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THE MISSION.

THE heading of this article was a matter of doubt to the writer. Had it been entitled 'A Difficulty,' probably a large proportion of subscribers would have started reading it, while it is probable that, entitled as it is, a great many will turn over the page, and seeing the unusual length, the next page too, without so much as glancing through it. It is however to be hoped that 'the Mission' will appeal to the thoughtful consideration of the more or less unselfish minority.

Why is this opportunity taken to boom the Mission at a time when the offertories on Saints' Days are comparatively large, when the fine sum of $\pounds 41$ was added to the Exchequer at Commemoration? That, then, is all that the Mission means to most. All they know is, that they borrow a copper at the last moment on Saint's Day to put in the collection, that the Sermon probably contains a reference to a mysterious Boys' Club, and that a mission report is issued once a year; but that is dull reading, and hardly worth the risk of perusing in form.

Well, it may not be a bad plan to explain the position. We know the Mission means a Boys' Club; beyond that what do we know? How, for instance, is the concern run and are the expenses borne by the School? The Boys' Club is open every week-day in the evening except Wednesday. Three rooms are usually

filled ; billiards is the greatest attraction, but as the tables allow of only twelve persons at once partaking in the delights of this game, other games, of the card nature, are also played. Different branches of work besides the Club go on, such as the Church Lads Brigade and the Gymnasium, boxing etc., for which the large Hall is used. Uniforms for the Lads Brigade are also provided and a considerable contribution is made every year to the company of cadets under Mr. Hallett, O.W., who meet with another company at St. Andrew's Hall, Ashley Place. The Football Team at St. Mary's is strong and enthusiastic, and the Mission supplies them with a ground at Acton. There is a match every week, and for some years these lads from the Mission have done extraordinarily well and been very successful. This year, we learn they won nearly every match they have entered for.

To return to the more prominent part of the work, the Boys' Club. Everyone knows that at times our spirits run high; and consequently a man is needed to keep these boys in some sort of order, and compose squabbles, for the membership is limited at present to those under twenty-one years of age, and any boy is eligible after leaving school, i.e. about fourteen. The Club goes on in Napier Hall, which was built in memory of the late vicar of the parish ; Mr. Allen the architect, an O.W., gave his services, and the School helped in the fitting of the Club rooms. The authority in charge is the curate of the parish, who is not an O.W. himself, although every effort has been made in the past to get hold of an old member of the School to fill the post. Thus it will be seen that the Westminster School Mission is really only in part the Westminster School Mission,-it is a compromise. Finally, and we keep this as a special tit-bit, where is the Church-St. Mary's, Vincent Square, by nameto which this work is more or less attached ? Yes, it sounds reasonable to argue 'Why should I take any interest in the Mission, seeing that I don't even know where it is ?' Most people go upfields, if only four times a term to watch matches. Not infrequently it is recorded in this paper that 'the School kicked off from the Church end.' Most people have noticed the Church from which the far more important east side of the first game ground derives its name, and *that is St. Mary's*, *Vincent Square*.

To resume, the Mission is in a fair way with regard to funds, but—the number of Old Westminsters who assist regularly in any department of the work is small, consisting of 3 *all told*!

A month or two ago, the Cavendish Association came largely before the public notice, and its meetings attracted a great many people of all ages. While it is somewhat to be doubted whether any practical good is likely to ensue from this Association upon its present lines of action, vet its object, that of 'personal social service,' is most excellent, and that is what is so desperately required in this case. 'Charity,' we would remind the School, past and present, 'Charity begins at home.' Is it the School Mission, where the money alone is supplied? It is obviously and absolutely unfair on Mr. Ellis's curate that he should have to take charge of the club, arrange all its affairs and interests, and see that order is kept. Take the case of other School Missions. By enquiry it may be learnt that in some of them, no less than twenty or thirty old boys help regularly once a week, and that too though their mission is in London and their School out of it. Here is Westminster, a school of three hundred members, and therefore with some two or three thousand past members who might do a little unselfish work, and only three come forward to do it. One in a thousand, when it is a matter of the honour of the School, apart from any larger and higher motives.

It cannot be much to ask of a man living in townto 'come over and help'at the Club; two men for the three rooms are really required five days a week, so that all that is at present necessary and incumbent on the School, is that ten men should offer themselves for an hour or two weekly. And above all, surely one strong man could come and take the responsibility and charge of the whole Mission off the hands of a non-O.W., who is now doing work that is outside his real sphere of duty. For the benefit of those to whom the idea of Church-work in any form is distasteful, it may be explained that though the boys are supposed in some way or another to be under the influence of the Church, in various degrees, from confirmation to attendance at a Bible class, even this obligation is not always pressed, and several of the Club's members are not actually of the parish of St. Mary's. To help with a Boys' Club, to come into contact with those who have not had our opportunities, is surely an easy duty for those fortunate past members of a great public school having a certain amount of leisure time.

And lastly, it may be taken as an opportunity for carping that this article has been written for a paper chiefly concerned for present members of Westminster School, who cannot of course have the time or opportunity to give any personal service to the Mission while still at School. But to this the answer is that THE ELIZABETHAN is now read and subscribed to by practically as many O.WW. as present Westminsters, and besides, let those who are the most proud of their School especially remember that their connection with her and duty towards her do not end when they come down School at the end of their last term, but should continue for the rest of their lives. We know that men are busy in these days, but those who do already help at the Mission are busy men who yet give part of their hard-pressed time to be of service to others. and surely a fine, manly line of that service is to make the influence of a great public school felt by getting personally into touch with boys who are to be the working men of the future.

Historical Note.

WESTMINSTER v. ETON.

