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## LEADERS.

LEADERS—we speak of school papers and not of the great dailies—may be divided into three kinds. There is, firstly, the all too frequent jeremiad from the able pen of the editorial Us, lamenting the cruel necessity of writing the paper all by themselves (they really like it very much, because it gives a fine opportunity of cutting up everything and everyone, as well as of showing their wit), and ending with a general invitation to certain people called 'Swans' to favour the editor with an effusion or two. Swans are popularly supposed to die when they finish singing, so this is, no doubt, 'wrote sarcastical.' The second is the great class of hardy annuals, comprising '*Football prospects*' in the autumn, followed or preceded by '*The past cricket season*'; and '*The past football season*' in the summer, preceded or followed by '*Cricket prospects*.' The order may change, but the titles and the matter are as the laws of the Medes and Persians. We all know exactly what will be in them; we laugh when our friends are slated,

and our friends laugh when we are slated (in secret, that is to say—it would not be decent to do it outwardly); if we agree with the writer we pat him on the back in a metaphorical way, and if not, why, we shrug our shoulders and despise his ignorance of things athletic. Of this class, but rarer, is the account of the great match of the year, with ten excellent reasons for not winning it. The third class is the editor's chief stock in trade; it may be recognised by the title, whose first word is always '*On*' or '*Of*' or '*Concerning*.' It is mostly affected by budding authors for the first few times of writing, but there are exceptions. The contents are not unfrequently a poor imitation of Bacon and More, and all substantives must of necessity be printed with capital initials. Sometimes—but it must be confessed that instances are very rare indeed—the title is misleading, and the writer has something to say. There are people, it has been written, who seem to think that, provided they prefix to a title one of those three-words, they have a right to inflict any amount of drivel and sentimentalism upon mankind (they often do it

without taking that step). This assumption is wholly unwarrantable. Such writers are for the more part very prolific, and really seem to like to 'spout and spout away in one weak washy everlasting flood.' Others there are who will imitate, to order, the mannerisms (only the mannerisms) of any author you please to name; at times when this grows stale, they will invent you a style of their own. It is quite right of them to be original, and if they are very diligent as well, they may hope some day to do what Shadwell never did, and 'deviate into sense.' These be the three divisions, yet there are times of dire necessity when an editor has been known to turn an article of the 'Adventures of an Old Boy on the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway' order into a leader; further than this we need not descend. Carping critics will judge this attempt by itself, and say unkind things about the writer and the leader and the editor of *The Elizabethan*. Let them rest assured that their caustic remarks will have no effect whatever upon the first of those three. What right, pray, has anyone to say, 'I think this is bad: and it must be so, because I am a critic'? Rather should they write a better leader, and no doubt Mr. Editor will not of his clemency, or necessity, cause it to be rejected.

### THE RAILINGS.

WESTMINSTER shares with Brighton College the almost unique advantage of so patriotic a body of supporters as the Railings. The crowd which gathers of a Saturday afternoon outside Vincent Square, and we daresay our more youthful supporters as well, who venture within the barrier, can have no other adjective but 'patriotic' applied to them. Be the weather wet or fine, be it summer or be it winter, there they are—a new face now and then, but generally the same old ones. In the winter they make the best show, but we doubt not that, though more scattered, their numbers are as large in summer as in winter. This term one of the most noticeable features 'Up Fields' has been the great increase in the numbers of the Railings—an increase doubtlessly accounted for by the closing of the Oval to football, or, in other words, to the removal of O.W.W. to Wembley Park. Another noticeable point has been their increased uproariousness, which reached a climax in the Old Carthusian match, when they could scarcely contain themselves.

But besides being patriotic, the Railings are patronising as well. Various delicate hints, generally expressed in language which Burke would not have called English, as to the best way of dishing an opponent, are joined with their applause. We once heard it said that the crowds at professional matches in the North of England are nothing to the Westminster Railings. So be it. Galling though their remarks must be to a prostrate opponent, they mean little by them—Sam Weller's wit is unadulterated with Job Trotter's scoundrelism.

Beyond occasional growls at unwelcome decisions given by an adverse referee, their remarks are usually confined to the colour of a forward's hair, no matter whether he be friend or foe, or to ineffective kicks of a ponderous back. All their little pleasantries are made up for by the keenness they evince, by their eager inquiries about the match next Saturday, by their genuine enthusiasm when the School has won, and by their ready recognition of old favourites. We have heard of a late captain of football being surrounded by a small body-guard of Railing *habitués* when skating in St. James's Park.

We said that the Railings were patriotic: would that some members of the School would take a lesson from them! The Railings, gathered from the four quarters of the City of Westminster, think themselves part and parcel of the School, while there are those among us, it would seem, who care little or nothing about, if they are not actually ashamed of, their football eleven. A casual inquiry on a Monday morning as to who won on Saturday, and they think they have done their duty. Well may we ask, What would the School do without its Railings? We feel bound to quote for a second time the words of an old leader: 'How few Westminsters realise that the first place in London on Saturday afternoon for a Westminster is Vincent Square.'

We must apologise for harping on an old string, but we are not a mortal from Tempe or the Vale of Arcady, 'for ever piping songs for ever new.'

### WESTMINSTER WORTHIES.

NO. 40. LORD JOHN RUSSELL, FIRST EARL RUSSELL.

(Continued from p. 167 ante.)

LORD JOHN spent the first years of this second period in travelling on the Continent of Europe, and especially in that part of it which was the site of

Wellington's operations then and a few months later. At Coruña, where he landed in November 1808, he entered on the excitements of the war, having speedily to retreat to Lisbon, 'the most disagreeable town I ever saw,' and so on, through adventures perhaps more detailed than interesting.

A period about which more news would have been gratifying was his university career.

