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GREEN.

YEAR after year we are confronted with the same problem, and year after year we have had to confess ourselves unable to solve it: how are we to produce a capable line of forwards? We can suggest no immediate remedy for this fatal defect—for the present we must simply make the best of what material we have got. But the cause, or at any rate the chief cause, seems fairly obvious. In the old days (alas! how long ago they seem!) there was far more time given up to football by every single boy in the school—whether good at the game or bad, whether strong or weak, whether fast or slow—than the most promising junior player gives nowadays. The old love for the game was

so passionate a love. Every spare moment was given up to kicking about, or shooting at goal. Then we never lacked for forwards. It was forwards for which Westminster was famous. How does the matter stand now? We always have a fair defence: of late years, in fact, we have had a very strong defence indeed; and it may be urged that this shows there cannot be the lamentable lack of interest in football which we contend actually does exist. Our reply is simply this: when a team is weak in forwards the defence is naturally given twice the amount of work that it ought really to be given. A good line of forwards takes an enormous strain off the defence, simply because the opposing defence have their hands so full merely in keeping their own goal intact that they have not half the chances of

making openings for their own forwards that they would have otherwise. As it is, our defence cannot help becoming fairly good, through having such an abnormal amount of work to do in every match. Their comparative goodness therefore does not point to the fact that they have spent much of their time in Green.

There is no doubt that Green has played a great part in the turning out of forwards, whose name will never be forgotten in the world of football. There is equally no doubt that Green is not used nearly enough at present. There is some very real truth in the old adage: 'Learn to dribble before learning to pass.' It is many years now since the passing game superseded the dribbling game; and it is often contended that those who make themselves good dribblers are always inclined to be selfish, unless they first turn their attention to the art of passing. But, on the other hand, what is the use of a forward who has no control over the ball? And control over the ball is only gained by infinite practice of the by no means useless or contemptible art of dribbling. Of course *ne quid nimis* applies to this as well as to everything else. A line of forwards who cannot combine, however great their individual powers of dribbling may be, are as useless as a line of good passers with no control over the ball. For to be able to get rid of the ball to advantage is not the same as, and does not imply the power of, keeping the ball to advantage.

Our advice, then, is: let us all show more affection for Green—the nurse of so many great footballers. It will not be out of place to quote a few lines from the October number of the ELIZABETHAN for 1875: 'One grand advantage which Westminster now possesses, and has possessed from time immemorial over other schools, is the privilege of playing in Green, to which may be in great measure attributed the reputation we enjoy in the football world, and the success of several individual players.' Quarter of a century after that was written we still continued to appreciate our 'advantage,' and to produce our full share of first-class

forwards. We will produce many more in the future; but not if we forget Green. Everything, unfortunately, goes to substantiate our accusation of want of interest and keenness. The shooting on Saturday afternoons, in spite of all the efforts made of late years to improve it, has made very little, if any, improvement. Again, after the match, what astonishment there would be if a few small football enthusiasts had a 'kick about' instead of joining in the rush for the 'huts'! Yet it was no uncommon sight some years ago. Let us see it again.

In conclusion, the system of football which obtains at present could not be bettered. All the conditions are favourable, and we ought to have no difficulty in putting a thoroughly good team into the field, whether for a 1st XI. match, or a 2nd XI. All that is lacking is the right spirit. Let it be lacking no longer, but let all—we appeal not to promising players alone, but to the most unpromising as well—put their whole heart and strength into every game of football that they play, let them take every single opportunity for practising, if it be only a few minutes; and Westminster will have her full share of first-class forwards once more. This season has not opened too auspiciously for us, but let us not be dismayed by half-a-dozen defeats. Let us not look back, but forward, and quit ourselves like men.

WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

Omitted from the July issue:

- BATTELEY, OLIVER, b. 1697, K.S. 1712, left 1716, d. 1766. Divine.
 BINCKS, WILLIAM, K.S. 1668, d. 1712. Divine.
 BOLD, HENRY, left 1651, d. 1677. Divine.
 BOURKE, SIR RICHARD, b. 1777, d. 1855. Soldier.
 BRANDE, WILLIAM THOMAS, b. 1788, d. 1866. Professor of Chemistry.
 CHURCH, RALPH, b. 1708, K.S. 1721, left 1725, d. 1787. Divine.
 (?) BANKES, WILLIAM JOHN, d. 1855. Eastern traveller.
 (?) BINGHAM, SIR GEORGE RIDOUT, b. 1777, d. 1833. Soldier.
 (?) BOYLE, HENRY LORD CARLETON, d. 1725. Politician.

Continued from the July issue :

COLQUHOUN, Sir PATRICK MAC CHOMBAICH, b. 1815, adm. 1826, left 1832, d. 1891. Diplomatist, author, and oarsman.

CONDUIT, JOHN, b. 1688, K.S. 1701, left 1705, d. 1737. Master of the Mint.

CONOLLY, Right Hon. THOMAS, b. 1738, d. 1803. Irish politician.

CONYBEARE, JOHN JOSIAS, b. 1779, K.S. 1793, left 1797, d. 1824. Geologist and scholar.

CONYBEARE, WILLIAM DANIEL, b. 1787, d. 1857. Geologist; Dean of Llandaff.

CONYBEARE, WILLIAM JOHN, b. 1815, adm. 1828, d. 1857. Author and divine.

COOPER, JOHN GILBERT, b. 1723, d. 1769. Miscellaneous writer.

COOPER, THOMAS, left 1586. Divine.

COOTE, HOLMES, b. 1815, adm. 1826, d. 1872. Surgeon.

CORBET, RICHARD, b. 1582, left 1598, d. 1635. Bishop of Oxford and Norwich.

CORBETT, THOMAS, K.S. 1701, d. 1751. Secretary to the Admiralty.

CORFE, ARTHUR THOMAS, b. 1773, adm. 1783, d. 1863. Musician and composer.

(?) CORNWALLIS, WILLIAM, left 1597. Can this be Sir William Cornwallis, essayist, d. 1631?

(?) CORVATE, THOMAS, b. 1577 (?), d. 1617. Traveller.

COTTER, GEORGE SACKVILLE, b. 1753 (?), K.S. 1765, left 1771, d. 1831. Author and translator.

COTTON, Sir CHARLES, Bart., b. 1753, adm. 1767, d. 1812. Admiral.

COTTON, GEORGE EDWARD LYNCH, b. 1813, adm. 1825, K.S. 1828, left 1832, d. 1866. Bishop of Calcutta.

COTTON, HENRY, b. 1790, K.S. 1803, left 1807, d. 1879. Bibliographer and historian.

COTTON, Sir JOHN HINDE, Bart., d. 1752. Jacobite.

COTTON, Sir ROBERT BRUCE, Bart., b. 1571, d. 1631. Antiquary; collector of the Cottonian Library.

COTTON, Sir ST. VINCENT, Bart., b. 1801, adm. 1815, left 1817, d. 1863. Patron of sport.

COTTON, Sir STAPLETON, Viscount Combermere, b. 1773, adm. 1785, left 1789, d. 1865. Field-Marshal.

COURTENAY, HENRY REGINALD, b. 1741, K.S. 1755, left 1759, d. 1803. Bishop of Exeter.

COURTENAY, THOMAS PEREGRINE, b. 1782, K.S. 1796, left 1799, d. 1841. Politician and author.

COURTENAY, WILLIAM REGINALD, 11th Earl of Devon, b. 1807, adm. 1818, left 1824, d. 1888. Politician and philanthropist.

COWLEY, ABRAHAM, b. 1618, K.S., left 1636, d. 1667. Poet.

COWPER, SPENCER, b. 1669, d. 1727. Judge.

