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EDITORIAL.

SUMMER has come at last! In vain we try to imagine that it is winter by playing winter games; one almost wonders whether it was of us that Horace was thinking when he wrote *Terra mutat Vices*.

Last term the leaving list was a large one, and among those whose loss we regret most are: E. R. Wood (last year's captain of school), H. S. Bates, F. H. Woolliscroft (last season's captain of football)—all of whom are scholars and resident members of Cambridge University. We wish them every success.

The last end of term was made famous by the march of the O.T.C. to and through Derby, where we caused great excitement. The strains of the band collected hundreds of sightseers, who escorted us to the barracks where we stayed for the night, leaving early next morning for camp. It is gratifying to reflect that not more than a dozen schools, all much larger than ourselves, sent a larger contingent.

This is the term of all others to which one looks forward perhaps the most; for in it we have the All Saints' Day whole holiday and the Play; in it there is the earnest aspirations of some for the First XV.; for others there is the pleasure of watching an exciting school match. As the term draws to a close the Head's House

PJay looms ahead, and relieves the monotony of "sameness," and finally we go home to all the allurements of a Christmas holiday.

This term the College improvements are marvellous and beyond description, and it is most exciting to make a tour of the buildings. Where was a dark passage and scrubby class-rooms one now finds a fine cloister and large, *light*, comfortable dormitory rooms; the *terra incognita* underneath the Hall is now converted into a flat for the Prefects; the old changing rooms have become a chamber of horrors for play-boxes. Meanwhile we watch the armoury, new changing rooms and music practising rooms being built, and the science buildings enlarged and transformed, with delighted anticipations of pleasures to come.

THE FOOL IN SHAKESPEARE.

BY H. M. BUTLER, O.D.

Like to the old Vice,
Your need to sustain;
Who with dagger of lath,
Cries "Ah, ha!" to the Devil.

So sings Feste outside Malvolio's madhouse. He reminds us that we owe not only the general conception of our drama, but also many of its details, to the morality plays of the Middle Ages. The stage itself is the legitimate descendant of the travelling waggon; no less is the jester the development of the Old Vice, who pursued the actor lucky enough to impersonate the Evil One, and beat him from the scene. Human nature requires change of emotion, and irony suggested that the Devil should be chosen to provide the comic relief from the actions of the more reputable characters.

The fool was an almost essential element in the Elizabethan comedy. He was, moreover, an element which proved somewhat of an anxiety to the writers of the period.

The dying speeches of hero and heroine might prove of interest to the nobles who crowded the galleries or sat upon the stage itself; the fool was meanwhile expected to keep amused the "groundlings" who thronged the central yard. It was open to the sky, and to the general discomfort caused by insufficient space and an absence of benches or chairs, was added the possibility of rain and hail and snow. To say that the fool was often vulgar is to deal gently with him. He was generally given no complete part, and was allowed to crack with the audience jokes of his own making, and at his own discretion as to time and taste. It is one of the most striking aspects of Shakespeare's genius that he provided for the Fool a definite and in no wise unworthy place amongst his characters. Touchstone and Feste will live as warmly cherished in our hearts as Orlando or Olivia.

In our consideration of Shakespeare's fools it is necessary to bear in mind the mediaeval idea of wit, which still survived in the sixteenth century. It illustrates not only the position of the jester, but also explains the fact that much of the banter which we find in the comedies is dull and tedious. Professor Moulton, in his admirable work, *Shakespeare as a Dramatic Artist*, insists upon the mediaeval conception of wit as a kind of match, in which the victory was gained by the player who could continue the *repartee* for the longest time. When the ladies chaff each other in *Love's Labour Lost*, or when Touchstone reprimands the shepherd, we must remember that Shakespeare had not yet plucked "the first-fruits of the tree of knowledge." In *Hamlet* the humour is bitter and even cynical; in *Macbeth* the Porter is almost ghoulish: the humorous characters lack any attractive qualities. It is only during the great years of tragedy that the poet cries: "Brevity is the soul of wit."

The jester was expected to be grotesque or quaint almost as readily as he was witty. He was to refresh the jaded—he was to be a "light-hearted loon"; but a little education was not valueless for this work. Particularly would a knowledge of the unusual commend itself to a master. Touchstone, like James I., is a wise fool : he is proud of the philosophy which he learned at court. Lear's "poor boy" has sufficient insight to detect the cause of the King's misfortune. Feste is for ever prattling of the scraps of knowledge which he has picked up—of Pythagoras, of Gorboduc, of the Myrmidons.

The professional fool might say what would have been regarded as offensive if it had come from others. "Invest me in my motley," cries Jacques. "Give me leave to speak my mind." It is the privilege of the clowns. At anyrate, they are all full of assurance. With what magnificent effrontery does Feste harass the self-satisfied Malvolio, or remind Orsino of "the bells of S. Bennet!" Touchstone can afford to speak of his wife as "an ill-favoured thing, sir, but mine own"; and there is more than a touch of ridicule of the courtiers standing * in his recapitulation of the laws of controversy. The fool in *King Lear* is the only person who can face the wrath of the irate old man; and yet it is to the poor jester that he turns in his anguish; "Oh, fool, I *shall* go mad!" Amidst the senseless babbling of the fool, in his efforts to extract humour from an overwhelmingly wretched situation, is much serious chiding:—

Underneath the surface of wit lies a depth of sad and impotent thoughtfulness.

It is noteworthy that two characters alone in *Lear* are above the spirit of their times—Edmund, who profits by his cleverness and is a blackguard; and the Fool,

who is, it seems, mentally deranged. In the pathetic, weakly figure of Lear's "poor boy," are summed up all the attributes of the Shakespearean fool. He is mentally, and perhaps physically, grotesque, and yet he is permitted to comment as he will upon the conduct of the King. He can carry on a duel of wit even under the most tragic circumstances; he attempts to be what Feste is, "for all waters." He is one of the most pathetic and striking figures that Shakespeare ever drew; and those who were fortunate enough to see our own H. R. Hignett playing the part in the latest London revival, will not easily forget his representation of the character.