THE following extract from a letter written by the grandfather of the present Lord Suffield ('My Memories' (1913), p. 18) when he was a boy at Eton seems worthy of being recorded in the pages of *The Elizabethan*. It is dated July 8, 1796 :---

'The Westminster boys are going to play us at cricket; we meet at Hounslow and then is to be determined the fate of Eton ! or I think rather of Westminster. The Masters know nothing about it, nor are they intended to do so, I believe, till it is over. So I suppose the Eton boys when they come back will be rewarded with a comfortable, reasonable, and proper present of birch, together with a few thousand lines of some book to translate or say by heart or whatever pleases Dr. Heath, which most certainly the heroic eleven will submit to, supposing they return conquerors. I think the Etonians can now overcome the Westminster boys in anything.' The match took place on July 25, 1796, and resulted in a win for Westminster by 66 runs (Westminster 100 and 97, Eton 89 and 42). It is interesting as being the first match between any two public schools of which any record is preserved.

The fears of the writer of the letter were justified as the sequel shows, which is told in Sir H. C. Maxwell Lyte's 'History of Eton,' p. 336–7:— 'The Headmaster had positively forbidden the match, but the eleven counted on personal immunity because most of them were going to leave school in the following week. They were greeted on their return from Hounslow Heath with the information that they were all to be expelled, and were consequently glad enough to compound for a flogging the next morning !' L. E. T.

School Rotes.

THERE are sixteen new boys this term.

J. C. Ainsworth-Davis has obtained an Exhibition for Natural Science at Christ's College, Cambridge.

In the replayed final of Seniors, Ashburnham defeated Grant's by three goals to none. An account will be found elsewhere.

The Phillimore prize for translation has been divided between G. R. D. Gee and R. G. Garvin.

The total number of the Corps is now 162; seventeen recruits joined this term.

We deeply regret the loss of S. H. Day, Esq. His place has not up to the present been filled. A gold watch and chain were given him from the School at the end of last term.

Two lectures have been given Up-school this term, one by Miss Kemp on a tour in Thibet, the other on Dr. Barnardo's Homes, by Mr. Hind-Smith.

The following is the fixture card, filled in to date :---

		1913.
Sept. 27	v.	Clapham Rovers. Lost 0-1.
and XI.	υ.	H.A.C. 2nd XI. Lost 0-3.
Oct. 4	v.	O.WW. Lost 0-4.
and XI.	v.	O.WW. (A). Lost 2-3.
Oct. 11	v.	Casuals. Lost 0-8.
and XI.	v.	Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.
		Lost 3-5.
		R.M.A., Woolwich. Lost 1-4.
		Beckenham. Won I-0.
and XI.	v,	Old Aldenhamians (A). Lost 0-6,
	2nd XI. Oct. 4 2nd XI. Oct. 11 2nd XI. Oct. 15 ,, 18	2nd XI. v. Oct. 4 v. 2nd XI. v. Oct. 11 v. 2nd XI. v. Oct. 15 v. ,, 18 v.

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~	and XI. v	
Sat.	Nov. 15 2	
	and XI. v	H.A.C. 2nd XI. Won 9-8.
Sat.	Nov. 22 v	Old Cholmelians. Lost 0-2.
	and XI. v	
		Lost 3-4.
	Nov. 26 2	
Sat.	Nov. 29 v	
~	2nd XI. 7	
Sat.	Dec. 6 z	
	- 1 77	Lost $I-4$.
C	and XI. z	
Sat.	Dec. 13 z 2nd XI. z	
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		1914.
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	and XI. z	
	-	Won 10-1.
Sat.	Jan. 24 7	
	and XI. z	
	Jan. 28 7	
Sat.	,, ,	Old Berkhamstedians.
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THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD ALDENHAMIANS, NOVEMBER 29.

(Lost 0-4.)

THE School kicked off from the church. The Visitors started pressing ; their forwards played the through pass game effectively. Robinson took the ball down the wing and centred, but nothing came of it, though it was not cleared at once. Goodyear put in a very good shot from long range, which Carless did well to save. Just before half time Deakin scored from an excellent through pass (o-1). On play being resumed the School forwards forced a corner and a good shot from Julian was only just Deakin scored another goal for the saved. Visitors off a corner (0-2). About quarter of an hour before time Carless came forward, Brodie going half and Paul falling back into goal. The Visitors' inside right immediately got away and scored (0-3). Carless put a little more life into the forwards, but just before time the Visitors forced a corner off which Deakin scored his third goal, and the game ended (0-4) in their favour.

Teams :---

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless (capt.); M. A. Thompson and E. L. Hodgson; N. C. Champness, D. G. Veitch and G. C. Paul; N. F. Furze, A. N. Charlton, C. R. Julian, K. Brodie and M. A. Robinson.

OLD ALDENHAMIAMS.

E. A. Brock; F. J. Biddle and C. H. Giningham; P. C. Sainsbury, Rev. E. M. Hacking and G. D. Herron; W. E. Goodyear, C. J. K. Deakin, D. V. Parkes, J. W. Hunter and W. H. Collinson.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL, DECEMBER 6.

(Lost 1-4.)

THE School kicked off from the hospital end and a goal was scored by Brodie in the first five minutes. Our opponents then forced a corner, but Hodgson cleared well. Thereupon there ensued some even play in mid-field, after which the School forwards took the ball back to the Visitors' goal, but without success. From the goal kick the opposing right wing worked the ball down to the School goal, from which a goal resulted. From the kick-off the ball was immediately brought back to our goal, but Carless saved well at the expense of a corner. Paul cleared easily and there followed a period of inactivity, but the Visitors' forwards once again tricked our defence and the inside-left beat Carless with a good shot. Half-time came with the score at 1-2. For the first few minutes after the kickoff the School forwards held their own, but they proved very weak in front of goal, and their efforts were not crowned with success. Thereupon the Visitors, after some good combination, scored easily through their inside-right. Once again our forwards dominated the position, but after some good play the ball was returned to our opponents' right wing who, after some clever strategy, repeated their previous performance and scored their fourth and last goal. Time was called with the score at 1-4.

