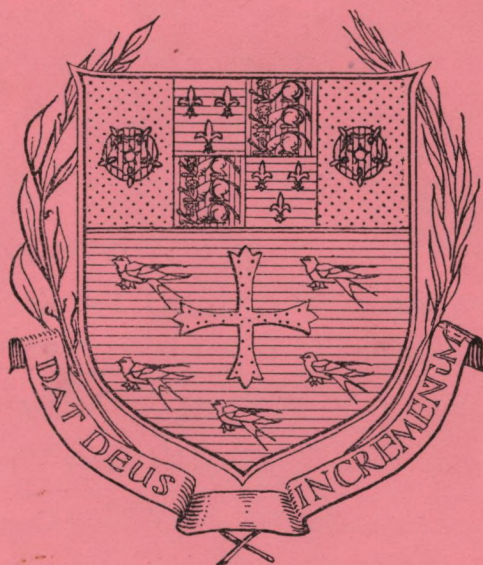


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EXPERIMENT AND INNOVATION

We have often wondered whether if the Head Master put on his prayer board when he said *Ire Licet* instead of his cap, it would be treated as an experiment or an innovation; as an experiment it would undoubtedly fail, as an innovation it would probably cause some merriment, and probably an outcry. Innovations are nearly always received with an outcry, simply because they are almost certain to be permanent; it takes some time for a philosophic calm to settle on the disturbed and outraged hearts of the many. Experiments, on the other hand, are nearly always welcomed; they are supposed to show a proper caution and a feeling

for the weight of popular opinion. Which only goes to show how much more amusing it is to introduce an experiment and keep it as an innovation.

Thus when quite recently a series of political articles were introduced in *THE ELIZABETHAN* the outcry against them was immediate. Old Westminsters felt their tenderest political ideals being tilted at, and feared for the well-being of the young minds that would read them. The Editor of the day quite properly continued the series undaunted. Criticism is inevitably the hardest rock against which an Editor will strike his head. He is placed in a difficult position. The public that *THE ELIZABETHAN* caters for

is threefold. Numerically smallest, but as important as anyone else, is the School. Then the Old Westminsters by whose support, through the Elizabethan Club, it is that THE ELIZABETHAN is able to appear at all, and, finally, posterity, a factor that is surprisingly important. Faced with this large varied public, the Editor is bound to be abused.

We believe that THE ELIZABETHAN should be made as enjoyable as possible to as many people as possible. To do this it must appeal to that mysterious individual, "the boy in the Yard." THE ELIZABETHAN is not, and never has been, a literary magazine; it presents the news of the School in such a way that it will interest those people who took part in the events recorded as well as Old Westminsters and posterity. Literary articles are sidelines and, by the way, excellent to relieve the general run of the magazine, but by no means essential. This policy is not experiment, it is hardly innovation; it is what we believe the purpose of THE ELIZABETHAN to be.

This article, on the other hand, is an innovation. It has not preached, found fault, or even drawn a moral; it has merely stated plain facts. The temptations of moralising are great when one considers how much there is to moralize about, but it is probably better in the long run to state the facts and leave them to stand up for themselves.

AND PAUSE AWHILE

—from letters to be wise. If Dr. Johnson could have known the vacuum he was to cause in Election, 1938, he might have paused awhile before committing those letters to paper. The learned Doctor could scarce have foreseen how our correspondents would have misconstrued his words or he would have made clarity more clear. The fact, however, remains that in the last number of THE ELIZABETHAN the correspondence columns dwindled to a mere headline, which was finally abandoned for politeness' sake, and the present number can boast but scant improvement. From time to time we receive a request to note a change of address from a sun-browned alumnus in 'Mbongo-'mpongo; at less regular intervals an un-

readable (or at least an unprintable) epistle stumbles through the post; but after the Editorial board have enjoyed their joke they abandon it reluctantly to the waste-paper basket. The latter species goes the way of all waste-paper: the former suffers little better in the files.

Of bright, lively correspondence, of the sort of letter that sets us all on tip-tail with excitement and causes our most faithful friends, the followers of Colonel Blimp, to bespatter innocent paper with gore-stained ink from an angry pen, of such no trace is to be seen. We hope with fervour that something will turn up and, like the proverbial bad penny, nothing does. That the art of letter-writing is dying out we have often been told; but that it should be already dead, with all the nails driven home in its coffin, we cannot be persuaded. If it were, *de mortuis* . . .

But it is not. We find our *Times* full of letters every morning; lesser contemporaries also seem to get one or two. Yet we dare not, as they, beg our correspondents to be brief: unlike the examiner, we would ask that one side of the paper should be written on at least, not one side only. Nor can we believe that we provide no subject matter. Even if we have decided what was wrong with Westminster sport we do not admire the way in which the suggestion of the quatercentenary has been followed up. Water seems to be less provocative than of yore but surely somebody can write to tell us that Sir Montgomerie was called Dopey by his form-mates? We are forced into the undesirable position of assuming that THE ELIZABETHAN sent to 'Mbango-'mpango never reached the sun-browned alumnus in 'Mbongo-'mpongo.

"Impenetrability! That's what we say. We mean by 'impenetrability' that we've had enough of that subject, and it would be just as well if you'd mention what you mean to do next." Our correspondents may, if they wish, take a brick out of Humpty-Dumpty's wall and give us the next move. But their turn is already overdue, and we would point out that we depend for our variety upon our contributors. We cannot, as do the editors of the *Eton College Chronicle*, fill each issue with letters from ourselves.

SOME SOILED LINEN

The loss of King John's regalia is a time-honoured joke ; but the joke is on us when our own sartorial treasures are engulfed in the same way. The robes of King John lie buried deep beneath the sands of Time and the Fens ; but how incomparably deeper in the Wash lie my bedsocks and boiled shirts. That odious sweater that Aunt Tabitha knitted me for Christmas went the way of most sweaters the first time I sent it, glory be ; but I do grudge them my best silk handkerchiefs. The Wash displays the same rapacity as an automatic slot-machine that fails. With every confidence you entrust your penny, but its steely jaws remain firmly closed. You batter its face, you rave, but still it eyes you with unmoved malignance. So the Wash accepts my handkerchiefs without thanks, and I go out to buy more laundry-fodder.

This is not the only spiteful trick the Wash can play. Sometimes it sends shirts back ; and what a wealth of cunning care has been lavished on their preparation ! To put one on is like eating an artichoke. After you have finished there is a heap of discarded remnants far larger than the original vegetable. So with the shirt. You extract the cardboard square from its back. You take other pieces from the cuffs. There are small china studs back and front and in the button holes. And then there are the pins. They lurk concealed in every fold : now here, now there, waiting their time to strike. This is the way the Laundry repays complaints.