They are very lovable, Shakespeare's fools. We must at heart despise, even if we pity, Sir Andrew; we do not admit, even if we feel, an admiration for Sir Toby; but we cannot quarrel with Feste—his very impudence carries us off our feet. "How now my hearts! Did you ever see the picture of 'We three?'" His sally is followed by Sir Toby's chuckling and good-natured reply of, "Welcome, ass!" He is among friends. The Lady Olivia's father, too, "took much delight in him." He is the embodiment of high spirits, who is reserved to sing the epilogue, with its expressed wish to please the audience every day.

Touchstone is of a different mould. Lear's fool is a worn figure, struggling, as surely as Hamlet or Brutus, against a situation which is too strong for him. Feste is light-hearted, clever and adaptable, though he is perhaps incapable of depth of feeling or of any great sympathy. But Touchstone is doing things of a philosopher. Beneath the sententiousness of his pronouncements there is a lurking appreciation of the irony of his position. He was not born to be a fool, but to be a Gamaliel, at whose feet all mankind should sit. Unfortunately, Audrey and Corin alone

are in a position to be bullied into hearing his learned opinions; and they cannot understand them. Jacques perceives something of his capabilities, but Touchstone's limitations spoil his chances. He is so anxious to shine that he becomes simply amusing. Falling back into his professional strain, he entertains the Banished Duke, though not without an excuse for his marriage with Audrey. Perhaps he is cynical; perhaps he is ashamed of being bound to one whose only claim to consideration is that she knows nothing, and so can flatter his desire to appear as a wise man. Touchstone is a snob, and yet one must like him. He jests light-heartedly with Rosalind and Celia, he amuses the Duke, he impresses Audrey, he patronizes Corin. In all we feel that he is posing, and yet in all we feel that an interesting, good-hearted fellow lies beneath the mask. It is significant that he attracts Jacques, undoubtedly the most deeply thinking character in the play. But experience has made Jacques sad, whilst it has only made Touchstone a little cynical. It is the most certain proof that the high-spirited, happy, attractive Rosalind has never understood the jester, that she can say: "I had rather have a fool to make me merry than experience to make me sad." The statement of her life's philosophy is essentially that of a young girl brought face to face with a man whose reflection has made him bitter. As for Touchstone, he laughs up his sleeve at both Jacques and Rosalind—and at himself as well.

The fool in *Lear*, Feste, Touchstone—only three characters, and yet what characters! Each is a professional jester, each a man, with a man's senses and hopes and dreams, and yet each condemned to a life in which his spirit must be subjugated to the necessity of being funny. That Shakespeare could draw such figures at all is marvellous enough, but that he could

provide food for the philosopher and student whilst he satisfied the appetite of the "groundlings," who fought and swore in the open yard—this is still more wonderful. "Speak no more than is set down for them," is Hamlet's advice to the clowns. It is only a comment on the inappreciation of the Georgian playgoer that the advice has not always been implicitly followed in regard to Shakespeare's plays. To-day we can afford to scoff at the vandalism which prompted Pope to "amend" the master's plays, and an unknown actor to vulgarize *King Lear*. At Denstone we consider our Shakespeare very precious, and it is perhaps not too much to say that we have a feeling of personal affection for the clowns who, even in the case of the poor shivering fool struggling through the tempest, had as a not unworthy motive in life—a true intent for our delight.

O.T.C.

The Annual Inspection of the Corps took place on the morning of 3rd July. Major A. J. Percival, D.S.O., General Staff, was the inspecting officer. It began as usual with ceremonial. The March past was excellent. The Companies then fell in for Company Drill which was taken by the N.C.O.'s. A short attack concluded a somewhat hurried inspection.

The rest of the term was devoted to route marches in preparation for camp. •

The longest of these through Rochester and Doveridge and back by Uttoxeter took place on the last Sunday evening of term, and left the impression that route marches might be a profitable way of occupying the present slack Sunday afternoons.

On Sunday, July 28th, the Camp Company started at 7.45 a.m. to march to Derby. The road lay through Rochester, Cubley, Longford to Mackworth, and thence by the Ashbourne Road to Derby and then

through the town to Normanton Barracks. At Mackworth we had refreshments and rested for some time in the vicarage grounds and Parish Room which the Vicar (the Rev. W. Dawes) very kindly allowed us to use as it was raining at the time of our arrival.

Our march through Derby, headed by the Band, was quite a "triumphal entry," and we were accompanied to the Barracks by hundreds of sight-seers of all ages.

Though the weather was showery and we got wet twice on the way, the whole company arrived in splendid form and no one who saw them marching through the streets of Derby would have thought that they had already come twenty miles. The Band played excellently and reflected great credit on the efforts of Mr. Wood, Band-Sergt. Jones (3rd Batt. Sherwood Foresters) and Corpl. Anderson who worked hard throughout the term to train them.

On arrival at the Barracks we found all arrangements had been made for us by Captain C. J. Hobbs (who was in command in the absence of Major Leveson Gower, on training) and the Quarter-Master (Capt. Tyler).

We were told off to three barrack-rooms while the officers were accommodated in the Officers' Mess.

After some delay caused by the non-arrival of our crockery, we all sat down to the welcome dinner which was waiting for us on our arrival.

We turned out again for Church Parade at S. Thomas's Church at 6.30 and after a cheerful service returned to supper and bed.

Reveill  went at 5.30 a.m. on the Monday and after breakfast at 6.15 we marched to Derby station where we entrained in special dining cars to S. Pancras on our way to Camp at Bordon.

