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## EDITORIAL.

IN making, as seems to be custom, a review of the past year at the beginning of the new, we are faced by the difficulty that the non-coincidence of the school and the civil year affords. Most of the particular events of last Lent and Election terms have already been spoken of and commented on in these pages, and at the present time we are left with the last term only to form the scanty basis on which to build up an article.

Successful as the term was in many ways, yet the ill-success of the Football Eleven could not but overshadow it, coming as it did after the triumphs of the season 1895-96. The Eleven have won but a single match, have drawn two, and lost the rest. We cannot believe that this represents their true form. What that form could be was seen in the Selwyn and the

Old Etonian matches, when the team played with a dash that left nothing to be desired. We cannot wholly account for it, but imagine that the constant changes and alterations rendered necessary when there were so few Old Pinks left had something to do with it. Now, however, that the composition of the team is pretty well settled, we may, and shall, we hope, see again reappear that combination and vigour for which last season's eleven was so conspicuous, and which helped it to win so many matches. Just as the outlook seems more hopeful, it is darkened again by the departure of the Captain of Football, whose presence and experience were invaluable among the forwards. His sudden determination was entirely unexpected, and we all feel his separation from us as much as he does himself. We wish him all success in his new life, and regret that it has not been his lot to guide his team through a more prosperous season.

Turning to other matters, the play was, of course, fully dealt with in the play number. It may emphatically be written down a success, and worthy of its best traditions. Of other school institutions we still notice with regret an absence of active interest in the Mission displayed by members of the school. The excuse that they cannot learn anything about it is not valid—they could if they tried. Any member of the committee is willing at any time to give any knowledge concerning the Mission that may be required, and surely when so many boys at Westminster live in or about town, it is not asking much of them to go to 102 Regency Street during the holidays, and see with their own eyes the work that is going on, and, if they can, assist in it themselves.

The Debating Society having lately soared to the ambitious height of publishing a card with list of debates, we shall expect some good speeches and discussions during the present session. We should like to hear the voices of more members during the debates. The speaking seems at present confined to a small circle of five or six, to the exclusion of the rest. We notice, however, that on the card several members are down to make their maiden speeches, in proposing, seconding, or opposing various motions. This is a step in the right direction, and we hope to see the whole house follow their example.

We hope to see the debates improved by the presence of masters; all, of course, are honorary members of the society.

The League progresses, but the late frost has been a great hindrance to the matches; still none of the keenness is abated.

The success of J. S. Phillimore, Captain 1890-91, was the last event of interest (with the exception of the play) at Westminster last year. He has added yet another honour to his long list, in being elected to a Senior Studentship at Christ Church. We offer him our heartiest congratulations.

We have still to regret a want of *esprit de corps* on the part of a large section of the school. No words that were ever written in *The Elizabethan*, or anywhere else, can awaken that spirit; it is a matter for themselves alone. But we do appeal to them to make an effort for their school by shaking off the fatal lethargy which seems to surround them, and to try and forget that long-exploded doctrine (even now but too prevalent) that Westminster is only a place for hearing the work learnt on the previous evening.

They cannot expect the School to prosper if they take no interest in her. We trust we shall see a marked improvement in that direction during the present year, and with that wish we will substitute for the time-honoured FLOREAT the words over the Seventh Room door,

EXONTEΣ ΕΛΠΙΔΑ.

## WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

No. 52.—SIR HOME RIGGS POPHAM.

(Continued from p. 230, ante.)

WHILE the case of the *Romney* was still *sub judice*, Popham was posted to the *Antelope*, of 50 guns, serving in Lord Keith's fleet, from which in December 1804 he was transferred to the *Diadem*, of 64, on which in the following autumn he was able to hoist his Commodore's pennant when setting sail in command of a squadron. He had with him, besides his own ship, the *Raisounable* and *Bellicieux*, of 64 guns, and the *Diomede*, of 50—not, as readers of 'Peter Simple' would suppose, a frigate—besides the real frigates *Leda* and *Narcissus*, the sloop *Espoir* and the brig *Encounter*. Under escort of these ships of war sailed a fleet of transports and Indiamen, conveying in all 5,000 troops, commanded by Sir David Baird. Of that officer's temper a fair idea may be obtained from the following anecdote. Early in his military career he fell into the hands of Hyder Ali, who treated his prisoners with great harshness, chaining them together in couples. When this was told to Sir David's mother, the only comment which she vouchsafed on the news was, 'Lord pity the man who is chained to our Davie.' As there does not seem to have been any friction between the two services on this expedition, we cannot but form a high idea of the tact and temper of the Commodore, who, on this occasion, was 'chained to our Davie.' The destination of this armament was the Cape of Good Hope, and on January 4 it cast anchor to the west of Robben Island. The original intention of the commanders was to land in Blawbery Bay, but the surf there ran so high that it was considered impracticable to put the troops ashore, and the cavalry had actually been detached to land at Saldanha Bay, which, though further from their objective, was far less stormy. As soon as the forces had separated the wind began to abate, and in the course of the next two mornings the main body of the force was successfully landed at its original landing-place, though one boat was upset by the surf, an accident which cost thirty-five lives. On the afternoon of the 7th the Commodore with a frigate and two brigs dislodged the Dutch forces from a strong position they had taken up near the shore, and here the naval share in the campaign concluded, although a 'marine battalion' was landed under Captain Byng, and did good service in the short but

decisive operations which followed. Suffice it to say, that within a week after the first landing, Cape Town, with its 456 pieces of artillery, was surrendered to the British, and the whole colony soon afterwards passed into their hands. On March 4 a fine French frigate, the *Volontaire*, put into Table Bay, blissfully unconscious of recent events, and became the unresisting prize of the British Commodore.

Baird and Popham, though their conquests had not, perhaps, been as wide as those of Alexander, resembled the Macedonian hero in sighing for more worlds to conquer. Hope, in the person of the master of an American merchant vessel, told a flattering tale, that the inhabitants of Monte Video and Buenos Ayres were 'so ridden by their Government' that they would offer no resistance to the British arms; so, although South America and the Cape of Good Hope are not exactly in the same sphere of action, the British commanders decided that Sir Home, with the *Diadem*, *Raisonné*, *Diomede*, and *Encounter*, should escort five sail of transport having on board about 1,200 troops, under Major-General Beresford (the future conqueror of Albuera), to the Rio de la Plata.

At first this expedition promised even a brighter issue than the original enterprise now so happily concluded. The landing at Buenos Ayres occupied nine days, but the town capitulated in eight more, and specie to the amount of a million dollars was captured and shipped to England.

But the proverb says, 'Light come, light go'; the English held their conquest exactly forty days. For the Spaniards numbered but a handful of their conquerors and rose against them. On July 2 Buenos Ayres surrendered to Beresford; on August 10 Beresford, assailed by a force tenfold his own, surrendered in turn. Popham could do nothing but blockade the port, until two months later he received sufficient reinforcements to justify him in again attempting a landing. He gained some trifling successes, but in January 1807 he was superseded by Rear-Admiral Stirling. The Commodore was indeed *felix opportunitate* of his supersession; had he remained at Buenos Ayres he must have shared in the responsibility of the General—we need hardly say it was not Beresford—who at Buenos Ayres 'sacrificed a gallant army and cast a slur upon the British name.'

