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## WESTMINSTER ROWING OF THE FUTURE.

EVER since its abolition in 1884 there has been talk of the revival of 'Water,' and more seriously so since Dr. Gow came to Westminster, as he was known from the first to be in favour of the re-introduction of rowing as soon as practicable. There is no doubt that the small numbers of the School, combined with other causes, left the late Head-Master no choice but to abolish this important side of school life immediately upon his arrival at Westminster. Had he not done so the Cricket and Football must have suffered, and we should have found ourselves in the proverbial position of 'Jack of all trades, master of none.'

At the present time, however, the position

is very different. Since then our numbers have increased, and are increasing steadily, and the time seems actually in sight when the experiment of reviving 'Water'—after a lapse of more than a quarter of a century—might be undertaken with success. But some preparation would have to be made for it.

That such a revival would be popular among O.WW. it is needless to say. There is at the present time a movement among O.WW. to form an O.W. Boat Club. We feel sure that this will prove a great success, and may even in the future be of much assistance in the preparation and development of a Westminster School Boat Club. An O.W. Boat Club is very much easier to form than a School Boat Club for many reasons, but chiefly because it would not interfere in the slightest with O.W. games. Those who take up rowing on leaving school, although perhaps athletically inclined,

have seldom, as a rule, excelled in cricket and football owing to non-suitability—that is to say, through lack of some quality essential for these particular games. Defective eyesight, clumsiness, lack of weight or nervousness would all be fatal to the dry-bob, whereas to the wet-bob they would not matter. A second great advantage an O.W.B.C. would possess would be that of beginning with a nucleus of ready-made oarsmen from the Universities. This last advantage is very much in evidence at the present, for quite a number of O.WW. have during the last few years taken up rowing at the University and elsewhere (there are at the present time at least twelve O.WW. rowing up at Cambridge alone) and several of these are much above the average college oarsman. Of rowing members, then, there would be plenty of support, for of other support we feel, with the great traditions of Westminster in view, that there is no need for us to speak. We feel sure that every loyal Westminster would think it his duty to support an effort so worthy of praise.

Third Trinity B.C. and the Christ Church B.C. would view the formation of an O.W.B.C. with great satisfaction, as it would react beneficially on them by increasing their number of rowing recruits from Westminster. They might offer some facilities with regard to the use of boats, whilst some of the old rowing Blues from these two clubs who happen to be in London would doubtless offer their valuable

services as coaches.

The intention is to practise at Richmond or some other suitable spot equally accessible; so that O.WW. living in or near London could get together for daily practice in the summer

afternoons or evenings.

The O.W.B.C., when properly constituted and affiliated to the A.R.A., would enter an eight and a four for events at many up-river regattas, and members would be able to compete in sculling, punting or other races under the club colours. To begin at all it is necessary to begin modestly. It would not be possible, for instance, to aspire to the Grand at Henley or any such events to begin with, but rather be content to take part in Junior events. We hope that this fact will not deprive an O.W.B.C. of the support of those who remember the old days of Westminster rowing. Let us close then with the fervent hope that we may yet see the pink blades flashing at Henley once more, and that the great prizes of the rowing world may once more be Westminster's.

We would direct the attention of our readers to a communication on the point which appears in our Correspondence column.—ED. ELIZ.]

#### WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

MEAD, ROBERT, b. 1616, left 1634, d. 1653. Poet. MEETHERKE, EDWARD, b. 1590, left 1606, d. 1657. Divine.

MEREDITH, EDWARD, b. 1648, left 1665, d. 1689.

Roman Catholic Controversialist.

MEREDITH, RICHARD, b. 1559, d. 1621. Dean

of Wells.

MEREWETHER, Sir WILLIAM LOCKYER, b. 1825. adm. 1834, Q.S. 1838; left 1840, d. 1880. Indian soldier and administrator.

MILLINGEN, JAMES, b. 1774, adm. 1783, d. 1845.

Archæologist.

MILLINGTON, Sir THOMAS, b. 1628, left 1645, d. 1704. Physician.

MILMAN, ROBERT, b. 1816, adm. 1824, left 1833, d. 1876. Bishop of Calcutta.

MITFORD, WILLIAM, b. 1744, d. 1827. Historian. Monson, George, b. 1730, d. 1776. Indian officer; opponent of Warren Hastings.

Monson, John, second Baron Monson, b. 1727,

d. 1774.

MONTAGU, CHARLES, first Earl of Halifax, b. 1661,

K.S. 1677, d. 1715. Statesman and poet.

Montagu, Edward, b. 1635, d. 1665. Politician. MONTAGU, EDWARD WORTLEY, b. 1713, adm. 1719, d. 1776. Author and traveller.

Montagu, Ralph, 1st Duke of Montagu, b. 1638 (?).

d. 1709. Ambassador and politician.

MORDAUNT, CHARLES, 3rd Earl of Peterborough and 1st Earl of Monmouth, b. 1658, d. 1735. Admiral, general, and diplomatist.

MORGAN, CHARLES OCTAVIUS SWINNERTON, b. 1803, adm. 1816, left 1822, d. 1888. Antiquary.

Morgan, Robert, b. 1608, d. 1673. Bishop of

Bangor.

MORGAN, WILLIAM, b. 1623, left 1640 (?), d. 1689.

Morley, George, b. 1597, left 1615, d. 1684. Bishop of Winchester.

Mostyn, John, b. 1710, K.S, 1723, left 1728,

d. 1779. General.

MOWBRAY, Sir JOHN ROBERT, Bart., b. 1815, adm. 1829, left 1833, d. 1899. Judge Advocate-General; politician.

MURE, WILLIAM, b. 1799, adm. 1811, d. 1860.

Classical author.

MURRAY, DAVID, 2nd Earl of Mansfield, b. 1727, K.S. 1740, left 1744, d. 1796. Diplomatist and statesman.

MURRAY, Sir JOHN, Bart., b. 1768 (?), adm. 1778,

d. 1827. General.

MURRAY, Sir JOHN ARCHIBALD, Lord Murray, b. 1779, left 1795 (?), d. 1859. Scottish judge.

MURRAY, WILLIAM, 1st Earl of Mansfield, b. 1705, K.S. 1719, left 1723, d. 1793. Judge and statesman. - MURRAY, Sir JAMES (afterwards Murray-Pulteney), Bart., b. 1751 (?), d. 1811. General.

MYTTON, JOHN, b. 1796, adm. 1807, left 1811,

d. 1834. Sportsman and eccentric.

#### School Notes.

THE Mission Offertory for St. Matthias' Day amounted to £3. os. 2d.