We cannot close this account without expressing our sincere thanks to all those who so kindly helped to make the march to, and stay at, Derby, such an interesting

and instructive success. To the Vicar of Mackworth we are indebted for allowing us the use of his grounds and room; to Major Leveson Gower for putting us up at the Barracks; to Captain Hobbs, Captain Tyler, the Quarter-Master Sergeant and his assistants for the arrangements they made for our accommodation and comfort at the Barracks, and to Mr. Finch for arranging many small details.

This year we visited entirely fresh country for camp and arrived at Bordon after a tedious journey about 4.30 on Monday afternoon, 28th July. The delay in transporting our baggage from the Station to Camp soon brought home to us the disadvantage of not being at a big military centre like Aldershot. However, after a three hours delay, and after we had borrowed plates and other necessaries from the Stores and other Schools, our own arrived and we were able to get our long delayed meal.

As we were the only company of No. 1 Battalion to arrive on the Monday, we had a company drill before breakfast on the Tuesday, and practised the attack during the morning.

We supplied battalion orderlies all day and were again on duty on the Wednesday and supplied the battalion guard for 24 hours on the marshy swamp round the bathing place.

On Wednesday and Thursday mornings the battalion practised the attack under Company commanders on Broxhead Common and Hogmoor Enclosure.

On Friday morning half the battalion (including ourselves) gave an "exhibition" attack under Major Shea of Uppingham, whilst the rest looked on.

In the afternoon we had our only battalion drill which was remarkable for the steadiness of the whole battalion and the fewness of the mistakes that were made.

On the Saturday morning Uppingham and Denstone under Major Shea took up a

defensive position against the rest of the battalion on Hogmoor Enclosure. Just behind us the Engineers were practising throwing live and dummy hand grenades.

In the afternoon the Brigade marched past Lord Roberts by contingents in fours and the officers gave their usual "At Home."

On the Sunday we had the usual Church Parade and a lecture on Corunna in the evening.

On the Monday we marched to Whitehill and had a battalion field day in Woolmer Forest. The Somerset L.I. with whom were 200 of the P.S. Brigade including four representatives from Denstone, delayed us for some time. But we were able to watch a section of field artillery which was supporting the attack from a position close to our resting place.

We returned to Camp about 3 and consequently were excused the afternoon parade.

Tuesday was the Brigade field day over the ground we had traversed on the previous day.

On the Wednesday the last day of Camp, No. 1 battalion was opposed by No. 3 and drove them steadily back from Whitehill through the Camp to Broxhead Common, where one of our officers had a 'hairbreadth' escape from capture. Wednesday afternoon was spent returning tent boards.

On Thursday Reveille was at 4 a.m. and the usual returning of stores ensued. As our train did not leave until 9.30 we got through this without much trouble.

It is hardly necessary to say that the Camp was wet—in fact it rained heavily every day. Several times we were wet through. Sometimes we dried before reaching camp, and sometimes we were not so fortunate.

Our battalion officers were Captain J. E. Gibbs and Lieut. E. D. H. Tollemache, adjutant, both of the Coldstream Guards, and to them we are indebted for a very interesting training.

The Brigade Major (Major R. C. Mc Calmont) provided us with much music. The drummers of the Irish Guards were in Camp the whole time and played us out to the most distant area. The band of the 2nd Sussex came on the Saturday and Sunday and that of the Somerset L.I. with their buglers also entertained us. The only drawback to camp—apart from the weather was the lack of parade ground for anything larger than a battalion.

Our contingent, 104 Cadets and 4 Officers formed No. 6 Company in No. 1 Battalion. The marching of the Company was excellent throughout, and in all other ways the work was creditable.

The lines considering the wet, were well kept, and the tent commanders on the whole, managed the tents with conspicuous success.

The following promotions were made before Camp:—Corps. Mitchell and Wain to be Sergts. Lance-Corps. Anderson, Goldsmith and Delap to be Corpls. Privates Surrudge, Barton, Williams, J. W. Knight, O. F. Forest and Swallow to be Lance-Corpls.

The following promotions have been made this term:—Sergt. Harris to be Col.-Sergt. Corpl. Anderson to be Sergt. Privates Jameson, Barlow, Salmon, Carlisle, and Powel-Smith to be Lance-Corpls. Sergt. Anderson has been appointed Captain of Shooting.

In the Imperial Challenge Shield Senior Competition, the South Company was placed 12th, and won a prize of £3 and the North Company 25th, winning £2.

This term is devoted to the preparation of candidates for Certificate 'A.' We have 43 candidates of whom 33 have to take the practical part as well.

Our Armoury has been converted into studies, and consequently we have been reduced to parading without arms. Add to this the fact that the musketry regulations

are being "reprinted" and it will be realised that we are working under difficulties.

The new armoury—a spacious room measuring 100 feet by 50 with two instructors' rooms—is rising daily and we hope to have everything complete by the beginning of next term.

Class firing has taken place at Burton on three Thursdays during October.

40 out of 42 have qualified in Table B, and 14 out of 18 in Table A.

Head's i. won the Kirkpatrick Shield for general efficiency, with Gausson's and Clark's second and third respectively. Head's i. led on the percentages for attendance on parade and at camp and in the Section Competition.

Clark's were noticeable for having only one third class shot in the classification on the miniature range.

This year it has been decided that those who qualify on the full range to count as first class for the Kirkpatrick. This will allow more time for the elimination of third class shots on the miniature range.

FOOTBALL.

KERSAL.