The expedition to South America was Popham's conception, and for the issue of that expedition, good or bad, he was solely responsible, though it is only fair to add that Baird had cordially accepted the idea, and provided his share of the forces. After the first defeat the Government had condoned, if not endorsed, Popham's action by sending reinforcements, so he cannot be held entirely responsible for Whitelocke's surrender. But, at any rate, by leaving his station without orders he had been guilty of insubordination which the most brilliant success could only have palliated, and on that charge he was tried by a court-martial on board the *Gladiator*. The hearing lasted from March 6 to 11, 1807, and the sentence pro-

nounced by the Court ran as follows: 'The Court has agreed that the charges have been proved against the said Captain Sir Home Popham. That the withdrawing, without orders so to do, the whole of any naval force from the place where it is directed to be employed and the employing it in distant operations against the enemy, more especially if the success of such operations should be likely to prevent its speedy return, may be attended with the most serious inconvenience to the public service, as the success of any plan formed by his Majesty's ministers for operations against the enemy in which any such naval force might be included, may, by such removal, be entirely prevented. And the Court has further agreed that the conduct of the said Captain Sir Home Popham, in the withdrawing of the whole of the naval force under his command from the Cape of Good Hope, and the proceeding with it to Rio de la Plata, is highly censurable; but, in consideration of circumstances, doth adjudge him to be only severely reprimanded, and he is hereby severely reprimanded accordingly.'

It is difficult to find fault with this sentence on any ground, except that of its lenity, and we cannot help suspecting that, if the court-martial had been postponed until the final result of the Buenos Ayres expedition was known in England, the sentence would have been much more severe. The members of the Court may, however, have recollected that two years before Nelson had taken his Mediterranean fleet across to the West Indies in chase of Villeneuve, and that the result had been Trafalgar; and, although there was this important difference between the two cases, that Nelson, having realised that the business of the Mediterranean fleet was to deal with the Toulon fleet, was prepared to follow his 'proper objective' to the end of the world, or beyond it, while Popham had no definite business to take him to South America; still there was sufficient superficial resemblance between the two cases to make men shy of punishing an act which the world might regard as Nelsonic.

But his condemnation, however just, did Popham very little injury; indeed, the City of London voted him a handsome sword for the very conduct which the court-martial had condemned. That judgment may have been enlisted in advance in favour of any policy which promised to open up fresh markets to our commerce, but the Admiralty might have been expected to disapprove of insubordination. Yet four months later we find Popham, in spite of the protests of several naval officers of high rank, appointed captain of the fleet to Admiral Gambier, the naval commander of the expedition to Copenhagen. The justice and policy of that expedition might be discussed at great length; its history was singularly uneventful, and beyond noting that Sir Home was associated with the future Duke of Wellington in settling the terms of the capitulation, we need say nothing further on the subject.

In 1807 we again find Popham captain of the

fleet in a 'conjunct expedition.' This time his Admiral was Sir Richard Strachan, and the objective Antwerp. Although this expedition cost the country a million sterling, without accomplishing anything worth mentioning, while of the 14,000 troops taking part in it one quarter perished and most of the remainder were permanently broken in health, there is nothing to blame the navy for except the want of initiative on the part of its commander—for in the words of a contemporary ballad—

Sir Richard, longing to be at 'em,  
Stood waiting for the Earl of Chatham;  
The Earl of Chatham, with his sword drawn,  
Stood waiting for Sir Richard Strachan.

The next service on which Sir Home, still in command of the *Venerable*, of 74 guns, was engaged, was on the north coast of Spain, where he was under orders to co-operate with the Spanish insurgents, but he accomplished nothing of great note in that quarter.

The rest of his career may be told in a few words: he attained flag-rank on June 6, 1814, and in the following year, when the Order of the Bath was reorganised, he was created K.C.B. In 1817 he was appointed to the command of the Jamaica station, which he held for three years, until his health broke down and compelled him to return to England, which he reached, but only to die on September 10, 1820, in his fifty-eighth year.

We have already adverted both to Popham's peculiar capacity for acting in co-operation with land forces and to his superiority in scientific attainments over most of the naval officers of his time. We may add that he was one of the first to determine latitudes by the use of chronometers. He was also the inventor of a system of naval signalling, which was adopted by the Admiralty in 1803, and remained in use on board our ships for many years. Of his personal character we know very little, but we should judge from such facts of his career as are known to us that he had a rather unfortunate partiality for getting into hot water, which is not very compatible with the tact he invariably displayed in dealing with military colleagues. We cannot claim for him a place in the first rank of naval heroes—with Nelson and Trowbridge, with Jervis, Pellew, and Bowen—but this was more from want of opportunities than from want either of conduct or of courage. His services were rather useful than splendid, but his courage was unimpeachable and his abilities great; and we should not forget that, with Sir David Baird, he laid the foundations of a colony not unworthy to be compared with the conquests of Clive or the losses of Grenville.

FLOREAT.

### School Notes.

THE Charterhouse Match is to be played on Saturday, February 27, instead of March 6. Cambridge O.W.W. will be met on February 24, and Cambridge Old Malvernians on March 10.

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

		1896	
Sat.	Oct. 3	Clapham Rovers.	(Lost 1-3.)
"	" 10	Old Reptonians.	(Lost 1-3.)
"	" 17	F. Bickley's XI.	(Lost 2-6.)
"	" 24	Old Westminsters.	(Lost 1-5.)
"	" 31	Old Canthusians.	(Lost 3-6.)
Wed.	Nov. 11	Christ Church, Oxon.	(Lost 2-8.)
Sat.	" 14	Old Forsters.	(Lost 1-9.)
Wed.	" 18	Selwyn Coll., Camb.	(Drawn 1-1.)
Sat.	" 21	Trinity Coll., Oxon.	(Lost 3-4.)
Wed.	" 25	L. A. Fevez's XI.	(Won 2-1.)
Sat.	" 28	Casuals.	(Lost 2-6.)
"	" 28	2nd XI. v. Old Harrovians.	(Drawn 0-0.)
"	Dec. 5	Old Etonians.	(Drawn 0-0.)
"	" 5	2nd XI. v. Clapham Rovers	2nd XI. (Drawn 1-1.)
		1897	
"	Jan. 23	Old Felstedians.	(Scratched.)
"	" 23	2nd XI. v. Clapham Rovers	2nd XI. (Scratched.)
"	" 30	Casuals	(Scratched.)
"	Feb. 6	Clapham Rovers.	(Lost 4-6.)
Wed.	" 10	Old Etonians.	(Won 5-0.)
Sat.	" 13	Keble Coll., Oxon.	(Lost 2-6.)
"	" 20	Old Westminsters.	
Wed.	" 24	Cambridge O.W.W.	
Sat.	" 27	Charterhouse (at Godalming).	
Wed.	Mar. 10	Old Malvernians.	
Sat.	" 13	Old Wykehamists.	
"	" 20	Old Harrovians.	
Wed.	" 24	Q.SS. v. T.BB.	

The Debating Society have printed a card on the lines of the Match-card, with the list of debates, &c. We congratulate them on a novel idea.

The following is from the *Westminster Gazette*:—  
Mr. N. C. Bailey, who, as an Association football player of the old School, had almost as long a career of international football as Bancroft and A. J. Gould, has developed into a golfer of considerable ability. In the gold medal handicap of the Tooting Bec Golf Club played for by the winners of the monthly medals during 1896, he finished second with a score of 102 less 8.

Football pinks are no longer to be debarred from the privilege of wearing a pink shag in their season; and the rule has also been extended to football house colours.

Rigauds is almost complete so far as the actual fabric is concerned; it is quite different from Nos. 2 and 3, and its sloping roof forms a marked contrast to the cornice on the top of Grants.

We heartily congratulate H. O. C. Beasley on his Blue. He is the first we have had since Street, who obtained his at Oxford in 1889.

L. J. Moon has also appeared with success for Cambridge on several occasions.

We regret that no detailed accounts are to hand of the Trial House Matches played last term. Rigauds long supremacy was challenged by H.B.B., who defeated them in the first round 2-0, and Grants (in a quagmire) by 7-0 in the final.

We notice that Mr. Walter Pater's posthumous work 'Gaston de Latour,' edited by Charles L. Shadwell (O.W.), has been added to library.

The frost interfered greatly with football at the beginning of the term, and two matches were scratched. The ground seems to have suffered but little, thanks to Elson's unremitting attentions.

Sir Clements Markham presided as President of the Royal Geographical Society at Dr. Nansen's lecture at the Albert Hall.

