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IN the year 1794, in the street of Newgate, there was born into this vale of tears a man child. The prescient spirit of history had given to his forefathers the name of Jacob, ignorant godparents prefixed an Edward.

Edward Jacob grew as other children. He duly kept his father's household awake o' nights. His exterior semblance duly belied his soul's immensity. He ate his alphabet letter by letter in gingerbread. He learned that he had ten fingers. He learned his *si verba incipiunt* and his *neutra pluralia gaudent*. Thus equipped he came to Westminster, where Punch Carey sat on the throne. When there was a late play the boy spent it with the writing master learning mathematics.

In due course Edward Jacob went to Cam-

bridge, whither was also come from Heversham School one William Whewell, whom after ages were to know as 'Billy Whistle.' Now the mathematical tutors, who know everything, knew also this, that of these twain, Jacob and Whewell, one should be senior wrangler. But when there were but few months to run before the season of the tripos the mathematical tutors, who know everything, knew not which.

Now at this time it came to pass that Jacob hired a cottage without Cambridge and a horse within, and men knew of the horse, but of the cottage knew no man. To the cottage Jacob sent secretly paper and books, on the horse he openly set a saddle, and he clothed his own back in a pink coat, which the profane call scarlet. Then, mounting his steed, he rode early in the morning past the window where Whewell sat studying surds. 'Whither away, Jacob?' Then would Jacob open his lips in

mockery of ancient speech, as thus: 'Wot ye not, Master Whewell, that the hounds come to Caxton gibbet and there lie betwixt us ten good miles?' or thus: 'Verily this morning Master Huddleston of Sawston hath the hounds there and giveth a breakfast.' Thus would he do many mornings.

Now Whewell loved surds, but he loved other knowledge. So he laid aside his book and took down others of ethics and economics, for he said to himself that Jacob did nothing that day. But Jacob, galloping to Chesterton, stabled his steed at the Chequers and went to his cottage. In the evening he came out again. Now about Cambridge there is mud, not mud in patches, but mud everywhere, true imperial mud, not covetous only because there is no space left to covet. In this Jacob stood some minute or two and flicked. Thence he rode home again passing the window, and Whewell saw him and was comforted, for he said to himself that Jacob had done no work that day.

Thus Edward Jacob was senior wrangler. But not all men spoke well of him, and he went from Cambridge, and he came to London, and he made good friends with old father antic the Law. But after five-and-twenty years he went to Malta and thence to his own place, for there they told him that 'Billy Whistle' was become Master of Trinity. And Jacob lies forgotten at Malta, and Whewell lies remembered in his antechapel of Trinity.

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### Historical Notes.

WE are indebted to Dr. E. L. Scott for the following interesting items from account books preserved in the Muniment Room:—

Book of Accompts of divers ministers of Westminster Abbey, 17 Henr. VI.—17 Henr. VII. :

Payments of 20*d.* by Frater Thomas Gardener and by Frater Thomas Stowell to the Master of the Grammar School; July, 17 Henr. VII. [A.D. 1502].

Purchase of liveries from John Cristmas for gentlefolk, among them for 'Vxor Magistri Scolarum'; 17 Henr. VII.

Book of Accompts of Frater John Islip, Treasurer of Westminster Abbey; 8-15 Henr. VII. [1492-1500]:

Soluciones facte per Fratrem Johannem Isthylyp Thesaurarium Westmonasterii a festo Sancti Barnabe Apostoli anno regni regis Henrici vij ix<sup>o</sup> vsque &c. pro Roberto Coton existente ad scholas apud Westerham [*i.e.* Westminster]. [A.D. 1494.]

In primis soluta pro Batellagio suo ibidem a festo Sancti Barnabe predicto anno ix<sup>o</sup> vsque festum Sancti Michaelis Archangeli anno x<sup>o</sup> viz. per xv<sup>im</sup> septimanas vt per septimanam viij*d.*, xs.

Et soluta Ricardo Presbitero pro Erudicione predicti pueri, xij*d.*

Et soluta pro j pare Ceroticarum pro puero predicto, ij*d.*

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### School Notes.

THE Offertory on St. Simon and St. Jude's Day amounted to £4.

The new Mission buildings are to be opened by the Bishop of London on December 1.

The weather prevented the Cadet Corps from attending the Public Schools' Field Day at Aldershot; in compensation a minor field day was held on Wimbledon Common on Friday, November 18, in a dense fog. About eighty members took part.

Mr. H. E. Piggott lately gave a most interesting lecture on Schumann up School, which was generally appreciated. It included a quintet, one of the violinists being Mr. J. D. H. Dickson.

We regret to hear that the ebony staff which, as we lately recorded, was presented to the School by Mr. John Thynne, turns out to be the property of the Dean and Chapter. It was provided, in pursuance of a Chapter Order of 22nd December, 1713, 'for Mr. Thos. French, the College Porter.' At that time, of course, the foundation was undivided, and 'College' was the name of the whole. The staff was kept in the Porter's Lodge until recently, when, a porter of the softer sex being appointed, it was no longer used in processions.

Canon Beeching has very kindly presented to the Library a copy of 'Demosthenes *De Corona*,' edited by two O.W.W., P. Foulkes and J. Freind, in 1695. This copy was presented by P. Foulkes to the famous Bishop Trelawny, whose signature it bears.

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

1904.

