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VALE.

THERE are many points about a 'Vale' that make it at once a pleasure and a pain to write. The writer is usually about to leave the school where he has served his five or six years, and, as man is a conservative animal, he naturally feels the wrench of parting with associations so many and so dear. This is not weak sentimentalism, as a recent editor called it, but an entirely natural feeling. One phase of his life is past, a phase which is to the majority of men one of the most delightful in their lives, but not for that reason do they shrink from the prospect of entering on the greater phase that is to come. They have been educated, or they have educated themselves with practical purpose ever in their minds

—and so they leave their home of the most impressionable years of their life full of affection for the past, but not the less full of confidence in the future.

To those that are about to leave at the end of this term it must be somewhat of a shock to realise that the new generation of Westminsters will be without Dr. Gow to guide them through their school career. For eighteen years he has watched over the destinies of Westminster, not from afar as a despot, but near at hand as a friend. It is not for us to attempt to judge his work as a whole—not for us to enumerate here the practical achievements in bricks and mortar that alone would have made his reign memorable, but we can at least attempt an appreciation of the personal qualities that have endeared him to so many

generations of Westminster. To the junior indeed he appears an Olympian pure and simple—the highest court in all cases of appeal and the supreme dispenser of punishment. He shows himself as a remote and dignified overlord, but as time goes on many are almost surprised to find that their first impressions are mistaken. They begin to see that he is as human as they are themselves, and far wiser, a very present help in trouble. But it is chiefly those in authority that know him best; they know that shrewd judgment of character, that ready common-sense, capable of finding a right way out of any difficulty, and, above all, that very human sense of sympathy. When he goes, the School as a whole, and the senior boys in particular, will feel the loss of a stimulating personality, but we are sure that his generosity of mind will make him the first to welcome the Rev. Costley-White as a worthy successor of the long line of Head Masters of whom Dr. Gow is the last but by no means the least distinguished.

Having said so much about Dr. Gow, what can we say about Mr. Tanner? We have not personally come into contact with him as much as with the Head Master, but we fully recognise the influence he has for so many years carried in the School. He has never been a master to shrink from taking a full share in the public life of the School, and has identified himself with many public-spirited movements which have been of great advantage to Westminster. He is a familiar and popular figure with all Old Westminsters, but, as is only natural, he receives the supreme tributes of affection mainly from Grantites, whose enthusiasm for their chief has always been unbounded.

We could wish indeed that enthusiasm was more prevalent at Westminster—that the majority of boys took more interest in the School and its activities. We regret to be compelled to say that Westminster as a whole has much less *esprit de corps* than other schools; and though we realise that this is perhaps inevitable to a certain degree at a school where many of the boys are but daily visitors, yet we are sure that more enthusiasm might well be shown. We publish in this number no less than three letters which have reference to this apathy. They speak for themselves, but we would

certainly like to emphasise the remarks made by 'Spectator.' When there is only one school match played at Vincent Square in the season, is it really too much to expect boys to wait until the result is finally decided? We are confident that this is not so, and we hope that the School will in future make some slight effort not to sully the name of Westminster by such an open lack of patriotism. This may seem a small matter, but it is always the feather and the straw which show the direction of the wind. Nor, unfortunately, is this lack of interest confined to members of the School: O.W.W. too are, apparently, not immune from the insidious attacks of this apathy, but we hope that this is only a temporary state of affairs due to the War. Now that pre-war conditions are being in some measure re-established, now that such ancient customs as Election Dinner and the Play, both of which date from the reign of our own Queen Elizabeth, are being revived in all their glory, we hope the present and past members of the School will feel their pride awake and their interest quicken.

However, we should like to make one exception to our charges. Those who go down to row at Putney are almost universally keen, and it is chiefly on this branch that Westminster's athletic fame has relied in the past year or two; and this proves conclusively that, in spite of every hindrance and restriction, Westminster is still at heart a rowing school, and we hope to see her eight again on the Thames before many years are past.

And so we must bid good-bye to the school that has done so much for us and for which we feel we have done so little in return. We have certainly not done as much as we could have wished, and we are sensible that there is much that remains for others to do. So now we make our final appeal to those who have served with us under Dr. Gow never to forget how much they owe to Westminster, and to do their utmost to wipe off some of the debt. They may rest assured that Westminster will never forget her benefactors, and they themselves will have the satisfaction of work well done.

And now that it is come to be our turn to hand the rods and the pens of office on to

our successors, nothing remains but to wish them a favourable ending to all their labours, and to wish the School a new lease of prosperity, all which is contained in the prayer of loyal and patriotic Westminster—

floreat.

THE HEAD MASTER.

DR. JAMES GOW.

It would be useless to give a full account of Dr. Gow's career before he came to Westminster, as it is already recorded in the May Number of 1901. Suffice it to remark that his scholarship is undoubted, and that he is the author of one of the best known of all school books, the 'Companion to School Classics.' His association with the School did not begin with his headmastership, for some time he was one of the examiners at Election. However, it is with him as Head Master that we have to deal. His headmastership will always be memorable if only because it covers two coronations, the Great War, with all its troubles, and the Royal visit to the Greeze. No Head Master except Dr. Busby has ever lived through such great events, and he had fifty-eight years to Dr. Gow's eighteen, and never suffered bombardment. It is worthy of remark that at the Coronation of 1902 the new claims to be present were so numerous that the School was threatened with the loss of its ancient privilege of acclaiming the king, but the Head Master's energy and persistence preserved it, and preserved it permanently.

Apart from these events, which belong to the public history of the School, Dr. Gow has left his mark on every department of the School—buildings, finance, curriculum, games and the play. The laboratories, the rackets court, the new sanatorium, the new class-rooms at the top of Ashburnham, and the new fives court outside College were built in his time. Besides these, he made a new ceiling to College Dormitory, new supports to the roof of College and most of the roof up School (several bays on the east side still remain to be treated), new drains throughout, and, as we write, work is in progress for a new heating apparatus. The important case in regard to the rating of Schools—*Reille v. Westminster School*—was won before the House of Lords, on Dr. Gow's initiative. The rent roll of the School has been about doubled. The modern side, which has added more than ninety boys to the numbers of the School, is practically of his creation. He instituted the

O.T.C and revived Water. Finally, he revived the *Eunuchus* of Terence, the best play of the series under the name of *Famulus*. It is a pleasure to add that, at a date which we hope is long distant, Dr. Gow's name will be commemorated among those of the School's benefactors. Mr. Arthur Meyer, who lately had two sons in College, has presented to the School a large sum which he desires to be known as 'Dr. Gow's Fund,' and to be held in trust for the assistance of K.S.S. who happen to fall into difficulties.

The School is losing a great Head Master, and its members an invaluable friend, and we are sure that we are voicing the sentiments of all concerned when we wish Dr. Gow all happiness in the many years of life which we hope he will still enjoy, and that with rest he may recover his eyesight.

MR. RALPH TANNER.

