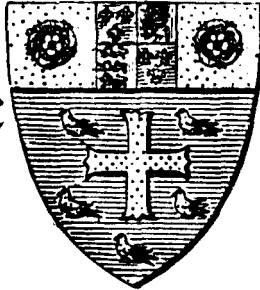


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EDITORIAL.

Several people in previous Editorials have expressed the view that one's last Editorial is the easiest to write, and up to this moment I have quite agreed with them, but now that the time has arrived, my views are changing.

The House has done very well; it has shown itself to be superior to other Houses on the cricket field by winning the Juniors' Cup and the Seniors' Cricket Shield. In the Final of Seniors', Rigauds were skittled out for the meagre total of 28 on a plumb wicket, and we had no difficulty in scoring these runs without loss. Although in Seniors the Juniors had no chance to show themselves in their proper lights, there are many young boys up the House who should show their talents in future years.

Last term the House was very quiet, and a better term can seldom have been, for both at work and play the House showed itself to great advantage.

HOUSE NOTES.

There left us last term: A. G. Hunt. We wish him every success in the future.

We welcome this term: P. G. Percy-Pitt, A. B. Watson-Gandy, R. V. C. Cleveland-Stevens (half-boarders).

H. C. E. Johnson has come up from Outer to Middle.

After a great struggle with Rigauds in the Final we won the Inter-House Junior Cricket Cup.

Junior House Colours were awarded to R. G. Reed, D. F. Cunliffe, D. L. Wilkinson, R. B. Stock, H. A. Budgett A. N. Winckworth, K. H. O. Hand.

We won the Junior House Shooting Cup; our four consisted of R. G. Reed, A. R. Laurie, R. C. T. James, G. L. Y. Radcliffe.

In the Inter-House Tennis we were beaten by Home-boarders; our pair, G. O. Nares and L. R. Carr lost 2—6, 6—3, 6—1.

We heartily congratulate J. W. Finn and A. E. R. Hadden on passing 'Certificate A.'

We finished 4th in the Senior Inter-House Shooting Cup.

We heartily congratulate W. H. C. Cleveland-Stevens on this Thirds for water, and R. M. Mills and E. A. Bompas on their Pink and Whites for cricket.

We heartily congratulate P. J. Sutton and D. F. Cunliffe on their Colts colours.

We retained the Senior Cricket Shield after an unexpectedly easy victory over Rigauds in the Final.

In the Yard Ties the stakes were divided between J. Harrop, P. J. Sutton, D. G. Fevez, and R. M. Mills, J. W. Finn, J. P. Hart.

This year we took part in the Inter-House Swimming Competition; although we failed to win the Cup this year, our prospects for the future are very good indeed.

We heartily congratulate A. G. T. James on his Pinks for fencing.

We heartily congratulate the following on their Senior House colours for cricket: J. W. Finn, P. J. Sutton.

At Water, prospects are becoming better, and although we failed this year to win any cups, we must not be dismayed in the future, as a water revival is slowly coming.

' SENIORS.'

We drew Homeboarders in the first round of Seniors, and luck could not have done better for us, as they were easily the weakest House side in the school; but with this new 'two-hour system' nobody can tell what is going to happen.

Grant's lost the toss and we were sent in to bat on a fairly easy wicket, which was kicking, noticeably in the first hour's play.

Our opponents had very few bowlers and Turner and Edgar were soon scoring at the rate of two runs a minute; at 46 disaster came, for Turner, just as he looked well set—he had just previously taken three successive fours off Quartier—gave an easy chance to backward square leg off

the same bowler. Finn came in next, and off his first ball he gave a hard chance to the wicket-keeper, but the latter never looked like catching it; after this he batted very well, and it came as a great surprise to everyone when he was caught at short leg for 35. Edgar and Finn had taken the score along very quickly to 142, and there was still 40 minutes left for us to bat; but Sutton was soon out, and with Edgar leaving at 152 our hopes of a big score were slowly vanishing. Bompas played quite well to make 20, but Mills, who was not very well, also left with the score at 171. Daisley and Brown by rather rustic cricket took the score along to 190 for 6, when it was time for our innings to close. It is obvious that we should have made many more runs if we had not been limited to two hours' batting. The honours of our innings went to Edgar, who made 77, and Finn, who made a very good 35.

Homeboarders batted exactly ten days after we had made our formidable total of 190 for 6; they never looked like getting the runs and their earlier batsmen were so slow that they very soon lost any chance of winning the game.

Studd batted 90 minutes for his 22 runs, and with the exception of Hobbs, who made 47 fairly quickly, the earlier batsmen made runs very slowly. Hobbs played a very lucky innings, and though not giving actual chances he mis-hit several balls very badly. However, his innings was invaluable to his side, and when he left, the remaining batsmen were content to hit at everything. Runs came fast, but wickets also fell at intervals, and when their two hours was over they had made 141 for 9.