(?) COWPER, WILLIAM, 1st Earl, d. 1723. Lord Chancellor.

COWPER, WILLIAM, b. 1731, adm. 1741, left 1749, d. 1800. Poet.

COXE, HENRY OCTAVIUS, b. 1811, adm. 1821, left 1829, d. 1881. Palæographer.

CRACHERODE, CLAYTON MORDAUNT, b. 1730, K.S. 1742, left 1746, d. 1799. Bibliophile.

CRAMER, JOHN ANTHONY, b. 1793, K.S. 1807, left 1811, d. 1848. Dean of Carlisle.

CREIGHTON, ROBERT, b. 1593, K.S., left 1613, d. 1672. Bishop of Bath and Wells; scholar and translator.

CREIGHTON, ROBERT, b. 1639 (?), left 1655, d. 1736. Canon and Precentor of Wells; scholar and composer.

CROKER, TEMPLE HENRY, b. 1730 (?), K.S. 1743, left 1746, d. 1790 (?). Miscellaneous writer.

CUMBERLAND, RICHARD, b. 1732, adm. 1744, left 1746, d. 1811. Dramatist.

CUMBERLAND, RICHARD FRANCIS GEORGE, b. 1792, left 1802, d. 1870. A.-D.-C. to the Duke of Wellington, 1812-14.

HALL EPIGRAMS.

(Theses: Parturiunt montes.
ἠρήμεθα αἰρούνρες.)

MANY of the Epigrams recited at Election Dinner were clever and original; while the rest, even if they lacked the charm of novelty, possessed at least the saving qualities of style. As a whole, they were decidedly superior to last year's productions and deserved the hearty applause with which they were greeted. The first thesis ('Great cry and little wool') suggested some uncomplimentary remarks on the Government—*e.g.* :

Parturiunt montes.

The Liberal mount parturient, the product but a mouse?
And that with all the Labour Members busy in the House!
For of eighteen months' hard labour we may state the total sum:

'Insure domestic servants at a half-crown premium.'

In another instance the Prime Minister was made to threaten the House of Lords after the fashion of Neptune scolding the unruly winds:

Parturiunt montes.

'Num poterunt proceres populi contemnere vocem?
Quos ego—'; sed mera vox 'Quos ego' restat adhuc.

But anon he spoke to better effect:

ἠρήμεθα αἰρούνρες.

ἠρήμεθα αἰρούνρες means 'We take just what we choose, Say the Lords when Liberal measures they light-heartedly refuse.

'To your motto,' cries Aquilifer, 'I've a rendering more fit, And you'll find—some day—quite possibly, it means "The biter bit."'

Some of the best pieces touched on the affairs of the outer world :

Parturiunt montes.

Russia was bidden to rejoice—
The nation now should find its voice,
And might in sanguine mood presume a
Healing of discord from the Duma.
The specious tidings swiftly flow
To Yalta's sun—to Lapland's snow,
The chosen of the people come
To muster by St. Isaac's dome ;
But those who watch the game believe
The ' Tchín ' is laughing in its sleeve,
And ere the work is well begun
The word's ' Dissolve,' and nought is done.
'Tis true that after ample space
Of time, a second takes its place,
But like its predecessor fated
To find its term is ante-dated.
As number two, so three and four
Will in their turn be shown the door.
The whole conclusion of the matter—
To meet, to talk, and then to scatter.

Our old friend the Suffragist, though less in evidence than last year, was not altogether neglected :

αἰροῦντες ἡρήμεθα.

A lady who entered a car looked amazed ;
No seat appeared vacant, and no one would stir ;
Till a voice from the far end was suddenly raised :
' Do you claim women's rights, Ma'am ? '—' Decidedly,
Sir !'
' Then here I will show you an excellent plan
To obtain what you want : just stand up, like a man.'

The 'auctore' epigrams were of average merit.
One of them tells a woeful tale :

αἰροῦντες ἡρήμεθα.

If you want an empty carriage when you're travelling by rail
Just follow my prescription—I've never known it fail :
Say that you've just had measles, and infection's still about ;
And all your fellow-passengers will hurry quickly out.
' Oh yes ! I tried that once ; instead, I heard a person yell :
' Guard ! here's a man infectious in a public vehicle ' ;
I never got a place at all, much less the seat I sought ;
I said that I was catching, but I found that I was caught.'

Those who have suffered the throes of original composition will sympathise with the writers of the following :

Parturiunt montes.

Illi proposito diu per horas
Longas incubui, toro relicto.
' At quid tot pariunt,' rogas, ' labores ? '—
Tantum quos potes hic videre versus.

Parturiunt montes.

Three weeks of restless nights and days,
Three weeks of toil and cram ;
Three weeks of feverish industry—
At last, an epigram !

We conclude our quotations with a new version of a familiar ta'e, ' all composed in a metre of Catullus ' :

αἰροῦντες ἡρήμεθα.

Forte marmoreum in caput Palladis galeatae
ales ipsa deae volat desidētque quieta.
Templa quidam init artium callidus sibi visus ;
ridet alitis increpans rostra dissona veris,
pluma mollitie ut vacet, forma desit ut ungui,
' insciens ' que ait ' artifex ut deam dehonestat.'
Magna vox ciet alitem ; se movet, quatit, aufert :
risus ortus ab omnibus, stat pudore homo mutus.

GUMBLETON ENGLISH VERSE,
1907.

HERCULANEUM.

HIGH in the heavens blazed the August sun,
Showering a thousand kisses on the waves,
That softly murmured rippling to the shore.
In Herculaneum the market roared
With countless tongues that chattered but in vain ;
And from the meadows came the peaceful low
Of cattle, and the herdsman's heart was glad.
Nor was there sign of fear nor note of doom
To warn them of the fiery death in store.

Lo ! on the mountain-top a little cloud,
That deep'ning grew and darkened all the sky :
As when long years ago, in Israel,
A little cloud rose at the prophet's call
And dark'ning grew till all the heavens were black.
Then fell there fear on Herculaneum.
And the pale townsmen, gazing in affright,
Saw from the mountain's crest a flame ascend,
And heard as in a dream the High Priest's cry :
' The gods ! the gods ! the vengeance of the gods !
The gods have touched the mountains, and they
smoke.

Haste to the sacrifices, lest the flame
Consume you and the earth devour you quick.'
Then turned they to the altars of the gods ;
Nor found they in the sacrifice relief ;
For still the heavens darkened, and there fell
A shower of dust volcanic ; and the flame,
Cresting the mountain-tops, shone yet more bright.
Then panic fell upon them and they fled,
Nor knew which way they turned nor what they
feared :
For with the dust was mingled pois'nous gas,
That choked their breath and made them gasp for air.

And as in Indian jungles far away,
When mighty elephants are penned at last
Within the keddah, and the ring of lights
Blazes around them with a smoky glare
Till all the forest seems alive with fire,
And panic seizes them : now here they rush,

Now there, nor know they clearly where to turn,
 But blindly dash themselves against the pines :
 So madly through the city rushed the crowd,
 With horse and foot in wild confusion blent,
 And high-born ladies jostled low-born slaves,
 And greasy wrestlers elbowed noble lords.
 Yet some there were that fled not with the rest :
 The Roman sentries stationed at their posts
 Stayed still on guard, though to remain was death :
 As once in later years and other climes
 A British soldier stayed (whose name yet lives
 The soldiers' nickname and the soldiers' pride)
 And fell beneath the Sepoys' murdering swords.
 And now more fiercely raged the storm, the night
 Torn with a thousand glittering tongues of fire ;
 And shrieks were heard and lamentations loud
 And cries of pain, where fell the fiery shower
 Of lava ; and the darken'd street beneath
 Lay ankle-deep in dust and molten rock.
 Now here, now there a building caught alight,
 Increasing the dread horror of the hour :
 For as the buildings burnt, crashed stones and
 beams
 Down on the street ; and many stricken fell
 And left the flight ere half the night was done.
 And some there were that reach'd the shore and
 found
 Their boats high beach'd (but some already blazed),
 Nor was there certain safety on the waves :
 For through the constant shaking of the earth
 The waves were swollen and the sea rose high,
 And many a craft was swallowed by the deep.
 And now the cries grew fainter : for the crowd
 Was thinned, and many sank to rise no more,
 And those that lived too weary were to cry ;
 Till presently the shouting died away.
 Yet still the storm continued till the land
 Was covered with the ashes and the dust,
 And o'er the ruined city and the fields
 There reigned a solitude that seemed a peace.
 A. E. F. W.