Teams :-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless (capt.); E. L. Hodgson and K. Brodie; G. C. Paul, D. G. Veitch and N. C. Champness; M. A. Robinson, A. C. Feasey, C. R. Julian, A. N. Charlton and N. F. Furze.

ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL. W. H. Marriott; T. Anuryl-Davies and G. A. Goolden; G. Stiell, H. G. Chaplin and G. A. Bird; C. Y. Roberts, B. C. Cooke, F. M. Banes, E. Jones, and A. A. Cockayne.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. LANCING OLD BOYS, DECEMBER 13.

(Drawn 2-2.)

THE Visitors kicked off from the church end. After a few minutes' play Charlton headed a goal off a centre from Robinson. The Visitors ran down from the kick-off, but Carless saved a good shot from Freeman. The game stayed in their half for a long time, and Charlton again scored off a centre from Robinson. At the end of the first half the School forwards bombarded their goal, two shots rebounding from the bar, but failed to score. Half-time (2–0).

At the beginning of the second half Paul put in a good shot, which was well saved by Jefferys, The Visitors' play improved very much in the second half, especially in the forward line. MacDougall got clear and scored. Jennings also scored, Carless making no attempt to save, thinking it was off-side. The last ten minutes of the game were hotly contested ; the School forwards played well. Feasey got away, but shot high. Just before time the Visitors gained two corners, but both were cleared, and the game ended in a draw, two all.

Teams :-

LANCING OLD BOYS.

H. L. Jefferys; T. A. Jack and F. W. Ground; G. V. Merriman, G. E. Palmer and L. W. Hudson; P. G. Bennet-Powell, R. C. Freeman, G. B. Jennings, D. J. MacDougall, and C. S. Booth.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless (capt.); M. A. Thompson and K. Brodie; N. C. Champness, D. G. Veitch and G. C. Paul; N. F. Furze, A. N. Charlton, C. R. Julian, A. C. Feasey and M. A. Robinson.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. EMERITI, JANUARY 17.

(Lost 0-3.)

THE School kicked off from the hospital end. After a few minutes' even play Furze got away, but put the ball over the bar. Then the Visitors began to press and forced a corner. Wach put in a hard shot which hit the post, and soon after scored. Thompson was hit in the face, but returned shortly, and Pearkes who was also hurt did not return till after half time. A few minutes after the Visitors scored again. The play till half-time was very even, the score being 0-2.

When play was resumed the School pressed and Furze put in a good shot which was saved. Holmes took the ball down the wing twice, but one of the centres was cleared and off the other Julian hit the post. Pearkes then returned and played outside right for the rest of the game. Just before time he ran away from the half-way line and scored ; and the game ended in a victory for the Visitors by 3 goals to love.

Teams :-

EMERITI.

H. W. Hart; L. Van Holthe and B. P. Cromie; J. Ward Dawe, L. V. Pearkes and H. S. Muckeeston ; J. B. Franklin, A. H. R.Wach, A. O. Hoskins, R. M. Brydone and H. R. Gross. WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. A. Carless (capt.); E. M. Plaskitt and M. A. Thompson; G. C. Paul, D. G. Veitch and R. Smith; S. L. Holmes, C. R. Julian, R. Brodie, C. M. Sankey, and N. F. Furze.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. v. OLD FORESTERS' SECOND XI., NOVEMBER 29.

(Won 4-1.)

THE School won the toss and elected to play down the hill. We quickly forced a corner, and from the kick Sankey passed well to Holmes, the latter scoring. Immediately following the kick-off, the School took the ball back to the Visitors' goal, but

it was well cleared. There then followed a long period of uninteresting play, after which half-time was called (1-0). After change of ends, Holmes scored another goal from a good corner-kick by Rathbone, and another goal followed immediately from Waterson. The School pressed again soon afterwards, but the opposing goal-keeper saved magnificently. The Visiting forwards took advantage of this and scored their only goal of the match. There followed upon this a period of inactivity, and just before the end the School scored again. Result 4-1.

Teams :-

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI.

J. O. Ashley; R. C. May and A. M. Bennet; J. H. Spence, J. V. Rathbone, and L. H. Chidson; A. C. Feasey, G. R. Byham, S. F. Waterson (capt.), S. L. Holmes, and C. M. Sankey.

OLD FORESTERS SECOND XI.

G. W. Jones; G. W. Haggers, G. Awle; C. T. B. Park, E. F. Powell, and F. R. Clifford; A. G. Morris, W. E. B. Parry, R. J. Rawlinson, and W. Gillard.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. v. O.WW. (A), DECEMBER 6.

(Lost 3-6.)

Soon after the kick-off the Visitors forced a corner which proved fruitless, but very soon Hurst-Brown opened the score with a good shot, and Coleby scored a second soon afterwards. The play stayed in mid-field until nearly half-time when they scored a third goal. From the kick-off, however, our forwards forced a corner, and the ball was pushed through the goal. Half time (3-1). On play being resumed they scored a fourth goal. Each side scored two more goals in the last quarter of an hour, Hurst-Brown obtaining both for the Visitors, and Byham both for the School. The final score was (6-3) in the Visitors' favour.

Teams :---

O.WW. (A). G. Lind; C. B. Bonner and K. T. D. Wilcox; R. W. Johnston, G. L. P. Eyre and N. Castle ; E. Parker, E. Coleby, C. Hurst-Brown, L. C. Denza, and A. C. V. Miles.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. F. H. Philpot; E. M. Plaskitt and R. C. May; J. V. Rathbone, A. M. Bennett, and J. H. Spence; C. M. Sankey, H. B. Thacker, S. L. Holmes, G. R. Byham (capt.) and A. L. Leighton.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. v. OLD CHOLMELIANS (A), DECEMBER 13.

