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vires acquirit eundo.

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THE PAST CRICKET SEASON.

THE cricket season is past, and by the time this appears in print the dark day term will have fairly commenced, and with it football. Nothing remains of cricket other than records, and we wish, as is only due to the past season, to place before our readers as concisely as possible the results of Grants cricket eleven of 1884. During this year Grants have played four matches, of which two were junior matches. Out of these four, Grants have won two, and lost two. The first match of the season was Junior Grants v. Junior Rigauds, and this resulted in a victory for Grants, the scores being,—Grants 174, and Rigauds 56. In the next match, Junior Grants v. Junior Homeboarders, we did not fare so well, Homeboarders winning by 22 runs. The scores were,—Homeboarders 96, and Grants 74. Both these were one innings matches. The following match (the first for the cricket shield) was against Homeboarders, and in this Grants were victorious and won, as the scores show, in a manner by no means unworthy of themselves. The scores were as follows,—Grants, first innings, 154; Homeboarders, first innings, 37, second innings, 71. It must, however, be said that Grants were playing a team acknowledged to be much weaker than themselves. The next and last match of the season was against Rigauds, and ended in Grants being defeated by an innings and a good many runs. Rigauds made,—first innings, 179; Grants, first innings, 50, and in the second innings, 78. It is a curious fact that Grants have never been very brilliant at cricket, but have always been able to hold their own at football and water.

In the above account we have endeavoured to give a faithful report without expressing an opinion

one way or the other. But though Grants had not a very good team last season, it was certainly better than the year before, when we were defeated by Homeboarders, and in that way had no chance of even playing Rigauds. It will not do, however, to be satisfied with small results. Grants must aim at greater things. It won't do to be contented until both cricket and football shields adorn the walls of Hall "up Grants."

EXISTIMATOR.

NOTES.

We are sorry to inform our readers that there are no copies now remaining of No. 1, and only a very limited number of No. 2. Of Nos. 3 and 4 at present there are plenty of copies.

A considerable amount of indignation has arisen in the School owing to the postponement of the "sports" from this term to next, and some rather severe letters appeared on the subject in the School paper. A very sensible and just letter, however, which appeared lately in the "Elizabethan," seems to have stilled the tempest.

E. G. Moon has returned this term, having been absent the whole of the summer term as previously mentioned, owing to an accident he met with while playing in the yard.

The following boys have left since last term,—M. H. M. T. Pigott, F. Fulcher, C. Fulcher, F. C. Young, R. M. Leake, A. M. T. Jackson, H. P. Jackson, T. E. Shore, and A. Maclean.

There are no new boarders "up Grants" this term, and at present W. N. Winkworth and R. J. Halls are the only new half boarders.

Grants had at the end of last term the following cricket colours,—2 pinks, 2 pink and whites, and 2 third elevens.

We are sorry to say it has been finally decided that owing to the death of H.R.H. the Duke of Albany, there is to be no Play this year. No doubt there are many old friends of the School who will miss this great annual institution.

Much to the disappointment and indignation also of many, the Sat., Sun., Mon., which occurred just after the beginning of the term was not given, and we fear this old institution is to be discontinued.

At the examination at the beginning of this term the following boys were elected into college,—A. H. Cuming, A. R. Knap, and B. Stapleton.

MISCELLANEA.

Our readers may like to know and to be able to inform their friends that a second edition of "Westminster Past and Present" is to be soon brought out if it has not by this time appeared. Those who were not fortunate enough to obtain a copy of the first edition, we should certainly recommend to get one of the second, and to lose no time about it, as no doubt the copies will be pretty quickly snatched up.

An interesting article on Westminster School appeared in the August number of Temple Bar, vol. 71, No. 285. It is really worth getting, as it contains the names of most of the renowned old Westminsters, and gives in many cases short biographies.

Owing to several letters we have had lately on the subject, we think it well to inform our readers that no advertisements will be inserted of any kind whatsoever.

CRICKET.

GRANTS v. HOMEBOARDERS.

		HOMEBOARDERS.		
		<i>1st Innings.</i>	<i>2nd Innings.</i>	
Fevez	..... c Moon, b Veitch ..	6	b Gibson	17
Peck	..... c Stevens, b Gibson	13	b Gibson	0
Tritton	..... b Gibson	0	b Gibson	2
Pettitt	..... b Gibson	0	st Pigott, b Veitch	0
Prothero, A. G.	..... b Veitch	1	c Pigott, b Veitch	2
Farquharson	..... b Gibson	3	not out	18
Grant-Wilson	..... c Pigott, b Gibson	2	b Gibson	5
Prothero, F. L.	..... b Gibson	3	b Gibson	0
Small	..... b Veitch	0	b Gibson	10
Thompson	..... not out	0	b Gibson	0
Thornton	..... b Veitch	2	c and b Gibson ..	6
	Extras	7	Extras	11
		37		71

GRANTS.

