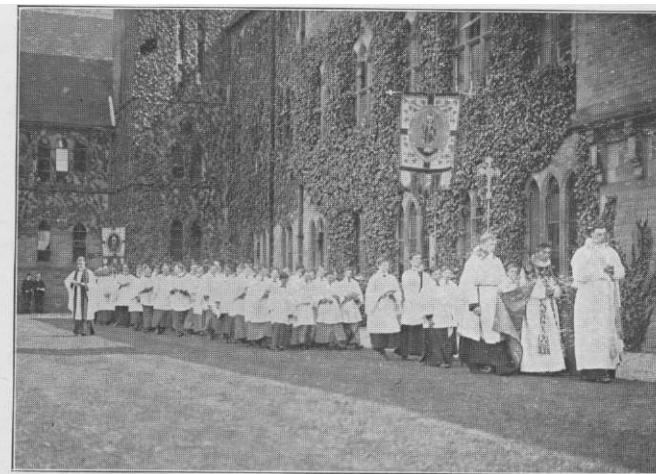


The Provost and Fellows.



The Boys' Schools.

MAY 21st, 1912.

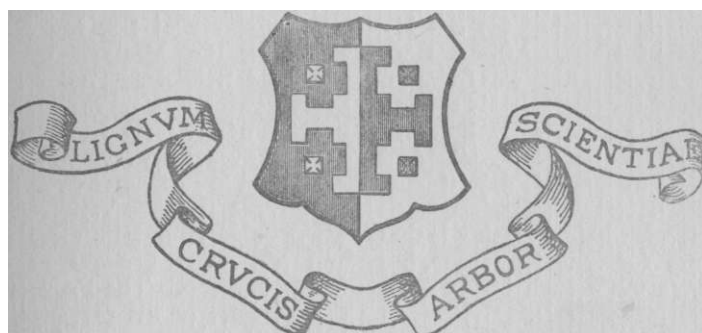


The Girls' Schools.



Tea in the Lonsdale Quadrangle.

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EDITORIAL.

THIS term although not yet far advanced will ever be remembered by all here. It is quite a rare experience for any public school to have the pleasure of entertaining a hundred guests of both sexes for a whole day. But such has been our happy lot this term. From the beginning of the term everyone looked forward with delight to the approach of the 21st of May. The Ascension Day holiday was completely overshadowed by this day of days. On the 20th our guests from S. Winifred's, Worksop, and Ellesmere arrived and were entertained by a concert in which two

Cuthbertians participated. But the greater part were still to come and the great question was, would it be fine on *the* day? And when *the* day broke in beautiful sunshine our happiness was complete. The contingents from S. Anne's and S. Mary's arrived about 9.30 a.m., and after some light refreshment prepared for the solemn procession and impressive service which followed their arrival. After the service we all paired off for luncheon, and all who were so happily provided were doubly happy because they knew they were the envy of their less fortunate fellows.

After luncheon there were two cricket matches and various tennis tournaments in which most of the girls took part; and at both cricket and tennis they far exceeded

all expectation. At tennis indeed they certainly put most of their partners in the shade.

But the afternoon passed all too quickly and the time came for tea. After tea we had our evening service which was followed by the departure of our guests, amid ringing cheers from the school who however "bitterly thought of the morrow." And so ended the most memorable day at least in our school lives.

Our one great wish before closing is that the 21st shall not for long be unique, but that we may have more such happy days.

COELI ENARRANT GLORIAM DEI.

*As when men hold the Eucharistic Feast,
The morn's fresh incense sanctifies the
air;*

*And, thro' the jewel'd windows of the East
The new day's glory glimmers every-
where.*

*A quire of angel voices softly sings
The "Holy, Holy, Holy !" To the West
Far-swelling murmurs of new-waking
things*

*Raise eager chorus " He is blest, is blest,
Who comes, Who comes!" And answering
echo flings*

*Towards highest Heaven their joyous,
welcomings.*

G.L.M.

MAY 21st.

Was there ever a day like May 21st? We may safely say that it stands unique in our experience. We invited all the other schools of the Midland division of S. Nicolas College to send representatives to take part in a great combined act of intercession

and thanksgiving, and to spend the day as our guests. The idea was to emphasize and strengthen the corporate feeling of the whole Society of SS. Mary and John of Lichfield, the Midland division of the Woodard Schools. To our great pleasure every school was represented. Miss Rice brought nearly forty from S. Anne's, Miss Gamlen over thirty from S. Mary's, distance prevented Miss Doman from bringing more than three from S. Winifred's, Mr. Hedworth came from Ellesmere with a dozen, and Mr. Grier brought nearly as many from Worksop. The Provost also gave us the pleasure of his presence, and the following Fellows were good enough to come: Canon the Hon. and Rev. Leonard Tyrwhitt, Canon Welby, Canon H. B. Southwell, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bt., and F. H. Lindley Meynell, Esq. To our great satisfaction the Provost of Lancing, the head of the Woodard Schools, came to preach.

The service was, of course, the great event and object of the day, and no pains were spared to make it worthy of the occasion. It is difficult to avoid exaggeration in speaking of the whole events of the day, for everything seemed to be absolutely perfect, but it may safely be said that for sheer beauty and dignity the religious part could not well have been excelled. It mainly followed our ordinary lines, but of course there was much to give it unusual features—the presence of two Provosts, of contingents from two other choirs of boys, of the ladies and girls of our three sister schools,—these alone, over and above the object and significance of the gathering, made it exceptional. The result was worthy of the occasion.

The procession started from the chape> the Provost and Fellows going first, the ministers of the Holy Communion and representatives of all the schools following' As a spectacle it was effective in the extreme. The Lonsdale Quadrangle, round

which it passed, formed a fitting setting, and the mingling of the many colours of banners and crosses, copes and red cassocks, the white surplices and the effective choir-habits of the ladies and girls, made a scene of rare picturesqueness. As a religious act it was not less good. There was no hitch of any kind, and it moved with fine dignity as boys and girls sang alternate verses of the quaint Elizabethan version of "Jerusalem, my happy home." On return-in? to chapel the Introit was begun and the service proceeded. Merbecke's setting was used for Creed and *Gloria*. The sequence was "Crown Him with many crowns"; the offertory, "O Thou Who makest souls to shine"; the communion, "Let all mortal flesh keep silence"; and the post-communion, "Thy Hand, O God, has guided." The Sanctus was Gounod's setting in his *Messe Solennelle*, and the girls alone sang the *Benedictus* and *Agnus Dei* to a setting of one of their own former mistresses—Miss Buchanan. Of course they sang them with rare delicacy and devotional feeling, but all the music was really beyond criticism; that was the unanimous verdict. The Headmaster was Celebrant, the Headmaster of Worksop was Deacon, and the Chaplain of Ellesmere Sub-Deacon; and the ceremonial throughout, which included the procession before the Gospel, was dignified and worthy, and the Sanctuary, which was suitably adorned with flowers and plants, with the sacred ministers and servers looked very beautiful.