(Drawn 3-3.)

THE School lost the toss and played towards the sun. The Visitors pressed most of the first half, but Ashley in goal and the backs played very well. Several corners were forced by the Visitors' but the first goal of the game was scored by the School from the left wing. Soon after they rushed the ball into the net (I-I). At the interval the score stood at 2-2. A third goal was added by them, though Ashley in goal was still excellent, and just before time Chidson equalised (3-3).

Teams :--

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI.

J. O. Ashley; R. C. May and E. M. Plaskitt; J. H. Spence, A. M. Bennett and J. V. Rathbone; A. L. Leighton, G. R. Byham (capt.), S. L. Holmes, L. H. Chidson, and D. H. Kitchin.

OLD CHOLMELIANS (A).

H. R. Kingwell; H. F. Edwards and W. J. Coltman; R. Maskell, F. R. Kingwell and R. Cutler; D. L. Cox, S. G. Bluhm, E. W. Ginsdell, C. O. Leeson, and Sub.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI. v. ST. GABRIEL'S MISSION, JANUARY 17.

(Won 10-1.)

THE School won the toss and defended the Pavilion end. A goal was very nearly scored for the School through a blunder on the part of the opposing goalkeeper, but one of the defence cleared. After a good shot from Kitchin, Charlton scored off a corner from Feasey. A Mission forward then put in a hot shot, but the School scored again through Feasey after a good run by Byham. He and Feasey both scored a goal each before half-time (4-0).

The second half consisted of a succession of goals scored for the School from Feasey, Charlton, Chidson and Oliver, and a solitary goal from the Mission's outside left. The School thus won very easily, 10–1.

Teams :--

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SECOND XI.

J. O. Ashley; A. M. Bennett and D. H. Kitchin; L. H. Chidson, J. V. Rathbone and J. H. Spence; M. A. Robinson, F. R. Oliver, A. C. Feasey, G. R. Byham and A. N. Charlton (capt.)

ST. GABRIEL'S MISSION.

P. G. Gale; M. Gale and F. Skipper; F. Morgan, J. Gardner and J. Colton; A. Hands, C. Whitehead, H. Winterbarn, H. Garlick and C. Tyre.

SENIORS (FINAL). GRANT'S v. ASHBURNHAM.

In the final round, after a strenuous drawn game (2-2), Ashburnham beat Grant's by (3-0) in the replay. Ashburnham kicked off and pressed at once. After a few minutes Brodie scored from a through pass. Until half-time play was very even, and each goal was visited in turn.

Ashburnham were slightly better in the second half, and two goals were scored by Leighton and Brodie, the latter goal being from 30 yards range.

Brodie, the latter goal being from 30 yards range. For Ashburnham, the forwards, of whom Brodie was best, played well, whilst the defence was sound; Grant's did not combine so well. Hodgson played splendidly at back, Veitch at half, whilst Sankey was the best of the forwards.

Teams :---

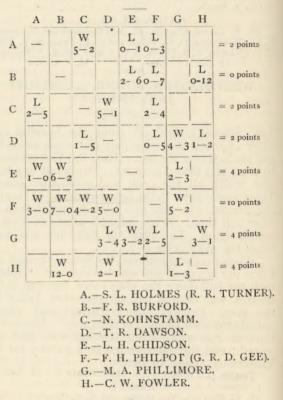
ASHBURNHAM.

F. H. Philpot; E. M. Plaskitt and F. B. Martyr; R. M. Neill, G. C. Paul and J. V. Rathbone; A. L. Leighton, G. R. Byham, K. Brodie, H. A. Carless (capt.), and W. W. Dolton.

GRANT'S.

E. J. Longton; E. L. Hodgson (capt.) and M. G. Hewins; J. H. Spence; D. G. Veitch and R. Smith; R. L. F. Forster, F. R. Oliver, H. B. Thacker, G. B. Gardiner and C. M. Sankey.

WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.



JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	K.SS.	A.HH.	G.	R.	H.BB.	
K.SS	-	L 0-4	L 0-4	W 5-3		2 points
А.НН	W 4-0	_	W 2—0	W 7-1	W 3-2	8 points
G	W 40	L 0-2	-		W 6—0	4 points
R	L 3-5	L 1-7		-	W 5-3	2 points
н.вв	-	L 2-3	L 0-6	L 3-5		o points

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FIVES.

THE draw for the second round of the Senior School ties is as follows :---

A. C. Feasey and P. W. Gardiner	<i>v</i> .	A. G. Pite and R. C. May
M. A. Thompson and S. L. Holmes	υ.	A. N. Charlton and R. R. Turner
H. A. Carless and Sub.	τ.	{ D. G. Veitch and J. L. Strain

THE draw for the second round of the Junior School ties is as follows :—

M. A. Robinson and L. M. Mansbridge	v. • {	P. L. Leighton and M. E. Gonne
E. F. Lutyen and L. West-Taylor	v. {	A. Gordon and R. M. Neill
G. G. F. Greig and J. Wood-Roberts	υ. {	K. Brodie and W. E. E. Gerrish

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on November 27 to discuss the motion 'That this House would welcome the building of a Channel Tunnel.'

Mr. WATERSON (the Proposer) began by making a few historical remarks on previous attempts at building a Channel Tunnel. He discoursed on the comfort and advantage to be gained both by France and by England. He spoke of the benefits which would be bestowed on trade. With true English pessimism he predicted dire troubles in Europe, and said we should be greatly helped by the friendly feeling with France engendered by such a connection. He heaped ridicule on the idea of danger in war.