		<i>First Innings.</i>
Fulcher, F.	..... b Fevez	0
Gibson	..... b Fevez	2
Moon, W. R.	..... b A. G. Prothero ..	90
Leake	..... b Tritton	6
Pigott	..... b Fevez	20
Veitch	..... c and b Fevez	0
Smyth, H. W.	..... c Fevez, b A. G. Prothero	10
Fulcher, C.	..... b A. G. Prothero	0
Gordon	..... b Fevez	2
Smyth, N. M.	..... b Fevez	1
Stevens	..... not out	3
	Extras	24
		154

Want of space compels us to omit details about the match. It may be noted, however, that Gibson, in the 2nd innings, bowled 7 maidens in the first 13 overs, and the first 5 overs contained 5 wickets.

The following is the score of

GRANTS v. RIGAUDS.

R I G A U D S.

		<i>First Innings.</i>
Crews	..... c Smyth, b Veitch ..	0
Harrison	..... not out	50
Hurst, A. R.	..... c and b Moon	44
Jervis	..... b Gibson	0
Balfour, A. M.	..... c Pigott, b Ellershaw	41
Ingram	..... b Gibson	7
Probyn	..... c Ellershaw, b Pryce	5
Berens	..... c Smyth, b Gibson ..	11
Armitstead	..... b Leake	0
Croft	..... run out	1
	Extras	20
		179

GRANTS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.		
Gibson	b Hurst	0	b Croft	25
Smyth, H. W.	b Hurst	0	b Croft	1
Leake	c Harrison, b Hurst	19	b Croft	1
Moon, W. R.	b Croft	12	c Berens, b Croft	20
Pigott	c and b Croft	6	c Ingram, b Croft	8
Veitch	c Hurst, b Croft	3	b Hurst	2
Fulcher, F.	c Hurst, b Croft	0	c Jervis, b Croft	1
Stevens	not out	5	b Hurst	1
Pryce	c Armitstead, b Croft	0	st Hurst, b Croft	1
Gordon	b Hurst	0	not out	3
Ellershaw	b Hurst	0	run out	8
	Extras	5	Extras	7
	Total	50	Total	78

PRIZE COMPETITION.

The subjects chosen, or rather *not chosen* for the last competition are as a matter of course so numerous that no excuse could or would be acceptable as reason for not writing, and we do not therefore attempt to conceal our disappointment at receiving so few contributions. After some debate, however, and after several opinions had been given as to which was the most worthy, we have finally decided not to award the prize until No. 6, and we hope before then to receive more verses

ANSWERS TO LAST NUMBER'S ENIGMAS.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 4.

C ro P
A ntle R
B rin E
I te M
N i L
E w E
T ope R

CABINET. PREMIER.

CHARADE.

B 4 (Be natural).

Correct answers to the above have been received only from M. A. Green. However discouraging this may seem, we intend to continue inserting enigmas until the end of the year, when, in accordance with the notice which appeared in our first issue, a prize will be awarded to the successful competitor.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 5.

1. This word denotes the lowest class of sprites, Lieutenant-fiends, their elders' satellites.
2. On this at once his eager gaze will rest
Who comes of all the guests the hungriest.
3. Invaluable to him who wrong has wrought
And not unnoticed—to his fellows nought.

4. A captain of the host who slew his lord,
And won and held the throne by fire and sword.
5. A city whose destruction brought on Greece
The mightiest host that ever threatened peace.
6. The first of prophets undismayed and bold,
To king and knave alike there was foretold.
7. Of all the boys, in truth, there's barely one
Who won't be very glad when this is done.
8. They want to come, no *force* prevents them, yet
They cannot, for that this they cannot get.
9. Herein two cognate meanings may be found,
The cause of hearing and a cause of sound.
10. Unknown to fame himself, yet, in his son,
The cause of all the sin the Jews have done.

No schoolboy can succeed without
Some form or other of correction,—
And that's my first; my second gives
The master's commonest selection.

Answers to the above must be sent in before the 7th of November.

All contributions for No. 6 must also reach us by that date.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Dear Mr. Editor,—I believe the subject on which I am writing is not a new one, and I am also aware of the exceedingly small notice which is taken of such epistles; yet I venture to make the following suggestion, with the vain hope that some leading spirit may take it up. We are now entering on the term of dull, dark, damp days; and as all boarders know the evenings from afternoon school until tea are very dull ones, I propose that some entertainments be got up which could take place in Turle's House. They might consist of music, vocal and instrumental, and short farces might also be got up if some master would undertake the management. Yours, etc., X. Y. Z.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Dear Mr. Editor,—Having observed a letter by one signed "Lion Couchant," in your last issue, I have ventured to send you a rough sketch of what I think you might adopt as your heading instead of your present one.