I have seen the torture-chamber of the Tower of London. I have inspected the Chamber of Horrors at Madame Tussauds. Both left me cold. It now remains for me to be shown over a Laundry, for surely here I could not stand unmoved. To see those dire instruments, the Name-Eraser and the Buttonhole-Tearer. Here, I might say, is the rack on which my long pants were made longer ; here the cauldron in which my vests were boiled to shreds ; here the mangle where . . . But, no, I could not face it.

SCHOOL NOTES

By kind invitation of the Provost of Eton, the Captain of the King's Scholars and the

Monitors in College attended the celebrations on June 4th.

By kind invitation of Lord Ritchie of Dundee (O.W.), Chairman of the P.L.A., a party from the School visited the Port of London on Tuesday, June 28th.

The Music Cup was won by King's Scholars, Grant's was second, and Ashburnham third.

The Cheyne Mathematical Prizes were won by R. H. F. Carlyle, K.S., and H. C. Garner, K.S.

The Neale History Prize was won by M. Kinchin Smith, K.S. K. G. Neal and R. V. C. Cleveland-Stevens *proxime accesserunt*.

The Senior Vincent Prize was won by M. T. Cherniabsky, K.S. S.R. Asquith and J. A. Staynes, K.S., *proxime accesserunt*. The Junior Prize was won by R. K. Archer and J. O. Peck, R. J. V. Peter *proxime accessit*.

The Sykes Memorial Prize was won by M. Kinchin Smith, K.S.

Our frontispiece is from a photograph by Mr. J. D. Carleton.

Contributions for the October number of THE ELIZABETHAN should reach the Editor, 3, Little Dean's Yard, S.W.1, by Monday, October 10th.

CONTEMPORARIES

We acknowledge the receipt of the following, and apologise for any inadvertent omissions :—

Aldenhamian (2), *Alleynian*, *Artists Rifles Gazette*, *Beaumont Review*, *Blundellian*, *Blue*, *Bradfield College Chronicle*, *Britannia Magazine*, *Cantuarian*, *Cheltonian*, *Edinburgh Academy Chronicle*, *Eton College Chronicle* (6), *Felstedian*, *Fettesian*, *Glenalmond*, *Harrovian* (3), *Johnian*, *King's College School Magazine*, *Ley's Fortnightly* (2), *Limit* (Loughborough College), *Malvernian*, *Marlburian* (3), *Meteor*, *Mill Hill Magazine*, *Ousel*, *Portcullis*, *St. Edward's School Chronicle*, *Salopian*, *Sedberghian*, *Sotoniensis*, *Stonyhurstian*, *Tonbridgian*, *Trinity University Review*, *Wellingtonian*, *Wycombe Abbey Gazette*, *Wykehamist* (2), *Magus*, *Orange and Blue*, *Panorama*, *Proctor Review*.

WESTMINSTER HISTORY

WESTMINSTER

By J. D. CARLETON, (O.W.)

(Blackie: English Public Schools, 5s.)

An historian is nearly always faced with the difficulty that his subject has been written on before; he has to be careful to tell the stories that others have told before him with life and vigour. Mr. Carleton in this new history of the school succeeds in this admirably. His survey of the history, the gradual development up to the 18th century, the stagnation, the fall and the rebirth, is living and clear. The historian of Westminster is rather cramped in some ways by his predecessors. The Annals displaying immense knowledge coupled with real affection stand as a monument in the writing of school history. Mr. Tanner's two books—the one on buildings packed with anecdotes and stories, the other bringing his researches in the Abbey muniments to bear on his subject—are indispensable. This new book in no way supersedes these classics, nor does it imitate them. It brings a new outlook—fresher and more modern—to bear, and gathers up the threads the others have left and weaves them into a whole.

The ground, already well trodden from the beginning of the School to the 19th century, is skilfully crossed once more. An excellent chapter on Busby sums him up admirably and sets him against the varied background of his times. The violence of life at Westminster in the 18th century is brought out with anecdotes, and this letter from a small Town Boy writing to his mother gives a rather lurid touch to a time already lively: "If you don't let me come home, I die. I am all over ink and my fine clothes have been spoilt. I have been tost in a blanket, and seen a ghost." The author analyses the decline in the numbers of the School at the beginning of the 19th century, and describes the work of the Public Schools Commission and the courage and energy of Rutherford in carrying it out is fully appreciated. The chapter on the Twentieth Century completes the history with a full account of Gow's Head Mastership, and the years of the war

for the first time in a history of the School. Of Dr. Costley-White it is, of course, too early to write fully, but his contribution to the life of the School and his place in its history, as well as his work for Fields and Water, are clearly recognised.

The last six chapters of the book do something to analyse the parts that go to make up Westminster. Our connection with the Abbey has, rightly, a chapter to itself. The School Buildings, Fields and Water are described. Two chapters on the School year sum up the activities of the three terms, and a truly admirable last chapter—School Portrait—catches the atmosphere of the School well.

Mr. Carleton has dealt with a difficult subject admirably. He has managed to put into words much of the spirit and feeling of the School, and much that goes to make up that feeling, and has succeeded in writing a book which is at once understandable to the outside reader with no previous knowledge of the School, and is a scholarly addition to the already full bibliography of Westminster: it deserves more attention than its unpretentious appearance as one of a series might lead one to expect. For his analysis of the School to-day and his fresh retracing of history, Mr. Carleton deserves the fullest credit.

THE RECORD OF OLD WESTMINSTERS

(Supplementary Volume)

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

Edited by J. B. Whitmore and G. R. Y. Radcliffe

(The Elizabethan Club, 12s.)

The work of producing records is never ending, but seldom brought to light. Such a work as *The Record of Old Westminsters* is invaluable from every point of view. The Elizabethan Club have recently published a volume supplementary to the two original volumes. The new volume contains corrections and additions to the original work, and details of all those admitted from Play Term, 1919, to Election Term, 1937—this last list superseding

the supplement in the second volume of the Record. The Editors, Mr. J. B. Whitmore and Dr. Radcliffe, have performed a very useful work indeed in compiling this third volume; it is, naturally, not as interesting as the first two volumes, but is none the less important for that. The Elizabethan Club in publishing this book have undertaken considerable risk of loss, and it is important that as many Old Westminsters as possible should buy it in order to lessen this risk. The book is bound in uniform style with the other two volumes (now obtainable at the very moderate price of 15s. the two) and has photographs of John Sargeant and of Their Majesties at the Play.

DR. COSTLEY-WHITE

We announce with great pleasure that Dr. H. Costley-White, late Head Master and at present Canon of Westminster, has been appointed Dean of Gloucester.

Dr. Costley-White and Mrs. Costley-White will be much missed in Westminster where they have lived so long.