Victory was gained by us quite easily, but actually on the field we had no reason to be satisfied. Our bowling was never good, and our fielding was not what it should have been. Many catches were dropped during the afternoon, and the throwing to the wicket was very bad at times. I do not here intend to point out all the errors made, but I must mention the good fielding of R. W. Edgar, D. F. Cunliffe, J. W. Finn; the latter did a very fine piece of fielding which resulted in the running out of Hobbs.

J. HARROP,

SENIORS.

Grant's v. Homeboarders. First Round.

Grant's.

J. F. Turner, c Maclean, b Quertier	...	...	...	...	31
R. W. Edgar, b Maclean	...	...	...	...	77
J. W. Finn, c Duncan, b Maclean	...	...	...	...	35
P. J. Sutton, c Valli, b Quertier	...	...	...	...	2
E. A. Bompas, b Maclean	...	...	...	...	20
R. M. Mills, c Hobbs, b Quertier	...	...	...	...	2
G. C. Daisley, not out	...	...	...	...	5
T. W. Brown, not out	...	...	...	...	12
Extras	...	...	...	...	6

Total for 6 wickets 190

D. F. Cunliffe, R. G. Reed and A. R. Laurie did not bat.

Homeboarders.

G. Holliday, c Turner, b Brown	...	...	...	...	8
J. R. Quertier, b Daisley	...	...	...	...	5
W. H. Studt, l.b.w., b Finn	...	...	...	...	22
E. R. Hobbs, run out	...	...	...	...	47
K. S. Maclean, c Edgar, b Sutton	...	...	...	...	8
D. E. Samuel, not out	...	...	...	...	17
V. F. Valli, b Edgar	...	...	...	...	19
J. A. G. Corrie, b Daisley	...	...	...	...	8
R. E. Lygon, st Bompas, b Edgar	...	...	...	...	0
J. H. T. Bailey, run out	...	...	...	...	2
R. F. H. A. Duncan, not out	...	...	...	...	4
Extras	...	...	...	...	4

Total for 9 wickets 141

Result: Grant's won by 49 runs.

Grant's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
T. W. Brown	11	5	22	1
G. C. Daisley	8	1	16	2
J. W. Finn	12	—	26	1
P. J. Sutton	10	1	44	1
R. W. Edgar	5	—	26	2

Homeboarders Bowling.

E. R. Hobbs	5	1	33	0
J. R. Quertier	18	3	63	3
K. S. Maclean	11	2	38	3
R. E. Lygon	4	2	16	0
R. F. H. A. Duncan	4	0	21	0
W. H. Studt	2	0	11	0

SENIORS 2ND ROUND.

Grant's played Busby's in the next round, and on the two-hour system we had little difficulty in defeating them by 107 runs.

We batted first, and although Turner and Edgar put on 144 for the first wicket, their cricket was not up to its usual good standard. On several occasions they were very lucky, and Turner found it very hard to hit the ball on the off at all. However, 144 for the first wicket was an excellent start, and was in itself a winning score against such a poor side as Busby's. Finn was quickly out, and Edgar left with the total still in the forties. By this time runs were wanted very quickly, and luckily for us Sutton and Bompas were in great form. Sutton hit all balls on any stump with great accuracy, and knocked up 41 in 23 minutes; this included nine fours. Bompas was also batting well, and at the end of two hours we had made the excellent total of 219 for 3.

The Busby's innings was of a very gloomy nature; Hebblethwaite took nearly an hour over his first six runs, and although he did improve later, his display was not the sort which was going to win the match for his House, but, if anything, gave victory to us. Hebblethwaite made 41. The next best score came from Grace, who made 27, and his runs were made much faster than Hebblethwaite's. The Grant's fielding was not good, and the bowling, apart from an inspired spell by Brown towards the end of the day, looked very ordinary.

As for two-hour cricket schemes producing brighter cricket, if anyone had watched the Homeboarders and Busby's innings, he would know very well that they do not produce brighter cricket. A side immediately adopts the attitude that if they do not get out, then they are not beaten. This is quite right, and the sides whom we beat have my sympathy, as to beat a side in cricket you must get it out.

J. HARROP.

Grant's v. Busby's.

Grant's—First Innings.

R. W. Edgar, c and b Grace	...	...	...	...	45
J. F. Turner, c Hebblethwaite, b Grace	...	...	...	...	80
J. W. Finn, l.b.w, b Hebblethwaite	...	...	...	...	0
P. J. Sutton, not out	...	...	...	...	41
E. A. Bompas, not out	...	...	...	...	19
Extras	...	...	...	...	34
Total for 3 wickets					219

H. A. Budgett, G. C. Daisley, T. W. Brown, D. F. Cunliffe,
R. G. Reed and A. R. Laurie did not bat.

Busby's—First Innings.

G. C. Gardiner, c Turner, b Brown	...	...	...	...	7
J. M. De Mowbray, c Edgar, b Brown	...	...	...	...	5
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, b Brown	...	...	...	...	41
E. N. Grace, st Bompas, b Finn	...	...	...	...	27
D. F. Balfour, run out	...	...	...	...	1
E. R. Bindloss, b Brown	...	...	...	...	8
R. J. S. Arnold, b Brown	...	...	...	...	4
A. A. Bindloss, not out	...	...	...	...	0
J. D. Mair, b Edgar	...	...	...	...	0
J. F. Baker, b Brown	...	...	...	...	0
E. R. Graham-Little, not out	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	15
Total for 9 wickets					112

Grant's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brown	13	2	23	6
Edgar	12	5	32	1
Finn	7	2	17	1
Daisley	9	4	13	—
Sutton	2	—	11	—

Busby's Bowling.

