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GAMES AT WESTMINSTER.

LATELY there has been a great increase of interest at Westminster in the minor games, such as Fives and Rackets. It is true that there have always been difficulties in the way of these games, and the fact that the larger portion of the School is composed of day boys tells very much against them. Football and cricket are now our only well-established School games, and have had no rival since the abolition of Water some twenty years ago. We said that interest in some of the less important sports was reviving. To such an extent is this the case that we have for some little time been complaining of lack of room, and all sorts of schemes to meet these defects have been suggested and considered, though apparently none have been successful. The new buildings, we understand, are to provide a racket court;

but the realization of this idea seems at present far from certain, as various commissioners are refusing to let us block Black Dog Alley or some other equally useless place. The consequence is a standstill in operations.

At the end of last Term there were vague rumours of some intended improvement in the present racket court; but all that was done has been of no avail—for, alas, we did not take into reckoning the fact that we occasionally get wet weather nowadays. Let us be grateful for the intention. As a matter of fact, the rain has washed away the thin coating of cement that was applied to the worse parts of the court, and has left it rather worse than before. If the game is really to become popular, we should hasten to tempt the would-be player; the Games Committee can surely bear the expense of removing the flags which now cover the court and substituting for them concrete or some substance of that nature.

Rackets seems to have been more popular among our fathers than among us; but how surprised might one of the old generation be were he to see us playing with a solid racket or bat in the same court in which he used to play with a 'wire' racket! The 'wooden' court which was formed by the two adjacent walls in front of the door of College seems to have been abolished owing to the danger to which those who emerged from College were subjected.

There is also pressing need of more Fives courts, and might we add our voice to those who suggest that the small open space behind Ashburnham House be utilised for the purpose? Perhaps there are obstacles which cannot be lightly considered, but let us hope that they may be surmounted at last.

POETRY.

FAREWELL.

Soon from each other we must part:
It mattereth not to thee;
A thousand others shalt thou find
Far better men than me.

Yet though my sky is dark with clouds,
One star shines bright to me,
Its rays light up my gloomy heart:
It is the thought of thee.

Now if I ever thee forget,
Enshrouded may I lie,
For when one grows too old to love,
'Tis none too soon to die.

G. M.

'COMMENDATIO BENE- FACTORUM.'

THE biennial celebration of Commemoration took place on November 17. The Service was rendered with great zest, though perhaps the musical element was rather indistinguishable.

The Abbey choir was dispensed with, but a somewhat 'scratch' choir, chosen, we rather suspect, by a decimation of the whole school, was substituted for it. The Service over, there was the usual brilliant assembly Up-School. New arrangements had been made to obviate the undue crowding, which has been so noticeable of late at Commemoration receptions. They were excellently carried out and proved

quite successful. Among the visitors were the Dean, the Bishop of Bath and Wells, Sir William Tomlinson, Mr. Victor Williamson, Mr. Leach, and many others. The band Up-School played a good and varied programme, which was much appreciated; in fact, all concerned are to be congratulated on a most pleasant and enjoyable evening, which was luckily not spoilt by wet weather.

School Notes.

THE Offertory on St. Simon and St. Jude's Day amounted to £3. 9s. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. On St. Andrew's Day it amounted to £2. 17s. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

J. M. Craig and E. T. Corfield received their 'Pinks' after the match with Beckenham.

There was an Exeat from 1.0 P.M. on Friday, November 6, till 9.30 A.M. on Tuesday, November 10.

A new volume (*Tertia Pars*) of *Lusus Alteri* is to be prepared, containing the prologues, epilogues, and epigrams of the years 1864-1899.

On Saturday, October 31, Dr. Murray, of the Antiquities Department of the British Museum, very kindly conducted the Seventh Form round the Marble and Vase Rooms of the Museum. We take this opportunity of expressing to him our gratitude for an exceedingly interesting morning.

On Tuesday, November 10, Mr. Murray, F.R.S., of the Botanical Department of the British Museum, gave a most interesting and amusing lecture Up-School. It was entitled 'Travellers' Tales.'

Lieutenant H. G. de Watteville, R.A., and Mr. K. de Watteville (Christ Church, Oxford) have given fifty-five volumes of boys' stories, by Henty, Marryat, and other authors, to the Scott Library.

The Play Nights are December 10, 14, and 16.

Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise has accepted the offer of a special performance, which will accordingly take place on Saturday, December 12. Applications for tickets should be made to the Captain of K.S.S.

The Officers of THE ELIZABETHAN for the current year are:

Editor, H. B. Philby;
Secretary, A. G. R. Henderson;
Treasurer, Mr. Sargeant.

It seems well to say that each Officer manages his own department and has nothing whatsoever to do with the department of any other Officer. The Captain of resident K.S.S. is always the sole Editor.

The following is the Football Card filled in to date :—

1903.

Sat.	Sept. 26	v. Clapham Rovers.	(Lost, 1—3.)
"	Oct. 3	v. Old Harrovians.	(Won, 6—1.)
"	" 10	v. Emeriti.	(Lost, 0—7.)
"	2nd XI.	v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.	(Won, 6—1.)
"	Oct. 17	v. Casuals.	(Lost, 0—3.)
"	2nd XI.	v. St. Thomas's Hospital 2nd XI.	(Won, 3—1.)
Wed.	Oct. 21	v. Barnes.	(Lost, 1—7.)
Sat.	" 24	v. Beckenham.	(Lost, 0—1.)
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.	(Lost, 1—5.)
"	Oct. 31	v. Kenley.	(Lost, 1—6.)
"	2nd XI.	v. King's College 2nd XI.	(Lost, 0—1.)
"	Nov. 7	v. R.M.A., Woolwich.	(Scratched.)
"	" 14	v. Selwyn College, Camb.	(Lost, 1—2.)
Wed.	" 18	v. Old Westminsters.	(Lost, 2—9.)
Sat.	" 21	v. Old Felstedians.	(Drawn, 0—0.)
"	2nd XI.	v. Emeriti 2nd XI.	(Drawn, 0—0.)
"	Nov. 28	v. Christ Church.	(Lost, 1—4.)
"	2nd XI.	v. St. Bartholomew's Hospital 2nd XI.	(Lost, 0—6.)
"	Dec. 5	v. Hertford College, Oxon.	