The Provost of Lancing, who had brought his famous cope, preached a most appropriate sermon. He told us that the history of the world was the history of great men, which showed that the strongest agency of God was human personality. In religious history again and again we find men arose who arrested the drift of their day, and brought their nation back to high ideals. So in the religious history of England Nathaniel

Woodard arose, a man of power and authority. Associated with him were such men as Canon Lowe, Sir Percival Heywood, and Provost Meynell, whose names would always be held in honour in our Society. Then he reminded us of our duty to stand firm on the foundation these men laid, and to remember the pit from which we were digged. We must bear in mind that our schools are not merely schools of secular learning, but training grounds of the Christian character in the widest sense of the term.

It is a matter of profound thankfulness that the great service was so admirably rendered. Everyone concerned, and they were very many, did his or her part wholly well, but we are not going to praise any by name in any part of this record, for if we began mentioning the names of those who helped throughout the day, we should practically have to give a list of the inmates of the college, for everybody threw themselves *con amore* into the work.

The luncheon in Hall showed the results of another section of workers. Five rows of tables were arranged, all bedecked with flowers, and all groaning with good things. The matron made no distinctions—all alike were feasted worthily of the best traditions of the college kitchen. Our guests gathered in the schoolroom, which had been transferred for the nonce in to a huge drawingroom in which we had had an enjoyable concert on Monday evening, and at luncheon our guests of both sexes were suitably interspersed among our own members. For once in a way we quite pitied the few who had to go to the High Table; we ourselves were much more happily circumstanced—with somebody's sister or cousin on either hand. The Provost, with his usual perception of the fitness of things, spared us speeches, and said little more than "*Ladies and Gentlemen*," the especial significance of which expression was promptly appreciated.

Then we trooped out of doors, and the college buildings and playing fields were transformed out of all knowledge. Our staid and solemn habitation became a sort of fairyland, graced with unwonted denizens. For all the world it was like the fancy picture described by the speaker in Tennyson's *Princess*, and "the sight" was indeed, as he says, "pretty." Only there were no "prudes for proctors, dowagers for deans," for all our visitors were alike gracious, and (shall we say ?) sisterly.

Again there appeared the results of excellent organisation and co-operation. Sets of tennis filled all the courts, and anon two cricket matches were in progress. We all knew that ladies could play tennis, but the skill they displayed at cricket was a revelation. Their batting was good, and Miss Brown especially made short work of our underhand bowling, and hit out merrily all over the place. Their fielding was excellent, and would have done credit to any team of "the sterner sex." Others sat and looked on or showed off the attractions of the college. On every side was complete enjoyment and a freedom from restraint. It was the day of our lives.

Too soon dusk drew on. The sun, which had shone brilliantly in honour of the occasion, sank lower, and after evensong the brakes came for those who had to make the long return journey to Abbots Bromley. They had a characteristic "send off" and a merry escort down the hill. And then we realised that "all the land was dark."

It is safe to say that all the school felt they had never had quite such an enjoyable experience, and we think we may say the same of our guests of both sexes. Moreover we venture, though with bated breath, to hazard the conjecture that masters and mistresses had not dissimilar feelings. Looked at from a wider point of view the occasion had been a fine demonstration of the strength and vitality of the Woodard

Schools, and it gave us all a fuller appreciation of the great Corporation to which we belong.

The order of the Solemn Procession was as-follows:—

i. The Society of SS. Mary and John (the Provost's Procession):

1. Cross and attendants.
2. Banner of SS. Mary and John, with attendants.
3. Fellows.
4. Provost's Cross.
5. The Provost of Denstone.

ii. The Ministers of the Holy Communion :

1. Cross and attendants.
2. The Preacher, the Provost of Lancing.
3. The Celebrant (the Headmaster), with Deacon (the Headmaster of Worksop), Sub-Deacon (the Chaplain of Ellesmere), and Servers.

iii. The Schools of the Society :

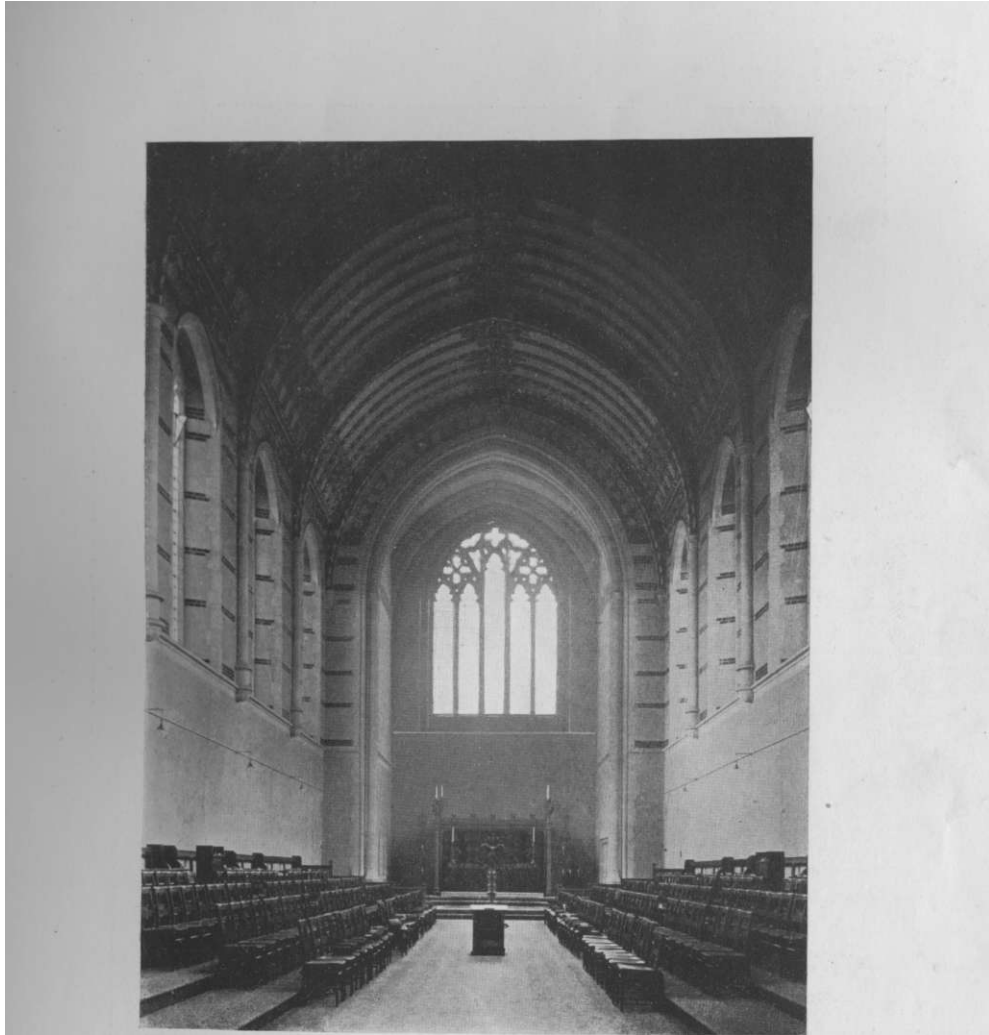
- A. Boys' Schools: Cross, with attendants.
 1. S. Chad's College, Denstone,
 2. S. Oswald's College, Ellesmere,
 3. S. Cuthbert's College, Worksop,
 each preceded by Banner and attendants.
- B. Girls' Schools: Cross, with attendants.
 1. S. Anne's, Abbots Bromley,
 2. S. Mary's, Abbots Bromley,
 3. S. Winifred's, Bangor,
 each preceded by Banner and attendants.
- iv. Banner of S. Nicolas, with attendants.