Mr. STANNARD (the Opposer) contradicted most of what the proposer had said, and after vast calculations and figures he mentioned 16 millions as the probable cost. He argued that the Tunnel would be useless for every one of the purposes for which it was proposed. He spoke of the discomfort of such a tunnel in words which could leave no doubt that he had travelled by tube. The speeches of Mr. Stannard and Mr. Waterson were convincing, especially Mr. Stannard's.

Mr. HELSDON (the Seconder) now proved that a Channel Tunnel could be built, and fixed its cost at 4 millions. No one seemed to mind the odd 12 millions between his estimate and Mr. Stannard's. He then repeated Mr. Waterson's arguments but in inverse order, just for the sake of variety. Mr. NELSON (the fourth speaker) very properly dealt with the matter from a military standpoint, and thrilled the society with blood-curdling calculations as regards military matters. He quoted Mr. Asquith who had said that the sense of insecurity, and the additional expenses, would not justify the building of the tunnel. He would advocate a service of train ferries, whereon Mr. Helsdon said such a service would be insufferably slow.

Mr. GARVIN, pacing to and fro in oratorical frenzy, spoke grimly of financial loss, and said the expense would be unjustifiable.

The PRESIDENT thereon repeated the arguments used against the motion, just to keep them fresh.

The Society, which seemed to regard the Channel Tunnel as a great bore, thereon voted unanimously against the motion.

L. H. C.

The following is the list of Debates for Lent Term :-

Jan. 22.— 'That this House deplores the popularity of the Cinema.' For the motion, R. G. Garvin and M. A. Phillimore; against the motion, A. N. Charlton and A. C. Feasey.

Jan. 29.—(1). 'That this House considers that every boy in the School should wear a shag distinctive of Westminster.' For the motion, A. N. Charlton and H. A. Carless; against the motion, L. H. Chidson.

(2). 'That this House considers that performance in the play should not be limited to King's Scholars.' For the motion, A. G. Pite and F. R. Burford; against the motion, S. F. Waterson and T. R. Dawson.

Feb. 5.— 'That this House would welcome a policy of Colonial Preference.' For the motion, R. R. Turner and R. M. Howe; against the motion, II. A. Carless.

Feb. 12.—' That in the opinion of this House the risk to human life involved in exploring uninhabitable countries is not justifiable.' For the motion, M. A. Thompson and W. H. V. Nelson; against the motion, S. L. Holmes and T. R. Dawson.

Feb. 19.—'That this House disapproves of the extension of motor omnibus services into the country.' For the motion, A. L. W. Stevens and N. Kohnstamm; against the motion, F. E. D. Hodges and R. S. Browning.

Feb. 26.—'That this House views with apprehension the suggested increase in Naval expenditure during the coming year.' For the motion, G. F. Waley and G. R. D. Gee; against the motion, S. L. Holmes and W. H. V. Nelson.

Mar. 5.— 'That this House considers that the growth of the Alien Population in this Country is a menace to the public welfare and safety.' For the motion, L. H. Chidson and C. A. Crow; against the motion, N. A. Bechman and R. W. Stannard.

Mar. 12.—' That in the opinion of this House the man of science is more useful to the community than the man of letters.' For the motion, J. C. Ainsworth-Davis and J. M. E. Shepherd ; against the motion, F. R. Burford and H. L. Helsdon.

Mar. 19.—'That this House disapproves of the erection of commemorative monuments.' For the motion, L. H. Chidson and D. G. Veitch; against the motion, R. W. Stannard and A. G. Pite.

Mar. 26.—'That this House would welcome a restriction of the franchise in this country.' For the motion, R. G. Garvin and A. G. Pite; against the motion, G. R. D. Gee and R. R. Turner.

THE SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

ON Saturday, November 29, C. L. Bayne read a Paper on 'Psychical Research' before a very large audience. He first said a few words about the meaning of 'psychology.' 'Science of the soul,' 'study of consciousness or experience' were unsatisfactory definitions, and probably the best was 'The positive science of the behaviour of living things.' He referred to F. W. H. Myers' theory of the human personality and then dealt only with abnormal psychology which was, he said, superficially the most interesting. He described Mr. Bramwell's experiments in post-hypnotic suggestion, and said that automatic writing, planchette writing and table-tilting were all examples of subconscious muscular activity. Genius, according to some, was a diseased state, but Myers considered it a 'subliminal uprush.' After a few remarks about hypnotism, he ended by describing some recent genuine cases of telepathy. The President then rose to thank the lecturer. He mentioned a case of telepathy which he knew to be true, and emphasised the importance of the study of normal psychology by schoolmasters.

The following are the Lectures so far arranged for Tuesday Evenings this term :-

February 3.- 'Structure of Crystals,' by Dr. T. M. Lowry. February 10.- 'Evolution of Men's Manners,' by Prof. Ainsworth-Davis.

February 17.—' Nerve Impulses,' by E. D. Adrian, Esq. March 3.—' Bridge Building,' by G. S. Hopkins, Esq. March 10 .- ' Greenwich Observatory,' by H. P. Hollis, Esq.

The following Papers will be read ---

January 24. - 'Radium and Radioactivity,' by T. R. Dawson. January 31.- 'Colour Photography,' by J. C. Ainsworth-Davis.

February 14 .- 'Scientific Method,' by H. A. Wootton, Esq. February 21.- ' High and Low Temperatures,' by A. L. Leighton.

February 28.—' Röntgen Rays,' by C. P. Warren. March 7.—' Evolution,' by T. R. Dawson. March 14.–' Comets,' by N. Kohnstamm. March 21.—' Apes,' by A. G. Pite.

House Notes.