1904.

Sat.	Jan. 16	v. Clapham Rovers.
"	" 23	v. Old Carthusians.
"	2nd XI.	v. King's College 2nd XI.
"	Jan. 30	v. Brasenose College, Oxon.
"	2nd XI.	v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.
"	Feb. 6	v. Clare College, Camb.
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.
Wed.	Feb. 10	v. University College, Oxon.
Sat.	" 13	v. Royal Engineers.
"	2nd XI.	v. Old Foresters 2nd XI.
"	Feb. 20	v. Charterhouse, at Vincent Square.
Wed.	" 24	v. Pembroke College, Camb.
Sat.	" 27	v. Old Etonians.
"	2nd XI.	v. St. Thomas's Hospital 2nd XI.
"	Mar. 5	v. An Eton XI., at Eton.
"	" 12	v. Old Westminsters.
Wed.	" 16	v. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.
Sat.	" 19	v. T.BB. v. K.S.S.

The following is the Card of the Debating Society filled in up to date :—

'That this House would welcome the return of the Liberals to power.'—Proposer, A. S. Gaye, Esq.; Opposer, G. T. Boag, Esq.; Seconder, A. C. Bottomley. Ayes, 3; Noes, 20.

'That this House considers that some measures should be taken by the Powers with regard to the Macedonian outrages.'—Proposer, H. B. Philby; Opposer, P. T. Rawlings; Seconder, R. Hackforth. Ayes, 4; Noes, 18.

'That this House disapproves of "Passive Resistance."'—Proposer, E. W. Lane-Clayton; Seconder, G. R. Y. Radcliffe; Opposer, F. M. Maxwell. Ayes, 11; Noes, 7.

'That this House would approve a tax on bicycles.'—Proposer, D. S. Robertson; Seconder, W. F. H. Waterfield; Opposer, P. M. Bartlett. Ayes, 8; Noes, 11.

'That this House condemns motor-car racing.'—Proposer, J. S. Lewis; Seconder, P. T. Rawlings; Opposer, J. K. Hepburn. Ayes, 9; Noes, 5.

'That this House considers the liberty of the Press is greatly abused, and that some reform should be attempted.'—Proposer, D. S. Robertson; Seconder, F. H. Budden; Opposer, J. S. Lewis. Ayes, 7; Noes, 6.

'That in the opinion of this House the sport of horse-racing does more harm than good to those nations that pursue it.'—Proposer, J. S. Lewis; Seconder, G. R. Y. Radcliffe; Opposer, H. Logan, Esq. Ayes, 13; Noes, 5.

THE CADET CORPS.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FIELD DAY.

THE Cadet Corps sent a company to the Field Day at Aldershot on November 5. We paraded in the yard at 9 o'clock to the number of 64 of all ranks and marched to Waterloo. We detrained at Brookwood, and at the rendezvous were formed into a battalion with Eton, Charterhouse and Cranleigh. The manœuvre was one of the usual advance and rearguard actions. We were part of the advance guard of an army whose supposed main body was moving west from Weybridge, while the enemy, who was retiring from Aldershot, had left a rearguard to clear North Camp Station of stores and blow up the Fox Hills tunnel on the South-Western Railway; our endeavour was therefore to drive them from these two objectives. The Commanding Officer of the Eastern Force planned to attack vigorously on both flanks, while Cranleigh and ourselves were to harass the front of the enemy's line. We marched through Pirbright village, and after halting for some time in a wood were ordered to extend and advance. The enemy were under excellent cover on Emperor's Hill at long range and we must have been dangerously exposed. One of our sections, which had been left behind, discovered some of the enemy's scouts who had apparently lost their way and wandered through our lines, coming up in the rear; these were promptly made prisoners. Then the advance proceeded and matters seemed to get somewhat confused. More companies came into our firing line and we were at ridiculously close intervals. The Umpires decided that this attack could not possibly have succeeded. Meanwhile the Eton companies had worked their way down on the right flank and were enfilading the enemy, who retired and left us in possession of the hill. Shortly after the 'Cease Fire' sounded and we marched to a spot near North Camp Station, where we had lunch and then entrained. One of the recommendations of the Umpires was that more signallers should be trained; it is proposed to start a signalling section in connection with the corps early next Term.

We hear that General Turner, who is commanding the district, has expressed a wish to inspect the corps sometime before the end of the present Term.

The following promotions have been made :—

To be Sergeant.—Corp. J. C. Vernon, Corp. M. C. Houdret, Pte. G. B. Wilson.

To be Corporal.—Acting-Corp. D. Clark, Acting-Corp. F. W. Fraser, Pte. E. W. D. Colt-Williams, Pte. V. M. Barrington-Ward.

To be Acting Corporal.—Pte. H. L. Geare, Pte. G. R. Y. Radcliffe, Pte. G. W. W. Murray, Pte. G. C. Rivers.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* BARNES.*(Lost, 1-7.)*

THIS match was played on Wednesday, October 21, in deep mud and pools of water, the result of a heavy downpour on the preceding day. The Visitors scored almost immediately. Soon after this the School forced three corners in succession, but in each case failed to convert. The play was now of a very even and interesting character. Soon after half-time the School scored their only goal. From this period it was only a case of whether the Visitors could shoot straight, which, unfortunately for Westminster, they did with great regularity. The School defence went entirely to pieces, particularly the goalkeeper. When the whistle blew, the score stood (1-7) in favour of the Visitors.

The teams were:—

WESTMINSTER.

H. C. G. Pedler (goal); M. Pemberton and J. K. Hepburn (backs); M. C. Houdret, J. M. Craig and F. S. Fleuret (half-backs); E. W. D. Colt-Williams, J. C. Vernon, E. T. Corfield, L. G. Kirkpatrick and A. D. P. Davey (forwards).