Sat.	Sept. 24	v. Clapham Rovers.	(Lost, 1—2.)
"	Oct. 1	v. Old Malvernians.	(Lost, 1—3.)
"	"	8 v. Royal Engineers.	(Won, 4—0.)
"	"	2nd XI. v. Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.	(Scratched.)
"	"	15 v. Beckenham.	(Lost, 0—6.)
"	"	2nd XI. v. Guy's Hospital A.	(Lost, 0—7.)
"	"	22 v. Casuals.	(Lost, 0—2.)
"	"	2nd XI. v. St. Bartholomew's A.	(Lost, 2—3.)
"	"	29 v. Old Reptonians.	(Lost, 0—5.)
"	Nov. 5	v. Old Harrovians.	(Scratched.)
"	"	2nd XI., v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.	(Won, 2—0.)
"	"	12 v. Emeriti.	(Lost, 1—3.)
"	"	2nd XI. v. St. Thomas's Hospital.	(Lost, 1—3.)
Wed.	"	16 v. Old Westminsters.	(Drawn, 3—3.)
Sat.	"	19 v. Old Felstedians.	(Drawn, 3—3.)
"	"	2nd XI. v. Emeriti A.	(Lost, 0—7.)
Wed.	"	23 v. Hertford College.	(Lost, 3—4.)
Sat.	"	26 v. Brasenose College, Oxon.	(Drawn, 2—2.)
"	"	2nd XI. v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.	(Lost, 3—6.)
"	Dec. 3	v. Kenley.	(Won, 3—2.)
"	"	10 v. Barnes.	
"	"	17 v. Brasenose Coll., Oxon.	

1905.

Sat.	Jan. 21	v. Clapham Rovers.	
"	"	2nd XI. v. Old Foresters.	
Wed.	"	25 v. Casuals.	
Sat.	"	28 v. Clare Coll., Camb.	
"	"	2nd XI. v. Clapham Rovers A.	
"	Feb. 4	v. Hampstead.	
"	"	2nd XI. v. Old Westminsters 2nd XI.	
"	"	11 v. Christ Church.	
"	"	2nd XI. v. St. Thomas's Hospital 2nd XI.	
"	"	18 v. Pembroke Coll., Camb.	
"	"	2nd XI. v. St. Bartholomew's Hospital 2nd XI.	
Wed.	"	22 v. Old Westminsters.	
Sat.	"	25 v. Univ. Coll., Oxon.	
"	Mar. 4	v. Charterhouse (at Godalming).	
"	"	11 v. An Eton XI. (at Vincent Square).	
"	"	18 v. L. A. M. Fevez's XI.	
"	"	25 v. Old Etonians.	
"	April 1	K.S.S. v. T.B.B.	

The following is the Card of the Debating Society for Play Term 1904 filled in to date :—

Oct. 13.—'That this House disapproves of Conscription in England.'—Proposer, G. B. Wilson; Seconder, A. P. Waterfield; Opposer, R. Hackforth. Ayes, 13; Noes, 4.

Oct. 20.—'That this House would approve the introduction of the Decimal System into England.'—Proposer, R. W. Reed; Seconder, S. F. Johnson; Opposer, J. M. Craig. Ayes, 8; Noes, 12.

Oct. 27.—'That this House approves the course taken by Great Britain in Tibet.'—Proposer, R. C. Le Blond; Seconder, A. H. Aglionby; Opposer, W. J. Leach. Ayes, 8; Noes, 4.

Nov. 3.—'That this House would welcome a Juvenile Smoking Prevention Act.'—Proposer, P. T. Rawlings; Seconder, E. F. C. Mosse; Opposer, W. F. H. Waterfield. Ayes, 12; Noes, 7.

Nov. 10.—'That, in view of recent grave miscarriages of justice, this House would welcome a Court of Criminal Appeal.'—Proposer, S. McKenna; Seconder, S. F. Johnson; Opposer, H. I. P. Hallett. Ayes, 6; Noes, 11.

Nov. 24.—'That this House disapproves of Municipal Trading.'—Proposer, H. D. Adrian; Seconder, H. V. Argyle; Opposer, A. E. F. Spencer. Ayes, 8; Noes, 4.

'That this House would welcome the formation of a Westminster School Shooting Eight.'—Proposer, G. R. Y. Radcliffe; Seconder, V. G. M. Rambaut; Opposer, H. G. F. Longhurst.

THE LEAGUE.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	Pts.
A	—	L 0-1		L 0-3	D 0-0	D 0-0		2
B	W 1-0	—	L 0-2		L 1-2		D 1-1	3
C		W 2-0	—	W 1-0	W 4-1		W 5-0	8
D	W 3-0		L 0-1	—	D 2-2	W 2-1	W 4-3	7
E	D 0-0	W 2-1	L 1-4	D 2-2	—	W 2-1		6
F	D 0-0			L 1-2	L 1-2	—	W 4-0	3
G		D 1-1	L 0-5	L 3-4		L 0-4	—	1

Captains of Leagues.

- A.—G. B. Wilson.
- B.—J. W. Geddes.
- C.—M. T. Maxwell.
- D.—W. F. H. Waterfield.
- E.—G. Hepburn.
- F.—J. E. Rodocanachi.
- G.—E. A. Rice-Oxley.

JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES.

	G.	K.S.S.	H.B.B.	R.	A.H.	Pts.
GRANT'S	—	W 3-1	W 2-0	W 2-0	W 2-0	8
H.B.B.	L 0-2	D 0-0	—	W 1-0	W 2-0	5
K.S.S.	L 1-3	—	D 0-0		W 1-0	3
RIGAUD'S	L 0-2		L 0-1	—		0
A. H.	L 0-2	L 0-1	L 0-2		—	0

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* OLD  
REPTONIANS.