K.SS.—We must begin by congratulating S. L. Holmes on playing for the First XI., and M. A. Robinson on getting third XI.'s. A. N. Charlton has also been playing for the First XI. and D. H. Kitchin for the Second XI. We regret that S. F. Waterson has hurt his knee, and will not be able to play at all this term. Congratulations are also

due to G. R. D. Gee on getting half the Phillimore Translation Prize. W. H. V. Nelson has not returned yet, but is having a rest cure. We hope he will be back in time to get into good form for the Gym competition. The College section for the Drill Competition has been chosen but at present lacks smartness. Everyone has entered for the Fives Ties this term. The 'Literary Society' has lost a valuable member in Mr. Day. 'Twelfth Night' is the first play to be read this term.

ASHBURNHAM.—Our House Notes this month must needs teem with congratulations. First and foremost comes our victory in Seniors for the third year in succession. In the first round we routed Rigaud's (9-0), and in the final, after a drawn game, we succeeded in gaining a handsome victory over Grant's (3-0). We must congratulate Rathbone, Plaskitt, Martyr, Neill, Dolton, and Philpot on well-earned House Colours ; Plaskitt on his successful debut for the School v. Emeriti, and Rathbone, Byham, Leighton, and Dolton on appearances, more or less regular, for the Second XI. Nor must we forget to congratulate Carless on captaining the Public Schools v. A.F.A. at Tufnell Park.

In other spheres Ashburnham has been just as successful. Pite, in addition to winning the Fives Ties with Ker, has gained a Sub-Sizarship at Trin., Camb., and Leighton and Clode have passed the Theoretical Part of Cert. A., the latter gaining promotion in consequence.

This term we are 85 in number. Philpot and Martyr amongst others have left, and there are five new boys. Helsdon and Leighton are the new Monitors, and Paul has come into the Upper. Finally we congratulate Mr. C. G. Cardew (O.A.) on his entry into Woolwich.

GRANT'S.—So near the beginning of the term we can hardly be expected to abound with news, and that which we have to carry forward from last term unfortunately is not of the most encouraging, for our Seniors lost to Ashburnham after a draw. More hopeful than this is the fact that Grant's supplied quite a contingent to meet the Little-Go examiners: they met with success in every case; a similar array have engaged themselves with London Matric, but these are still held in suspense.

D. O. Reeson and J. Kohnstamm have left us; it is rumoured that they can be found in foreign climes. H. Walters, A. Walters and P. Dawson have also left; may their future careers be a credit to Grant's. Three new boys have joined us this term, Morgan (boarder), Vatcher and Barham (half-boarders).

Thacker will be out of School for some time owing to disease. His presence will be missed in many parts. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Last term wound up with a highly successful Play Supper, for which we take this opportunity to extend our gratitude to Mr. Tanner.

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H.BB.—We must begin by deploring the loss of N. C. Champness, A. W. I. Ashe, M. Haworth-Booth, D. B. Dixon, and P. J. Kirkman.

We sincerely hope that Champness and Julian have got through the Matric. Our prospects for the Drill Competition are bright, for we are very well represented in the corps.

We have six new boys this term, and our numbers total eighty-six. Fives ties have started under the able management of Stannard, but there still remains last term's final. We hope that Stannard will soon recover from his injury.

Davis and Chidson must be congratulated on being successful in the scholarship examinations at Cambridge.

RIGAUD'S .- This term we welcome three new boys, who fill up the places left by P. A. Lambe, Roura and McKay. We have with us, in the person of Beckman, one of the prime movers of the Art Society, so we wish the Society prosperity. We have to congratulate Vernham and Besson on working sufficiently hard to pass the written examination for Certificate A; and we must not forget to congratulate Davison, who has shown himself a recruiting sergeant of no small value, for he has succeeded in getting nine recruits this term, as well as fourteen last term. We look forward quite hopefully to the Inter House Drill Competition, even though the majority of those in the corps up Rigaud's are recruits. Our prospects for keeping the Sports Cup Rigaud's this term are fairly good, for we still have Besson, who so distinguished himself last year.

While going to press we must congratulate Burford on being elected Treasurer of the Art Society.

Old Westminsters.

CAPTAIN R. F. Phillimore, R.N., M.V.O., has been made a Companion of the Order of the Bath.

Mr. W. T. S. Sonnenschein has been appointed Vice-Principal of Brasenose. He has also been chosen to be Treasurer of the University Cricket Club.

Mr. G. P. Chapman has been called to the Bar at the Inner Temple.

Mr. W. H. Aglionby has been ordained and licensed to the curacy of St. Mary's, Hackney Wick, and Mr. E. G. Jaquet to the curacy of Luton, Of recent members of the School Mr. C. G. Cardew has passed into Woolwich and Mr. R. G. Ekin into Sandhurst. Mr. B. C. Startin and Mr. R. Davison have qualified for the Special Reserve. Mr. O. N. Balfour has passed out of Sandhurst.

At Oxford, Mr. G. B. F. Rudd has got his Association Football Blue.

Births.

ON November 30, the wife of Hugh Plaskitt of a daughter.

On December 22, the wife of Richard Ross Howlett of a son.

On December 27, the wife of Geoffrey Swann of a daughter.

On December 28, the wife of Alfred Stuart Willett of a daughter.

On December 30, the wife of the Rev. Algernon A. Markham of a daughter.

On January 7, the wife of Charles Max Page of a daughter.

On January 10, the wife of Michael Stephen Thompson of a daughter.

On January 12, Lady Ritchie, wife of Sir James W. Ritchie, Bt., of a son.

On January 24, the wife of C. H. Bompas, I.C.S., of a son.

Marriages.