BARNES.

E. B. Glasier (goal); S. E. Milburn and L. O. Pink (backs); J. Read, R. S. Barnes and W. Englehardt (half-backs); R. Barnard, R. Cleade, A. James, E. Staff and A. Grump (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* BECKENHAM.*(Lost, 0-1.)*

The School, in this match, on Saturday, October 24, were without the services of Vernon and Kirkpatrick. The game was a very good one, the play being fast and interesting. Soon after the start Beckenham pressed, but without success. After some even play, Colt-Williams was again called upon to save: Beckenham forced two corners, which however they failed to convert. Half-time (0-0). On resuming play, the School at once made a vigorous attack, which came to nothing. Beckenham then pressed, but Colt-Williams again saved. Some very even play followed, the defence on both sides being very sound. Beckenham then got through, and scored with a fast low shot from the outside-right (0-1). Soon after this the whistle blew.

For Westminster Davey and Craig were good; the defence was excellent throughout; the shooting of the forwards was weak.

The teams were:—

WESTMINSTER.

E. W. D. Colt-Williams (goal); M. Pemberton and J. K. Hepburn (backs); M. C. Houdret, J. M. Craig and F. S. Fleuret (half-backs); C. F. Johnson, K. E. Newman, E. T. Corfield, R. G. Gardner and A. D. P. Davey (forwards).

BECKENHAM.

E. Champness (goal); H. F. Royle and A. Powell (backs); A. N. Brand, S. Wimble and E. H. Simpson (half-backs); R. Curwen, B. Chadwick, J. E. Curwen, F. Furze and H. Vincent (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* KENLEY.*(Lost, 1-6.)*

This match, played on Saturday, October 31, opened in a most auspicious manner for the School, who scored through Kirkpatrick, in the first quarter of an hour. The School were without the services of J. C. Vernon and J. M. Craig. After the School had scored Kenley ran down and scored (1-1). The defence at this period was very poor, the Visitors' forwards being allowed to get within ten yards of the School goal, almost every ten minutes. The Visitors, after being penalised for an off-side goal, put in some hard shots which all scored, and at half-time the score was (1-5). In the second half the School showed to much better advantage, and, though Kenley pressed nearly all the time, kept them out, till Colt-Williams was beaten by a fast high shot. Kenley continued to press till the end, but did not score again. Kirkpatrick, Rawlings, and Davey were all good.

The teams were:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

E. W. D. Colt-Williams (goal); M. Pemberton and J. K. Hepburn (backs); M. C. Houdret, W. R. Birchall and F. S. Fleuret (half-backs); P. T. Rawlings, R. G. Gardner, E. T. Corfield, L. G. Kirkpatrick and A. D. P. Davey (forwards).

KENLEY.

T. H. Townley (goal); H. Read and E. S. Beuer (backs); W. W. Hodges, L. Evans and S. C. Crawley (half-backs); J. B. Brinshaw, E. D. Brown, F. S. Darkin, W. W. Bruce and W. Lamaison (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL (2ND XI.) *v.*

O.W.W. (2ND XI.)

(Lost, 1-5.)

On Saturday, October 10, O.W.W. brought down a ridiculously strong team and the School had no chance whatever. O.W.W. had most of the game. At half-time the score was 0-3. On resuming O.W.W. continued to press and scored another goal. Westminster then got their only goal, which was soon followed by another against them, and a very unequal game ended in a win for the Visitors by 5 goals to 1. Cobb had to retire early in the game with a hurt knee.

The teams were:—

WESTMINSTER (2ND XI.)

H. C. G. Pedler (goal); W. J. W. Bonser and B. G. Cobb (backs); E. Wallis, W. R. Birchall and J. S. Lewis (half-backs); R. W. Reed, F. Failles, R. W. Geddes, E. Coleby and H. B. Philby (forwards).

O.W.W. (2ND XI.).

H. V. Capon (goal); A. Scarisbrick and W. Winkworth (backs); W. Parker, A. L. Foster and W. S. Lonsdale (half-backs); R. S. Summerhayes, A. Beney, M. C. Malcolm, H. Longhurst and W. V. Rayner (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL (2ND XI.) v. KING'S COLLEGE (2ND XI.).

(Lost, 0-1.)

This match was played Up-fields on Saturday, October 31, and resulted in a win for the Visitors, after a very good game. The play for the first half was, if not very scientific, very energetic. Neither side succeeded in scoring. On resuming play the Visitors pressed slightly but without success. The game was still contested very stubbornly and everything pointed to a draw, when at last the Visitors scored towards the end of play, thus winning a good game by 1 goal to none.

WESTMINSTER (2nd XI.).

H. C. G. Pedler (goal); W. J. W. Bonser, B. G. Cobb (backs); G. Castle-Smith, J. S. Lewis, E. Wallis (half-backs); S. F. Johnson, K. E. Newman, R. W. Geddes, E. Coleby, H. B. Philby (forwards).

KING'S COLLEGE (2nd XI.).

S. Langton (goal); W. E. Smith, A. H. Gifford (backs); C. J. Couchman, H. Thornton, H. Munkins (half-backs); T. J. Kirkland, F. S. Kilgour, W. Fisher, M. Brandon, A. C. Chalkey (forwards).

THE CASUALS v. OLD WESTMINSTERS.