MR. TANNER was educated at Sherborne and Pembroke College, Cambridge, of which he was a classical scholar. He was in the 1st Class of Classical Tripos 1880, and for one year he was a master at Lancaster Grammar School. The next year he came to Westminster, with which he has been associated for close on forty years, and where he has risen to the position of Senior Master. He has always been a keen supporter of the School in every way, and Old Westminsters must have many clear remembrances of his familiar presence at all School functions. But perhaps his name will always be chiefly connected with 'Grant's,' of which house he was master for nearly thirty years. It is true that there it was that he trained that small army of hero-worshippers that were from generation to generation members of Grant's. There too he fostered that remarkable keenness that has been so distinguishing a feature of Grant's during his reign. His friends are legion: they are firstly all past and present Grantites without exception, and, secondly, most outsiders who have passed through his form or had relations of any kind with him.

But the office with which his name deserves to be equally associated is the Presidency of the Games Committee. He held that office when the committee was instituted in 1883, when Water was abolished in the same year, and when it was revived in 1913. Except for six years from 1889-1895 he was President during his whole mastership, and his energy and zeal cannot be too highly commended. But apart from these two official posts there were many ways in which he showed his interest in the School Games. He was unflinching in his attendance at matches, and

within the memory of the present generation of Westminsters he used to come up fields regularly and bowl at nets. Now that after his thirty-eight years of distinguished service under three Head Masters (Drs. Scott, Rutherford, and Gow) he is leaving us, we would wish him in his retirement a long and quiet rest from his ceaseless work at Westminster.

THE WAR.

THE following Honours and Distinctions were awarded to Old Westminsters on the occasion of the King's Birthday for services rendered in connection with the War:—

- K.C.B.:—Rear-Admiral Sir Richard F. Phillimore, K.C.M.G., C.B., M.V.O. (Grant's); Major-General R. W. R. Barnes, C.B., D.S.O. (Rigaud's); Major-General A. R. Hoskins, C.M.G., D.S.O. (Ash.); Major-General N. M. Smyth, V.C., C.B. (Grant's).
- C.M.G.:—Lt.-Col. R. W. Castle, D.S.O., R.A. (H.BB.).
- C.B.E.:—Lt.-Col. G. E. N. Booker, Res. R. Cav. (H.BB.); Bt. Lt.-Col. H. G. De Watteville, R.A. (Ash.); Col. (Hon. Brig.-General) C. J. Markham (R. and Q.S.); Brig.-Gen. R. H. More, C.M.G., Imp. Yeomanry (H.BB.).
- O.B.E.:—Capt. C. A. Ablett, R.E. (Ash.); Lt.-Col. A. J. Clark, London Regt. (Ash.); The Rev. B. J. Failles, R.N. (Rigaud's); Major A. S. Gaye, R.A.S.C. (Q.S.); Capt. T. S. Holland, Gen. List (Ash.); Lt.-Col. A. R. Hurst, D.S.O., R.F.A. (Rigaud's); Major C. L. Macdona, Gen. List (H.BB.); Capt. H. M. J. McCane, Special List (Dale's and Grant's); Major E. C. Meynell, M.C., R.F.A. (Ash.); The Rev. G. M. S. Oldham, C.F. (Grant's); Capt. A. G. Ogilvie, M.B.E., R.F.A. (Ash.); Capt. J. Poyser, R.A.S.C. (Q.S.); Major D. S. Robertson, R.A.S.C. (Grant's); Lieut. J. M. Troutbeck, London Regt. (K.S.).
- M.B.E.:—Lieut. C. F. U. Fisher, R.A.S.C. (Ash.); Capt. R. K. Franks, N. Somerset Yeomanry (H.BB.); Lieut. H. S. Morris, Coldstream Guards (Ash.).
- D.S.O.:—Lt.-Col. D. Clapham, O.B.E., R.G.A. (H.BB. and Q.S.); Major J. M. Fisher, M.C., York and Lancs Regt. (H.BB.).
- M.C.:—Capt. M. H. Canning, R.E. (H.BB.); Capt. C. M. Clode, Norfolk Regt. (Ash.); Capt. C. R. Julian, R.G.A. (H.BB.).
- Air Force Cross:—Lt.-Col. C. F. Pollock, O.B.E. (H.BB.).
- Promotions:—To be Brevet-Major:—Capt. G. R. Y. Radcliffe, London Regt. (Grant's).

Historical Note.

WE print the following from the *Sunday Times* of May 31, 1919:—

“NINETY YEARS AGO.

‘The young gentleman who was lately so severely injured by some of the boys of Westminster School has fortunately recovered. One of the King's Scholars, on being reproached with cruelty for attempting to beat the lad's brains out with stones, replied: “We are not to blame at all. It is no fault of ours that we use stones in this way, for Dr. Goodenough won't allow us sticks.”’

School Notes.

A MEETING of the Governing Body was held on Thursday, June 19, with the object of appointing a Head Master in Dr. Gow's place. The new Head Master is to be the Rev. Costley-White, M.A., at present Principal of Liverpool College.

Mr. Costley-White was educated at Malvern, where he was a contemporary of Mr. S. H. Day, and from which school he won a Classical Scholarship to Balliol College, Oxford. He had a distinguished mention for the Hertford in 1899 and won the Goldsmith's Exhibition in 1901. He was ordained in 1902, and from 1903–1910 was a master at Rugby. In 1910 he was appointed Head Master of Bradfield College, which post he held for four years, and since 1917 he has been Principal of Liverpool College.

The result of the Challenge of 1919 is as follows:—

Elected to Resident King's Scholarships: R. A. Wilson, J. A. Peck, D. P. Story, T. V. Ruddock, R. W. P. Gorman.

Elected to Non-Resident King's Scholarships: * M. R. Holmes, * E. B. H. Baker, W. S. de G. Rankin.

Elected to Exhibitions of £30: * P. R. B. May, D. C. Whinster.

* Already in the School.

The Pashley Cups for batting and bowling were this year won by P. V. Wade, who also wins the bat which has been very kindly presented by H. C. Benbow, Esq., O.W., for the top score against Charterhouse.

A four went down to represent Westminster at Henley this year, but was unfortunately unsuccessful.

A full account of the races will appear in our next number.

The third trial of 'Orations' was held on Monday, June 30. The piece set was the concluding passage from 'George III.' in Thackeray's 'Four Georges.' There were only two competitors, Hyde and Macgregor, of whom Hyde was adjudged first, both on the last reading and on the three combined. The piece set was distinctly hard, and Hyde's performance was eminently creditable.

The following Pinks have been awarded to date: to F. D. Berryman and P. V. Wade, after the Incogniti match; to J. D. Percival and C. H. Taylor, after the Charterhouse match; to K. C. Hame after the Tonbridge match; and to L. R. Last after the Radley match.

Now that Water is on the way to re-establish its position at Westminster, Past and Present Westminsters may like to know that 'Rowing at Westminster, 1813-1883,' is on sale at the School Shop, price 2s.