Mr. E. H. Wodehouse, Q.S. 1849-55, was made a C.B. in the distribution of New Year Honours.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER *v.* OLD ETONIANS.

THIS match, the last of Play Term, was played Up-Fields on December 5. The ground was dry and fast, and a good game resulted. One or two changes were made in the team: Gwyer standing down for Rayner, while Barnby was given a trial at outside left, Van der Gucht playing inside. The visitors won the toss and began to press at once, but good back play on the part of More and Jones prevented any score. The School forwards played a good game, and the display of the whole side was in marked contrast to that of the previous Saturday. Blaker put in several shots, but the goal-keeping of Hole, if eccentric, was nevertheless effective, and do what they could the School could not score. Just before half-time Rayner was noticeable for a good save from Gosling, and the interval arrived with the score-sheet reading:

Westminster ..... *nil*  
 Old Etonians ..... *nil*.

The second half showed no diminution in the pace of the game. Blaker was soon conspicuous, and though on several occasions he got clear away from the backs, faulty shooting or an element of hard luck frustrated time after time the longed-for goal. Then the Old Etonians had a turn, and Rayner was bombarded with shots, which he successfully dealt with, notably one which he tipped neatly over the bar. The left wing of our opponents threatened danger more than once, but Johnston signalled his re-appearance in the team with sundry good pieces of tackling, and time arrived, after a capital match, with the score still:

Westminster ..... *nil*  
 Old Etonians ..... *nil*.

The play of the XI. after that of the previous week was a great relief, and few better contested games have been seen of late Up-Fields. Van der Gucht seemed more at home on the inside, but Barnby was weak. Blaker was capital, as usual, and if his shots could always be relied upon, would win us many a match by his own exertions. The halves were good, but Lonsdale and Johnston must pass more along the ground and with more accuracy. More and Jones were a tower of strength at back, while Rayner's first appearance in goal augured well for future occasions. He should, however, use his hands more, and be quicker with his punts.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER.

W. V. Rayner (goal); R. E. More and P. T. Jones (backs); C. E. L. Johnston, W. H. Lonsdale, and F. Young (halves); W. C. Stevens and S. M. Anderson (right), R. N. R. Blaker (centre), C. Van der Gucht (capt.) and L. Y. Barnby (left), (forwards).

OLD ETONIANS.

S. H. F. Hole (goal); A. R. Hoare and L. W. Ogilvey (backs); P. Malcolmson, W. E. Walker, and R. F. Bayford (halves); H. Shepherd and N. Malcolmson (right), M. O. Montague (centre), L. D. Gosling and F. L. Crabtree (left), (forwards).

WESTMINSTER *v.* CLAPHAM ROVERS.

This was the first match able to be played Up-Fields this term, owing to the frost, but two days' practice had been available, and most of the School XI. were out of condition. The ground was very good considering what the weather had been. Robinson played outside left *vice* Barnby, and Van der Gucht made his last appearance in a school match. The School kicked off at three o'clock, and after Bradford had relieved Neubronner put in a shot, which Rayner failed to clear, and J. More dashing in scored almost at once (0-1.) The School soon equalised from a corner after a good combined effort of Van der Gucht and Robinson (1-1). Westminster was pressing hard, and shots were put in by Stevens and Blaker, but the visitors were relieved by a goal kick. Rayner was soon noticeable for two saves from Stewart and More, but at the other end Langton misjudged a dropping shot from Lonsdale, who put the School ahead. The School halves played a safe game, breaking up the attack several times, and a corner resulted which went behind. An unusual episode marked this period of the game, Johnston scaling a tree, amid cheers from the railings and bringing down the erring ball which a big kick from Jones had landed in the branches. Give-and-take play, to use the stock phrase, followed, each side pressing in turn. A long shot from More almost took effect, but at length Neubronner, breaking away, equalised (2-2), but Anderson almost at once put the School in front again from a neat pass by Van der Gucht. Half-time then was called, with the score: Westminster, three goals; Clapham Rovers, two goals.

Van der Gucht opened the second half with a fine

attempt, but Blaker made amends and put his side two up with a clinking shot, and got clear away again after the start, but Langton ran out and effected a marvellous save. Soon after Neubronner scored from a corner. Even play followed for some time, both goal-keepers defending well. Then when the School seemed to have the game at their mercy they suddenly went to pieces—the passing of the halves became ragged and the tackling of the backs weak, while the visitors put in shot after shot. Blaker relieved once with a single-handed run, but Stewart (2) and Neubronner putting on goals, the final score read :

Clapham Rovers .....6 goals  
Westminster ..... 4 goals.

To say the match was disappointing is hardly the word. After the excellent start, few expected the School to lose, but want of condition told its tale. Blaker as usual was very good, being perhaps the only one who played up to form, with the exception of Van der Gucht, who supported him well at inside left. The right wing was poor. The halves for the first half were good, Young feeding his pair most luxuriously, but they quite fell to pieces in the second. Lonsdale was playing his first game this term, and seemed unable to last the whole time. The backs were not seen at their best, being often out-paced. Rayner generally did what he had to do well. Stewart played a fine game for the Rovers.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER.

W. V. Rayner (goal); R. E. More and P. T. Jones (backs); F. Young, W. H. Lonsdale, and C. E. L. Johnston (halves); W. C. Stevens and S. M. Anderson (right), R. N. R. Blaker (centre), C. Van der Gucht (capt.) and A. C. Robinson (left), (forwards).

CLAPHAM ROVERS.

J. M. Langton (goal); C. N. Aylen and H. Bradford (backs); E. L. Bristowe, A. E. Bennett, and N. Dawson (halves); H. A. Neubronner and E. H. Winslow (right), H. C. Stewart (centre), J. F. More and R. H. More (left) (forwards).

WESTMINSTER *v.* OLD ETONIANS.

The return match was played on Wednesday, February 10. Barnby played *vice* Van der Gucht, whose loss was greatly felt. The School kicked off at 2.45 and Blaker shot at once, but the play was soon transferred to the other end, where Rayner saved neatly from Shepherd. Then Robinson made a fine run down the left, and from his centre Blaker tipped the ball past Hole (1-0). Barnby spoilt a good effort by a poor centre, but almost immediately afterwards Blaker dodged round the backs and scored again (2-0). A shot from Young was just saved, and the same player was hereabouts conspicuous for some good defensive play, but Dunn got round Lonsdale and missed by inches. The Old Etonian right wing, which most often threatened danger, found More a great stumbling-block. The third goal came also from Blaker from a hard pass by Anderson. The

visitors then had a turn, but the defence was very safe, and half-time came with the score unchanged. After the interval 'hands' was given against us near goal, but the ball passed untouched into the net. After Rayner had saved well from Dunn, Blaker got possession in midfield and dashed away, followed at some distance by the backs, and scored a very fine goal. Still keeping up the pressure, Blaker passed to Anderson, who threw away a good opening by a bad mis-kick. Soon after Blaker again got away, but Hole was too quick for him, and running out effected a decidedly plucky save. From the goal kick Johnston got possession and made a good attempt, which went just outside. A wild kick by Jones looked dangerous, but Rayner saved well. At length Blaker, who was quite irresistible, raced round the backs and passed at the right moment to Stevens, who shot a good goal from the right. From this point up to the end the School pressed almost continually, and had hard luck in not scoring oftener. The Old Etonians' shooting was poor, and Rayner had little difficulty in keeping the ball out. Time was called with the very welcome result :

Westminster .....5 goals  
Old Etonians.....*nil.*

We have rarely seen Blaker in finer form. His pace was extraordinary, and he slipped round the opposing backs with the greatest ease. More also played a sound game at back. We congratulate him on the first victory of his captaincy. The halves were improved, but Johnston was a trifle weak and uncertain. Barnby was disappointing. The least an inside can do when the centre forward is light is to cover him as much as possible, but Barnby was seldom near the ball. We wish Stevens would not leave so much of his pace behind when he goes on the football field, as he is certainly one of the fastest men in the School. Dunn showed fine form for the losers, who were weak forward.