Fortunate in having a very wide field of selection the Casuals pitted a powerful side against the Old Westminsters at Tufnell Park on Saturday. Happily their opponents provided such a good game that the match was always strenuously fought, and it was only after a very hard struggle that the Casuals achieved victory by four goals to two. It was very gratifying to see the Westminsters die so 'game,' for the famous old club at length seems likely to regain some of its lost prestige, the present team being more promising than many for years past. They might, perhaps, have made an even closer fight of it had greater precision been shown in front of goal. Here the Westminster forwards—Harrison in particular—were prone to be too easily robbed, while Moon became affected by the pace, and not infrequently finished in disappointing fashion. In defence Willett and A. L. Foster were both very good, while much smart work was accomplished by Anderson in goal. The Casuals, who were strong all round, began in startling fashion, Morgan-Owen initiating an attack, and Alexander scoring in the first minute. Finely led

by Wright, the Casual forwards gave a most spirited display, but Rayner ran down in splendid style for the Westminsters, and Harrison equalised with a high shot that completely beat Wilson. After this Wright was severely hurt in a charge, and the Casuals' forward line was re-arranged, Durrant going in the centre, Ward to inside right, and Wright to the extreme wing. These changes proved very detrimental to the Casuals' attack, which was never so well together afterwards. A second goal came from Durrant, however, and the Casuals led at half-time by two to one. An exciting scramble in front of Wilson led to Harrison equalising early in the second half, but Ward gave the Casuals the lead with a capital goal after a lengthy sprint. Some exciting play followed, but the Westminster forwards, although combining well, finished badly. Nearing the close Alexander increased the home club's lead, and a most interesting match resulted: Casuals, 4 goals; Old Westminsters, 2. It should be stated that B. O. Corbett's place in the Casuals' team was taken by the Oxonian, J. Simonds, while the attendance was officially returned at 2,300.

The teams were:—

CASUALS.

C. E. Wilson (goal); S. L. King, P. Johnson (backs), G. Pollock-Hodsall, M. Morgan-Owen, J. D. Craig (half-backs); V. F. Ward, R. B. Durrant, R. G. Wright, C. W. Alexander, J. Simonds (forwards).

OLD WESTMINSTERS.

K. B. Anderson (goal); A. Whittow, B. H. Willett (backs); C. Powers, A. L. Foster, H. O. C. Beasley (half-backs); W. V. Rayner, S. S. Harris, F. I. Harrison, L. J. Moon, R. N. R. Blaker (forwards).

Referee: Mr. L. T. Robinson (L.F.A.).

—From the 'Sportsman.'

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	R.	K.SS.	G.	A.H.	H.BB.	POINTS
RIGAUD'S .	—	W 1-0	W 1-0	W 1-0		6
K.SS. . .	L 0-1	—		W 4-0	W 9-0	4
GRANT'S .	L 0-1		—	D 1-1	W 1-0	3
A. H. . .	L 0-1	L 0-4	D 1-1	—	W 5-1	3
H.BB. . .		L 0-9	L 0-1	L 1-5	—	

THE LEAGUE.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	Pts.
A		W 1-0	D 1-1						3
B	L 0-1								0
C	D 1-1			D 1-1					2
D			D 1-1						1
E						W 4-0			2
F					L 0-4				0
G								W 3-2	2
H							L 2-3		0

Captains.

A.—B. G. Cobb. E.—S. McKenna.
 B.—R. E. Tanner. F.—G. B. Sankey.
 C.—A. C. Bottomley. G.—H. V. Argyle *vice* Raw-
 D.—E. W. Lane-Claypon. lings.
 H.—A. H. Aglionby.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, October 22.

E. W. D. Colt-Williams was elected Treasurer in the place of A. L. Crossman.

E. W. D. Colt-Williams then proposed a thorough revision of the rules by the Committee. His motion was carried *nem. con.*

E. W. Lane-Claypon was elected on the Committee *vice* G. D. Johnston.

The House then proceeded to discuss the following motion, 'That this House disapproves of Passive Resistance.'

The PROPOSER (E. W. Lane-Claypon) said that three-quarters of the passive resisters were anti-Conservative agitators, and that most of the rest simply wished to make heroes of themselves. He said that definite Church of England doctrine was desirable for Church children, and Dissenting children were of too tender an age to understand the more subtle differences between Church doctrine and Dissent. The Education Act pleased the majority, and therefore those remaining ought not to be considered. If a thing was law, no one had a right to resist it.

The OPPOSER (F. M. Maxwell) said that the Proposer seemed to imagine that there had never been

any passive resisters before the present day. Those who resisted the 'ship-money' imposed by Charles I. were passive resisters, and it would have been a bad thing for England if these men had remained impassive. If men were not passive resisters they would have to be active resisters, like the French revolutionists. He asked how men could show their disapproval of laws they disliked except by passive resistance.

The SECONDER (G. R. Y. Radcliffe), in a maiden speech, said that the Opposer had given instances of passive resistance which he said did great good; but this passive resistance was always followed by active resistance. If passive resisters were allowed to continue they would do away with society, which is only an arrangement for putting the control of all in the power of laws, which all made and all must obey.

J. S. LEWIS then criticised the Seconder's speech. He said that passive resisters only became active resisters because no notice was taken of them. If they were heeded this would not happen; they were a warning.

A. C. BOTTOMLEY said that passive resisters were not self-advertisers. They would not take so much trouble if simply self-advertisement was their object; he said they had real conscientious objections. He again informed the House that Nonconformists were nearly half the population of England. No arguments against passive resistance had yet been brought forward; it was not against the laws. If Nonconformists had to pay for teaching Church of England doctrine they ought to have an equal share in the teaching.

The SECONDER said that in a Nonconformist school a Nonconformist teacher was appointed, but in a Church school a Church teacher.

The VICE-PRESIDENT, who spoke next, said that objectors to passive resistance had nothing to say against Christian martyrs who refused to worship Pagan deities.

E. W. D. COLT-WILLIAMS then rose. He said that, though he opposed the motion, he was neither a Nonconformist nor a Liberal. He said that he was opposed to it because the more people were passive resisters the more harm it would do the Liberals and the more good it would do the Conservatives.

J. S. LEWIS pointed out that passive resisters would hardly undergo all the bother and annoyance that goes with passive resistance if their only object was self-advertisement. He maintained that in a national school preference should not be given more to one form of doctrine than to another.

