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Editorial.

Owing to the hot summer the Editorial, like the list of "subscriber," is very short. The Pilgrim is also very late, but from other causes, viz: (a) The Editor's toil has not in the past been appreciated as it ought to be. (b) Absence makes the heart grow fonder. Study these together and cease to wonder why you feel this is a good number.



Correspondence.

5, Fengates Road, Redhill,
2nd June, 1913.

The Editor, *The Pilgrim*.—Dear Sir, I herewith enclose P.O. 7d., for postage and payment of a copy of your most excellent periodical, and shall be much obliged if you will kindly forward the same at your early convenience. Am I the first to purchase a copy? I considered my last gratis copy from the O.B.C. well worth the money. But as the worthy Secretary of that Club is so much enamoured with the bundle of copies he receives for members that he can only part with them to us after a long wait and presumably with much heart ache, I am compelled to take this step in order to obtain something instructive and amusing to read on my annual holiday at the end of this month.

As one of the earliest subscribers to *The Pilgrim*, I may say that I consider the last number the best to date and hope that the high standard of excellence will be maintained in all departments.

Trusting that you will be spared to continue your arduous duties in the Editorial chair for many long years to come and that the shock of my request herein enclosed will not bring on apoplexy,

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

HAMEL L. MITCHINER.

We have no apoplexy and we are very happy, though our joy is marred by the delay which enables us to hope you had a pleasant holiday at the end of the month. Do try us again next term. You will probably still be the only one, and in return we will make every effort to do better. Sorry about your Secretary, but you might surcharge him with 7d.; if he kicks deduct it from your O.B. subscription. When you bought the P.O. did they ask you if you were going in for Limericks? We regret that your brother's contribution *re* Hospital Experiences is unavoidably held over.—EDITOR.

CONRAD STEINMETZ.

We give below the report of the funeral of our dear friend and colleague. To the regrets we have already expressed little can be added except that we miss him as much as when he was first taken from us. As a slight visible token of our regard, wreaths were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Orme, the Staff, the Old Boys and the present boys, and a more lasting monument takes the shape of a brass plate added to the shield he so kindly gave the School two years ago. We all unite in offering our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Steinmetz at this sad time and can assure her that her husband's good work in the School will never cease to bear fruit nor be forgotten by any who worked as his colleagues or under his guidance.

(Reprinted from the *Surrey Mirror*).

The intelligence of the death of Mr. Conrad Steinmetz, of Waldeck, Fengates Road, Redhill, in his fifty-second year, which took place on Friday, April 4th, was received with sincere sorrow and regret by a very large circle of friends, and more particularly by those who had been brought into contact with him in the performance of his scholastic duties. Mr. Steinmetz was from 1889 to 1913 a staff instructor in modern languages under the Surrey County Council. This entailed regular scholastic work in the secondary schools at Reigate and Dorking, and also evening work in technical institutes. He was an able and intensely hardworking teacher; no trouble was too much for him and he seemed possessed by an enthusiasm as rare as it was refreshing. Even during the long illness which ended in death, although forced to abandon some of his work, he yet laboured cheerfully and uncomplainingly at Reigate with a heroism which was admired by all who came in contact with him. The boys knew that in him they had a friend who was genuinely interested in every department of their life and only anxious for their welfare. His colleagues will always honour the

memory of one eager to do more than his fair share, a good comrade and always cheerful in doing his duty. He may be said to have died in harness, as he would have wished. He had a school funeral, and all that is mortal of him now rests within a few yards of the bell which will no longer summon him, and of the scene of the work which he loved so much.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, the first part of the service being conducted at St. Matthew's Church, Redhill. The Ven. Archdeacon Daniell officiated, assisted by the Rev. Jocelyn Perkins, M.A., the Rev. G. Belger, M.A., and the Rev. C. Cavalier. The service was fully choral, the Grammar School choir taking part in the singing of the hymns. "The King of Love my Shepherd is" and "Lord dismiss us with Thy Blessing." The Nunc Dimittis was sung as the body arrived at the cemetery, the schoolboys, headed by the school sergeant, having formed up in line to receive it. The committal portion of the service was performed by the Rev. Jocelyn Perkins, an old Bedford School boy. The grave was lined with evergreens and beautiful white flowers.

The headmaster, the staff and the boys of the sixth form were among those present in the church.



A French Police Court.

Much can be found to interest in a sitting of a French Justice of the Peace. Before him are tried only cases of very minor importance, such as cycling without a light, but it is these which amuse us most. In the first place dignity and severity are wanting, owing, possibly, to the French temperament. The judge may storm for a moment, but he is never severe. He jokes and argues with those who are brought before him. In France where all are theoretically equal, the trier and the tried mutually interrupt and talk one another down. Yet the judge does not like spectators to talk so loudly that the Court cannot

go on, and he has been known to ask the French equivalent of "Do you think you are out in the street?" And one might be justified in thinking in the affirmative, though it would not be wise to say so.