To celebrate the re-opening of the Organ in Abbey a series of Organ recitals was held, beginning on Monday, February 15, and lasting for that week. Members of the School were admitted to the Choir. We were privileged to hear Sir Frederick Bridge, Dr. Alcock, Sir Walter Parratt, Dr. Peace, Dr. Noble, and Dr. Harwood.

Parliament opened on Tuesday, February 16. We viewed the procession, as usual, from the Abbey side of Palace Yard.

Shrove Tuesday provided an excellent Greeze this year, F. R. J. Tomlinson, of Grant's, winning the Pancake for the second year in succession. The Daily Graphic had a good photograph.

An interesting article appeared in the Globe apropos of the Winchester Match on February 24, on the subject of 'Westminster Railings'-a tribute to the loyalty of the Ski's.

Influenza has played havoc through the School during the last week. More than a quarter are absent.

The Inter-House Junior Football Cup is won from Ashburnham by Grant's, who defeated K.SS. Juniors (1-0).

We offer our congratulations to the XI. on their victory over Winchester, and trust that it is the forerunner of further wins against Charterhouse and Eton.

The Royal Asiatic Society's prize for an essay on Marquess Wellesley has been awarded to J. R. Wade.

The draw for Seniors has resulted as follows:— Rigaud's v. Home Boarders. Ashburnham v. Grant's.

For the Inter-House Racquets Competition the draw is :-

K.SS. v. Home Boarders.

(The winner of the above tie to play Rigaud's.) Ashburnham v. Grant's.

The provisional regulations with regard to admission into the Strangers' Gallery in the House still prevent us from exercising our privileges.

We congratulate A. Cowie, T. G. May, and M. Hammond on their Pinks, which they obtained after the Winchester match.

We omitted last month to offer our congratulations to G. C. Formilli, who regained his pinks after the Old Berkhamstedian match.

Will all holders of Sports' Challenge Cups return them before March 20?

We append the Football Card, filled in to date:— 1908.

Sat. Oct. 3 v. Clapham Rovers. (Lost, o-1.) ,, 10 v. Old Westminsters. (Lost, 1-7.) 2nd XI. v. Old Westminsters A. (Lost, 1-4.) ,, Oct. 17 v. Casuals. (Lost, 0-4.)
,, 24 v. Woolwich. (Lost, 2-5.)
2nd XI. v. King's College A. (Scratched.)
Wed. Oct. 28 v. Mr. F. N. Ashley's XI. (Lost, 0-1.) Sat. Oct. 31 v. Old Brightonians. (Won, 4-I.) Sat. , 14 v. Outcasts. (Lost, 0-5.)
Sat. ,, 14 v. Old Felstedians. (Scratched.)
Tues. ,, 17 v. C.O.WW. (Won, 10-1.)
Sat. ,, 21 v. Kenley. (Won, 2-0.)
2nd XI. v. Old Westminsters A. (Lost, 3-4.) ,, Nov. 28 v. Old Wykehamists. (Drew, 2-2.) ,, Dec. 5 v. Old Berkhamstedians. (Drew, 3-3.) 2nd XI. v. King's College A. (Won, 5-0.) Wed. Dec. 9 v. R. E. Nott-Bower's XI. (Won, 3-1.) Sat. ,, 12 v. Emeriti. (Lost, 0-2.)

1909. Sat. Jan. 16 v. Lancing Old Boys. (Drew, 1-1.)

, , , 23 v. Exeter Coll., Oxon. (Won, 3-1.)

2nd XI. v. Old Westminsters A. (Won, 3-1.)

y. Jan. 30 v. Beckenham. (Scratched.)
2nd XI. v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI. (Won, 4-2.)
Wed. Feb. 3 v. Mr. S. S. Harris's XI. (Drew, 2-2.)
Sat. ,, 6 v. Christ Church. (Lost, 0-2.)
Wed. ,, 10 v. Old Westminsters. (Won, 3-1.)
2nd XI. v. Mr. D. W. Milne's XI. (Lost, 1-4.)

,, 13 v. Casuals. (Lost, 0-3.) 2nd XI. v. The School Mission.

2nd XI. v. The School Mission. (Won, 4-3.)
,,, 20 v. Old Aldenhamians. (Lost, 1-3.)
Wed. ,, 24 v. Winchester College (at Vincent Square).

(Won, 3-2.) 2nd XI. v. Old Westminsters A. ,, 27

Mar. 6 v. Charterhouse (at Godalming). (Lost, 2-1.) Wed. ,, v. An Eton XI. (at Vincent Square). IO

v. Mr. L. A. M. Fevez's XI. Sat. 13

Sat. ,, Wed. ,, 17 v. Seniors. ,, 20 K.SS. v. T.BB.

#### WESTMINSTER IN THE EARLY NINETEENTH CENTURY.

On Thursday morning after Sixth lesson the Greek Challenge commences. A book of Greek epigrams is used, and the first eight (2 liners) are set. The Challenger chooses his epigram, and his adversary reads and construes as in the Latin Challenge, besides which he has to parse two words selected by his opponent, according to a form printed in the Greek grammar. When the Greek Challenge goes round for the first time the number of questions and rules that may be asked are almost unlimited, and such a wide range is allowed that unless a competitor is well up in his grammar his chance is small. A challenge is often long when in the hands of the head boys. I know a boy intimately who was in a Challenge that lasted several hours. Having continued till 6 P.M. with two or three unavoidable interruptions, it was adjourned till the morrow. At 8 A.M. it commenced again, at 9 it finished, and my friend kept his place. This was the longest Challenge on record. Williamson's patience was wonderful. I should have mentioned that if a boy failed to ask his adversary a question or a rule for the space of one minute he could ask no more. So Williamson's watch was of importance, and was watched intently by the Helps, who were advocates as well as instructors. The last Challenge, which is limited to three rules, is on a Thursday about a fortnight before Election. On the afternoon of that day the Minor candidates go into school at 2, and each writes his Parentela, under the supervision of the new Captain, in round hand upon a sheet of foolscap. This is the form: Nomen. Parentela. Oppidum. Comitatus. Ætas. Henricus Smith. Samuelis. Daventria. Northamptonensis. 14. The scene is enlivened by occasional tossings in a blanket (Ibis ab excusso missus ad astra sago) and eating and drinking bread and cheese and half-andhalf. Later on, the boy who gets in head is chaired by King's Scholars on the Call ladder. On Election Sunday (Rogation Sunday) the Minor candidates, when not in the Abbey, are stationed in College gardens. They wear black breeches and silk stockings, and black tail coats. On Monday and Tuesday they sit in school while the Major candidates are examined, with station in College gardens as on Sunday, only they amuse themselves with trap and ball. Wednesday they separate for the Whitsuntide holidays.