The order of the Service was as follows:—
Procession : "Jerusalem, my happy home."

Introit: "Thou feddest Thine own People." Alleluya. Psalm cxvii.

Sequence : "Crown Him with many crowns."

Creed: Merbecke.



Worksop College Chapel.



S. Anne's School, Abbots Bromley.

Offertory : " O Thou Who makest souls to shine."

Sanctus: Gounod (*Messe Solennelle*).

Benedictus and *Agnus Dei:* Buchanan. (*Girls only*).

Communion : " Let all mortal flesh keep silence."

Gloria in excelsis : Merbecke.

Post-Communion: " Thy Hand, O God, has guided."

The concert on Monday night was exceedingly good, and the arrangement of the schoolroom as a great drawing room made the whole proceedings, graced as they were by the presence of some of our fair visitors, besides the Headmasters Chaplains and boys from Ellesmere and Worksop, exceptionally enjoyable. The programme was as follows, and we may single out, as particularly acceptable, the two Worksop contributions.

1. *Piano, 8 hands, " Ungarische Tanze " Brahms.* No. 6.—F. H. Belton, L. B. Helder, E. J. Anderson, A. B. Jameson (Denstone). No. 7.—E. O. Whitfield, E. R. Wood, P. C. Atkins, C. G. Salmon (Denstone).

2. *'Cello Solo, " Simple Aveu," Thome.* E. C. Bladen (Denstone).

3. *Song, " The Lark now leaves his watery nest," Horatio Parker.* G. D. Coates (Worksop.)

4. *Recitation, "The Victim," Tennyson.* J. McN. Davis (Worksop, Captain of School)

5. *Piano Solo, "Prelude in A Flat," Chopin.* E. R. Wood (Denstone, Captain of School).

6. *Part Song, " O Happy Eyes," Elgar.* (Hornby's Dormitory, winners of 1912 musical competition).

7. *Violin Solo, "Barcarolle," Spohr.* R. V. Kirby (Denstone).

8. *Song, " Revenge" Hatton.* E. O. Whitfield (Denstone).

9. *Cantata, " The Wreck of the Hesperus," Anderton.* The Choir (Denstone). Soloists: J. W. Knight, N. G. Whitfield. Pianos: F. H. Belton, L. B. Helder. Drums : D. G. Wood.

It was a great pleasure to have with us Miss Dugdale, for many years Headmistress of S. Anne's, and the Rev. W. T. Norton, whose memory here is still green. We trust Mr. Norton felt that in our procession we maintained the traditions of the days when he was Master of the Ceremonies, for our reputation at that time was such that, in connection with the dedication of Truro Cathedral, Archbishop Benson, who had recently been here at the dedication of the Chapel, advised the authorities who were arranging the ceremonial there " to apply to Denstone if they wanted to know how to manage processions."

The Vicar of Denstone was kind enough to lend us some surplices and cassocks, and also a processional cross. The Vicar of S. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, kindly lent us a cope. Mr. Keeling, O.D., with his usual thoughtfulness, sent us many flowers.

A little booklet was provided for each one as a memorial of the day, from "F. A. H. (Denstone, 1879—1885), and H. K. H. (S. Anne's, 1889—93)." It gave a brief history of the Society of SS. Mary and John, with the dates of the several schools, and a collection of portraits of the Founder, Sir Percival Heywood, and the Provosts, and pictures of the schools.

From S. Mary's has come a set of Altar linen, exquisitely worked, as a gift in memory of the day. We beg to thank the donors for this unexpected, but welcome, token of their sisterly kindness.

During the afternoon two Cricket Matches were played, S. Anne's opposing a combined team made up from Denstone and Worksop, and S. Mary's playing a team of our own members entirely. In each case the team opposing the girls' schools batted left-handed and had to bowl underhand. Needless to say both games were thoroughly enjoyable, and we think a good many were surprised at the real proficiency shown by our fair visitors.

S. Anne's had against them a team which, in spite of its handicap, was really strong, and they deserve much credit for the genuine bid for victory which they made. Their batting was admirable, their bowling good, and their fielding excellent. Miss Brown carried off chief honours. She hit in fine style, and actually made 95 in a way which deserves all praise. Her catch also at mid-on, which dismissed Smith, should be mentioned. The fielding of A. Inglis in the out-field aroused much enthusiasm, and P. Inglis's catch which dismissed Hall was a very good one.