Next term the following changes will take place:—Major D. P. Shaw, D.S.O., will take over Grant's House and will resume his old Form Mod. Transitus; Mr. Dams will take Mod. under Shell B, in place of Mr. Hancock; Mr. Liddell will take the Classical under V; and the Classical Remove will be taken by Mr. D. J. Knight, of Trinity College, Oxford, a cricketer and footballer of great distinction. Mr. Knight served in the Grenadier Guards during the war and was gassed. Mr. Nall will come downstairs to Mr. Tanner's room, and Mr. Knight will occupy Mr. Nall's room.

THE FIELDS.

WESTMINSTER v. INCOGNITI.

SATURDAY, MAY 24.

THE visitors batted first, Trevor Castle and Com. J. Villiers opening the innings. The latter played extremely well and made 65 before he was caught by Taylor off Gorman. None of the batsmen treated the bowling with very much respect, and the scoring was fast. Everyone managed to reach double figures except A. Spicer, who was bowled by Wade for 1. The Westminster fielding was good, although the bowling might certainly have been very much better. Wade got 5 for 86 and Gorman 3 for 55. The other wickets fell to Clegg and Cowan for 23 and 91 respectively. Westminster started badly and Taylor was bowled

by Villiers with the score at 8. Percival did rather better and made a safe, if rather slow, 21. Clegg and Gorman, who followed, made an excellent stand and brought the score up to 163 before play was stopped. The latter had a rather lucky innings, and was caught the last ball of the match. Clegg played well and hit hard. The bowling of the visitors was by no means brilliant, and Westminster should have made a rather bigger score for fewer wickets.

Scores:—

INCOGNITI.	
Trevor Castle, b Wade	17
Com. J. Villiers, c Taylor, b Gorman	65
C. A. E. Greene, c Percival, b Cowan	19
D. Boyle, b Wade	14
E. C. Lee, c Percival, b Wade	39
G. Murray Jardine, c Cowan, b Gorman ..	31
I. B. Marshall, b Wade	53
R. L. Finnis, c Berryman, b Gorman	33
A. R. Severn (Capt.), c Wade, b Clegg ..	29
A. C. N. Spicer, b Wade	1
C. N. Watson, not out	28
Extras	11
Total	340

WESTMINSTER.

C. H. Taylor, b Villiers	1
T. E. E. Cocks, b Villiers	3
J. D. Percival, c Castle, b Lee	21
P. V. Wade, c Lee, b Villiers	0
H. A. Clegg, not out	71
H. F. Gorman, c Severn, b Villiers	47
E. G. Buckley	} did not bat
L. R. Last	
F. D. Berryman	
K. C. Hame	
E. L. Cowan	
Extras	20
Total (for 5 wickets)	163

WESTMINSTER v. CHARTERHOUSE.

JUNE 7, 1919.

The game was, on the whole, rather disappointing. Westminster won the toss and decided to bat first. An excellent start was made by Wade and Harford, who both settled down at once. When the score had reached 75 Harford was foolishly run out with 18 runs to his credit. Considering that it was only his second appearance for the team he did very well. Percival followed him and started his innings with plenty of confidence. Some of his forward strokes and off drives were magnificent, though his cuts were a trifle weak. With the score at 117 Wade was caught by Gilliat. His innings was, as usual, very lucky, though when he has been missed once or twice he can generally be relied on to make a good number of runs. Gorman came in just before lunch. When play was re-started he was bowled

by a ball which kept rather low. Taylor and Percival then made a good stand and brought the score to 178 before the latter was bowled off his pad by Robertson-Glasgow. Taylor played consistently well all round the wicket. Clegg was unfortunately caught at cover off a bad stroke, and was followed by Berryman. The latter played well and was just getting his eye in, when Lambert caught him very well on the boundary. Of the rest, Hame played a very creditable innings of 18. Westminster were all out for 234, which was really quite a satisfactory score. Again Charterhouse made a good start and Frost was run out with the score at 4. He was followed by Barnard, who, in partnership with Glasgow, began to look dangerous. When 87 was reached, Barnard was caught by Hame off Gorman. Drabble, who then joined Glasgow, showed excellent form, and together they brought the score up to 178 before Glasgow was bowled by an excellent ball from Berryman. Shortly afterwards Drabble was caught by Last. Quayle, whose wicket fell to Wade, followed immediately. Patchitt was then caught by Hame with the score at 222. The remainder of the runs were got without the loss of any more wickets. The ground fielding of both sides was good, though Glasgow was missed twice, once quite early in his innings. Otherwise he played the best innings of the day. There was nothing remarkable in the bowling of either side.

Scores :—

WESTMINSTER.

P. V. Wade, c Gilliat, b Drabble.....	68
E. D. Harford, run out	18
J. D. Percival, b Robertson-Glasgow	49
H. F. Gorman, b Escombe	6
C. H. Taylor, c Cox, b Frost.....	30
H. A. Clegg, c Barnard, b Drabble.....	4
F. D. Berryman, c Lambert, b Drabble....	14
K. C. Hame, c Drabble, b Frost.....	18
L. R. Last, st Cox, b Drabble.....	7
A. P. Main, b Drabble	4
E. L. Cowan, not out	3
Extras	13
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Total.....	234

CHARTERHOUSE.

J. G. Frost, run out	1
R. G. Robertson-Glasgow, b Berryman ..	97
F. H. Barnard c Hame, b Gorman	25
C. W. Drabble, c Last, b Wade	65
B. C. A. Patchitt, c Hame, b Berryman ..	19
R. W. Quayle, b Wade	0
J. A. W. Gilliat, not out	18
E. T. Lambert, not out	9
A. F. B. Pike } did not bat	
L. A. Escombe } did not bat	
L. G. Cox } did not bat	
Extras	9
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Total (for 6 wickets)	243

WESTMINSTER v. WELLINGTON.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14.

This match is a new fixture, and the first game was played down at Wellington. The wicket was very fast and rather bumpy. Westminster won the toss and went in. Wade and Harford opened the innings very shakily, and the former was soon caught off a miss hit at square leg. Percival played a very good innings, though he did not seem so much at home as usual. He and Taylor made a useful stand. After Harford's wicket had fallen with the score at 20, the runs came very slowly all through the innings. Percival was dismissed shortly after lunch and was followed by Gorman. The latter was run out owing to a foolish misunderstanding. The remainder of the wickets fell very cheaply, and Westminster were all out for 102. The Wellington fielding was excellent. de Brett bowled very well and got eight of the ten wickets for a total of 26 runs. Bryan and Durlacher went in first and appeared to be in excellent form. Bryan, the left-hander, played an excellent innings of 102, not out. He only gave one easy chance, and that was just before he reached his century. With the score at 88, Durlacher was caught by Clegg, with 25 runs to his credit. Chaytor was bowled shortly afterwards by Gorman, and our score was passed with eight wickets in hand. Of the rest Mordaunt played a good innings of 27. Their final score was 194 when stumps were drawn. Of the Westminster bowlers, Berryman and Wade were both very erratic and were not so successful as usual. Gorman bowled moderately well and got four wickets. The fifth fell to Taylor, who went on shortly before the finish.