The summer half commences on Trinity Monday. The Minor candidates having filled the vacancies in College are now Juniors, and as such are Fags, being allotted to the Seniors according to previous arrangement. For the first week the second election continue Fags, and instruct the Juniors in their business. On the following Monday, as soon as dinner is over in Hall (K.SS. dine at 1.30 this half), the Head Junior is summoned by the Captain who is standing in the middle of Hall. The Junior kneels down in front of him. The Captain then gives him a buckhorse\* and says, Liber esto, cæteri servi. The second election then goes through the same process, the Captain saying, Liberi estote. The new Juniors are now Fags in reality, except the head boy, who is called the Liberty Boy. He does not hold an enviable position, for he is obliged to do the exercise of any third election who is too lazy to do it himself. Some-

\* Westminster word for a box on the ears.

times he has two or three to compose in a night, and these must so differ from each other as to defy detection. When he becomes head second election he has to

perform the same office for the Seniors.

The Captain of the School is the senior K.S., who, with three other Monitors, undertakes the discipline of the K.SS. These are the Monitor of School, the Monitor of Chamber and the Monitor of Station. The Captain is, in fact, Monitor of the Abbey and Monitor of Hall, though he is not so called. The Monitor of School has little to do but read prayers morning and evening, and present a boy to the Headmaster for punishment. His junior writes the names of all absentees in a book, which he himself delivers to the Headmaster. The Monitor of Chamber is responsible for the discipline in College, but only exercises his authority during Lockhours. We will fancy the day Lockhours begin at 2.15. At 2 the Monitor's Junior stands at a desk opposite the Under fireplace, with pen and ink and a long slip of paper, headed 'Dies Mar., Temp. Vesp., June 12,' then forty dots, sufficiently far apart to allow of a name being written opposite to each. At the bottom of the slip he writes Absunt cubiculo. He knows what boys will for certain reasons be absent, he enters their names at once opposite their respective dots, according to their position in College. He then calls names, beginning with the head third election; every boy who is in College answers Sum, except the seniors, who say 'Yes.' Having called the last junior's name, he proceeds with the seniors, and calls each of their names twice, thus: 'A, in College; A, in College.' He writes down the names of those who fail to answer on a separate piece of paper, and proceeds to College doors, and calls 'Quarter' as loud as he can, taking care to scratch out the names of each boy as he enters. When the quarter strikes, if he thinks that all the boys are not in, he goes up into College and calls their names. If they answer, the bill is correct, if not he enters their names, takes it to the Monitor of Chamber, who signs it.

College John then locks the door, and takes the key and the bill to the Under-Master's house. The door being locked, the Watch, a junior, whose turn it is, calls out *Clavis abest Quæso*. *Quæso* is supposed to stand for *Quatuor unanimes ædem socialiter ornant*. The Under-Master comes in almost immediately. Those under elections, who are not in the Sixth, make Latin verses, and the upper elections are instructed in mathematics. A little before five the door is unlocked, and the Watch calls

out Clavis adest Quæso.

Lockhours are ended, and this being the summer half, there is station at the Fields. The juniors run thither, each carrying a bat over his shoulder. Cricket is played till 7.30, when an usher appears and calls names; then back to College, and supper in hall at 8. Lockhours 8.45. One junior is left in College from 5 till 8. His business is to light the fires, make the coffee, and see that no one comes up College. The Ten-hour Watch begins his labours

chiefly in connection with College John, who is always in attendance at College doors to carry

messages.

It is the duty of the Watch to take orders from the boys and convey them to John. No one but a senior has authority to start him on his errands, and before he sets off Watch cries out, 'Any orders, John, going off?' If a senior is selfishly inclined, he says it is a lone order, then no one but a senior can send for anything. When John comes back, the Watch mounts the call-ladder, which hooks on to the door, and enables him to take in through a grating pots of beer and divers eatables, of which the orders are chiefly composed. The aperture is so large that a roast goose can travel through it. The orders are often numerous, and tax the memory of the Watch, but he is not allowed to write them down. During this time the boys are supposed to be preparing their lessons for the morrow. The seniors and a few favoured third elections sit in the Fires (of which I shall have to speak later on) and drink their coffee. The others sit at their desks, except the juniors, who are constantly on the move and have but very little peace, unless Preston comes in and gives them an opportunity of preparing their lessons. Before the Under-Master comes in, whether to look after the juniors or for prayers, he sends word by his servant, who opens the door leading into his house, and calls out, 'Gentlemen, he comes; who rights?' Monitor of Chamber shouts, 'What time?' answers if for prayers, 'Half-past nine'; if to look after the juniors, 'Nine o'clock'; in the winter months,

'Who rights?' requires some explanation. It is the business of the second elections to put to rights, to see that College is in proper order when the Under-Master comes in, and that there are a sufficient number of candlesticks. Each under election is supposed to have a small one, made of tin, to hold a dip candle. (The upper elections have shades and mould candles.) At prayer time as many as can be collected are ranged in a long row in the middle of the floor, between the Middle and Under fireplaces. The boys kneel at the backs of the large trunks at the bottom of the beds. The Monitor of Chamber reads a prayer in English, and when he has finished he conducts Preston to the door of his house. At ten o'clock Watch cries out 'Struck ten,' and the Monitor adds Extinctis lucernis intrate lectos. The second elections can go to bed at once, and most of them do, but juniors cannot go to bed without their master's leave, and are frequently kept up till nearly eleven. Soon after ten Watch calls out the name of each senior in succession, and asks him if John may go off. The upper elections are expected to go to bed at eleven. On most nights Preston comes in, holding a candle, between 11.30 and 12, and parades College. A third election, who occupies a bed close to the Under-Master's door, is obliged to listen, and as soon as he hears him mounting the steps of his house, he calls out, 'Here he comes.' Every boy who is not in bed already, jumps in-clothes and all. As soon as Preston departs many of the upper elections get up and light their candles. Most of them smoke, some read or finish their exercises, whilst others play at cards, and it is often 2 A.M. before they turn in again.

(To be continued.)

#### ANNUAL RECORDS.

#### 1908.

PEERAGE AND ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

F. E. Sugden succeeded as 3rd Lord St. Leonards; J. R. Dasent, C.B., and the Hon. G. H. Sutherland, Knighted; S. H. Godfrey, C.I.E.; E. H. Marsh, C.M.G.; C. F. Laking, Knight of the Order of Belgium.

#### THE CHURCH.

H. Salwey, Canon of Southwark; F. P. Farrar, Chaplainin-Ordinary to the King; A. A. Markham, Vicar of Grimsby; J. Farrar, Vicar of Grange-over-Sands; H. C. Frere, Rector of Roydon; C. N. Arnold, Vicar of Fifield Bavant; E. N. Sharp, Rector of Kersal; G. R. Palmer, Chaplain of Ely Theological College.

