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VALE.

Non mihi nunc restat quicquam quod dicere prosit ;
Omnia namque omnes composuere prius.

FLOREAT.

School Notes.

THE School Open Handicap Fives Competition was won by A. F. Stephenson and J. R. Cheadle (—5), who beat J. F. Turner and A. C. Johnson (—5) in the final, 15-0, 15-4, 15-10.

The Music Cup was retained by King's Scholars for the sixth year in succession.

On Wednesday, May 25, at 4.15 p.m., we were privileged to hear a concert of vocal music given by a choir of students from Bonn University, conducted by Johannes Lieske.

The Charterhouse match has resulted in a draw. Westminster 206. Charterhouse 166 for 6 wickets.

THE CHALLENGE.

THE following have been elected to :

Resident Scholarships.

- M. F. Dowding (Mr. C. G. Gordon Brierley, Bigshotte, Wokingham, Berks.).
 W. P. W. Barnes (Mr. Lynam, Dragon School, Oxford).
 P. J. Bury (Mr. N. K. Chapman, Spyway, Langton Matravers).
 W. J. A. Boyle (Mr. G. H. Fisher Rowe, St. David's, Reigate).
 G. L. Lilly (Mr. Lynam, Dragon School, Oxford).
 H. V. King (Westminster School, and Mr. Fiddian, King's College School, Cambridge).

Non-Resident Scholarships.

- R. B. S. Instone (Westminster School, and Mr. Barton, South Kensington Preparatory School).
 A. N. Winckworth (Westminster School, and Mr. Stephenson, The School, Farnborough, Hants.).

Exhibition to the Value of £50.

- D. L. Wilkinson (Mr. G. C. Podmore, Charney Hall, Grange-over-Sands, Lancs.).

Exhibitions to the Value of £20.

- J. M. Tasker (Mr. A. T. Hickson, Oldfeld, Swanage).
 R. H. Pinder-Wilson (Major B. H. F. Coleman, Gate House, Kingston Hill).
 J. D. W. Geare (Messrs. Wathen and Williams, The Hall, Hampstead).
 G. L. Y. Radcliffe (Westminster School, and Rev. C. Mansfield, Wixenford, Wokingham).

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER v. FREE FORESTERS C.C.

Played May 21.

FREE FORESTERS C.C.

Capt. K. B. Stanley, b Grace	...	...	...	27
J. L. T. Guise, c Bune, b Grace	...	...	...	74
A. G. Doggart, b Eggar	...	...	...	1
Major Hon. J. G. Jolliffe, b Grace	...	...	...	3
Capt. C. J. Wilson, c Munro, b Grace...	...	...	...	108
M. W. Payne, c Hebblethwaite, b Grace	...	...	...	60
J. A. de H. Lyle, not out	...	...	...	20
S. W. Beadle, not out	...	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	...	7
Total (for 6 wickets)	...	...	...	303

C. S. Marriott, J. H. Doggart and J. C. Masterman did not bat.

Bowling.—Eggar 1 for 79, Grace 5 for 99, Johnson 0 for 45, Angelo 0 for 42, Latey 0 for 31.

WESTMINSTER.

A. C. Johnson, b Marriott	...	...	...	10
J. C. Bune, c Wilson, b Marriott	...	...	...	9
R. H. Angelo, b Marriott	...	...	...	28
I. K. Munro, b Marriott	...	...	...	0
J. F. Turner, c J. H. Doggart, b A. G. Doggart	...	...	...	33
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, b A. G. Doggart	...	...	...	0
P. Talfourd-Jones, b Marriott	...	...	...	0
M. H. Matthews, lbw A. G. Doggart	...	...	...	7
J. B. Latey, b Marriott...	...	...	...	3
R. A. J. Eggar, not out...	...	...	...	3
E. N. Grace, b Marriott...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	15
Total	...	...	...	108

Bowling.—J. H. Doggart 0 for 31, Marriott 7 for 45, A. G. Doggart 3 for 17.

WESTMINSTER v. M.C.C.

Played May 26.

WESTMINSTER

A. C. Johnson, b Crutchley	...	...	...	22
J. C. Bune, c Pratt, b Bell	...	...	...	8
R. H. Angelo, c Crutchley, b Bell	...	...	...	24
I. K. Munro, b Crutchley	...	...	...	14
J. F. Turner, c and b Bridgeman	...	...	...	19
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, b Bell	...	...	...	4
M. H. Matthews, c and b Bell	...	...	...	8
J. B. Latey, b Bell	...	...	...	5
R. A. J. Eggar, not out	...	...	...	6
E. N. Grace, c Taylor, b Bell	...	...	...	0
T. W. Brown, c Taylor, b Bell...	...	...	...	0
Extras	...	...	...	12
Total	...	...	...	122

Bowling.—McIver 0 for 7, Bridgeman 1 for 24, Crutchley 2 for 38, Bell 7 for 41.

M.C.C.

D. J. Knight, st Matthews, b Johnson	...	...	101
C. D. McIver ret. hurt	...	...	36
F. G. Turner, c Johnson, b Grace	...	...	46
G. G. V. Crutchley, b Grace	...	...	25
G. A. K. Collins, c Turner, b Johnson	...	...	7
F. W. H. Pratt, c Angelo, b Johnson	...	...	9
G. Bridgeman, not out	...	...	12
Extras	...	...	7

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 243

K. J. Nicholl, H. R. Blaker, R. M. Bell and C. H. Taylor did not bat.

Bowling.—Eggar 0 for 43, Brown 0 for 34, Johnson 3 for 82, Grace 2 for 56, Latey 0 for 18.

WESTMINSTER v. INCOGNITI C.C.

Played May 31.

WESTMINSTER.

A. C. Johnson, lbw Gilbert	...	...	58
J. C. Bune, lbw Battcock	...	...	1
R. H. Angelo, b Taylor	...	...	21
I. K. Munro, c Battcock, b Hazelton	...	...	5
J. F. Turner, b Hazelton	...	...	26
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, c Woolfe, b Bambridge	...	...	33
M. H. Matthews, c Bambridge, b Battcock	...	...	8
J. B. Latey, lbw Battcock	...	...	4
R. A. J. Eggar, not out	...	...	13
E. N. Grace, b Battcock	...	...	0
T. W. Brown, b Carroll	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	18

Total ... 188

Bowling.—Battcock 4 for 39, Hazelton 2 for 40, Taylor 1 for 32, Gilbert 1 for 28, Glanfield 0 for 12, Carroll 1 for 6, Bambridge 1 for 13.

INCOGNITI C.C.

G. C. Bambridge, b Brown	...	...	9
J. H. A. Barnes, lbw Johnson	...	...	17
E. B. Glanfield b Eggar	...	...	10
L. H. Gilbert, b Brown	...	...	81
W. E. Hazelton, c Turner, b Eggar	...	...	10
O. C. Battcock, b Eggar	...	...	44
Lieut.-Col. H. O. Carroll, not out	...	...	7
F. N. Strauson, not out	...	...	6
Extras	...	...	2

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 186

Brig.-Gen. Challenor, H. G. Woolfe and J. C. Taylor did not bat.

Bowling.—Eggar 3 for 83, Brown 2 for 58, Johnson 1 for 8, Grace 0 for 35.

WESTMINSTER v. STOWE.

Played at Vincent Square on Wednesday and Thursday, June 8 and 9.

After a game of considerable interest, this match was left drawn with Westminster requiring 119 runs to win and eight wickets still to fall. One uses the word considerable with intent, for the chance of an exciting finish was sacrificed by the Stowe captain delaying his declaration until

2.45 on the second day, and thus allowing a maximum of 2¼ hours for Westminster to make 270 runs or be bowled out. Even on the perfect wicket on which this match was played this was a task too great to be attempted, and after Johnson had been quickly dismissed, Matthews and Angelo, and then Angelo and Munro got some useful batting practice and took the score to 159 for 2 wickets, Angelo reaching his second hundred of the term just before stumps were pulled up.

Stowe won the toss, but lost Macpherson with the total standing at 7. This brought in Packe, who played both now and in the second innings with extreme patience and soundness. He has some neat strokes off his legs, and given the short ball outside the off stump, can square cut it with power, but he denies himself the pleasure of scoring four runs off the half volley. At no time in either of his innings did he look like getting out, and it needed a fine catch at short leg by Grace off a hard hit to dismiss him for 71 in his first innings, whilst in his second innings he was only three runs short of his century when Hebblethwaite caught him at long on. But to return to the first innings. The score had been raised to 50 before Napier was brilliantly stumped by Matthews on the leg side off one of Johnson's slows. Lucas was immediately bowled, playing no sort of stroke, but Packe and Savill then brought the total up to 132 by steady batting. Smith seemed a nervous starter, but after he had settled down he played well, though he left it until the second innings to show that he is the possessor of a magnificent forcing back stroke. Packe left at 132, but Smith and Hawker brought 200 on the board without being separated. Brown, who had taken the first wicket, was then given the new ball and began an astonishing spell of bowling. In three overs at the cost of 3 runs (off a no-ball) he dismissed all the six remaining batsmen, and hit the stumps five times. He achieved this remarkable feat by swinging the ball very late into the batsman and making it come at a great pace off the ground. For this performance, which has not been equalled at Westminster for some years, he was awarded his Pinks.

When Westminster went in facing a total of 215, they placed themselves in the poor position of having 3 wickets down for 14 runs. Johnson was lbw to Tweedy, Matthews (who had rightly transferred himself to number one in the batting order) was caught napping by a faster one from Lucas, and Angelo was caught at the wicket on the leg side off the same bowler. Munro and Turner then came together and began to mend the situation. Turner made some fine strokes as usual, but as usual got out just when he ought to have been firmly set (he really must curb his

impetuosity) with the total at 70. Munro was playing steadily, and it was pleasant to see him getting going after his run of bad luck. He was joined, after Turner's dismissal, by the diminutive Alderson, playing in his first match. The Stowe captain was not unnaturally induced by his appearance to draw his field in closer, but one or two powerful strokes to the boundary quickly removed the fieldsmen to their original positions. Munro was lbw to Packe at 111 for a useful innings of 34. Alderson was caught and bowled for 28, and of the strokes of Bune and Hebblethwaite one does not speak. Eggar and Grace then made a useful stand, in which Eggar showed that he is likely to become a more than useful batsman, and Grace refused to be perturbed by one or two tremendous air shots, and the total eventually reached 149, on that wicket a poor score. Packe bowled very accurately and deserved his analysis of 5 for 49. He flights the ball well and has a good slower one.

The Stowe second innings was again a story of Packe and Smith. Eggar quickly bowled Napier, and then Packe and Macpherson raised the total to 77, at which point Macpherson was caught by Alderson at cover point off Grace's bowling. The situation called for runs to be made quickly, but Packe is not yet able to force matters, and it was left to Smith to try and push the score along. At first he, too, could not do this, but when he had got a good sight of the ball he began to make some fine strokes off the right leg, two of which earned him 6 runs. The Westminster bowling, though not deadly, was of good length throughout the day, Eggar being perhaps the best. The fielding was excellent and a great improvement on anything we saw last year. This was apparent in general keenness in picking up and chasing the ball, which did the side much credit.

