at Aldershot, fared well in the fencing. We must not forget to mention that the only O.W. in the 'Varsity Sports was from H.B.B., namely, Mr. A. H. Pearson, and we heartily congratulate him.

RIGAUD'S.—Once more we take up our pen in response to the Editor's request for news, and this month, we are glad to say, has provided us with something to relate. In the first place we must congratulate D. M. McManus on his well-deserved 'Pinks,' also B. V. T. Worthington, E. C. Clarke, A. Cowie and T. E. Rodocanachi on House Colours after the match against Ashburnham. Though we were not successful we all thoroughly enjoyed a very good game. E. C. Clarke has since received his 'Thirds,' on which we congratulate him most heartily; he becomes captain of the house next year. We must also congratulate Mr. S. McKenna, O.W., on his success at the Christ Church Sports in winning the hammer with an excellent throw. B. V. T.

Worthington represented the School at Aldershot for the fourth year in succession, and in the School competition won the Senior Cup, which he has held since 1904. We wish him and G. P. Blizard all success in the Inter-House Competition which comes on in about a week. We are sorry to have to say that, in spite of Lance-Corporal J. R. H. Harley's indefatigable efforts on behalf of our squad, we did not carry off the palm in the Drill Competition, but came out fifth, which, in the circumstances, was quite creditable.

Our prospects for the Sports are not very bright, but we hope to give a good account of ourselves, especially in the Tug.

We take this last opportunity of bidding farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Failes, and assuring them of our best wishes and most sincere gratitude.

Old Westminsters.

At Cambridge Mr. D. S. Robertson *proxime accessit* to the Porson Prize.

Mr. H. S. Rawson, once the active Treasurer of the School Mission, who has now settled in South Africa, has started the first Polytechnic in that country. The authorities have allowed soldiers in their last two years to join the classes. Mr. Rawson already has sixty non-commissioned officers and men and expects many more.

At Trinity College, Cambridge, Mr. H. B. Philby has been awarded the Vidil Prize for French, and Mr. Philby and Mr. G. B. Wilson have been elected Major Scholars of the College.

Captain J. B. Wells, Adjutant of the 1st Battalion Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, very kindly writes from the Curragh Camp to correct the statement made in our report of the Headmaster's sermon in regard to H. G. Quin, one of the O.W.W. whose names are inscribed on the South African Memorial. He says: 'The place of his (Quin's) death was Yzerspruit, near Klerksdorp, in the south-west of the Transvaal, on February 25, 1902. This place might have been also called Elandsplaagte' (but is not the scene of the battle of Elandsplaagte in Natal at the beginning of the war). 'I saw Quin myself on January 24, 1902, when I travelled with a convoy from Mafeking to Lichtenburg, the escort being composed of a detachment of the 5th Fusiliers, with whom were Quin and Coates, both of them afterwards killed on February 25, the occasion being an attack by the Boers on another convoy.'

Births.

ON February 26, the wife of Charles Fell Watherston of a son.

On March 30, the wife of Henry Staveley-Hill, M.P., of a son.

Marriages.

CORBETT — SPENCER.— On March 9, George Holmes Uvedale, son of the late Admiral Sir John Corbett, K.C.B., to Maud, daughter of William Spencer, of Erie, Pennsylvania.

ASHBURNHAM—ROYAL-DAWSON.—On March 21, the Hon. John Ashburnham, son of the late Earl of Ashburnham, to Maud Mary, eldest daughter of the late Charles Royal-Dawson.

Obituary.

WE have to record the death of WILLIAM GEORGE ARMITSTEAD, the second of three brothers who were at the School in the years 1841 to 1857. He was elected head to Christ Church in 1852 and played four years in the University Eleven. He was nearly half a century vicar of Goostrey in Cheshire. He died on March 12.

We have also to report the loss of JAMES GRENVILLE SMYTH, a frequent attendant at School ceremonies and a constant subscriber to the Mission. He was born in 1825, a son of William Smyth, of Elkington Hall, an estate which has been in the family for seven centuries. Admitted in 1837, he was elected to Trinity in 1844. At School he was famous for his climbing powers, and used to say that he had been on every part of the Abbey roof. Later on he was one of the early Alpinists. From 1854 to 1902 he held the family living of Elkington, now held by his son-in-law. Since 1885 he had been an honorary canon of Lincoln. In spite of growing deafness he always tried to attend the performance of the 'Phormio,' in which he had taken a leading part. His benefactions were large and numerous, and he will be much missed in the diocese of Lincoln. He died suddenly on March 15, leaving an only daughter.

Correspondence.

THE WAR MEMORIAL.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn :
March 23, 1907.

SIR,—The War Memorial monument was not 'erected by the Elizabethan Club,' as stated in your March number. The subscribers were the general body of Old Westminsters, and I think that a few people subscribed who were not Old Westminsters at all. The Committee appointed by the subscribers requested the Committee of the Club to approve the design and carry the matter to a conclusion.

Captain Prothero's name is mis-spelt in your report of the Head Master's sermon, and H. G. Quin was mortally wounded at Izerspruit, near Klerksdorp—not at Elandslaagte.