Scores :—

WESTMINSTER.

P. V. Wade, c Sangster, b de Brett	5
E. D. Harford, lbw de Brett	10
J. D. Percival, lbw de Brett	33
C. H. Taylor, b de Brett	19
H. F. Gorman, run out	2
H. A. Clegg, c Phayre, b Bryan	5
L. R. Last, not out	4
E. G. Buckley, c Cameron, b de Brett	5
J. D. Berryman, b de Brett.....	4
K. C. Hame, lbw de Brett	1
A. P. Main, b de Brett	0
Extras	21
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Total	109

WELLINGTON.

J. G. Bryan, not out	102
P. N. Durlacher, c Clegg, b Gorman.....	25
J. D. G. Clayton, b Gorman	6
R. A. Phayre, b Gorman	8
E. S. de Brett, st Hame, b Gorman	9
E. J. Mordaunt, st Hame, b Taylor.....	27

A. L. Cameron, not out	3
R. M. M. Wickers	} did not bat
A. Barry	
L. Lees	
R. A. K. Sangster	
Extras	14
Total (for 6 wickets)	194

WESTMINSTER v. FREE FORESTERS.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21.

In the early morning the weather prospects were by no means cheerful. There was a strong wind and several very heavy showers. Consequently play was not started till after lunch. Westminster won the toss and decided to put the visitors in. The wicket was not difficult, though it got better later on in the day.

Lt.-Col. Johnston and Lt.-Col. Hon. J. Tufton opened the innings. The bowling was not formidable, and the score was brought to 61 before Colonel Johnston was run out. Another wicket fell shortly afterwards, and a third was down for 67. R. H. Twining and Capt. C. D. MacIver played well together, and 137 was up before the latter was caught and bowled by Wade. The remainder of the runs came very easily from R. H. Twining and J. R. F. Topping, and the innings was closed at 252. Westminster had not very much time in which to get the runs, but Wade and Harford started quite well and brought the score to 24 before Wade was caught. Percival then joined Harford, who was playing very well, but was caught by Capt. MacIver after making 6. Taylor played well and was quite at home from the beginning. With 93 up, Harford was bowled by Scott-Murray after a good innings of 39. Taylor and Clegg made an excellent stand and added 60 runs before Taylor was caught by Twining off Bryass.

The score was 187 for 6 wickets when stumps were drawn. Wade bowled well for Westminster and got 3 wickets for 58.

Scores :—

FREE FORESTERS.

Lt.-Col. A. C. Johnston, run out	21
Lt.-Col. Hon. J. Tufton, b Wade	36
H. J. Davenport, c Clegg, Wade	3
R. H. Twining, not out	86
Capt. C. D. MacIver, c and b Wade	34
J. R. F. Topping, not out	58
A. Scott-Murray	} did not bat
J. F. Morris	
G. J. Mordaunt	
R. K. Price	
G. R. S. Bryass	
Extras	14
Total (for 4 wickets dec.)	252

WESTMINSTER.

P. V. Wade, c Scott-Murray, b Morris	17
E. D. Harford, b Scott-Murray	39
J. D. Percival, c MacIver, b Toppin	6
C. H. Taylor, c Twining, b Bryass	21
H. A. Clegg, b Bryass	50
H. F. Gorman, c MacIver, b Twining	9
F. D. Berryman, not out	3
L. R. Last, not out	6
K. C. Hame	} did not bat
H. Clare	
D. J. Fevez	
Extras	36
Total (for 6 wickets)	187

WESTMINSTER v. TONBRIDGE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28.

Played at Vincent Square. Hedges won the toss for Tonbridge and decided to bat first. Westminster started well, and Jupp was lbw to a good ball from Berryman in the third over. He was followed by Hedges, who, in partnership with Hubbard, began to score very quickly indeed. Hedges played magnificently all through his innings and gave no chances. Hubbard was badly missed in the slips quite early in the game, and 208 was reached before he got lbw to Taylor. Knott and Hedges then put on another hundred before the next wicket fell. Hedges was bowled in hitting too soon at a good length ball from Cowan, and Solbe then joined Knott, who was playing well, and 411 was up for 4 wickets. No more runs were scored before Hedges declared, and the 5th and 6th wickets fell quickly. Solbe was smartly stumped by Hame off Taylor's bowling; Milne was bowled by Wade, and Knott was caught by Harford, also off Wade. The prospect for Westminster was not very pleasing. 411 was a formidable score to make in 3½ hours, although Tonbridge had by dint of extraordinarily fast scoring done it in 2¾. A very bad start was made, Wade being bowled before any runs were made. Harford and Percival however played well together, and 41 was up before the 2nd wicket fell. Percival was playing splendidly, and it was unfortunate that no one seemed able to stay in with him. Taylor looked like doing so, and was playing well whilst he was in. Last helped in a good 4th wicket stand, and he and Percival might have stayed in indefinitely if Last had not quite unnecessarily run himself out. Bad running has been one of the great faults of the side all through the season, and must improve. Percival got stumped shortly after Berryman had come in. The remainder of the wickets fell very cheaply. The Tonbridge fielding was good, although, from what one can remember, it cannot be compared with that of 1918. The bowling was not formidable,

and the total should have been much higher than 186. On the whole Tonbridge are to be congratulated on a fine victory.

Scores:—

TONBRIDGE.

I. E. Jupp, lbw, Berryman	3
J. C. Hubbard, lbw, Taylor	59
L. P. Hedges, b Cowan	193
C. H. Knott, c Harford, b Wade	107
E. P. Solbe, st Hame, b Taylor	31
H. F. Milne, not out	0
V. Armistead, b Wade	0
H. P. Holton	
G. W. Mackay	
R. MacW. Pryor	
F. D. H. Welldon	
Extras	23
(Total innings declared for 6 wickets)	411

WESTMINSTER.

P. V. Wade, b Welldon	0
E. D. Harford, c Armistead, b Pryor	22
J. D. Percival, st Mackay, b Pryor	78
H. A. Clegg, c Welldon, b Hedges	7
C. H. Taylor, b Pryor	15
H. F. Gorman, c and b Pryor	6
L. R. Last, run out	28
F. D. Berryman, lbw Welldon	6
H. Clare, b Pryor	0
K. C. Hame, not out	4
E. L. Cowan, b Pryor	2
Extras	18
Total	186

WESTMINSTER v. RADLEY.

SATURDAY, JULY 12.

As we go to press we are able to announce a victory over Radley by 35 runs.

Scores:—Westminster	133
Radley	98

A full account will be published in our next number.

THE AVERAGES

(to June 28th).