After remarks by the Secretary and Vice-President, The SECONDER spoke again. He said that all people could not be pleased; there would always be some resistance whatever the laws were. He wanted to know how it was there were no Roman Catholic passive resisters. They were just as dissatisfied with the Education Act as the Nonconformists.

The PRESIDENT then rose. He said that there was a difference between liberty to think and liberty

to do. Passive resisters were really active resisters, and passive resistance was illegal, though it appeared to be otherwise.

The motion was then put to the vote as follows :—Ayes, 11 ; Noes, 7.

The motion was therefore carried by 11 votes to 7.

THE SCHOOL CHESS CLUB.

The semi-final round is drawn as follows :—

W. F. H. Waterfield v. A. P. Waterfield.
A. C. Bottomley a bye.

House Notes.

K.SS.—Naturally, at this stage of the Term, all our hopes and thoughts are centred on the Play, which is the 'Trinumus' of Plautus. The cast is made up and Dormitory has changed its wonted peacefulness for its annual awakening. We hope the Play of 1903 may be added to the list of those performances which have eclipsed all their predecessors; though we have lost all faith in this dictum, for it would be difficult to find, in all the annals of the Play, any mention of a play of which the same has not been said. The commemoration ceremonies passed off much as usual. We congratulate Birchall and Rawlings on their first appearances for the School, also the latter on continuing to play and on his College colours; we are sorry to see that he was the victim of an accident on the football field which has prevented him playing for the present. Our congratulations are also due to Bonser on his first appearance for the School. Gardner has played regularly, and Philby twice. In the Junior House Matches we defeated H.BB. (9-0), but succumbed to Rigaud's (0-1). Our team was weakened by the absence of Birchall and Rawlings, who had previously played for the School. We hear with pleasure that Mr. F. W. Hubback (O.W.) has distinguished himself in the Freshmen's Boxing Competition. The Literary Society has finished reading for the term by very fair renderings of Shakespeare's 'Midsummer Night's Dream' and 'The Taming of the Shrew.' The Fives Ties are in the first round, and we have been drawn against Rigaud's in the first round of the Inter-House Competition. The Chess Club is very vigorous. We have a very good proportion of the N.C.O.'s of the Cadet Corps, and congratulations are due to G. B. Wilson, E. W. D. Colt-Williams, V. M. Barrington-Ward, and H. L. Geare on promotions.

ASHBURNHAM.—We offer our hearty congratulations to Mr. H. L. Henderson (O.W.) on his success in the Civil Service Examination. We are glad to see that Johnson has been playing several times for the School and has proved himself not unworthy of the honour; also that Mr. R. P. Mears (O.W.) has been running with conspicuous success at Cambridge. There is little else of interest to record. In the Inter-House Fives Ties we have drawn against Grant's. Our Juniors beat Home-Boarders by 6-1, but were defeated by Rigaud's (0-1).

GRANT'S.—The Literary Society has finished reading 'As You Like It,' and has since read 'The School for Scandal,' which went off with great success. The Debating Society has been revived and one meeting has already been held, at which the House discussed the motor-car question. We are glad to see W. R. Horton back after an absence of more than half the Term. We began the season with eight House-Colours, six of whom have played for the School, and the others for the 2nd XI.

H.BB.—Since last number we have to record the loss of G. D. Johnston, who has left us in order to take up his Scholarship at Christ Church. We have also suffered from the temporary absence of J. C. Vernon, but we have every hope that before this appears in print he will again lead the team to victory. Our hearty congratulations are due to Mr. C. Kent (O.W.) on coxing the trial eights at Cambridge, to E. T. Corfield on regaining his 'pinks,' and also to Corporal J. C. Vernon and Private G. W. W. Murray of the School Cadet Corps on their promotion to the ranks of Sergeant and Corporal respectively. The efforts of our Juniors have not met with much success so far, as they have lost to Grant's (0-1), to K.SS. (0-9), and to Ashburnham (1-5); however, in spite of these results, individual members of the team have shown great talent, notably Sankey, Vincent, Summerhayes, Graham and Turner, all of whom should do great things in the future; and our Senior Team, including as it does Vernon, Corfield and Davey, ought to prove a difficult side to beat. As we go to press we hear that our senior team has succumbed to Grant's (0-8). The House Fives Ties are steadily, if slowly, progressing, and we have every hope of finishing them this term. The last tie played resulted in the defeat of P. M. Bartlett and Thoresby-Jones by Corfield and Longhurst after some interesting games.

RIGAUD'S.—Our congratulations this month are due to Craig on regaining his 'pinks,' also to Coleby on playing for the 2nd XI. Since the last number of THE ELIZABETHAN our Juniors have beaten Ashburnham (1-0) and K.SS. (1-0). Yard Ties are going on slowly; in the first round F. C. Failes has been beaten by F. Fraser, and D. Clark by McKenna. In

the Cambridge Freshmen's Sports Mr. C. Powers won the open hurdles. We were pleased to see so many old Rigaudites up for Commemoration.

Old Westminster.

Mr. F. WATERFIELD and Mr. W. S. Hopkyns have passed the final examination for the Indian Civil Service.

Mr. Alexander Maclean is appointed Treasurer of the Society of British Artists.

The Rev. A. S. Waterfield has been presented by the Bishop of Hereford to the Rectory of Brimfield. He resigns the Headmastership of Bromyard Grammar School at the end of this Term.

Mr. H. L. Henderson and Mr. H. F. Wernham have passed the entrance examination for the Home and Indian Civil Service.

Mr. C. S. Davson, Solicitor-General of Demerara, is acting as a Puisne Judge of the Colony.

Mr. F. T. Barrington-Ward is in the First Class in Constitutional Law and Legal History in the examination of the Council of Legal Education, and divides with another candidate the special prize of £50 for the best examination.

The new edition of Sir George Dasent's 'Norse Tales' has prefixed to it a Life by his son.

Mr. A. A. Sykes has published, under the title of 'Mr. Punch's Museum,' a collection of his sketches contributed to *Punch*.