His father was convinced that 'nothing was to be learned in the English universities.' 'Lord Tavistock had gone to Cambridge, and received only a "pretended education"'—which, by the way, is what lords of a kind receive in that and the other university even in these enlightened days, though some of them depart with involuntary haste before the 'pretence' has been completed by a poll degree.

However, Lord John was not for Oxford or Cambridge; he spent the years 1809-1812, with intervals of travel, in the house of Professor Playfair in Edinburgh.

A number of brilliant men were at that time in or about the University. Jeffrey sat on the throne of the *Edinburgh Review*, Scott was seen not infrequently in the streets, Cockburn was at the bar, Henry Mackenzie was yet alive. Of Playfair his pupil wrote in later life as 'one of the best and the noblest, the most upright, the most benevolent, and the most liberal of all philosophers.'

From such congenial surroundings he set out, in August 1812, being then twenty years of age, for his fifth journey abroad. His wanderings took him to Wellington's quarters at Burgos, and again at Madrid, but, as before, these travels are over long on paper; the enthusiast can equip himself with Baedeker and Murray, with Bradshaw and Bartholomew, and possibly a dozen biographies of Lord John, and so map out his course at his own convenience, and, so that he does it quietly, without harm to others.

In 1813 Lord John was, in his absence, made M.P. for Tavistock, a place which politically was in the possession of his family, and a few small speeches in the House followed. These were, however, but an interruption of his travels, which led him at the close of 1814 to Elba, where Napoleon was at that time 'detained.'

Napoleon was, on the whole, 'very agreeable,' asking a number of questions, and often repeating them. 'When anything that he likes is said, he puts his head forward and listens with great pleasure' . . . to Lord John . . . 'but when he does not like what he hears he turns away as if unconcerned and changes the subject.' A more unpleasant habit than mere inattention was that of *pulling the ear* of a person in whose talk he was interested!

Later, he struck into Germany, where he found

'Alehouses instead of confectioners, hardware instead of books, whitewashed small country houses instead of large architectural palaces, cleanliness instead of taste, and honest sullenness instead of roguish vivacity,'

and with this a third period in his life is reached.

For some months he hesitated between the 'luxury of society on the Continent' and the toil of political life, but by 1819 his choice had been made, so far as he had power to make it; he had taken the plunge, and was already regarded by the political world as the champion of moderate reform.

It may be well at this point to speak briefly of Lord John's literary performances. They began at an early age, and some of them attained a considerable reputation; but it is perhaps not unwisely that one of his biographers has said that the man who gained most from them was Lord John himself.

Perhaps the best known of his essays is that on the English Government and Constitution, which it is no part of the present writer's duty either to reproduce or to criticise.

It remains to deal with Lord John's political career, which must be reserved for a future occasion.

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### School Notes.

The Play nights are December 14, 18, and 20.

The Mission Offertory on St. Luke's Day, together with the Head Master's subscription, amounted to £20. 10s.

Orations have failed again this term to attract a large number of competitors. For the first trial ('Alexander's Feast') there were only four, Eady being judged first and Loch second. The second piece (Milton's Sonnet on his Blindness), though much shorter, produced only three candidates; Eady and Loch were equal first.

The Commemoration Service was held on Friday, November 17, in Abbey. A Reception took place Up School afterwards.

We beg to tender our hearty, though late, congratulations to Sir Henry Waterfield (O.W.) on being made a K.C.S.I.

The Sixes in Green will take place at the beginning of December.

The School Photographic Society gave its second exhibition in the Scott Library on the evening of Commemoration.

The School is indebted to the Old Westminster Football Club for the goal nets which first appeared Up Fields on Saturday, November 11.

There was no match on Saturday, November 4. That day had been left open in expectation of an Exeat, and no match could be arranged.

Royal Engineers, whom we were to have played on November 11, were unable to raise a team. O.W.W., who were disappointed of their match with Charterhouse, brought a team against us instead, and won by 2-1.

We beg to congratulate W. Fox, F. C. Rivaz, and C. Van der Gucht on receiving their pinks.

The term ends on Wednesday, December 20.

We beg to congratulate Mr. Clements R. Markham (O.W.) on becoming President of the Royal Geographical Society.

The following is the Football Card up to date:—

		1893.
Saturday, September 30	. . .	O.W.W. (lost, 2-14).
„ October 7	. . .	Casuals (lost, 1-4).
Wednesday, October 11	. . .	Crusaders (lost, 0-8).
Saturday, October 14	. . .	Old Rossalians (won, 2-1).
„ „ 21	. . .	Old Foresters (won, 3-1).
„ „ 28	. . .	Old Carthusians (won, 4-0).
„ November 11	. . .	O.W.W. (lost, 1-2).
Friday, „ 17	. . .	Cambridge O.W.W. (drawn, 1-1).
Saturday, „ 18	. . .	Trin. Coll., Oxon. (lost, 1-4).
„ „ 25	. . .	Clapham Rovers.
Wednesday, „ 29	. . .	Old Wykehamists.
		1894.
Saturday, January 27	. . .	A. L. Fevez's XI.
Wednesday, „ 31	. . .	Old Brightonians.
Saturday, February 3	. . .	Old Carthusians.
„ „ 10	. . .	Christ Church, Oxon.
„ „ 17	. . .	Old Harrovians.
Wednesday „ 21	. . .	Old Etonians.
Saturday „ 24	. . .	Casuals.
„ March 3	. . .	Charterhouse.
„ „ 10	. . .	Clapham Rovers.
„ „ 17	. . .	Oxford O.W.W.
„ „ 31	. . .	O.W.W.
Wednesday, April 4	. . .	T.B.B. v. Q.SS.