Orders. - C. B. H. Knight, D. Clark, and C. C. Sharpe,

Deacons.

#### THE LAW.

W. A. Greene, three First Classes and Studentship; G. D. Johnson, First Class; E. W. Colt-Williams, Second Class.

Council of Legal Education.—W. A. Greene, J. A. C. Hickmore, and M. Shearman, called to the Bar, Inner Temple; A. H. L. Miller, admitted a Solicitor.

#### MEDICINE.

R. Davies-Colley, F.R.C.S.; A. L. Foster, M.R.C.S.; A. H. Hogarth, Medical Officer for Bucks; J. C. Willett, Assistant-Physician at City Road Hospital.

#### THE UNIVERSITIES.

University Scholarship and Prizes. - W. A. Greene, Oxford, Victorian Scholarship; D. S. Robertson, Cambridge, Chancellor's Medal and Charles Oldham Scholarship; R. Hackforth,

Cambridge, Davies Scholarship.

First Classes.—D. S. Robertson, Cambridge, Classical Tripos Part II.; H. T. Tizard, Oxford, Natural Science.

Second Classes.—A. H. Aglionby, A. G. R. Henderson, F. M. Maxwell, Oxford, Greats; E. N. R. Trentham, Oxford. Classical Moderations.—W. H. A. Whitworth, Cambridge, Mathematical Tripos; W. J. Bonsor, Cambridge, Law Tripos Part II.; W. J. Leach, Cambridge, History Tripos Part II.
 Third Classes.—S. D. Charles, Oxford, Greats; P. M.
 Bartlett, Oxford, Theology; F. S. Fleuret, Cambridge, Law

Tripos Part II.

Scholarships .- See Election List and add R. M. Barrington-Ward, Scholar of Balliol, Oxford; D. M. Low, Scholar of Oriel, Oxford; J. R. Wade, Scholar of Queen's, Cambridge; H. G. Dillon, Scholar of Christ's, Cambridge; R. Hackforth, Jeston Exhibition, and W. H. A. Whitworth, Lees-Knowles Exhibition at Trinity College, Cambridge.

#### K. N. Colvile, Professor at Elphinstone College, Bombay.

#### CIVIL SERVICE.

E. H. Marsh, C.M.G., Private Secretary with President of the Board of Trade; A. L. Crossman, Ceylon Civil Service.

#### THE ARMY.

Captains to be Majors.—A. A. McHardy, R.A.; E. G. Curtis, Bedfordshire Regiment; W. M. Thompson, R.E. Lieutenants to be Captains.—R. D. Whigham, Scottish Borderers; H. Dening, I.S.C.

Second Lieutenant to be Lieutenant .- R. E. Tanner, Liver-

To be Adjutant. - Captain T. C. Greenway, South Wales

Admission .- To Woolwich: J. S. Heaton-Ellis and S. D. Graham; to Sandhurst: C. E. G. Shearman.

[The Editor will be obliged for notice of omissions.]

#### THE FIELDS.

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. WINCHESTER COLLEGE.

(Won, 3-2.)

This match, one of the most excellent and exciting that we have ever seen at Vincent Square, was played on Wednesday, February 24. The ground was in a sticky condition owing to a thaw, but this did not prevent the game from being very fast throughout. Gow lost the toss and the School kicked off from the Church end at 2.35. Our forwards went off with great dash, and the game had not been in progress five minutes before Cooke scored with a clever shot (1-0). Very shortly afterwards Circuitt added another for the School (2-0). The visitors now began to get the pace of the ground, and made several dangerous rushes into our half, Bury and Frost being especially noticeable. However, our defence managed to hold them until Clarke unfortunately failed to avoid a centre of Bell's, and the ball rebounded off him into the net (2-1). The School forwards, especially Cooke and Graham, put in much good work, but the excellent play of Macdonnell at centre-half prevented any addition to the score before half-time. The second half was even faster than the first, and produced much good football on both sides. Whitcombe and Bury were a continual source of danger, and but for the excellent play of Cowie and Formilli, and Gow, who seemed always in the right place, would doubtless have scored. Our halves were playing very far -too far, perhaps-up the field, and continually threw the Winchester forwards offside, who, although they did much attacking, spoilt many excellent chances by this. At length, however, from a scrimmage in front of our goal, Bury headed through (2-2). The Wykehamists continued to press, and Macdonnell put in a splendid ground shot, which Cowie did well to clear. Twenty minutes now remained for play, and both sides strained their utmost to get the winning goal; and although the players were obviously tiring, the play did not fall off but continued to be very fast, both sides making rushes in turn. Graham was playing very well, and had he managed to centre a little earlier on one or

two occasions we might have scored, and once Feasey put in a fine shot which hit the side net. At last Cooke put out a splendid pass to Graham, who ran down, and from his excellent centre Circuitt scored within three minutes of time amid great enthusiasm (3-2). There was no further score. The School are to be congratulated on a good performance, and had our forwards made the most of their opportunities when in front of goal the score must have been greater; their work in midfield was admirable. The halves played very good football all through, though Gow was rather apt to follow up his forwards too far. Formilli was excellent, and Hammond was fair, though one mistake of his nearly lost us the game. Cowie, although apt to indulge in too much leisurely dodging, played very well, but he gave us all some very anxious moments through not clearing soon enough. We must condole with Winchester on the absence of Fleming, their captain. Their forwards, especially the insides, played a fine, dashing game, but on one or two occasions missed opportunities by not backing Bury up when he got away. Macdonnell at centrehalf was extremely good and made full use of his height. Hurst-Brown was the best of the backs. Mr. P. R. Harrower refereed.

Teams:

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

A. Cowie (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, T. G. May (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, C. M. L. Circuitt, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

#### WINCHESTER COLLEGE.

R. W. Dowling (goal); A. Hurst-Brown, W. A. Trasenter (backs); O. M. Lund, J. F. Macdonnell, A. H. Bowman (halves); A. H. H. Bell, D. M. P. Whitcombe, L. H. Bury, R. Frost, O. S. Thompson (forwards).

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD ALDENHAMIANS.

Goodall kicked off from the Hospital end at 3.10, but our inside forwards were soon pulled up by the opposing centre-half, who set his forwards going, but after some good combination the inside right shot over. Shortly afterwards the inside left shot behind. After Cowie had saved well the centre-forward scored with a brilliant shot from a good centre by the outside left. The centre soon afterwards scored a goal, but was given offside. The visitors continued to press, but Cowie was very safe in goal. After a long period of pressure the centre again Our forwards could not get away, the opposing centre-half being very conspicuous. Cowie then saved a hard shot from the inside right at the expense of a corner, which Clarke cleared.