P.S.B. CAMP, 1907.

ON Tuesday, July 30, the Camp detachment, under the command of Lieutenant Orr, went down to Aldershot, numbering about the same as usual. There were 500 more in the Brigade than last year, so the camping ground was changed from Government House Grounds, where there was no longer room, to Danger Hill, just outside. For the first time the School had its own Sergeant-Major in Sergeant-Major Melican, the Inns of Court having supplied one hitherto. The detachment formed a company with Harrow under Major Stogdon. We were, as usual, in the 4th Battalion, under Captain Lord Henniker. On Wednesday and Thursday there were no field-days, three battalion parades taking place

each day. On Wednesday Westminster supplied the guard. On Thursday a 220 yards race, open to members of the Brigade, took place at the Army Athletic Meeting at Aldershot. Though we sent in several representatives we were unfortunately unsuccessful. On Friday morning we paraded at 6.55 A.M. for a field-day, and in the afternoon the Brigade was formed up in line and afterwards practised the march past. On Saturday, after another morning field-day, the Brigade was inspected by Major-General Grierson, C.V.O., C.B., C.M.G., and afterwards marched past by Schools. On Monday a field-day was in full swing, when an unfortunate accident to one of the Repton Company cut the proceedings short. On Tuesday morning savage warfare was practised, and in the afternoon, in torrents of rain, the Brigade was inspected by Lord Roberts, during field operations in an attack on Camp. Wednesday put an end to an exceedingly enjoyable and successful week. Captain the Earl of Liverpool, commanding No. 2 Battalion, offered a cup to the company which was smartest in its lines and general turn-out. In the 4th Battalion Westminster were runners-up to Berkhamsted, the winners. The company is to be congratulated on its general smartness in camp and in the field. It is to be hoped that next year a larger contingent will turn out, both to enjoy themselves for a week and to support the reputation of the Company.

THE CADET CORPS.

The following fresh promotions were made this term :—

To be Sergeants.—Lance-Sergt. K. R. H. Jones, Corps. G. P. Chapman and W. H. C. Hardy.

To be Lance-Sergeants.—Corps. H. J. Davis and F. G. Hobson ; Lance-Corps. C. H. L. Circuit and E. C. Clarke.

To be Corporals.—Ptes. E. W. R. Hadden, A. E. Rice-Oxley, C. S. Dicker, and M. D. Methven.

To be Lance-Corporals.—Ptes. Covington, G. G. Williams, R. Williams, Benvenisti, Geare, Blizard, Elsdon, Cowie, Walker, Tunncliffe, Watson, and Claremont.

School Notes.

THE Play this year is the *Famulus* of Terence ; the Play Nights are December 12, 16, and 18.

The Mission Offertory on St. Luke's Day amounted to £3. 18s. 2d. ; on SS. Simon and Jude's Day to £3. 12s. 2d. ; and on All Saints' Day to £3. 6s. 1d.

The Passage for Play Term Orations is the King's soliloquy in *Hamlet*, Act iii., Scene 3. The trial will be held on November 8.

Half the Gumbleton Prize for English Verse has been awarded to A. E. F. Wood.

There will be a Sat : Sun : Mon : on November 9, 10, 11.

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

1907

Sat.	Sept. 28	v. Old Lancing Boys.	(Lost, 1-5.)
"	Oct. 5	v. Old Westminsters.	(Lost, 1-5.)
"	2nd XI.	v. O.WW. (A)	(Drawn, 0-0.)
"	Oct. 12	2nd XI. v. King's Coll. (A)	(Lost, 0-3.)
Wed.	Oct. 16	v. Old Brightonians.	(Lost, 0-6.)
Sat.	" 19	v. Casuials.	(Lost, 0-6.)
Wed.	" 23	2nd XI. v. Oxford House.	(Drawn, 0-0.)
Sat.	" 26	v. R.M.A. Woolwich.	(Lost, 0-4.)
"	Nov. 2	v. Emeriti.	(Drawn, 1-1.)
"	" 9	v. Old Wykehamists.	(Scratched.)
"	" 16	v. Royal Engineers.	
"	2nd XI.	v. O.WW. (A)	
"	Nov. 23	v. Brasenose Coll., Oxon.	
"	" 30	v. Old Felstedians.	
"	Dec. 7	v. Old Berkhamstedians.	
"	" 14	v. Old Etonians.	

1908.

Sat.	Jan. 18	v. King's College, Cambridge.
"	2nd XI.	v. O.WW. (A)
"	Jan. 25	v. Casuials.
"	Feb. 1	v. Beckenham.
Wed.	" 5	v. Mr. S. S. Harris's XI.
Sat.	" 8	v. Exeter Coll., Oxon.
"	2nd XI.	v. King's Coll. (A)
Wed.	Feb. 12	v. Old Westminsters.
Sat.	" 15	v. Lincoln Coll., Oxon.
Thurs.	" 20	v. Winchester College (at Winchester).
Sat.	" 22	v. R.M.C. Sandhurst.
"	2nd XI.	v. O.WW. (A)
"	Feb. 29	v. Charterhouse (at Vincent Square).
"	Mar. 7	v. Old Aldenhamians.
"	" 14	v. Mr. L. A. M. Fever's XI.
"	" 21	K.SS. v. T.BB.

The following is the card of the Debating Society for Play Term 1907, filled in to date :—

Oct. 3.—'That this House would approve of Reform in the House of Lords.' Proposer, S. McKenna; Seconder, D. M. Low; Opposer, D. J. Jardine. (Lost by acclamation.)

Oct. 10.—'That this House would welcome a re-introduction of Lawn Tennis at Westminster.' Proposer, A. E. F. Wood; Seconder, R. M. Barrington-Ward; Opposer, J. C. Gow. (Lost by acclamation.)

Oct. 17.—'That this House would welcome a Reform in the Powers of Local Bodies.' Proposer, K. R. H. Jones; Seconder, E. D. Adrian; Opposer, G. G. Williams. (Carried, 18-7.)

Oct. 24.—'That this House approves of Mr. Chamberlain's Fiscal Proposals.' Proposer, F. G. Turner; Seconder, A. G. Hinchliffe; Opposer, W. B. Harris. (Carried, 12-11.)

Oct. 31.—'That this House approves of the Court of Criminal Appeal.' Proposer, A. S. R. Macklin; Seconder, H. J. Davis; Opposer, E. W. Williamson.

'That this House approves of Compulsory Military Training.' Proposer, J. W. Ferguson; Seconder, C. C. Treatt; Opposer, L. E. Tanner.

'That this House would approve of Co-education.' Proposer, E. S. Wood; Seconder, J. S. Heaton-Ellis. Opposer, R. H. Williams.

'That this House deplores the Sale of South Wales Coal to Foreign Powers.' Proposer, E. C. Clarke; Seconder, C. B. Bonner; Opposer, R. E. C. Gordon.