S. ANNE'S.	
P. Inglis b Davis	9
H. Kitchingman b Bowman	4
Miss Brown b Bowman	95
C. Atkinson c Bowman b Smith	15
Miss Cooke b Rogerson	18
M. Fowler not out	6
N. Hughes b Bowman	0
W. Cant b Bowman	5
A. Inglis b Bowman	0
M. Perhani b Bowman	3
B. Blood c Bowman b Knight	0
Wide	1
Total	156

DENSTONE AND WORKSOP.	
Mr. Merrick b Miss Cooke	74
H. C. Walker c Miss Brown	10
T. H. Bowman b Miss Cooke	40
J. W. Knight not out	27
B. Hall c and b P. Inglis	37
L. B. Helder b P. Inglis	0

C. F. Smith c Miss Brown b Miss Cooke	2
Mr. Barber b P. Inglis	0
Extras	5
Total	195

J. Mc N. Davis, S. Rogerson and J. T. Christison did not bat.

The other Cricket Match, S. Mary's x\| Denstone, was equally enjoyable, and some good play was showed by W. Mason, who made 27, and proved herself to be also a capable bowler, and by Miss Williams, who secured no less than six of our wickets. S. Mary's batted first and made the very respectable score of 52, which would have been a good deal more but that our fielding was evidently better, as it ought to be, than they were accustomed to. No less than six were run out. On our side Baker made 34, and Court and Briggs also reached double figures. But the fielding of S. Mary's was also good and they showed no extras.

S. MARY'S.			
W. Mason b Sapcote	27	b Baker	6
J. Skrine run out	1	b Baker	2
Miss Williams run out	0	c Briggs b Tisdall	4
M. Talbot c Cross b Tisdall	1	b Baker	9
G. Dover run out	1	not out	2
M. Milward b Briggs	4		
A. Nicholson run out	4	not out	2
C. Jackson run out	1		
A. Morris b Mason	4		
M. Richardson not out	4		
Miss Greatorex run out	5	b Baker	12
Extras	0		2
Total	52		39

DENSTONE.	
E. P. Cross b Miss Williams	1
W. S. Baker c W. Mason b Miss Williams	34
W. N. Court lbw W. Mason	13
R. A. Briggs lbw W. Mason	15
G. F. Mason c J. Skrine b Miss Williams	0

T Newton b Miss Williams	i
H. Musker b Miss Williams	4
K' Sapcote run out	8
r' C. Wain c W. Mason b J. Skrine	3
H G. Williams not out	8
Mr. Tisdall c J. Skrine b Miss Williams	4
Total	91

The Tennis was much enjoyed and was well arranged. As time was not unlimited, it was thought best to play four separate "American Tournaments," and sixteen pairs were entered. The whole series of sets, nine in each court, was able to be played off, and at the conclusion some small "prizes" were awarded, as follows :— Court No. 1—Miss Chapman (S. Anne's) and G. Kirkbride (Worksop); No. 2—P. Robinson (S. Anne's) and Rev. J. W. Greenstreet (Denstone); No. 3—D. Warren (S. Anne's) and Mr. Gaussen (Denstone); No. 4—Miss Sellwood (S. Mary's) and A. B. Jameson (Denstone). The School Courts were reserved for the Tournaments, and the Masters' Court was used by occasional players during the afternoon.

Mr. McCann took a large number of very successful photographs during the day, and all are good. They include different sections of the procession, the cricket teams, the tennis courts, various views of the playing fields, tea in the quadrangle, &c. They may be had as post cards from Mr. Barber. We are indebted to Mr. McCann's kindness for the pictures of the day in the present number of *The Denstonian*.

THE SOCIETY OF SS. MARY AND JOHN OF LICHFIELD.

In connection with our unique gathering on May 21st, it may not be out of place to give a short account of the early history of the Society of SS. Mary and John, which is the name of the Division of the Woodard Corporation (SS. Mary and Nicolas) to which we belong.

The Corporation had been founded on August 1, 1848, and in 1849 its first school was opened, modestly enough, at Shoreham. Next year it removed to Hurst-pierpoint, and the present buildings there were opened in 1853. Ardingly was begun in 1858, but it was not till 1870 that the present school buildings were opened, Lancing was opened in 1868.

This progress in Sussex was observed by Sir Percival Heywood, Bart., the Rev. Henry Meynell (Curate-in-Charge of Denstone), and others in our neighbourhood, and they desired the establishment of similar schools in the Midlands. The way was opened in 1866, as we all gratefully remember, by Sir Percival Heywood's generosity, and a band of strong and capable men—like Mr. Mackarness (afterwards Bishop of Argyll and the Isles), whose grave is at Ham, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Philips, Mr. Keeling, the Earl of Shrewsbury, the Hon. and Very Rev. Augustus Duncombe, Dean of York, and the Rev. Ernald Lane, now Dean of Rochester—gathered round him. In spite of many adversaries and strange opposition, the building of Denstone was begun and continued, and Bishop Lonsdale and Bishop Selwyn both gave their wholehearted support. On the day when Bishop Selwyn came to dedicate our buildings, July 29th, 1873, the Society of SS. Mary and John of Lichfield was formally constituted, the Bishop as Visitor installing the Rev. E. C. Lowe, D.D., till then Headmaster of Hurstpierpoint, as first Provost, with the following as Fellows: the Rev. H. Meynell, the Rev. G. R. Mackarness, Sir Percival Heywood, Bart., the Hon. and Very Rev. the Dean of York, the Rev. E. Tower, and the Right Hon. the Earl of Shrewsbury and Talbot. The first meeting of the Chapter was held in the schoolroom on August nth, and on October 2nd the Rev. D. Edwardes, our Mathematical Master, was elected a Fellow.

On December 15th the Rev. Ernald Lane joined the Chapter on the special nomination of the Founder.

Next year, 1874, saw the opening of S. Anne's School on S. Mark's Day, after the celebration of the Holy Communion in the Parish Church.

In 1875 the Chapter began to think of appointing a Headmaster for Denstone, and the Rev. W. B. Stanford was selected, it being expressly stated that he was to be "eligible for nomination to a Fellowship." He became a Fellow next year. On October 12th, the Rev. T. A. A. Chirol was appointed Chaplain, he having for the previous two years acted as "Second" Master, and at the same meeting a deputation was appointed to attend the opening of Lancing Chapel Crypt, on October 26th. Next year a curious condition was made by Earl Beauchamp to an annual donation of £100 which he offered : he required that a shorthand class should be formed.