The second half was more evenly contested, but the visitors held the upper hand throughout. At first the school pressed, and Gow and Feasey put in good shots but they were easily saved. Cowie now had to run out and clear a dangerous rush by the inside forwards. Goodall then dribbled through and nearly scored, his shot just going too high. Shortly afterwards their inside right scored with a neat shot. After some even exchanges, Goodall and Cooke nearly scored. After Cowie had saved well from the inside right our forwards got away and Cooke scored from a suspiciously off-side position. There were only five minutes left for play, but the School could not score again. Result: School, I; Old Aldenhamians, 3. Teams:—

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#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. CASUALS.

Goodall kicked off from the Hospital end at 3.15, and after some even play the visitors' centre-forward shot over the bar, and soon afterwards the centre-half followed suit. Feasey then put in a good shot, but the goalkeeper saved well. After some pressure on the part of the visitors, Graham looked like scoring, but his shot went a little too high. halves, especially the centre, were very good, and held our forwards in check, despite the hard work of our defence. Just before half-time the inside left shot over, and immediately after the centre-forward scored. The visitors continued to press, and the outside left forced a corner, but it was easily cleared. Play was now more even, but our forwards could not get past the opposing defence. Our opponents continued to press, and from a centre by the outside left, the inside right beat Rawson with a good shot. We now pressed, but Circuitt and Marriott put over, the latter having an exceptional opening, but failing. Shortly before time, the centre added a third goal, and though the School tried hard to score, the visitors' defence prevailed, and time came with the score (o-3) in favour of the Casuals.

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, T. G. May (halves); R. A. Graham, T. F. C. Marriott, J. Goodall, C. M. L. Circuitt, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

(Won 3-1.)

This game was played Up-fields on February 10, and although won by the School, was a very poor game in every way. The visitors turned up short, and a start was not made till past three o'clock. The first half was very uninteresting, both sides being equally bad, and no goals being scored. On restarting Circuitt scored owing to a misunderstanding between Longhurst and Covington, and the same player shortly

afterwards added another goal with an excellent shot (2-0), and Marriott soon further increased our score (3-0). Shortly before time Coleby scored for the O.WW. with a good shot, which dropped into the net over Rawson's head. The less said of the School side the better; Circuitt was the best of the forwards, and Formilli was good in defence. The O.WW. had a very bad side out, and our performance was extremely disappointing. Teams:—

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. R. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, W. F. Lutyens (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, C. M. L. Circuitt, G. G. Feasey (forwards),

#### OLD WESTMINSTERS.

C. K. Covington (goal); A. L. Longhurst, P. H. Wyatt (backs); H. L. Geare, H. F. Chatterton, E. J. Tyson (halves); H. C. Macpherson, D. McManus, D. L. Summerhays, E. Coleby, F. H. Hallward (forwards).

### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. CHRIST CHURCH.

(Lost, 0-2.)

This game was played Up-fields on February 6, and after a very poor game resulted in a win for the visitors by (o-2). The School were not at full strength, and Bonner replaced May at left half. We did most of the attacking in the first half, but most of our efforts were spoilt by Walters and Edgar at left and centre-half, and Beauchamp at back often relieved with excellent kicks. The visitors scored their first goal through Pawson, who charged Rawson into the net before he had time to clear (o-1). This was the only score in the first half. The School defence went all to pieces in the second half, with the exception of Hammond, who played a most excellent game, and had the visiting forwards been a little more together they must have scored several times. As it was, Pawson added another goal, and Walters tested Rawson with a very hot shot, which the latter did well to save. The School team as a whole played very badly, and showed nothing like the excellent form of the previous Wednesday. Rawson was good in goal, and Marriott and Cooke the best of the forwards. Pawson played a very dashing game for the visitors. Teams:

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, C. B. Bonner (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, C. M. L. Circuitt, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. S. S. HARRIS, Esq.'s XI.

(Drawn, 2-2.)

This match was played Up-fields on Wednesday, March 3, and was productive of much excellent football. The visitors only turned out ten men,

C. Wreford-Brown being unable to come. The School, who lost the toss, began to press at once, and a good shot by Gow was taken out by the wind. Shortly afterwards S. S. Harris was prominent with some excellent runs, but his shots went wide. Circuitt and Graham at the other end nearly scored, and the School did most of the pressing for the remainder of the first half. Immediately after the restart Cooke scored from an excellent centre by Feasey (1-0), and shortly afterwards Marriott, imagining himself to be offside, allowed a golden opportunity to slip by. Goodall and Harris then got away, and after some pretty combination the latter beat Rawson with a good shot (1-1), but about ten minutes later Cooke again gave us the lead with a good shot (2-1). However, just before the end, Senhouse scored for the visitors, and the game resulted in a draw (2-2). The School forwards played a much better game, and Hammond was also exceedingly good. Teams:

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. R. Rawson (goal); G. C. Formilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, T. G. May (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, C. M. L. Circuitt, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

#### S. S. HARRIS'S XI.

C. T. Vevry (goal); J. D. Hughes, P. R. May (backs); T. Vevry, R. O. Barnett, C. M. Goodall (halves); Senhouse, J. Goodall, S. S. Harris, H. Hughes-Onslow (forwards).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. EXETER COLLEGE, OXFORD.

(Won 3-1.)

This match was played Up-fields on January 23, and gave the School their first victory of the Lent Term. Gow lost the toss, and Marriott kicked off from the Hospital end. Our forwards went away with great dash, and before long Marriott opened the score from a good centre by Feasey (1-0). Circuitt and Cooke added goals in quick succession, and at half-time we were leading (3-0). May was obliged to go off as he had received a bad kick, and Feasey dropped back to left half. Our forwards never seemed to get together properly now they were one short, and the visitors pressed for a long time and eventually scored through their inside left (3-1). For the School Rawson was good in goal, and the halves excellent. Circuitt and the other forwards played well, and Graham made a first appearance at outside right.

Teams:-

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

H. F. Rawson (goal); G. C. Førmilli, M. Hammond (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, T. G. May (halves); R. A. Graham, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, C. M. L. Circuitt, G. G. Feasey (forwards).

#### EXETER COLLEGE.

O. D. Roberts (goal); F. W. Milling, R. F. Groom (backs); T. Sweet-Escott, H. C. Roberts, N. R. Jarrett (halves); M. E. Grane, H. E. Bayfield, T. Waddington, H. E. Wortley, R. Wilks (forwards).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. LANCING OLD BOYS.

(Drawn 1-1.)

This game, the first of the Lent Term, was played on January r6. The School were without J. S. Heaton-Ellis, owing to his having left to go to Woolwich. Feasey tried outside right, and Hill took Feasey's old place on the other wing. Although these two changes were not very satisfactory, there was a very gratifying improvement in the play on the whole. Gow and Clarke particularly played well, and the improvement of the latter on his last term's play is very welcome. Our inside forwards did a lot of pressing, and had they been a little more accurate in front of goal we must have won, as we had quite three-quarters of the game. Marriott scored for us with a good shot.