WESTMINSTER SCHOOL SOCIETY

The Westminster School Society has issued its first annual report covering the period from July 9th, 1937, the date of incorporation, to April 30th, 1938. Of the sums received by the Society a certain portion have been earmarked for specific purposes. £15,000 will be handed over to the School on the completion of the purchase of No. 17, Dean's Yard, to meet the cost of purchase, to make provision towards adapting it to School purposes and to make up the loss of income due to the transfer of No. 1, Dean's Yard to the Dean and Chapter in part exchange for No. 17, Dean's Yard. Investments to the value of £1,705 are held in a capital fund, the income of which is to be used for building repairs and maintenance. £155 10s., being the balance of the Costley-White Testimonial fund, is to be applied to a purpose that will commemorate the name of Dr. Costley-White. £50 has been received from the Old

Grantite Club for a purpose connected with Grant's. £10,000 has been lent to the School at a rate of 2 per cent. per annum as an investment for the Society and to enable the School to reduce its overdraft at the bank, and £3,500 has been advanced to the School at a rate of 2 per cent. per annum to pay off the mortgage on Grove Park.

The report continues that the Society has every reason to congratulate itself on the result of its activities to date. The building up of an endowment fund is slow work and can only be accomplished by the keenness and generosity of O.W.W. It is hoped that those who are not able to subscribe now as much as they would wish will not forget that the Society hopes to receive substantial additions to its funds from legacies.

An ordinary General Meeting was held up School on Wednesday, July 6th.

Contributions to the Society to date amount to £46,460.

THE SCHOOL MISSION

The School Mission attains its Jubilee this year, and will celebrate the event by a special meeting on October 22nd, that being the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the original Boys' Club in Soho. The meeting will probably take place at the School in the evening and will include either an entertainment by the Boys of the Club at Napier Hall, or competitions between them and the Cadets from Battersea.

A notice recently sent to all subscribers to the Mission makes it known that a matter of very great importance to the future of the Mission is now under active consideration. The Mission Council at a recent meeting resolved to recommend that the work should be concentrated by bringing the Club and the Cadets together again, as in the earlier days of the Mission. Shortly after the war, stress of circumstances led to the removal of the Cadets from Napier Hall, and eventually, through the great generosity of the late Colonel Kirkham, they found a very satisfactory home at Lammas Hall in Battersea. There they have flourished; but the intimate connection with the School and with the rest of the Mission was necessarily weakened by the move

to so great a distance. The maintenance of the Cadets came gradually to be regarded as a side issue rather than an integral part of the whole Mission scheme; the Cadets were no longer officered by Old Westminsters and very little was known about them at Westminster. In the meantime, the limited accommodation available in that part of Napier Hall which is at the disposal of the Club has made it difficult to keep pace there, either in numbers or in activities, with the fresh developments of the Boys' Club movement which are taking place. In these circumstances there is much to be said for the view that, instead of dissipating its efforts in two widely separated directions, the Mission should, if possible, bring its two parts once more under one roof. If this cannot be arranged at Vincent Square the Council suggest that it may be necessary to move the Club to Battersea. Sentiment, no doubt, would regret the abandonment by the Mission of work among the boys of the Westminster area; but if realism can make it clear that better work—and work on a scale more worthy of Westminster—can be done at Battersea, there would, we believe, be few to oppose the change.

ARTHUR KNAPP.

THE CHALLENGE, 1938

The following recommendations for Election have been made:—

I. RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIPS IN COLLEGE.

- D. C. Feasey. Mr. F. G. Turner, Tormore, Upper Deal.
- C. K. Smith. Mr. A. H. Linford, Downsends, Leatherhead.
- D. A. Hewitt-Jones. Mr. R. J. S. Curtis, Hurst Court, Ore, Sussex.
- R. S. Faber. Mr. A. E. Lynam, Oxford.
- E. de T. W. Longford. Mr. A. E. Lynam, Oxford.
- I. D. M. Reid. Mr. W. B. Harris, St. Ronan's, West Worthing.
- J. P. Willsher. Westminster School and Mr. R. Thistlethwaite, The Mall, Strawberry Hill.

M. G. Scott. Mr. C. Dixon, New Park School, St. Andrews, Fife.

T. O. Cary. Mr. A. E. Lynam, Oxford.

2. NON-RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIPS.

L. O'B. D. Featherstone. Westminster School, and Mr. R. Gurner, Whitgift School, Croydon.

P. N. Ray. Westminster School, and Mr. S. de M. Bucknall, Brightlands, Dulwich Common.

3. EXHIBITIONS.

J. D. Priestman. Private.

D. C. M. Leslie. Mr. T. C. Elliott, Fan Court, Surrey.

W. E. R. Barnett. Mr. J. E. Blakeney, Merton Court, Fooks Cray, Kent.

R. T. Longford. Mr. C. H. Taylor, Gibb's School, Sloane Street, S.W.1.

CONTEMPORARIES

THE ELIZABETHAN, in welcoming a particularly short-lived contemporary some years ago, remarked that contemporaries were invariably unsuccessful. This cynical point of view certainly had some truth then, which we hope now may be dispelled. This summer has brought forth a surprising number of contemporaries—one quite new, the rest either hardy annuals or dainty figures of the past revived. College and all the Houses—except Homeboarders—are represented, the *Ash Tree* and the *College St. Clarion* joining the already established ranks of the *Grantite Review*, the *Rigaudite Review* and the *King's Scholars' Chronicle*.

The current number of the *Grantite Review*—the March number, traditionally published in May—is very good indeed. The contents come well up to the excellence of the new cover, and safe from financial difficulties through a subsidy from the Old Grantite Club, it can be published without the necessity of advertisements. The *Rigaudite Review* is not so fortunate. In spite of advertisements it is compelled to sell a large number of copies to save a loss and, truth to tell, is not really worth buying even on humanitarian grounds. Where the material is not entirely of

House interest, it is very second-rate. But both Houses deserve credit for continuing to produce issues of their respective "reviews" at fairly regular intervals and in a permanent printed form.

Of the rest, the *College St. Clarion* emanating from Busby's, is the newest and, at present, the best. It is produced fortnightly at 2d. a copy, being duplicated and not printed. It has a more general appeal than most house magazines, looking at the School rather than merely at the House. Next comes the *Ash Tree* from Ashburnham which has so far produced two numbers—March and June. This is a revival of a magazine that died in 1930. It has two or three typewritten copies each issue which are distributed round the House. It deals almost exclusively with House activities, which seem to be remarkably varied. And, finally, the *King's Scholars' Chronicle*, which has recently achieved its 100th issue in weekly form—only one typewritten copy being produced each week. This, like the *Clarion*, considers the School as a whole rather than College in particular, though the bias is naturally in that direction.

May we, in conclusion, make a plea that Houses will preserve and bind copies of their magazines, which will form in time an invaluable source of contemporary opinion?