The following are the results of the various O.W.W. matches:—

Saturday, Sept. 30	. . .	Westminster School (won, 14-2).
„ Oct. 7	. . .	Crusaders (won, 4-2).
„ „ 14	. . .	Swifts (won, 13-3).
„ „ 21	. . .	Old Brightonians (won, 4-2).
Wednesday „ 25	. . .	Cambridge University (lost, 2-5).
Saturday „ 28	. . .	R. M. C. Sandhurst (won, 2-1).
„ Nov. 4	. . .	Luton Town (lost, 0-1).
„ „ 11	. . .	Westminster School (won, 2-1).

### House Notes.

ASHBURNHAM.—We have 13 new boys this term, bringing our numbers up to 58. At the end of the past cricket season we had four Pink and Whites—Campbell, Robertson, Holland, and Colville—and one 3rd XI.—Lart. Five fellows left at the end of the term, amongst

whom were our monitors Campbell and Colville, who have been succeeded by Robertson and De Watteville. The Upper Room has been fitted up with lockers, and is now occupied by the first eight fellows of the house. Robertson and Griffin played against Condors and Clapham Rovers 2nd XI.; Lart also played against Condors. Griffin has played for the School v. Old Rossalians and Old Foresters; after the latter match he received his 3rd XI.'s. We have nearly the same team as last season, though Campbell will be a great loss among the forwards. We only stand a slight chance in the Junior House matches. The first round of the House Five Ties is just over. Up to now the handicapping has been fair.

COLLEGE.—As was notified in the last *Elizabethan*, we lost the match against T.B.B., though we had every hope of winning it. Many of last year's team have left, and there are many vacancies. More is captain, and besides him Garrett and Van der Gucht are playing for the School, while Fisher was tried at the beginning of the term. Garrett, we are glad to see, has recovered from his sprain. Our hopes at present against T.B.B. are vague at best. Rehearsals for the Play are in full progress. There has been one Masters' rehearsal up to the end of the second act. The Literary Society have read 'Love's Labour's Lost,' 'Henry VIII.,' and 'Winter's Tale.' There are many new members. The next play is 'Othello.'

GRANTS.—Nothing very exciting has happened up Grants this term as yet. Our Literary Societies still continue. We read at the beginning of this term Sheridan's 'Rivals,' and we have just finished 'Hamlet.'

The Yard Ties are in full swing, the first round being over.

We heartily congratulate W. F. Fox on obtaining his pinks.

We hope to do well in the Junior House matches, but we shall have a very poor team.

H.B.B.—Our Five Ties have been won by A. Whittow and A. Maughan, who beat Howarth and Truslove by 15-11 and 15-7. College has robbed us of a valuable member in Van der Gucht. We hope to do great things both in the Trials and Juniors this term. Our number this term is 78 fellows, there being about 20 new boys. We are sorry to say that J. F. Carr is not coming back this term. Besides Allen, Whittow played for the School against Old Foresters. Whittow also played in the two 2nd XI. matches.

RIGAUD'S.—We are glad to say that Mr. Marklove has regained his former health sufficiently to resume his duties as House-Master.

There have been five representatives in the School team from Rigaud's in most of the matches, two of

whom, we are sorry to say, are most probably leaving at Christmas.

We have to congratulate E. G. Harvey on passing the Preliminary Law Examination, which we regret to say will necessitate his leaving at the end of this term.

As yet only the first round of the Yard Ties has been played.

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## THE FIELDS.

### THE SCHOOL *v.* OLD FORESTERS.

THIS match was played 'Up Fields,' on Saturday, October 21, resulting in a win for the School by 3 goals to 1. The School were without Fox and Armstrong, whose loss was greatly felt, while Garrett was still dished. The Old Foresters kicked off at 3.10 towards the Church end, and immediately began to press. Van der Gucht, however, relieved, and ran right down the left, but was stopped just in time by Parry. From a hands, Moon dribbled down and put in a shot, which Guy kicked away. Beasley from half-back put in a shot, which Guy cleared, while from a corner Guy again fisted away. The Old Foresters now began to press, and Guard made a good run down, ending by putting in a high shot, which Allen saved in good style. Guard again ran down, but Newman relieved, and Van der Gucht and Moon dribbling up, Severn put in a shot, which just went outside the post. Miller and Guard now relieved, and both put in shots, which just failed to go under the crossbar. Van der Gucht then dribbled down, and passed to Moon, who, however, shot over. Waterfield and Van der Gucht kept running down and putting in shots, which Guy always managed to get away. Hands was then given in front of goal, and Newman kicked the ball through the goal (1-0). Waterfield ran down, and put in a hard shot which Guy fisted away. Soon afterwards half-time was called. Immediately on starting the School rushed down, but could not score owing to the rough play of the visitor's backs. Two corners for the School now followed in quick succession, and soon afterwards Waterfield, dribbling past Foy, rushed a splendid goal (2-0). Immediately afterwards Severn, from a pass by Moon, ran down and rushed another goal through (3-0). The Old Foresters now pressed, and Guard put in a low shot, which Allen failed to stop (3-1). Severn immediately ran down, and passed to Van der Gucht, who shot over. The Old Foresters made several determined efforts to score, but Newman and Rivaz, who played very well together, frustrated every attempt. The School now broke away, and Severn and Waterfield nearly scored. Soon afterwards time was called, leaving the School victorious by 3 goals to 1. For the School, the two backs played well, their kicking being very good. Beasley and Griffin, who played very pluckily in

the centre, were good. Waterfield, Severn, and Van der Gucht, who dribbled well but centred too late, were the best of the forwards. For the visitors, who played a very rough game, Guard, Borrow, and Foy were best. The teams were as follows:—

#### WESTMINSTER SCHOOL.

M. A. Allen (goal), T. H. Newman and F. C. Rivaz (backs), H. O. Beasley, T. N. Griffin, and A. Whittow (half-backs), H. Waterfield and J. F. More (right wing), A. R. Severn (centre), L. J. Moon and C. Van der Gucht (left wing) (forwards).