'That this House would approve of a Limit of 300 Acres on Estates in this Country.' Proposer, G. P. Chapman; Seconder, F. G. Hobson; Opposer, B. S. Horner.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL v. LANCING OLD BOYS.

THIS match was played Up Fields on Saturday, September 28, and resulted in a disappointing defeat. The visitors won the toss, and Geare kicked off from the Hospital end at 2.50. The School pressed for a short time, Harris making a good run up the field, but failing to centre. Our goal was then in danger, and though Treatt negotiated one shot successfully the opposing forwards were not to be denied, and opened the scoring with a ground shot (0-1). Shortly after a penalty was given in our favour, but we failed to take advantage of it. We then pressed for some time, but without success, owing to our very bad shooting. Five minutes before the interval Lancing scored again (0-2). Some very even play ensued after half-time, the School showing up better, and at length a centre from Harris was rushed through by Bonner (1-2). After this, however, there was a lamentable breakdown. The visitors scored three times in quick succession, leaving us beaten, 1-5.

For the visitors, the three inside forwards, the centre-half and the backs were the pick of a keen, fast team. The form shown by the School, with one or two exceptions, was very poor. Gow played a hard-working game at centre-half, and Harris, when he got the ball, was excellent, but the rest of the forwards gave him little support.

Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

C. C. Treatt (goal); J. W. Ferguson and K. R. H. Jones (backs); A. W. Peacock, J. C. Gow, and A. E. Rice-Oxley (half-backs); A. Wood, C. B. Bonner, J. Geare, C. Circuit, and W. B. Harris (forwards).

LANCING OLD BOYS.

A. Stephens (goal); H. B. Neely and N. B. Allen (backs); A. C. Greenfield, H. B. Drake, and L. W. Hudson (half-backs); A. A. Bartrum, R. G. C. Mackarness, H. C. Greenfield, D. Hilton, and G. H. G. Burroughs (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* OLD WESTMINSTERS.

THIS match, played Up Fields on Saturday, October 5, resulted in another defeat. We were unfortunately without Harris's services as he had hurt his leg on the Wednesday. Treatt lost the toss and Geare kicked off from the Church end at 2.45. The start was most discouraging, O.W.W. scoring three goals in the first eight minutes through Blaker (2) and Gover. Every one of the shots was almost impossible to save. The defence, however, which at first had seemed quite demoralised, now pulled itself together and things looked more hopeful. We cleared two corners successfully and held our own for some time, but eventually Harris ran through and scored with a low cross shot that gave Treatt no chance (0-4). The fifteen minutes that preceded the interval saw a rather more even game, no more goals being scored. After half-time O.W.W. had only four forwards playing, as Kent fractured his collar-bone and had to leave the field, Blaker going back to goal. But notwithstanding this weakening of their forward line they gave the School defence no rest. About fifteen minutes after the interval the ball was transferred to the enemy's country and Circuit scored from a mêlée in front of goal (1-4). This put new heart into the defence, and O.W.W. only added one more goal to their score, Harris running through and putting in another splendid shot (1-5). For the last quarter of an hour our defence was further tested, but by doggedness and some luck resisted the attack successfully.

The School defence is to be congratulated on a very plucky attempt to cope with such a strong forward line. Ashley played a sound game at centre-half, but the visitors' defence was not tested very hard.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

C. C. Treatt (goal); C. G. Reed and K. R. H. Jones (backs); A. W. Peacock, J. C. Gow, and A. E. Rice-Oxley (half-backs); J. W. Ferguson, C. B. Bonner, J. Geare, C. Circuit, and D. L. Summerhays (forwards).

O.W.W.

C. Kent (goal); M. C. Hondret and W. Parker (backs); A. A. Milne, F. N. Ashley, and H. Plaskitt (half-backs); H. S. Bompas, C. C. Gover, R. N. R. Blaker, S. S. Harris, and A. P. Davey (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. *v.* OLD WESTMINSTERS A.

Played Up Fields on Saturday, October 5, resulting in a draw. Play was very even throughout, though the O.W.W. should have scored two or three times, their shooting being weak. For the School all played well, the defence on both sides being especially good, as the score (0-0) testifies. The visitors brought down a strong team, and the result of the game was very creditable to the 2nd XI.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

F. G. Turner (goal); P. H. Wyatt and J. C. Formilli (backs); E. C. Clarke, T. May, and S. D. Graham (half-backs); G. Goodale, A. M. Harding, G. G. Feasey, R. M. Barrington-Ward, and J. S. Heaton-Ellis (forwards).

OLD WESTMINSTERS A.

H. C. Pedler (goal); G. Hepburn and A. T. Willett (backs); J. C. Davidson, R. P. Mears, and H. L. Geare (half-backs); H. C. McPherson, R. Barnett, H. F. Chatterton, E. T. Coleby, and E. Moore (forwards).

Unfortunately no notes were taken of this match.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL 2ND XI. *v.* KING'S COLLEGE A.

This match was played Up Fields on the Big Game ground on Saturday, October 12, and resulted in a defeat. The School kicked off from the Church end at 2.40, and for most of the first half had by far the best of the game. The visitors opened the score, however, ten minutes after the beginning of the game, a misunderstanding between Wood and Reed resulted in their centre forward heading through (0-1). The ball was kept in our opponents' territory right on until half-time, our forwards miserably failing to take advantage of their opportunities. Within ten minutes after the interval the visitors had added two more goals through their outside-left and inside-right, neither of which gave Wood any chance. Play after this was of even a more scrambling and unscientific character than before, and time came leaving us beaten 0-3. The display given by our forwards was wretched in the extreme. Ferguson showed up well in the first half, but the insides' shooting was very bad, Bonner being, perhaps, the worst offender in this respect. Team:—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

A. Wood (goal); C. G. Reed and P. H. Wyatt (backs); A. W. Peacock, J. C. Gow, and E. C. Clarke (half-backs); J. W. Ferguson, C. B. Bonner, G. G. Feasey, A. M. Harding, and D. L. Summerhays (forwards).

KING'S COLLEGE.

T. H. Goose (goal); W. Walker and A. G. Carpenter (backs); W. B. Haughton, M. Ormrod, and D. W. Hoodless (half-backs); T. H. Pears, E. P. Larkin, E. E. Blask, M. Lewis, and W. Thieme (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* OLD BRIGHTONIANS.

On Wednesday, October 16, the School met with another defeat, for which there was less excuse than for either of the two preceding ones. The ground was wet and slippery, with the inevitable result that the play was mostly confined to the centre of the field, this in turn necessitating a considerable congestion in the defence on either side. It is, therefore,

not surprising that the School halves and backs did not acquit themselves quite so well, as such a condition of the ground always proves a greater handicap to the defence than to the attack. The School won the toss, and the visitors kicked off from the Church end at 2.50. Their three insides at once showed that they would give trouble, especially as all the conditions were in their favour. They opened their score through their inside-left, and later on their centre-forward added a second. The same player scored the first goal after the interval. After this we put up a strong defence for some time, clearing a couple of corners. Unfortunately, however, Jones miskicked just in front of goal, and the ball screwed into the net (0-4). The visitors ran straight through from the kick-off, their inside-right half-volleying a high pass between the posts (0-5). For the rest of the game it was the visitors' right-wing that troubled us most, the inside being especially good. Our forwards did some pressing, Summerhays being ruled off-side time after time. Just on time there was a scrimmage in front of our goal, and the visitors' centre-forward headed through (0-6). For the School Oxley and Gow played a splendid game. The forwards were even less help than before Teams :—

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

C. C. Treatt (goal); K. R. H. Jones and W. R. Horton (backs); A. W. Peacock, J. C. Gow, and A. E. Rice-Oxley (half-backs); J. W. Ferguson, G. G. Feasey, J. Geare, T. May, and D. L. Summerhays (forwards).