Mr. R. G. Allanson-Winn is joint author of a new work on 'The Art of Self-Defence.'

In the Cambridge Freshmen's Sports, Mr. H. Logan won the Hundred Yards, and was second in the High Jump. Mr. R. P. Mears was second in the Mile. Mr. C. Powers won the Hurdles.

Mr. F. H. Dalston is called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn.

Mr. Herbert Wace is made a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

FOOTBALL.

The following is the Football Card for 1903-4:—

1903.

Sat.	Oct.	3 v. Ealing, at Ealing. (Lost, 0—5.)
"	"	10 v. Old Brightonians, at Walthamstow. (Won, 6—4.)
"	"	17 v. Casuals (first round, London Charity Cup). (Lost, 2—4.)
"	"	24 v. Ilford, at Ilford. (Scratched.)
"	"	31 v. Dulwich Hamlet, at Dulwich. (Scratched.)
Wed.	Nov.	4 v. St. Bartholomew's Hospital, at Winchmore Hill. (Lost, 3—6.)
Sat.	"	7 v. Old Etonians, at Catford. (Won, 7—4.)
Wed.	"	18 v. Westminster School, at Vincent Square. (Won, 9—2.)
Sat.	"	21 v. Old Reptonians. (Won, 7—1.)
"	"	28 v. Cambridge University, in London.
Wed.	Dec.	2 v. R. E. Chatham, at Chatham.
Sat.	"	5 v. Clapton, at 'Spotted Dog.'
Fri.	"	11 v. 4th Royal Fusiliers, at Woolwich.
Sat.	"	12 v. Casuals, at Tuffnell Park.
"	"	19 v. Shepherd's Bush, at Wormholt Farm.
"	"	26

1904.

Sat.	Jan.	2 v. Leytonstone, at Leytonstone.
Wed.	"	6 v. Emeriti, at Merton Cricket Ground.
Sat.	"	9 v. London Senior Cup (first round).
"	"	16 v. Cheshunt, at Cheshunt.
"	"	23 v. Hampstead, at Hampstead.
"	"	30 v. R. M. A., at Woolwich.
"	Feb.	6 v. Ealing, at Ealing.
"	"	13 v. War Office, at
"	"	20 v. Old Foresters, at Snaresbrook.
"	"	27 v. Dulwich Hamlet, at Dulwich.
"	Mar.	5 v. Old Malvernians, at Norbury.
"	"	12 v. Westminster School, at Vincent Square.
"	"	19 v. Barnes, at Barnes.
"	"	26 v. Civil Service, at
"	April	2 v. Old Harrovians, at

O.W.W. wishing to join the O.W.F.C. should communicate at once with A. L. Foster, 4 Malcolm Road, Wimbledon.

Birth.

STAVELEY HILL.—On November 15, the wife of Henry Staveley Hill, of a daughter.

Marriage.

WATHERSTON—CLARKE.—On October 24, Charles Fell Watherston, of the War Office, to Constance Eva, fourth daughter of the late Thomas Worthington Clarke, of Hinckley, Leicestershire.

Obituary.

WE have to regret the death of JOHN HICKMAN BARNES, who was admitted to the School in 1850. Mr. Barnes was a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers and died on October 30, in his sixty-seventh year.

Correspondence.

FROM OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—By the time the December number of THE ELIZABETHAN is published our Term, already in full swing, will be nearly at an end; but though late, we must cordially welcome to the House G. W. Phillips, E. A. Bell, K. N. Colville, E. C. Cleveland-Stevens, G. D. Johnston, A. T. Coleby, J. R. Trench, and E. C. L. Wood, who, we understand, was at Westminster for a short time. To Balliol we welcome M. Shearman; to University C. J. G. Seddon; and as a Non-Collegiate G. L. Crowe. The House has thus a record number of scholars from Westminster, among them two open; one of these, G. D. Johnston, having been forcibly carried away from School in mid-term. We are glad to see that one or two have, at the time of writing, survived the preliminary tubbing—always an achievement. H. L. Henderson, whom we have to congratulate somewhat late, but none the less heartily, on the double event of a first in Greats and the Gaisford Greek Verse Prize, and B. H. Willett are still up: the latter entering on the laborious path which leads to a teaching diploma. L. H. Bennett is running regularly for the Cross-Country Team; and also came in second in the open mile handicap at the Freshmen's Sports. K. De Watteville is Secretary to the Musical Union; F. I. Harrison and A. T. Coleby played in the Seniors' and Freshers' football matches respectively. Our team is looking forward to its annual fixture at Vincent Square. Many of us went to the Radley Play this year: the 'Andria' of Terence, which was very well acted, as also the scenes from *Much Ado About Nothing*. Acting Editions, edited by L. James (O.W.), who is responsible for a great deal of the good acting, were provided for the audience. With best wishes for a great success in the Westminster Play,

Yours, &c.,
EX ÆDE CHRISTI.

November 19, 1903.

FROM OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—A meeting of O.W.W. was held in Kitson's Rooms in Trinity on November 9. Kitson was elected President, *vice* A. S. Gaye (resigned), and Kent, Secretary. It was decided that the annual dinner should be held in Lent Term instead of in May Term.

We have to congratulate A. S. Gaye on following up his many appearances in the Play at Westminster by taking part in the triennial Greek play—this year the 'Birds'—which is to be

acted at the end of this month in the new theatre. Harris is President of the C. U. A. F. C. this year, and Anderson has been playing goal for the 'Varsity. Kent has been coxing one of the trials. We welcome ten Freshers this term from Westminster. In the Freshers' Sports we have to congratulate the following on their successes:—Powers, 1st in the Hurdles; Logan, 1st in the 100 yards and 2nd in the High Jump; Mears, 2nd in the mile. Mears has also been distinguishing himself in cross-country running, and Powers and Logan were playing in the Freshers' Association Match. We have also to congratulate Browning on getting the Greaves' Prize for Historical Essay. There was a tremendously crowded meeting at the Union Debate on November 3, the motion being 'That this House approves the reconsideration of Fiscal Policy as proposed by Mr. Chamberlain.' The motion was seconded by Sir Howard Vincent, M.P. (O.W.), and was carried by 255 votes to 195.