Teams:—

WESTMINSTER.

W. V. Rayner (goal); R. E. More (capt.) and P. T. Jones (backs); C. E. L. Johnston, W. R. Lonsdale, and F. Young (halves); W. C. Stevens and S. M. Anderson (right wing), R. N. R. Blaker (centre), L. Y. Barnby and A. C. Robinson (left wing) (forwards).

OLD ETONIANS.

S. H. F. Hole (goal); B. J. T. Bosanquet and L. W. Ogilvy (backs); G. R. Hill, W. E. Walker, and R. F. Bayford (halves); H. Shepherd and A. T. B. Dunn (right wing), M. O. Montague (centre), B. H. Willett (sub.) and J. S. Arkwright (left wing) (forwards).

WESTMINSTER 2ND XI. *v.* CLAPHAM ROVERS 2ND XI.

This match was played Up-Fields on December 5, and an even game resulted in a draw of 1-1. Winslow obtained the point for the Rovers and Gwatkin for the School. Eustace and Deacon defended well, while Lonsdale was good at half.

Team :—

## WESTMINSTER.

M. L. Gwyer (goal); E. M. Eustace and L. E. Deacon (backs); R. Truslove, H. R. Lonsdale, and E. E. Cotterill (halves); F. J. Corfield (capt.) and B. H. Willett (right), F. A. S. Gwatkin (centre), R. E. Murray and A. C. Robinson (left) forwards.

The visitors' names are not to hand.

UPPER ELECTIONS *v.* RIGAUDS.

This game was played on Thursday, November 19, and resulted in a win for Rigauds by 2-0. Upper Elections were without the services of Johnston, who was in the throes of examinations, his place being taken by Waterfield. The wind interfered considerably with the play, nevertheless it was a good even game. More was in fine form for Rigauds, and Eustace was very safe for Upper Elections. Goals for Rigauds were scored by Blaker and Willett.

The teams were :—

## UPPER ELECTIONS.

M. L. Gwyer (goal); H. R. Lonsdale, E. M. Eustace (backs); F. Waterfield, F. Young, E. Æ. Cotterill (halves); K. J. Milne, W. R. Jacob (right wing); C. Van der Gucht (centre); A. A. Milne, G. H. Bernays (left wing).

## RIGAUDS.

Goodhart (goal); A. C. Barnby, R. E. More (backs); W. H. Lord, H. McKenna, R. W. Whittow (halves); H. Roose, B. H. Willett (right wing), R. N. R. Blaker (centre), R. Pashley, L. Y. Barnby (left wing).

UPPER ELECTIONS *v.* HOME BOARDERS.

This match was played Up-Fields on Thursday, November 26. The final score was (0-0). Home Boarders, who had a good forward line, should have won, but their shooting was very weak. The Upper Election backs and goalkeeper were very safe. Gwatkin took A. A. Milne's place.

The teams were :—

## UPPER ELECTIONS.

M. L. Gwyer (goal); H. R. Lonsdale, E. M. Eustace (backs); F. Waterfield, F. Young, E. Æ. Cotterill (halves); K. J. Milne, W. R. Jacob (right wing), C. Van der Gucht (centre), F. H. S. Gwatkin, G. H. Bernays (left wing).

## HOME BOARDERS.

W. V. Rayner (goal); P. T. Jones, L. E. Deacon (backs); Foster, R. Truslove, H. Plaskitt (halves); T. H. Corfield, S. M. Anderson (right wing), R. J. Murray (centre), H. J. Hudson, A. C. Robinson (left wing).

UPPER ELECTIONS *v.* ASHBURNHAM.

This match was played on Thursday, December 3, and resulted in an easy win for Upper Elections by 8-0. At half-time the score was only 2-0, but in

the second half the Upper Elections simply did as they liked, and made rings round the Ashburnhamites. The goals were scored by Van der Gucht (4), Johnston (2), Gwatkin, Young.

The teams were :—

## UPPER ELECTIONS.

M. L. Gwyer (goal); H. R. Lonsdale, E. M. Eustace (backs); F. Waterfield, F. Young, E. Æ. Cotterill (halves); W. R. Jacobs, C. E. L. Johnston (right wing), C. Van der Gucht (centre), F. A. S. Gwatkin, G. H. Bernays (left wing).

## ASHBURNHAM.

D. H. W. Young (goal); H. W. Beveridge, Scarisbrick (backs); A. R. Astbury, Wynter, Weekes (halves); Herne, E. F. Colville (right wing), S. S. Harris (centre), Blain, Featherstone (left wing).

RIGAUDS *v.* HOME BOARDERS.

(FIRST ROUND OF TRIAL HOUSE MATCHES.)

This match was played at Vincent Square, Dec. 9. It was a very foggy day, and after play had proceeded for thirty-eight minutes, the fog thickened; it became impossible to continue and the game was stopped, Home Boarders were leading by 1-0.

This game was replayed on December 16. When the whistle sounded the score was 2-0 in favour of Home Boarders, who played a fair game. More worked very hard and effectively at back for Rigauds, and Blaker tried hard to score, but he was too well marked.

The teams were :—

## HOME BOARDERS.

W. V. Rayner, P. T. Jones, L. E. Deacon (backs); Blaxland, R. Truslove, H. Plaskitt (halves); T. H. Corfield, S. M. Anderson (right), R. E. Murray (centre), H. J. Hudson, A. C. Robinson (left).

## RIGAUDS.

Goodhart (goal); R. E. More, A. C. Barnby (backs); R. C. Jewesbury, W. H. Lord, R. W. Whittow (halves); Roose, B. H. Willett (right), R. N. R. Blaker (centre), L. Y. Barnby, L. H. Bennett (left wing).

GRANTS *v.* ASHBURNHAM.

This match was played the same day as Rigauds *v.* Home Boarders, and was also abandoned on account of fog. The game was replayed on December 16, and resulted in a win for Grants after a stubbornly contested game by 2-0.

The teams were :—

## GRANTS.

A. M. Daniel (goal); H. G. H. Barnes, A. Baillie (backs); G. H. Corbett, W. H. M. Lonsdale, W. Roche (half-backs); W. C. Stevens (centre); H. Bompas, J. Heard, E. C. Stevens, and A. N. Other (forwards).

## ASHBURNHAM.

D. H. W. Young (goal); H. W. Beveridge, Scarisbrick (backs); A. R. Astbury, Wynter, Weekes (halves); Herne, E. F. Colville (right wing); S. S. Harris (centre); Blain, Featherstone (left wing).

GRANTS *v.* HOME BOARDERS.

This final tie was played on December 21, with the ground in a shockingly bad state, and the final score read 7-0, Home Boarders winning in very easy fashion. The game needs no description, Home Boarders always having the pull of their opponents.

HOME BOARDERS.

W. V. Rayner (goal); P. T. Jones, T. H. Deacon (backs); Blaxland, R. Truslove, H. Plaskett (halves); T. H. Corfield, S. M. Anderson (right wing), R. F. Murray (centre), H. J. M. Hudson, A. C. Robinson (left wing).

GRANTS.

A. M. Daniel (goal); H. G. H. Barnes and A. Baillie (backs); W. H. M. Lonsdale, G. H. Corbett, and W. Roche (half-backs); W. C. Stevens, J. Heard, H. Bompas, E. C. Stevens, and A. N. Other (forwards).

WESTMINSTER LEAGUE.

The following is the table of results up to date :—

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

The Captains are :

A O. H. M. Williams	E H. R. Flack
B W. Rutherford	F E. F. Colville
C B. H. Willett	G H. J. Hudson
D R. C. Jewesbury	H F. Waterfield

O.W.W. F.C.

We are unable to give the card of O.W.W. up to date, but we trust to do so in our next issue. We congratulate the club on beating Ilford (3-2) in the London Senior Cup, and Maidenhead (2-0) in the Amateur Cup. Sandilands played grandly in both matches. We hope Beasley will be available after the 'Varsity season, and he should prove invaluable in the cup ties later on.