AERONAUTICAL SOCIETY

The activities of this Society have been very numerous during this term. Two outings have been made—one to Northolt on Empire Air Day and one to Fairey's Aerodrome to witness the Northern Heights' Model Competition. Interest in all branches of aviation continues to grow in an encouraging way, and the Society now has quite a large branch attached to the Air League of the British Empire.

But the most successful event of the term has undoubtedly been the Exhibition which the Society was enabled to hold up Lib at the end of June. Over 40 models were displayed altogether, most of which had been constructed by members, and these, together with the exhibits and posters illustrating Air Travel and the Air League, attracted much

attention. The high standard of workmanship displayed was a constant source of admiration, and the variety of the exhibits, which included models of many of the very latest types, enabled everyone to see at a glance how British aviation is developing and to what extent man's conquest of the air has been achieved.

It is hoped that next term even greater things will be achieved, and that the longed-for day when flying model matches against other schools will be held is daily approaching nearer. Meanwhile, Westminster grows increasingly "air-minded," and, we feel confident, increasingly conscious that the future of this nation is in the air.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S

It is not until you set out for Canterbury that you realise where it is. Even when you get there you are not very certain, but you realise it is farther than you thought. However, the Southern Railway did its worst for the four that went to St. Augustine's College on June 25th, and we arrived in a long two and a-half hours. People are wont to treat this expedition light-heartedly and to laugh at the mere mention of the St. Augustine's four. It is only those who have been there who really know what an important event it is. The race itself is not the most important part of the outing, but, as it is business, it is got over early. A short bus ride to the river, a glance at the boathouse, and we are in earnest. In one of St. Augustine's two fours we paddle up to the start and begin to appreciate the nature of the course. No wide tideway greets us here: the River Stour is built for an obstacle race and well equipped with hairpin bends and entangling weeds. If rowing is difficult, coxing becomes a fine art. There is no possibility of continued hard rowing together. At each bend one side must paddle light while the other side help cox to take the boat round. On one occasion only did this method fail: a general halt was called, and when disentanglement from weeds and bank was effected the race continued. Westminster had chosen the front station which prevented their opponents winning by more than five lengths: but by a fine spurt in a few

yards of what might be called "straight" at the end this distance was reduced to about a length and a-half. The result was not published so a more accurate statement cannot be given. No time was taken.

The race over, the week-end was given up to enjoyments—dramatic, aquatic and vocal—interspersed with meals and religious services. The five members of the four returned feeling, as one of them had been told, that the course was three years long.

BOOK REVIEWS

ABRAHAM OF UR

By H. COSTLEY-WHITE

(Rich and Cowan, Biblical Biographies No. 3, 5s.)

Though his publisher proclaims him as a well-known writer on the Old Testament, Dr. Costley-White's new book is unlike his former works. It is not a school book, it does not set out to be theological: its appeal is to the man in the street. Dr. Costley-White's treatment of his subject, at once easy flowing and instructive, makes an exciting tale out of the life of the founder of the Hebrew religion.

We all have our own idea of Abraham. The stained-glass windows of our local church have given us a picture of an old man with a beard undistinguishable from the other patriarchs save that, were he Moses, he would be holding the Ten Commandments. Such an old man, in flowing robes, is fitted to faint memories of the stories of Genesis somewhere far back in B.C., though how far most of us are not very sure. Nor do we care much to find out, for we have come to look on the whole story as an old legend of an imaginative Biblical people.

But in Abraham of Ur this fading picture is at once dashed to pieces. Instead Dr. Costley-White takes us into the busy civilized city of Ur of the Chaldees, of which Sir Leonard Woolley has discovered so much of interest and value, and in this city with its trade and its fine houses and elaborate system of education we watch a new Abraham grow up. The young man of deep religious nature, handsome appearance and rich property is, the author admits, only the product of his own imagination. But know-

ledge of the customs of Ur and a true understanding of the Biblical story combine to produce a picture which, if not true, is at any rate nearer the truth than the old man of the church window. From the extremely scant references in Genesis, Dr. Costley-White brings to life the troubles and perplexities of Abraham, his weaknesses and humanities, his understanding love for his fellows and his deep conviction of the reality of Yahweh. In the twentieth century after Christ it is important to realise the greatness of this man who, in 1929 B.C., obeyed the call of God and thus changed the face of the whole world.

Dr. Costley-White is not blind to the difficulties which hinder a full knowledge of Abraham. For himself he can explain the voice of the Lord and the angels as they appear in many an Old Testament story, though his explanation of why Abraham ever thought it necessary to sacrifice his son is hardly convincing. The greater difficulties of the longevity ascribed to Abraham and the method of dating the whole story are explained in a learned yet perfectly simple concluding chapter.

The whole book is written with a modesty and charm which all who know the author would expect. He has gone deep into the character of his hero with natural understanding of human nature. The narrative is decorated in characteristic style with quotations from the English Poets: surely in another context those famous words of "Robbie Burns" are familiar:

O thou, whatever title suit thee,
Auld Hornie, Satan, Nick, or Clootie.

P. W.

NOT ALL SLEEP

By SHEILA RADICE

(Edward Arnold, 7s. 6d.)

Two ghosts in 18th century dress seen in the garden at Stowe moved the author to write this book. It is about the early life of the poet James Hammond and his love for Kitty Daswood. After being at school at Westminster, of which the author gives a pleasant account, he attracted the attention of the Earl of Chesterfield and accompanied him to the Embassy at The Hague, where the main part of the story takes place.

A touch of excitement is added when Frederick, son of George I, is smuggled over to England from Germany through Holland, but, beside that, the story goes evenly on its way.

The book gives a very good picture of 18th century life in London and Holland, but the story itself is not clear; the action moves jerkily and the relationships between the characters are not clearly drawn. But it has, nevertheless, a certain romantic charm about it that is essential in a love story.

THE FIELDS

WESTMINSTER *v.* WELLINGTON

This was a disappointing match, because Westminster first allowed Wellington to score more runs than the quality of their batting deserved, and then, when they might fairly have complained that the declaration had been delayed too long, showed that the Wellington captain had allowed quite enough time for his own purpose.

Wellington batted first on a fast wicket, which occasionally helped the ball to behave in an unfriendly way, but generally invited the batsman to advance his left leg firmly and shut his eyes if he chose. Eyre, with the second ball of the match, had Henderson out, but Gracer and Loveless, whose usual position in the batting order had been number 11, scored 50 before Taylor got a wicket he had deserved. Gracer's bat was not always very straight, but he hit the bad balls hard, and as he was presented with about one bad ball an over and the outfield was exceedingly fast, runs came very quickly, and by lunch he had scored 90 out of 163 for two wickets. He reached his century soon after lunch, but runs were still at two a penny, and the quicker bowlers merely helped the ball to travel faster. Patterson's ground fielding deserves mention, but some others were not as impeccable as they should have been. At 3.40 Gracer declared, but tea and the Test Match were too attractive, and in fact Westminister had only 2 hours and 40 minutes in which to score 338, which was hardly possible. Instead they got out.