Hebblethwaite	14	1	60	1
Grace	17	—	78	2
De Mowbray	8	—	36	—
Balfour	3	—	10	—

Result : Grant's won by 107 runs.

N. Wallis, b Edgar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
J. D. Stocker, l.b.w., b Brown	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
J. T. Woodgate, c Sutton, b Edgar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
H. J. C. Cotter, b Edgar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0
R. S. Clark, b Brown	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
E. S. Smith, not out	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
L. F. Phillipson, b Brown	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0
J. G. Barradale, b Brown	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28

Grant's.

R. W. Edgar, not out	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
J. F. Turner, not out	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Extras	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Total for no wickets	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29

J. W. Finn, P. J. Sutton, E. A. Bompas, R. M. Mills, G. C. Daisley, T. W. Brown, D. F. Cunliffe, R. G. Reed and A. R. Laurie did not bat.

Grant's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. W. Edgar	6	2	10	6
T. W. Brown	6.66	2.6	10	4

Rigaud's.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. H. Angelo	6	1	19	0
C. C. Klein	4.16	1	5	0

Owing to the fact that several members of the side have only played one innings, and in some cases none at all, I find it impossible to arrange the batting averages with any accuracy.

J. HARROP.

J. F. Turner (*Capt.*). This season he has proved himself to be a really good batsman. His fielding is definitely high class, and in all the Senior House matches he captained the side quite well.

J. H.

T. W. Brown. He bowled very well and steadily in all the games, and it was mainly due to him that neither Homeboarders nor Busby's scored 60 runs within the first hour. His batting is still very rural, but there has been a slight improvement made this year.

R. W. Edgar. He batted, bowled and fielded very well throughout, and he could not have done more than he did.

R. M. Mills. His batting and fielding have greatly improved, but his bowling has suffered in consequence. He was unfortunate in not being able to give of his best in Seniors through an injury to his neck.

E. A. Bompas. Could be safely relied upon behind the wicket, where he played his part well. In addition he shared in a magnificent stand with Sutton against Busby's.

***J. W. Finn.** A very steady bowler who keeps a length. This was very useful in the two-hour cricket schemes, as he kept the runs down very well. He also played a very useful innings against Homeboarders, when with Edgar the partnership realised 96 runs. A very useful fielder.

G. C. Daisley. A good left arm round bowler who can occasionally make the ball swing, but he is too often affected by an inferiority complex. His batting is not very good, and his fielding leaves much to be desired.

***P. J. Sutton.** A rather uncertain batsman; but fortunately he batted well in Seniors and Juniors, and his stand of 71 in 25 minutes with Bompas in the former was very good. A fair bowler and fielder. He led the Juniors' team well.

D. F. Cunliffe. In Juniors he made a very sound opening batsman and scored runs consistently. He fields very well at cover point.

R. G. Reed. A useful batsman who played a particularly good innings in the Final of Juniors. He is a very steady fielder, but his bowling, though good at times, is very erratic.

A. R. Laurie. He bowled very well in Juniors. When batting he hits the ball very hard. His fielding is good and he is very keen, which is a great asset.

H. A. Budgett. A good fielder near the wicket. He played a good innings against Homeboarders in Juniors.

*Awarded house colours.

JUNIORS' CRITICISMS.

P. J. Sutton (*Capt.*)

*D. F. Cunliffe

R. G. Reed

See Seniors' Criticisms.

A. R. Laurie

*H. A. Budgett

T. W. Dutton. A useful bowler, though rather unsteady. As a batsman he hits the ball very hard, and he played very well in each game.

***K. H. O. Hand.** A good all-rounder who might quite easily become a very useful member of the House team in the future.

***A. N. Winckworth.** He scored quickly, but he always tried to hit the straight ball to square leg, and this caused him to make few runs. Until he gets out of this habit he will never make runs.

***R. B. Stock.** He bowls fairly fast—in fact very fast for his age. He bats and fields well and should do well in the future.

***D. L. Wilkinson.** A very promising young wicket-keeper who kept well in all the games. He should get runs in the future, but at the moment he is too keen on trying to score quickly.

*Awarded Junior House Colours.

J. L. Sheriff. Though a poor fielder and batsman, his bowling is quite good. He never seems to give up, and this should carry him a long way in cricket.

JUNIORS' ACCOUNT.

Grant's, for the third time in the last four years, won the Junior House Cricket Cup. There was no luck attached to this, and they won entirely on their merits. A very good all-round side, the team did not lack bowlers, batsmen or fieldsmen, and, considering the heat when Juniors was played, they deserve to be heartily congratulated on their keenness throughout.