OLD BRIGHTONIANS.

A. H. Belcher (goal); L. F. Duckworth and A. I. Carr (backs); C. E. H. Thomas, L. O. Gilliat, and F. L. King (half-backs); H. K. Pearce, C. E. Hoffmeister, B. Righton, L. A. Godfree, and S. A. Wheeler (forwards).

THE LEAGUE.

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

Captains :—

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| A.—E. S. Wood. | E.—G. L. Troutbeck. |
| B.—H. G. Hill. | F.—J. Goodall. |
| C.—H. J. Davis. | G.—H. F. Rawson. |
| D.—R. H. Williams. | H.—K. D. Murray. |

DEBATING SOCIETY.

At the first ordinary meeting of the Term, held on October 3, the House discussed the Motion :—

'That this House would welcome reform in the House of Lords.'

The PROPOSER (S. McKenna, Esq.) said that he would like the House to regard the House of Lords from an impartial standpoint. The Lords are a partisan House, and do not represent the deliberate judgment of the nation, holding hereditary views. For instance, no Tory bill has been thrown out for forty years, while no Liberal has been passed without great opposition. The Lords are irregular in attendance; many peers have never attended, many never speak. They are responsible to no one, and so intimidation is necessary. For the bill removing disabilities was only passed when the place seemed too hot for them. Heredity is no surety of worth, but is only the survival of an obsolete system. It is ridiculous to hand the financial control over to the Commons but not let them legislate.

The OPPOSER (D. J. Jardine, Esq.) said that we must look back on the seventy years that have passed since the opposition between the two Houses began. The first Reform Bill was justly rejected because of the bye-elections taking place at the time, and the general hasty and bad formation of the Bill. In no case had a bill been thrown out except on the ground of inadequacy, and in no case had the House of Lords acted contrary to its *raison d'être*. The principle of hereditary monarchy benefits the nation; so the Lords. They have the benefit of superior education; and many are specialists on certain points. It is hardly the time now to consider reform: for the Lords are a great defence against the Socialists.

The SECONDER (D. M. Low) made a few remarks, contradicting the OPPOSER's speech, and said that the Socialistic tendency cannot be checked.

W. B. HARRIS said that, owing to the hereditary principle, Pitt was nearly forced to go into the Upper House, where he would have been unable to bring the country out of its financial difficulties.

E. D. ADRIAN wished to know whether moderate reforms were proposed or not.

A. C. BOULT said that the throne of England is, strictly, elective, but is hereditary for convenience sake.

The PROPOSER, in concluding the debate, said that the Opposer had not stated what the *raison d'être* of the House of Lords was. The Lords do not represent the nation's judgment, seeing that the Motions proposed by the members returned by the

whole country are refused. It is absurd to say that the Commons are unfit to legislate; while the Lords, on the other hand, are not in touch with the nation. As regards the hereditary monarchy, the King has no real political influence.

The Motion, being then put before the House, was lost by acclamation.

The House met on Thursday, October 10, to consider the Motion: 'That this House would welcome a re-introduction of Lawn Tennis at Westminster.'

The PROPOSER (The Secretary) said that the chief objections to Lawn Tennis at a Public School were: (i) that it afforded great scope for ragging, and (ii) that it diverted players from cricket and football. The first objection was a slur on the Monitorial; for the second he would endeavour to prove that Lawn Tennis did good to cricket. This he did at some length, and then went on to point out the advantages of Lawn Tennis over cricket and football in after life, and the need for young players in England; remarking that we ought to enter for the Public Schools Tennis Tournament.

The OPPOSER (J. C. Gow) said that he would first deal with the PROPOSER'S statements. The object of cricket was to keep the ball down, that of tennis to get it over the net. The PROPOSER had said that tennis aided school games. How could this be? As it was, cricket required more attention than was given to it. As it took ten years to make a first-class tennis player the school-boy would not be much improved in the short time he had to play tennis. Then followed a discussion on where to place the tennis court. The OPPOSER declared that there was no suitable accommodation for a court in the school. There were quite enough games in the school already. School games were intended to promote unselfishness. Tennis was not calculated to do so.

The SECONDER (R. M. Barrington-Ward) said that it had been left to him to deal with the question as to where the courts should be placed. He suggested, to start with, that to supplement the courts he was going to propose Green, or at least half of it, might be used. Later he withdrew this suggestion. He showed conclusively that, were it desired, three courts could be had Up Fields. Two could easily be got in just behind the Third Game football ground, where the first eleven nets are usually put in the second half of Election Term. The nets could be put Up Fields on the other side of Elson's. Another place where a court could be made without interfering at all with either cricket or football, was the place where the bigger bowling screen stands on match-days.

The VICE-PRESIDENT then made some amusing comments on the Proposer's speech.

The TREASURER also spoke against the motion.

The OPPOSER remarked that if Green were given up to tennis, the lower school would get no exercise.

After some further remarks by other speakers, the Motion was put to the vote and lost by acclamation.

SCHOOL FIVES TIES.

THE following is the draw for the first round:

K. R. H. Jones	}	v.	{	W. B. Harris.
A. E. Rice-Oxley				C. K. Covington.
A. E. Wood	}	v.	{	F. G. Turner.
E. S. Wood				G. P. Chapman.
C. M. L. Circuit	}	v.	{	J. C. Gow.
R. H. Williams				H. F. Rawson.
R. M. Barrington-Ward	}	v.	{	J. S. Heaton-Ellis.
D. L. Summerhays				G. L. Troutbeck.

SHAKESPEAREAN SOCIETY.

THE above Society has been re-constituted. At a meeting held on Monday, October 14, the following officers were elected:—

Visitor.—The Rev. the Head-Master.
President.—C. C. Treatt.
Vice-President.—R. H. Williams.
Hon. Secretary.—L. E. Tanner.

At Meetings held on October 21 and 28 'Cymbeline' was read.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

AN Extraordinary Meeting was held on September 28, at which the following officers were elected:—

President.—A. E. F. Wood.
Vice-President.—A. S. R. Macklin.
Hon. Secretary.—R. M. Barrington-Ward.

The Committee consists of the above, together with:—

W. B. Harris, C. C. Treatt, H. J. Davis, and A. C. Boulton.

PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

THE following are the Officers for the ensuing year:—

President.—A. E. F. Wood.
Vice-President.—E. S. Wood.
Hon. Secretary.—G. G. Williams.

CHESS CLUB.

THE following are the Officers for the ensuing year:—

President.—A. E. F. Wood.
Vice-President.—G. G. Williams.
Hon. Treasurer.—C. K. Covington.
Hon. Secretary.—E. S. Wood.

House Notes.

K.SS.—We congratulate J. S. Heaton-Ellis on playing for the School against R.M.A. Woolwich, and R. M. Barrington-Ward on playing for the Second XI. against Old Westminsters A. To the latter are also due our heartiest congratulations on winning the Mure. We also congratulate A. E. F. Wood on being awarded half the Gumbleton. Our Juniors were beaten by Grant's (1-4). The forwards were extremely disappointing, but Hammond and Usher both played a very fine game, and Faure showed promising form. To make up for this defeat they beat Rigaud's (1-0) after a very good game. We were glad to see that Mr. W. R. Birchall and Mr. S. C. Edgar (O.W.W.) played in the Freshmen's match at their respective 'Varsities; and we congratulate the former on playing for Cambridge University against New Crusaders. The Literary Society has read 'Macbeth,' at the first reading of which we were glad to see Mr. H. B. Philby (O.W.); and 'King Henry VIII.' Fives Ties are flourishing, as also is the Chess Club.