When Westminster started their second innings, Johnson played a weak stroke, to be caught and bowled by Tweedy, but then Matthews and Angelo added 60 runs before Matthews stopped a straight one from Packe with his leg and retired for a most valuable 26. Apart from one rather lucky stroke over second slip he played very soundly, and must certainly repeat the experiment of putting himself in first. After his dismissal, Angelo and Munro remained undefeated till the close. Neither looked like being got out, though Angelo after making 50 looked very much like getting himself out. He played many fine strokes, but it is most important that he should realise that it is bad cricket to play carelessly after getting 50 when your side needs runs. However, he survived the careless phase and went on to make his century. He is a most promising player and will be a very good one when he learns wisdom in dealing with

length balls outside the off stump. Munro again played well and kept a very straight bat.

C. H. T.

STOWE—1ST INNINGS.

C. J. Macpherson, lbw Brown	2
J. M. Napier, st Matthews, b Johnson	11
R. J. Packe, c Grace, b Johnson	71
P. B. Lucas, b Johnson	0
P. H. G. Smith, not out	70
A. A. Hawker, b Brown	38
J. D. Blois, b Brown	0
J. T. Foreman, lbw Brown	4
R. B. Bolter, b Brown	0
B. Tweedy, b Brown	0
F. A. H. Ling, b Brown	0
Extras	19
Total	215

Bowling.—Eggar 0 for 60, Brown 7 for 25, Johnson 3 for 65, Grace 0 for 28, Angelo 0 for 18.

WESTMINSTER—1ST INNINGS.

A. C. Johnson, lbw Tweedy	4
M. H. Matthews, b Lucas	7
R. H. Angelo, c Bolter, b Lucas	3
I. K. Munro, lbw Packe	34
J. F. Turner, b Packe	38
J. Alderson, c and b Packe	28
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, b Smith	2
J. C. Bune, lbw Packe	4
R. A. J. Eggar, not out	11
E. N. Grace, b Smith	11
T. W. Brown, lbw Packe	0
Extras	7
Total	149

Bowling.—Lucas 2 for 27, Tweedy 1 for 32, Packe 5 for 49, Ling 0 for 24, Smith 2 for 10.

STOWE—2ND INNINGS.

C. J. Macpherson, c Alderson, b Grace	20
J. M. Napier, b Eggar	1
R. J. Packe, c Hebblethwaite, b Brown	97
P. H. G. Smith, not out	75
Extras	13

Total (for 3 wickets dec.) ... 206

D. A. Hawker, P. B. Lucas, J. D. Blois, J. T. Foreman, R. B. Bolter, B. Tweedy and F. A. H. Ling did not bat.

Bowling.—Brown 1 for 66, Eggar 1 for 39, Johnson 0 for 37, Angelo 0 for 15, Grace 1 for 36.

WESTMINSTER—2ND INNINGS.

A. C. Johnson, c and b Tweedy	2
M. H. Matthews, lbw Packe	26
R. H. Angelo, not out	101
I. K. Munro, not out	28
Extras	2

Total (for 2 wickets) ... 159

J. F. Turner, J. Alderson, E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, J. C. Bune, R. A. J. Eggar, E. N. Grace and T. W. Brown did not bat.

Bowling.—Lucas 0 for 19, Tweedy 1 for 46, Smith 0 for 17, Packe 1 for 30, Blois 0 for 19, Ling 0 for 26.

WESTMINSTER v. CHRIST CHURCH,
OXFORD.

Played June 16.

WESTMINSTER.

A. C. Johnson, c Blades, b Ford	...	...	...	3
M. H. Matthews, lbw Benn	...	...	...	0
R. H. Angelo, b Benn	...	...	...	9
I. K. Munro, c Ford, b Stephens	...	...	...	102
J. F. Turner, c Dyson, b Benn...	...	...	...	44
J. Alderson, b Ford	...	...	...	38
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, c Blades, b Stephens	...	...	...	8
J. B. Latey, lbw Benn	...	...	...	4
R. A. J. Eggar, not out...	...	...	...	1
E. N. Grace, not out	...	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	...	23

Total (for 8 wickets dec.) ... 233

T. W. Brown did not bat.

Bowling.—Ford 2 for 52, Benn 4 for 59, Stephens 2 for 48, Hopetoun 0 for 50.

CHRIST CHURCH.

R. G. Dyson, b Eggar	...	...	...	37
A. Benn, c Latey, b Eggar	...	...	...	3
D. Stephens, c Eggar, b Johnson	...	...	...	52
C. G. Ford, c Eggar, b Grace	...	...	...	13
A. J. R. Collins, c Alderson, b Grace	...	...	...	12
Hon. R. R. Blades, not out	...	...	...	52
C. Vaughan-Lee, lbw Grace	...	...	...	11
Extras	...	...	...	11

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 191

I. I. Milne, Lord Hopetoun and H. Thornton did not bat.

Bowling.—Brown 0 for 47, Eggar 2 for 32, Johnson 1 for 31, Grace 3 for 56, Angelo 0 for 14.

WESTMINSTER v. RADLEY.

At Vincent Square on Saturday, June 18, Radley defeated Westminster by 173 runs. Radley were fortunate to bat first on a wicket so good as to render impotent any except a really fast or a really slow bowler, and even at that both would have had to be skilled performers. Actually neither side had a bowler good enough to get the batsmen on the other side out, but whereas the Radley batsmen, notably Dinwiddy, Guy and Hammersley, took full advantage of the conditions, and made many runs before getting themselves out, the Westminster batting was feeble and timid in the extreme and, playing as they did, a score of 150 was about all they were worth. It is true that to lose the toss on such a day and such a wicket, if your bowling is not dangerous, may very likely mean that you will not win the match, but it certainly should not mean that you lose it unless you lose it in going for the runs, and there was never any indication that Westminster were trying to do that.

Brown started well for Westminster by getting

Mackenzie out lbw with the total standing at 9, and Hunter was bowled by Grace at 55, Dinwiddy in the meanwhile having done almost all the scoring. His, however, was the next wicket to fall, and the fieldsmen must have breathed a sigh of relief when they saw this very good player returning to the pavilion. But the real trouble was to come from Guy, who completed a very rapid century just before the luncheon interval. He had made a century in the match previous to this, and followed it up with another in the match after, and his confidence and power were alike great. He must be a difficult man to bowl to and a difficult man to place the field for because he is anything but an orthodox batsman. His favourite stroke on this day was a pulled drive over mid-on, and towards the end of his innings he was doing much as he liked with the bowling. He was fortunate to be very badly missed at slip when in the forties. Stubbs also played a hard hitting innings and was ably supported by Hammersley. The Westminster fielding was put to a considerable test and responded well; the ground work was good, Brown caught a fine catch, and Powell-Jones, who was deputising for the injured Matthews, stumped one man and allowed only 3 byes; but the slip fielding was lamentable. Brown took 3 wickets for 64, Grace 3 for 68 and Johnson 2 for 95.

The first hour of Westminster's innings settled the question of whether they could get the runs, for only 40 odd runs were scored. But it ought also to have settled the question of whether they could be got out. Unfortunately it did not. Mackenzie bowled a very good length and took 5 wickets for 49 runs, but he could not make the ball do anything other than come straight through. Dinwiddy, determining that at any rate he would not do the same, varied his speed, his spin, and most of all his length, and took 3 for 50. Alderson looked set for ever, but stupidly ran himself out when he had got 47, and after that the procession started. Grace provided some by no means entirely comic relief at the end, but by then Radley had the game well in hand.

C. H. T.

RADLEY.

H. P. Dinwiddy, c Bune, b Johnson	...	...	...	46
C. J. Mackenzie, lbw b Brown...	...	...	...	0
P. S. Hunter, b Grace	...	...	...	6
J. C. Guy, b Brown	...	...	...	134
E. F. A. Royds, st Powell-Jones, b Johnson...	...	...	...	36
P. H. Birks, lbw b Brown	...	...	...	7
G. P. Stubbs, c Brown, b Grace	...	...	...	64
R. H. B. Hammersley, not out...	...	...	...	28
C. A. C. de Bonville, b Grace	...	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	...	7

Total (for 8 wickets dec.) ... 331

P. N. L. Lycett and R. C. T. Willis did not bat

WESTMINSTER.

A. C. Johnson, st Lycett, b Mackenzie	...	...	10
J. Alderson, run out	...	...	47
R. H. Angelo, c Guy, b Mackenzie	...	...	23
I. K. Munro, c and b Mackenzie	...	...	3
J. F. Turner, c Dinwiddy, b Mackenzie	...	...	13
J. C. Bune, st Lycett, b Mackenzie	...	...	3
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, c de Bonville, b Guy	...	...	4
R. A. J. Eggar, b Dinwiddy	...	...	12
E. N. Grace, not out	...	...	31
J. Powell-Jones, c de Bonville, b Dinwiddy	...	...	0
T. W. Brown, lbw b Dinwiddy	...	...	2
Extras	...	...	10
Total	...	...	158

WESTMINSTER v. LORDS AND COMMONS C.C.

Played June 23

WESTMINSTER.

M. H. Matthews, b Lord Dalkeith	...	...	33
A. C. Johnson, lbw Capt. Hope	...	...	56
R. H. Angelo, c Lord Dalkeith, b Capt. Hope	...	...	127
J. Alderson, c Major Hardinge, b Capt. Hope	...	...	8
J. F. Turner, not out	...	...	21
E. C. L. Hebblethwaite, not out	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	7
Total (for 4 wickets dec.)	...	...	255

R. W. Edgar, J. B. Latey, R. A. J. Eggar, E. N. Grace and T. W. Brown did not bat.

Bowling.—C. V. Peat o for 58, R. W. D. Perkins o for 45, Lord Dalkeith 1 for 57, Major Cartwright o for 33, E. T. Campbell o for 20, Lord Ebbisham o for 11, Capt. Hope 3 for 28.

LORDS AND COMMONS C.C.

Capt. A. O. J. Hope, b Eggar	...	...	4
Major G. H. Cartwright, b Brown	...	...	14
B. H. Morgan, b Eggar	...	...	0
Lord Dalkeith, not out	...	...	100
Major Hon. A. Hardinge, run out	...	...	62
W. R. D. Perkins, c Johnson, b Grace	...	...	1
C. V. Peat, c Alderson, b Grace	...	...	4
Lord Carnegie, b Eggar	...	...	10
E. T. Campbell, not out	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	8
Total (for 7 wickets)	...	...	204

G. A. L. Duncan and Lord Ebbisham did not bat.

Bowling.—Eggar 3 for 27, Brown 1 for 55, Johnson o for 49, Grace 2 for 46, Latey o for 21.

WESTMINSTER v. WELLINGTON.

Played June 25 (*away*).