The prospect of a very fine Seniors' side in three or four years is very bright, but there is an unpleasant gap in between. So much for a general criticism.

We had no difficulty in winning the First Round against King's Scholars, for, to all intents and purposes, they only had two men, C. M. O'Brien and T. C. Pearce, who went in first and third, but were soon dismissed, the latter by R. G. Reed, who had a definite spell, taking four wickets for three runs, his final analysis being five for ten.

Wickets fell regularly, and we only once met with any resistance, the sixth wicket putting on 22. They were eventually all out for 42, against the Grant's total of 165, which, considering that it was made in 90 minutes, is very good going.

We batted well all through the side with three exceptions; the fifth wicket putting on 41, and the first and eighth over 30. D. F. Cunliffe and A. R. Laurie both batted well to make 29 each. Even though the opposition was weak, this was a very encouraging performance.

In the Second Round against Homeboarders we expected most resistance, for they also had a good batting side, and actually during this match only one of their side failed to score. We again batted first, and making the most of our two hours, knocked up the very creditable total of

176 for 8 wickets. This was mainly due to a very useful stand of 74 between P. J. Sutton and H. A. Budgett, the former hitting eight fours in his 57.

It was another very good performance, and in the field we acted up to the fine standard already set, and did not become slack when G. Holliday (35) and J. H. T. Barley (30) offered stubborn resistance; but with the exception of these two our bowlers were on top most of the time. A. R. Laurie bowled really well, and he was easily the most successful bowler with four for 30. It seemed at one time that the result was in the balance, but we persevered and were duly rewarded by dismissing our opponents for 134.

The Final against Rigauds was the scene of some more fine batting, R. G. Reed making 53 for us, while F. F. Richardson, who went in first and came out last, made 71 for them. We again went in first, and made another large score, 149 for 8, mainly due to a long, if slow, stand of 89 between R. G. Reed and D. F. Cunliffe. The day was rather hot, and this no doubt to some extent affected the batsmen; but nevertheless, in a game when two hours is the limit for batting, scoring at the rate of just over 60 runs to the hour seemed definitely slow, and it wasn't until after half our time had gone that the batsmen opened out at all. Even so, it was entirely due to them that the later batsmen could hit the bowling; T. W. Dutton and J. L. Sheriff put on 27 in a quarter of an hour and were still undefeated at the close, and they both deserve hearty congratulations for playing the right game. R. G. Reed, owing to the length of his innings and the terrific heat, did not bowl, but R. B. Stock and A. R. Laurie soon started to rattle out most of our opponents, and at one time, by their combined efforts took six for 14. But F. F. Richardson, playing a Captain's innings, managed to keep the bowling very well, and finding an able partner in K. F. Davies, proceeded to alter the course of the game, and together they put on 37, of which K. F. Davies made four. We were now thoroughly alarmed, but all good stands come to an end, and K. F. Davies came out before the damage was done. He had played a very useful innings and showed great determination in keeping

the ball off the wicket, while his captain made the runs. It was with a sense of relief we saw A. R. Laurie bowl the former, and with F. F. Richardson getting l.b.w. one run later, we ran out the victors by 33 runs.

Grant's v. King's Scholars.—First Round.

Grant's.

A. N. Winckworth, b Petley	13
D. F. Cunliffe, b Pearce	29
R. G. Reed, b Pearce	13
P. J. Sutton, l.b.w., b Boyle	0
A. R. Laurie, run out	29
R. B. Stock, c Pearce, b O'Brien	21
H. A. Budgett, c O'Brien, b Seward	10
K. H. O. Hand, not out	8
T. W. Dutton, b Boyle	19
D. L. Wilkinson, b Boyle	0
J. L. Sherriff, b Boyle	0
Extras	23
Total	165

King's Scholars.

C. M. O'Brien, l.b.w., b Sutton	1
D. Petley, c and b Reed	0
T. C. C. Pearce, b Reed	2
E. H. Seward, l.b.w., b Reed	0
M. F. Dowding, b Reed	4
M. E. Dean, c Hand, K., b Stock	18
W. J. A. Boyle, c Wilkinson, b Dutton	8
H. B. Fox, b Reed	0
B. E. Urquhart, b Dutton	0
R. E. Pattle, not out	0
W. P. W. Barnes, b Dutton	8
Extra	1
Total	42

Result: Grant's won by 123 runs.

Grant's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Reed	7	3	10	5
Sutton	5	1	12	1
Stock	2	—	11	1
Dutton	3.5	2	8	3

King's Scholars' Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
O'Brien	9	1	36	1
Petley	7	—	36	1
C.-Pearce	5	—	21	2
Boyle	7.3	1	26	4
Seward	4	0	23	1

Grant's v. Homeboarders.—Second Round.

D. F. Cunliffe, c Cole, b Eyre	16
A. N. Winckworth, b Instone	3
R. G. Reed, c Long, b Eyre	9
A. R. Laurie, l.b.w., b Neal	0
P. J. Sutton, c Eyre, b Instone... ..	57
R. B. Stock, c Valli, b Cole	18
T. W. Dutton, b Instone	0
H. A. Budgett, not out	38
K. H. O. Hand, b Instone	18
Extras	17
Total for 8 wickets	176

J. L. Sherriff and D. L. Wilkinson did not bat.

Homeboarders.