Already the Play is claiming all our thoughts; and well it may, seeing that it is now over half a century since last Thraso and his 'ragged regiment' trod the Westminster stage. It is too early as yet to express any definite hopes and fears, but the Cast is at any rate well up to the average.

ASHBURNHAM.—There seems but little to record since our last notes, everything having gone on in the ordinary routine. We congratulate Mr. J. C. C. Davidson (O.W.) on playing in the Freshmen's match at Cambridge. We learn with regret that Mr. R. P. Mears (O.W.) is going to leave us for India, where in Rajputana he is constructing many miles of permanent way. Our Fives Ties have been favoured with a large entry, and are progressing favourably. We congratulate G. C. Formilli on his *début* for the School, while we must not forget that C. C. Treatt has become President of the new Shakespearean Society, on which we congratulate him. Ashburnham was well represented in the exhibition of the School Photographic Society; some natural history photographs by C. C. Treatt were really first class. We are glad to see that W. B. Harris is playing football once again. We are fortunate in having G. C. Formilli as a junior, and our team should do well.

GRANT'S.—We must congratulate Vey on passing his 'Little-Go,' and Mr. F. G. Worlock (O.W.), who has been distinguishing himself on the stage at Bristol. In the first round of Junior House Matches we were drawn against College, on whom we inflicted a crushing defeat (4-1) in spite of the absence of one of our best forwards. Our prospects of winning the cup are good. The first meeting of the Grantite Literary Society was held on Tuesday, October 15,

when Shakespeare's 'Richard II.' was begun; this play was continued at the second meeting on October 22. Both meetings were very successful. We are very glad to see that we have four recruits in the Cadet Corps; we must congratulate Hobson on being made a lance-sergeant, and Williams, Geare, and Tunncliffe on being made lance-corporals. We have had a very successful fire-practice, the new shoot being a much quicker method of escape than the old one. Lastly, by the time this appears in print, Mr. E. W. Wyld (O.W.), will have sailed for India; we wish him every success in his future career.

H.BB.—We had hoped that something of moment would have happened before the next demand for house notes; but as this has not occurred, allowances must be made for the dulness of this contribution. We are very glad to relate that on the second Saturday of the term we had seven representatives in the two elevens—Peacock, Summerhays, Bonner, and Circuitt in the first; and Feasey, Wyatt, and Turner in the second. It is also a noteworthy fact that all the goals scored by the School, up to the date of writing this, have come from the foot of a Home Boarder. We have made a very auspicious start in Juniors, defeating Rigaud's by two goals to none; our team played quite a good game. Both our goals were scored by Hodgson in clever style, the second one being from a beautiful long-range effort; R. Monier-Williams, Hume, and Daniels were also conspicuous.

It is with the greatest pleasure we hear that Mr. C. C. Gover (O.W.) has already found his form on the football field; he seems to be rendering the Old Westminsters yeoman service. We ourselves have great hopes that it will not be long before he makes quite a name for himself in the world of football.

In conclusion, we should like to congratulate ourselves that we have not followed the example set us by other Houses and fallen victims to that most infantile pursuit, which goes by the appropriate name of 'Diabolo.'

RIGAUD'S.—We must begin by congratulating Mr. H. I. P. Hallett (O.W.) on being appointed Librarian of the Union at Oxford. This position generally leads to becoming President, and this position we sincerely hope he may obtain next year. We must congratulate Mr. J. K. Hepburn (O.W.) on passing into the Woods and Forests; he has just started for India to take up this work, and we wish him every success. We hear that Mr. J. M. Craig (O.W.) has returned from India on six months' leave to be operated upon for appendicitis. We hope the operation will be entirely successful, and that he will soon be in good health. We are glad to find that our hopes were realised in Torrey and Gordon passing the first part of the 'Little-Go,' Gordon passing 1st Class.

We omitted last month to congratulate our Juniors on winning the cricket cup, beating College, after a keen fight, by 5 wickets.

In Football Juniors we suffered an unfortunate defeat at the hands of H.B.B. (0-2), which was rather disappointing; but we hope to do better when the team gets more together.

On various occasions Harding, Clarke, and May have been playing for the 2nd XI.; and we must congratulate May on playing for the School against Old Brightonians.

A Wooden Racquets Competition has been started up the house, and it seems to have taken very well, as a considerable number have entered. We have also revived an old friend in the Debating Society; over which Mr. Fox has kindly consented to preside. There have been several good debates.

THE MISSION.

THE Chairman, Major-General Sir Alfred Turner, K.C.B., has called the next meeting of the Committee on Friday, November 22, at 5 o'clock. It will be proposed to elect Sir Henry Waterfield, G.C.I.E., a Vice-President. Secretaries will be chosen for Oxford and Cambridge, and an O.W. will be nominated in place of the present Secretary, who wishes to retire. A draft of the Annual Report will be submitted to the meeting, and there may be other business.

Old Westminsters

WE record with great pleasure the election of Mr. W. A. Greene to a fellowship at All Souls College. This is a fitting crown to an Oxford career unsurpassed in distinction in its own years.

Mr. R. S. Barnes has been appointed Assistant Editor of the new paper, *Amateur Sport*. In last week's issue there are two very good photographs of the match between Old Westminsters and Cambridge University at Queen's Club.

Births.

ON October 4 the wife of Captain the Hon. A. H. Maitland of a daughter.

ON October 25 the wife of Atherton Berens of a daughter.

ON October 13 the wife of Maurice L. Gwyer, Fellow of All Souls, of a daughter.

ON October 19 the wife of Austin H. Woodbridge of a daughter.

Marriage.

BOMPAS: LUPTON.—On August 13 Hugh Steele, youngest son of His Honour Judge Bompas, K.C., to Violet Dorothy, eldest daughter of Henry Lupton, of Lyndhurst, Headingley, Leeds.

OLD WESTMINSTERS FOOTBALL AND CRICKET CLUBS.

THE first General Meeting of the newly-amalgamated O.W. Football and Cricket Clubs was held in the Old Library Up-School on Friday, September 27, and the very large attendance was a most gratifying testimony to the interest taken in the club.

Nearly fifty members were present, among whom it was pleasing to see some members of the School.

The Treasurer's accounts were submitted and approved, showing a balance in hand of £59. 13s. 11d. with which to commence the new season. As, under the altered conditions of the game, large 'gates' cannot be expected this season, it is hoped that new members will rally round the club in force and help to swell the exchequer with their subscriptions.

It is also sincerely hoped all O.W.W. who are not already members will join the club, and that it may gradually be looked upon as a recognised duty for all Westminsters to become members when they leave the School.

Mr. J. G. Veitch, 12 Lingfield Road, Wimbledon, will be glad to receive the names of any who have not yet joined, as an election will shortly be held and a new list of members printed. We append a list of officers:—

GENERAL OFFICERS.

President.—R. T. Squire.

Vice-Presidents.—Rev. E. H. Alington, N. C. Bailey, F. W. Bain, L. A. M. Fevez, A. J. Hemmerde, W. R. Moon, T. S. Oldham, R. R. Sandilands, J. G. Veitch, P. G. L. Webb, W. N. Winckworth.

Hon. Treasurer.—L. A. M. Fevez, 51 Bread Street, E.C.

Hon. Secretary.—J. G. Veitch, 12 Lingfield Road, Wimbledon.

Hon. Secretary for Oxford.—R. E. Nott-Bower, Christ Church, Oxford.

Hon. Secretary for Cambridge.—P. T. Rawlings, Trinity College, Cambridge.