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

A. Cowie (goal); M. Hammond, G. C. Formilli (backs); E. C. K. Clarke, J. C. Gow, T. G. May (halves); G. G. Feasey, R. C. Cooke, T. F. C. Marriott, C. M. L. Circuitt, H. G. Hill (forwards).

The visitors did not leave their names.

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. v. SCHOOL MISSION.

(Won 4-3.)

This match ended in a win for the School. Soon after the kick-off the Mission forwards got down, but Cowie saved a hot shot from the left inside when in a good position. The Mission had the best of matters for a short time, two corners coming in quick succession; then the School got away, and a good piece of combination between Barrington-Ward and Geare ended in the former missing by inches only. Then the School set up a bombardment, and could do everything but score, and it was evidently the Mission's lot to obtain the first point, for the centre-forward getting away on his own gave Cowie no chance. The Mission did not keep the lead long, for Hill netted with a magnificent shot almost from the kick-off. Immediately after the kick-off, Barrington-Ward made a fine effort on his own, but in tricking the back over-dribbled the ball, which ran dead. The Mission then set up a determined attack, and Cowie was called upon several times, and being only partially able to keep one shot out the ball was rushed into the net amid the enthusiasm of the Mission's followers. However, the School soon equalised from a centre by Miles, which was rushed into the Quick scoring then came on, and Barrington-Ward put the School ahead only for the Mission to equalise a short time afterwards. Then both sides strove their utmost to get the lead, and Lutyens, in stopping an opposing forward, was hurt, but was quickly able to continue. The School pressed hard; the Mission defence did its utmost, but eventually Hill put the ball into the net, the School thus winning (4-3).

## WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. v. CLAPHAM ROVERS 2ND XI.

This match was played on Big Game ground as there was no 1st XI. match. Goodall kicked off from the Church end, and the School pressed hotly for some minutes; the Clapham Rovers then made a dangerous rush, which ended, however, in the ball going behind. The School then had much the best of matters and looked like scoring, when the visitors broke away and their right inside opened the scoring. After some play in midfield the Clapham forwards again ran down and added another goal (0-2). The School then got to work, and after pressing hard for some time scored through Hill (1-2). After halftime the School rallied, and it was not long before Goodall equalised (2-2). From the kick-off Clapham Rovers went away with a great dash, but our defence proved too strong, and the ball returned into their half and we pressed again. Eventually Geare and Barrington-Ward, by a good piece of combination, went down on the right wing, and the latter put the School ahead for the first time (3-2). Clapham Rovers now pressed hard and our goal was several times in danger, one shot just passing outside the post. From the kick-out Geare raced down the right wing, and passing the ball to Barrington-Ward enabled the latter to score a beautiful goal (4-2). The School continued to have the best of matters, though Hammond, by a bad mistake, nearly let the Clapham Rovers through once, and there was no further score.

Team :-

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI.

H. F. Rawson (goal); A. G. Leck, M. Hammond (backs); W. F. Lutyens, A. C. Edgar, A. Johnson (halves); Geare, R. M. Barrington-Ward, J. Goodall, H. G. Hill, C. V. Miles (forwards):—

#### FIVES.

THE first and second rounds of the Lent Term ties resulted:—

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	H. F. Rawson and	beat G. G. Feasey and	
	J. C. Gow C. M. L. Circuitt and	beat \( \text{E. S. Wood.} \)	
	R. M. Barrington-Ward	(2-0) A. C. Edgar.	
	A. L. Purves and	beat C. K. Covington and	
	G. B. F. Rudd	) ' (G. C. Formilli.	
	G. L. Troutbeck and	beat F. G. Hobson and	
	J. Goodall R. Rawson and C.	J. R. Wade. B. Bonner drew byes.	
	R. Rawson	play { H. F. Rawson and	
	C. B. Bonner	J. C. Gow.	
	G. L. Troutbeck and	play A. L. Purves	
	J. Goodall	G. B. F. Rudd.	

C. M. L. Circuitt and R. M. Barrington-Ward drew byes.

#### JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	K.SS.	A.H.	R.	G.	н.вв.	
K.SS	-	D 0-0	W 0-2	0—1		=3 points
А.Н	D 0-0	-	L 12		D I-I	=2 points
Rigaud's	L 0-2	W 2-1	-	L 1-2	D 3-3	=3 points
GRANT'S	W I-o	W 2-0	W 2—1	-	W I-o	=8 points
Н.ВВ		D .	D 3-3	L o-I	_	=2 points

#### WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

	A	В	C	D	Е	F	G	Н
A	-	W 7-0					W 1-0	
В	L 0-7	-	L 0-6	L 1-4			L 0-2	
С		W 6—0	-	W 3-1			W 2-0	
D			L 1-3	-			W 2-1	
E	L 1-2				-		W 4—1	
F	L 0-2		L 1-2	L 1-2		-		
G			L 0-2				-	
Н	L 3-5	W 3—1	L 2-3	W 5-3	L 0-5			-

#### DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, January 21, for Impromptu Debates.

The House met on Thursday, January 28, to discuss the motion: 'That this House approves of the

Daylight Saving Bill.'

The Proposer (the Vice-President) complained of the waste of daylight in the summer mornings, and outlined the main provisions of the Bill. He considered the Bill would save the use of artificial light, and that it would be of advantage to working men, who would get home sooner.

The Opposer (E. W. Williamson) considered the plan to be utterly impossible, and it would be absurd

to attempt to alter the hours, and would lead to hopeless confusion. It would come to this, that no one

would know what the right time was.

The SECONDER (G. G. Williams) contended that it was useless to talk of confusion before the thing had been even tried. He denied that it would derange Continental traffic, and he considered that the Bill was well worth considering.

The Secretary agreed, and quoted a lengthy list of prominent men and companies who were in favour of the Bill. The President considered the whole scheme to be impossible, and that it could not be organised sufficiently well to avoid complications. After some remarks by G. L. Troutbeck and the Treasurer, the motion was put to the House and lost by acclamation.

The House met on Thursday, February 4, to discuss the motion: 'That this House considers the House of Lords represents the opinion of the Country.

The Proposer (C. K. Covington) supported the House of Lords on the ground that it ought to be able to judge of important questions, since it was composed of the pick of the great families of England; and if it threw out momentous bills, it did so to give the country time to consider them.

The OPPOSER (G. L. Troutbeck) said the House of Lords could not represent the opinion of the country, being essentially Conservative. It was useless to shut one's eyes to the fact that there are Liberals in England, not to speak of a strong Labour

Party and Socialists.