BATTING.

	No. of Innings.	Times not out.	Total Runs.	Most in an Innings.	Average.
J. D. Percival ..	8	0	228	78	28'5
H. A. Clegg	8	1	175	71*	25'0
P. V. Wade	8	0	150	68	18'75
E. D. Harford ..	5	0	93	39	18'6
C. H. Taylor	8	0	133	30	16'25
L. R. Last	7	2	77	32	15'4
H. F. Gorman ...	8	0	92	47	11'4
K. C. Hame	6	3	32	18	10'8
F. D. Berryman ..	7	1	48	14	8'0
E. L. Cowan	5	1	21	15	4'22

* Not out.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
P. V. Wade	123'1	5	527	25	21'08
C. H. Taylor	21'0	1	95	4	23'80
H. F. Gorman ..	51'5	5	327	12	27'25
H. A. Clegg	31'0	3	107	3	35'60
F. D. Berryman ..	127'5	8	571	14	40'85
E. L. Cowan	63'0	2	257	5	51'40

O.T.C.

COMPANY parades have taken place weekly this term, while practice on the range has continued as usual.

The new qualification and classification tests are generally agreed to be an improvement on the previous ones. In the rapid-fire test time is often lost by inexpert handling of the bolt. Opportunities will be given for more practice in rapid loading and unloading with dummies, which should improve the scoring in this test.

A field day with Cranleigh School O.T.C. took place on Friday, May 30, in the neighbourhood of Peaslake, Cranleigh School fighting a rearguard action. The very hot weather was found rather trying, but there was no lack of keenness.

The operations were somewhat hindered by the enclosed nature of most of the country traversed, and we were further handicapped by the absence of two platoons which, owing to an unfortunate misunderstanding, saw little of the fighting and in the end barely managed to catch the return train to Guildford.

Many valuable lessons should have been learnt from the day's work, particularly in the functions of an advance guard.

The annual inspection of the corps was held on Thursday, July 10, General Egerton, K.C.B., O.W., being the inspecting officer.

The corps proceeds to camp at Mytchelt Farm, Aldershot, on July 29. This year the camp will be an 'official' one, the course of training and the general arrangements being in the hands of officers from the Brigade of Guards.

Let us hope the weather will prove kinder than at our last camp two years ago.

Capt. Willett who took over the command of the corps in 1913 is resigning this term, and will be succeeded by Lieut.-Colonel Shaw, D.S.O.

All who have served in the corps under Captain Willett would like to take this opportunity of thanking him for all that he has done during his tenure of command.

Whatever occasion there be for pride in the war record of the corps must, we feel, be wholly ascribed to his untiring efforts, encouragement, and enthusiasm. Although he is severing his official connection, we know we can at all times rely upon his kindly interest and help.

House Notes.

K.S.S.—We must begin by apologising to Clegg for being so late in congratulating him on his success in the Senior Gym. Competition. Sincere thanks are due to all those who have so generously supported our War Memorial Scheme. We have already received over £80, and hope that by the end of the term we shall have realised the £100, at which we now estimate the cost of the new book-case.

Taylor and Hame are to be congratulated on their cricket pinks. We are strongly represented in the team this year, having four pinks, while Last plays regularly for the School, and Cocks has done so on several occasions.

We lacked a representative at Henley, though Bennett, who went as fifth man, only lost his place in the four owing to an untimely indisposition. The second four however is chiefly made up of K.S.S., Bennett and Hendy being regular members as stroke and three, while Stevens and Storrs fill the other two places on the majority of occasions.

We have the same swimming four as last year, and, though we lack any prominent member, should have a good average team in the sports.

Our junior cricket team shows great promise, and has already beaten H.B.B. by an innings.

After an interval of four years the unwonted sound of 'Election Graces' practising is once more to be heard, and we look forward to the dinner with all the more interest, as none of us have ever been present at the ceremony before.

We are proud to congratulate two old K.S.S., Mr. M. Holroyd on his appointment to a fellowship at Brasenose, and Mr. M. A. Thompson on his manifold successes at Cambridge.

GRANT'S.—In cricket seniors, the chief inter-house event of this term, we did very creditably up to a point, and then our last five wickets collapsed for five runs, and Rigaud's were left winners by fifty runs. In juniors we drew a bye in the first round, and are just about to oppose College in the second. Of our individual performers E. G. Buckley and A. P. Main have played frequently for the School, the latter gaining pink and white: D. J. Fevez also played against the Free Foresters, and W. B. Frampton and he have been given house colours. We congratulate them all, and also P. J. S. Bevan, who has gone down to Henley with the first four. W. J. Amherst may be heard by the curious ardently coaching the house singing team, and we wish him every success. Our numbers for camp are at present twenty-two, which compares favourably with other houses. Finally, we are sorry to lose

C. N. Morris, who has been compelled to leave us on account of ill-health.

RIGAUD'S.—It is our first duty to congratulate Berryman on regaining, and Percival on winning, his Pinks. Harford is now regularly playing for the team and has been given Pink and Whites. Cowan has gained well-earned House colours, while Cooper has been given them for captaining the House rowing four. Hearty congratulations to Percival again on coming into Under. Yard ties, though they began well, have now come to a standstill owing to the extreme difficulty of obtaining balls. To Hyde are due belated congratulations on winning the second trial of Orations, and as we go to press we learn that he has won the third trial and with it the prize.

Although at one time the issue of our match with Grant's hung in the balance, we still entertained the liveliest hopes of victory. These hopes have by now been justified. Our prospects for the junior and senior shooting cups are really brilliant. Let us hope they will not suffer the same fate as nearly all so-called certainties. Finally, in the Literary Society we have come to the end of a most enjoyable reading of 'The Rivals' and are in the middle of 'The School for Scandal.'

H.B.B.—As usual House Notes are required about a week too early, so that we cannot yet give any definite news about many matters of interest. Our Junior team, alas! did not distinguish itself, and though our opponents were certainly the stronger team we should have put up a better fight. In Seniors we have every reason to be thankful for success against A.H.H., thanks to a fine second innings by E. N. Cazeaux, which really saved the situation when things were not looking particularly rosy. We heartily congratulate P. V. Wade on regaining his Pinks and on carrying off the honours of the Charterhouse match. We also congratulate R. G. H. Lowe on well-deserved house colours, and H. Clare on playing for the School, and D. F. Knight on rowing House Colours. In other spheres we are shewing considerable activity, notably on the water, where we have two representatives in the 1st IV, and therefore have great hopes of carrying off the Town Boy rudder, and in the singing competition, where if keenness counts for anything, we should have a very good chance of success. Finally, we congratulate E. B. H. Baker on success in the Challenge, also M. R. Holmes and P. R. B. May.