We opened our season on October 12th, with a match against Kersal. We were in our opponent's half for the greater part of the game owing to the strong play of the forwards, whose fierce rushes and resolute tackling were a marked feature of the game. However, though they often obtained possession, their heeling was not quite clean, and as the passing of the forwards was slow and that of the three-quarters somewhat inaccurate, their attack looked really dangerous. The defence of the outsiders, like that of the forwards, was sound throughout, so that their opponents, though they attacked strongly on many occasions, only succeeded in

crossing the school line on one occasion for an unconverted try. Previous to this, Tomkins had been instrumental in gaining a try for the school. He had been pushed into touch after a good run, close to the corner flag, and without wasting any time, threw the ball out to W. Hall, who dropped over the line and scored. The try was not converted, and there being no further scoring the game ended in a draw. The forwards all played well. Of the rest Knight made a most successful first appearance, his collaring being especially noticeable. Tomkins and Clark did not get many chances, but did what they had to do well. The two Halls acquitted themselves creditably. Barton was rather slow in getting the ball away from the scrum, and Cross, though he played a good game, hung on to the ball too long.

Team.—H. G. Williams (capt.), L. B. Helder, C. G. Salmon, A. E. Barlow, S. O. Surridge, R. B. Mitchell, H. A. Carlisle and V. S. Sullivan (forwards); R. A. E. Barton and E. P. Cross (halves); G. L. Tomkins, J. W. Knight, W. Hall, S. H. Clark (three-quarters), B. Hall (back).

MANCHESTER 'A.'

This match was played on October 19th, on the College ground. The visitors won the toss, but elected to play against the wind and slope. We at once assumed the offensive, but sound defence by the Manchester backs relieved the pressure. Following some loose punting Kemp broke away, and after a long dribble scored a try for Manchester which should have been saved by Clark. The try was converted but we quickly rallied and scored twice before half-time) through Tomkins and Fyldes. Neither of these tries was converted, and so we led at the interval by 6 points to 5. Shortly after the re-start Kemp, after a long run, again scored

an unconverted try. We then attacked fiercely, Helder being prominent in several fine dribbles, but it looked as though the School would be unable to increase their score as the "halves" were very slow in getting the ball away. Tomkins, however, picked up neatly in the loose, and breaking right through the middle of the Manchester team, scored a fine try in the corner. The kick at goal was again unsuccessful. In spite of great efforts by Manchester we held our own for the rest of the game, which accordingly ended in a win for us of 9 points to 8. Our pack played well throughout in all respects, but though the defence of the outsides was uniformly sound, combination in attack was lacking owing to the slowness of the halves, and so, though all the three-quarters acquitted themselves creditably, the actual scoring was in each case the result of an individual effort.

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2ND XV. v. BURTON 'A.'

This match was played on October 12th. Fyldes won the toss and started downhill. With the advantage of the slope, the school soon took up the offensive, and before long a good run of passing put Kestin in with a try, which Evans converted. We continued to have the advantage, and in spite of faulty passing, scored again by Powell-Smith; the try was converted by Evans, who in addition kicked a penalty goal just before half-time. Burton started attacking, and scored a penalty goal. The second half was chiefly fought out between the forwards, but Burton scored twice through their wing three-quarters; neither of the tries, however, was converted, so the

school won by 13 points to 3. The pack throughout played hard and well, tackling hard and bringing off some splendid continued dribbles. Fyldes and Larkatn were good at half, their defence being noticeable, but the three-quarters line was weak, their passing slow and their defence feeble. Wilson's play at back was marred by the blunders he made, and he should occasionally kick when in his own twenty-five.

KING EDWARD'S SCHOOL, BIRMINGHAM.

This match was played at Denstone on October 26th. We kicked off in pouring rain but with the wind, and immediately took the ball into the oppdsing "25," from where after some loose play, Tomkins scored after a pass by Barlow; the kick at goal was a failure. After some midfield play we again pressed, and Tomkins scored a second try from a good opening and a well-timed pass from Knight; Salmon, this time, was successful with the kick. Both sides then pressed in turn, the game being mostly confined to forward play. As there was no further scoring before half-time, the home team, on crossing over, led by 8 points to *nil*. On the re-start King Edward's School pressed hotly, but sound defence kept them out. The attack was gradually resumed by us, but none the less several promising movements failed, Knight on two occasions making useful openings, but spoiling them by holding on too long. Clark eventually kicked over and scored our third try. The pack, in a game which was essentially a battle between the forwards owing to the wet, gave another good display, tackling hard and dribbling well. In defence and attack alike, they showed up well, Barlow—and Williams—who led his men with great dash, being especially conspicuous. They should, however, be more ready to pack tightly in soine loose play, as on several occasions they allowed their opponents to come through

with the ball. Barton was again good in defence and much better in attack, his passing being considerably quicker from the scrum and more accurate. All the backs showed sound defence, smothering their men so quickly that the King Edward School's three-quarters never properly got on the "move," while Tomkins, as usual, was the most prominent in attack. B. Hall played an exceptionally good game at back, in fact one of the best played on the school ground for some time. Two more tries were added, the final score being 17 points to *nil*.

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BIRKENHEAD SCHOOL.

On winning the toss Birkenhead played down, and for the opening few minutes pressed us severely. On settling down to play our forwards rushed the ball into our opponents' "25," from where, after some loose play, Helder scored; Salmon failed with the kick. Again our forwards attacked, and in spite of the good defence of Birkenhead, Tomkins got away; the kick at goal again failed. On resuming the team, inspired no doubt by the smallness of the score, rushed to the attack; the forwards heeled cleanly and the halves and three-quarters did their work well, so that Tomkins was enabled to score three times in quick succession. Our attack then visibly cooled off, and some mid-field play ensued. From a lucky piece of work Carlisle was able to put Fyldes in. The score was now 24—0. Once more, however, Tomkins after a strong run got over. The defence of our opponents was good, but lacked determination, though Chester and Davies worked admirably throughout.

Our forwards worked well, but seemed to have lapses. Barton got the ball away a little smarter than usual, thus enabling the three-quarters to get through some good work, especially Tomkins, who as usual was the pick of the side. B. Hall at back played a good game, and though there was no "gallery" work to be done, there was some thankless work to be done.