G. Holliday, c Sherriff, b Dutton	35
C. W. Pullen, b Reed	6
V. F. Valli, c Stock, b Reed	12
J. H. T. Baxley, l.b.w., b Laurie	30
J. A. G. Corrie, b Laurie	10
A. W. Eyre, b Laurie	2
A. E. F. C. Long, c Laurie, b Sherriff	16
K. G. Neal, l.b.w., b Laurie	4
R. B. S. Instone, b Stock	10
K. R. Cole, l.b.w., b Dutton	4
P. P. Gawthorne, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	134

Result : Grant's won by 42 runs.

Grant's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Reed	7	0	29	2
Sutton	3	0	18	0
Dutton	10.5	2	34	2
Laurie	10	1	30	4
Sherriff	4	1	10	1
Stock	1	—	5	1

Homeboarders.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cole	19	5	43	1
Instone	13	1	30	4
Neal	6	1	22	1
Eyre	6	1	25	2
Corrie	2	0	18	0
Gawthorne	2	0	15	0

Grant's v. Rigaud's.—Final.

D. F. Cunliffe, l.b.w., b Richardson	33
A. N. Winckworth, b Woodgate	0
R. G. Reed, c Richardson, b Woodgate	53
A. R. Laurie, b Stocker	5
P. J. Sutton, l.b.w., b Stocker	0
R. B. Stock, run out	6
H. A. Budgett, b Stocker	0
T. W. Dutton, not out	15
K. H. O. Hand, b Stocker	4
J. F. Sherriff, not out	13
Extras	21
Total (for 8 wickets)	140

D. L. Wilkinson did not bat.

Rigaud's.

J. D. Stocker, l.b.w., b Sutton	3
F. F. Richardson, l.b.w., b Laurie	71
J. T. Woodgate, b Sutton	14
J. G. Barradale, l.b.w., b Stock	7
P. H. J. Jessop b Stock	0
H. J. C. Cotter, b Stock	0
L. F. Phillipson, l.b.w., b Stock	0
J. M. Tasker, b Laurie	0
W. H. F. Kendall, b Laurie	0
K. F. Davies, b Laurie	4
J. F. Fryzer, not out	0
Extras	17
Total	116

Result : Grant's won by 33 runs.

Grant's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sutton	11	3	26	2
Dutton	9	3	27	0
Stocker	8	0	21	4
Laurie	6.1	1	25	4

Rigand's Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Stocker	16	3	31	4
Woodgate	17	3	62	2
Richardson	11	0	35	1

JUNIORS' BATTING AVERAGES.

	Ins.	Runs.	Score.	Not out.	Avg.
D. F. Cunliffe ...	3	80	33	0	26.66
R. G. Reed	3	75	53	0	25.00
H. A. Budgett ...	3	48	38*	1	24.00
P. J. Sutton	3	57	57	0	19.00
T. W. Dutton	3	34	19	1	17.00
R. B. Stock	3	45	21	0	15.00
A. R. Laurie	3	34	29	0	11.33

The following also batted: A. N. Winckworth, 13, 3, 0; K. Hand, 8*, 18, 4; J. L. Sherriff, 13*, 0; D. L. Wilkinson, 0.
*Not out.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.
R. G. Reed	14	3	39	7	5.80
R. B. Stock	13	—	37	5	6.17
A. R. Laurie	16.1	2	55	8	6.87
T. W. Dutton	23.4	7	69	5	13.80
P. J. Sutton	19	4	56	3	18.66

Also bowled: J. L. Sheriff, 4, 1, 10, 1.

J. F. TURNER.

THE WATER.

Grant's this term have reached the respectable total of fifteen watermen, which is the most the House has had for a good many years. We have several very promising new watermen, and we hope to go on raising the number of watermen up the House. We entered a Junior-Senior Four and a Senior-Junior Four. The Junior-Senior Four were drawn against Ashburnham and Busby's (the course was the stone to the mile post); Grant's had the Surrey station, Ashburnham the centre and Busby's the Middlesex station. Busby's got fairly well away at the start and were soon well clear; meanwhile Grant's, who had made a fair start, were ahead of Ashburnham up to the Boathouse, where the latter spurted, but were not able to catch Busby's, who won with ease. Grant's rowed well during the first part

of the race, but showed signs of tiring at Beverley, and then dropped behind rather quickly. Considering that they were drawn against heavier crews than themselves, they rowed a plucky race, and finished about 3 lengths behind A.H.H.; Busby's finishing about $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths ahead of A.H.H.

In the Senior-Junior Fours we were drawn against Busby's, and we had the Middlesex station. The course was from the mile post to the stone at University boat house. Grant's got a good start and led their opponents, but they were not able to keep up the effort, and Busby's drew ahead, increased their lead and held it easily for the remainder of the race. Grant's might have lost the race more easily had not our opponents eased just before the stone. The crew rowed well together throughout the race, and considering that they were novices, put up a very good show. Several Grantites entered for the Junior and Junior-Senior Sculls, and quite a few managed to reach the second round.