FOOTBALL OFFICERS.

Hon. Secretary.—C. Kent, 79 Finchley Road, N.W.

Assistant Hon. Secretaries.—H. C. Macpherson, St. George's House, Eastcheap, E.C., A. W. Matcham, c/o Russell-Cooke & Co., 11 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.

Committee.—R. N. R. Blaker, H. S. Bompas, S. S. Harris, A. A. Milne, W. Parker, H. Plaskitt, R. S. Summerhays, W. B. Harris (*ex officio*), Captain Westminster School XI.

CRICKET OFFICERS.

Hon Secretary.—A. S. Gaye, 5 Beaufort Mansions, Chelsea, S.W.

Assistant Hon. Secretary.—C. Kent, 79 Finchley Road, N.W.

Committee.—R. N. R. Blaker, H. S. Bompas, L. J. Connor, A. A. Milne, R. E. Murray, A. Whittow, F. G. Turner (*ex officio*), Captain Westminster School XI.

The following is the Football Card for 1907-8 :—

1907.		1ST XI.	
Sat.	Sep. 28	v.	Old Cholmeleians, at Walthamstow. (Lost, 1-3.)
"	Oct. 5	v.	Westminster School, at Vincent Square. (Won, 5-1.)
"	" 12	v.	R.M.C., at Camberley. (Scratched.)
"	" 19	v.	Brentwood Rovers, at Brentwood. (Lost, 1-5.)
"	" 26	v.	Cambridge University, at Queen's Club. (Lost, 1-5.)
"	Nov. 2	v.	Old Wellingburians (1st round Arthur Dunn Cup), at Vincent Square. (Lost, 1-3.)
"	" 9	v.	Weybridge, at Weybridge.
"	" 16	v.	
"	" 23	v.	Guy's Hospital, at Honor Oak.
"	" 30	v.	Charterhouse, at Godalming.
"	Dec. 7	v.	
"	" 14	v.	R.M.A., at Woolwich.
Mon.	" 16	v.	Old Brightonians, at Brighton.
Sat.	" 21	v.	Old Etonians, at Catford Bridge.
"	" 28	v.	Eastbourne, at Eastbourne.
1908.			
Sat.	Jan. 4	v.	Old Cranleighans, at Malden.
"	" 11	v.	Old Citizens, at Catford.
"	" 18	v.	Lancing Old Boys, at Kenley.
"	" 25	v.	Hampstead, at Hampstead.
"	Feb. 1	v.	Emeriti, at Acton.
"	" 8	v.	Beckenham, at Beckenham.
Wed.	" 12	v.	Westminster School, at Vincent Square. (Oxford v. Cambridge at Queen's Club.)
Sat.	" 15	v.	Oxford University, at Queen's Club.
"	" 22	v.	(Westminster v. Charterhouse, at Vincent Square.)
"	" 29	v.	
"	Mar. 7	v.	
"	" 14	v.	Old Carthusians, at East Dulwich.
"	" 21	v.	Old Felstedians, at Walthamstow.
"	" 28	v.	Ramsgate St. George's, at Ramsgate.

The 1st XI. has entered for the Arthur Dunn, A.F.A. Senior, Middlesex Charity and Middlesex Senior Cups.

Members wishing to play in any of the 1st XI. Matches are requested to make early application to C. Kent, 79 Finchley Road, N.W.

1907.		'A' TEAM.	
Sat.	Oct. 5	v.	Westminster School 2nd XI., at Vincent Square. (Draw, 0-0.)
"	" 12	v.	Old Ardinians (1st round A.F.A. Junior Cup), at Brentwood. (Won, 6-0.)
"	" 19	v.	Brentwood School, at Brentwood. (Lost, 2-4.)
"	" 26	v.	Forest School, at Snaresbrook. (Lost, 1-9.)
"	Nov. 2	v.	Cranleigh School, at Cranleigh.
"	" 9	v.	Emeriti, at Acton.
"	" 16	v.	Westminster School 2nd XI., at Vincent Square.
"	" 23	v.	Highgate School, at Highgate.
"	" 30	v.	

Sat.	Dec. 7	v.	
"	" 14	v.	Brighton College, at Brighton.
"	" 21	v.	Old Albanians, at St. Albans.
"	" 28	v.	Old Heddon Courtiers, at Heddon Court.
1908.			
Sat.	Jan. 4	v.	Old Albanians, St. Albans.
"	" 11	v.	Old Malvernians 'A.'
"	" 18	v.	Westminster School 2nd XI., at Vincent Square.
"	" 25	v.	Brentwood Rovers 'A,' at Brentwood.
"	Feb. 1	v.	Forest School, at Snaresbrook.
"	" 8	v.	Highgate School, at Highgate.
"	" 15	v.	Brentwood School, at Brentwood.
"	" 22	v.	Westminster School 2nd XI., at Vincent Square.
"	" 29	v.	St. John's School, at Leatherhead.
"	Mar. 7	v.	Bexley, at Bexley.
"	" 14	v.	Cranleigh School, at Cranleigh.
"	" 21	v.	Old Heddon Courtiers, at Heddon Court.
"	" 28	v.	

The 'A' Team has entered for the A.F.A. Junior Cup. Members wishing to play in any of the 'A' Matches are requested to make early application to H. C. Macpherson, St. George's House, Eastcheap, E.C.

1907.		'B' TEAM.	
Sat.	Oct. 5	v.	H.M.S. 'Worcester,' at Greenhithe. (Lost, 4-5.)
"	" 26	v.	Westminster School Colts, at Vincent Square. (Scratched.)
"	Nov. 2	v.	Brentwood Rovers 3rd XI., at Brentwood.
"	" 9	v.	Forest School 2nd XI., at Snaresbrook.
"	" 16	v.	H.M.S. 'Worcester,' at Greenhithe.
"	" 23	v.	Highgate School 2nd XI., at Highgate.
"	" 30	v.	Westminster School Colts, at Vincent Square.
"	Dec. 7	v.	St. John's School 2nd XI., at Leatherhead.
"	" 14	v.	Cranleigh School 2nd XI., at Cranleigh.
1908.			
Sat.	Jan. 11	v.	Brentwood Rovers 3rd XI., at Brentwood.
"	" 25	v.	St. John's School 2nd XI., at Leatherhead.
"	Feb. 1	v.	Westminster School Colts, at Vincent Square.
"	" 8	v.	Highgate School 2nd XI., at Highgate.
"	" 15	v.	Cranleigh School 2nd XI., at Cranleigh.
"	" 22	v.	Forest School 2nd XI., at Snaresbrook.
"	Mar. 14	v.	Westminster School Colts, at Vincent Square.

Members wishing to play in any of the 'B' Matches are requested to make early application to A. W. Matcham.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

Old Westminsters' Football Club,
79 Finchley Road, N.W.
October 28, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—The fixture card for the present season has now been issued, and I shall be pleased to send a copy to any member of the School who will apply to me.

Yours faithfully,
CECIL KENT.
Hon. Sec.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

The Vicarage, Dedham, Essex.
October 6, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—Through the kindness of the late and present Captains, who supplied me with three or four missing numbers, I have now nicely bound a perfect set of the completed volumes of the ELIZABETHAN, which I propose to leave to the School. I strongly suspect that there are very few if any other perfect sets in existence. I hear Vol. I. is missing in the Scott Library Collection.

Bound with Vol. IV. is the very amusing, but accurate sketch of Dr. Scott which appeared in 'Truth.'

Present Westminsters little know what the School owes to his untiring, if sometimes misplaced, energy, and his devotion to the School.