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BURTON.

This match was played at Denstone on November 2nd. We won the toss and kicked off up the hill. From start to finish Burton got possession in the scrums, and consequently the game resolved itself into a struggle between the Burton attack and our defence. Shortly after the kick-off Newton punted from mid-field towards the left touch line, and the Burton wing three-quarters, following up smartly, scored their first try. This try should have been saved by B. Hall, who might have got possession before the other man, and failing that, should have tackled him. Mr. Barber was the next to score after good combination by the Burton outsides and slow defence on the part of our three-quarters. Burton continued to attack, and though our team had periods of sound defence, there were too many lapses, with the result that Burton scored two more tries before half-time, and three in the second half. Newbold converting two of these, Burton won by 25 points to *nil*.

Though completely mastered in the scrums our forwards played resolutely and held their own in the loose, Barlow deserving special mention. Barton, as usual, was good at defence. Fyldes also saved

and tackled well for the most part, but on more than one occasion allowed the opposing half to go straight through. The three-quarters made little use of their few opportunities, and were far from consistent in defence, their principal fault being slowness in getting on to their men. Their fielding and kicking were quite good. B. Hall, though he made several mistakes, was especially good in these respects.

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O.D. NEWS.

G. L. Marriott has obtained 1st Class in *Litterae Humaniores*.

H. Edmondson (Jan. 1903,) has passed the examination for Honours of candidates for admission on the Roll of Solicitors of the Supreme Court, in the 3rd Class.

C. H. Fox has obtained 2nd Class Honours in Engineering in the final B.Sc. Examination of London University.

A. L. Blunt at S. Thomas's Hospital has obtained the William Tite Scholarship, the Peacock Scholarship, and two Certificates of Honour.

H. C. S. Walker has been gazetted 2nd Lieutenant in the Special Reserve, the Sherwood Foresters.

E. L. Chadwick has gone to Finsbury Technical College to learn engineering.

H. M. Butler is a master at Worksop.

It was a great shock to hear of the early and sudden death of Herbert Christopher Basil Jones. From May 1900 to July 1905 he played a great part at Denstone and left behind him a good name which is still remembered. He did well at Cambridge obtaining 2nd Class in the Law Tripos, and went to London with the intention of becoming a barrister. Like the Archbishop of York he found his vocation was for the priesthood, and after his ordination he went to help the Wellington College Mission in Walworth, where his friend W. Cooper, O.D. is priest in charge. He soon repeated there his Denstone, Cambridge and Ely careers of usefulness, goodness and popularity, and his death is a great blow to the Mission. We hope to have for our next issue a special Memoir written by one who knew him intimately. *R.I.P.*

We congratulate E. J. Boyd on being successful in his 3rd M.B.

H. S. Bates, E. O. Whitfield and O. G. Misquith have passed the Previous Examination, Part ii.

J. T. Barton played in the Seniors' Match, and G. R. Ball is Captain of the Downing College Hockey Club.

J. H. Crace has gone into the Indian Police and C. G. Piggford into the Colonial Police. In the chemistry paper Piggford was 1st.

E. T. Greenwood is now a member of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

W. E. Hayward and J. H. Crick have paid us somewhat hurried visits this term. We hope to see more of them.

K. M. Fergusson (Sept. 1899) has just come through some exciting adventures in a little motor-boat, only 35 feet long, with a crew of four intrepid mariners, which has just successfully accomplished the voyage from Detroit to S. Petersburg, a distance of some 6,000 miles. Incidentally it achieved the distinction of being the first petrol-driven boat to cross the Western ocean.

The voyage lasted over two months, and many times in the Atlantic, the crew had to face the perils of storm, and on one occasion the danger of destruction by fire, while the water on board becoming tainted, the pangs of thirst accentuated the hardships of the latter part of the voyage.

The boat is named the *Detroit* and her crew consisted of a Captain, a mate, a chief engineer, and the second engineer.

They left Detroit, 800 miles from New York, on July 2nd; arrived at New York on July 14, left two days later, and arrived at Queenstown on August 7.

From Queenstown they went to Southampton, from Southampton to Ostend, Ostend to Amsterdam, thence through the canals of Holland to Brunsbruttel, afterwards through the Kiel Canal, and from Kiel direct to S. Petersburg, arriving on September 12th. They left the *Detroit* at S. Petersburg, and after staying there a week came to London by steamer.

They carried ninety days' supply of provisions, including canned goods, hot tacks, and bottled stuff. They had also sixty days' supply of water, but two days out from New York found that it had all been spoiled by some paint left in the tank. For the rest of the voyage they had to exist on a few bottles of soda, and that was perhaps the greatest hardship.

After the fourth day out, they had continually rough weather, but the boat behaved very well, except when the wind was abaft the beam, when they had difficulty in steering, owing to her pointed canoe-like

stern. The engine never stopped, save when we had to heave to on account of the heavy weather.

The night before they got to Queenstown they had a fire in the engine-room. Some petrol had been spilled out of a priming can, and in some way caught fire.

The October number of the *Church Quarterly Review* has for its third article an account of "Croxden Abbey, its buildings and history," by F. A. Hibbert.

The following Cambridge letter has been received:—

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—You ask me for a Cambridge letter when term is not a week old, you and others also disregard the fact that we sometimes care for a Denstone Letter. Well, you shall have your Cambridge letter, it may serve as a reminder.

First of all let me congratulate the School on the new buildings, a felicitation echoed by all of us here. Let me also congratulate and offer all good wishes to the new School officers, and in especial let me wish all good things to the football team—it should have recovered from its lean years by now. Now we will get into the midst of things; suppose we begin with the 3rd year.