Our best wishes go with the club that they may repeat their earlier successes in the London Cup, and win it for the sixth time.

At the moment of going to press we are able to congratulate O.W.W. on winning their cup tie in the Amateur Cup *v.* 2nd East Lancashire Regiment (4-1). We hope to publish an account in our next issue.

Marriage.

SCOONES—SALMOND.—On February 10, at Burnham, Somerset, by the Very Rev. the Dean of Wells, assisted by the Rev. T. C. Dupins, Vicar of Burnham, Offley Scoones, eldest son of the late Rev. W. D. Scoones, Vicar of Langley Marish, Bucks, to Isabel Fenella, daughter of Lieut.-Col. F. M. Salmond, late 21st Fusiliers. Mr. Scoones is, of course, the O.W. and Oxford footballer; he was at the School as Q.S. 1879-83.

OLD WESTMINSTER FREEMASONS.

A REGULAR meeting of the Old Westminsters' Lodge, No. 2233, was held at the Café Royal, Regent Street, on Tuesday, December 15, 1896. The following members were present:—Rev. E. M. Tomlinson, W.M.; C. N. Stephenson, S.W.; S. H. West, J.W.; Rev. W. K. R. Bedford, Chaplain; W. E. M. Tomlinson, M.P., P.M.; R. J. Mure, P.M.; Thomas Wakeley, Jun., P.M.; F. J. Pearse, P.M.; W. Hicks, P.M.; Henry Sutherland, Steward; H. E. Rawson, Secretary; W. A. Ellis, S.D.; J. B. Liberty, J.D.; F. G. Hallett, I.G.; E. F. Kelly, D.C.; T. Tomlinson, Walter Tomlinson, A. M. Cope, W. E. Horne, and W. J. Armitage. The visitors were:—Colonel Onslow (Army and Navy Lodge), H. C. Hill (Warden Lodge), R. A. B. Preston (Oxford and Cambridge University Lodge), P. S. Abraham (Cavendish Lodge), Edward Swain (St. Andrew's Lodge), A. E. Henniker-Major (St. Alban Lodge, S. Australia), R. Holbeche (Warden Lodge), E. J. Humphery (Grant Stewards' Lodge), H. T. Gardner-Salt (Greenwood Lodge), George Mickley (St. Mary's Lodge), A. J. Searcey (St. Clement Dane's Lodge), R. Perry (Sir Francis Burdett Lodge), John Curnow (Cornish Lodge), and Sir C. E. Howard Vincent (O.W.) (Kaisar-i-Hind Lodge). W. Bro. C. N. Stephenson was installed as Worshipful Master of the Lodge for the ensuing year by W. Bro. Sutherland, and then proceeded to appoint the officers. A Past Master's Jewel of the Lodge was then presented to W. Bro. Rev. E. M. Tomlinson in token of the appreciation of the brethren of his services as Worshipful Master of the Lodge during the past year, and a Steward's Jewel which had been subscribed for by brethren of the Lodge was presented to W. Bro. Sutherland, who has been Steward of the Lodge since its establishment



in 1887. After all business had been concluded, the members and their guests dined together, and as usual a very pleasant and successful evening was enjoyed.

## THE GAMES COMMITTEE.

At a meeting of the Committee held February 4, the statement of accounts for the year 1896 was read by the Treasurer, and will be found below.

The dates of the sports were fixed as the last Friday and Saturday of the term.

It was then proposed by M. L. Gwyer, seconded by R. E. More, and carried unanimously, 'that all football pinks be allowed to wear pink shags, and all football house colours house shags, during the football season.'

### BALANCE-SHEET FOR 1896.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Balance from 1895	56 8 7	Wages	214 10 0
Donation from Masters' Fund	45 0 0	Expenses of Ground and Pavilion	15 16 7
Do., Elizabethan	4 0 0	Repairs (Mower and Roller)	10 2 3
Do., Elizabethan Club	15 0 0	Seeds, Turf, and Loam	21 6 3
House Masters' Prizes	3 0 0	Sports' Prizes	28 15 5
Masters' Prize	2 15 0	Police and help at Sports	3 5 0
Sports' Entrances	11 10 6	Band at Sports	8 8 0
Book Fines	0 7 9	Printing	7 15 6
Profit from Shop	17 0 10	Drags	3 15 0
Levies	352 12 0	Postage (Football Sec.)	1 3 3
		" Treasurer	0 3 6
		Horse Boots	1 11 6
		Swimming Prizes	1 10 0
		Painting names of XI.	2 4 0
		Luncheons	27 0 0
		Horse Hire	18 5 0
		Repairs (Pavilion)	2 10 0
		Umpire (Charterhouse)	2 10 0
		Hot Water Apparatus	5 12 0
		Gas Accounts	0 9 11
		Footballs	15 15 0
		Cricket Goods	31 10 2
		Prize Bats	14 17 6
		Sundries	2 17 5½
		Balance	66 1 4½
	<u>£507 14 8</u>		<u>£507 14 8</u>
Balance	66 1 4½		

Audited and found correct,

R. TANNER, *President.*

M. L. GWYER, *Hon. Secretary.*

February 3, 1897.

## THE MISSION.

DURING the holidays Mr. H. B. Tritton and some of his friends gave a dramatic entertainment in the Pepys' House. There was a large and enthusiastic attendance. It is to be regretted that the Mission has no room of its own fit for such a gathering. At a meeting of the Committee, held on February 5, it was decided that the prizes should be given and the annual gymnastic and other display take place on March 31, at 8.30 P.M. The Headmaster permits the School Gymnasium to be used. It is proposed to send notice to O.WW., and it is hoped that they will attend in force.

## House Notes.

COLLEGE.—We have to regret the loss of Van der Gucht, whose sudden departure has taken us all by surprise. We regret that he cannot even stay till the end of term, but is obliged to enter on his new duties at once. Q.SS. are greatly the losers; not only in athletics but also in the social life of College he has been a conspicuous figure, and he will be missed by all. College loses not only one of her monitors, but also her captain of cricket and football, and a factor in her everyday life that she could ill spare. The best wishes of all will follow him, and we wish him all success in his new sphere of work. Johnston takes his place as captain of football, and Young of cricket, while Waterfield is the new monitor. College five ties are progressing rather slowly, it must be admitted, while the chess club is holding a tournament. The Literary Society have read *Romeo and Juliet*, perhaps not quite in the spirit in which it was written by Shakespeare, but nevertheless with great interest. The Society have begun a *Midsummer Night's Dream*, which, with Johnston as Snout, is a great success. Mr. Raynor has been down with an attack of influenza, but we are glad to see that he has recovered.

RIGAUDS.—We were defeated in the Trials by H.BB (2-0), McKenna's absence being severely felt. Pashley was also unable to play. We have received a very welcome addition to our ranks in the shape of S. M. Anderson, who, with his brother, has come as a boarder. The only other new fellow is W. H. Myers, who was elected head of the bye-election this term. We are glad to see that H. O. C. Beasley is playing regularly for Cambridge. Our congratulations are due to A. Berens and K. R. Barnes on matriculating at Pembroke and Christ Church, Oxford, respectively. We tender our best thanks to Grants for their courtesy in allowing us to be present at their Play Supper last term.

GRANTS.—There are four new boys this term 'Up Grants,' two boarders and two half-boarders. The Literary Society have read Shakespeare's 'Midsummer Night's Dream.' The Play Supper went off successfully on the second Play night, though there were not as many Old Grantites present as in former years, owing to the fact of Rigauds being 'Up Grants' this year. We are glad to see that L. J. Moon has been playing again for Cambridge, and hope that he will continue doing so.

H.BB.—In the first round of the Trials last term we beat Rigauds by 2-0. Our back division was good, but the shooting of our forwards ghastly. Our goals were obtained by Anderson. In the final we

beat Grants by 7-0, after a game of seventy minutes only. Robinson, Anderson, and Jones were best for us. We are sorry to lose the Andersons and Sordina. S. M. Anderson, indeed, will be difficult to replace. We have five new boys this term.