ASHBURNHAM.—The result of Seniors is disappointing after our victory in the first innings, but we have no need to be ashamed of having been defeated by so much stronger a side. In Juniors, however, we are beating Rigaud's,

and have a chance for the Cup. We congratulate H. Chisholm on his House Colours, and Guymer on getting into Trinity. Two members of the House, Lord and Schlotel, have gone to Henley: we congratulate them and wish them success. We intend to retain the Swimming Cup, as we have three out of last year's four left, while our Shooting is also promising. Among Old Ashburnhamites we are glad to see that R. G. Bare is in the Sandhurst Eight, while T. I. Bate has got his Football Colours.

Old Westminsters.

MR. A. R. KNAPP, I.C.S., has been created a Commander of the Order of the British Empire, Mr. H. C. Barnes, I.C.S., has been created a Commander of the Order of the Indian Empire, and Mr. H. L. Stephenson, C.S.I., I.C.S., has been created a Commander of the Order of the Star of India.

Major-General Sir G. G. Aston, K.C.B., has been elected a Busby Trustee. He recently published *War Lessons New and Old*, which has been very favourably received by the Press.

Major-General Sir Reginald Barnes, Major-General Sir Nevill Maskelyne Smyth, and Major-General Sir A. R. Hoskins have been appointed to the command of a division of the new Territorial Force.

Mr. R. M. Barrington-Ward, D.S.O., M.C., and Mr. R. E. C. Gordon have been called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn and the Inner Temple respectively.

Dr. Percy Dearmer has been appointed Professor of Ecclesiastical Art at King's College, London.

The Rev. E. C. Bedford has been appointed Dean of Sion College.

Mr. Michael Holroyd, who was elected to Christ Church in 1911 and has recovered from the severe wound inflicted on him in the war, has been elected Fellow of Brasenose. Mr. J. G. Barrington-Ward, who was Hertford Scholar in 1913, has been appointed to a lectureship at Christ Church.

Mr. F. L. Moss was one of those who represented Oxford against Cambridge this year at Swimming. This is, we believe, our only representative in an inter-Varsity match this year.

Mr. M. A. Thompson, of Clare College, Cambridge, was awarded the Bell Scholarship for Mathematics, and was in the First Class of Mathematical Tripos, Part I. Mr. H. H. C. Graham came out at the head of the list in Part II. of the Special Examination in Law at Cambridge and sixth in Part I.

Mr. F. T. Barrington-Ward has taken silk.

Mr. T. M. Mavrogordato has been one of the competitors for the Lawn Tennis Singles Championship. He got through the first two rounds, but succumbed in the third. Mr. C. T. Agar was one of the eleven competitors for the Championship of Tennis, a game in which few Westminsters have taken part. He won in the first round, but fell out in the second. It is worthy of note that he was partly instrumental in having the old Tennis Court at Hampton Court reopened.

Capt. G. B. F. Rudd has not lost his cricket during his imprisonment in Germany, and has been playing with success for Leicestershire.

It may be well to record here that, according to *The Times*, the largest measured hit ever made by a cricketer was the work of Walter Fellows who was elected to Christ Church in 1852. The hit was made in 1856 in practice on the Christ Church ground, the distance being 175 yards from hit to pitch. Mr. Fellows played for the Gentleman against the Players 1855-57, took orders in 1856, and from 1863 had a living at Melbourne, Victoria. He died in 1902.

We understand that Mr. C. J. B. Hurst, K.C., C.B., Legal Adviser to the Foreign Office, was very largely responsible for the general drafting of the Peace Treaty. It is also interesting to note in this connection that Mr. T. C. C. Davidson, C.B., watched the signing of the treaty at Versailles in the afternoon, and, after crossing the Channel by aeroplane, personally delivered the Prime Minister's letter and described the scene to the King the same evening.

Lieut.-General Sir R. G. Egerton, K.C.B., has become a life subscriber to THE ELIZABETHAN.

Births.

ON April 13, the wife of the Hon. R. B. Denman, of a daughter.

On April 30, the wife of Claude F. Rivaz, of a son.

On May 12, the wife of H. McL. Melville-Smith, of a daughter.

On May 14, the wife of Capt. R. A. E. Voysey, of a daughter.

On May 22, the wife of J. D. H. Dickson, of a daughter.

Marriage.

GOW-WOOD.—On June 19, James Cuthbert Gow, to Katherine, daughter of B. George Wood, of Hallam Lodge, Sheffield.

Obituary.

WE have to regret the death of Captain PERCY TOWNLEY RAWLINGS, D.S.C., who lost his life in the first trial of the great Tarrant triplane, of which he was in part the designer. The youngest son of Mr. Rawlings of Westminster, he was admitted as a K.S. in 1901. He was a double pink and captain of the Cricket Eleven in 1906, when he had an average of 38, with a total of 509 runs. In the same year he was elected for Trinity. He afterwards joined the R.E. Special Reserve and served in the war—first in the R.N.V.R. and afterwards in the R.N.A.S., and was mentioned in despatches. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for the part he took in the great bombing raid on Constantinople.

The death of WILLIAM SCRATTON at the age of ninety removes one of the oldest benefited ministers in the Kingdom. Admitted in 1842, he became a Queen's scholar in 1843, and was elected lay to Christ Church in 1847. He took orders, and from 1871 to his death held the college living of Badby. He died suddenly on June 30.

Correspondence.

THE OXFORD LETTER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—It is not without pleasure that I sit down to write the Oxford Letter, for hard as the lot of your University correspondence must be in these days of undergraduate superfluity, I can hardly arouse more unfavourable comment than did your correspondence of last term.

After considerable and crafty investigation I have come to the conclusion that the distinguished company of Westminsters who are resident members of this University is no less than between forty and fifty. There are three obvious categories, Sir, into which one might divide this multitude—those who are both seen and heard, those who are seen but not heard, and those who are neither seen nor heard. The convenience of lumping together all except a few friends (or enemies) in the last category is obvious, but the veil of anonymity is apt to slip unawares.

Well, Sir, in spite of rumours to the contrary, now happily crushed, the Very Rev. T. B. Strong continues to head our list, as well as the great House, the elder sister of that foundation to which you have the honour to belong. Mr. W. T. S. Stallybrass, the Vice-Principal of Brazenose, has found time to assist the O.U. Cricket Club in an important office. With him, we are gratified to perceive, will be associated next term Mr. M. Holroyd, who has been awarded a Fellowship of that College, where, we will hope, his peculiar geographical enthusiasm will have full scope. Mr. C. C. J. Webb is back at Magdalen, after an absence of some weeks to give another University the benefit of his erudition. Of Mr. W. H. A. Cowell and Mr. B. M. Goldie we know little except that they are connected with St. Edward's School, and on *a priori* grounds (since they are tutors) we infer that Mr. F. Y. Eccles and Mr. H. L. Henderson instruct at Balliol and New College respectively; we have, too, to congratulate Mr. J. G. Barrington-Ward on his official appointment to a lectureship at Christ Church.