Ball is busily engaged in labs, at all hours of the day and night, he is captain of hockey at Downing, smokes a lot and his hair flaps about as usual. Hayward worships a good deal at the shrine of "My Lady Nicotine," he has given up most games, and devotes his time to work, feminine teas, and ecclesiastical movements. He is a "Persona Grata" with the Dons, and when we want good advice, we go to him. Gurnhill occasionally appears in the light of day, he is often run down and recuperates himself with tabloids of all kinds and sizes. Bartota is working hard at Law, and when he has time to lift up his aching head, he plays football; he is thinking, but only

thinking, of taking up cross country running. Harris lives a dreamy existence, nursed in the arms of Bernard Shaw, De Morgan, the Cubists, the Positivists, and all sorts of ists and isms. He is studying the Philosophy of Religions and occasionally rows. Now for the 2nd year.

Howe possesses a luxuriant growth he calls a moustache. He did not play footer last season, but is doing so this. Wood has a handful in his younger brother. He had some hard luck at cricket last season, but we have hopes. He plays Association of all games now. Misquith's shadow never grows less. He has passed some exams, which perhaps will weigh unduly upon him. He is, we hear, a stalwart forward and is given to giving stupefying breakfasts. Powel-Smith is taking Law; he did some rowing and boxing last year. Pratt wears caps and spats fearfully and wonderfully made. He is a patron of the drama and is taking medicine. Now we come to the first year.

Greenwood's laugh and boots are the same as ever. He is playing football very energetically, hopes for a 1st in his Mays, and if the crush in his rooms means anything, he is very popular. Wood and Bates look very lost, but are gradually getting acclimatised. Woolliscroft and Whitfield we hope to see soon, also Jagg.

Now Mr. Editor, my pen is running dry, and you see you cannot expect much at this time of the term. I wonder when we are going to have some more people up, the present number is a disgrace pure and simple, do try, if you don't get Schols. your first year, you are bound to get them your second; besides there is always a possibility of learning something up here.

There is one little matter that perplexes us. It is this. Apparently you now have two halves a week, with the occasional Saints Days. On one of these halves football is voluntary there is generally a match every

week, so most people get only one game a week. We may be misinformed, if so, many apologies, but we feel that the most anxious of parents would prefer more games. Why should you not play on week-days? You play House Matches any day. However it is not our business, but it was not always so. Now, dear Mr. Editor, the blame for this uninteresting letter is yours.

I remain,
Yours Academically,
"CANTAB."

NOTES.

On October 2nd died the Viscount Mountgarret, one of our Fellows, and the generous donor of the fine Chapel at Worksop. It was during our Headmaster's tenure of the Headmastership of Worksop that Lord Mountgarret first became interested in our Nottinghamshire school. Going to a Speech Day he, quite unexpectedly, gave £1,000. Since then his gift, to the Woodard schools have been princely, but his interest and counsel have been not less valuable. *R.I.P.*

The new windows in Chapel were dedicated by the Provost before the service of Holy Communion on October 31st, the date of the Chapter Meeting.

On All Saints' Day the preacher was the Rev. G. Philips, Rector of Checkley. He preached a most interesting sermon on "the hidden life." On Obit Sunday the Chaplain preached on "the faithful departed." The Celebrant at the high service was the Rev. H. S. Barber. The anthem in the afternoon was Woodward's "The sun shall be no more thy light by day."

The following are the results of the summer examinations :—

Oxford and Cambridge Higher Certificates: A. B. Jameson, B. Delap, H. Musker; Exemption for Part II. of "Previous": K. R. Evans; Distinction in History: S. O. R. Surridge; Lower Certificates: T. L. Ball, S. G. Cowper, P. H. Sykes, J. N. Knight, V. H. L. Davenport, M. Y. Townsend, G. W. Wood; Oxford Local Examinations (Senior): 3rd Class Honours and Exemption from London University "Matriculation": K. C. Beatty; Pass: L. M. Adams, A. F. Cross, W. E. R. Short, J. K. Summers, J. K. Swallow, R. C. Wain; Junior: T. B. Feltham, R. V. D. Kirby, E. S. Rerrie, D. G. Smith; Preliminary: E. D. S. Robinson (Distinction in Heat), E. A. Champney, G. Darby, H. Grace, P. Hamblin Smith, S. E. Jenkins, D. R. Meakin, J. H. Brown, A. Gibson, C. Girling, N. B. Gooden, G. W. Lecomber, G. Loveday, F. D. Rowan, F. E. D. Steel, M. G. Taylor, A. O. F. Winkler.

The following is the Prize List for 1912:—

The Provost's Modern Languages Exhibition (^5), H. Musker.

The Provost's Divinity Prizes: Sixth Form, A. B. Jameson; School, S. H. Larkam.

Mrs. Freer's Greek Testament Prizes. Sixth Form, A. B. Jameson; School, S. H. Larkam.

The Rev. the Hon. Canon Tyrwhitt's Prayer Book Prize: G. W. Wood.

Mr. Boyd's Latin Prose Prize: A. B. Jameson.

Latin and Greek, The Headmaster's Prize for the Sixth Form: A. B. Jameson.

The Dean of Rochester's Church History Prize: J. M. Benoy.

Mr. J. W. Philip's History Prize: S. O'R. Surridge.

English Essay Prize, offered by the Rev. D. Edwards: O. F. Forrest.

Sir Arthur Heywood's English Verse Prize. Not awarded.

Navy League Prize: E. R. Wood.

Mathematics: C. G. Salmon.

Arithmetic Prize: S. G. Cowper, H. Musker.

Mr. Wood's Science Prize: K. R. Evans, C. G. Carson.

Piano and Theory: E. R. Wood, M. Y. Townsend; Organ: F. H. Belton; Violin: E. C. Bladen.

Book-keeping: R. L. Goldsmith.

Shorthand: S. H. Clark.

Declamation Prizes: S. O. R. Surridge, F. J. Mellor, F. M. C. Houghton, L. B. Forrest, H. L. Foxwell, G. W. Reed, James, L. A. Loup, H. Embrey, G. Weigall, Blackmore.