It was now that the Chapter began to contemplate another boys' school, and sites were considered near Alsager, Whitchurch and Hawarden, to which last place the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, always a strong supporter of the Founder, earnestly desired to welcome the Society. It was, however, on a site at Ellesmere, offered on advantageous terms by Earl Brownlow, that the choice ultimately fell, and S. Oswald's College was eventually opened in 1884. Two years earlier, in 1882, S. Mary's School at Abbots Bromley made a beginning. In 1878 the Rev. C. B. Tyrwhitt, who had been appointed Chaplain at Denstone was elected a Fellow on the proposal of the Senior Chaplain, seconded by the Headmaster; and the Chapter was able to record on its Minutes the gaining of its first scholastic honour in W. W. Watts' Natural Science Scholarship at Cambridge. On S. Chad's Day, 1879, the Rev. D. Edwardes was elected Headmaster of

Denstone, and it was decided to make a beginning with our Chapel. There was also correspondence with the Founder of Bloxham, and it might have easily happened that All Saints School there should have been transferred to our Society. The Founder of Bloxham was actually, for some years, one of our Fellows. In these early days Masters were frequently elected; Fellows—the names of the Rev. C. F. Thomas, Mr. A. R. Street, Mr. A. A. Moorsom, the Rev. H. W. Lowe, the Rev. T. A. Lacey, etc., appear in addition to those we have already mentioned. In 1882 the gift of the eight pictures in the Dining Hall, from Mr. Foljambe, of Accombe, York, was received.

The first news of Worksop may be traced in the election, in 1883, of Mr Joseph Paget, as a Fellow, but we had to wait till 1895 before the College was a reality, and long before that, in 1887, S. Winifred's School had been opened at Bangor.

By that time the Society had been firmly established. Denstone had been virtually completed, and had seen five schools inaugurated in alliance with her. Throughout the Minutes of the Chapter during these years from which these details have mostly been gathered, the important part played by Sir Percival Heywood, Mr. Meynell, and Mr Edwardes, as well as, of course, the Provost, is evident, and we may fittingly conclude by quoting the resolution which was passed on October 14th, 1885, with reference to the first-named. It runs as follows:—"The Provost and Fellows of SS. Mary and John of Lichfield, in Chapter assembled, desire to express their thankfulness to Almighty God for the recovery from dangerous illness of their colleague, Sir T Percival Heywood, and their earnest hopes that he maybe soon and completely restored to health, and to his life of usefulness amongst them."

CANON LOWE.

On Palm Sunday died our first Provost. In the early years of the School he was a familiar and striking figure, but after his appointment to the Provostship of Lancing in 1891, he was never able to visit us. In early days he was the Founder's able lieutenant, and as Headmaster of Hurstpierpoint he did a great work. When Sir Percival Heywood and Mr. Meynell opened up the possibility of the extension of the Woodard Schools in the Midlands he came to supervise and organise the work, and his force of character, determination of purpose and ready geniality were of the greatest value. When Denstone was ready to be dedicated the Society of SS. Mary and John was founded, and Canon Lowe, as he had recently become on Mr. Gladstone's nomination, was appointed first Provost. He ably guided the work of the new Society, and saw wide extensions of its aims. The Schools at Abbots Bromley were opened in 1874 and 1882. Ellesmere College was opened in 1884 and Bangor in 1887.

He threw himself whole-heartedly into the cause, and to the end of his long life his interest never flagged. Denstone owes him much, and all Old Boys of his days will recognise that though he often appeared brusque and domineering there was an underlying foundation of real kindness and shrewd common-sense which made everyone respect him. Out of his Dante studies he evolved the emblem and motto of the Society. In Canto xviii of the *Paradiso* Dante tells how he saw a vision of the Saints, not yet clothed in their Resurrection bodies, as glowing lights, forming firstly the words *Diligite Justitiam*, (Wisdom I. i.), and then elaborating the last letter into the likeness of a great eagle. Provost Lowe saw in this combination of M and the eagle a good emblem for the patron Saints, Mary

and John, of his Society, and he looked in vain for a wiser motto than *Diligite Justitiam*. Symbol and motto appear on one of the College banners, and on the very handsome gold seal ring which Provost Lowe had made for his official use and which he left for the use of his successors. An impression of it is in the Museum.

THE SPORTS.

There is a certain sameness about Sports Day at every school. At Denstone it is more so because not only are the events the same, run in the same order and at the same times, but almost invariably we have the same weather. In this respect Sports Day this year was identical with that of last year : a bitterly cold wind and the inevitable hailstorm just as the Old Boys' race is about to be run.

It was on Easter Day that I was asked to write an account of the Sports for *The Denstonian*, when the weather was ideal, and I wondered if I should be able to say in my account that the Clerk of the Weather had for once got out of bed on the right side ! And he did, for the morning of Easter Tuesday broke bright and clear. But something upset him before he had been up very long !

As in former years the two "Mile" races had been run earlier. On the Saturday before Easter S. W. Bird again showed how immensely superior he is to anyone else in the school at long distance running, for he won the Open Mile with the greatest of ease from Bowman with Bates in the third place. He finished up quite undistressed and it was obvious that if he had been at all pressed he could have taken at least 10 sees, off his time. As it was the time seemed faster than 5 mins. 3 sees.

On Easter Monday Bird again won in the Mile " Age " Handicap in which he had a start of 60 yards, and Bowman was again second, with only a start of 15 yards. This is always a very pretty race to watch, and one which the ladies enjoy very much.

It was much too cold on the actual Sports Day to take notes on each separate race and indeed it would be monotonous to recount each one. There were only three who had any chance for the Challenge Cup, Bates, Bird, and Bowman. We all knew that Bird would win the Mile and Steeplechase and possibly the Half Mile, whereas Bates and Bowman were candidates for almost all the senior events. As it turned out Bates was returned *Victor Ludorum* by 10 points, and Bowman was *proxime accessit*. Bates thoroughly deserved his success for he ran very well, though bad judgment robbed him of the Half Mile.

But to start at the beginning. Bowman won the Senior Cricket Ball, and in an exhibition throw he earned five extra points by a magnificent throw of 100 yards 2 feet 7 inches. The next event for comment is the Open Half Mile. The order at the beginning was Bowman, Bird, Bates, but in the second round Bird went ahead with Bates second. This was the order 300 yards from home and at this point Bates shewed bad judgment. He challenged Bird and went ahead, but it was too far from the finish and he could not last. If he had been content to keep behind till they entered the straight, his superior sprint would have won the race for him.

It was bitterly cold watching the Long Jumps. The Senior was won by Bates with a good jump of 19 ft. 4 ins. Bowman was second with a jump of over 19 ft. The Hurdle Race was a surprise. Bowman was first over the last hurdle but landed rather awkwardly and Walker just beat him by a foot.

In the Quarter Mile, under 15, E. Brock was first but was disqualified because he ran, by mistake, from the wrong handicap mark, and M. G. Taylor gained first prize.

The Senior High Jump was another surprise. I think that most people thought that Bates would at least get a place, but he was beaten by both Tompkins and Chadwick, the latter of whom eventually won, with a jump of 5ft. 6 ins. which, considering the circumstances under which he had to jump, was very praiseworthy. Rowland and Ball tied in the Junior event.