I am yours, &c.,

TRIN. COLL., CAMB.

November 14, 1903.

O.W.W. IN INDIA.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—The doings of Old Westminster in distant climes might perhaps be of interest to THE ELIZABETHAN.

We arranged a conjoint Old Westminster and Old Carthusian Dinner at the Club of the O.W.W., Poona, India, on Saturday last, and I enclose the menu, with the names of those who attended on the back.

Mr. E. Giles, an old Westminster, took the chair, and the dinner proved a thorough success, all wishing to make it an annual arrangement in future.

At the conclusion of the dinner a loving cup was passed round and each diner drank a *floreat* to the two schools.

Floreat!

Yours ever,
E. S. G. HOLBROOK.

Poona, India.

Old Westminsters present were: The Hon. Mr. E. Giles, Director of Public Instruction, Bombay; A. F. Maconochie, I.C.S.; A. M. T. Jackson, I.C.S.; F. W. Bain, Professor, Deccan College; Lieut.-Col. Vyvyan, The Buffs; Capt. E. S. G. Holbrook, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Headquarters, Bombay Command.

N.B.—All the above except Jackson were in College.

Old Carthusians were: Lieut.-Col. Plumer, Capt. Frittle, Capt. Watson, Messrs. Messend, Steele, Green, Smith, Percival, and Anderson.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—Your leader in the current number of THE ELIZABETHAN on the Old Westminster Football Club comes not a moment too soon. The want of active support given the club of late years by young O.W.W. is a matter of great seriousness.

Only last Saturday O.W.W. had to scratch their match, the Secretary finding it impossible to raise a team, and this, too, in quite the early part of the season. The conditions you mention as absolutely essential to success are undoubtedly of the greatest importance; but what strikes many O.W.W. of my time more than anything else, when considering the latter generations of O.W.W., is their entire lack of any love of the game for the game's sake and the almost total absence of that School patriotism which is the very fount of all success.

Dealing with the present boys, you tell us, Mr. Editor, that 'quite a considerable number have literally never seen Vincent Square.' Surely a remedy should be found at once for this. In my school-days I remember that the House-Masters used to

place every obstacle in the way of giving boys leave from station, and, except in the case of real weaklings, we ourselves made things extremely unpleasant for the shirkers. The boy who did not go 'Up-Fields' was an object of contempt among his fellows and had a very poor time generally. The results of this treatment were excellent, and surely the same sort of thing would apply now. Every House-Captain—before all a keen and patriotic soul himself—should get one or two of his best men to keep a sharp look-out for, and give every encouragement to, any promising youngsters. The enthusiasm of these older ones, if thoroughly genuine, would soon make itself felt, and should result in making good footballers, *good sportsmen*, and in due time good O.W.W. I sincerely hope that your suggestion to set station on Saturdays will be adopted. It is one of the very best ways to foster that patriotism and enthusiasm without which the traditions of Westminster as a great football school will cease to be.

As a great lover of the game, and more especially as an ardent Westminster patriot, I beg to thank you most sincerely for your very timely and spirited appeal on behalf of the O.W.F.C.

Yours faithfully,

L. A. M. FEVEZ,

Hon. Treasurer O.W.F.C.

Sports' Club, St. James's Square,
November 3, 1903.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—It was with great pleasure that I read your article in the November ELIZABETHAN, headed 'The Old Westminster Football Club.' More fitly, I think, it might have been entitled 'Slackness,' a vice which has unfortunately been prevalent at Westminster for some years now, and it is to one or two instances of slackness which I think might be remedied that I should like to call your attention, premising that my views are shared by a large proportion of O.W.W.

First of all, let me give what I believe to be the true reason for the lack of shouting 'Up Fields.' It is not that our teams cannot win matches, but that they will not try to win them. To quote the very words of your article, 'No match, except the Charterhouse Match, is capable of drawing from them any sign of lively interest' in the fortunes of the game. It would seem that those in authority are really convinced that no one cares what happens in School matches. I believe I am right in saying that only one match this term has been reported in the *Sportsman*. The Matches *v.* Casuals, Barnes, and Beckenham were, I know, neither reported in brief on the next day nor in full later on. I have not been able to find any reports in the *Field*. In THE ELIZABETHAN itself the accounts are meagre in the extreme, and it is a curious coincidence that in five successive matches 'The Visitors did not leave their names.' Surely one or two of the teams would have done so at a gentle hint.

The unpunctuality of games 'Up-Fields,' and matches, too, for that matter, is too notorious to require much comment. If the big game is five minutes late, it is sometimes fifteen before the fourth—the big game of years to come—can get fairly started.

Some of these matters are, perhaps, small, but they all contribute to the same end. Give Saturday station a trial, by all means, but in fairness to the average member of the School you must carry out the other reforms as well, otherwise you will cause needless friction and inconvenience without effecting your object.

With apologies for the inordinate length of this, and trusting that the points I have touched on will receive the attention of the proper authorities,

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,

O.W.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—I have read with great interest the article in the current number of THE ELIZABETHAN.

May I, as an onlooker, suggest some reasons why it seems to me the interest in football lags, and the supply of players for the O.W.F.C. is diminishing?

Boys come from good Preparatory Schools where they have been accustomed to play football in good form; they are thrown into a Public School, and if they do not get taken up, they are left to play football of a sort, but you will hear a boy say it is a very poor sort of play to that to which he was formerly accustomed.

Ceasing to play a good game, they cease to take an interest; they play when they are compelled, but they lose enthusiasm, and when they leave Westminster, I suppose, give up play altogether.

Could it not be arranged that the 'Pinks' should take some interest in the lower games and see that they are played in good form and do not become a mere rag?