ASHBURNHAM.—Trehern, Weekes, and Crawshaw have left. Blane has gone 'Up Grants,' but we have three new fellows, so that our numbers are now fifty-eight. Young has been made a monitor this term. We were beaten by Grants in the Trials last term by 2-0, replayed tie, after playing a draw of 3 all.

## DEBATING SOCIETY.

THERE was an extraordinary meeting of the Society on January 22, at which S. M. Anderson, T.B., and H. R. Lonsdale, Q.S., were elected members of the Society. The House then adjourned.

The House met again on January 28.

R. Truslove was elected a member of the Society.

A vote of sympathy was unanimously passed with the relatives of the late Mr. H. C. Peck, who was President of the Society in 1884.

The House then proceeded to discuss the following motion: 'That in the opinion of this House the Mission does not receive the support it deserves.' Proposer, H. MCKENNA; Opposer, F. T. B. WARD; Secunder, F. A. S. GWATKIN.

This motion produced a capital debate, which lasted for part of the second meeting.

The PROPOSER, who quoted statistics largely to show that financially the support given to the Mission is poor, said that, seeing that there is only one Mission offertory a term, it is not unreasonable to expect half-a-crown or so from everybody, whereas the average subscription from members of the School is about six or seven pence. The objects, &c., of the Mission are by no means well enough explained to new boys. The number of boys who visit the Mission at all is terribly small. Old Westminsters, too, with a few notable exceptions, do not give anything like the support, financially or otherwise, that they should.

The OPPOSER, in an excellently delivered maiden speech, agreed with the Proposer that not enough is known about the Mission. He considered an offertory of £15 creditable. The funds, too, of the Mission are too often expended in printing, &c., instead of in furthering the original aims of the Mission. (Question!) Taking into consideration the extreme youth of many members of the School, seven-pence a head is not as disgraceful as the Proposer tried to make out—(Question!).

The SECONDER was of opinion that members of the School who took any interest in the Mission

could easily find out all they wanted to know about it. The Opposer's remark that a collection of £15 is creditable to the School was absurd—(hear, hear). The Opposer seemed to think that the Old Westminsters should do more for the Mission, but, as 'Charity begins at home,' the School ought to set the Old Westminsters a good example—(hear, hear).

R. E. MORE then devoted some considerable time to criticising the Proposer's remarks. It would be a labour of love to explain all about the Mission to new boys and organise parties to visit there on non-station days. It is impossible for even home-boarders to visit the Mission in the evenings, as they have their work to do as much as the boarders. The Opposer inferred that not enough is seen of the products of the Mission. Can he forget that the sports some years ago were graced by the band?—(hear, hear, and laughter).

M. L. GWYER then made a long and distinctly good speech. He did not see why time might not be found on Saturday nights to visit the Mission. There was at least one person thoroughly enthusiastic about the Mission—Mr. Churchman—(hear, hear). The premises at the Mission are far from satisfactory: there is not nearly enough room. The collections in Abbey are not nearly frequent enough: there ought to be one on every Saint's-day.

P. T. JONES then made a few remarks concerning the interest taken in the mission by home-boarders, after which the House adjourned.

The House met again on February 4, when the same motion was continued.

A. MCKENNA, E. F. COLVILLE, H. MCKENNA, and R. E. MORE having each made a few remarks, the House divided as follows:—Ayes, 17; noes, 2.

The House then proceeded to discuss the following motion:—'That, in the opinion of this House, Lord Penrhyn's late action is unjustifiable.'

Proposer, A. MCKENNA; Opposer, R. E. MORE; Secunder, P. T. JONES.

Another good debate resulted from this motion, in which the speeches were more in number than usual, and in most cases of considerable length.

The PROPOSER said that he considered Lord Penrhyn's action in closing his quarries for seventeen weeks was most unjust. The men were willing to submit to the Board of Trade for arbitration. The men have throughout done their best to patch up the quarrel, but Lord Penrhyn has as consistently thrown obstacles in the way of a reconciliation. Lord Penrhyn may say that as the quarries are his own he may do as he likes with them, but mine-owners, &c., are almost public men, inasmuch as they owe a certain duty to the public, and cannot close their works to gratify their own caprices.

The OPPOSER deprecated the conduct of such sentimentalists as the Proposer, who are so ready to defend 'the poor working-men against the iron heel of the aristocracy.' The workmen had been getting

5s. 6d. per day, which is an extraordinarily liberal wage, and men who could afford to build chapels and lay out cricket-grounds have not much ground for complaint. Lord Penrhyn behaved very liberally in the matter of pensions, &c., to the men after the strike.

The SECONDER apologised for not having prepared his speech as he should have, but he had been labouring under an unfortunate misapprehension. He explained that the chapels of Wales were generally built with borrowed capital, and, therefore, did not cost the builders very much.

After short speeches from H. McKenna, E. F. Colville and others—

M. L. Gwyer spoke in favour of Lord Penrhyn; he denounced the Radical press vehemently, as making money by championing the workmen. No doubt Lord Penrhyn displayed a certain amount of temper in refusing to see Lord Dudley.

Mr. Sargeant agreed with two former speakers that there was a good deal to be said on both sides of the question. It is not right for a man whose land appears to contain coal, slate, stone, or some other substance, on the extraction of which so many are dependent for their daily bread, to close his works as Lord Penrhyn had. Some people are of opinion that no individual should have absolute power over such land. Lord Penrhyn's proper course was to have made some concessions, and to have gone before the Board of Trade. It is hard to believe that Lord Penrhyn will accept Mr. Hooley's offer to buy the quarries, as that would be a confession of weakness, if of nothing else. As regards the building of chapels and cricket-grounds, though £1,000 sounds a large sum, it ceases to be so when distributed over a number of men and years.

The House then divided as follows:—Ayes, 5; Noes, 15.

The House then adjourned.

## NOTES AND QUERIES.

### NOTES.

#### DISTINGUISHED VISITORS TO THE PLAY (ante p. 124).

I MUST apologise for the tardy compliance with my promise at the above reference, though, on the other hand, the 'Play Number' of *The Elizabethan* is the most suitable one in which to deal with the subject in question. I believe that the following names exhaust the information given by the *Lusus Westmonasterienses*:—

'Ignoramus,' 1713.—The Earl of Oxford.

'Phormio,' 1727.—Prince William, Duke of Cumberland, third son of George II.

'Ignoramus,' 1730.—The Duke of Cumberland.

'Adelphi,' 1789.—Lord Chancellor Thurlow.

'Phormio,' 1790.—The Duke of Gloucester, Prince William,

Lord Chancellor Thurlow, Lord Loughborough, the Duke of Leeds, Lord Carysford, Burke, Erskine, Attorney-General Macdonald, The Master of the Rolls (Kenyon).

'Phormio,' 1809.—Chief Baron Sir Archibald Macdonald.

'Eunuchus,' 1816.—Dr. Carey (late Headmaster).

'Phormio,' 1820.—Frederick, Duke of York, Lord Greville, several Cabinet Ministers (names not given), Sir Archibald Macdonald, Mr. Jekyll.

'Eunuchus,' 1834.—William IV., Prince George of Cambridge, the Duke of Richmond (Sir Andrew Barnard, Sir Henry Wheatley, Sir Philip Sidney, in attendance), Mr. Justice Taunton.

'Andria,' 1835.—Lord Amherst, the Bishop of Jamaica, the Right Hon. H. Goulburn, Mr. Justice Gaselee, the Turkish Ambassador and suite.

'Adelphi,' 1842.—The Hon. Thomas Babington Macaulay, Dr. Phillimore, Dr. Chambers, Dr. Hawtrey (Headmaster of Eton).

'Phormio,' 1843.—The Dean of Westminster (Dr. Turton), Lord Strangford, Sir John Osborne, Mr. Justice Patteson.