The Open Quarter Mile, owing to the close competition of Bates and Bowman for the Challenge Cup, was one of the most interesting of the day. Bates was expected to win and did so very easily. Bowman was second. This decided the fate of the Cup for neither Bates or Bowman felt fit enough after their exertions to run in the Steeplechase.

Four Old Denstonians turned out for their race, which Collis won by a fraction from T. A. Salmon. Then after the three-legged Race we were all glad to go up in the Dining Hall and get some hot tea. Feeling somewhat revived and warmed we went out to the Lonsdale Quadrangle to see the start and finish of the two Steeplechases.

Taylor, D. Wood, Cross and Boyd was the order of finishing in the Junior, but Cross was disqualified as he went outside one of the posts which marked the track. Bird, the two Mitchells, and Surridge were the first four home in the Senior event.

Mrs. Dawson very kindly gave away the prizes in the Lonsdale Quadrangle, and after three cheers had been heartily given for her the proceedings ended. We all enjoy good sports under any circumstances and so we enjoyed ourselves on Easter-Tuesday, but we wish it had not been so

cold- Hornby's, owing chiefly to the efforts of Bates, won the Dormitory Challenge Cup.

The other events were won as follows:—

Junior Cricket Ball, (1) M. G. Taylor, (2) C. M. White.

Junior Long Jump, (1) M. G. Taylor, (2) N. Rowland,

Hundred Yards, Senior, (1) Bates, (2) Williams, (3) Bowman.

Junior Hundred Yards, (1) P. Hall, (2) N. Rowland, (3) L. V. Marsh.

Quarter Mile Handicap [under 15], (1) M. G. Taylor, (2) N. Whitehead, (3) H. Davies.

Preparatory School Race, (1) S. H. Atkins, (2) F. Jeffries, (3) H. G. Fowler.

Choir Race, (1) N. Whitehead, (2) H. C. Collis.

220 Yards (under 12), (1) S. Booth, (2) H. R. Cadman.

The officials who managed everything with their usual skill, were as follows :—

Judges.—C. Bill, Esq., Rev. W. T. Norton, Dr. B. Robinson and Rev. W. G. Mayne.

Referee.—G. Percival Heywood, Esq.

Timekeepers.—J. Hornby, Esq., and Rev. H. S. Barber.

Handicappers.—H. Merrick, Esq., R. H. F. Coleman, Esq., and J. L. Smith, Esq.

Starter.—Sergeant Dyke.

Stewards.—Rev. R. M. Clark, A. Tisdall, Esq., Rev. W. S. Airy, H. S. Cadman, Esq., Rev. W. B. Smith, A. R. Wood, Esq., F. J. S. Whitmore, Esq., A. W. Huskinson, Esq., and F. A. Woods, Esq.

Committee.—President, the Headmaster; E. A. Gaussen, Esq., Chairman; Rev. H. S. Barber, H. S. Cadman, Esq., F. H. Woolliscroft, E. R. Wood, H. S. Bates, T. H. Bowman, C. F. Smith, and J. W. Knight.

CRICKET.

THE MASTERS.

Played on May 23rd, and won easily.

THE MASTERS.

Mr. Cadman c Cater b Knight	9
Mr. Gaussen c Walker b Knight	0
Mr. Merrick lbw Bowman	14
Mr. Tisdall c and b Bowman	2
Rev. H. S. Barber c Bowman b Knight	4
Mr. Huskinson lbw Bowman	12
Mr. Wood b Bowman	0
Rev. W. B. Smith not out	11
Mr. Hornby st Cross b Knight	0
Mr. Smith c Cross b Knight	0
Rev. J. W. Greenstreet run out	3
Extras	5
Total	60

THE SCHOOL.

L. B. Helder lbw Cadman	0
B. Hall c Huskinson b Cadman	56
T. H. Bowman b Tisdall	41
J. W. Knight b Tisdall	1
W. Hall not out	83
L. J. Cater b Barber	0
C. F. Smith not out	48
Extras	11

Total (for five wickets) 240

Walker, Baker, Barlow and Cross did not bat.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. W. Knight	10	1	43	5
T. H. Bowman	10	4	12	4

NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL.

We won the toss and put our opponents in. Grant was soon dismissed by Bowman, but Herrick played well, and he and Boyd raised the score to 30 before the latter was bowled by an excellent ball from Bowman. W. Hall soon afterwards brought off a beautiful left-handed catch at cover-point, and then Knight clean bowled Herrick. Newham and Gray were the only two of the others to make any stand, and the innings closed for 96.

The two Halls gave us a good start by putting on 65 for the first wicket, which practically made victory a certainty. Bijjvman and Knight batted well while they were at the wickets, and Smith, by means of some hard clean-hitting, contributed 26, but the rest of the team were not very successful. The fielding on both sides was good.

NOTTS. HIGH SCHOOL.

R. L. Herrick b Knight	25
A. R. S. Grant b Bowman	2
C. G. Boyd b Bowman	8
G. S. Taylor c W. Hall b Knight	1
J. S. Mann c Walker b Bowman	11
C. E. Newbam c Helder b Knight	16
H. W. Ballamy b Bowman	0
F. W. Goddard lbw Bowman	3
C. Towers c Helder b Knight	6
J. Miles not out	6
S. O. Gray run out	n
Extras	7
Total	96

	<i>O.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>R.</i>	<i>W.</i>
T. H. Bowman	17	3	50	5
J. W. Knight	18	3	39	4

THE SCHOOL.

B. Hall st Boyd b Goddard	37
W. Hall lbw Towers	54
T. H. Bowman b Mann	15
J. W. Knight lbw Herrick	14
L. B. Helder c Towers b Mann	0
L. J. Cater c Grant b Herrick	1
C. F. Smith b Newham	26
H. C. S. Walker c Taylor b Mann	0
W. S. Baker st Boyd b Goddard	9
A. E. Barlow not out	2
E. P. Cross c Towers b Goddard	3
Extras	5
Total	166

CAVERSWALL.

Played on Whitsun Tuesday and won by five wickets.

CAVERSWALL.

W. A. Bowers b Knight	7
F. Thorley b Baker	13
H. Brassington b Bowman	1

H. E. Taylor lbw Knight	0
M. Cotton b Baker	41
C. Hassal run out	2
E. W. Blagg c Helder b Knight	14
H. Clough c Smith b Baker	1
G. A. Burton b Bowman	5
H. J. Tinslay c Walker b Knight	4
A. Sincox not out	1
Extras	12

Total 101

	<i>O.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>R.</i>	<i>W.</i>
T. H. Bowman	19	11	15	2
T. W. Knight	19	4	32	4
W. S. Baker	9	2	28	3

THE SCHOOL.