This match was played up Fields on Saturday, October 29. Newman kicked off at 2.40 against the wind, and Rawlings and Johnson ran down without any result. The Old Reptonians pressed and forced a corner, but the ball went behind. Soon afterwards, from a combined forward attack, G. S. Harris scored the first goal for the visitors (0-1). The visitors continued pressing, but Davey relieved by running down the wing. There was no further addition to the score before half-time. On resuming, Rawlings ran down and forced a corner, but the ball was sent behind. The visiting forwards ran down, but Worlock ran out and cleared. From a sharp scrimmage in front of our goal the visitors scored again (0-2). This was soon followed by a third, which Worlock failed to stop properly. After a short spell of even play the visitors scored their fourth goal, and just before time came they scored a fifth, and, the School being unable to retaliate, the game ended in favour of the Old Reptonians by five goals to love.

The following were the teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. Worlock (goal); S. McKenna, H. D. Adrian (backs); F. H. Budden, J. M. Craig, S. C. Edgar (half-backs); P. T. Rawlings, S. F. Johnson, K. E. Newman, E. Coleby, A. P. Davey (forwards).

The visitors did not leave their names.

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

The above match was played up Fields on Saturday, November 5. Owing to the 1st XI. not playing, the School were able to put a strong team in the field against a moderate team of Old Westminsters. Walker kicked off at 2.45 from the Hospital end. From the start the School pressed strongly, but Capon cleared a good shot from Coleby. Johnson then ran up and centred, but Pemberton cleared. Malcolm now broke away and dribbled through the backs, only to shoot over when within five or six yards of goal. The School gained a corner, but Edgar shot behind. The School pressed again, and Walker scored from close quarters. There was no further scoring before half-time. On resuming the School broke away, but were checked by Parker. Johnson ran down and centred across to Geare, who, passing to Newman, enabled him to score (2-0). Johnson put in a good shot, which was well cleared by Capon. The visiting forwards now became more aggressive, and Mellows missed his kick with an open goal

before him. The School forced several corners, but they all proved ineffective. Malcolm made several good attempts to break through the School defence, but was unable to do so. Time came with the score (2-0) in our favour. For the School the forwards were weak in front of goal, but the defence was fairly sound.

The following were the teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI.

F. Worlock (goal); S. McKenna, H. D. Adrian (backs); F. H. Budden, R. C. Le Blond, S. C. Edgar (half-backs); H. L. Geare, E. Coleby, K. E. Newman, H. Walker, S. F. Johnson (forwards).

O.WW. 2ND XI.

H. V. Capon (goal); Parker, M. Pemberton (backs); O'Connor, Mills, Matcham (halves); Holiday, Murray, Malcolm, Mellows, A. N. Other (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* EMERITI.

This match was played up Fields on Saturday, November 12, and ended in favour of the visitors by 3 goals to 1. Newman kicked off at 2.45 from the Church end, and Davey ran up and put in a good centre which was cleared. The visitors then pressed, but Worlock saved finely several times; Davey took a pass and put the ball through with a good shot, but was ruled offside. The visitors then ran down and gained a corner, which, however, was sent behind. Play was mainly confined to mid-field, and half-time arrived with no score. The visitors began to press after the interval and soon scored, Woods putting in a good shot which was out of Worlock's reach (0-1). Davey made several fine runs, but no one could reach his centres. Emeriti soon scored again through Leaming, who was playing up very well. Brydone immediately afterwards put the ball through, but was given offside. Emeriti gained a corner, but Craig cleared. The visitors now pressed again and scored their third goal (0-3). After some even play Coleby got clean away and scored with a good shot (1-3). This was the last of the scoring, and time came with the score 3 to 1 against us.

For the School Davey played well, and Worlock was very good in goal, the rest being rather disappointing.

The following were the teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. G. Worlock (goal); S. McKenna, H. D. Adrian (backs); W. R. Birchall, J. M. Craig, S. C. Edgar (halves); S. F. Johnson, W. B. Harris, K. E. Newman, E. Coleby, A. D. Davey (forwards).

EMERITI.

E. W. Sutton (goal); Rev. C. B. Collier, A. G. Scott (backs); R. C. Bingham, L. Temple, L. O. Gower (halves); G. G. Scott, R. C. Woods, R. M. Brydone, R. C. Leaming, A. N. Other (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. v.  
ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL 2ND XI.

This match also was played up Fields on Nov. 12. Rawlings won the toss, and St. Thomas's Hospital kicked off from the Pavilion end at 2.45. The play was very even in the first half, being, if anything, in favour of the visitors, no goals being scored before half-time. In the second half, the visitors broke away and scored from a scrimmage in front of goal. Shortly afterwards they scored again, Lewis failing to clear. The School now had more of the game and Walker scored with a good shot. St. Thomas's managed to score again, and the game ended in a win for the visitors by 3 goals to 1.

The following were the teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI.

O. Lewis (goal); E. R. Mason, J. C. Davidson (backs); H. V. Argyle, A. W. Peacock, G. F. Turner (halves); R. W. Reed, P. T. Rawlings, H. Walker, H. L. Geare, E. Ratcliffe-Cousins (forwards).

The visitors did not leave their names.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD  
WESTMINSTERS.

Played up Fields on November 16. The School kicked off from the Hospital end and at 2.40 the visitors started pressing, but at last Davey got away and centred, and getting the ball again scored from close quarters (1-0). Soon after Johnson forced a corner, but with no result. O.W.W. then gained a corner, but Worlock cleared. The visitors' goal-keeper ran out and Newman ran round him and shot wide with an open goal in front of him. Play continued fairly even, the School having slightly the better of it, but no further addition was made to the score before half-time.

After the interval, O.W.W. pressed and soon equalised, their inside left scoring with a good shot. The School now pressed for some time, but failed to score. Longhurst ran down the wing and centred nicely, and their inside left headed the ball into the net (1-2). Rawlings ran up and had bad luck in not scoring; Davey then ran up, and working into the centre scored with a splendid shot (2-2). Almost immediately afterwards Rawlings got through and put the School ahead (3-2). The visitors managed to score again just before time came, and so an interesting game ended in a draw of 3 goals all.