'Eunuchus,' 1844.—The Count St. Aulaire (French Ambassador), the Bavarian Minister, the Dean of Westminster (Dr. Turton), the Dean of Jersey, the Rev. Canon Repton, the Rev. Canon Wordsworth, Sir B. Hall, M.P., R. Richards, Esq., M.P., R. V. Richards, Esq., M.P., W. Ewart, Esq., M.P.

'Andria,' 1845.—Lord Denman, the Chevalier Bunsen, Sir George Rose, Mr. Baron Alderson, Dr. Chambers, the Dean of Bangor, Sir Walter James, the Right Hon. T. B. Macaulay, David Dundas, Esq., M.P.

'Adelphi,' 1847.—Prince Albert, the Dean of Westminster (Dr. Buckland). This was a fourth and special performance.

'Phormio,' 1848.—Prince Metternich.

'Andria,' 1850.—The Lord Chancellor (Truro), Lord Campbell (Lord Chief Justice), Lord Feversham, Judge Williams, the Vice-Chancellor, the American Minister, Sir George Rose, Mr. George Bankes, Dr. Jelf, the Rev. Canon Wordsworth, the Rev. Canon Jennings.

'Eunuchus,' 1851.—Prince Albert.

'Adelphi,' 1857.—The Dean of Westminster (Dr. Trench), the Belgian Ambassador, the Dutch Ambassador, Dr. Hawtrey (Provost of Eton), Dr. Whewell, (Master of Trinity), Dr. Jelf, the Turkish Ambassador, Lord Barrington, Dean Milman, the Greek Professor at Cambridge (Thompson), Dr. Vaughan (late Headmaster of Harrow).

'Phormio,' 1858.—Prince Consort, the Prince of Wales, the Turkish Ambassador, Lord John Russell, the Earl of Northampton, Viscount Barrington.

'Triunmus,' 1860.—The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone (Chancellor of the Exchequer), Dr. Hawtrey (Provost of Eton), Dr. Goodford (Headmaster of Eton), Dr. Phillimore, D.C.L., Dean Milman, the Master of the Rolls (Romilly), Sir Page Wood.

'Andria,' 1862.—The Earl of Clarendon (President of Public Schools Commission), the Earl of Devon (Member of same Commission), Sir Roundell Palmer (Attorney-General), the Lord Chancellor (Lord Westbury), the American Minister (Mr. Adams), Lord Harris, Sir J. Romilly (Master of the Rolls), Lord Justice Turner, Sir Robert Phillimore (Queen's Advocate), Sir David Dundas, Dr. Hessey (Master of Merchant Taylors).

'Adelphi,' 1863.—Dean Stanley, Dr. Trench (Archbishop of Dublin Elect), Sir Robert Phillimore (Queen's Advocate), Mr. Beresford, M.P., Prof. Selwyn, Archdeacon Hale.

'Phormio,' 1864.—Dean Stanley, Dr. Wilberforce (Bishop of Oxford), the Rev. Canon Jennings, the Rev. Canon Nepean, the Rev. Canon Hawkins, Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, Lord Charles J. F. Russell, Sir R. Phillimore.

'Triunmus,' 1865.—Dr. Tait (Bishop of London), Lord Richard Grosvenor, Dean Stanley, Sir P. Colquhoun, Sir E. Coote.

The information given above, though acceptable, is, unfortunately, very incomplete; and I hope that

some of your readers may be able to obtain and send you additional particulars. Further information is probably obtainable for the seeking. The Duke of York, the *Lusus* tells us, was a constant attendant at the Play, but his actual attendance is only recorded

once. At one time Royalty was numbered amongst its patrons, which was appropriate, having regard to the foundation of the school, but the Play has not, I believe, been honoured by the presence of Royalty since 1858. CONSERVATIVE.

### Obituary.

WE regret to announce the death of the EARL OF NORMANTON. James Charles Herbert Welbore Ellis Agar was born September 18, 1818, the eldest son of Welbore, 2nd Earl of Normanton (O.W.), by Jane, daughter of William Benson. He entered the School in 1832, just after the sudden decline in its fortunes had begun. Lord Somerton, both as a boy and after leaving the School, made active efforts to restore the prestige of the School, which he left some years before the happier age inaugurated by Dr. Liddell. From School Lord Somerset went to Trinity College, Cambridge, and graduated M.A. in 1842. From 1841 to 1852 he was M.P. for Wilton, and succeeded his father as 3rd Earl in 1868. By his death *The Elizabethan* loses one of its oldest subscribers. Lord Normanton died on December 19.

By the death of MULTON LAMBARDE, on December 21, we have lost the representative of a family who have been Westminsters for at least four generations. Mr. Lambarde's great-grandfather, who was directly descended from William Lambarde, the well-known historian of Kent, whose first wife was a daughter of George Multon of St. Cleres, was elected into College in 1719 and to Christ Church in 1724. Mr.

Lambarde entered the School at the age of eleven in 1833.

We have also to announce the death of LEWIS CHARLES TENNYSON D'EYNCOURT, which occurred on December 11. Mr. D'Eyncourt was the third son of the Right Hon. Charles Tennyson of Bayon's Manor, who assumed the additional name of D'Eyncourt. He was born in 1814, and joined his elder brothers at School in 1826. After being called to the bar and practising on the Midland Circuit he became in 1851 a London police magistrate, and retired, after nearly forty years' service, in 1890.

We have also to regret the death of HENRY CECIL PECK at the age of 31. Mr. Peck was at the School from 1877 to 1884, and became a Q.S. in 1880. He was a graduate of University College, Oxford, and a schoolmaster. He was a younger brother of the Secretary of the Elizabethan Club.

CLARENCE CALDECOTT BRISTOWE, who died on January 27, was the third son of the late Dr. Bristowe, and one of four brothers, who were all at the School. He was born in 1867, entered the School in January 1877, and left at Christmas 1884.

### POETRY.

#### A VILLANELLE OF THE VILLANELLE.

O RARE and dainty Villanelle ;  
No skill have I thy praise to show ;  
All dainty verse thou dost excel :

Thou art a garden in a dell,  
Wherein enchanted roses blow,  
O rare and dainty Villanelle ;

And tall as spears of asphodel  
The heavy-scented lilies grow.  
All dainty verse thou dost excel :

In close-clipp'd alleys tended well,  
Entranced, we wander to and fro—  
O rare and dainty Villanelle :

But on thy garden lies a spell,  
That freely as we seem to go  
(All dainty verse thou dost excel) ;

Our footsteps still thou dost compel  
Home to the maze's heart to go ;  
All dainty verse thou dost excel,  
O rare and dainty Villanelle !

## Correspondence.

## FROM OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—Since our last letter many things have happened, and, though several of them are already ancient history, perhaps they may not have reached the ears of some of your readers. We refer chiefly to the Socker Cup-ties, which were played off last term. The House team, after beating St. Catherine's, Corpus, University, and New College, succumbed, as was generally expected, to Oriel in the final. The first three were easy victories, and call for no special comment, except that the score against University would have been considerably increased if it had not been for Stenning's excellent goal-keeping. The House then drew with New College after an unsatisfactory game; but the replayed tie, though played in wretched weather, produced some exciting football, chiefly notable for a fine display by Hogarth, who was that day undoubtedly the best forward on the field. Of the Oriel match little need be said, as the ground was well-nigh under water. The House played a plucky game against their formidable opponents, and only lost by 0-3. Severn, Probyn, Fox, Hogarth, and Fisher were in the losing team, Campbell being unfortunately unable to play, owing to an injury. The first four played for O.W.W. against the Varsity on the following day, but, owing to their recent exertions and certain injuries received, they somewhat handicapped the team, which, after a promising start, was ultimately beaten by six goals to none. The weather this term has been unpropitious for football; but a team of Oxford O.W.W., including L. James and St. John Harmsworth (not an O.W.), went over to Radley on February 2, and beat the school 10-5. Though the ground was naturally heavy after the rain, the match was remarkable for the accurate shooting on both sides, while the defence was weak. The O.W.W. team and the scorers of the points were as follows:—K. R. Barnes (goal), A. Berens and D. Wilson (backs), S. C. Probyn (1), L. James, and W. F. Fox (half-backs), R. R. Campbell (1), St. John Harmsworth (4), A. R. Severn (1), C. D. Fisher (2), and A. H. Hogarth (1).