We were lucky enough to win the toss and bat first on an excellent batting wicket. Judging by the form shown two days previously, we should have scored a great many more runs than our ultimate total of 159. We make no excuse. Two sharp showers which stopped play for a short time just after we started could not have affected the wicket seriously, except perhaps to make the ball

'skid through' slightly quicker for a time. Very disappointing batting and smart catching in the slips by the Wellington side paved the way for our downfall. Johnson and Matthews were both caught in the slips off Auret before the score reached double figures. Angelo and Munro (when he finally did reach the wicket) brought the score to 41 by lunch time. Forty-one runs in an hour and a half was certainly slow, but they played the only possible game, and played it very well. The slow rate of scoring was largely accounted for by the well set field and the keenness of their fielding. Slow it may have been, but it was a good fight to watch, and always interesting. Shortly after lunch Munro was bowled by a really good ball—60 for 3 wickets. Turner came in next. Runs were needed desperately, and this was an opportunity which a batsman of his natural ability might well have taken to pull his side round. He got himself out playing an unforgettable, unforgivable shot into mid-off's hands. This was tragic. Alderson came and went without delay—66 for 5 wickets. The worst then happened, for Angelo was well caught in the slips—'the most unkindest cut of all.' He had played an invaluable innings, and he must be congratulated on the patience and resolution he showed for some two hours. When Latey came in the score was 80 for 7 wickets, but he and Eggar took it to 144 before the next wicket fell. Both batted really well. Eggar showed sound defence, while Latey produced fine scoring shots all round the wicket, which he had not shown us before. His timing on the leg side was especially good, and under the circumstances his innings was a heroic effort, on which we congratulate him heartily. If he had just had the patience to go on at his steady pace for another half-hour, instead of getting himself out trying to hit, we might have made a much better game of it.

Furlong and Auret opened the innings for Wellington—and closed 162 runs later. We must congratulate their batsmen rather than blame our bowlers for this. Both batted exceedingly well, especially Furlong, who showed a great variety of scoring shots. Nevertheless our bowlers did not look dangerous. They gave the impression that the game was to hit the bat. Medium paced 'up and down' bowling is not likely to get men out when they are set on a good wicket, and that is what our attack appeared to be, once the shine was off the ball. Johnson was the only man who looked as though he might get a wicket, and far too little use was made of him. He had only one spell of five overs, and then went off. Tried in short spells he might have been successful. Grace and Eggar were used too much, and neither looked dangerous. Eggar obviously tired quickly,

but Grace bowled whole-heartedly for a very long spell. The captain made the mistake of not changing and varying the attack sufficiently.

Our fielding was not quite up to standard. The large ground and exceptionally fast outfield made our fielders look slow after the ball, and also made the placing of the field more of a problem. We must, however, congratulate the captain on his performance behind the wicket. For one who has been badly 'crooked' for a second time only a week before, Matthews' keeping was both courageous and praiseworthy.

J. R. P.

WESTMINSTER.

A. C. Johnson, c Fox-Male, b Loring	5
M. H. Matthews, c Auret, b Loring	3
R. H. Angelo, c Auret, b Venn... ..	38
I. K. Munro, b Loring	17
J. F. Turner, c Munro, b Venn... ..	1
J. Alderson, c Rawlence, b Loring	1
R. W. Edgar, b Auret	5
J. B. Latey, c Fox-Male, b Venn	56
R. A. J. Eggar, run out... ..	14
E. N. Grace, c Munro, b Venn... ..	1
T. W. Brown, not out	2
Extras	16
Total	159

Bowling.—Loring 4 for 38, Fox-Male 0 for 37, Munro 0 for 27, Venn 4 for 25, Auret 1 for 16.

WELLINGTON.

D. F. Furlong, not out	92
G. L. Auret, not out	56
Extras	14
Total (for no wicket)	162

J. R. Rawlence, F. M. M. Forster, D. H. Fox-Male, M. St. J. Packe, R. M. Munro, J. D. Olivier, J. S. Venn, H. L. Minchinton and W. M. Loring did not bat.

SECOND ELEVEN MATCHES.

May 14.—*v.* St. Thomas's Hospital C.C. at Vincent Square. St. Thomas's Hospital, 70. Westminster, 175 for 7 wickets. Won by 6 wickets.

May 26.—*v.* Ealing Priory School at Ealing. Westminster, 125 for 8 wickets (declared). Ealing Priory, 130 for 6 wickets. Lost by 4 wickets.

June 4.—*v.* Hampstead C.C. at Vincent Square. Hampstead, 162 for 5 wickets (declared). Westminster, 142 for 6 wickets. Drawn.

THE WATER.

WE have been entering for the Ladies' Plate at Henley since 1922, and the First Eight is to be heartily congratulated on having broken at last the ten years' run of bad luck there.

It is almost as easy to produce reasons for winning a race as it is to find excuses for losing one. Yet I think the chief contribution towards our success was Dr. A. P. McEldowney; he very kindly consented to help in the coaching of the crew, and his experience both as a coach and a stroke was of very great value in their training, while the mere sound of his voice, whether hailing a passing tug or offering advice to a rival cox, never failed to brace them up and invigorate them. Second only to 'Mac' in importance was the fact that the crew really did get down to honest hard work in paddling. The idea is still too common that the only time one need exert oneself is in a race; this is a dreadful fallacy. One cannot row hard unless one is used to paddling hard, and the more an oarsman paddles hard the better will he become. Anyone who comes in from an outing fresh and untired has wasted his afternoon, and if every waterman—however young or small—would realise that by hard work now he is winning races at Henley in years to come we should not for long be bothered with eliminating heats. Not to mention Eton, Shrewsbury have now won the Ladies' twice—Radley have got into the final—Monkton Coombe and others have got into the semi-final—why shouldn't Westminster do the same?

In other respects the First Eight was lucky. We had left from last year four Pinks, four other experienced oarsmen and an exceedingly capable cox. Added to this the crew was more than average in weight and size; they kept extraordinarily fit, and were always cheerful. We were sorry that Walton Regatta and our Beaumont race had to be scratched owing to the flooded state of the river: the former was, however, I think, fortunate, as we were not tempted to train up to racing form too early in the season, while the latter deprived us of an enjoyable fixture and very useful rowing experience.

The Second Eight seemed to collect all the bad luck of the season. They were fouled on a dredger in one race, started when they were not ready in another, and nearly put ashore altogether in a third. In spite of this they put up some magnificent racing, and Gardiner is to be congratulated on really superb stroking. Mr. J. D. Carleton (O.W.) has been kind enough to give up nearly every afternoon since November to coaching the crew, and we shall be very glad to welcome him on to our permanent (!) rowing staff next year. Both he and his crew deserved to be more fortunate.

The Third and Fourth VIII's as usual had some difficulty in deciding which was which, but apart from the slight oversight of the Third Eight in forgetting to beat St. Paul's III, they are both to be congratulated on winning all their races.

They have—through the abolition of the Third Eight fours—rather suffered from lack of fixtures this year; we will endeavour to remedy this next year.

Though the doings of the remaining watermen do not find their way into these columns, they (the watermen) will realise, if they have read the opening paragraphs as they should, that what they have done this year will show itself in these pages in July, 1933. C. H. F.

WESTMINSTER v. O.WW.

This race was rowed on May 7, from London R.C. to Hammersmith Bridge, on high water.

The Old Westminsters had some difficulty in getting their Eight together early, but despite this handicap produced a crew that looked most impressive when paddling. However, they had not been together long enough to manage a hard row for any distance. The rough conditions at the start did not assist them, and the School got away very fast, and soon cleared their opponents. At the Mile the water became calmer, and the O.WW. put in some very hard spurts, but the School answered, and went away well, to win by a distance in 8 minutes 42 seconds.

Westminster.—(bow) M. P. Lonnon, 10 st. 9 lbs.; (2) C. Lewis, 10 st. 10 lbs.; (3) J. H. Freeman, 11 st. 1 lb.; (4) L. P. B. Bingham, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (5) J. C. H. Cherry, 12 st. 5 lbs.; (6) R. F. Sammel, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) J. M. H. Browne, 10 st. 3 lbs.; (stroke) J. G. R. Bramhall, 10 st. 13 lbs.; (cox) A. A. Titcomb, 7 st. 12 lbs.

Old Westminsters.—(bow) J. H. Cruft, 10 st.; (2) T. M. Tyrell, 11 st. 11 lbs.; (3) A. C. Bird, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (4) R. E. Ball, 12 st. 10 lbs.; (5) D. Cragg-Hamilton, 12 st. 7 lbs.; (6) G. H. W. Reece, 12 st. 8 lbs.; (7) R. W. P. Smith, 11 st. 4 lbs.; (stroke) G. B. Aris, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (cox) G. W. Scott, 8 st. 6 lbs.

WESTMINSTER v. IMPERIAL COLLEGE.

Rowed on May 21, over a longer course than the last, from London R.C. to the Stork. Again the tide was high and the water none too good.

At the time of this race Westminster were still at the paddling stage of their training, while Imperial College were rather more advanced. They went off well, and soon led, to be clear at the Football Ground. From here to Harrods the School were going quite well, but bad balance did not make for any high rate of striking, and Imperial were not troubled, but with the inside of the long bend at Harrods Westminster began to go up, and with a good spurt at the bridge got within striking distance of the other crew, who did not quicken until the last half minute, when they went away again, and won by 2 lengths. The time was 8 minutes 17 seconds.

Westminster.—(bow) M. P. Lonnon, 10 st. 9 lbs.; (2) C. Lewis, 10 st. 10 lbs.; (3) J. H. Freeman, 11 st. 1 lb.; (4) L. P. B. Bingham, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (5) J. C. H. Cherry, 12 st. 5 lbs.; (6) R. F. Sammel, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) J. M. H. Browne, 10 st. 3 lbs.; (stroke) J. G. R. Bramhall, 10 st. 13 lbs.; (cox) A. A. Titcomb, 7 st. 12 lbs.

Imperial College.—(bow) A. G. Gaydon, 9 st. 10 lbs.; (2) F. C. E. Smith, 10 st. 11 lbs.; (3) R. C. Morris, 10 st. 12 lbs.; (4) N. Roberts, 11 st. 5 lbs.; (5) R. B. Jobling, 11 st. 9 lbs.; (6) C. P. Wadsworth, 12 st.; (7) J. G. Lea, 11 st. 11 lbs.; (stroke) F. F. Wood, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (cox) J. K. Redmond, 8 st. 1 lb.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S.

After much correspondence as to the length of course over which we should race, it was eventually decided to row from London R.C. to Hammersmith, on Saturday, June 4.

The tide was just on the turn when the crews paddled out to the stake boats, and conditions, especially over the first half of the course, were very rough. St. Paul's had won the toss, and rather surprisingly chose the Middlesex station. Westminster made an excellent start, and led immediately, to be clear in two minutes. Settling down to a comfortable row, they drew away, and were not troubled further, except for a sudden and distressing submergence of the stroke side riggers near Harrods. The crew got going again quickly, and went on to win by about $5\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 8 minutes 25 seconds. R. F. S.

Westminster.—(bow) M. P. Lonnon, 10 st. 9 lbs.; (2) C. Lewis, 10 st. 10 lbs.; (3) J. H. Freeman, 11 st. 1 lb.; (4) L. P. B. Bingham, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (5) J. C. H. Cherry, 12 st. 5 lbs.; (6) R. F. Sammel, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) J. M. H. Browne, 10 st. 3 lbs.; (stroke) J. G. R. Bramhall, 10 st. 13 lbs.; (cox) A. A. Titcomb, 7 st. 12 lbs.

St. Paul's First Eight.—(bow) E. W. Wiseman, 10 st. 10 lbs.; (2) W. G. Meeke, 11 st. 3 lbs.; (3) R. J. Burrough, 12 st. 1 lb.; (4) D. Bwinford, 12 st. 8 lbs.; (5) R. A. Cunis, 14 st. 2 lbs.; (6) C. M. Stewart, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) E. A. Szilagyi, 11 st. 4 lbs.; (stroke) J. T. Morgan, 10 st. 8 lbs.; (cox) W. A. L. Locker, 8 st. 2 lbs.