B. Hall b Brassington	12
W. Hall b Taylor	34
T. H. Bowman c Hassel b Brassington	42
J. W. Knight c Bowers b Brassington	10
L. B. Helder not out	9
L. J. Cater run out	2
C. F. Smith not out	8
Extras	11

Total (for five wickets) 128

Walker, Baker, Barlow and Cross did not bat.

FENTON.

Played on May 30th and won easily.

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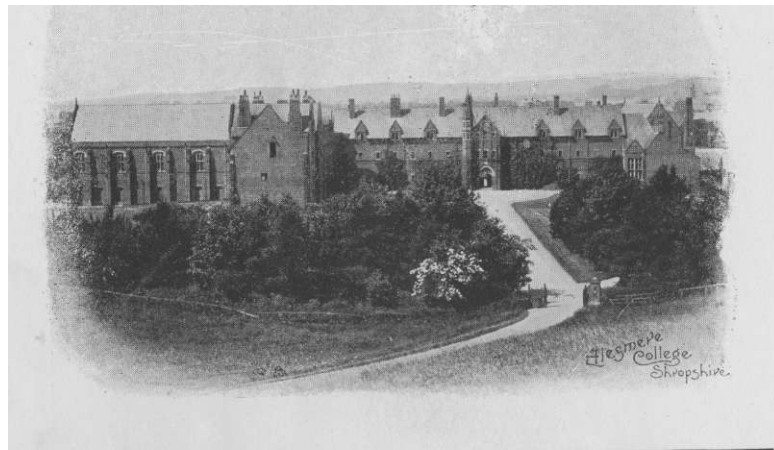
J. Awty c Baker b Bowman	16
W. Bourne b Knight	14
J. Dyke b Bowman	10
C. T. Merritt b Baker	20
T. Bradshaw lbw Bowman	3
H. Skellen c Cross b Bowman	6
G. Woodward c Cross b Baker	9
Rev. G. Thompson run out	4
C. Keary c Smith b Bowman	2
R. C. Wain not out	10
J. Willis b Baker	1
Extras	14

Total 109

	<i>O.</i>	<i>M.</i>	<i>R.</i>	<i>W.</i>
T. H. Bowman	15	4	28	5
J. W. Knight	10	1	43	1
W. S. Baker	5	1	24	3



S. Mary's School, Abbots Bromley.



S. Winifred's School, Bangor.

THE SCHOOL,

w Hall c Bourne by Awty	31
L. B. Helder not out	31
l'j. Cater not out	16
Extras	20
Total (for three wickets)	174

J. W. Knight, C. F. Smith, Walker,
Baker, Barlow and Cross did not bat.

O.T.C.

Some good shooting has been done and the Eight promises to be a strong one. May they repeat last years' success at Bisley. Up to the present we have won the matches against Cranbrook, Wellingborough, Repton, Merchiston, Ellesmere and Blundell's School, Tiverton, and lost those against Dover and S. Lawrence's.

May 16th.	
L.-Cpl. Goldsmith	58
L.-Cpl. Anderson	61
L.-Cpl. Delap	48
L.-Cpl. Merryweather	50
Pte. Atkins	61
Pte. Whitfield	54
Pte. Harris	62
Pte. Chadwick	61
Total	455

Cranbrook, 412 (won).

May 23rd.	
L.-Cpl. Goldsmith	60
Sgt. Fisher	64
L.-Cpl. Anderson	57
L.-Cpl. Chadwick	65
Pte. Atkins	62
L.-Cpl. Delap	60
Pte. Whitfield	62
Sgt. Harris	60
Total	490

Repton, 482 (won).
Merchiston, 452 (won).
Blundell's, 487 (won).

May 28th.	
L.-Cpl. Goldsmith	59
Sgt. Fisher	64
L.-Cpl. Chadwick	58
Pte. Atkins	59
Pte. Anderson	62
Pte. Whitfield	57
L.-Cpl. Delap	55
Sgt. Harris	60

Total 474

Wellingborough, 425 (won).

May 30th.	
L.-Cpl. Goldsmith	62
Sgt. Fisher	60
L.-Cpl. Anderson	58
Sgt. Harris	59
L.-Cpl. Delap	54
L.-Cpl. Merryweather	55
Pte. Whitfield	52
Pte. Atkins	54
Total	454

Dover, 462 (lost).
S. Lawrence's, 460 (lost).
Ellesmere, 339 (won).

O.D. NEWS.

The Annual Dinner of the London O.D. Club was held on 10th Jan. in the Richelieu room of the Hotel Cecil. The President (Rev. G. R. Bell) occupied the Chair, and the Headmaster was the guest of the evening. The following were also present:—
Revs. H. S. Barber, A. E. Dudley, R. M. Grier, T. A. Lacey and M. J. Simmonds, A. L. Baker, C. N. Bennett, G. T. Berry, G. R. G. Biggs, J. B. Biggs, S. G. Biggs, H. G. Bushe, A. A. Chalinor, D. B. Chappie, F. T. Howard, T. J. P. Hunt, E. R. James, R. Menzies, and J. W. Orr.

B Hall b Bradshaw

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The toast of "the School" was proposed by Mr. Lacey in quite his best vein, and though he complained of having been "rushed" into a speech, the duty seemed to be almost as congenial to him as its fulfilment proved delightful to his audience". We regret to add, however, that he did not hesitate to bring a modest blush to the Headmaster's cheek, though wild horses should not drag from us the precise passage to which we allude. The Headmaster, in responding, conveyed a message of good-will from the North of England O.D.s, with whom he had dined in Newcastle-on-Tyne the previous evening. His report of Denstone progress was a bright and encouraging one. Then R. M. Grier, one of the oldest members of the London Club, extolled its character and proposed its health, and its Hon. Secretary in response admitted the truthfulness of Grier's remarks. As might be anticipated, the rest of the evening was jovially spent, the proceedings winding up with the "*Carmen Denstonense*," and a flashlight photo by Fradelle and Young. There are rumours that next January, the Club having completed its 21st year, ladies may be invited to share the joys of the "Londoners' Annual."

P. Simpson's book on *Shakespearean Punctuation* has been most appreciatively received by *The Times* and other papers.

F. A. Hibbert has put together in a simple form a short description and history of Croxden Abbey. As a little sixpenny "guide" it should be very useful, not only to our own members but to others.