We imagine that Mr. A. R. I. Mellor, who has returned to the House, is among the most senior and prominent undergraduates. He plays cricket occasionally, and has been President of the House Lawn Tennis. Mr. P. S. Spokes (a graduate) is our only representative at Queen's, and is a Conservative of sorts. Mr. F. M. Fisher has been seen at intervals, and is stroking the House eight at Henley. Mr. R. S. Partridge inspires much awe as ever, both *qua* himself and *qua* President of the Boat Club at the House. Mr. J. H. Troutbeck, of the same election in College, has returned, and the gilt is wearing off. Mr. W. J. N. Little is another respected member of the Old Guard at the House, and is observed on the tennis courts. Mr. G. F. Ormond contrives to be musical at Exeter. Mr. A. P. Warren the same (and artistic) at Magdalen. Mr. R. W. Stannard, who rows at times, and Mr. F. R. R. Burford are to be seen and heard together at the House and in a club there, of which the latter is an official. Mr. R. L. St. J. Harmsworth motors far and wide at, or rather from, the House. Mr. B. G. Scholefield, who played once last term for the Varsity at Rugger, has been elected Secretary for the House at that game next term. This term he has played lawn tennis, and occasionally cricket of a sporting character for the Warrigals. He and Mr. P. H. Leslie, who plays lawn tennis for the House and has acted therein as Secretary, are our budding doctors.

Mr. N. A. Beechman, of Balliol, is a great man. He speaks at the Union with considerable effect, and has

many journalistic and political schemes. Mr. R. M. Howe, of the House, is to be seen on the lawn-tennis courts, often with Mr. R. S. Browning, of the same college and regiment. If the furrow ploughed by Mr. S. L. Holmes is lonely, it is sometimes rather intricate; he played Soccer once for the 'Varsity last term, and has once or twice appeared at lawn tennis for the House. He has also been President this term of one of the clubs at the House. Mr. G. G. F. Greig played remarkably well in the only trial game he was given, and should certainly have been tried again. However, he has bowled and batted with success for the Authentics and the House, for which he is Cricket Secretary, and we hope for great things next season. With Mr. Warren, he is on the committee of a prominent eating club. Mr. C. L. Bayne rowed No. 7 for the somewhat unsuccessful House second eight, but is beginning to look very learned. Mr. G. P. P. Walsh is reputed to be very good at golf, has played cricket for the House, and won the Singles Handicap there at lawn tennis. He was also successful in the doubles, partnered by Mr. M. G. Hewins, who, needless to say, is of sound Conservative tendencies. Not so Mr. R. F. Harrod, of New College, who is now carrying more weight and less air at the Union and elsewhere; while, with Mr. Beechman aforementioned and Mr. P. R. Rea and Mr. J. B. Herbert (a remarkably good speaker), both of the House, he is on the committee of the newly formed Liberal Club, which is thus largely run by Westminsters. Mr. P. C. A. Usher, on the other hand, is a very dignified Tory and theologian, but occasionally unbends at lawn tennis with Mr. A. C. Morgan and Mr. F. L. Warburg. We are inclined to think Mr. R. E. Owen does some work, possibly also Mr. D. C. Simpson, who also plays lawn tennis, and we must certainly congratulate Mr. C. W. Baty on having descended from his dwelling in the clouds to enter for the Hertford. We ought to have mentioned Mr. F. L. Moss before. He is one of the best swimmers in the 'Varsity, and hope he will have his revenge on Cambridge next year. The tale of Westminsters at the House is closed with the mention of Mr. J. S. E. Martin-Harvey and Mr. P. A. Sainsbury, both of whom we suspect of being artistic and appearing in strange costumes all night.

Mr. E. H. Samuel looks prosperous at Balliol, and has endeavoured to show in print that he knows his subject. Mr. S. M. Potter is our only representative, but a worthy one we trust, at the venerable Merton. Mr. K. W. Sorley has reappeared. If we remember aright he was not as fond of Westminster as most of us, but migrated to some other, doubtless excellent, seat of learning, whence he has found his way to Oriel. It is well, for Mr. F. P. Spicer is a worthy and magnificent spectacle as a member of the Oriel eight—a first-fruit, we will hope, of Westminster Water.

My task would not be complete did I not take this opportunity of bidding farewell, for myself and on behalf of all your former Oxford correspondents, to Dr. Gow and Mr. Tanner, to say how the good wishes of all of us at Oxford go with them on their departure from the School, and at the same time to assure the new Head Master, Mr. Costley-White, of our eager and anxious regard for Westminster, and our loyal support to him in his coming great task.

I have the honour, Sir, to be your obedient servant,
'TRANSMIGRATUS IN OXONIAM.'

FROM OUR CAMBRIDGE CORRESPONDENT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—It is hard to write a letter of due dignity and profundity in Cambridge at present. The backs in May lower the *morale* to such an extent that I for one feel that

to 'babble o' green fields' would satisfy me for the remainder of my days—given, as they say, a bit of this weather, good company, and a punt.

But you don't want this sort of nonsense; it's the war's fault, not mine. But let's be firm: *cedant arma togæ*: News.

There was a great conclave in a lecture-room the other day to discuss our future corporation. Being Bolshevik in tendency the meeting decided not to have a Chairman; then by some mysterious process found it had one, and fell to abusing him. The upshot was that J. C. Ainsworth Davis (H.B.B.) was unanimously elected Secretary for the year, and G. C. Lowry was deputed to study wine-lists and make a round of the local hotels (not a bad periphrasis for p. b. c. . . l). You will gather that the feeling of the meeting was a trifle epicurean. One member (was it L. H. Chidson, H.B.B.?) suggested sybaritic, but as we didn't know what he meant he escaped. But at any rate all agreed that a tie, a secretary, and a dinner should constitute our common activities.

It must be admitted to the joy of some, to the sorrow of more, that H.B.B. unduly predominate at the moment. You doubtless read the touching description of Davis in *The Times* of the 26th of May; that and his narrow defeat by Butler in both the 'Varsity 100 and $\frac{1}{2}$ moved us more than we will admit. The only important fact about R. J. Pulvertaft (H.B.B.) is that, as far as I could gather from a casual call, he manufactures incomparable coffee with cucumber in an egg-cup. Lowe (H.B.B.) *μεν* has a pair of batting gloves (*sic fata jubent*) Mellor *de* rows. Most of the Ps—Parsons, Proger, and Pulvertaft—Phavour Pharmacy; at least they are said to have fought over an ingrowing toe-nail in the 'meaters' the other day. A. S. Macpherson (H.B.B.) keeps Lowry in training for the Mays by gentle music! They keep on the same staircase! F. F. Young (R.) is distinguished alike by his appearance and his company. Really rowing is a greater glory than many D.S.O.s. Turberville leads the quiet life with marked success, while Junkin leaps. M. A. Thompson, K.S., plays vigorous tennis at times, but is storing energy for a Soccer blue next year. Tell it not in Gath, but at a recent tennis tournament Messrs. Cahn, Cornford, Pite (A.H.H.), and Pulvertaft all succumbed in the first round. The only other feature is Pite's blazer. It is hard to say whether it is most truly a feature or a portent, but the lack of other features decides us on the former word. There are still many mysteries unprobed, such as W. T. R. Rawson (G.), E. T. Hippsley (K.S.), R. W. George (A.H.H.), J. C. W. Horne, and F. E. Ruegg. There are also many glories unrecorded, but you have already heard far too much.