Before he had scored Gawthorne was missed at the wicket, but thereafter played his best innings this year. He is a lovely bat to watch when he can cut the ball past cover's left hand or drive it past mid-off, but he is inclined to hook too early in an innings and he is decidedly weak on the leg stump. It was such a ball which bowled him when he seemed certain to make a hundred. Of the others, Meyer tried to run Gawthorne out and scored 5 instead, and Goatly at last made some of the runs we have been waiting for. If only he would eschew those soaring ballooners and spurn the poor earth less, what a formidable player he would be! But, in truth, no side can afford to bowl so many full pitches or to receive so few runs from so many early batsmen.

WESTMINSTER *v.* SHERBORNE

Sticks are always more popular than bouquets, because they are so much easier to put to use, and, at Sherborne, Westminster handed their eager critics a good big stick to beat them with. It would be idle to make excuses beyond saying that it was beastly weather, and with the wind, which continually blew the bails off, went Westminister's courage. They fielded none too well, bowled badly, batted worse, and ran between the wickets like dithering old women on pedestrian crossings. But they have redeemed themselves since then by beating Radley, who had beaten Sherborne, and better sides have done worse. And so, after mentioning Calway's first innings, when he hit the ball to unlikely places with his forearms alone and could find no one to stay with him, *requiescant delicia in pace*.

WESTMINSTER *v.* RADLEY

After it had been tried without success to postpone the match to enable the Radley side to support their successful eight at Henley, Westminister were sent in to bat on an easy wicket, and after a quarter of an hour Radley must have thought they would get to Henley after all. For Gawthorne was yorked first ball. Lewis hung out his bat to dry, and Wilkinson swung round too far and kicked his wicket down; so that three wickets were down for 11. Calway hit the ball hard once or twice, but then failed to get across and was caught at

extra cover ; 32 for four. Goatly and Greenish looked as though they were going to make a big stand ; but first Greenish, after hitting a nice six, was run out, and then Goatly was caught in the gully. Meyer was out in exactly the same way and 87 for seven looked bad. Neal stayed till lunch time, but was out immediately afterwards, and next over Borradaile was missed in the slips. But Luck is a virtue and Borradaile made good use of it. He and Taylor, who was also rather shaky at the beginning, started to put the bat to the ball. It did not always go very far, nor always where it was intended, but the runs came steadily, and 183 was not a depressing total. It was a valiant recovery.

When Radley went in, there had been some rain, but the wicket was still friendly, and it was good out-cricket helped by some rather unworthy batting which caused Radley to lose their first seven wickets for 30 runs. It is unnecessary to say that Eyre bowled well : match after match he gets his four or five wickets, bowls his 20 overs, and never do the batsmen really get on top of him. But it was heartening to see Calway coming back into form, he was bowling again as he did at Charterhouse last year : and Greenish might have bowled anyone at any moment. Cautlay and Rae Smith threatened to emulate Borradaile and Taylor, but at 99 Greenish at mid-on took a low catch, and at 118 the match ended with a fine bit of anticipation by Wilkinson at short leg who rolled over to catch the ball close to the ground. Gawthorne had managed his bowlers well and set a fine example in the field which was faithfully followed by the others ; and Goatly behind the wicket certainly took his opportunities, as he has a knack of doing, even when he is not taking ordinary balls cleanly. It was an encouraging victory.

We apologise for the omission of any scores or teams for these matches : they will, we hope, be forthcoming for the next number.

THE WATER

Henley is now almost forgotten amid the feverish activity of preparation for the School Regatta. No less than 93 scullers have entered

for the events and are at this moment energetically practising in order to survive the first round. For the first time since 1935 there is an event for Pairs which will be rowed in two new boats, one of which has already been provided with a driving mirror. Finals and supper at the Boat-house take place on the last Saturday of term, July 23rd.

Among several Old Westminsterers who were rowing at Henley, J. C. Cherry again won the Stewards in the Leander Four ; P. J. R. Deller rowed for Trinity Hall in the final of the Grand ; H. M. Young rowed for Trinity, Oxford, in the Grand and the Stewards ; J. Ormiston rowed for London in the final of the Thames ; E. J. A. Freeman rowed for Third Trinity in the final of the Visitors.

THE FIRST EIGHT

WESTMINSTER *v.* ST. PAUL'S

Rowed on June 3rd, from U.B.R. Stone, Putney to Hammersmith, on a nearly high tide. Westminster won the toss, and chose Surrey. After a poor start at 33, partly due to the starter's uncertainty, Westminster were led by St. Paul's as far as Beverley. Then a tug got in the way, and the crews were told to go over the flats. St. Paul's began to tire and Westminster, now moving with more life, went ahead, in spite of their low rating (often below 30) and gradually increased their lead to win an exciting race by 1½ lengths, in 7 minutes 30 seconds.

FIRST EIGHT AT MARLOW REGATTA

In the first round of the Marlow Eights, Westminster on the far station were drawn against Lensbury (centre) and Civil Service. Westminster got away well and held its lead ; almost at once, however, there was some smart fouling, Lensbury cox taking the bend rather wide, Sheldon refusing to give way. By the time the crews were disentangled Civil Service were nearly clear and Lensbury some ¾ length down ; as a result, perhaps, of this Westminster failed to get together until they reached the Church and were then a full length down on Civil Service. Then, however, they found their form and, rowing hard at 38, rapidly drew up to

win a most exciting race by 2 feet, Lensbury finishing a length behind. Time, 4 minutes 18 seconds.

In the semi-final we drew the inside station, with Corpus, Cambridge, in the centre and Thames II on the outside. Corpus (who won the final) were too fast, they went away at once, and keeping ahead, won by a length and a half. Thames and Westminster had a splendid race for second place, the School rowing very well together at 38 over the whole course. Thames, with the advantage of the station at the finish, just managed to get home a canvas ahead. Time, 4 minutes 23 seconds.

FIRST EIGHT AT HENLEY

After drawing a bye in the First Round, Westminster met St. Paul's in the Second Round. Westminster had the Berks station and a strong bushes wind gave cox a troublesome task. Westminster got away very well at 11, 20, 37 to St. Paul's 40 and took the lead at once. Settling down to 30 they continued to draw away and at the Barrier reached in 2 minutes 9 seconds, were almost clear. The position was unchanged at Fawley (3 minutes 38 seconds), and Bowen, feeling he had the race in hand, kept the stroke down till he reached the enclosures, from where he spurted, to win by a good length in 7 minutes 35 seconds.

On Thursday, Westminster on the Bucks station, raced Pembroke, Cambridge. The wind had changed and was a strong headwind.