F. B. Burr has published a small volume of poems entitled *The Strummings of a Lyre* (A. C. Fyfield, London, is.)

We beg to offer our best wishes to C. A. Bennett on his recent marriage.

At a meeting of the Leek Branch of the E.C.U. on May 6th, G. A. Till read a very

interesting paper on "The Oxford Movement."

At Cambridge, A. J. Wood played in the Freshmen's Match, in a Trial Match, and in the Perambulators and Etceteras Match. He is playing regularly for Derbyshire.

At the Stratford-on-Avon Shakespeare Festival, B.B.Holloway (September, 1894), took part. In the great performance of *Hamlet*, with the complete text, he played the King, and the *Times* spoke exceedingly highly of him. It said, indeed, that his representation could not well have been improved upon.

G. B. Warburton (September, 1899), London Hospital, has passed the examination for F.R.C.S. (Eng.)

It is with great regret that we hear of the death of John Henry Richardson. He came here in September, 1902, in Heads i., and last May he obtained a good appointment in British North Borneo, to sail in June. He asked for a little delay in order to visit Denstone, but it was impossible. He left in excellent health, looking forward to his work as accountant in a large firm, but on December 3rd he died of cerebral malaria, aged 24. He had already won the respect of all who had made his acquaintance.—1R, J. fl>.

NOTES.

We sincerely congratulate G. C. Cheshire on his Fellowship at Exeter College, Oxford.

We also sincerely congratulate G. L. Marriott on gaining the Chancellor's Prize for the Latin Essay at Oxford: it is a fitting complement to the Gaisford Prize for Greek Prose which he gained last year.

The Provost and Fellows have decided to fill the third window in the Sanctuary with stained glass as a memorial to Canon

Lowe, our first Provost. Not only will this ^{make} a vast improvement to the Chapel, but few things could be done which would have pleased Dr. Lowe more. He himself worked out the complete scheme for the set of windows, and this will be carefully followed.

There is every prospect too, of the Confirmation window being completed at the same time. This too, will be very welcome. It is the one over the Bishop's Stall and will represent S. Chad being made Bishop of Lichfield. The design has been completed and has received the warm approval of the Visitor.

Other improvements and additions are also promised. The Chapter has decided to build a large Armoury and Gymnasium, 100 feet long, music practising rooms, and commodious and convenient changing rooms for games. We shall hardly know ourselves when we are in the enjoyment of such luxuries. Moreover the inconvenient make-shift arrangement of the row of class-rooms in the North Wing is to be wholly swept away. The Cloister is to be carried on as on the other two sides of the Quadrangle and five good rooms are to be built. It will then be possible for each dormitory to have its own room. The prefects' studies will be removed to the undercroft of the Hall where they were originally.

On Whitsun Monday the Headmaster was the guest of the Society of Certificated Teachers of Shorthand at the Annual Conference at Buxton, and proposed the toast of the Society.

We beg to offer a warm welcome to the Rev. J. W. Greenstreet our new Chaplain. The School is happy which can attract its Old Boys to come back to its service as Denstone does.

Holy Week and Easter were very profitably spent. The addresses on Good Friday, by Mr. Barber, were eminently interesting and instructive, and the provision of books, etc. in Chapel for such as cared to spend free time there, was largely appreciated. For Easter Day the Sanctuary was beautifully decorated, and the Choir had prepared excellent music. The proper Introit which followed "Hail! Festal Day!" was sung to A. H. Brown's beautiful setting. The Headmaster was the Celebrant at the sung Eucharist, there having been three earlier Celebrations. At Evensong the Anthem was Vincent's "As it began to dawn."

The Rogation Procession could not be held on account of heavy rain, but Ascension Day, though stormy, was fine on the whole, and between our services, conveniently fixed very early and very late, everybody was free to spend an enjoyable day.

The Dormitory Musical Competitions were held on Easter Monday, when Mr. Hornby's Dormitory again proved invincible. Where all were good we may perhaps mention as especially commendable E. R. Wood's playing of Esposito's *Berceuse* (piano), Belton's *Adante* from Mendelssohn's 5th Sonata, and the singing by the winning dormitory of Elgar's "O happy eyes." Mrs. Bertram Heywood most kindly came to present the trophy to the winners, and Col. Heywood was good enough to accompany her. Moreover the Judge was one of our Old Boys, T. I. Watts, Esq., M.A., Mus. Bac., Organist and the Director of the Music at Epsom College. His presence made the occasion especially interesting and his clear and helpful criticisms were most welcome. We beg to thank him most sincerely for the kind services he rendered, and for giving us the pleasure of his company.

One of our Fellows, the Ven. Archdeacon Burrows, has been nominated to be Bishop of Truro. We beg to offer him our respectful congratulations, and at the same time to express the hope that it may not be necessary for him entirely to sever his connection with us. Scholar of Corpus, Oxford, and Fellow and Tutor of Christ Church, First Class in both Classical and Mathematical Moderations, First Class in Mathematical Finals and in *Lit. Hum.*, Principal of Leeds Clergy School and twice select preacher before his University, and, with all this, possessed of exceptional administrative ability, Bishop Burrows' record shows that scholarship still counts towards the making of the complete man.

On Trinity Sunday Father Bull, of the Community of the Resurrection, was the preacher.

The *Merchistonian* for March had an illustrated article on the College, in the complimentary tone of which we think we can trace the loyal affection of the O.D. who is a member of the Staff there.

Shorthand Certificates were gained last Term by S. H. Clarke, R. L. Goldsmith, H. Biggs, J. W. Jebb, D. G. Wood and F. Rerrie.

At the last fire alarm the Brigade got the hose playing in three minutes, which was a very creditable achievement.

The list of new boys this term is as follows :—

Andrew, Thomas Stuart	Smith's
Austin, Kenneth	Head's III.
Blackmore, Robert Hewetson	Smith's
Chamberlain, William Halliday	Day Boy
Finch, Colin Hales	Gaussen's
Lindop, Ernest Harold Evans	Preparatory
Lindop, Thomas Evans	"
Lockyer, Frank Cuthbert	Heads II.

Marshall, John Noel	Head's I.
Parker, Jack Fordham	Airy's
Richardson, Harold Joseph	
Rudder, Stanley Victor	Head's II.
Sedgwick, Joseph Reginald	Hornby's
Toney, James Edward Vickers	Preparatory
Vaugham, Geoffrey	Hornby's
Wade, Arthur Newport	Heads I.
Walker, John James Nelson	"
Webb, Bernard William	Hornby's
Weigall, Geoffrey Stephen Carnac	Head's III.
Wilson, Arthur Wesley	"

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