The following were the teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. G. Worlock (goal); S. McKenna, H. D. Adrian (backs); R. C. Le Blond, J. M. Craig, S. C. Edgar (half-backs); S. F. Johnson, P. T. Rawlings, K. E. Newman, E. Coleby, A. P. Davey (forwards).

OLD WESTMINSTERS.

L. A. M. Fevez (goal); A. H. Whitton, G. L. Crowe (backs); F. A. Chatterton, L. G. Barnes, A. A. Milne (half-backs); J. Longhurst, W. H. Barwell, A. P. Barnett, R. Truelove, R. Summerhayes (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. OLD  
FELSTEDIANS.

This match was played up Fields on Saturday, November 19, and resulted in a draw. The visitors kicked off from the Church end at 2.45, and pressed at once. Craig cleared and passed to Davey, who ran up and centred, the visitors' left back clearing. The visitors continued to press, and Worlock muddling a shot they rushed the ball through (0-1). The School forwards then ran up, and Newman passing to Rawlings, the latter scored with a good shot (1-1). The visitors again pressed and soon scored again (1-2). Johnson ran down but sent behind. The ball was kept mostly in the School half, until Davey forced a corner, from which Newman scored (2-2). Several corners were gained but not turned to account. In the second half the School did most of the pressing. Johnson ran down and centred, but Rawlings headed wide. The visitors then attacked, and after a pretty run the centre-forward shot past Worlock (2-3). The School played up after this and kept pressing. Eventually Rawlings passed to Coleby, who scored with a good shot (3-3). There was no further score.

The following were the teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. Worlock (goal); S. McKenna, H. D. Adrian (backs); R. C. Le Blond, J. M. Craig, S. C. Edgar (half-backs); S. F. Johnson, P. T. Rawlings, K. E. Newman, E. Coleby, A. P. Davey (forwards).

OLD FELSTEDIANS.

H. P. Croby (goal); D. W. Brewster (capt.), L. B. Mills (backs); H. M. Graham, A. G. Stemley, D. L. C. Wood (half-backs); C. H. Fielding, H. J. Gale, J. K. H. T. Douglas, A. N. Other, J. Truvill (forwards).

THE MISSION.

WE hear that Mr. George P. Allen, the Hon. Architect to the new Club House in Hyde Place, Westminster, which is in connection with the Mission, is organising a grand dramatic performance intended to take place in the Club House at the end of January, in aid of the furnishing fund, and is, we understand, under patronage of all the well-known people in Westminster. All other particulars can be had from Mr. Allen, who is acting as Hon. Secretary to the performance, at his address, Dacre House, Arundel Street, Strand, W.C.

## THE GLEE SOCIETY.

The following programme was very creditably rendered up School on Saturday, November 19. We would call especial attention to the performances of three young K.S.S., Williams, Dyer, and Benvenisti, who bid fair to distinguish themselves in the musical line.

1. QUARTET ... 'Silent Night' ... *Barnby*  
G. G. WILLIAMS, J. BENVENISTI,  
S. MCKENNA, J. M. CRAIG.
2. SONG ... 'Down the Vale' ...  
S. MCKENNA.
3. PIANO SOLO 'Rhapsodie' in G minor ... *Brahms*  
R. HACKFORTH.
4. DUET ... 'The Angel' .. *Rubinstein*  
G. G. WILLIAMS and J. BENVENISTI.
5. SONG ... 'Homeward' ... *Gerald Lane*  
J. M. CRAIG.
6. VIOLIN DUET ... .. *Berthold Tours*  
W. R. KUHLMANN and H. G. DILLON.
7. SONG ... 'Last Night' ... *Halfdan Kjerulf*  
G. G. WILLIAMS.
8. PIANO SOLO 'Prelude and Fugue' in C minor ... *Bach*  
C. V. DYER.
- SONG ... 'If thou wert blind' ... *Noel Johnson*  
D. G. MACLAREN.
10. QUARTET ... 'Hark! the Lark' ... *Cooke*  
G. G. WILLIAMS, J. BENVENISTI,  
S. MCKENNA, J. M. CRAIG.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

## THE CADET CORPS.

As a result of practical and written examinations, held on November 7 and 8 respectively, the former by the Adjutant of the Inns of Court, the following promotions were made:—

*To be Sergeant.*—Corporal Geare, Acting-Corporal Craig, Pte. Metcalfe, Pte. Rawlings.

*To be Corporal.*—Acting-Corporal R. Nott-Bower, Acting-Corporal H. Hallett, Pte. Hine, Pte. Litton.

*To be Acting-Corporal.*—Pte. Worlock, Pte. Ratcliffe-Cousins, Pte. Newman, Pte. Treat.

## THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on October 27 to discuss the motion 'That this House approves the course taken by Great Britain in Tibet.'