Westminster again got a good start and rowing 10, 19, 36 to Pembroke's 10½, 20, 39 led by a few feet past the Island. There the crew felt the full force of the headwind, and Pembroke who were nearly a stone and a half per man heavier, at once started to draw away. At the Barrier (reached in 2 minutes 12 seconds) they were a length up, and at Fawley (3 minutes 42 seconds) there was a length and a half of daylight between the crews. Westminster had been rowing 32 to Pembroke's 35, and they now made a determined spurt, but though they reduced the lead they were too far behind to worry the other crew. Keeping their length and rhythm they spurted again at Remenham and finally went in at 36, but Pembroke had the

race well in hand and won by 2½ lengths, in 7 minutes 50 seconds.

Pembroke beat Eton in the semi-final, and were themselves beaten by Radley in the final.

The First Eight rowed this term in the following order:—

		st.	lb.
Bow	E. P. Hawthorne	9	5
2	R. Wakeford	10	8
3	P. M. Shearman	11	2
4	C. A. Argyle	12	0
5	D. V. L. Odhams	11	7
6	A. M. Bell	10	9
7	M. Knowles	11	4
Stroke	J. A. P. Bowen	10	3
Cox	P. K. P. Sheldon	7	0

THE SECOND EIGHT.

WESTMINSTER *v.* IMPERIAL SERVICE COLLEGE FIRST EIGHT

Rowed at Windsor on May 28th.

The Eight was unlucky, as both Wedgwood Benn (at 7) and Morton (at 2) had fallen sick earlier in the week, their places being taken by Archer and Brittlebank respectively. The Course was about a mile and a half against the stream from just above Albert Bridge round the bend to Victoria Bridge.

We lost the toss and were given the Datchet station. The start was to have been staggered in our favour, but though we got away well, both boats seemed to be level after a few strokes, and we raced side by side down the first straight. At the bend Imperial Service College took the lead and as we straightened out after the corner, were some distance ahead; though Namias spurted pluckily and was well backed up by his crew, the lead was too great and we lost by 3 lengths, in 6 minutes 28 seconds.

THE SECOND EIGHT AT MARLOW

The Second Eight distinguished themselves at Marlow by defeating Imperial Service College by whom they had been beaten at Windsor a few weeks before. They started off with great dash at 39 and soon established a lead which they eventually increased to ¾ length, in 4 minutes 32 seconds. This brought them to the final, in which they met Eton II and

Shrewsbury II. Shrewsbury won, beating Eton by 2 lengths in 4 minutes 22 seconds, who, in turn, beat Westminster by a length. Although they lost, the crew excelled themselves against two eights of superior skill and weight. Striking at a high rating all over, they showed a determination and will to win that bodes well for the future. This is the first time that Westminster has reached the final of the Public School Vase.

THE SECOND EIGHT

		st.	lb.
Bow	R. D. Rich	9	6
2	P. P. Brittlebank	9	12
3	S. R. I. Knox	10	7
4	G. C. Castellain	11	0
5	P. F. Taylor	10	13
6	T. B. Nicholas	10	12
7	R. K. Archer	10	3
Stroke	R. H. Namias	12	0
Cox	N. M. Briggs	6	6

IMPERIAL SERVICE COLLEGE

		st.	lb.
Bow	A. D. Jillings	10	12
2	J. B. T. W. Davison	10	10
3	H. N. S. Nugert	11	12
4	R. W. Wangford	12	0
5	A. R. H. Corbett	11	2
6	R. R. M. Goulder	12	2
7	J. Sibbald	11	12
Stroke	L. R. Reed	11	11
Cox	T. A. Hooton	8	12

WESTMINSTER *v.* ST. PAUL'S

The Second Eight, on June 2nd, beat St. Paul's in a race from the U.B.R. Stone to Hammersmith. It was much the same story as the First Eight race, for St. Paul's, at a much higher rating than Westminster, took the initial lead; but by Harrods they were beaten, and Westminster, finishing more strongly than they started, won by 2 lengths in 7 minutes 59 seconds.

The Third Eight, on June 2nd, was beaten by St. Paul's by 3 lengths. Although they rowed hard, they never got well enough together to be a good crew.

The Fourth Eight, on June 21st, was beaten by St. Paul's by 2 lengths. They were handicapped by the loss of their stroke, Davison, who was out of School, and they were steered over the flats.

The Fifth Eight, on the same date, was easily beaten by St. Paul's, by 3 lengths.

WESTMINSTER *v.* U.C.S.

Third Eight *v.* U.C.S. First Eight. Rowed at Richmond on June 9th, over a course from Eel Pie Island to Glover's Island. U.C.S. won the toss and chose the Middlesex station. After waiting for a considerable time until the course was clear of pleasure boats both crews got away to a good start, and at the end of the first minute they were level. U.C.S. then began gradually to draw away and, helped by the bend at the finish, won by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in 4 minutes 39 seconds. Westminster rowed better than in their race against St. Paul's and kept their length throughout; but they were outclassed.

Fourth Eight *v.* U.C.S. Second Eight. Rowed at Richmond on June 9th over the same course as the Third Eight race. Westminster got a good start and were a length up at the end of the first minute. Davison, dropping the rate of striking, steadied his crew down to a long and very hard stroke, and they continued to draw away to win an excellent race by $2\frac{1}{4}$ lengths, in 5 minutes 9 seconds.

Third Eight *v.* Eton and Radley. Rowed at Marlow on June 21st, over the Marlow Regatta course. Westminster, on the centre station, got a good start and round the bend had made up the disadvantage of the stagger, and were leading Radley who were on Berks by a few feet, with Eton, on Bucks station, half a length ahead. The crew settled down, and rowed a very hard race, but Radley were a superior crew, and at Bisham Abbey had a lead of nearly a length. By the finish Radley had drawn away to 3 lengths and were in their turn led by Eton by $1\frac{1}{2}$ lengths.

CREWS:

Eton.—A. R. Drewe, 10 st. (bow); J. E. Pelham, 11 st. 2 lb.; C. Mounsey, 10 st. 4 lb.; C. R. Barclay, 10 st. 12 lb.; J. E. M. Dugdale, 12 st.; Hon. A. F. J. Mackay, 11 st.; P. H. Bowman, 11 st. 5 lb.; R. C. Hope-Jones, 10 st. 12 lb. (stroke); S. R. V. Pixley, 7 st. 12 lb. (cox).

Radley.—J. R. James, 10 st. 10 lb. (bow); H. P. Chetwynd-Stapylton, 10 st. 5 lb.; A. B. Hay, 10 st. 3 lb.; P. J. Hardcastle, 9 st. 11 lb.; J. S. Woolley, 10 st. 5 lb.; Hon. J. W. T. Whiteley, 12 st. 11 lb.; P. A. Beak, 9 st. 8 lb.; P. S. Squire, 9 st. 6 lb. (stroke); J. T. Hardwicke, 7 st. 1 lb. (cox).