I have also bound the list of the School in my time; I have several unbound of recent years, but not, I regret to say, a complete set—also the Head Master's report up to 1885. I also possess copies of the many pamphlets, papers, etc., written in Dr. Scott's time, chiefly in connection with the property transferred from the Dean and Chapter.

This may interest your readers.

I am dear Sir,
Faithfully yours,
C. ALFRED JONES.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

The Vicarage, Dedham, Essex.
October 13, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—I have just seen the new ELIZABETHAN. It is there stated that Dr. Rutherford introduced the daily services. This is a serious error. The Head Master's Report for 1877 lies before me, and in it is this passage (p. 5): 'The only important change in the system of the School is the adoption of a daily morning service in the Abbey at 7.45 A.M. for the resident body of Masters and boys in place of the Latin prayers at eight in School. This commenced on the 1st of June.' This would, of course, be 1876.

The service is alluded to (p. 5) in the Report for 1878 as 'popular with the boys and satisfactory.'

The ELIZABETHAN is also in error with regard to the new class-rooms. The death of Lord John Thynne, on February 8, 1881, created for the first time a claim of the School to increased premises, and one new class-room was ready for occupation in the spring term of 1882. See p. 4 of the Head Master's Report for 1882.

Page 5 of the Report for 1883 shows that the new class-rooms were all, or nearly all, arranged for and some built and occupied in Dr. Scott's time. Dr. Scott introduced into the School the teaching of science, music, &c.

Yours, very faithfully,
C. A. J.

[The School service to which we alluded was the service attended by the *whole School*. Our information as to buildings was derived from a very elaborate Report of Dr. Rutherford's, from which it appears that the buildings between School and the Scott Library, on the site of Mr. Turl's house and the east wing of Ashburnham, were all put up after 1883. Of course, we had not the smallest intention of be-littling Dr. Scott's services to the School. He had no chance of doing what his successor did. He had to fight for the ground on which Dr. Rutherford built.—ED.]

To the Editor of the 'Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—I am very pleased to find that Mr. Cowell treats the reformed pronunciation of Latin seriously. I regret that I misunderstood him, and hope the time will come when we shall agree more closely.

X-ED. gives me the opportunity of restating my proposal

with regard to the Westminster Play. What I suggest is that Old Westminsters should have a practical opportunity of saying which pronunciation they think preferable for the school and the Play, after giving each a fair trial. The general question of the advantage of the Roman pronunciation must be decided, and indeed has been decided, by more representative bodies.

X-ED. seems to think that his case has a great advantage in being on its defence; but where are its defenders? X-Ed. suggests, as Mr. Sargeant did at the meeting of the Classical Association in January 1905, that 'many distinguished scholars' uphold the Westminster pronunciation. But these distinguished scholars do not appear in the classical journals, and they did not appear at the full meeting of the Classical Association in October 1906. The truth is, that it is one thing to say in conversation that you do not think it worth while to make a change, and quite another thing to defend that position in an open discussion. I have no doubt that these 'distinguished scholars' are wise in their silence; for it passes the skill of man to make out a case for the Westminster pronunciation which will stand scrutiny. I do not wish to be hard on X-Ed. for his venture upon the connection of *vanus* with English *vain*, in which the French *vain* is entirely left out of account; but it points out only too clearly how those who are content with a second-best pronunciation are led on to second-best standards of knowledge.

It is a relief to turn from this subject to express the admiration that is due to the charming and tasteful German poem on page 89 of last month's ELIZABETHAN; a very welcome indication that Westminster is now open to modern lights. Of the eloquent Greek and Latin tributes to Dr. Rutherford's memory it may be permitted me to say that they more than maintain the best traditions of the school. But the question of Dr. Rutherford's methods, and of the rank which history will assign him amongst those who have served the school, is not one that can be discussed at the time when the touch of nature makes us for a while all of one heart and mind.

I do, however, feel that it is only right that some comment should be made upon the remark in one article, that 'in 1883 the school was bankrupt.' This is capable of being understood (though I am sure it is not so intended) as a reflection on Rutherford's predecessor, Scott. The services that Dr. Scott rendered to Westminster were not such as attracted public attention, nor would he have wished that they should do so. But to the interests of the School he devoted himself with an absolute self-surrender; and in the years of his retirement it was his consolation that he left the path clear for the progress of his beloved School. It was Scott who won breathing room for Westminster School, obtaining for it the reversion of the houses in Dean's Yard and Little Dean's Yard of which such excellent use has since been made. I do not know the history of the finances of Westminster School, but from my personal knowledge of Scott's character, and from what I have heard directly from him, I am convinced that he left the school to his successor in a thoroughly healthy condition.

If I may be permitted a personal reminiscence of my old headmaster (not at all to suggest a comparison, but because the matter seems apposite to present discussions) he was never thoroughly angry with me but once, and that was on account of an article of mine in an early number of THE ELIZABETHAN which dealt in a light way with the question of the teaching of Natural Science, then a new thing in the school. For that article I willingly do penance, and trust that it appeared in one of those numbers of which no copy can now be found for the School Library. In the midst of his wrath (which was no light thing) he poured out to me, then a boy at the School, his whole heart as to his ideals of school work, and his bitter disappointment that any form of sound learning should be looked upon cheaply by masters or boys. If it were so, he said, then indeed he had worked in vain. Then, perhaps for the first time, I was made to feel that even a genuine love for Westminster traditions was a thing of small account by the side of a love of the truth, whether in literature or in nature.

Yours very truly,
EDWARD V. ARNOLD.

THE CHAIRING OF LIBERTY BOYS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn.
October, 22, 1907.

DEAR SIR,—In your June number for this year Mr. W. H. A. Cowell states that Mr. W. Stepney Rawson was the last Liberty Boy who was 'chaired.' In your July number Mr. Rawson himself corroborates this. His claim, however, has not always been unchallenged, as appears from your own columns.

If reference is made to Vol. IV. of THE ELIZABETHAN, it will be found that in No. 6, at page 55 (August 1883) 'C.A.J.' says, in answer to a query on the subject, that he believes that Mr. Rawson was the last Liberty Boy chaired. He also gives the date of the chairing, viz. Friday, April the 9th, 1869.

But in No. 7, p. 70 (October, 1883) 'E.V.A.' says that H. S. Otter was chaired in 1870. He adds: 'In the next year the time of election of the minor candidates was altered, and the chairing as well as the "Queen's Scholar and Town Boy Greeze" fell through.'

However, in No. 8, p. 78 (November 1883), 'P.G.L.W.' questions the accuracy of 'E.V.A.', alleging that he himself ('P.G.L.W.') remembered and took part in the Greeze which followed Rawson's chairing, but had no recollection of Otter being chaired.

But, finally, in No. 10, p. 97 (February 1884), Mr. W. S. Trollope writes, "'E.V.A.'" is quite correct in his assertion that H. S. Otter was chaired in 1870. I remember the occasion well, for it was the first and last time that I ever took part in a Greeze of this sort.'

Mr. Otter has been dead for many years, but there must be many of his school-fellows still alive who witnessed his chairing if it took place as asserted by Mr. Trollope. Till recently I always considered that Mr. Trollope's evidence settled the matter; but now Mr. Rawson's claim has been revived, and no one appears to hold a brief on behalf of Mr. Otter.

I may add that there is a good account of the ceremony of 'Chairing' in 'THE ELIZABETHAN' Vol. VII. No. 24, p. 274 (July 1894). There is also a notice of it in Captain Markham's 'Recollections of a Town-boy at Westminster,' and a drawing which shows the present Provost of Oriel in the act of being chaired as Liberty Boy.

Yours faithfully,
W. A. PECK.

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Vol. XII. No. 7, p. 87, line 2, for '1893' read '1883.'

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