The PROPOSER (H. I. P. Hallett) opened the evening by stating that he might well have been astonished at anyone opposing the motion. Yet there had been an even greater opponent than the Opposer, the great traveller Dr. Sven Hedin. His statements were worth examining because he both had wide knowledge and was usually an impartial and by no means Anglophobe critic. Dr. Sven Hedin said the expedition was unjustifiable, purposeless, and cruel—unjustifiable because the Tibetans were in no wise bound by the Convention of 1890, which the Chinese Amban had signed on their behalf. Previous to this the Tibetans had invaded Sikkim, a district of British India, and had compelled us to send an expedition against them, which cost us a million of money. We could justifiably have exacted compensation in money or territory. Out of deference to the alleged Chinese suzerainty we did neither. Yet the Tibetans, having benefited then by Chinese suzerainty, wished now to deny its existence. They could not have it both ways. The Tibetans had committed outrages: we were bound to avenge them. Dr. Sven Hedin said it was purposeless because there was no fear of Russian invasion; but there were other means of supplanting British influence in Tibet besides military invasion. We had a right to have paramount influence there, because both geographically and politically it is within our sphere of influence in Central Asia. Dr. Sven Hedin asserted that the expedition was cruel. He replied, only in so far as all war is cruel. Only once had there been considerable loss of Tibetan life, at Chumbi, and then we had killed in self-defence. When we arrived at Lhasa we did not bully the inhabitants or pillage their shrines, as our enemies liked to believe. No, we held races, which, if anything, gave the Lhasans pleasure. Lord Curzon deserved praise, not abuse, for his energy. It was fatal to tolerate insults. The Proposer then sketched the Russian aggressions of the past few years. Last Monday we had reaped the fruit of our pusillanimity. Should we have risked the lives of our Indian subjects by a similar policy? In that solemn moment of history we could appeal to the verdict of the civilised world.

The OPPOSER (W. J. Leach) said that the Proposer stated that a million was spent on the expedition, and that the Tibetans gained a million. We had yet to learn that in making war we use our enemies as contractors and soldiers. He also said that it was a good thing to institute a racecourse at Lhasa—a nice way of teaching the innocent Tibetans the superior vices of civilisation. Also he mentioned the forbearance of the Government in

most matters, whereas if ever there was need of forbearance it was in Tibet. The Tibetans had done us no harm. It was the old story of the insane fear of Russian aggression. What the Russians had done to obtain this reputation no one could say. One would have said that they were credulous rather than deceitful, judging from their conduct in the war and their action at Hull. We were too conservative; Russia had got the reputation, and it was a fearful crime to disbelieve it. If anyone were to say a word in Russia's favour, he would at once be set upon by a crowd of furious jingoes, all eager to uphold her evil reputation. Our fear of Russian advances upon Asia, together with the determination of Lord Curzon to distinguish his term of office by the discovery of Lhasa, had dragged us into a needless and futile attack on a harmless neighbour. And in return for all the money spent and lives lost, what had been gained? Absolutely nothing. No treaty of any use had been signed. It was doubtful if any treaty had been signed at all. The representative of China, the Amban, had been so kind as to advise the Tibetans to sign a treaty, but he had positively refused to have anything to do with it himself. So nothing had been gained. And if the Government's policy was to be carried out a larger expedition would have to be sent at the cost of a probable break with China, followed, perhaps, by European complication; and anyhow, what was the good of it all? Even if we got a treaty and sent a resident to Lhasa, he would probably be forgotten when the excitement had subsided, and the inevitable massacre would take place as had happened before, and a new war would have to be begun. He thought everyone would agree that to gratify the vanity of an aggressive Viceroy at the cost of English lives was a policy that should be condemned by every sensible citizen.

The SECONDER having risen again to refute some of the Opposer's arguments,

A. H. AGLIONBY rose to speak. He said that Lord Curzon, of whose character the Opposer had a very mistaken conception, recently deplored the ignorance of Englishmen about India. The Opposer did not even seem to know where Tibet was. The idea that the expedition was solely a menace to Russia was erroneous, but it was certainly a fact that after Manchuria was closed to her, Russia must find an outlet for her superfluous energy. Finally he scouted the notion that the expedition was sent by a jingoistic Government to distract attention from the Fiscal Question at home, as they had from the first invited criticism, which he thought had been satisfactorily dealt with.

S. MCKENNA said the Proposer had declared Russia's word to be utterly unreliable, and had instanced her behaviour in Manchuria, but our position in Egypt was exactly parallel. He seemed bitterly opposed to the "peace-at-any-price" policy, so bitterly that he was for war at any price. He believed the Proposer would welcome war with Russia. Mr. Hallett had cavilled at our expenditure

of one million in Tibet, but what about the 280 millions Mr. Chamberlain had spent on the South African war? All except such rabid jingoes as Mr. Hallett were now repenting that war. The Treasurer had said that we must continue aggrandising or decay. Where was this to stop? Were we to conquer the whole world? That was preposterous.

The TREASURER rose to answer Mr. McKenna. When the nation decayed so greatly as to shirk its imperial responsibilities, as Mr. McKenna and his friends wished them to do; when it became sufficiently infatuated to allow such men as Mr. McKenna to direct their policy, then and then only would our extension cease to confer its benefits on the world.

H. H. ARGYLE said all previous speakers in favour of the motion seemed to think the Tibetans a brave and aggressive race. This was a mistake, as he could prove from Mr. Savage Landor's book. They were arrant cowards.

The PROPOSER wound up the debate. He said he had sufficiently denied that he wanted war. Far from it. If Mr. McKenna would not believe his assurances, it was useless to repeat them. Even if we placed the same implicit faith in Mr. Landor's word which Mr. Argyle did—and the House did not seem inclined to do so—even then a cowardly people when egged on by a great Power like Russia might commit aggressive deeds, however unsuitable to their real nature. As a matter of fact the British expedition had found the Tibetans no such cowards as that most veracious gentleman Mr. Landor had made them out to be.

The debate then terminated before time, the absence of the K.S.S. having rendered it a somewhat dull discussion. The result was as follows: For the motion, 8; against, 4. The motion was therefore carried by 8 votes to 4.

The House met on November 3 to discuss the motion: 'That this House would welcome a Juvenile Smoking Prevention Act.'