HENLEY.

ELIMINATING RACE, Saturday, June 25.

RADLEY (Berks.) v. WESTMINSTER (Bucks.).

'Westminster, striking 11-22-42 in the full minute to Radley's 39, soon went away and at the Barrier (2 minutes, 8 seconds) were half a length up. Radley picked up a little near Fawley, but Westminster spurred again and increased their lead to three-quarters of a length. At the Mile they were just clear, and without bothering themselves unduly passed the post with a length to spare in 7 minutes 39 seconds.'—*Morning Post*.

LADIES' PLATE. Heat 6. Wednesday, June 29.

WORCESTER COLLEGE, OXFORD (Berks.)
v. WESTMINSTER (Bucks.).

'The wind was very strong when the race was rowed, a considerable handicap for the School Eight. Both started well, and Worcester were held to the first signal. From there onward Westminster began to drop back. Worcester, at Fawley (3 minutes 53 seconds) were just clear, and striking 28 to Westminster's 33 were still able to resist the School crew's plucky spurts over the last part of the course.'—*Morning Post*.

Lost by $1\frac{1}{4}$ lengths in 8 minutes 10 seconds.

(Worcester College had made 5 bumps at Oxford and were third on the river.)

THE FIRST EIGHT.

(*Bow*) M. P. LONNON, 10 st. 9 lbs.

A rough young oarsman, at present addicted to rushing forward and hence bad time keeping, but possessing the best of all rowing virtues, which is quite unteachable, namely the capacity for immense hard work.

(2) C. LEWIS, 10 st. 10 lbs.

One of the most improved oars in the crew, and very quick at learning anything suggested to him. Next year he should aim at a longer draw.

(3) J. H. FREEMAN, 11 st. 1 lb.

A delightful man to have in a crew. A tremendously hard worker and very keen. At present he rows rather like the village blacksmith—next year his aim must be "Maximum of power with maximum of ease."

(4) L. P. B. BINGHAM, 11 st. 3 lbs.

The strongest man in the crew, and, like all natural athletes, possessed of a good sense of balance. Should try to come out on to his feet more, and so help to sit the boat for others than himself.

(5) J. C. H. CHERRY, 12 st. 5 lbs.

One of the "grand old men" of the crew, whose rowing is almost without blemish. For this reason he will have to work hard next year to maintain his present very high standard.

(6) R. F. SAMMEL, 11 st. 8 lbs.

An excellent oarsman and captain. Paddles better than he rows, because he still lacks confidence in his rowing capacity—a quite unjustifiable fear. Should think out for himself, the characteristic of the ideal No. 6.

(7) J. M. H. BROWNE, 10 st. 3 lbs.

An ideal 'stroke's shadow.' Rows really excellently, but tends to spoil his power by over-reaching. Will certainly do very well at Cambridge.

(*Stroke*) J. G. R. BRAMHALL, 10 st. 13 lbs.

The best oarsman in the crew, and an excellent No. 6 in any first class crew. Not a natural stroke, but might learn stroking from experience. Led his crew well at Henley this year, however.

(*Cox*) A. A. TITCOMB, 7 st. 12 lbs.

Really first class. Probably better as an inspiration to a crew than as a steersman. Excelled even himself in the preliminary heat.

This crew was really first rate, and, but for its lack of confidence in itself due to the years of failure in the past, might have worked its way right through to the final of the Ladies' Plate. Now the seeds of success have been sown, they must be made to germinate and flourish in future years. The name of the best fertiliser for these seeds is "Hard work and long rows during the winter."

A. P. McE.

THE SECOND EIGHT.

The first three weeks of the term were uneventful except for a long journey up to Kew on May 14. Although illness did not hinder the practice, the crew took a long time to settle down, and until the St. Paul's race there was a noticeable tendency to plunge over the stretchers and a tantalising air of uncertainty about the whole forward swing. Even at the end of the season the Second Eight never approached the First Eight in the matter of neatness and precision, and those members of the crew who are staying on have a good deal to learn before they can achieve that firmness and sureness of touch which are the mark of a first-rate oarsman. But they paddled with plenty of life, and were fairly long in the water, and they raced magnificently.

Their first race, against Imperial College, showed that they could fight a losing race to the finish, and in the St. Paul's race a fortnight later, when they had settled down better and the boat was running more smoothly, this same fighting spirit enabled them to turn an apparently hopeless race into a victory.

The race against Radley in the Public School Eights at Marlow was an unsatisfactory one. A long delay and some confusion at the start upset the crew, and they rowed a race which hardly did justice to the racing abilities of their opponents or themselves. In the Eton race they

were matched against a crew which was nearly a stone a man heavier, but they rowed a plucky and determined race, which but for faulty steering on the part of both coxes might have resulted in a closer finish.

On June 25 a four consisting of Gardiner, Liddiard, Lloyd and Strother-Stewart rowed against St. Augustine's, Canterbury, and won a good race by a third of a length.

It is not possible to give here a description of the individual characters of the crew, but an account of this year's Second Eight would be incomplete without some mention of Gardiner's stroking. He stroked each race with judgment, decision, and spirit, and he possessed the power of spurting during tens and of forcing up the rate of striking and maintaining it for a considerable period before the finish of a race. At the same time he never allowed himself to be hurried, and he possessed an unruffled calm which was a great asset in a crew, who perhaps allowed themselves to be upset over easily by mishaps which racing experience in the future will enable them to take in their stride.

SECOND EIGHT RACES.

WESTMINSTER v. IMPERIAL COLLEGE.—This race was rowed on May 21 from London R.C. to the Stork. Imperial College won the toss and chose the Surrey Station. Westminster got a fairly good start and then settled down and were rowing stroke for stroke with Imperial College about a third of a length down until the bow side oars came into collision with a dredger moored off Harrod's. They stopped rowing for a moment, but then recovered themselves, and in spite of bad water answered Gardiner's call to take the boat in to the finish, regaining a length of the distance they had lost, but still $1\frac{3}{4}$ lengths behind Imperial College.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S.—Rowed on June 4 over a course from Beverley Brook to Hammersmith. Westminster, on the Surrey station, had the worst of the tide to begin with, and this, together with a bad start, enabled St. Paul's to go right away in the first minute. At the end of the fence Gardiner spurted and gained half a length, and from Harrod's to the finish he steadily worked up the stroke, the crew responding well, and winning a fine race by a third of a length.

WESTMINSTER v. RADLEY.—Rowed at Marlow Regatta on June 18 in the second heat of the Public Schools Vase. Radley had the Bucks, and Westminster the centre station, and the latter had considerable difficulty in getting on to their

stake boat, the strong cross wind carrying them on to the piles on the Berks side. This delay, or rather the unexpectedly sudden start which followed it, lost them three-quarters of a length in the first thirty strokes, and the crew never really settled down over the whole course. Radley rowing 38 to Westminster's 40 were soon clear, and dropping down to 32 continued to gain. Westminster made a gallant spurt at the beginning of the Lawns, but Radley answered it and passed the winning post $1\frac{3}{4}$ lengths ahead. Time, 4 minutes 35 seconds.

WESTMINSTER v. ETON.—Rowed on June 23 from London R.C. to Hammersmith. Westminster won the toss and took the Surrey station. They got a better start than their opponents, and rowing 40 to Eton's 38 had gained about half a length by Beverley. By the end of the fence Eton had reversed the position, and a good spurt by Gardiner did not gain as much as it deserved owing to the fact that both boats were much too close to the Surrey shore, and in consequence Westminster were out of the tide. By Harrod's there was daylight between the boats, and although Gardiner made a determined effort to keep on terms, Eton had got beyond striking distance and won by $1\frac{3}{4}$ lengths. In spite of the result it was a good race, and the crew had reason to be congratulated on a plucky performance.

J. D. C.

Westminster Second Eight.—(bow) F. E. P. Quixley, 9 st. 11 lbs.; (2) C. R. H. Eggar, 9 st. 3 lbs.; (3) C. G. F. Strother-Stewart, 10 st. 6 lbs.; (4) B. N. Gedye, 10 st. 8 lbs.; (5) A. R. Liddiard, 10 st. 8 lbs.; (6) I. D. Lloyd, 11 st.; (7) P. A. Tyser, 10 st. 2 lbs.; (stroke) P. A. Gardiner, 11 st. 2 lbs.; (cox) P. A. Smitham, 6 st. 7 lbs.

Radley Second Eight.—(bow) J. H. H. Bonham, 9 st. 10 lbs.; (2) S. W. Davidson, 10 st. 3 lbs.; (3) J. P. Dumansen, 11 st. 4 lbs.; (4) P. T. Anderson, 11 st. 5 lbs.; (5) D. R. Price, 10 st. 4 lbs.; (6) O. M. Taylor, 10 st. 8 lbs.; (7) R. Chamberlain, 11 st. 2 lbs.; (stroke) M. H. E. Holmes, 9 st. 9 lbs.; (cox) D. R. Rose, 7 st. 10 lbs.

St. Paul's Second Eight.—(bow) M. Thresher, 10 st. 5 lbs.; (2) L. S. B. Scott, 11 st. 1 lb.; (3) M. M. B. Cunstance, 10 st. 11 lbs.; (4) D. Palmer, 11 st. 6 lbs.; (5) A. M. Messer, 11 st. 5 lbs.; (7) E. H. de Groot, 11 st. 8 lbs.; (7) D. F. Braham, 10 st.; (stroke) R. C. Gussman, 10 st.; (cox), E. V. Pidduck, 7 st. 10 lbs.

THIRD EIGHT RACES.

WESTMINSTER v. KING'S COLLEGE (Second Eight).—Rowed from Harrod's to London R.C. on May 28, Westminster made a good start, and led at once. They soon drew away from King's, and there was daylight between the boats at the Mile Post. Although rowing a much slower stroke, Westminster increased their lead, and finally won by 3 lengths in 5 minutes 40 seconds.

Westminster Third Eight.—(bow) F. R. Cullingford, (2) J. F. Davis, (3) H. M. Gardiner, (4) H. D. Simpson, (5) F. G. Stevens, (6) R. E. Overbury, (7) J. F. Plowman, (stroke) A. G. Airy, (cox) H. M. P. Thomas.

King's College Second Eight.—(bow) W. D. Brittain, (2) A. L. Macgregor, (3) W. J. Rouse, (4) P. M. George, (5) N. C. Horne, (6) R. Parsons, (7) C. W. Lawson, (stroke) A. O. Whapham (cox), H. C. Shirley.

WESTMINSTER v. EMANUEL SCHOOL (First Eight).—Owing to a narrow defeat of the Third Eight by the Fourth Eight after a most exciting race from Thames R.C. to Harrod's, the Westminster crew was very different from that which beat King's.

Westminster again had a good start, but Emanuel were just head. Rowing a faster stroke, the lead was increased slightly and held as far as the Mile Post. Here Westminster spurted well and gradually drew level with their opponents. It was then a good race for a short distance, but Emanuel were finished, and Westminster went on to win by 3 lengths in 4 minutes 19 seconds.