THE THIRD EIGHT

	(bow)	A. T. P. Harrison	
(2)	P. P. Brittlebank	(3)	E. N. Skrender
(4)	V. M. Leveaux	(5)	P. B. Taylor
(6)	E. F. G. Maynard	(7)	M. H. Flanders
(stroke)	B. A. Bernacchi	(cox)	P. J. D. Lofting

THE FOURTH EIGHT

	(bow)	D. S. Ellis	
(2)	B. P. Passman	(3)	V. B. Levison
(4)	W. H. Allchin	(5)	V. W. Hall
(6)	J. D. Lever	(7)	M. Kinchin-Smith
(stroke)	D. P. Davison	(cox)	P. Sleightholm

THE FIFTH EIGHT

	(bow)	M. R. O. Havers	
(2)	A. J. Henderson	(3)	L. O'B. D. Featherstone
(4)	M. E. Fearnley	(5)	F. G. Overbury
(6)	A. D. Self	(7)	A. J. M. Clark
(stroke)	I. Hadfield	(cox)	N. D. Sandelson
W.S.B.C.			

FENCING

The result of the team's activities last term was that, out of a total of nine matches fought, seven were won. We at last managed to defeat our old rivals, Eton, in a close match by 13 defeats to 14. Of our two defeats, one was at the hands of Salle Paul, who had a strong team, and the other from Guy's Hospital, when we had not got a full team fencing.

At the Public Schools Championships, the School was well represented and was very successful. In the Junior Foil, R. E. Nye and J. Corsellis—both young fencers—were second and third respectively. Nye, in particular, fenced very well and looked at one time as if he was going to win the title. In the Senior Foil, the School had two finalists—M. A. Pears and P. Fitz Hugh, who came fourth and seventh respectively. In the Sabre, M. A. Pears came fourth and R. E. Nye was eighth, while the épée title was won by M. A. Pears.

At the beginning of this term, P. Fitz Hugh resigned the secretaryship to play cricket, and R. E. Nye was appointed his successor. The team now has only three members, who fight in all weapons, which is rather an unsatisfactory arrangement, as they can get no rest during a match, being always required either for judging or for fighting.

We have been rather unfortunate in this team's fixtures this term. We had to scratch with Wellington owing to illness in the team, while both Cheltenham and the Life Guards have had to scratch with us. We have thus only fought four matches so far this term—all of which we have won. The Colts have had one match—against Winchester—and lost it by the large margin of four wins to twelve.

On Saturday, May 21st, we beat Winchester by twelve defeats to fourteen; thus avenging our defeat by them last Play Term.

The Colts, however, were not so fortunate, being defeated by twelve to four. W. Corbould did well to win three fights, but he did not receive sufficient support from the others, of whom N. J. P. Brown won one fight, while Staynes and Brock failed to win any.

On Thursday, May 26th, we defeated Cambridge "A" team at Cambridge by ten to seventeen. This was a very good match and provided some enjoyable fencing, and the School did well to win by so large a margin.

On Saturday, May 28th, we defeated Stowe by seven to twenty at Stowe, encountering little opposition in any weapon.

On Saturday, June 4th, we defeated the Oxford University Assassins by nine to seventeen, winning the Foil two to seven, and the Sabre by the same amount, but losing the épée by five to four.

An account of the Tennis season will appear in the next number of THE ELIZABETHAN.

We have been asked to call attention to a Swiss (ski-ing) camp for schoolboys, held annually by the Student Christian Movement, which will take place at Savognia during the first two weeks of January 1939. Full particulars may be obtained from the School Secretary, S. C. M. Annandale, North End Road, London, N.W.11.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of *The Elizabethan*

QUEEN VICTORIA'S JUBILEE, 1887

Sir,

To the list of those present the names of most of my Election in College should be added :—

P. Williamson,

Sir A. Y. G. Campbell,

Archdeacon E. L. Thomas, (whose parents were also present), and myself.

We had seats in the Triforium on the N. Side of the Chancel and saw the whole ceremony perfectly. Some of us who were "in the know" got outside quickly after the Service, and saw the return Procession from the pavement on the Abbey side, which was kept absolutely clear of spectators, and neither the Police nor the troops lining the route interfered with us so we had a view superior to any.

I have, of course, since seen many State Pageants, but this one was quite unique; never before or since were so many Crowned Heads present, and never in the future can this outstanding feature be possible!

Yours Faithfully,

F. J. VARLEY,

6, North Grove, Highgate Village, N.6.
April 4th, 1938.

Sir,

I should like to add my name to the list of those who were in the Abbey at the time of Queen Victoria's Jubilee, in 1887. I had an uninterrupted view of the whole ceremony in a front seat in the Triforium, facing towards Royalty.

Like Shearman I was very impressed with the white uniform of the Ex-Kaiser (then Crown Prince) and after the ceremony was over I and several others of my year watched him mount his black charger to join the procession. Owing, no doubt, to our wearing caps and gowns the police allowed us to move about freely in the streets round the Abbey, and except for the Royal Family itself we saw the greater part of members of other Royal Houses as they rode or drove away.

Yours Truly,

JOHN H. CLARKE.

104, Victoria Street, S.W.1.

LEST WE FORGET

Sir,

It is now over a year since Sir George Sutherland died and left the School £1,000, for Water and Vincent Square, as is recorded very properly on page 135 of the new Supplement to the Record of Old Westminster, which should now be obtained by all who appreciate our history. But what has happened to the £1,000? Has it produced any interest at a reasonable rate, and has anybody any idea of when and how it will be used? presumably in Sutherland's memory? All who knew George Sutherland would like to see his benefaction made use of before they join him.

Yours, etc.,

ERNEST GOODHART.

ELIZABETHAN CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Elizabethan Club was held in the Scott Library, Westminster School, on Thursday, June 30th, 1938. The Chair was taken by the President, Major-General Sir A. R. Hoskins, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on June 1st, 1937, were read and confirmed. The Committee's report for the past year, and the Hon. Treasurer's statement of accounts and accounts of the Games Committee were received and approved.

The following were elected as Vice-Presidents: The Rt. Revd. Bishop Watkin Williams, D.D., Mr. R. T. Squire, Mr. L.A.M. Fevez, Mr. E. R. B. Graham, and Dr. G. R. Y. Radcliffe.

Sir Ernest Goodhart, Bt., Mr. G. E. Tunnicliffe, and Mr. K. J. Gardiner were elected respectively as Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Assistant Secretary.