The SECONDER (W. Bell) pointed out that many Peers are retired Cabinet Ministers, and some of the most prominent men in England are members of the House of Lords.

The VICE-PRESIDENT did not consider that the Lords were meant to represent the opinion of the country, their proper position was rather that of an

arbitrating or revising body.

The President showed that the Government of to-day was a plutocracy; he considered that it was only bigoted Liberals who asserted that the Lords threw out Liberal bills alone, and gave instances.

J. L. Benvenisti maintained that the interests of labour are now opposed to those of capital. A rich brewer in the House of Lords represents only himself, and only consults the interests of capital, thereby injuring those of labour. He denied that the House of Lords was looked up to by the poor of England. After some further discussion, the question was put and carried by acclamation.

The House met on Thursday, February 11, to discuss the motion: 'That in the opinion of this House undue attention is paid to the Study of the Classics.'

The Proposer (M. Hammond) considered Classics to be a luxury and of little practical use. He considered that a man with a moderate Mathematical education was more likely to get on than a Classical

man of the same abilities. In the race of national progress, England was getting left behind, and he suggested that the reason was that in England we do not pay enough attention to modern subjects, but are content to let them have a second place.

The Opposer (G. G. Williams) replied by quoting Germany, which has produced some of the foremost classical scholars. The understanding of English literature to a large extent depends on a knowledge of the Classics. Milton, for instance, would be unintelligible without. He considered that Classics entered too largely into the great professions, the Church, Medicine, and the Bar, to be neglected.

The SECONDER (E. S. Wood) said that modern subjects were more interesting, and that if the Universities would give up Classics, the study of Classics

would decrease.

J. L. Benvenisti pleaded for greater moderation in the study of Classics, while C. G. Usher pointed out the greater usefulness of a 'grounding' in the Classics.

The President deprecated the invidious comparisons which had been made between Classics and Mathematics. The Classics broaden a man's mind and enable him to adapt himself to circumstances. He contended that Virgil, Milton and Dante have had more influence on civilisation than the sciences.

The VICE-PRESIDENT also spoke. The question was then put to the House and lost by acclamation.

The two meetings arranged for February 18 and February 25 were unavoidably postponed.

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

Jan. 21.—Impromptu Debates,
Jan. 28.—'That this House approves of the Daylight Saving Bill.' Proposer, D. M. Low; Seconder, G. G. Williams;

Opposer, E. W. Williamson. Lost by Acclamation.

Feb. 4.—'That this House considers the House of Lords represents the opinion of the country.' Proposer, C. K. Covington; Seconder, W. Bell; Opposer, G. L. Troutbeck.

Carried by Acclamation.

Feb. 11.- 'That in the opinion of this House undue attention is paid to the Study of the Classics. Proposer, E. S. Wood; Seconder, M. Hammond; Opposer, G. G. Williams. Lost by Acclamation.

Feb. 18.— 'That this House condemns the Old Age Pension

Scheme on its present basis.' Proposer, K. Murray; Seconder, W. Lutyens; Opposer, W. S. Gray. Postponed.

Feb. 25.—That in the opinion of this House the tendency of Modern Inventions is to make War a thing of the past.' Proposer, A. C. Edgar; Seconder, G. Formilli; Opposer, P. S. Ham. Postponed.

March 4.—'That this House deplores the spread of Socialism.' Proposer, J. C. Gow; Seconder, H. G. Hill; Opposer, J. Benvenisti.

March 11, - 'That this House approves of the policy of the present Government towards India.' Proposer, J. Wade;

Seconder, C. G. Usher; Opposer, C. B. Bonner.

March 18.—'That this House views with alarm the growing irresponsibility of the modern Press.' Proposer, P. H. Malden;

Opposer, H. N. Wood.

March 25 .- 'That this House would welcome the formation of a new Boarding-House at Westminster.' Proposer, R. Barrington-Ward; Seconder, L. E. Tanner; Opposer, E.

March 30. - Impromptu Debates.

#### SHAKESPEARIAN SOCIETY.

Owing to the prevailing illness and other hindrances the Society has only read 'Two Gentlemen of Verona,' and is halfway through 'Julius Cæsar.'

On February 16, the Headmaster read an extremely interesting and illuminating paper on the much debated question of Shakespeare's pronunci-

ation of English.

The Society had a very enjoyable evening on Saturday, February 20, when Mrs. Murray-Smith very kindly took them to see 'Richard III.' acted by Mr. F. R. Benson's Company at the Coronet Theatre.

#### NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

On Saturday, January 30, Mr. WOOTTON read a most interesting paper on 'River Development.' He described briefly some of the elementary laws which govern the developments of rivers, and pointed out on a map several peculiarities of the English rivers, especially mentioning the Trent and the Thames.

On Saturday, February 6, Mr. RAYNOR was to have read a paper, but owing to his unfortunate

indisposition the meeting could not be held.

On Saturday, February 13, C. B. Bonner read a most instructive paper on 'British Fungi.' He described most minutely the various sorts of fungi, carefully explaining the differences between edible and poisonous fungi. During the lecture he exhibited some excellent photographs to the Society, which

were much appreciated.

From Wednesday, February 17, to Saturday, February 20, an Exhibition of Natural History Specimens was held in the Old Lecture Room. The collection consisted of birds, birds' eggs, and Lepidoptera, and also some photographs and paintings. The exhibition was most successful, and keen interest was shown. We take this opportunity of thanking C. C. Treatt, Esq., and C. B. Bonner and G. C. Formilli for kindly lending as specimens, photographs, etc. The loan of the splendid collection of birds we have already recorded.

#### youse Notes.

K.SS.—We had only two representatives against Winchester—Gow and Hammond—the latter of whom we have to congratulate on his Pinks. We note also with pleasure that W. F. Lutyens has played for the School.

Our Juniors succumbed to Grant's, being defeated

(o-1) in a good game.

We are glad to see that another School Prize has fallen to a K.S., as J. R. Wade has been awarded the Royal Asiatic Society's Essay Prize.

The Literary Society are reading 'King John.'

The 'Golden Tablets' are at present being reinstated in their former position on the walls of Dormitory, the renovating having been most successfully performed by Messrs. Wm. Whiteley.

ASHBURNHAM.—We have to be thankful that the influenza has carried its ravages less far with us than in some of the other Houses; still we have to some degree felt its depressing effects. We offer our heartiest congratulations to Mr. W. B. Harris on his Blue. Mr. A. L. Crossman has passed into the Ceylon Civil Service. In the midst of active preparations for Seniors, we are still regretting the loss of the Junior Cup. We feel, however, that our team made a good fight of it, and not a few show promise of great things in the future.