Preparatory School Prizes, July, 1912:—

Latin (given by the Headmaster), C. J. N. Atkinson.

Divinity (given by Mrs. Hibbert), D. G. F. Rudd.

Declamation (given by Mrs. Edwardes), W. G. F. Rudd, J. M. Shaw.

General Work (given by Mr. Edwardes), G. Barker.

French: G. Barker.

English: G. Barker.

Mathematics: C. J. N. Atkinson.

Drawing: H. A. Champney.

Music: C. J. N. Atkinson.

Nature Study: H. G. Fowler.

The new boys are as follows:—

Ainger, Henry Douglas	Head's i.
Bromley, Richard Nightingale	Head's iii.
Brewis, Edward Cecil	Airy's
Cox-Wilson, Clifton Evans	Head's iii.
Coverdale, Raymond	Smith's
Clark, Frank Esmond	Smith's
Dunicliffe, Eric Charles	Clark's
Elley, Thomas Benson	Head's i.
Evans, Robert William	Smith's
Ewen, William Ulrich Guy	
Seymour	Head's i.
Davy, Thomas Smith	Clark's

Felton, Clifford Twyford	Head's ii.	. who founded Oxford University Swimmino-
Garson, John Ross	Gaussen's	Club and played for Oxford and England
Glaisby, Edward Hurtley	Smith's	at water polo; W. N. Greenwell (<i>Priest</i>),
Hall, James Arnold Eustace	Hornby's	afterwards master at Denstone for many
Jones, Frederick William	Smith's	years, Midland Counties XV., North v
Kasbarian, Matthew	Head's ii.	South, English XV., 1895 : (Rev.) W. E!
Keble, Eustace Charles	Clark's	Bate (<i>ist Gravedigger</i>), afterwards Univer-
Kempton, John	Clark's	sity Exhibitioner and Gisburne Scholar at
Lamb, William Cussons	Smith's	Durham; A. Sulley (<i>Ghost</i>), afterwards
Morton, Clifford Fielding	Smith's	master at Denstone, Midland Counties XV.
Nason, John Nicholas Muriel	Head's iii.	(1886-93), ^a nd Cambridge University XV.;
Newsholme, John Duckett		(Rev.) H. J. Enraght (<i>Waiting Lady</i>),
Wilkinson	Head's ii.	now Vicar of Ranworth. The part of
Norbury, Vernon	Head's iii.	<i>Ophelia</i> was played by one of the four
Norbury, Lawrence	Head's iii.	Denstonians who have adopted the stage
Parker, Frank	Head's ii.	as a profession, <i>viz.</i> , H. R. Hignett, who
Sullivan, Victor Sydney	Airy's	after taking his Degree at Wadham Col-
Turner, Cecil Douglas Lovett	Gaussen's	lege, Oxford, was a member of Mr. F. R.
Whitechurch, Gordon Austin	Clark's	Benson's Company for nine years, and
Williams, Robert	Airy's	then played with George Alexander, &c.
Zimmermann, Henry Lawson	Airy's	
Farrow, Edward Kemp	Preparatory	It is with much pleasure that the school
Greenwood, Tom	Preparatory	welcomes back Mr. Wood, and begs to
Hibbert, Aidan Bernard	Preparatory	offer its best wishes for a speedy and com-
Hibbert, Francis Dennis	Preparatory	plete recovery from the operation which
Hunter, John Matthew	Preparatory	he has recently undergone.
Hunter, Gilbert Alexander	Preparatory	We take this opportunity of cordially
Young, Andrew North	Preparatory	welcoming Mr. W. M. N. Pollard as a

The annual Play is fixed for November 20th and 21st, and the choice has fallen upon *Hamlet*. In 1885, when *Hamlet* was previously presented at Denstone, the Rev. J. Harrison (afterwards Headmaster of Ellesmere) was stage manager. The text was given almost in its entirety. The *caste* included the following: R. B. Ward (*Claudius*) who afterwards played in Oxford University XV., and obtained 2nd Class Honours in Modern History ; (Rev.) F. A. Hibbert (*Hamlet*) ; (Rev.) T. F. Forth (*Polonius*), now Chaplain of Hestercombe ; (Rev.) T. P. Bate (*Laertes*), played in the Yorkshire XV., and is now Rector of S. James's, Newark, New Jersey, U.S.A. ; (Rev.) E. D. Finch Smith (*Rosencrantz*),

who founded Oxford University Swimmino-Club and played for Oxford and England at water polo; W. N. Greenwell (*Priest*), afterwards master at Denstone for many years, Midland Counties XV., North v South, English XV., 1895 : (Rev.) W. E! Bate (*ist Gravedigger*), afterwards University Exhibitioner and Gisburne Scholar at Durham; A. Sulley (*Ghost*), afterwards master at Denstone, Midland Counties XV. (1886-93), ^and Cambridge University XV.; (Rev.) H. J. Enraght (*Waiting Lady*), now Vicar of Ranworth. The part of *Ophelia* was played by one of the four Denstonians who have adopted the stage as a profession, *viz.*, H. R. Hignett, who after taking his Degree at Wadham College, Oxford, was a member of Mr. F. R. Benson's Company for nine years, and then played with George Alexander, &c.

It is with much pleasure that the school welcomes back Mr. Wood, and begs to offer its best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery from the operation which he has recently undergone.

We take this opportunity of cordially welcoming Mr. W. M. N. Pollard as a member of the staff. It is gratifying to see that the old place still has its allurements.

The two new windows put into the Chapel are well worth studying, the one in the Sanctuary portraying the different order of the angels, while the one over the Bishop's Stall represents another scene in the life of S. Chad—where he is made Bishop of Lichfield.