#### OLD FORESTERS.

H. W. Guy (goal), C. A. Foy and P. W. Parry (backs), — Jeffery, R. Borrow, and P. W. Pankridge (half-backs), W. S. Dunn and T. B. Guard (right wing), W. S. Blew (centre), G. Marten and G. Miller (left wing) (forwards).

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### THE SCHOOL *v.* OLD CARTHUSIANS.

THIS match was played 'Up Fields' on Saturday, October 28, resulting in a well-earned victory for the School by 4 goals to *nil*. The Old Carthusians kicked off at seven minutes to three towards the Church end, and immediately began to press, Walker putting in a shot which went behind. The School forwards then ran down, but nothing came of it, the ball going behind. From the kick out More got hold of the ball and made a good dribble down, finally passing to Waterfield, who centred right in the front of goal, and Moon scored our first point 20 minutes after the start (1-0). Immediately afterwards Severn ran down, and passed to More, who was given offside, when a goal seemed certain. Severn, however, again ran down and shot, but Vogel knocked it away in front of Moon, who immediately put it through (2-0). Van der Gucht was now very prominent, making several runs down. Nixon, however, dribbled down and took a long shot, which went behind. Walker then got the ball, and dribbling down got a corner, from which nothing was scored. Soon afterwards half-time was called.

On restarting Waterfield ran down and centred to Moon, who sent the ball behind. Stillman now made a splendid run and was within an ace of scoring, but Allen ran out and kicked the ball away. Soon afterwards Severn dribbled down and passed to More, who ought to have shot a goal but sent the ball over the crossbar. The School kept on rushing down, but Carson always managed to get the ball away, and it was not till 30 minutes after half-time that Severn, from a pass by Waterfield, put in a beautiful shot, which completely beat Vogel (3-0). The Old Carthusians, on re-starting, immediately ran down, and Nixon put in a shot that Allen just saved, and then Walker shot behind. Van der Gucht now ran right down the left wing and kicked a corner off Ratboone, from which Severn scored a splendid goal (4-0). Soon afterwards time was called, thus leaving the School victorious by 4 goals to *nil*.

For the School, the whole team played well, Griffin

being especially noticeable at half-back, while the forwards played a splendid passing game.

For the visitors, Carson and Walker were the best, while H. Foster was fairly good at half-back.

The teams were as follows:—

WESTMINSTER.

M. A. Allen (goal), F. C. Rivaz and T. H. Newman (backs), W. Fox, T. N. Griffin, and H. O. Beasley (half-backs), H. Waterfield and J. F. More (right wing), A. R. Severn (centre), L. J. Moon and C. Van der Gucht (left wing) (forwards).

OLD CARTHUSIANS.

J. L. Vogel (goal), H. Carson and R. Williams (backs), F. R. Ebdon, H. Foster, and P. Ratboone (half-backs), R. Walker and H. Stillman (right wing), A. C. Nixon (centre), F. Clarke and A. Foster (left wing) (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* OLD WESTMINSTERS.

THIS match was played 'Up Fields,' on Saturday, November 12. Old Westminsters brought a fairly strong team, and defeated the School by 2 goals to 1. O.W.W. kicked off at 3 P.M. from the Church end and immediately began pressing, till Severn relieved with a good dribble, but was pulled up in front of goal by Fevez, who returned the ball to mid-field. O.W.W.'s defence was very good, and though Van der Gucht on the left centred well, the ball was always got well away from their goal. Stevens was dangerous at times, but Rivaz and Newman were very safe at back; and although Challis put in a hot shot, which Allen saved in good style, they could not score. The School forwards now woke up, and Moon, More, and Van der Gucht put in several shots, all of which Robertson saved. The School, however, were not to be denied, and from a hands in front of goal Severn scored our only goal with a hot shot, with which Robertson had no chance (1-0). On restarting, Hemmerde twisted his knee and had to leave the field. The School, taking advantage of this, swarmed up to the attack, and Severn, More, and Van der Gucht put in several shots, which Robertson saved most brilliantly. Soon afterwards half-time was called. On restarting, O.W.W. quickly got a goal by the agency of Stevens (1-1), and soon afterwards the same player added a second point (1-2). From this point to the end of the game the School had the best of the play; but the forwards failed to take advantage of several opportunities, and thus the game ended in a win for O.W.W. by 2 goals to 1. For the School the backs were good, while Fox was very brilliant at half-back. Severn and Van der Gucht were the best of the forwards. For O.W.W. the backs and Lloyd were good, while Stevens was good forward. Robertson in goal saved very well. After the match Fox was given his 'pinks.' The teams were as follows:—

WESTMINSTER.

M. A. Allen (goal), T. H. Newman and F. C. Rivaz (backs), W. Fox, W. J. Armstrong, and E. P. Garrett (half-backs), H. Waterfield and J. F. More (right wing), A. R. Severn (centre), L. J. Moon and C. Van der Gucht (left wing) (forwards).

O.W.W.

J. A. Robertson (sub.) (goal), R. T. Squire and A. L. Fevez (backs), W. T. Lloyd, F. G. Oliver, and J. C. Hollcombe (half-backs), D. P. Winckworth and F. Longhurst (right wing), G. P. Stevens (centre), A. G. Lambert and A. J. Hemmerde (left wing) (forwards).

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL *v.* CAMBRIDGE

O.W.W.

THIS match was played 'Up Fields' on Friday, November 17, ending in a draw of one goal each. This result was very creditable to the School, as O.W.W. brought down a strong team.

The School kicked off at 2.45, and started with a fine rush, Severn nearly scoring. O.W.W. returned the ball, and Guy put in a shot, which just went over the cross-bar. O.W.W. kept on pressing, and from a corner Alderson scored, after a *mêlée* in front of goal (0-1). The School made several determined attacks on the O.W.W.'s goal, but these were all frustrated by the fine play of Sherring at half-back. From a pass from Fox, Van der Gucht missed an easy chance of scoring. More and Waterfield made several combined rushes on the right wing, and at last the former equalised with a very good shot (1-1). O.W.W., on restarting, rushed down and put in several hot shots, which Allen saved very well. Soon afterwards half-time was called.