A House Debating Society has been founded under the most auspicious circumstances, and the Witenagemot has held two very successful meetings—a discussion on compulsory cadet corps and an

impromptu debate.

GRANT'S.—Since the last ELIZABETHAN we have added another to our Cups in Hall in the shape of the Junior Football Cup. After a hard-fought game we beat College by (1-0). The Cup therefore returns to the House after an absence of two years. We have also to record, with due congratulations, another Grantite success, F. R. J. Tomlinson securing the Pancake for the second year in succession. His portrait graced the pages of the Daily Graphic the next morning. It is satisfactory to note that this is the third successive year that the Pancake has been secured by a Grantite. H. F. Rawson has been invited on to the Monitorial, and has also been elected to the Games' Committee. Though a little late, we congratulate him on getting his 'Thirds' and playing for the School, and also R. A. Graham and T. F. Marriott on getting their Pink and Whites and playing against Winchester. Yard-ties and Fives'-ties are progressing, though somewhat slowly. The military element in the House has started drilling, and it is hoped that enough will soon be back again in school for them to continue their efforts. The Literary Society has finished 'Julius Cæsar' and started 'She Stoops to Conquer.' The readings have been temporarily suspended owing to influenza. We forbear to be facetious on this subject, leaving it to abler hands. We wish success to L. E. Tanner, F. G. Hobson, and R. H. Yolland in their respective examinations which take place shortly. conclusion, we hope that we may be victorious in Seniors; at any rate, we stand as good a chance as the other Houses.

HOME BOARDERS.—First of all we must condole with the Rev. G. H. Nall on his recent attack of influenza, and wish him a speedy recovery. Mr. R.

Hackforth (O.W.) must be heartily congratulated on gaining the Chancellor's Gold Medal for Classics at Cambridge, and also Mr. D. G. MacLaren, who is distinguishing himself with the Follies. We are glad to see we had two representatives in the Winchester match. Our prospects for Seniors seem quite good, and we must wish the team the best of luck in their game with Rigaud's. The House squad has greatly improved, and if only everybody would turn up to drills regularly we ought to stand a good chance of getting back the Cup. The House Fives'-ties are progressing favourably, and there seems to be every prospect of a keen finish to the first round.

RIGAUD'S. — There are two reasons why our House Notes this month are short and newsless. First, that foul dragon Influenza has taken in his grip fourteen of our members, all of whom are boarders; secondly, this period of the term is always the most uninteresting, for Seniors have not yet begun, and all the excitement of a new term has worn away.

Our Juniors finished up a rather unsuccessful season by defeating Ashburnham (4-3). As usual, we were first in the field in practising for the Tug, and our chances seem fairly bright. Wonderful to relate, our Yard-ties actually have started, and we may truthfully repeat the old saying that 'Yard-ties are in full swing,' and by our next number we hope to

chronicle their end.

In martial matters 'An Englishman's Home' and the forthcoming Inter-House Drill Competition have stirred up the Rigaudite contingent of the O.T.C. to a state of activity, and our recruiting sergeant has added three civilian members of the House to our ranks.

In turning our attention to quieter pursuits, the only thing we have to report is that a chess club has been founded, and we are well on in the first round of a tournament.

#### Old Westminsters.

AT Cambridge the distinguished honour of one of the two Chancellor's Medals has been awarded to Mr. R. Hackforth, who is adjudged equal with another candidate. Since the changes made in the Classical Tripos the examination for the Chancellor's Medals is the only means of determining the best men of the year. As last year the first medal was awarded to Mr. D. S. Robertson, we may say that, if the old system had been in force, Westminster would probably have provided the Senior Classic two years in succession.

At Cambridge Mr. W. B. Harris has received his Football Blue.

Sir Francis Maclean is about to return to England at the conclusion of his term of office as Chief Justice of Bengal. We understand that he is likely to take his seat on the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

Mr. W. F. Adams has paid a Life Composition to THE ELIZABETHAN.

#### Obituary.

WE have to regret the death of Hugh Bonvill SEDDON, who was at the School from 1878 to 1883. He had a distinguished career at St. Thomas's Hospital, and afterwards practised at Bromley. During the late war he was a Civil Surgeon to the South African Field Force.

#### Correspondence.

OLD WESTMINSTERS' BOAT CLUB.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

79 Finchley Road, N.W. February 27, 1909.

DEAR SIR, - I believe you are giving in this number an outline of the proposed scheme for the formation of an Old Westminsters' Boat Club, and I shall be very glad to hear from all Old Westminsters and others who are interested in the matter and to supply them with any further information within my power.

Advice, suggestions and offers of support will be most welcome, and a meeting of all those who communicate with me will be called, to be held during the Easter vacation, for the purpose of discussing the proposal and, if possible, forming

the club.

Yours faithfully, CECIL KENT.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

St. Edward's School, Oxford. February 7, 1909.

DEAR MR. EDITOR, -Surely there is no need for Mr. Waterfield's ingenious etymology. The Matron of College in

the 'seventies was Mrs. Saigne, or was called so.
You will perhaps suggest that, like Pharaoh and Brennus, her supposed name was really a title. If you do, I cannot disprove it, but 'Mrs. Saigne' she was then, and gloried in the appellation. If you ask why her name should have stuck to the Sanatorium, instead of 'Mother Goulding's' or the name of any other of her predecessors or successors, I can only point to the case of Rigaud's and Grant's, which might well have borne other names, but do not. I may add that to the best of my recollection the preposition 'up' did not go with her name in my time. I think we said 'in Saigne's' in spite of the fact hat the phrase required a certain nicety of pronunciation to avoid an obvious confusion.

> I am, Sir, Yours sincerely, W. H. A. COWELL.

[Our correspondent is quite right in thinking that the preposition 'up' is not prefixed to Saigne's, but always 'to' or 'in.' We hope to deal with the question of the derivation of this interesting word in our next issue. - ED. ELIZ.]

#### FRENCH TEAM'S VISIT TO OLD WESTMINSTERS.

To the Editor of ' The Elizabethan.'

Old Westminsters' Football Club, 79 Finchley Road, N.W. March 1, 1909.

DEAR SIR,-If you will be kind enough to allow me to make use of your columns, I would like to call attention to the fact that a French football club, the Red Star A.C. de Paris, is coming to England to play a match against Old West-minsters on Easter Saturday. The Ealing Association F.C. have been kind enough to lend their splendid ground at Ealing for the occasion, and naturally it is hoped that there will be a large number of spectators to give our visitors a good reception. After the match it is intended to entertain the French team to an informal dinner in London, and I shall be very glad to hear from all Old Westminsters who wish to be present. Yours faithfully,

CECIL KENT. Hon. Secretary.

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