Yours truly,
W. A. PECK.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

5 Stone Buildings,
Lincoln's Inn, W.C. :
March 25, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—In your very interesting account of the War Memorial in your March issue, I observe that no mention is made of the architect of the monument or of the authorship of the Latin inscription. Will you kindly allow me to supplement the record by adding that the designer and architect of the monument was Mr. Arthur Blomfield Jackson acting in conjunction with the late Mr. Charles Locke Eastlake (O.W.), and that the inscription was from the pen of Professor J. Phillimore (O.W.), of Glasgow University.

Believe me, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
R. C. NESBITT.

THE MISSION.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

26 Evelyn Gardens, S.W. :
March 20, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—May I, as one interested in the Mission, express a wish that the arguments of Mr. Raikes had been more constructive than destructive? Many O.W.W. have before now found their way down to the Napier Hall. It is not lack of zeal but lack of opportunity to show it that is most noticeable. Mr. Pedler is obviously handicapped in his work by lack of help, but one more O.W. would suffice for this purpose. Mr. Esau's club is small and apparently there is no opportunity for expansion. Surely if O.W.W. came there in large numbers they would be superfluous. There can be no comparison with the Charterhouse Mission in Tabard Street, Southwark, which is a very large organisation on the lines of a University Settlement, with two resident clergy. If we are to attract O.W.W. to the Mission it must be by a radical revolution in the existing state of things. May I also suggest that we must work either on a wholly religious basis, like the Charterhouse Mission, or else be entirely non-sectarian, like, for instance, Toynbee Hall. At present the Mission is divided in itself. Between Mr. Esau's club and Mr. Pedler's corps there is a great difference, not only in the ideals which each have before them, but in the class of lad which each attracts consequence.

I am, Sir,
Yours obediently,
M. SHEARMAN, O.W.

GAMES AT WESTMINSTER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

March 26, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—In venturing to lay before you some ideas whose adoption would, I believe, have a beneficial effect on Westminster football, I speak in no carping spirit; I gladly agree that the past season has been unusually successful, and I know that much has been done to improve the style and standard of play in the School. But much remains to do still, and it is to carry this improvement still further that I make the following suggestions. Let me begin with Green, now, as of old, the cradle of the game. Those who go to Green before Hall have often to complain of long delays, during which the ball remains in the neighbourhood of one goal while four or five small boys have a little game with it by themselves and the rest of the players look on—and do not applaud. For this I would suggest two remedies. First, that the ball be kicked off regularly for every "behind," instead of being entrusted to the dribbling powers of one of these small boys; secondly, that 'Pinks' and School Monitors have power, after one warning, to turn any players out of Green who offend by keeping the ball to themselves to an extent which in the opinion of the 'Pink' or Monitor is unjustifiable. This may seem absurd, but when punishment on the spot (which would elsewhere be the penalty for such an offence) is unknown at Westminster, what else can we do? Now to proceed Up Fields. No one, I think, will deny that the weak point in our XI. is, and usually has been, the forward line. It is not so much a question of dribbling—they can all dribble after a certain fashion—it is in continuous passing, quickness on the ball, and the power of receiving a pass and shooting immediately that they fail. I therefore propose that one afternoon a week should be spent by the forwards in passing to each other at full speed up and down Big Game ground, the inside who receives last shooting without pause or preparation. There need be no backs against them at first—I very much doubt whether the line could keep up good passing at racing speed without a single check even without opponents—but of course that could be varied at the captain's discretion. But the tackling of the backs should never, on such occasions, be allowed to interfere with the passing of the forwards; the other side should be mere dummies, to teach the forwards where not to kick, like W. G. Grace's dummy fieldsmen; otherwise I fear half the forwards' time would be wasted in getting into stride again after each check.

But I would not have this practice confined to the Big Game. The Second Game of one year is the Big Game of the next, and deserves as such far more encouragement than it gets. Many will agree with me when I say that in these games there is a little too much play at Westminster. Three games a week would be quite enough, and the other day might very well be spent by the forwards in practising runs, passes, and shooting in the manner I have outlined above, one line having station from 2 to 2.30, the other from 2.30 to 3. The same might apply to the First and Second Eleven forwards, if one hour was felt to be too long.

Lastly, I would ask that a 'Pink' be more often appointed to superintend these games than he is. I know that is a big demand, but I think the 'Pinks' should be ready to sacrifice a little extra time—on Tuesdays, for instance—when there is no Big Game, and certainly much good might be done thereby. Small boys naturally play up harder when a School colour is watching; moreover, it must be remembered that then is the time when style is to be formed. The boy who is not taught well in the Third or Second Game will probably never lose his faults in the Big Game; and who is there to teach him now? The commonest type of forward in these games is the youth

with a little of the virtue of dribbling and a great deal of the vice of selfishness, who dodges four opponents with a net advance of *minus* four yards, and at length, immensely proud of his achievement and satisfied that he has done all that is required of him, loses the ball. Such perversity needs the stern hand of authority, not the querulous clamour of disappointment, to correct it.

But I must apologise for the inordinate length of this letter, and trusting that some at least of these reforms may find favour in the sight of the great,

I beg to subscribe myself, Sir,

Yours very truly,
X-SPECTATOR.

ERRATUM.

IN Vol. XII., No. 1, p. 8, l. 26, for 'thence in 1858 he went to India' read 'thence in 1853 he went to India.'

In Vol. XII., No. 2, p. 19, l. 34, for 'Bothero' read 'Prothero.'

Our Contemporaries.

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