On restarting, Waterfield dribbled down, and had hard luck in not scoring, the ball hitting the cross-bar and going behind. The School still continued to press, but the visitors broke away, and began a regular bombardment on the School goal. Allen, however, saved most brilliantly. From this point to the end of the game the School had much the best of play, and ought to have scored several times. Just before time Alderson broke away and sent in a hot shot, which, however, did not beat Allen.

For the School, Allen and the two backs were good. Fox and Armstrong were very prominent at half-back, while More and Waterfield were best forward. For the visitors, Sherring, Guy, and Alderson were best. The teams were as follows:—

WESTMINSTER.

M. A. Allen (goal), T. H. Newman and F. C. Rivaz (backs), H. O. Beasley, W. L. Armstrong, and W. Fox (half-backs), H. Waterfield and J. F. More (right wing), A. R. Severn (centre), G. Nye and C. Van der Gucht (left wing) (forwards).

O.W.W.

J. Langton (goal), J. S. Shearme and H. Allen (backs), H. G. Tyler, F. B. Sherring, and A. W. F. Guy (half-backs), D. P. Winckworth and A. L. Longhurst (right wing), W. Shimield (centre), J. H. Alderson and H. S. Ladell (left wing) (forwards).

SECOND XI. *v.* CONDORS.

THIS match was played 'Up Fields,' on Wednesday, October 18, resulting in a win for the Second XI. by 2 goals to 1. Play was very even, and it was not till 25 minutes from the start that Nye scored (1-0). This advantage was, however,

short-lived, as the visitors soon equalised (1-1). No further point was added to the score before half-time. On restarting the Condors nearly scored, but play became very even again; however, before time was called Martin succeeded in shooting a goal, which left the Second XI. winners by 2 goals to 1. Lart, Underwood, Martin, Beasley, and Nye were best for us. The Second XI. team was as follows:—

J. A. Robertson (goal), E. H. Lart and A. Whittow (backs), H. O. Beasley, T. N. Griffin, and E. H. Waterfield (half-backs), A. Woodbridge and E. Underwood (right wing), G. Nye (centre), G. Martin and R. More (left wing) (forwards).

The visitors did not leave their names.

## SECOND XI. v. CLAPHAM ROVERS SECOND XI.

THIS match was played 'Up Fields,' on Wednesday, October 18. At first the visitors pressed, but the Second XI. scored two goals through the agency of Moon before half-time (2-0). On restarting the Rovers got two goals in quick succession, thus making the scores level (2-2). Although the visitors pressed right up to the call of time they could not score; so the game ended in a draw. For the Second XI. Rivaz did all the back work, and Beasley was the best half-back, while Waterfield and Moon were good forward. The teams were as follows:—

### WESTMINSTER.

J. A. Robertson (goal), F. C. Rivaz and A. Whittow (backs), W. Fox, T. N. Griffin, and H. O. Beasley (half-backs), H. Waterfield and C. Armstrong (right wing), G. Nye (centre), L. J. Moon and C. D. Fisher (left wing) (forwards).

### CLAPHAM ROVERS.

E. Winslow (goal), J. Langton and E. Whitley (backs), C. Winslow, H. Howlett, and J. Sowton (half-backs), E. A. Gates, E. Bristowe, — Owen, F. Palmer, and C. Forrester (forwards).

## PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

ON Friday evening, November 3, the Photographic Society held a meeting in the Science Lecture-room. The Society were fortunate enough to secure for the evening the services of E. J. Wall, Esq., editor of the '*Amateur Photographer*,' and otherwise very well known to all photographers. Mr. Wall exhibited a capital set of lantern slides on bee-culture. His remarks were exceedingly interesting, and showed a deep appreciation of the subject. He next showed some landscapes, and accompanied them with criticisms and hints which should prove of great value to all who have taken up this branch of photography. At the conclusion of the exhibition Mr. Wall was warmly thanked by the Society. A capital lantern was obtained, and under Mr. Wall's skilful manipulation of the limelight the slides were seen to great advantage. Between 50 and 60 members of the School were present. The Society is to be congratulated on the success of its first meeting.

## THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE House met on Thursday, October 19, when the following motion was discussed, 'That in the opinion of this House the present apathy of the School towards the Mission is to be regretted, and that steps ought to be taken to increase the interest.' *Proposer*, E. H. WATERFIELD. *Opposer*, B. C. BOUTLER. *Secunder*, J. F. WATERS.

The PROPOSER in a short speech remarked that the apathy of the School was chiefly shown by the small offertories for the Mission. His suggestion was that there should be a collection in each house every term.

The OPPOSER, who had no easy task before him, did not say that the apathy was not to be regretted, or that steps ought not to be taken to increase the interest, but simply that he did not consider the apathy to be very great. He thought the annual report told us enough about the Mission.

The SECONDER thought the Mission should have been started at Westminster, not being aware that Charing Cross was in Westminster. He considered the present report should be made more interesting, and also some of the work done by the boys should be exhibited.

T. E. HARWOOD said Mr. Waterfield's proposal might make a larger offertory but would not increase the interest. He remarked that we surely ought to be able to keep up a Mission if schools in the country can.

Mr. J. SARGEAUNT weighed both sides of the question. He thought a good many of the criticisms against the Mission were true. He did not think blame ought to be attached to the small boys who give so little to the offertory, because they do not know anything about it. He corrected Mr. Waters by telling him that Charing Cross was in Westminster. As the elements of cobbling and carpentry were the chief things taught, he did not think much interest would be aroused by an exhibition of mended boots or rough carpentry. The report could not very well be made more interesting. He remarked that members of the School were allowed to visit the rooms in the afternoon, when the boys are out.