The race was rowed from Harrod's to Beverley on June 17

Westminster Third Eight.—(bow) G. L. Evans, (2) V. M. Bright, (3) H. T. James, (4) R. E. Overbury, (5) F. G. Stevens, (6) J. F. Davis, (7) P. Beeman, (stroke) R. H. G. L. Pirkis, (cox) H. M. P. Thomas.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S.—June 23. Course: Crabtree to London R.C. Westminster were particularly anxious to win this race, in order that the series of victories this year over St. Paul's might be complete. They definitely had an off-day, however, and never really looked like winning. Their start was not a good one, and they were never properly together. St. Paul's soon had a lead of a length, and in spite of Westminster's efforts, and won by 2½ lengths.

Westminster Third Eight.—(bow) G. L. Evans, (2) V. M. Bright, (3) H. T. James, (4) R. E. Overbury, (5) F. G. Stevens, (6) J. F. Davis, (7) P. Beeman, (stroke) R. H. G. L. Pirkis, (cox) H. M. P. Thomas.

M. F. Y.

FOURTH EIGHT RACES.

WESTMINSTER v. KING'S COLLEGE (Third Eight).—Race rowed on May 28, from Harrod's to Beverley. Westminster led from the start, and, rowing well together, increased their lead steadily, to win comfortably by 3 lengths in 4 minutes 24 seconds.

Westminster Fourth Eight.—(bow) H. P. H. Gough, (2) V. M. Bright, (3) H. T. James, (4) P. J. R. Deller, (5) P. Beeman, (6) A. B. F. Marreco, (7) G. L. Evans, (stroke) G. R. H. G. L. Pirkis, (cox) F. E. D. MacBride.

WESTMINSTER v. EMANUEL SCHOOL (Second Eight).—Rowed from Harrod's to Beverley, on

June 17. Westminster, despite the very recent changes in the boat, had settled down quickly as a crew. Leading right from the start, they soon got away from Emanuel, and won quite comfortably in 4 minutes 25 seconds.

Westminster Fourth Eight.—(bow) F. R. Cullingford, (2) H. D. Simpson, (3) J. F. Plowman, (4) A. B. F. Marreco, (5) H. M. Gardiner, (6) P. J. R. Deller, (7) H. P. H. Gough, (stroke) A. G. Airy, (cox) G. E. D. MacBride.

WESTMINSTER v. ST. PAUL'S.—From the Crabtree to Beverley, on June 21. Both Eights got away well at the start, but St. Paul's had ½ length in less than a minute. At the Mile Post they were clear, but Westminster were rowing well, and when Airy called upon his crew for ten strokes near the end of the Fence, they closed up to about ¾ length. Another "ten" brought them almost level. St. Paul's tried very hard to maintain their slight remaining lead, but were unable to cope with the excellent effort which put Westminster in front in the last half-minute of the race, to win by ½ length in 3 minutes 58 seconds.

Westminster Fourth Eight.—(bow) F. R. Cullingford, (2) H. D. Simpson, (3) J. F. Plowman, (4) A. B. F. Marreco, (5) H. M. Gardiner, (6) P. J. R. Deller, (7) H. P. H. Gough, (stroke) A. G. Airy, (cox) G. E. D. MacBride.

R. F. S.

THE O.T.C.

It is just six years since Capt. G. L. Troutbeck took over the command of the Corps, and no one who had knowledge of it at that period can fail to notice the almost incredible improvement that has taken place since then. For certain reasons its numbers have fallen during these years, but Capt. Troutbeck never ceased from his efforts to bring his contingent up to his own very high ideals of smartness and efficiency. That he succeeded in this task, the magnitude and difficulty of which only those can realise who can remember six years back, is proved not only by the consistently good reports of inspecting officers, who after all see the corps on one day when it is obviously keyed up to concert pitch, but by opinions, officially and unofficially expressed by those in authority, on the successive camp contingent's performances during his command. In open competition, as it were, with other schools of all sorts, a contingent's reputation at camp may be taken as an index of its general efficiency, and the very large number of people who realise how important an asset to a School is a smart and well spoken-of O.T.C. will be grateful to the late C.O. for securing an enviable reputation for the Westminster contingent.

THE SCHOOL STORE.

THE Controllers would like to draw the attention of O.WW. to the following points :

(a) An official is now permanently employed in the Store ; which is consequently open daily from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Saturdays, 9.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.).

(b) There is a telephone in it (Victoria 1873), so that O.WW. can give orders without having to come in person or writing.

(c) To save general trouble and inconvenience, all goods for which previous payment has not been made will be sent C.O.D., the small post office fee for this being added to the account.

THE CONFERENCE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLBOYS.

ALTHOUGH life at an English public school seems usually to be dealt with in one generalised survey, it would be quite erroneous to consign public school Christianity to the same fate. Comprehensive statements *may* be made, but lack of detail makes them of little interest. This refusal of school religion to conform to generalisation is due to the varying conditions existing. The religious views at each school depend so much upon the curriculum and the attitude of the authorities towards spiritual matters. It would be unfair, and would seem self-satisfied, if I were to apply my remarks to any existing case, because I hold the common belief that I myself am among the most fortunate of men. Since this thought, no doubt, emanates from a natural optimism, it would be of no practical use to quote my own situation as representing all.

My appointment as the Westminster delegate to the Teaching Church Group Conference at Haywards Heath came to me as a complete surprise and, indeed, a very pleasant one. I was not a little intimidated by the thought of my ignorance of religious matters, but, on the assurance that it was essentially the assistance of those of my own intelligence that was required, I resolved to make the best of my inabilities.

It was on account of this resolve that the afternoon of Friday, June 10, found me deep in the throes of packing all my necessities into one relatively small bag. Great was my disappointment when, on reaching Victoria, I could discover no signs whatever of the civic send-off I had, in my own imagination, accorded myself. My spirits revived, however, when, having purchased my ticket, I made my way to the appropriate plat-

form. There, at the barrier, was a blackboard upon which was chalked in large, decorative letters : 'Seats have been reserved for delegates of the Conference of Public Schoolboys travelling to Haywards Heath by this train.' My self-confidence returned to me at once. There is nothing like a reserved railway compartment for restoring confidence. Even a third-class carriage is capable of producing a considerable thrill in such a guise ; a reserved first-class carriage can produce one still greater. But owing largely to the fact that I have not been hit unduly by the recent financial crisis, and therefore being in no special need of a sense of false security supplied by indulging in extravagant luxury, mine was *not* a first-class carriage.

Of my fellow-travellers, all members of the conference, and my reactions to them I have resolved to say nothing, and the reason for my reticence I leave to the imagination. I will only suggest to you that the occasion of our first meeting was not marked by any departure from the usual friendly and expansive nature the English schoolboy shows when surrounded by his fellow-creatures. With me I had representatives of two well-known schools. They were so different from what I had expected them to be—what that was I cannot define—and yet they were absolutely typical of those by whom I am normally surrounded every day. They looked very similar, had the same mannerisms and, no doubt, the same interests as most Westminsters. Because they receive their education elsewhere one tends to regard them as unfortunate animals, but the more one gets in contact with them the more likeable do they become. My only regret in the midst of this reverie was that I was but one among so many pairs—but this thought was so feeble that it was quite incapable of spoiling my enjoyment.

On arrival at the station there was some little doubt as to what was going to happen next. A very able gentleman, bearing the information that he was the 'Hon. Sec.' on his coat lapel, then took matters in hand and led the way. After interminable toiling up a hilly road that seemed of infinite height and length we emerged upon an impressive gateway labelled 'Diocesan Conference House.' Those of us who had been strong enough to cope with the apparently increasing weight of our luggage wended our way up the drive to the front door of the house that was to be our home for the next two days.

The matter of introductions was simplified by providing everyone with a pin-on identification disc. It was significant of the informality and friendliness that existed throughout the conference that our host and hostess, His Grace The Archbishop of York and Mrs. Temple, also wore

appropriate labels. There was no need for introducing the Archbishop. Few more commanding men have ever walked this earth. His inspiring laugh could be heard throughout the house and garden during the whole day. Nobody could possibly wish for a more cheerful leader, for to see the number of boys that would gather round him on the lawn in the evening to listen to his words was inspiration in itself. For our hostess we could not possibly have had a more charming lady than Mrs. Temple. Although in the midst of so many awkward youths, she dispelled all shyness immediately and made everyone feel perfectly at home. A further aid to complete friendliness was the excellent arrangement of the dining-room, nobody sitting at the same table for two consecutive meals. While still on the subject of the domestic arrangements, those responsible for the management of the household must be congratulated on having given us a most comfortable week-end. The Chichester Diocese may well be proud of such a conference house as Elpinsward, for so is it picturesquely named.

The next two days were so full of interesting detail that I can only give the briefest of outline pictures in the space available. It is impossible for me to repeat the wise words that fell from the lips of those who gave us such instructive lectures. I, myself, have profited considerably by hearing them, but I am selfish enough to be totally incapable of putting them all down concisely on paper. The method of discussion was particularly interesting, the delegates being divided into groups of about twelve members under a chairman. The friendly exchange of opinions that took place, even the shyest taking part, produced some extraordinarily interesting points, although the chairman was frequently forced, much against his will, to stop proceedings from wandering too far from the subject given for debate. At the end of the time allotted, the group reporter drew up the findings and read them before the next general assembly. It was interesting to hear other groups' opinions on the subject just discussed.

After many helpful words during the lectures, the Archbishop closed the conference by an address after evening prayers. This last service in the quaint little rustic chapel has left a particular imprint on my mind, as did also the Archbishop's closing words beseeching us as true Christians to go out into the world and really *do* something about it.

For those interested in the topics discussed I add a list of lectures :

- Christianity as a Reasonable Faith.
- The Archbishop of York.
- The Christian Moral Standard.

Prayer.

Professor Grensted.

Vocation.

The Rev. C. M. Smyth.
Mr. G. K. Tattersall.

The questions given to the groups for discussion were :

1. Do you think that modern science makes a religious view of life easier—or more difficult ?
2. How far should churchgoing be considered obligatory ? What do you take to be its purpose ?
3. Have you any suggestions to make as to how the Church might exercise its teaching office more effectively in regard to grown-up people ?
4. What is the relationship between creed and conduct ? What have you to say about 'the necessity of dogma ?'
5. What truth is there in the alleged contrast between 'the religion of the Church' and 'the religion of Jesus ?'
6. A contemporary evangelist affirms that 'there are no intellectual problems, only moral ones—which are often disguised as intellectual ones.' Do you think that this is true ?

J. C. C.

—*— HISTORICAL NOTES.

THE centenary of Jeremy Bentham (O.W.) was celebrated on June 6 by a Public Lecture and Dinner at University College, London. The Head Master and Mr. L. E. Tanner were invited to represent the School at the Dinner. It will be remembered that Bentham left his skeleton to University College with the request that a wax head should be made and that the skeleton 'clothed in his usual attire' should be placed, seated, in a glass case and allowed to be present at certain meetings of the Provost and Fellows. At the Centenary Dinner the wish was carried out, and after the Dinner the company adjourned for dessert and coffee to the library, where the figure is kept. It is also worth remembering that the first known reference to 'Tossing the Pancake' (although the custom is probably much older) occurs in his autobiography, where, writing of his Westminster days (1755-60), he says: 'One of our customs was to make the College cook toss a pancake over the bar.'

In turning out some papers recently I came across the following letter written by the Rev. James Marshall, Master of Grant's, to my grandfather, whose son, was up Grant's at the time. It was written at the time of the

Public Schools' Commission which did so much for Westminster.