The PROPOSER (P. T. Rawlings), after some remarks that had little to do with the motion, went on to say that Norway and Sweden had a Juvenile Smoking Prevention Act, also several States of America, the age limit being 18. The Act would be most beneficial to this country if it were passed with an age limit of between 12 and 13. At this age the constitution of the boy is in a critical state. The Act would apply more to street arabs than to gentlemen's sons, as the latter do not, at any rate, pick up cigarette ends from the street. This constitutes the chief source of danger, as diseases such as consumption are known to ensue from this practice.

The OPPOSER (the Secretary) feared that he had been given a very hard task in opposing this motion, not only because his own opinion, but, as he expected, that of the House, was in favour of it. He said he had no intention of defending juvenile smoking, which

he considered to be impossible, but he would oppose its prevention by Act of Parliament. First, what would be the use of the Act? It would only lead to evasion. Everyone knew that about two years ago there was a great fuss about the Black List. Its terms were made very strict, but everyone now who was given to drink tried to evade it. Then another instance of evasion is that many boys of the poorer classes evade going to school, which by law they should attend till they have passed the sixth standard. One, or at the most two, cigarettes a day cannot do a boy harm any more than taking a glass of wine at dinner. If that glass becomes a bottle then he becomes a confirmed drunkard; so it is with smoking. In small quantities it does no harm; only when boys smoke to excess is there any need for an Act of Parliament. But instead of the Act it would be far better to leave the matter in the hands of the boy himself or his parents. The Proposer had said that smoking was responsible for all the decrease in health. This was not so. The Act would be far better for gentlemen's sons than for street arabs, as the Proposer thought, for the former can buy, if they like, twenty cigarettes a day, which do much more harm than an odd end or two a week picked up in the street.

The SECONDER (E. F. C. Mosse), in a speech to a great extent extremely puerile, denied the Opposer's statement that the law would be evaded to any serious extent. Tobacconists would be forbidden to sell to juveniles. Boys, with the fear of subsequent parental correction before their eyes, were more likely to obey the law than the hardened renegades dealt with by the Black List. Evasion of the law was bad, but all laws are evaded. It was worse that there should be no law. It was very necessary that the present state of affairs should be remedied. Certain societies were doing excellent work, but it would be impossible for them unaided to revolutionise the country except after much expenditure of time and money. Law acting in conjunction with such societies would soon alter public opinion. After some nonsensical remarks evidently collected from circulars, the Secunder continued by stating that the appalling increase of lunacy and drunkenness was ascribed by high medical authorities to the silly and filthy habit of smoking among juveniles. Moral weakness is the natural outcome of physical and mental weakness. There are other ways in which the character is affected, notably by the foolish desire to appear a man. This is an absurd conceit and an intellectual calamity. The habit is an expensive one, and dishonesty and selfishness are not improbable results of its indulgence. Fear of parental displeasure involves deceit. The foregoing remarks were intended to apply to the poorer class, as all gentlemen worthy the name regarded smoking as a sign of weakness.

The VICE-PRESIDENT pointed out that if a Juvenile Smoking Act was carried the result would be that those who were forbidden to purchase by the terms of the Act would attain their end by resorting to stealing. He expressed an opinion that the re-

ported harm done by smoking, except in special cases, was grossly exaggerated.

After some remarks by the PRESIDENT and others a very dull evening was brought to a close, the result being as follows: For the motion, 12; against, 7. The motion was thus carried by 12 votes to 7.

Mrs. Raynor was good enough to favour the House with her presence during this debate, but it is to be deplored that she did not happen upon one that would have interested her more than this—the worst as yet of the session.

We would here take the opportunity of deprecating the practice of relying too much on books for information rather than trusting to innate genius. Original theories generally turn out more interesting to the House than the second-hand matter extracted from books or circulars.

In the next motion—'That, in view of recent grave miscarriages of justice, this House would welcome a Court of Criminal Appeal'—there was a most marked and agreeable improvement. The debate extended over two meetings, but as all the material is not yet to hand and space forbids, we refrain from publishing till our next number.

The Headmaster was present at both the meetings which discussed this motion.

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### House Notes.

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K.SS.—The cast for the "Andria" has been made up, and the first half of the Play has been rehearsed, but we regret to say that Mr. Raynor has gone out of School with a severe attack of influenza. Mr. Sergeant, however, has kindly consented to help us in rehearsals till his return, and we take this opportunity of thanking him. We have to congratulate E. R. Mason on playing for the School in the last two matches. Geare has also made a reappearance. This is the seventh representative with whom we have furnished the School XI. We are grieved to hear that neither Birchall, who has again damaged his wrist, nor Edgar, who has slightly sprained his ankle, will be able to play again this term. We must congratulate Mr. F. T. Barrington Ward (O.W.) on winning a Fellowship at All Souls; this is the second Fellowship we have won there within the last few years; also Mr. S. A. Sydney-Turner (O.W.) on his success in the examination for the Home Civil Service. We have also to congratulate H. L. Geare, P. T. Rawlings, and R. E. Nott-Bower on their respective promotions in the Cadet Corps. We are glad to see that we have some very promising musical members among



the new Juniors. We have to thank the Rev. Canon Beeching for kindly presenting the College Library with two books from his own pen. Seniors' Room has been adorned with a case manufactured out of a cupboard from the Bursary to hold College cups. Long may they stay there! We lost to Grant's in the Junior House Matches, after an extremely good game, when one of our forwards was out of School; so there is no chance of adding the Junior House Football to our present store of cups. Chess Ties are progressing extraordinarily fast, but the weather and other causes have brought Fives and Rackets to a standstill. The sudden cold despatched many of us out of School, but we are glad to see that nearly all are back. The Literary Society has finished 'As You Like It,' 'Much Ado about Nothing,' and 'King John.' On going to press we are very glad to see Mr. Raynor is once more able to get about, but doubt whether he will be able to resume his ordinary duties immediately.