E. P. GARRETT thought the new boys should be told about the Mission when they first came to the School: then they would probably take more interest in it. He supported the Proposer's scheme of collections in each house.

G. F. MARTIN made some unfortunate statements about home boarders that caused a good deal of discussion. He said the small home boarders were all to blame for the bad offertories, and also they were slack in everything.

T. H. NEWMAN, in a very fluent 'maiden' speech, defended home boarders. He said he was sorry Mr. Martin had brought in party spirit: the question was the apathy of the School, not of home boarders. He knew that a lecture about the Mission used to be given by the Head of the House to the new boys.

Mr. J. SARGEAUNT again rose, remarking that the

debate had come to a very delicate subject. He did not think the home boarders were at all to blame.

T. E. HARWOOD informed Mr. Martin that he ought to withdraw his statement.

G. F. MARTIN apologised to the House for his statement. He said he had not intended to injure anyone's feelings.

The motion was carried by acclamation.

E. H. WATERFIELD then proposed: 'That in the opinion of this House our national pastimes are degenerating.' *Proposer*, E. H. WATERFIELD. *Opposer*, E. P. GARRETT. *Seconder*, J. F. WATERS.

The PROPOSER did not say very much upon his motion except that professionalism tended to diminish the spirit of the pastimes. He also said that there was a tendency to dispute both umpires and referees; this certainly showed degeneration in spirit. He also spoke about athletics and tennis.

E. P. GARRETT had only just commenced speaking when the House had to adjourn.

The House met on Thursday, October 26, when the following members were elected to the Society: A. R. SEVERN, J. H. REYNOLDS.

E. P. GARRETT, continuing his speech against E. H. WATERFIELD's motion, said the Proposer had brought forward no arguments, therefore it was his duty first to bring forward the arguments for the motion, and then to refute them, which he accordingly did. He explained that the Proposer meant that there is de-

generacy in the spirit of playing, and that the motion was not to be discussed as regards skill of players. In reference to Mr. WATERFIELD's statement, he did not think there was a tendency to dispute umpires.

J. F. WATERS thought Mr. Garrett had made some very doubtful statements, but he did not make much of them. He said no arguments had been brought forward on either side, but only statements which could be contradicted.

R. K. GAVE, in a 'maiden' speech, said he was opposing the motion, but instead of arguing against degeneracy in the spirit of playing, he argued against degeneracy in skill. He briefly spoke about yachting, golf, and horse-racing.

A. H. HOGARTH said professionals were too much run down nowadays. In cricket they were indispensable because so few amateurs ever practised bowling. In Association professionalism is greatest in the North, and there most gentlemen play Rugby, in which no professionals are allowed.

E. H. WATERFIELD then rose and apologised for not having been able to get up his motion better last week.

G. F. MARTIN was kind enough to inform the House that he was going to vote for the motion. At first he had intended to do the opposite, but when he discovered it referred to the spirit, he thought there could be no doubt in the matter, and that the motion would be carried unanimously.

The motion was lost by 11-5.

## Obituary.

WE regret to have to announce the death of the following O.W.: — THOMAS HENRY JOHN SHADWELL died on Thursday, November 2. Mr. Shadwell was the only son of Cayley Shadwell, Esq. (O.W.). He was born on March 29, 1859, and was admitted to the School April 3, 1872. He left at Easter 1877, and went to Queen's College, Oxford. Mr. Shadwell held a captaincy in the 18th Middlesex (Paddington) Rifles.

The following is from the *Morning Post* of November 20:—

LORD EBURY, who perhaps was better known to the public by his former name of Lord Robert Grosvenor, died at 35 Park Street, Grosvenor Square, at nine o'clock on Saturday morning, at the age of 92.

The third and youngest son of Robert, second Earl Grosvenor and first Marquis of Westminster, by his first wife, Lady Eleanor Egerton, only daughter of Thomas, first Earl of Wilton, was born on the 24th of April, 1801, at Millbank House, which then stood to the west of the Houses of Parliament, about halfway between Westminster and Vauxhall Bridges, and was still

the town residence of the Grosvenors. Like most of the youthful scions of the Whig aristocracy, he received his early education at Westminster School, which was then under the headmastership of Dr. William Carey, afterwards Bishop of St. Asaph. In 1818 he passed from Westminster to Christ Church, Oxford, where he took his Bachelor's degree in due course in the year 1821. In the following year he was elected on a casual vacancy as one of the members for Shaftesbury, and thus made his entry into public life. He sat for Shaftesbury until the next General Election, in 1826, when he was returned as one of the members for the City of Chester, which he represented in the Liberal interest down to his elevation to the Peerage, a period of over 30 years. When Lord Robert Grosvenor was first returned to St. Stephen's the constituency of Chester was a very narrow one, consisting solely of the Corporation and resident freemen admitted by birth or servitude and not being in receipt of alms or parish relief. The Reform Act of Lord John Russell in 1831-2 considerably widened this constituency by adding to its numbers the £10 householders of the city and of the adjacent parish of Boughton. Lord



Robert Grosvenor was re-chosen for Chester at the General Elections of 1830, 1831, and December, 1832; on the last occasion, however, not without a contest. His colleague was the late Chief Justice, Sir John Jervis, and they were chosen by a majority of more than two to one over their opponent, Mr. John F. Maddocks. In December, 1834, his return was again unopposed; but at the General Election which followed on the death of King William IV. he had to contest his seat against a brother of the late Lord Harrowby, the Hon. Frederick Dudley Ryder, with the result of obtaining a still larger majority than in 1832. Again, at the General Election of July, 1841, his return was unopposed, and he was elected along with his former colleague.