L. E. T.

LITTLE DEAN'S YARD,
January 30, 1865.

MY DEAR SIR,

Allow me to thank you for your letter. We, as you may suppose, are looking very anxiously to see what measure will be introduced into Parliament grounded upon the Commissioners' Report, not I hope and think with a view to our own interest, but from a desire that the condition of the School may be settled. For the last fifteen or sixteen years we have not known what the position of the School might be in six months' time, in consequence of the Oxford and Cambridge Commissions, the Cathedral Commission, the meetings and Committee respecting Westminster separately, and finally the Public Schools' Commission. It has often been a matter of surprise to me that the School has done so well as it has under such a paralysing condition. My full and firm conviction is that the restoration of Westminster School to its old importance will begin from the time that it knows definitely what it has to trust to, and is freed from the fear of perpetual change and interference and the necessity of adapting every act to a double event.

Believe me, my dear Sir,

Most sincerely yours,

J. MARSHALL.

G. L. P. Eyre, Esq.

‘MOTOR RACING.’

By S. C. H. DAVIS (O.W.) (Iliffe & Sons, Ltd., 7s. 6d.)

FIRST, a word about the title. Surely the reminiscences of a racing driver are worthy of a more imaginative and striking title than *Motor Racing*; though this title, it is true, can hardly be termed inappropriate, since the book deals with nothing else. However, it is with the contents that we are chiefly concerned, and in this respect there is little fault to be found. Mr. Davis ('Casque' of the *Autocar*), who has earned a sound reputation in the racing world as a driver of considerable brilliance, has written his reminiscences in a way calculated to appeal both to those who consider themselves expert and to those who do not; to the former because the Appendix alone is enough to justify purchase, and to the latter because the rest of the book is full of what publishers love to call 'human interest.' His accounts of motor races, written with a regard to detail that is never tedious, cannot fail to thrill, while his style, though occasionally marred by an unnecessary cliché, is

readable and spontaneous, and he does manage to infuse humour of a mild sort into his narrative, always a difficult thing when dealing with a technical subject (but I must admit I was dismayed at the appearance of an 'avuncular relative' on the third page).

The continuity of the book is well managed, and the chapters do not, as might be imagined, read as if they were entirely independent of one another. In spite of this, each chapter is a complete story in itself, since after the first three each is an account of a separate race in which Mr. Davis drove. The book is well bound, and contains thirty-two excellent photographs, six maps, and sketches by the author. There is a foreword by that pioneer of motor cars, Mr. S. F. Edge.

In conclusion, this is a book that should be popular; indeed, a second edition has already been published, since the book is in great demand in America as well as in this country.

The Elizabethan Club.

President—MR. H. F. MANISTY, K.C.

Hon. Treasurer—SIR ERNEST GOODHART, Bt., Benenden Place, Benenden, Kent.

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Hon. Secretary (Games)—MR. P. H. WYATT, O.B.E., 26, Bloomsbury Square, W.C. 1.

Tues., Sept. 6—Annual General Meeting of Football Club.

Tues., Oct. 4—General Committee Meeting.

Tues., Nov. 15—General Committee Meeting.

THE WESTMINSTER BALL.

The Westminster Ball will be held on Friday, December 16, at the Dorchester.

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The Committee present their 68th Annual Report.

They regret to record the deaths of thirteen members: Lionel Knox D'Arcy, Sewell Harding Gregory, Thomas Eustace Harwood, Walter Heath, Robert Antony Ingram, Richard Oswald Mills, Evan Williams Pole, Emmanuel Michel Rodocanachi, Charles Edward de Lisle Solbé, Benjamin Richard Thorne, Charles Auguste Vignoles, John Abernethy Willett, and Howard Percy Winstanley.

Ninety-four new members have been elected since last June, of whom all but eight joined under the Termly Payment Scheme, bringing the total number of members to 1,787.

The most important event of the year at Westminster has been the purchase of a new Playing Field at Grove Park. The ground is already in use, and the pavilion should be completed in a few weeks. By the courtesy of the Headmaster one football pitch is to be put at the disposal of the Club every Saturday. An Appeal of £12,000, to defray the cost of purchase, was launched in the spring by the Headmaster and Governors. The Committee have already been in communication with the Headmaster, and hope to be able, at an early date, to bring a concrete proposal before the Club. At the same time they would warmly commend the Appeal to the consideration of individual members.

At a Special General Meeting to be held after the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, July 12, the Club will be asked to sanction the re-draft of the Rules, prepared by the Committee. The Committee wish it to be understood that this is not a new set of Rules, but that a Sub-Committee was appointed with a view to bringing the existing Rules into line with amendments passed during the last few years, and also with existing practice which experience and changing circumstances have compelled the Committee to adopt since the Rules were originally framed. It has, therefore, not been thought necessary to supply all members with a copy of the proposed re-draft, but the Honorary Secretary will be glad to supply one to

any member who intends to be present at the meeting and desires to see a copy beforehand.

It has, unfortunately, been found impossible to continue the arrangement by which the School Bursar's Secretary was able to assist the Club with secretarial work. The Committee record this with great regret, as they much appreciate the advantages of close contact with the School which was made possible in this way. The connection is likely to be still further severed owing to the intimation by the Honorary Secretary that he regretfully finds himself unable to stand for re-election. It is, however, gratifying to learn that, thanks to the initiative of a member of the Committee, the cost of THE ELIZABETHAN has been substantially reduced, so that in spite of the financial situation there is every hope that this link between Westminsters, past and present, will not be broken.

Among the Honours and Distinctions gained recently by members of the Club the Committee have pleasure in recording the following :

Mr. C. W. Anderson Scott has been awarded the Air Force Cross 'in recognition of the distinguished services rendered to aviation by his recent flights between England and Australia.' Since that date he has regained the record for the swiftest flight between the two countries.

First-class Honours were obtained at Oxford by Mr. L. J. D. Wakely, and at Cambridge by Mr.

THE ELIZABETHAN CLUB.

Dr.

HON. TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1932.

Cr.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To 36 Annual Subscriptions at 10s. 6d. (1 less 6d.)				18	17	6
„ 6 Life Compositions at £3 3s.				18	18	0
„ Terminal Instalments paid through the Bursar :—						
Election Term, 1931	129	3	0			
Play Term, 1931	125	9	6			
Lent Term, 1932	131	15	6			
Completions	1	11	6			
				387	19	6
„ DIVIDENDS ON INVESTMENTS :—						
£2,681 3 3 India 3½%	70	7	8			
250 0 0 Conversion Loan 3½%	6	11	4			
200 0 0 Union of South Africa 5%	7	10	0			
600 0 0 Canada 4%	18	0	0			
200 0 0 New Zealand 4½%	6	15	0			
200 0 0 Australia 5% 1945-75	7	10	0			
400 0 0 Treasury Bonds 5% 1933-35	9	3	9			
„ Interest on Deposit	8	2	3			
				134	0	0
				£559	15	0

	£	s.	d.
By Debit Balance brought forward from 1930-31	15	15	4
„ Fees Returned	4	14	6
„ Vacher & Co.—Pink Book	78	19	6
„ „ Envelopes	2	15	0
„ „ Annual Report and Notices and Envelopes	7	4	6
„ Hon. Secretary—Postage of Pink Book	8	8	1
„ „ Miss Milne—Postage	3	2	9
„ „ Bursar—Secretarial work (1 term)	6	13	4
„ „ Typing—Draft Rules	1	19	4
„ „ Framing Picture—Bishop Morley	0	15	0
„ Hon. Treasurer—Typing—Committee Report	0	16	6
„ „ Cheque Book	0	5	5
„ Donation—To Repair of John Locke Tomb	5	0	0
„ „ Play Cap... ..	10	0	0
„ „ Elson Testimonial	12	16	10
„ Games Section (Mr. P. H. Wyatt)	180	0	0
To Issue of THE ELIZABETHAN (2 terms)	53	0	0
„ Deposit Account, making a total of £250	76	14	11
„ Cash in hand, Hon. Secretary	0	16	11
„ Balance at Bank	89	17	1
	£559	15	0

ERNEST GOODHART, *Hon. Treasurer.*

NOTE AS TO THE HENDERSON BENEFACTION.—The Club holds £200 5% War Loan, the interest from which provides prizes to go, annually, with the various Henderson Challenge Cups. There is a cash balance at this date on this Fund Account of £19 8s. 4d.

Examined and found correct,

June 11, 1932. (Signed) J. C. HOLLOCOMBE, *Hon. Auditor.*

NOTE.—The Old Westminster Record Account has a balance at this date of £18 3s. The Loans by the Governing Body and the Masters' Book Fund have been reduced by a payment of £50 each.

J. W. Grigg, Mr. D. A. G. Hinks, Mr. J. H. Lee, Mr. G. B. Parker and Mr. W. G. Walter. Mr. Hinks has also been elected to a Craven Scholarship.

The Rt. Hon. J. C. C. Davidson, C.H., C.B., M.P., is Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in the National Government.

In the New Year's Honours List :

K.C.I.E. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell, C.S.I., C.I.E., C.B.E.

C.M.G. Mr. D. J. Jardine, O.B.E.

M.V.O. Mr. L. E. Tanner.

Mr. G. A. Ellison was awarded his Blue at Oxford for Rowing, and Mr. K. H. L. Cooper at Cambridge for Football.

We record the formation of yet another section of the Club in the Old Westminsters' Fencing Club under the Secretaryship of Mr. P. P. W. Young, and note with pleasure the success which has attended its first season's activities.

The Football Club is to be congratulated on the large number of victories in its extensive fixture list.

The Cricket Club's 'Fortnight' up Fields proved a popular venture, and was very much enjoyed; it will be repeated this year, starting with the match against the School on July 22.

All those who take part in the games of the Club will be sorry to hear of Mr. Gerrish's retirement from the Secretaryship of the Tennis and Fives Section. His unflinching courtesy and good nature have won the admiration of all who have come into contact with him.

The Westminster Dinner was held, as usual, at the Hyde Park Hotel, in December. The guests of honour were the Dean of Westminster, the Headmaster, Dr. Archibald Fleming and Mr. I. F. Smedley. It was with great pleasure that we noticed the presence of a large number of Masters of the School, to many of whom the Club owes a debt of gratitude for their assistance in its athletic activities.

A Statement of Accounts for the financial year is appended to this Report.

By order of the General Committee,

D. C. SIMPSON,

Hon. Secretary.

June 15, 1932.

OLD WESTMINSTERS FOOTBALL CLUB.

Hon. Secretary—

C. J. PINDER, 49, St. Charles Square, W. 10.

1st Round A.F.A. Senior Cup *versus* West Bridgeford Casuals was played at Nottingham on Saturday, December 12. Result, won 8-2.

The following played for O.W.W.: T. G. A. Benson, J. A. Cook, T. D. Evans, D. E. Ryland,

I. W. A. Symington, E. H. G. Lonsdale, K. J. Gardiner, M. Broadhurst, K. H. L. Cooper, J. D. Argyle, J. W. M. Aitken.

1st Round Arthur Dunn Cup *versus* Old Aldenhamians was played at Vincent Square on Saturday, December 19. Result, lost 2-5. The same team played for O.W.W. as in the 1st Round A.F.A. Cup.