- WILSON—FENTON.—On November I G. B. Wilson, I.C.S., to Lucy, eldest daughter of M. W. Fenton, I.C.S.
- TREATT—WILLIAMSON.—On December 9 Chaplin Court Treatt to Cecilie Joyce, younger daughter of H. T. Williamson, vicar of Bullinghope.
- MCKENNA—MARTIN-EDWARDES.—On December 11 Harold McKenna, Barrister-at-Law, to Gwladys, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Martin-Edwardes, of Usk.
- CLEVELAND-STEVENS—STRAUSS.—On January 6 William Cleveland-Stevens, Barrister-at-Law, to Annie Felicia, daughter of the late Alphonse Henry Strauss.
- NEWMAN BUDD. On January 8 Kennett Edward Newman to Phyllis Louise, daughter of Felix Septimus Budd, of Newport, Monmouthshire,

Øbituary.

[From ' The Times ' of January 6.]

⁶ SIR JOHN MOLESWORTH MACPHERSON, C.S.I., late Secretary of the Supreme Legislative Council in India, who had been staying with a friend at Reigate since Friday evening, died suddenly yesterday at the station, when about to enter the London train.

'Sir John, who was in his 61st year, was born in Calcutta, the son of Dr. John Macpherson, of the Indian Medical Service. He was educated at Westminster, and was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1876. Going out to his native city soon after, he was enrolled as an advocate of the Bengal High Court, but at the close of 1877 was appointed Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department. He often acted as Secretary, and was chosen to fill that position when it became vacant in 1896, receiving the decoration of C.S.I. some six months later. He retired in September 1911, after 34 years' continuous service in his department-a record extremely rare in the case of high Indian appointments-and was knighted at the end of the year.

Such is the bare record of a career of great public usefulness, during which Macpherson served under nine Viceroys and as many Law Members, commanding the confidence of each in turn. Although the foundations of the great Indian codes had been laid before he became Deputy Secretary, several of them underwent exhaustive revision in his time, and some measure of the great legislative activity of the period may be taken from the fact that five of the seven volumes of "Unrepealed General Acts of the Governor-General in Council" were passed therein. In almost all instances they owed the form in which they were ultimately presented to the Council to his skilful draftsmanship. He publicly con-fessed at a farewell dinner that he had found the drafting of Bills almost fascinating occupation, affording satisfaction comparable to that of the poet or artist in the exercise of their creative genius. In addition, great advances were made in the codification of the foreign jurisdiction of the Crown. Macpherson had no small share in controlling the growth of this important branch of the law, and he compiled the standard work on "British Enactments in Force in Native States." His text-book on the " Law of Mortgage in British India " is now in the seventh edition. He saw the Council grow from very small dimensions and severely restricted powers. These successive expansions commanded his sympathetic interest, and it is not too much to say that the latest of them. associated with the names of Lord Morley and Lord Minto, could not have been effected so promptly nor have worked from the first so smoothly if the Viceroy had been without access to Macpherson's counsel and experience. He was made a member of the Legislature, while continuing to serve as Secretary, and his advice on the legal bearing of many questions was constantly sought. After his retirement to England, the Secretary of State requested him to compile, in association with his old colleague, Mr. Wigley, a measure to consolidate the widely-scattered laws of the British Parliament in relation to the Government of India; and he was engaged upon this task at the time of his death.

'A man of deep religious feeling, Sir John was an office-bearer in the Church of Scotland in India, and represented it at the General Assembly in Edinburgh in 1910. He was the originator of the Simla Convention, which holds meetings every summer for the deepening of the spiritual life. He was also for many years president of the Simla Y.M.C.A., of the Indian Sunday School Union, and of the Calcutta auxiliary of the Bible Society. He married, in 1880, Edith, daughter of the late General C. W. Hutchinson, R.E.; she died last June. They had a family of three sons and a daughter.'

We may add that Sir John Molesworth Macpherson was present at the performance of the Andria less than a month before his death.

Correspondence.

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Trin. Coll. Camb.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—The arrival of your demand for a Cambridge letter brought a modicum of joy to our heart, in contradistinction to those of your predecessors, which have always brought the sorrow that usually accompanies the prospect of hard labour; for had we not begun to fear that the practice of publishing 'Varsity news under the pink cover was falling, or, indeed, had fallen into desuetude?

Gladly then do we take up our quiet pen, the list of Resident Members and a cigarette, and stir up our imagination to grapple with the task which you have appointed for us.

'Though much is taken, much abides, and though we are not now that strength which in old days moved earth and heaven,' to quote a poem which we used to learn in Mr. Tanner's form (do they still, we wonder ?), nevertheless our honours' list is by no means blank. If we cannot boast an International, we can revel in the fact that we have yet another Fellow of Trinity. Our prophecy of some terms back has been realised, and Mr. E. D. Adrian has joined 'the dons on the dais serene.' We fear to speak of the extent of his knowledge ; his name appears on the University lecture list, but we find, upon enquiry, that no students having presented themselves, he has not found it advisable to lecture this term. To Mr. D. S. Robertson we have to offer our hearty congratulations upon a recent addition to his family, which occurred at the beginning of the term. Beyond this, we believe, his life has been much after the same tenour as usual, the Fellowship of Trinity not as a rule providing any great excitements, barring such events as the Feasts of the Audit and Commemoration. Such is the number of O.WW. in residence—we believe them to be well over 50—that it were tedious, were it possible for us, and for you, to give a detailed account of the doings of even most of them.

Mr. R. R. Rawson, the heavy-weight boxing blue, is again in training for the 'Varsity match against the London Hospital on December 2; we wish him well. He has taken up Rugger and let no one give us the lie when we announce that he played for the Trinity XV. the second time he ever played the game, which team he has appeared in ever since. It is said that he was the leading spirit in the great rag that followed a 'relaxation' after their match with Keble College, Oxford, some weeks since, which culminated in the insertion of a guard, half a dozen milk-cans and the Keble XV. in one railway carriage on the 7.10 for Oxford.