JUNIOR-SENIOR FOUR CRITICISMS.

H. M. Baillie (*Bow*). He found considerable difficulty in rowing bow slide, as he had never rowed on that slide before. He should try and get a longer swing forwards, and he must learn that one of the first rules of rowing is to watch the time. During the outings, however, he showed considerable improvement.

J. G. Boyd (2). He will improve greatly with experience. He must learn to keep his slide under control when he comes forward. He is very keen, though, which atones for a lot.

A. J. Glyn (3). He is rather erratic, and must learn to steady himself when he comes forward. If he keeps on concentrating, every part of his stroke should slowly improve.

E. O. Watson (*Stroke*). Is showing great improvement in his rowing, and led the crew very gallantly.

M. J. Baird-Smith (*Cox*). He steered a good course and backed up his crew very well.

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D. Aggs (*Bow*). Improved greatly during the outings, and with more practice should become quite good.

G. L. Y. Radcliffe (2). Shows distinct promise, and should become good with more practice. He is inclined to swing a little too far at the finish of the stroke, but this fault will soon be overcome.

P. N. Cardew (3). Has had more experience than the rest of the crew, and was the mainstay of the boat. But he could still become even steadier if he took the trouble.

K. S. Saunders (*Stroke*). He is inclined to hurry when coming forward, but shows great promise and led the crew well.

J. L. Dick (*Cox*). He was called upon to cox almost at the last moment, but should improve with experience.

After the race, Junior House colours were awarded to :
P. N. Cardew, K. S. Saunders, A. J. Glyn, E. O. Watson.

W. H. C. CLEVELAND-STEVENS.

OLD GRANTITE CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER.

The twelfth Annual Dinner of the Club was held on April 6th, 1933, at the Criterion Restaurant, Piccadilly, when about 40 Members and Guests were present.

The President of the Club, Mr. R. T. Squire, was in the Chair, and the Club's Guest was the Housemaster, Mr. A. T. Willett.

The Chairman in his speech referred to the triumphs of the House during the past year, and the imposing list of successes were greeted with no little applause.

The Company were entertained and thoroughly mystified by Mr. Douglas Dexter, whose illusions were, in the opinion of many, the most sensational they had ever seen.

The following is a list of Members and Guests present :
The President, Mr. R. T. Squire; The Senior Vice-President, Mr. G. E. Mills, O.B.E.; The Housemaster, Mr. A. T. Willett.

Messrs. A. L. Adler; Z. D. Berry; P. J. S. Bevan, Hon. Treasurer; D. A. Bompas; H. S. Bompas (Committee); W. D. Craies; Charles Cahn; D. Carlisle; J. Dullely; V. F. Ealand (Committee); G. E. M. Eden; J. G. Frampton; W. B. Frampton; W. E. Heard; W. Hepburn; J. M. Hornsby; F. N. Hornsby; Arthur Lambton; N. A. Mackintosh; F. R. Oliver; A. R. Pain; Dr. V. Pendred; R. Plummer; J. M. Ockleshaw (Guest); H. F. R. Rawson; J. Rea (Guest); H. J. Salwey; C. M. Simpson; E. W. St. G. Spencer; E. C. Cleveland-Stevens; W. Cleveland-Stevens, K.C.; A. L. W. Stevens; G. E. Tunncliffe; D. S. F. Vernon; and Arthur Garrard, Hon. Secretary.

RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD GRANTITE.

BY

THE LATE W. STEPNEY RAWSON¹ (1867-1873.

(Member of the Old Grantite Club).

Recollections crowd into my mind in spite of an interval of over sixty years, but I must avoid the danger of prolixity, and select those which are principally connected with my time up Grant's before I went into College.

As my parents had been abroad for five years before I went to Westminster I had received no coaching as to what to expect in London, and therefore my very first "impression," which remains vivid to the present day, is not so much to be wondered at as it seemed to be to the fellows in my bedroom at Grant's, who greeted with a roar of laughter my remark when, on looking out of the window in the dim light and seeing a large expanse of roof, I asked: "What is that huge barn over there?" It was the Abbey roof! Probably their derision has burnt the incident into my mind.

Dr. Scott, headmaster in my time, put me into the "Shell," much to the annoyance of Mr. James, the form master, whose form had not previously been subjected to such an indignity, and I suffered not a little from the irritation produced in the mind of "Jimmy" by the insult. My brother Herbert² became my "substance," I being his "shadow," his duty being to put me wise in the details of school life. I wonder if this custom of "substance" and "shadow" still continues? Though I was exempt from fagging as a boy in the Shell, he advised me to obey without demur any orders given me by senior boys, and I well remember accepting gladly an order to "pick up" for a game of "woodens" in the yard, which gave me my first insight into the game at which I became good enough to win the School Cup: I think for two years in succession.