2nd Round A.F.A. Senior Cup *versus* Nottingham University was played at Nottingham on Saturday, January 23. Result, won 4-2. The following played for O.W.W.: W. M. McBride, J. A. Cook, F. M. Radermacher, D. E. Ryland, C. A. Harvey, E. H. G. Lonsdale, N. P. Andrews, M. Broadhurst, K. H. L. Cooper, K. J. Gardiner, J. D. Argyle.

3rd Round A.F.A. Senior Cup *versus* Letchworth Town was played at Vincent Square on Saturday, February 13. Result, lost 0-3. The following played for O.W.W.: W. N. McBride, J. A. Cook, F. M. Radermacher, D. E. Ryland, C. A. Harvey, E. H. G. Lonsdale, K. Brodie, I. W. A. Symington, K. H. L. Cooper, J. D. Argyle, N. P. Andrews.

EASTER TOUR.

To conclude the season a short tour was arranged at Easter, when a return trip was made to Chatellerault, whom we visited in 1930.

A successful and most enjoyable week-end was spent, and we are much indebted to our friends in Chatellerault for the kind hospitality again shown to us.

Two matches were played on the tour, the first on March 27, against Chatellerault, whom we defeated by four goals to two, and the second match against Tours on March 28 was lost by three goals to four.

'B' ELEVEN.

Only a few matches have been arranged for next season as, owing to lack of support, nearly half the matches arranged last year had to be scratched.

However, it is hoped to increase the list of fixtures if a sufficient number of members express their willingness to play regularly. Will any members anxious to assist send in their names to the Honorary Secretary as soon as possible.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held at the School on Tuesday, September 6. Further notice and agenda will be forwarded to members later.

SEASON 1932-33.

First practice match Saturday, September 17.

RESULTS OF MATCHES—SEASON 1931-32.

1931		FIRST ELEVEN.		
Sept.	26—Lancing College	...	...	Won, 4-2
Oct.	3—R.M.C.	...	...	Lost, 1-6
"	10—Highgate School	...	...	Lost, 3-4
"	17—Alleyn Old Boys	...	...	Won, 6-5
"	24—Old Cholmeleians	...	...	Won, 3-2
"	31—Wellingborough School	...	...	Drawn, 4-4
Nov.	7—Aldenhams School	...	...	Won, 3-2
"	14—Army Crusaders	...	...	Won, 3-1
"	21—Guy's Hospital	...	...	Won, 6-4
"	28—University College Hospital	...	...	Won, 7-3
Dec.	5—Old Lyonians	...	...	Lost, 5-6
"	8—Westminster School	...	...	Won, 6-0
"	12—West Bridgeford Casuals (1st Round A.F.A. Senior Cup)	...	...	Won, 8-2
"	19—Old Aldenhamians (1st Round Arthur Dunn Cup)	...	...	Lost, 2-5
"	26—Lancing Old Boys	...	...	Won, 3-2
1932				
Jan.	2—Old Bradfieldians	...	...	Lost, 3-5
"	9—Old Grocers	...	...	Lost, 1-4
"	16—St. Bartholomew's Hospital	...	...	Won, 4-2
"	23—Nottingham University (2nd Round A.F.A. Senior Cup)	...	...	Won, 4-2
"	30—Charterhouse	...	...	Lost, 1-5
Feb.	6—Old Carthusians	...	...	Won, 1-0
"	13—Letchworth Town (3rd Round A.F.A. Senior Cup)	...	...	Lost, 0-3
"	20—Old Chigwellians	...	...	Lost, 1-2
"	27—Westminster School	...	...	Won, 1-0
March	5—H.A.C.	...	...	Lost, 1-4
"	19—Old Foresters	...	...	Lost, 0-1

1931		' A ' ELEVEN.		
Sept.	26—Lancing College 2nd XI	...	...	Lost, 0-1
Oct.	3—St. Edmund's School	...	...	Won, 3-1
"	10—Highgate School 2nd XI	...	...	Drawn, 3-3
"	17—Forest School	...	...	Lost, 1-5
"	24—Ardingly College	...	...	Lost, 0-2
Nov.	14—Christ Church	...	...	Won, 4-1
"	21—King's College 2nd XI	...	...	Won, 7-6
"	28—Old Cholmeleians ' A '	...	...	Lost, 2-5
Dec.	5—Westminster School 2nd XI	...	...	Won, 8-0
"	12—Old Foresters ' A '	...	...	Lost, 3-8
"	19—Old Chigwellians ' A '	...	...	Lost, 2-4
1932				
Jan.	2—Brighton Old Grammarians	...	...	Lost, 1-10
"	9—Old Malvernians ' A '	...	...	Won, 3-2
"	16—Alleyn Old Boys 2nd XI	...	...	Drawn, 4-4
"	30—Charterhouse 2nd XI	...	...	Lost, 1-5
Feb.	6—H.A.C. 2nd XI	...	...	Won, 5-3
"	20—Guy's Hospital 2nd XI	...	...	Lost, 1-5
"	27—Westminster School 2nd XI	...	...	Lost, 5-7
Mar.	5—Trinity College	...	...	Lost, 0-2
"	12—Old Chigwellians ' A '	...	...	Drawn, 5-5
"	19—Bedouins Football Club	...	...	Lost, 0-2

		' B ' ELEVEN.		
Oct.	3—R.M.C. 2nd XI	...	...	Lost, 1-3
"	24—R.M.A. 2nd XI	...	...	Won, 8-1
Dec.	5—Westminster School 3rd XI	...	...	Lost, 0-5
"	12—Old Citizens ' B '	...	...	Lost, 4-7
"	19—Old Citizens ' B '	...	...	Lost, 3-7

SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

	Matches Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.
1st XI	...	26	14	11	1	81 76
' A ' XI	...	21	6	12	3	58 81
' B ' XI	...	5	1	4	—	16 23

GAMES COMMITTEE'S ACCOUNT, 1931-2.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.	
May 19—	Balance in Hand	...	...	...	34 13 9½
July 22—	Per Sir E. Goodhart	...	...	...	60 0 0
Nov. 4—	" " "	...	...	...	60 0 0
Feb. 11—	" " "	...	...	...	60 0 0
					£214 13 9½

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.	
General Expenses	4 3 3½
Cricket	63 13 10
Football	69 12 0
Golf	20 0 0
Rowing	6 2 6
Fives, etc.	15 0 0
Fencing	1 1 0
Balance in hand	35 1 2
					£214 13 9½

FENCING.

The O.W.F.C. has nearly completed its fixtures for this season. Out of twelve matches fought since the Section's formation at Christmas, eight have been won. The remaining match is that against the School on July 16.

The final Committee Meeting of the Club this season took place in the Seventh Form Room on June 24, under the chairmanship of the President, Mr. Manisty. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 29.

Old Westminsters.

In the Birthday Honours Mr. Russell John Reynolds, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., Adviser in Radiology to the Ministry of Pensions, was made a C.B.E., Major Hugh Davies-Colley, F.R.C.S., R.A.M.C., an O.B.E. (Military Division), and Mr. Edward Barclay an O.B.E. (Civil Division).

Mr. C. A. Harvey played for Scotland v. Wales in the Amateur Association Football International match last March.

Mr. M. T. Tudsbery, the Civil Engineer to the British Broadcasting Corporation, has been transferred to the class of full member of the Institution of Civil Engineers (M.Inst.C.E.).

Mr. G. B. Keily was flying in the Flight Aerobatics at Hendon Air Pageant.

Birth.

LAWSON.—On March 11, the wife of Ralph Lawson, of a son.

Marriages.

REA-BRUCE.—On May 21, Findlay Russell Rea to Margaret Hermione, eldest daughter of Lieut.-Col. Kenneth Bruce, of 7, Onslow Gardens, S.W. 7.

RAWSON-STRUB.—On June 1, Wyatt Trevelyan Rawson-Rawson to Hilda Strub (née Neuffer), of Weimar, Germany.

STRAIN-ARROWSMITH.—On June 11, Ernest Douglas Strain to Marjorie, only daughter of the late Edwin Arrowsmith and Mrs. Arrowsmith, of Cheltenham.

Obituary.

WE regret to have to record the death of ARTHUR WILLIAM FULCHER, which took place on May 17. He was a son of Capt. E. W. Fulcher, of the R. Irish Fusiliers, and was admitted up Grant's in 1868. In 1871 he was elected into College and left in July, 1872. At Westminster he was a Cricket Pink, and afterwards he played for Kent, and was a member of the M.C.C. He was also interested in yachting, and was a member of the R.Y.S. Club. At the outbreak of the war he commanded a patrol yacht in the Hebrides, and later was Provost-Marshal, South Irish Command at Queenstown.

In the *Lancet* for May 14 there is a long and appreciative notice of the late Dr. JOHN ABERNETHY WILLETT, whose death we recorded in our last issue. In the course of it the writer pays him the following tribute: 'Joe Willett, as he was generally known in his own small and intimate circle, was a very simple man, both in his professional and his ordinary life. He was not ambitious in the usual sense of the word and did not strive for public fame or consciously seek the approbation of his fellows. So simple was his life-plan that it seemed as if, early in his career, he had recognized his scope and had made up his mind not to go outside it. Within this scope, he was admirable in all he did and said, and was recognised as an absolutely trustworthy man, whose views were sound. The possession of a private income sufficient for his needs enabled him to lead a quiet life (he even kept his name out of the Telephone Directory), and to avoid the fever and fret of private practice. His pleasures and pursuits were just what would be expected: fishing, good

music, and golf—but all enjoyed in a moderate and simple manner. Willett was a sound clinician and a born teacher, and these were the parts of his work which especially appealed to him. He gave of his best to the hospitals he served and the pupils he taught . . . [he] will be missed by many friends who loved him for his simple character and his loyalty to high ideals of conduct.'

Our Contemporaries.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following: *Brighton College Magazine* (2), *Boys' Magazine* (2), *Brigade, Eton College Chronicle* (7), *Cheltonian*, (2), *Clavinian, Salopian* (2), *Kingwell Hall Chronicle, Windsor Lamp, Choate News* (5), *Harrovian* (2), *Haileyburian* (2), *Radlean, Marlburian, Meteor* (2), *Wykehamist* (3), *Ousel, Pauline, Cliftonian, St. Edward's School Chronicle, Shirburnian, Cholmeleian, Reptonian, Edinburgh Academy Chronicle, Blue, Christ's College Register, Bradfield College Chronicle, St. Peter's College Magazine, Corian, Fettesian, Alleynian, Stonyhurst Magazine, Wellingtonian, Malvernian, Felstedian, Carthusian, Sedberghian, Johnn, R.M.A. Magazine.*

THE SCHOOL MISSION.

THE Mission was founded in 1888, and began work as a Boys' Club in Soho. In 1891 it moved to Westminster, and the work is now carried on in the parish of St. Stephen with St. Mary, Westminster.

The Mission is largely responsible for the upkeep of Napier Hall, Hide Place, Vincent Square, where the club-rooms and hall are used by the Parish (Westminster School Mission) Club for young men and boys, and by the 1st (City of Westminster) Troop B.P. Scouts. Religious instruction is provided by the clergy of the parish. Physical training and gymnastic classes, lectures and debates are held, and the club provides a library, billiards, and the usual recreations. The club has its own football and cricket ground. More personal help from Old Westminsters is urgently needed. The Hon. Secretary will give further information gladly to anyone willing to help.