The following were elected members for the General Committee for the ensuing year:—

W. M. Atwood, Esq., R. S. Barnes, Esq., J. D. Carleton, Esq., A. C. Grover, Esq., A. R. I. Mellor, Esq., R. C. Orpen, Esq., J. Poyser, Esq., D. C. Simpson, Esq., W. Cleveland-Stevens, Esq., C. F. Watherston, Esq., A. T. Willett, Esq., P. H. Wyatt, Esq.

Twenty-three members attended the meeting.

The following were nominated by the Games Committee as members of the General Committee: Noel Hornsby, J. D. Stocker, and W. E. Gerrish.

THE ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE

The Dean of Westminster and the Head Master have kindly promised to attend the Westminster Dinner which will be held at The Dorchester Hotel on Tuesday, December 20th.

The President of The Elizabethan Club (Major-General Sir Reginald Hoskins, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.) will be in the chair.

E. R. B. GRAHAM,

Hon. Organising Secretary.

OLD WESTMINSTERS

Mr. W. C. Ryde, K.C., left the residue of his estate, subject to his wife's life interest, to the Westminster School Society.

In the Birthday Honours, Mr. K. R. Barnes received the honour of Knighthood; Mr. D. J. Jardine, C.M.G., O.B.E., Governor and Commander-in-Chief, Sierra Leone, was made K.C.M.G.; and Mr. E. R. J. Ratcliffe-Cousins was made C.I.E.

Sir Cecil Bigwood is the Chairman of the first court of lay justices to sit at Bow Street, to relieve the pressure of work on the Stipendiary Magistrates.

Mr. H. I. P. Hallett, K.C., has been appointed a Commissioner of Assize to go the Midland Circuit.

Major C. G. Cardew, R.E., Asst. C.R.E., Madras, has been promoted to Lieut.-Colonel.

Mr. W. R. F. Browning has been elected to a Squire Scholarship in Theology.

Mr. J. M. Tasker obtained a First Class in the Mathematical Tripos, Part I.

Major J. C. Friedberger, R.H.A., on his horse Derek was the winner of the King George V Challenge Trophy, and a member of the winning team for the Edward, Prince of Wales Challenge Cup, and the Connaught Challenge Trophy at the Royal Horse Show.

Mr. P. A. Major broke the two miles record in the inter-services athletic match between Cranwell, Woolwich and Sandhurst.

BIRTHS

EVANS.—On June 15, the wife of Courtenay Evans, a son.

EYTON-JONES.—On March 2, the wife of Dr. F. M. M. Eyton-Jones, a son.

LOUSADA.—On June 29, the wife of Anthony B. Lousada, a daughter.

MANN.—On June 25, the wife of P. H. Mann, a son.

MARRIAGES

GORDON JACKSON—NEILSON.—On June 25, Robert Stewart Gordon Jackson to Doreen Patricia May, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Neilson, of Beckenham, Kent.

LEISHMAN—OLDFIELD.—On June 1, Austin W. Leishman to Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Oldfield, of Harewood, Yorks.

RAE-FRASER—KING.—On June 1, George Gerald Rae - Fraser to Olive Osborne, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. R. W. H. King, of Highways, Penylan, Cardiff.

OBITUARY

JOHN CHRISTIANO HOLLOCOMBE, who died suddenly on June 11th, at the age of 65, was the eldest of three brothers who were at Westminster in the 'eighties and early 'nineties. The son of John Hollocombe, of Southwell Gardens, South Kensington, he entered the School in 1886, and was up Homeboarders under the late Mr. E. L. Fox. He left in 1891, and entered the banking profession. He remained throughout his life a firm friend and faithful supporter of the School. Easily recognisable from his eyeglass, he was a familiar figure at Old Westminster functions of every kind, and he was well known to successive generations of boys at the School, as he watched the cricket summer after summer from his accustomed place in the pavilion. He married, in 1897, Edith Julia, daughter of John Gordon, of Tunbridge Wells.

A Correspondent writes:—

All who knew JOHN HOLLOCOMBE, both at Westminster and afterwards, were shocked to read of his sudden death on June 11th. Hollocombe came to Westminster in 1886 and got his "pinks" for football in 1891. After leaving School he joined the staff of the London and Brazilian Bank, and only a year or two ago he retired. He was one of the keenest O.W.W. and was frequently up Fields for matches. For no less than 46 years, save for a year or two in

the war, he audited the Elizabethan Club accounts; in fact, he may be said to have passed away on the completion of his last audit, for he signed the financial statement on June 8th and afterwards spent the afternoon up Fields, going home to pass away in 58 hours. His merry eye betokened the kind and loyal heart that burned within him. The funeral took place at Bromley and the Elizabethan Club was represented by the Treasurer, who took the Club's last tribute of pink carnations. *Ave atque Vale.*

FLOREAT

THE SCHOOL STORE

The Store is situated in the Ground Floor of Ashburnham.
It was founded in 1931 to assist the School Games, for
which the profits are used.

The Store is open during term time from
9.0 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. except on Saturdays
when it closes at 2.0 p.m.

The Telephone Number is ABBEY 1873

THE ELIZABETHAN CLUB

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Arundel Street, W.C.2.

Hon. Secretary (Games)—MR. W. E. GERRISH,
Ashburnham, Sandown Road, Esher.

The Elizabethan Club was founded in 1861 and is confined to Old Westminsters. In 1923 it was amalgamated with the Old Westminsters' Football and Cricket Club. Parents of boys in the School are given the opportunity of securing the eligibility of their sons for life membership of the Club by a system of termly payments. This is rapidly identifying the Elizabethan Club with the body of Old Westminsters. Its objects are to preserve the associations and to further the interests and prosperity of the School, to promote the intercourse of Old Westminsters, and to encourage games, sports and athletics amongst Old Westminsters. The Hon. Secretary, G. E. Tunnicliffe, Esq., 15, Arundel Street, W.C.2, will be pleased to give any further information.

THE SCHOOL MISSION

The Mission was founded in 1888, and began work as a Boys' Club in Soho. In 1891 it moved to Westminster.

It maintains a Club at Napier Hall, Hide Place, Vincent Square, for working boys of the Westminster district. The Club is managed by a Superintendent who will welcome visits from present or past Westminsters on the nights when the Club is open (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, except from July to September, when the Club opens only one night a week). The Mission also assists in the maintenance of the Westminster Company, 1st Cadet Batt. London Regiment, "The Queen's," at Lammas Hall, Battersea, where Westminster visitors are also welcome.

Regular help from young O.W.W. in the Boys' Club and as officers of the Cadet Company is much needed. Further information will be given by the Hon. Secretary, Captain B. Stuart Horner, 3, Harcourt Buildings, Temple, E.C.4.

Contributions towards the expenses of the Mission may be sent to the Honorary Treasurer, Sir Arthur R. Knapp, K.C.I.E., C.S.I., C.B.E., 5, Albert Road, Regent's Park, N.W.1.

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