We wish to congratulate S. O'R. Surndge on his being appointed Captain of School, and H. G. Williams on being Captain of Football. Also the following on being made Prefects: R. B. Mitchell, L. B. Helder, H. A. Carlisle, B. Hall, W. Hall G. B. Fyldes, J. K. Swallow, G. L. Tomkins, T. Newton and A. E. Barlow.

The following are the other Officers this term: J. W. Knight, Prefect of Chapel, **Secretary** of Play Committee, Secretary of **Sports** Committee; H. G. Williams, Prefect of Hall; W. Hall, Captain of Fives. S. O'R. Surridge, L. B. Helder, W. Hall, G. L. Tomkins, have been elected to the Sports Committee.

The **new** Prefects' studies under the dining **hall** have come much above expectations, being much more solid and comfortable than the old ones, while the quietude is indeed enjoyed by all.

Mr. Brett gave a most interesting address early in the term on the Museum. What he said showed us what cause we have to be proud of the Museum; what he did not say is the amount we owe him for making the Museum what it is. The Headmaster and the Captain of School suitably expressed the feelings of gratitude which we all feel.

The leaving list was as follows:—

E. R. Wood. Blue and White Dorm., Prefect, Captain of School, Tennis Colours, 1911, Fives Colours, 1911, Captain of Tennis and Fives, 1912, Col.-Sergt. O.T.C., Certif. "A."

H. S. Bates. Blue and White Dorm., Prefect, Prefect of Hall, 1st XV. Colours, 1911, Tennis Colours, 1911, O.T.C. Challenge Cup.

F. H. Woolliscroft. Green and White Dorm., Prefect, 1st XV. Colours, 1910, Captain XV., 1911-12; Sergt. O.T.C., Certif. "A." Prefect of Chapel.

T. Ainsworth. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.

P. C. Atkins. Violet and White Dorm., Shooting VIII., 1911, Colours, 1912, Bisley, 1912, O.T.C.

F. H. Belton. Blue and White Dorm., Junior Organist.

S. W. Bird. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.

T. H. Bowman. Chocolate and White Dorm., Prefect, 1st XI. Colours, 1910, Captain XI., 1912, 2nd XV. Colours, 1911, Fives Colours, 1912.

R. A. Bracewell. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.

L. J. Cater. H.M.H. 3, 1912, O.T.C.

E. L. Chadwick. H.M.H. 1, Shooting VIII. [Colours, 1911, Lce.-Corpl. O.T.C. Roberts Cup 1912.

H. J. W. Collins. Blue and White Dorm., O.T.C.

F. J. Cowlshaw. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.

S. G. Cowper. H.M.H. 3, O.T.C.

V. H. L. Davenport. H.M.H. 3.

B. Delap. Blue and White Dorm., Shooting VIII. Colours, 1911, Corpl. O.T.C., Certif. "A."

T. B. Feltham. Blue and White Dorm., O.T.C.

H. E. L. Fisher. Pink and Black Dorm., Aldershot and Boxing Colours, 1912, Sergt. O.T.C. Shooting VIII Colours, 1911. Griffiths Cup 1912.

A. L. Forrest. Chocolate and White Dorm., Prefect, Lce.-Corpl. O.T.C., Certif. "A."

B. Girling. H.M.H. 3, Prefect, O.T.C.

R. L. G. Goldsmith. H.M.H. 2, Prefect, 1st XV. Colours, 1911, Shooting VIII. Colours, 1910. Capt. 1912.

H. G. H. Green. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.

R. B. Hamer. Violet and White Dorm., O.T.C.

J. R. R. Hampson. Green and White Dorm., O.T.C.

J. Jebb. Blue and White Dorm.

C. D. Jones. Chocolate and White Dorm., O.T.C.

G. Keeling. H.M.H. 3, O.T.C.

R. V. D. Kirby. Chocolate and White Dormitory, O.T.C.

G. L. Littler. Chocolate and White Dorm.

A. S. Mason. Chocolate and White Dorm., Prefect, 1st XV. Colours, 1910, O.T.C.
 R. H. Merryweather. Violet and White Dorm., Shooting VIII. Colours, 1911, Corpl. O.T.C.
 C. Newman. Chocolate and White Dorm., O.T.C.
 V. A. Newton. H.M.H. 3, O.T.C.
 S. A. R. Oliver. Green and White Dorm. O.T.C.
 L. C. Page. H.M.H. 3, O.T.C.
 J. V. D. Radford. Chocolate and White Dorm., O.T.C.
 M. Randle. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.
 G. F. W. Reed. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.
 J. N. Rowland. Violet and White Dorm., O.T.C.
 H. Seddon. Green and White Dorm., O.T.C.
 T. E. D. Shipley. H.M.H. 1, O.T.C.
 L. Watman. H.M.H. 2, O.T.C.
 C. F. Smith. Chocolate and White Dorm., Prefect, 1st XV. Colours, 1910, 1st XI. Colours, 1911, Fives Colours, 1912, O.T.C.
 F. J. Steward. Green and White Dorm., O.T.C.
 J. K. Summers. H.M.H. 1., O.T.C.
 R. Sykes. Pink and Black Dorm., O.T.C.
 R. Wade. H.M.H. 1., O.T.C.
 R. C. Wain. Chocolate and White Dorm., Prefect, 1st XV. Colours, 1911, 2nd XI. Colours, 1912, Sergt. O.T.C.
 H. C. S. Walker. H.M.H. 1., Prefect, 1st XI. Colours, 1912, Sergt. O.T.C., Cert. 'A.'
 J. C. Warburton. Violet and White Dorm., O.T.C.

E. O. Whitfield. Blue and White Dorm O.T.C.

D. G. Wood. Blue and White Dorm O.T.C.

L. F. E. Wright. H.M.H. 2., Prefect, 2nd XV. Colours, 1910, O.T.C.

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