Financial assistance is also given by the Mission to the 'E' (Westminster) Company, 1st Cadet Battalion, London Regiment, 'The Queen's.'

Subscriptions should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, G. L. Barber, Esq., Westminster School. Offers of service and of gifts in kind should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, J. R. Wade, Esq., O.W., 7, Park Gate Gardens, East Sheen, S.W. 14.

NOTICES.

ALL contributions to the October number of THE ELIZABETHAN should reach the Editor at 3, Little Dean's Yard Westminster, S.W. 1, by October 5, 1932.

Contributions must be written on *one side of the paper only*. Back numbers are obtainable from the Editor, price 1s. each.

Subscribers are requested to notify any change of address to the Secretary, 3, Little Dean's Yard, Westminster, S.W. 1.

The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of his correspondents.

THE ELIZABETHAN LITERARY SUPPLEMENT

JULY, MCMXXXII

*We print below the winning entry for the Gumbleton
English Verse Prize :*

OLD CLOTHES.

Old clothes, old sores, old memories,
How long they linger, hid away
In some dark nook, for centuries
To dust and dirt and moths a prey !
But some bright morning in the early spring,
The housewife with her mop and broom
Busy in her tidying
Will find those weeds of long ago.
The Etons of that Christmas Eve—
' A little big—but then, he'll grow '—
That coat 'twas ever short of sleeve.
A wedding dress as fresh as new,
The crumpled orange blossom too.
Will the clothes I wear to-day,
And to-morrow cast away,
Rise in future years to haunt me
With joys of long ago and taunt me
Aged, sorrowful, and grey ?
Burn this raiment !
Let the Fates have payment.

M. V. HUNTER.

' HOLIDAY.'

When I go on my holiday
The weather's always fine,
And when the air is heavy, it smells so strong of
brine
I feel that I'm a king then, and drinking strong
wine.

When I go on my holiday,
I never see the end ;
The marshes bend to heaven, and the wind, who
is my friend,
Bows to me so gracefully, and never fails to lend
An arm to me, as whirling round we take the
homeward trend.

When I go on my holiday
I know that God is there ;
He dulls my last night's agony—I think He hears
my prayer,
For I am back at work again, and happy to be
there.

GERALD ATTENBOROUGH.

[The following poem is taken from a small book
of verse entitled *Fancy Free* by Gerald Atten-
borough (O.W.), and published by Hodder &
Stoughton, and is a characteristic example of
the author's imaginative style of writing.]

THE WIND.

I who have wooed you—laugh in my face !
How can I hold you when your heart blows end-
less space ?
You who will not live with me, but run your own
mad race.
Dancer of the broken skies, dance on in sweeping
grace.

Spiced and brilliant lover, faithless friend,
Your careless hand will pass me, when I am past
the end,
Will fling some wild seed on me, perhaps my
grasses bend—
The blue of sky will open, then I shall laugh, my
friend.

ASPECTS OF SCHOOL LIFE.

I

(From the ' *Rigaudite Review* .')

A School is set in narrow bounds,
And scandal is but small,
But to be first
With news to burst
Is e'er the aim of all.

It may be that an usher hears
A tale, and would know more :
 With gown spread wide
 And hurried stride,
He leaves his form room door.

'Of course I hate to trouble you—
It doesn't matter much ;
 But do you know
 Why so-and-so
Attempted such-and-such ?'

The boy does not, but if he finds
The usher, too, does not,
 There's not a doubt
 He'll not let out
He doesn't know a jot.

He leaves the usher looking glum,
Who *knows* he must have heard ;
 Who cannot see
 Why he should be
So silent and reserved.

The boy goes off with burning zeal,
To see what this may be ;
 He's sure of this—
 He must not miss
An opportunity.

And as he wanders on his way,
A friend arrives with speed—
 'He hasn't seen ?'
 'Why, where's he been ?'
It's there for all to read.'

A notice had been posted up
By two boys, Brown and Jones ;
 They wrote that all
 The meat in Hall
Was naught but fat and bones.

Affrighted at the deed they'd done,
They took their notice down.
 But 'twas too late
 To 'scape their fate,
For doomed were Jones and Brown.

The gossip went from mouth to mouth,
And garbled versions grew.
 The tale became
 Not quite the same,
Each added something new.

A nasty, sneaking little boy,
His parents told one day,
 'But yet this tale
 Will soon be stale,'
He said, 'and fade away.'

A meddler born, his father cried,
'This thing must not die down.'
 He took his pen
 And there and then
He wrote to *Mr. Brown*.

The father, wrathful, called his son—
'Was this the truth he read ?
 That he and Jones
 Threw *mouldy* bones
At some poor master's head ?'

There is a moral in these lines,
Take care your tongue keeps still.
 An idle word,
 As idly heard,
Can never do but ill.

II

Being intelligent I make it a rule
To only know the cleverest in the School,
For intellectual acumen like mine never finds
Anything to talk of but with first-rate minds,
And so with all my energy I will strive
To reduce this academy to four or five,
And in a Library we will discuss
All that is worthy of the α +,
And feel the æsthetics which only can
Be felt by the pupils of a cultured man.

III

Mourn Morden's leafy glades and meadows rare ;
Grove Park, we find, is windy, bleak and bare,
And, rain or shine, is simply drip or swelter :
In either case there is not any shelter.
But what a view from off the hill to see
The Towers of Eltham, Bungalows of Lee :
And there to southward—railway fans in clover—
The Southern Railway's through main line to
Dover.
And soon a grand pavilion, warm and dry ;
But when ?—*Nil desperandum*—by and by.

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SPARROWS.

Black, in the sky, white, on the ground,
Softly the snowflakes drift ;
Crisply the snowflakes crunch,
Wildly the snowflakes lift,
Madly whirled in a scurry round.

Bare are the trees, black are the trees,
Darkly their branches twine,
Stiffly their branches bend,
Sadly their branches whine,
Buffeted sudden by chilly breeze.

Loudly a chaunt breaks on the hush,
 Small joyous voices sing
 'Chip-chipa—chiporee,'
 Blithely the voices ring ;
 Sparrow-buds on a hawthorn bush.



TO A YOUNG LADY, ON PRESENTING HER
 WITH HANDKERCHIEFS.

Happy the birds are in the spring,
 Singing in lofty trees ;
 Culling the sweets of summer blooms,
 Happily work the bees.
 But happier far these handkerchiefs
 That, when the north wind blows,
 Will have the joy unparalleled
 Of wiping Lydia's nose. B. A.



TO PAN.

Pan, Pan, Pan, by the sea-lashed shores,
 Come, O Pan, from the river ;
 Down to the sea where the white, bright oars
 Smite at the mouth of the river :
 Come, where the sea is lashed to foam
 By the warriors eagerly heading for home,
 Who went so bravely forth to roam ;
 Come, O Pan, from thy river.

Bring us dance on the wind-swept grass,
 And song, O Pan, by the river ;
 Give us these that the time may pass,
 And we be glad by the river.
 Give us the glorious rhythm of dance,
 The head thrown back and the flashing glance,
 The music glad which the steps enhance ;
 Give us this by thy river.



SOUL'S DESIRE.

Cold silver ripples on the lake 'neath the moon
 That glitter and swirl,
 Soft breathing winds in the trees at noon,
 And dead leaves whirl,
 Misty blues of the night that soon
 Make flowers furl,
 These hath my soul desired.

Blue sky and the grass underfoot, short-cropped,
 Springy and clean,
 Straight Roman roads that have only stopped
 Where Death has been,
 The rolling hills with *tumuli* topped
 Where the wind is keen,
 These hath my soul desired.

The lighted room and the swaying dance,
 As the tune throbs on,
 The dimness after, the hope of a glance
 When the guests are gone,
 The lone walk home which lone thoughts enhance,
 When the night is done,
 These hath my soul desired.

Fame and the praises of living man,
 And the world's gold,
 Glory by brush, by stage, or by pen,
 And by labour sold,
 Fame that shall set me in men's ken,
 When I am old,
 These hath my soul desired.

All these, the glory, the glitter, the thrill,
 The rapture too
 Hath my soul desired ; yet to be still
 And be true,
 For only this will my soul now fill
 A kiss from you,
 This is my soul's desire. D. B.



A PERSONAL COLUMN.

Superior papers, like superior persons, may be eccentric without losing their reputations, and *The Times* does not consider it beneath its dignity to allow a Personal Column to occupy the top of its front page. *The Times*, no doubt, realises that eminent and respectable people by the score, though they may read regularly nothing else, every morning without fail will pick up their papers, and before performing the sacred rite of turning over or folding back a page, peruse with a quiet interest the agonies of their fellow men.

The Personal Columns contain in many ways the most significant news a paper can offer ; multitudinous human aims and passions are here set out in a curious compressed form, but—' Mick —I Luv U—meet 7 M. Arch—Peg'—is not of interest merely for its style.

In this cryptic statement there is a startling combination of an emotional disposition—'I Luv you,' with a sense of Reality—'meet 7, M. Arch.' The joys of Romance, also, have to submit to the demands of economics.

A love message, if it takes up one printed line, costs only 3s. ; an extra word might cause an extra line, and the price then rises immediately to 5s., subsequent lines cost 2s. 6d. each. But though the charge may be high, the desire for publicity is satisfied. Nobody save 'Peg' is at all likely to be able to break through Mick's incognito, yet thousands are waiting to hear her excuse for failing to turn up in to-morrow's paper.

'Oh, Puggy Wuggy—on the stage thought "Him" was even more flawless and beautiful than I had ever imagined him to be. Darting about on the stage "Him's" back enthralled me, and held me spellbound.' I am certain that this was correctly interpreted by the correct people, and that the plot succeeded, and yet, perhaps 'Him' was so adorable that 12s. 6d. had to be expended to tell 'Puggy Wuggy' the great news.

There are, of course, innumerable personals of a less mysterious nature, certainly less nefarious, perhaps more tragic, with their decent middle-class reserve. There are things a gentleman cannot say, so apply Box No.—. 'Gentleman (27), tall, ed. Public School, WANTS WORK. High ref., can do anything outdoors.' Just above this depressing plea is a Bible question: 'How long did old Job live after the days of his affliction.' Gentleman (27) might do worse than buy to-morrow's paper for the answer.



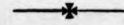
THE CALL OF WESTMINSTER.

(With apologies to H. V. Morton.)

I walked out of Victoria Street into peace. First, the cloisters of the grey Abbey, cool and

quiet, the scene of so much past, and, we hope, present holiness. How pleasant to while away a hot summer afternoon in the sacred precincts! But a short step and we are greeted with a small, perfect fountain, its spray glistening in the sun. The cloister leads to a square yard, partly cobbled, partly gravelled, round which are grouped the ancient houses of the School of Westminster, peopled by neat, black-coated boys, all eager to do their bit for old England, and to learn to be useful members of the Empire. Their heritage is indeed a great one, for their foundress was Good Queen Bess. But it is the Abbey that affects us most, with its organ, the purest in tone that I know, save that of Durham, Truro, and Salisbury; its towering arches, and its mighty tombs. Why, here they come, all those kings and queens, in rustling silks and satin sheen, right down the pageant of the ages. Here they come, filling this hallowed spot with pregnant memories.

Outside, in the street, the buses rumbled. . . .



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