H.BB.—Apologies are due for certain omissions in our last notes. We offer our tardy congratulations to Mr. J. C. Vernon (O.W.) on playing in the Freshmen's Match at Cambridge; to Mr. E. T. Corfield (O.W.) on being put down for the corresponding match at Oxford, though unfortunately his knee prevented him from playing; and also to Mr. A. H. Pearson (O.W.) on winning the Freshmen's cross-country race at Cambridge over the Gog-and-Magog course. We are glad to see the House well represented in the 2nd XI., and congratulate Thoresby-Jones, Sankey, Turner, and Peacock on their appearances, the last also on receiving his House Colours. Juniors are now over, and we have been unusually successful in coming out second on the list; we defeated Ashburnham (2-0), and drew with K.S.S. (0-0); but succumbed to Grant's (0-2). We have at last succeeded in finishing the first round of the Fives-Ties, and live in hopes of playing off the final before the end of term.

ASHBURNHAM.—There is little to record. Our Juniors have been defeated by College (0-1) and by Home Boarders (0-2). This was mainly due to the lamentable weakness of the forward line, though one or two of the defence showed considerable promise. Our prospects for Seniors are much the same as last term. Davidson and Harris have been playing regularly for the 2nd XI., and the latter played for the School *v.* Emeriti.

GRANT'S.—Since our last notes the Grantite Literary Society has finished 'King Richard II.'

and 'As You Like It.' The Debating Society has held another meeting, when the motion "That this House disbelieves in the existence of ghosts" was lost by acclamation, after much technical discussion on both sides. The Yard Ties are now in their final stage, K. E. Newman and J. S. Liberty being still left in. We must congratulate H. D. Adrian and F. G. Worlock on their House Colours, and R. W. Reed on playing for the School against Hertford College, Oxford. We also congratulate E. R. J. Ratcliffe-Cousins and A. G. Lee on their appearance for the 2nd XI. Our hearty congratulations are also due to our Junior Team on winning the cup for the second time, having beaten College (3-1) and Rigaud's (2-0) since our last report. We are sorry to see that we had only two representatives in the Glee Society's concert; these were Kuhlmann and Dillon, who gave us a very pretty duet on the violin. We hope that at the next concert Grant's will be more to the fore.

RIGAUD'S.—Our first duty in the House Notes this month is to offer our congratulations to H. Walker upon his recent appearance for the School, and our next obligation is one of complimenting our Juniors on their plucky fight against Grant's Juniors. We only wish the result had been more satisfactory. As it is, we must remark upon the good play of T. E. Rodocanachi and D. Macmanus, who put in a great deal of useful work. While on the subject of football, we may say that as yet Yard Ties have not been begun, but probably will be before long. We are glad to say that favourable reports have reached us of C. L. Whittard, and our new boy, Gow, although at the time of writing the latter has not risen from a bed of sickness. We were recently honoured by a flying visit from Mr. A. Beney (O.W.), who had returned from the Continent, and contemplated a trip round the world in a short time. We wish him a pleasant journey. Rigaud's was well represented at the recent field-day at Putney, in spite of scarcity of uniforms. We are pleased to say that no one took cold from his assiduity in lying on wet grass most of the afternoon. Before leaving the Cadet Corps, we must mention the wild enthusiasm for signalling which exists up the House. Rigaud's is split into factions of enthusiasts for Morse and Semaphore codes. An Oxford Correspondent reports that Mr. D. C. Morrison (O.W.) is plunged head over ears in Historical work, in dread anticipation of 'schools.' May every success attend him in his forthcoming examination! Lately we had the pleasure of seeing Mr. H. C. Barnby (O.W.), who was home from Chinese waters, and we have to congratulate him upon his success in naval examinations.

## Old Westminsters.

MR. F. T. BARRINGTON-WARD is elected Fellow of All Souls. He was lately elected to the Vinerian Scholarship. Among late Fellows of All Souls we count Mr. Justice Phillimore and Mr. F. W. Bain; among present Fellows, Mr. M. L. Gwyer, and now also Mr. Barrington-Ward.

For the Hakluyt Society Sir Clements Markham has translated and edited 'The Voyages of Pedro Fernandez de Quiros, 1595-1606.'

Mr. G. A. Henty's last story, completed shortly before his death, is published by Blackie & Co. It is styled "By Conduct and Courage."

Mr. Robert Armitage is Lord Mayor of Leeds for the coming year.

Mr. S. A. Sydney-Turner is among the successful candidates of the Home Civil Service.

The O.W.W. Eleven defeated Cambridge University, but in the match for the Dunn Cup were by no means as good as the Old Malvernians, who won without difficulty.

Mr. H. S. Bompas is called to the Bar at the Inner Temple.

Mr. A. H. Pearson won the Freshmen's Cross-Country Race in very good time. He was more than two minutes ahead of the next man. It will be remembered that in our Sports last year he was second in the mile race. Mr. A. T. Coleby has been playing football for Oxford with considerable skill.

The Rev. R. F. Dale is become a life subscriber to THE ELIZABETHAN.

We omitted to congratulate in our last issue Mr. R. G. Gardner on representing Cambridge in golf, and the following for playing in their respective Freshmen's matches:—Messrs. R. G. Gardner, J. C. Vernon, F. S. Fleuret, and J. K. Hepburn. Mr. E. T. Corfield was put down to play, but was prevented from so doing by a bad knee.

We would take this opportunity of reminding all O.W.W. that they have no need of tickets for themselves for the Play, as some of them seem inclined to think.

## Marriages.

SCARISBRICK—BENNETT.—On July 27, Anthony, eldest son of Anthony Scarisbrick, of Montrose, Strawberry Hill, to Emily Edith, eldest daughter of Edmund Bennett, of Hansi, Waldegrave Park, Twickenham.