Barnes has come up to the House this term, Berens to Pembroke, and A. Severn to Exeter. We should have mentioned last term that Plaskitt is President of the Varsity Lawn Tennis Club, and Kirlaw Secretary of the House Athletic Club.

Our congratulations are due to J. S. Phillimore on being made a Student of the House. We are also pleased to hear that Mr. C. L. Shadwell has been appointed Curator of the Botanical Gardens.

The chief objects of interest in the immediate future are the Inter-Varsity Socker Match, and the Torpids. Lecky is rowing bow in the House 1st, and Martin seven for Wadham; both have our best wishes. Boulter is prevented from rowing for his College by approaching Mods, with which several of us will shortly have to wrestle.

We cannot conclude without expressing our hearty congratulations on the success of the Play.

Yours, &c.,  
EX AED E CHRISTI.

## FROM OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—Obedient to the call of the Editor, I find that I have to write a Cambridge letter; but, my dear Sir, I find it difficult to know at which end to begin. Our numbers are the same as last term, unless we are to add E. P. Garrett, who is spending a term at Cambridge to study geology. A meeting was held in H. T. Sheringham's rooms on Sunday, January 24. Beyond the election of N. J. McCaskie as President, the Club transacted no important business. In the football field, F. B. Sherring, H. O. Beasley, and L. J. Moon played in the Varsity Trial Match. Beasley plays regularly for the Varsity, and has

received his Blue, on which we heartily congratulate him, and Moon has also played. R. O. Barnett and A. R. Brailey have got their colours at their respective Colleges. To turn as near to the river as the floods will permit us: Third Trinity have got a good Lent boat, including H. T. Sheringham, at five, and W. C. Mayne, at bow. In the Caius getting-on boat, J. H. Iles is rowing, and H. Y. Langhorne is six in the Christ's getting-on boat; Brailey is also rowing in the Downing boat. Last term the Third Trinity trial fours included H. T. Sheringham, I. G. Farrar, R. Airy, and W. C. Mayne, while W. G. Towers and R. K. Gaye coxed, of whom Towers is coxing the Lent. In the Junior Sculls, R. Airy won the second place. R. Balfour is Secretary of the A.D.C. With all best wishes for Charterhouse match, and for the success of the team generally,

I am, Sir,  
Yours very truly,  
TRIN. COLL., CAMB.

## THE NEW COVER.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—You have probably had many letters congratulating you on your new cover, but I doubt if you have had one from so remote a corner of the world as this. You may, perhaps, be glad to know that, whatever the recommendations of the new cover may be as far as England is concerned, its advantages for wanderers over the face of the world, like myself, are very great. It is no small benefit to receive an *Elizabethan* no longer covered with a network of post-marks. The Postal officials seem to have taken a fiendish delight in missing the wrapper and striking the paper itself with their stamps.

Congratulating you on the cover, which is neat and appropriate as well as useful, and congratulating you too on your admirable punctuality,

I remain, yours truly,  
A.R.K.

Ramakrishnarajapet, India:  
January 13, 1897.

## HAKLUYT SOCIETY.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—I was glad to read in the *Daily News* of the 8th of December last that the Hakluyt Society proposed to honour the memory of Richard Hakluyt on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Society by visiting Westminster School. A sketch of the life of Richard Hakluyt has already appeared in the 'Westminster Worthies' series (see Vol. V. p. 238), and, if the above statement is correct, I am pleased to see that the school where he was educated, and where first he imbibed his love of the study of travels, is not to be forgotten. Can you tell me if the proposal above referred to has been carried into effect, and give any particulars of the visit? The Society was founded on the 15th of December, 1846, so that the visit, if really contemplated, has probably taken place.

I am, yours truly,  
CONSERVATIVE.

## THE PLAY SCENERY.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

DEAR SIR,—Though hardly a topic for the school paper, I would yet like to raise the question of the housing of the play scenery, &c., and to ask whether some other place than its present home could not be found. The cellars in which it is stored are, as is well known, specimens of some of the earliest Norman work in England, and it seems a thousand pities that they should be covered with perpetual night, and not allowed to display the beauty and strength of our ancestors' work.

We have a piece of the cellars disclosed to view in the gymnasium, and it seems to me that anyone who has seen the Norman pier there must regret that its fellows are not likewise available for inspection. Westminster has never taken the interest in architecture as a science that her position demands, and there are but very few who even take the trouble to learn anything about the Abbey itself, its structure, or its history.

I am glad to see that the Debating Society on their new card have an architectural motion down for discussion *re* Peterborough Cathedral. I hope this may stimulate Westminster boys to take more interest in the wonderful art of mediæval England, and study more closely the most beautiful example of that art in the world, which lies at their very doors.

I am, Sir, yours very truly,

DOG-TOOTH.

### THE MISSION.

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—Will you kindly allow me, as one of the treasurers of the Mission, to point out to your correspondent 'One, &c.' that it is not a pleasant task to dun subscribers, who, after all, are under no obligation to continue their contributions. I could have hoped that it would be sufficient to show O.W.W. that the results of the Mission are a credit to the School, and to leave it to their public spirit to assist us to the best of their ability. Mr. Sargeant is too modest to lay stress on the immense amount of work, the energy and enthusiasm, which he has devoted to the cause of the Mission; but all those who have shared his labours are aware of his excellent service, and would deprecate most earnestly any charge of lukewarmness which could in the remotest degree reflect upon him.

And while on this subject may I be allowed to express my deep satisfaction at the way in which the present generation of Westminster support the Mission. The meagre subscriptions of O.W.W., perhaps their indifference, are intelligible if none the less regrettable. We were not strong on missions in my day, I must admit; but in another five years we shall be appealing to a considerable body of O.W.W. who were at the School when the Mission was started, have served on the Committee and visited the club; who, in fact, have something more than a vague notion as to our aims and the degree of their fulfilment.

Yours obediently,

HENRY G. RAWSON.

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December 22.

### 'UP-SCHOOL.'

*To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'*

SIR,—I should be obliged if you could find space for a protest against an expression which I have seen used in *The Elizabethan* on several occasions. I refer to the use of 'Up-School' as a synonym for the schoolroom. To go 'up School,' to be sent 'up School,' to be 'up School,' is right, but to say 'Up-School was crowded' is wrong. What the right word is I should be sorry to state dogmatically, but I am told that 'School' and 'big School' are correct.

In the analogous case of 'Up-fields' you yourself insert, I believe, as a heading 'The Fields.'

Would it be asking too much to request you to use your influence in getting rid of this barbarous expression, which, in

spite of its suggestion of antiquity, is, I believe, the growth of the last five years.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,  
O. W.

London: December 24, 1896.

### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CONSERVATIVE.—The visit of the Hakluyt Society took place on the day you mention. Sir Clements Markham, Admiral Markham, and several others were present, but owing to examinations Up-School their visit was but brief. Those who had not visited Westminster before were much pleased by their visit.

DOG-TOOTH.—As you say, *The Elizabethan* is scarcely the place to open such a discussion, but we sympathise with you. The cellars are, however, private property, and rented by the School, no other place to store the scenery being available.

O.W.—We were unaware that 'Up-School' used as a noun was a growth of such recent date, but surely the very fact of its having sprung up argues the necessity for some such word, and we think custom should be the guide in such matters.

A.R.K.—Thank you for your good wishes. We trust the late arrival of the Play Number has not ruined our reputation for punctuality in your eyes.

### Our Contemporaries.

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