Early in the month of January, 1847, was announced the decease of Mr. George Byng, who had been the 'father of the House of Commons' ever since the retirement of Mr. Thomas W. Coke, so long M.P. for Norfolk. On that occasion the electors of Middlesex naturally looked round them for a gentleman of high character and experience, and who had a personal connection with that constituency. Such a man they found in Lord Robert Grosvenor, who had supported for a quarter of a century every Liberal measure proposed by the successive Administrations of Canning, Goderich, Wellington, Grey, and Melbourne, and had secured the respect and general confidence of those who sat upon the opposite benches to himself. Accordingly, as soon as Parliament assembled, he accepted the Chiltern Hundreds, and offered himself as a candidate for Middlesex. He was returned on this occasion without opposition—a strong proof of his personal popularity and the influence of his name—and came in at the head of the poll at the General Election which occurred in the following sum-

mer, with Mr. Bernal Osborne as his colleague, defeating the former Conservative member, General Wood, of Littleton. At the next General Election in 1852, the result of the polling was the same, for Lord Robert and his former colleague were again returned, defeating the Marquis of Blandford. Finally, in April, 1857, he was once more returned, along with Mr. Robert Hanbury, by a decisive majority over Lord Chelsea; but on this occasion he stood only second on the poll, his colleague heading him by just 100 votes, doubtless owing to the influence of the name of Hanbury with the brewing and publican fraternity.

In the following August he was raised to the Upper House, being created Baron Ebury, of Ebury Manor, Middlesex.

It should be mentioned here that Lord Robert Grosvenor held the office of Comptroller of the Royal Household from November, 1830, down to the retirement of Lord Grey's Ministry in 1834, and that of Treasurer of the Household from 1846 to the break up of the Liberal Party in 1847. He was sworn a member of the Privy Council as far back as 1831, and was among those who were summoned to witness her Majesty's accession to the throne. He was a magistrate for Cheshire, Hertfordshire, and Middlesex, and a deputy lieutenant for two out of those three counties.

Lord Ebury at the time of his death was perhaps third in seniority on the roll of Old Westminsters. Of those above him one was born in 1799 and admitted in January 1810, the other was born in 1797 and admitted at Lady Day 1810.

Lord Ebury was the oldest member of the Privy Council, and, except Lord Grey, the only surviving member of the Privy Council of William IV.

## POETRY.

### 'SIT TIBI TERRA LEVIS.'

It was under a sod in the cold churchyard  
That they buried my Kitty dear;  
And with her they buried my heart and my soul  
Deep down in the earth so drear.  
For my heart leapt out from the depths of my breast  
To follow the maiden I love;  
And there it will lie till the longed-for day  
When I meet her in heaven above.  
I loved her, she loved me: aye, sad was the day  
When to her young grave she was borne,  
To her cold sad grave in the cold sad mould,  
And left me deserted and lone.

I loved her, she loved me; yet nobody knew  
Of our love but my Kitty and I:  
So no grief came between us to rend and divide  
Till the heart-breaking summons to die.  
Now her spirit has flown to the gates of heav'n,  
Her spirit as pure as the snow  
Which covers the earth in the winter cold,  
And mantles her grave below.  
Her grave in the churchyard so silent and lone,  
But adorned by the flowers of love;  
For the reddest of roses picture the spot,  
And the humblest forget-me-nots rove.  
My Kitty, you need neither marble nor stone,  
Nor a richer memorial than this;  
For the flowers you loved are still with you in death,  
And '*est tibi terra levis.*'  
PRINCE.

## 'SOLAQUE CULMINIBUS.'

It was under a brick in the old back-yard  
(Not under a grassy sod),  
That we hid 'Kitty dear' and her nightly howl  
Deep down in the damp, damp mud.

And my heart leapt out (so to speak) from my breast  
As I stamped down her carcase so tough ;  
And now I'll have joy till that curséd day  
When another one howls on my roof.

I loathed her, she loathed me : at last came the day  
When my boot caught her full on the bone  
Of her forehead : her clay at the break of day  
We buried 'mid never a groan.

I loathed her, she loathed me ; yet nobody knew  
Of the boots that in vain I have hurled :  
So the joy that I feel is entirely unique —  
There's one less she-cat in the world !!

Not even her spirit infests our back-yard,  
'Tis the mud holds it fast down, I trow —  
The mud that lies thick beneath every brick,  
'And mantles her grave below.'

She now spends her nights quite silent and lone,  
Now no longer the silence she reads,  
As she used, on the gable, with quavering howls  
As she sang (?) with her numerous friends.

My 'Kitty,' you need no inscription or stone :  
Your tablet is ever for us  
Our slumberless nights ; and from Virgil your mott-  
O is 'Solaque culminibus.' PRINCESS.

## SCOTT LIBRARY.

THE Scott Library has received from Mr. G. A. Henty (O.W.) a generous gift of 21 volumes of his well-known stories for boys. A similar gift was made by him some years ago, and so much appreciated that only a few tattered volumes have survived the wear and tear of generations of admirers.

## Correspondence.

## FROM OUR OXFORD CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—As I see you have not had an Oxford letter since May, I must record some news, which by this time will be very stale. In the Final Classical Schools, Street and Woodhouse got seconds, and W. S. Cox got a second in Theology.

Our numbers this term have been increased to an unusual extent. Henderson, Cox, Campbell, Beesley, R. Waterfield, C. M. and F. J. Plaskitt, and G. Scott have come up to the House, Watherston to Balliol, W. B. Hunt to Keble, and A. H. Cuming to Oriel.

You have noticed in your last number that Barnes and Cuming have passed into the Indian Civil Service. We offer them our sincere congratulations.

Campbell was our only representative in the Freshers' match. He and Stephenson and Berens have been playing regularly for the House, but by a strange and most unfortunate coincidence, they have all three been disabled just before the Cup Tie with Magdalen, against whom we are drawn in the second round. They will prove a serious loss to the team. At present the House have lost only one match this season.