I remain, yours truly,
ST. MICHAEL.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Sir,—Would it not prove very beneficial to the School Library, considering its very limited number of books at present, if boys on leaving or entering the School were to present it with some book or books which every good library ought to contain, and of which at present there must be many wanting? Yours very sincerely, N. B.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Sir,—I am a subscriber to your paper, and have had the honour of seeing one or two of my letters in your paper, and I may add that I take a very considerable amount of interest in it. I wish, therefore, Mr. Editor, to put a question to you. Do you intend at the end of the year to commence a new volume? I know this has been asked before, and I venture, therefore, to ask it again on behalf of all who are curious to know. Yours, etc., SHIP AHOY.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Dear Sir,—Could it not be contrived that the theatricals which used to be held up Grants might be revived? I think we want something to take away the monotony of this term, as there are to be no Athletics and no Play. Hoping that this idea may not be viewed with entire contempt,

I remain, &c., MAGOG.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Sir,—Might I be allowed to make a suggestion now that the dark days are fairly set in? Chess has always been a game more or less appreciated "up Grants" during this winter term. Would it not therefore create a little diversion if a regular chess tournament was got up? No subscription would be necessary, as there are chessmen and boards belonging to the House.

Yours truly, BLACK KNIGHT.

To the Editor of the *Grantite Review*.

Dear Sir,—I observed in your last number a letter from one who signs himself—and I think very properly—"Lunatic Contributor." In his letter he scorns "A Water Fellow" for being sanguine enough to hope for the recovery of water. Now, Sir, it is very probable that water will be restored next year, for the Headmaster intimated to the Elizabethan Society that if the School showed such a falling off in games as to point to the fact that the long evenings are preferable to the short ones now existing, the long summer evenings would be restored; and surely the School has shown a falling off in cricket at least. The "Lunatic Contributor" then kindly informs "Water Fellow" that in the days when we beat Eton on the water we had, besides the houses now existing, several others in "Dean's Yard," which we had not; the total number of boys in the School only amounting to an average of 88, and he says that Eton was then not nearly the size it is now, which is another mistake since Eton then contained about 900. He proceeds by saying that we are "almost invariably beaten by Charter House at football and cricket," when in reality the victories for both sides are about equal in number. And, finally, let me remind him with regard to his statement that "it is utterly impossible with our small number to hope to keep up both cricket and water," that water, whether we excel in it or not, tends a change of scene and thought which is beyond our attainment otherwise, although it may be attainable for country schools where green fields and wooded glens are always at hand.

C. O. X.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

LION COUCHANT.—A letter we believe appears in our present issue on the same subject. We may as well say at once that we have no intention of altering the Crest, at any rate for the present.

ANOTHER.—We acknowledge our mistake, but as to the latter part of your letter we think you may leave it to us to decide about Enigmas. We should very much like to have the definitions of first class and third class Enigmas.

CALIMITY-POP.—We have had too many letters on this subject, and we verily believe the many grievences are groundless.

C. O. X.—Your letter is very long, and your sole object therein seems to be trying to pick to pieces a very sensible correspondent's letter. We are willing to insert contributions, but we cannot undertake to correct MSS. We recommend you to read through your letters before sending them. It is convenient sometimes to put in full stops, and, we believe, it is customary to begin a new sentence with a capital letter.

SHIP AHOY.—Your letter has given us an opportunity of writing on a subject which we have long considered. As a matter of fact we don't think it much matters, one way or the other. At present, however, it is probable that No. 9 will begin Volume 2. If any readers who see this should have any good reason for continuing or concluding this present volume at the end of the year, we take this opportunity of informing them that we are open to any suggestion.

MAGOG.—We have inserted several letters besides yours on nearly the same subject: we are afraid, however, that employment is to be found for us by the masters in other ways than those suggested by our correspondent.

M. A. GREEN.—Your answer to the last enigma did not correspond quite with that given by our contributor, but it was quite as good, so we intend to count it.

ERRATA.

We are sorry to say some slight misprints occurred in our last number, though none of a very serious nature.

In the list after the answers to acrostics,
For Aien Aristucucin, read Aien Aristeuin.

In acrostic No. 4, line 4 should be as follows,
"To speak, in verse grandiloquent, of horns."

In the last letter to the editor, on page 16,
For "Æncas" read "Æneas."

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