My first recollection of Westminster Hall and the Houses of Parliament, with which the School is so gloriously associated, remains clear in my mind. I saw, as I entered the Hall, a frail old man passing out to Palace Yard leaning on the arms of two friends, and looking dreadfully ill. I pointed him out to my boy companion, who made enquiries as to his identity. It proved to be Disraeli, whose government had just been beaten in a division in the House and which subsequently resigned. Later, from the Speaker's gallery where seats were given to Queen's Scholars, I saw him, on the opposition bench with his thumbs tucked into the arm openings in his waistcoat, apparently asleep as usual, jump up to give the lie direct (in Parliamentary language), to Gladstone across the table.

My house master up Grant's was the Rev. H. Marshall, known as "The Bird," a perfect gentleman whom we all revered and, being unmarried, he was assisted by a Miss Crowther who, curiously enough, had been my mother's governess. She was known as "Crosch," and a certain black mark on the large map in the hall hanging behind her head, caused by her "bun" touching it when she leaned back in her chair of state, was known as "Crosch Island."

In my second Christmas term I stayed over for the third night before leaving for the holidays, and after

doing my duty in the "gods" in response to the wagging of the canes, I went up Grant's where an O.W. visitor to the play asked me to get him a candle to enable him to look for his name in "Inner Chiswick." He found it and pointed it out to his companion: "R. Grosvenor." It conveyed nothing to my mind. As we parted he gave me a coin which I put into my pocket with due thanks, but forgot all about it till I undressed. I was startled by finding it to be a sovereign, and later I learned that the donor was the Duke of Westminster, whose income was popularly put at £1 per minute!

My holidays were partly spent, by my brother Herbert's persuasions, in preparing for the "Challenges" for College. This necessitated learning by heart a large part of Wordsworth's Greek and Kennedy's Latin Grammars. They have left the impression on me of an appalling struggle lasting about six weeks. The details of the method employed would be too lengthy to describe. I had a great tussle with Walter Heath³, who was up Rigaud's, and eventually I led him by only one mark. Dr. Scott ordered another lot of examination papers for us two, and I just got home by two marks. Heath and I were always the best of friends; he went to Trinity, Cambridge, where I think his father and two uncles were all Fellows, but my memory may deceive me.

The Chapter House was in course of restoration and the scaffold poles gave easy access to the Abbey roof, so that climbing was in great vogue. H. S. Otter⁴ was the hero of two feats of steadiness of nerve which I heard of, but did not actually see. He walked round the clock tower of the Abbey on the ledge which extends below the clock face: a fairly broad ledge, but with a sheer drop to the ground of probably 60 feet. He repeated the same wild escapade round the ledge inside the lantern. We used to say that, like a Chinaman, he had no liver and so never lost his head, but, poor fellow, he died from liver complaint after a few years in the Indian Civil Service.

My last recollection as a Grantite is the chairing of the "Liberty boy." This was the name given to the boy who

came out head of the batch elected into College each year. The ceremony consisted of the Liberty boy being carried by Q.S.S. on a ladder round the Cloisters, calling at the houses of the Dean and Canons, who sometimes appeared at the front door to greet the callers. The procession then passed round the green, on to the terrace and to the doors leading to Little Dean's Yard, where the T.B.B. were assembled ready for the "grease." This rather dangerous performance consisted of an attempt by the T.B.B. to force open the doors into the Yard as soon as the ladder and its bearers had passed through. Their entry was opposed by the Q.S.S., who, although much fewer in numbers, were able to concentrate their weight more effectively in the narrow passage, and to get assistance from the side walls in closing the doors. At any rate, in my case the doors were successfully shut and locked. I, being previously advised what to do, jumped off the ladder as soon as I was through, and took no further part except as a spectator. I believe that I was the last Liberty boy who was chaired, and that the ceremony was discontinued because of the danger of a T.B.B. being caught between the doors. This had actually happened previous to my time, but I was too junior to hear much of the details or the discussion about the discontinuance.

I may perhaps add one or two recollections during my time in College. Ashburnham House was then the residence of Lord John Thynne, at whose death the buildings were to become the property of the School. He lived to a great age (over ninety years I think), and only died several years after I left. One day Dr. Scott with an architect went on to the roof of his house to inspect the buildings of Ashburnham House from that point, and they were espied by Lord John Thynne, who was walking in his garden, and report said that the latter shook his fist at them, and called out: "Ah! Dr. Scott, I am not dead yet!" And he was true to his word!