Mr. C. V. Miles is a tower of strength to the all-victorious Pembroke Soccer team, which we believe to be so far unbeaten. He owns a small motor of a somewhat obstreperous disposition, which has on at least one occasion dragged him into the jaws of that legal code which he is said to be studying.

Of Mr. E. L. Hawke, we have heard that he, in company with Mr. R. R. Rawson, made a dastardly attempt to blow up Trinity at about 3 A.M. on November 5. We believe it to be a fact that the whole College was violently aroused by two time-fused detonators, one of which occupied the Library Cloisters, and the other the summit of the Queen's Gate. The latter woke the Master—a difficult thing to do—and was heard several miles away. Most of Mr. Hawke's time is given to music; as to his athletic prowess, we can only say that he plays chess for Trinity, and an occasional round of golf.

Trinity, and an occasional round of golf. Mr. W. T. R. Rawson is engaged in the pursuit of philosophy and metaphysics; when not thus, he plays hockey and the piano. Mr. Walpole, the president of C.O.WW., is an important man, and deals with masters, bishops and all sorts of people. He makes an admirable president for us.

Mr. Fursdon, our secretary, occupies a conspicuous position in the O.T.C., though beyond that we fear we cannot lay much information against him. We understand that Messrs. Hart, Goodall, Scott and Tomlinson are still in residence as Bachelors, though in exactly what capacity our limited time has been insufficient for us to ascertain. Our information as to the newer O.WW. is unfortunately somewhat scanty, and the matter at our disposal is somewhat limited.

Mr. Durrant shows no small promise as a debater, and has achieved the distinction of appearing 'on paper' at the Union during his first term. His speech, we are glad to notice, received general praise, the worst criticism being that the matter was inferior to the manner.

He and Mr. Lowry constitute, together with our respected president, the Magdalene contingent, not, however, omitting Mr. J. L. P. Lambe, who joined us this term; the latter at once took kindly to the river, and now, we believe, periodically adorns the Cam, when unharassed by the exigencies of the 'Previous' examiners. Messrs. Humphries and Freeston both are the possessors of motors which add to the general din of the Cambridge streets. The only tribute that we can pay to Mr. Fewtrell is that he was the life and soul of the Third Trinity ' fours supper,' while of Mr. Bailey we can record no more than that he has been seen with golf clubs and that he is a student of modern languages. Mr. Barraclough of King's rows; with what success we know not. Mr. Kann, we are informed, has already earned some kudos at Soccer; but of Messrs. Hansen and Macnamara we can record absolutely nothing.

And now, Sir, this letter has reached a growth that can only be pardoned by the fact that no Cambridge letter has appeared in your columns for the last three terms. We hasten to our close and beg to subscribe ourselves,

Your most obedient and faithful correspondent,

E. TRIN. COLL. CAMB.

P.S.—Since the above matter was written we have learnt that we owe an apology to Mr. Adrian ; two students applied to him re his Psychological lectures—one of whom being in Holy Orders he straightway rejected ; the other has received instruction from him during the course of the term ; this we have from his own lips.

8 P.M.—Mr. Sedgwick, we learn, is Sec. of the Trinity Historical Society and is by way of being a very learned historian; we have also heard of his power as a debater at the Magpie and Stump, which we hasten to explain is not a public-house, but the name of a small Debating Society in Trinity.—E.T.C.C.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I am sorry to have upset the equilibrium of 'Bigoted Liberal ' and can only assume that his mental vision foresaw the shadow of the Reading Election approaching with inexcusable certainty. I hope he is not overwhelmed by the result. I should not reply to his letter except that in the last paragraph he implies that I may be disappointed at not having received my 'pink,' and as I cannot myself plead guilty to this veiled accusation the imputation is one which may affect those aspiring members for the Eleven whose aspirations may not have been gratified. I should regret that my innocent letter should produce such a result. I can assure 'Bigoted Liberal' that I am not disappointed for the reason that some thirty years ago I had the privilege of wearing the school colours for football for two seasons. What was the custom prevailing in those days I confess I have forgotten, but I am still of opinion, whether rightly or wrongly, that the Eleven should be complete for better or worse before the Charterhouse match. Unless the patriotism of the School has suffered in recent years (which all O.WW. would regret, but which I do not believe) I must take exception to this statement (or inference) that to keep up the keenness of the football team it is necessary to keep the possibility of a' pink ' dangling over their heads as long as possible. Such a suggestion was not thinkable in my time, and the fact of receiving a 'pink' would then in-crease, if anything, the keenness of the receiver and tend to extra energy rather than the reverse in order to uphold the worthy traditions of the School Eleven. I decline to think that the spirit of the School has deteriorated since then as he suggests.

I am, dear Sir, Yours faithfully, CONSERVATIVE.

'BIG SCHOOL.'

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Many thanks for your note to my letter in your December number. But I had rather be in error with the small boys to whom you refer than be guilty of talking of 'Big School.'

May I add that the expression 'Up College' which occurs in your leading article is new to me. 'In College' is surely more correct. In another part of the same number I find it suggested that people sit and rag 'up Library.' I suppose this refers to the Scott Library. In my time what is now (I think) called the Busby Library was the only library and was known as 'the Library'; but no one ever talked of 'up Library.' When a boy went there with the Headmaster (for purposes other than study) the polite description of the proceedings was 'being taken *into* the Library.'

The late Mr. Charles Brookfield in his 'Randum Reminiscences' uses the phrase 'up Green' when he obviously means 'down cloisters.' It may be, however, that these subtleties are now not regarded seriously in the School.

Yours truly,

MOULDY MORTMAIN.

[Illogical 'subtleties' should never be regarded seriously.—ED.]

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