I will close with stop-press news. Lowry has just reported that no hotel in Cambridge or neighbourhood can satisfy his demands, so, rather than disappoint him, we have postponed the dinner till next term, when he will have gone down.—I remain,

Your most obedient humble servant,
WESTMON.-CANTAB.

P.S.—All freshers coming up next term should inform J. C. Ainsworth-Davis, Christ's College, who will tell them everything.

P.P.S.—I have inserted the houses of certain veterans after their names, more for their information than yours.

WATER.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

DEAR SIR,—That Water is not a hindrance but a help to cricket is at last coming to be recognised by the majority of people, while this year—*εμργ* the higher

members of the School at least—there is much greater interest in rowing than has hitherto been shown. Water has now justified its position by proving in the last few years the most successful branch of school athletics and capturing a record upon two strange courses, Winchester and Tonbridge. And yet the support granted it by the School can scarcely be deemed generous. The sum paid by rowers is, I believe, greatly in excess of the amount allowed by the School for water expenses, while the School owes everything in the way of accommodation to the generosity of the Thames Rowing Club, and for financial support relies largely on the charity of O.W.W.

To continue in our free use of all the club's conveniences without any return from us is surely impossible, while the protection of the T.R.C. is sadly incompatible with further growth of our numbers—a very necessary thing, if we are to attain true success for ourselves or prove a really valuable overflow from Vincent Square.

The boating accommodation this term is quite insufficient. Over fifty people are now on the Water list; for these (exclusive of 1st and 2nd clinkers) there are three tub fours, the result being that many can only go down on plays, while I believe some members have never been able to go down at all. When people do go out they are unattended by coaches and left to contract bad faults, notoriously injurious not only to future efficiency but to health.

Even the second four, which has two or three fixtures, has been completely without a coach this year and lacks a suitable boat. If the interests of Water are really the interests of the School more attention should be paid to them.

I am, Sir, etc.,
P. A. HENDY.

PUBLIC SPIRIT.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—Though I well know that numberless letters have appeared on this subject and that few of them have had any practical effect, I felt impelled to call attention to yet another instance of the apathy that seems to distinguish Westminster from other public schools. On Saturday, June 28, was played the only home match against another school of the season, at which it was at any rate to be hoped the whole School would turn up. Well, Sir, the attendance at the beginning of the afternoon was satisfactory, but from half-past four to half-past five there was a steady flow of boys leaving the ground. This was especially remarkable as the match was not nearly finished and was noticed by many visitors. In itself it is a comparatively small matter, but an accumulation of such small matters makes the reputation of the School suffer. Can nothing be done?

I am, Sir,
Yours, etc.,
SPECTATOR.

Westminster:
July 1, 1919.

WESTMINSTER FOOTBALL.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—The excellent article you published in your last number on 'The Past Football Season' is well worth careful perusal by all who are interested in Westminster Football. At the same time, while respecting Capt. Willett's opinion on such matters as of very great weight, one cannot let certain statements he made in regard to coaching go entirely unchallenged. They are controversial, and there is a strong body of opinion among Old West-

minsters who have given thought to the matter and have some experience themselves that the actual facts are diametrically opposed to the spirit of your article. Capt. Willett says: 'Games are played for amusement. . . . The time and trouble that would have to be expended on making even tolerably good players or a large number of the School would not only produce a hatred of games, but would give a wrong idea of their importance.' We agree very strongly that games *should* be played for amusement, but we submit that there *is* at present a hatred of games among a considerable number of the School, and that the reason of this hatred is to a very great extent that there is neither proper coaching nor organisation. This applies to cricket as much as football, and we believe a good proportion of the School go upfields not for amusement but because they have been unable to avoid station to do so, and that when there they do not really get a game at all. You will observe how very different our conclusion is from that reached by Capt. Willett, and it is at least open to doubt whether this view is not worthy of some consideration. It is to be hoped that a rather more intensive system will at least be tried and the amusement thereby increased, for to some of us it appears that at present little amusement is got out of games by those other than colours.

I am, yours, etc.,
FROM GREEN TO PINK.

O.W.W. DINNERS.

To the Editor of 'The Elizabethan.'

SIR,—The late Dr. Shadwell's dinners to Old Westminsters, to which your correspondent refers, carried on, as he says, an older tradition. On May 18, 1805, Admiral Markham writes that he 'was at the yearly meeting of Old Westminsters at Lord Mansfield's house in Portland Place. I was always invited to it by his father. When he died Sir John Skynner gave the dinner, and I was left out. But I am thus again introduced to the honours by the son, who used in former times to come down to dessert.' (A 'Naval Career during the Old War,' edited by Sir C. Markham, p. 253). The editor adds a note, 'In after years the tradition was kept up by Lord Normanton, who used to give dinners to Old Westminsters of his standing, and when he died these were taken up by Sir Richard Glyn.'

I am, Sir, etc.,
LAWRENCE E. TANNER.

2 Little Dean's Yard,
Westminster.

Our Contemporaries.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following: *The Cheltonian* (2), *Eton College Chronicle* (4), *Abbey School Magazine*, *Brighton College Magazine*, *Meteor* (3), *Salopian* (2), *Marlburian* (2), *The Brigade, Stonyhurst Magazine* (2), *The Navy* (2), *Harrovian*, *Skylark*, *Rossallian*, *Wellingtonian*, *Lancing College Magazine*, *Johnian*, *Radleian*, *Alleynian* (2), *Cristonian*, *Reptonian* (2), *Bradfield College Magazine*, *Wykhamist*, *Uhula*, *Haileyburian* (2), *Blundellian*, *Edinburgh Academy Chronicle* (2), *Beaumont Review*, *Pauline*, *Shirburnian*.

'THE ELIZABETHAN' CLUB.

THIS Club was founded in the year 1864, and consists of Old Westminsters. Its objects are to promote intercourse among Old Westminsters and to preserve the associations

and further the interests and prosperity of the School. The subscription to the Club is 10s. 6d. per annum, or on the payment of £3s 3s. all future subscriptions will be compounded for.

Old Westminsterers who wish to join the Club should communicate with the Hon. Secretary, L. E. TANNER, Esq., 2 Little Dean's Yard, Westminster. S.W. 1.

OLD WESTMINSTERS LODGE NO. 2233.

THIS Lodge was formed in 1888, and consists of Old Westminsterers. It meets in London four times a year—in March, June, October, and December. It is the senior Public School Lodge belonging to the Public Schools Union, which holds an Annual Festival at each School in turn.

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