If the younger boys were trained to play well, they would be ready to fill vacancies as they occur, and, being players themselves, would watch with some interest the matches on Saturday afternoons instead of keeping an eye on the clock to see how soon they will be released.

Yours, &c.,
ONLOOKER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—May I be permitted to point out a mistake occurring in last month's ELIZABETHAN. In it you state 'for the last three years there has gone forth from the School no footballer worthy of representing the O.W.F.C. in important matches during their first year.' P. H. Napier and C. Powers have, however, both accomplished this. You also draw attention to the fact that the Captain no longer keeps his team in rigorous training; most people, I believe, think that this is the best policy, as a schoolboy practically needs no training, as he plays every day. Your suggestion of station on Saturdays at once does away with the difficulty of the small attendance at matches, and it is to be hoped the idea will be acted on. Surely the way to revive 'shouting' is for members of the monitorial, &c., to go round and tell fellows to shout. This was, I fancy, the custom five years ago.

I am, Sir,
Yours, &c.,

November 14, 1903.

C. K. V.

[We must apologise for the mistake above referred to, which, however, was not due to ourselves, but to the Secretary of the O.W.F.C. Our correspondent would, we are sure, withdraw his second objection were he a regular visitor 'Up-Fields.' ED. 'ELIZABETHAN.']

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I should like to call attention to the accounts of the School Football Matches which appeared in THE ELIZABETHAN this season. The accounts give no idea of the games at all, and are evidently written by some one with the crudest knowledge of football, while the criticisms of the members of the team are generally inaccurate. Hoping to see this remedied,

I am, Sir,
Yours, &c.,

November 14, 1903.

FOOTBALLER.

[The Captain of Football is entirely responsible for the accounts of matches that appear in THE ELIZABETHAN. If he is not forthcoming, then we turn to his representative, the Vice-Captain. ED. 'ELIZABETHAN.']

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—In your last Editorial you say that you are informed by quite competent authorities that of the 170 day boys only one in seven goes 'Up-Fields' with any regularity on Saturdays, while quite a considerable number have literally never seen Vincent Square.

As THE ELIZABETHAN is read by Old Westminsters and is sent to other Public Schools, such a statement should not be allowed to remain uncontradicted. Perhaps you will allow me to give you the exact figures of the attendance of one of the Day Boy Houses at the first six Saturday matches this term. My object is to show that part of your informant's remark is a gross exaggeration, and part might be called by a shorter name.

The House of which the figures are before me contains sixty-eight boys. Two are absent, and three are prevented by good reasons from being here on Saturday afternoons. The remaining sixty-three have put in 224 voluntary attendances in the six matches. Eleven went up six times, seven went five times, fourteen went four times, eighteen three times, ten twice, and the remaining three went once each.

The average attendance of each boy was three and a-half times out of the six, and the total average attendance each Saturday from this House was thirty-seven out of sixty-three.

The figures of the other Day Boy House and of half-boarders would probably be found to be much the same as these; at any rate it is generally agreed, by all who have spent some years at Westminster, that the Saturday attendance for the last three years has been much better than usual.

There is still room for improvement, but the patriotic efforts of the Day Boy House monitors to bring about an increased voluntary attendance are scarcely encouraged by an Editorial which ignores all that they have done already.

Faithfully yours,
F.

November 4, 1903.

[We would ask our correspondent why, if the attendance 'Up-Fields' has improved steadily during the last three years, complaints continually come from O.W.W. of longer standing? Our correspondent has refrained from giving the total attendance on each Saturday. Had he given those figures, we have little doubt that each Saturday's attendance would exceed the attendance of the preceding week. Does not this point to the benefit we have conferred on the School by agitating for Saturday station? Again, our correspondent has not compared the attendance on Saturdays with the attendance on Wednesdays, when a match is in progress. At any rate, supposing all these arguments are invalid, there are houses less exemplary than the House our correspondent has described. Certain it is that the head of a House containing sixty-seven (?) boys informed us this term that there were not ten members of that House who regularly appeared 'Up-Fields.' Our correspondent, we can safely say, cannot dispute the statement that, if Saturday station were instituted, the attendance of his House as well as others would be nearer sixty than forty. Why, then, does he object?—ED. ELIZABETHAN.]

LAMPROBATICS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Cowell's letter in your November number, he is quite right in supposing that by the shell I meant the form next below the sixth. This form was always known as the shell throughout my time; including (with apologies to Mr. Cowell for differing from him) the period during which I was at School with Mr. Cowell himself—viz., January 1874 to Election 1875. A misprint (obvious to Mr. Cowell's school-fellows) which occurred in your last number represented Mr. Cowell as having been at School four years after he left. But

I think the change in the name of the form to which he refers was made while he was still at Westminster.

In THE ELIZABETHAN for August 1874 there is an account of Lamprobaties for that year, in which the match is expressly described as between the under elections and town boys below the shell. Mr. Cowell says that in his time 'below the shell' would have excluded five forms. But I find playing in the match at least one town boy (E. Horne) who was then in the upper fifth (Mr. James's form), which was the form next below Mr. Marshall's form, which came next below the sixth. This form (Mr. Marshall's) was then known as the shell. The same account in THE ELIZABETHAN comments on the fact that this arrangement gave the town boys the benefit of no less than five members of the eleven. In the following year, however, there were certainly one or two town boys in the eleven who never got near Mr. Marshall's form at any time, but who for some reason did not play in Lamprobaties.

I am, Sir,
Yours sincerely,
W. A. PECK.

9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn,
November 2, 1903.

[For want of space we are compelled to hold over some Correspondence and other copy till our February number.

ED. 'ELIZABETHAN.']

ERRATA.

Vol. 10, No. 27, p. 299.—The Gumbleton Prize, sixth line, for 'though' read 'thou.'

Vol. 10, No. 27, p. 302.—Football match, v. Old Harrovians: for 'The team were' read 'The teams were.'

Vol. 10, No. 27, p. 309.—In Mr. Cowell's letter: for 1879 read 1875.

Our Contemporaries.

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