Soccer was in its infancy when I went to the School, and I can remember when we were allowed to catch the ball in the air before it bounded, and pass it by hand round

anyone who was tackling us. Mr. C. W. Alcock (afterwards Secretary of the Surrey Cricket Club) was the father of the then new game, and the rules about "hands" passed through several modifications before I left the school. We played Harrow just after the last play one year when the ground was frozen hard, and as an instance of the various codes then in vogue I remember coming a terrible "cropper" by being "put across" by an opponent as we raced for the ball. This charming device (allowed by the Harrow rules) consisted in pulling your opponent with one arm across in front of you, with a leg extended so that he tripped over it and naturally came down badly. What a glorious howl such a manœuvre would elicit from a modern football crowd! I may claim that I "spotted" a great player early in his career. This was N. C. Bailey⁵, who later had ten caps for England, and was undoubtedly the best half-back that the School produced. In his first match for the School he was still rather small for his age (though he became a big man later), and he was unlucky enough to be badly "sandwiched" between two heavy Royal Engineers, whom we were playing, and he failed to do himself justice, much to my regret. In cricket I was given my pinks while still a junior in College, principally because I held safely in successive matches two "skiers" hit into the country by our school slogger, T. Wakley⁶, who had a great reputation for lofty driving. As regards "Water," I urged strongly upon Dr. Scott that the number of boys in the school (then less than 200) was not sufficient to support rowing as well as cricket, of which I was captain, but it was actually started, and I rowed in the first Queen Scholar v. Town Boy race which took place after a very long interval.

NOTES.

- ¹ W. S. Rawson. b. Oct. 14th, 1854. Adm. Sept. 26th, 1867. Q.S. (Capt.) 1867. Captain of the School 1872. Cricket 1869-1873. Football XI. 1870-1873. Oxford (Assoc.) 1874-1877. England (Assoc.) v. Scotland 1875 and 1877.
- ² Herbert Edward Rawson (1865-1870). Cricket XI. 1869-1870. Football XI. 1868-1870. Captain 1870-1. Kent Cricket XI. 1874. England (Assoc.) XI. 1875.
- ³ Walter Heath. 1868-1873.

- ⁴ Henry Shirecliffe Otter. 1866-1874. Captain of the School 1873. Football XI. 1870-1873. Captain 1873-4. Oxford (Assoc.) 1874-81. 1st Class Classics (Mods.) 1876. Threw Hammer for Oxford 1878.
- ⁵ Norman Coles Bailey. 1866-1874. Cricket XI. 1873-4. Football XI. 1873-4. England (Assoc.) v. Scotland 1878-87; v. Wales 1879 and 1882-7; v. Ireland 1884-5. One of the Founders of the Corinthian Football Club.
- ⁶ Thomas Wakley. 1865-1870. Cricket XI. 1868-1870. Football 1868-1870.

MARRIAGES.

Cachemaille-Day—Polentz. On April 22nd, Nugent Francis Cachemaille-Day to Anne Luise V. Polentz.

Boult—Wilson. On July 1st, Adrian Cedric Boult, Mus. Doc., Director of Music at the B.B.C., to Mrs. Wilson, younger daughter of Capt. F. G. Bowles, R.N., of Sittingbourne, Kent.

Yolland—Bonsis. On June 24th, Reginald Horace Yolland, to Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bonsis, of Elmsthorpe, Leicestershire.

Bompas—Douglas. On July 21st, David Aldersey Bompas to Elizabeth Anne, daughter of the late Mrs. Douglas of Whitchurch, Oxon.

OBITUARY.

We record with deep regret the death of the following Old Grantites :—

Basil Hope Napier, who was the son of Francis Horatio Napier, M.B., and was up Grant's from 1925 to 1929. He died in Kenya on October 10th, 1932, aged 21.

John Armytage Batley, who was up Grant's from 1870 to 1875. He was subsequently at Trinity College, Cambridge, and was called to the Bar in 1881. He became, however, a mechanical engineer. He died on May 1st.

OLD GRANTITES.

Sir Theodore Morison, K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E., C.B.E., has been appointed Director of the British Institute in Paris.

Capt. E. G. Wheeler has been made an O.B.E. for gallantry in the field in operation on the Frontier of India, and Lieut. E. G. Buckley has been made an M.B.E. (Military Division).

CORRESPONDENCE.

A copy of a letter sent to M. Stalin, patron of the "Public School Russian Travel Tours" by "Libertas."

MY DEAR M. STALIN,

I think, in fact I'm sure, I can promise that a large party of young men from this school will arrive in Russia within the next few months. I advertised in the English paper with the largest circulation and have received over twenty answers, all accepting. In the advertisement I naturally left out some of the details of the tour, but I have enclosed the advertisement and also a few suggestions for what will really happen. After leaving Stockholm they will proceed to Leningrad, where they will be shown over the historic town. (I of course left out this last detail as it is too dull and too easy-going for the hardy, bloodthirsty boys we have here.) I said they could work in the coal mines at Donetz Basin, and at timber hauling near the White Sea (but you know as well as I do that it is impossible, as we have too many unemployed, but I had to pretend that there was some work to do, or else no one would have wanted to come). I can truly say that I quite deceived everyone into believing that they are to do lots of hard work; but won't they get a surprise when they find out that it is only a pleasure tour after all? The British people are too industrious a nation to come to Russia just for a holiday, and so I have got up a party to do some work. They will of course be very disappointed when they find out the truth, but I will have achieved my object by showing the

ignorant boys of Westminster School what a delightful country Russia really is. I am also very pleased to be able to say that among those who have accepted are the two ignorant fools who have been writing indignant letters to a famous paper about our country.

Hoping to see you sometime soon,
I am your old friend,
H. MURRAISKI BAILLIESKI.

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