LOEFFLER—BALCK.—On November 23, Carl Ludwig Henrik, son of J. C. L. Loeffler, of the Abbey, Kensington, to Sigrid, daughter of Col. Victor G. Balck, of Stockholm.

CHAPMAN—BAKER.—On November 24, Walter George, only son of Frank Chapman, of Wadhurst, to Henrietta Catherine Sherston, second daughter of Judge Sir Sherston Baker, Bart.

## Obituary.

WE have to record the death of a distinguished man of science. FRANCIS MCLEAN was born in 1837 and admitted in 1850. He was afterwards a Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, and a Wrangler in 1859. He was for some years a Civil Engineer, and on retiring from business devoted himself to astronomy. He discovered the presence of oxygen in the helium class of stars. He founded the Isaac Newton Scholarship at Cambridge, and was a Fellow of the Royal Society and honorary LL.D. of Cambridge. He died on November 8, within a week of completing his sixty-seventh year. [See the *Times* of November 9.]

WE have also to regret the death of JOHN ERSKINE NICOL, who was born in 1877, and was at the School from 1891 to 1894. He afterwards followed his father's calling of an artist, and showed considerable promise. He died lately at Cairo.

AN older Westminster passed away on November 30 in the Hon. FREDERICK WILLIAM CADOGAN, son of the third Earl Cadogan, who was born in 1821, and was at the School from 1836 to 1840. He was called to the Bar in 1847, and was Liberal M.P. for Cricklade from 1868 to 1874. He married Lady Adelaide Paget, daughter of Lord Anglesey. [See the *Times* of December 2.]

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

WE are requested to bring to the notice of former members of the Cadet Corps the fact that there are a number of belts, bayonets, and other accessories missing, which there is reason to believe may never have been returned by those who were in camp last holidays, but have left the School.

## Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I should like to call attention to the condition of the Library at present. To those who have an eye for architectural beauty, the state of the rooms must give great offence; for example, if you care to look at the bust of Sir Francis Burdett and also behind it, you will gain an insight into what I mean. Again, the state of all the ceilings, both decorated and plain, is disgraceful, as they are not only cracked, but dirty. A good instance of this is the new Reference room. The state of the ceilings is not the only objection, since all the rooms are crying out for general repairs and paint. Finally, the staircase, one of the finest of its kind in London, needs every one of these attentions, and even more—*e.g.*, the wooden balustrade is badly warped.

I think that those in authority will heartily agree with me that this is a case of 'a stitch in time saving nine.'

I am, &c.,  
ARCHIE TECT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—I was very glad to read in the last number of the ELIZABETHAN a protest against the decline of the traditional pronunciation of Latin at the School. Now, Sir, when I was at the School, not so very long ago, this pronunciation was only enforced in the three top forms: I would suggest as a remedy that it should be enforced in *all* forms, as in the lower a boy is allowed to pronounce Latin in his own way.

Yours, &c.,  
EX SCHOOL MONITOR.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—As no one has as yet vouchsafed an answer to Mr. A. S. Gaye's proposals with regard to the Play, I shall endeavour to do so as far as my limited time and your limited space will allow. First, with regard to the abolition of 'fleshings.' As I write I have the Play number of 1903 open before me, and I see that his first objection to these 'pseudo-skins,' as he calls them, is that as they do not vary in respect of cleanliness, it is ridiculous that slaves and old men should be clothed in an equally respectable manner. Well, supposing we do abolish fleshings, does Mr. Gaye expect every slave to have his arms and legs dirtied for the occasion, or even visibly roughened by a slave's manual labour? Even as it is, every slave wears a most respectable wig; but I pre-

sume that Mr. Gaye, if he possesses a particle of consistency, would wish that soiled and matted wigs should be purposely manufactured for these unfortunate beings, to the disgust of the whole audience. His next argument is, 'that they hamper the free and natural use of the limbs.' With all due deference to Mr. Gaye's four years' personal experience as an actor at Westminster and one at Cambridge, I venture to dispute that point. From time immemorial actors at Westminster have always found the greatest difficulty in the matter of gesticulation. Why deprive them of the only hope of making them unconscious of their movements (for that is one of the essential qualities of a true actor)? Strange as it may seem, fleshings inspire the young actor with a confidence that would be lost if this only approach at concealment of action were taken away, for *hoc praelexit tegmine culpam*. The only argument he has mentioned which at the time might have carried any weight is no longer valid. It is that which concerns unnecessary expense for actors. This year the 'fleshing' man has been changed, and the new man's estimate both for purchase and cleaning of fleshings is considerably below last year's bills.

Mr. Gaye scoffs at the idea that fleshings are worn for the sake of warmth. It is true that a nervous actor in the excitement of the moment usually gets over-heated on the stage, but I should like to point out that behind the stage there are many draughts to be encountered before he reaches his destination, and that alone is enough to condemn the abolition of fleshings. I think Mr. Gaye will agree with me that no precaution is unnecessary when the success of such an important institution as the Westminster Play is at stake. I would lay particular stress on this point in regard to a slave's apparel, which is by no means excessive. So much then for the warmth afforded by fleshings. Mr. Gaye then proceeds to draw a parallel with the state of affairs in the representation of the 'Birds' at Cambridge. He presumes that no one could possibly have found any fault with the absence of fleshings there. Having been an eye-witness myself, I think I have a right to set down my opinion, namely, that I was singularly and by no means agreeably struck by this absence; but as I can quote no other opinion on this point we will let it slide.

Against Mr. Gaye's other proposals I have no objections to bring forward; but I am inclined to believe that they are rather unnecessary.

I am yours, &c.,  
Γροκρηθς.

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