The House were unlucky in the Coxswainless Fours in being drawn against Magdalen at once. There could be little doubt of the result against such powerful opponents. The Junior Fours are now in progress, and that in which Gilbert and Nesbitt are rowing has already done wonders, and will probably win in the final.

Late though we are, we take this opportunity of congratulating Nesbitt on getting his half-blue for bicycling. He has increased his reputation still further this term by winning the 25-mile road race from scratch in 83 minutes.

The *Phormio* has just been performed at Radley with great success. We believe that the coaching was managed entirely by L. James, who also wrote the Prologue as he did last year.

With best wishes for the success of the Play.  
Ch. Ch. Oxford : Nov. 16, 1893.

## FROM OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—There seems to be very little news to chronicle this term, and want of material must be my apology for a dull letter. We are now well on through the term, and all the freshmen seem to be settling down. A good number have come up this year. Sherring, D. Shearme, N. Langton, Rigby, and Phelps to Trinity; M'Caskey and Kellie to Caius; Alderson to Selwyn; Ladell to Sidney, and Shimield to John's. Sherring and Alderson both played in the Freshmen's match. The former is playing for Trinity Rest, while Alderson has received his colours for Selwyn, and Ladell is playing for Sidney. Guy, who is captain of Trinity Rest, this year played in the Seniors' match. Of the freshmen on the river, Kellie is rowing in one of the Caius trial eights. We all miss A. L. Longhurst, who has gone to Woolwich; he is a great loss to us in every way. There has been one meeting this term in Agar's rooms, which was largely attended and a great success. We were very glad to see the School winning so many matches running, and trust that the vague rumours which have reached us as to several of the team leaving at Christmas have no foundation in fact. The Play is the great thing we are most of us looking forward to, especially as last year was a blank in that respect.

Yours truly,  
CAMBRIDGE.

## LORD CHANCELLOR COWPER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Referring to the letter of 'J. S.' in your October number as to the date of Lord Cowper's birth, what authority is there for claiming him as an Old Westminster?

Lord Campbell writes of him: 'It is doubtful whether he was ever at a public school, although from evidence given on his brother's famous trial at Hertford for murder, there seems reason to think that they were both for some years at Westminster.'—'Lives of the Lord Chancellors,' vol. iv., p. 260 (ed. 1846).

Lord Campbell gives some account of this trial in his book. It was a somewhat remarkable case, and is fully reported in Howell's State Trials, vol. xiii. The only evidence to which Lord Campbell's observation can possibly refer is that of a Mr. Thompson, who said: 'The first acquaintance I had with Mr. Cowper was in our childhood; I had the honour to go to Westminster School with him.'

This evidence of course refers to Spencer Cowper, the prisoner at the bar, and not to his better known brother

William, afterwards Lord Chancellor; and it is not easy to see how it gave Lord Campbell 'reason to think' that they were both at Westminster.

Spencer Cowper was acquitted, subsequently became a judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and was the grandfather of Cowper the poet. I would suggest that his arms should be substituted Up School for those of his brother.

Yours faithfully,  
LINCOLN'S INN.

### CLAPPING AT THE PLAY.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Recent times have seen many improvements in the Play. Costumes and scenery were reformed more than fifty years ago. The acting also itself, we are wont to think, is more intelligent and appreciative than it was a score of years ago.

There is still, however, one thing which, I venture to suggest, is capable of amendment; I mean allowing a couple of Upper Elections in the gods to turn on noise at any moment at their sweet will. All interruption of the rendering of a drama is objectionable. It is difficult enough at any time for the spectator to maintain the dramatic illusion essential to the due appreciation of the piece being rendered, and especially when the epoch and language are different from his own. Surely at Westminster we go out of our way to increase the difficulty. Not content with tolerating the inartistic interruptions of the audience, we systematically stop the play at intervals ourselves with a thoroughness worthy of a discontented gallery on Boxing Day.

This cannot be a benefit to the spectator. Is it to the actor? Surely not. If there is one thing that makes acting difficult it is interruption. One knows that from rehearsals, when interruptions are, of course, necessary. If an actor is thinking of the effect of his acting on the audience (which he ought not to be), the applause of the pit alone conveys a meaning to him; the noise from the gods he discounts beforehand.

I shall, perhaps, be told that the gods are useful to cover prompting. That, however, is fortunately seldom necessary. When it is, the device could hardly deceive a child, besides making it difficult for the actor to hear the prompter.

The god-keepers are not actors, and perhaps have barely read the play. Their object seems to be to make the interruptions as frequent as possible, a very little spontaneous applause or laughter in the pit almost always being followed by a period of noise from the gods. They have certain 'points' carefully marked, which they proceed to rub into the audience almost before they are uttered, quite reckless of the lively dialogue they are stopping. God-keepers have a sufficient *raison d'être* as maintainers of order, and would not

be adversely affected by their canes being reserved for their strictly appropriate purpose.

Believing, Sir, that many of your readers will agree with me that our present system of clapping is a blot on an otherwise artistic presentation,

I humbly subscribe myself,  
A SUFFERER.

### Our Contemporaries.

We acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the following:—*Cheltonian, Carthusian, Meteor, Alleynian, Clavinian, Marlburian, Berkhamstedian, Penn Charter Magazine, Seminary Echo, Ousel, Newtonian, Barrowian, Pauline, Working Men's College Journal, Academy Monthly, Blundellian, Malvernian, Rossalian, Felstedian, Dovorian, Fettesian, Wellingtonian.*

### ERRATA.

Page 169, 2nd column, 1st line—for 'means' read 'nexus'; page 176, 1st column, 1st line—for 'July 18' read 'July 17'; page 176, 2nd column, 38th line—for 'purity' read 'fruits.'

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