The judge almost always condemns, but as the *amende* is usually only one franc, this is not of great importance. At the sitting I attended, some boys were charged with the very natural offence of robbing an orchard. They tried to explain that they got on the wall and fell over, but the judge asked sarcastically if they got up to see the moon, as he applied the regulation franc. Another case asked for more serious treatment—a woman after long argument with the judge was fined five francs as soon as he could get a word in. She was highly indignant at this unusual and exorbitant charge, but he, justifying his severity by pointing out what a good thrashing she had given her landlady, in fact, what good value she had had for it, concluded "*Ce n'est pas cher ça.*" A man charged with *ivresse* had a list of about fifty previous convictions of all kinds read out to him. He denied all except those for *ivresse*, which was so much his state at the time that he could not very well help it. In fact, they judged him so bad that he had better come and be tried another day. But he wanted to tell them all about it, in spite of the advice of his lawyer and the suggestion of the judge. After a flow of words lasting quite five minutes, during which his lawyer wrung his hands at the back of the Court, they threw him out still talking, and promised the lawyer that nothing he had said would be remembered against him. More amusing is the case of four foreign students who were arrested for conducting a musical evening in the street at 2.30 a.m. After arrest there always follows a questioning, during which there is always an attempt to make the culprit confess by storming at him. What he admits is taken down and read out to him, when he appears later before the judge. This makes conviction easy and lying difficult, though people have been known to admit things of which they were guiltless, this being the easiest way to stop the accusing judge. Yet this matter was treated as a joke and the students came through their ordeal so well, that the violinist offered to play to the police officers congregated there. These functionaries danced to the music, much to the delight of the students, who thought their troubles were thereby over. They were not, however, and much indignation was felt at the ingratitude of the police for the entertainment, when a summons was received to appear before the Justice of the Peace. To him they explained that it was the usual thing in their respective countries. Yet in vain, and as he imposed the franc among them, he explained it was not usual in France, and quoted something about, "When in Rome, do as the Romans do."

O.T.C. Notes.

There is very little of interest to chronicle in this issue, chiefly owing to the fact that we have been unable to take part in any field days on account of the dilapidated state of our seven-year old uniforms, and the most important event of the current term will probably be the issue of new kit, which we hope will take place soon.

We have to congratulate Bargman and Ryall on gaining Certificate A. To those who were so unfortunate as to come down on one of the papers we wish better luck next time.

N. A. Worley has taken Certificate B. We hope this means that he intends to apply for the Special Reserve.

D. Ive goes up for the qualifying examination for Sandhurst at the end of June. He has our best wishes.

A. J. L. Malcomson, won the 120 yards Hurdles at the London Scottish Sports in May.

The Annual Inspection takes place on July 10th, when the inspecting officer will be Captain Weatherley of the General Staff.

The Annual Camp will be at Mitchett's Farm, on the Fox Hills, from July 31st to August 9th, and we have now to make our annual request to parents to help us to take a strong detachment. The amount of the capitation grant earned by the contingent depends entirely on the number of Cadets who go to Camp—and every "possible" who stays away means a loss of £2 to the Corps Fund. It generally happens that Camp clashes to some extent with the holiday at the seaside, but arrangements can always be made for Cadets to travel direct from Camp to any part of England, and this without extra expense.

The Adjutant paid us a visit on May 20th. He expressed himself as being very pleased with the Company Drill and Rifle Exercises, but he criticised the skirmishing as being unreal and somewhat sketchy. This criticism was quite justifiable. There will be no genuine improvement until all ranks use a little imagination and try to fancy that they are engaged in a real fire action when doing field work.

The Old Boys' Shield for I. 1913, was won by Section I., Sgt. Parsons, whom we heartily congratulate. By the way, it is rumoured that he will not be with us in Camp this year.

The scores for the Shield are appended.

The proposed Rifle Club may come to something after all. Twenty-four Old Boys have given in their names and we hope to get the Club fairly started in September.

OLD BOYS' SHIELD.

Section I.	Sgt. Parsons	..	..	..	2,103
„ IV.	„ Ryall	..	..	..	1,998
„ III.	„ Thompson	..	..	..	1,964
„ II.	Cpl. Whiting	..	..	..	1,821



School Notes.

We would inform our many critics that the first "School Note" in our last number was an attempt at humour, and not a misprint.

Asked what were the relations between the Pope and William the Conqueror, McGl-nn-n evolved: "William's sister married the Pope's brother's son; therefore he was the Pope's brother-in-law." This will account for some rumours that the relations were strained.

We do not pretend that the pictures on the same page balance. They are put together because it is very much cheaper to print them so.

Mr. Calistri invited the Staff to dinner on April 1st, to celebrate his return to health. Owing to the ill fame which this day enjoys, we had some misgivings at first and half expected we should find he was not really better, but the fears of each doubting Master were soon set at rest by the splendid fare which our host provided. Songs followed dinner and all spent a most enjoyable evening.

Miller has kindly supplied the "lambpoon" from material supplied to him by the Chess Club. It appears that during one sitting the stopper was effectually put on D-v--s. We would warn others that our comic artist is ever watchful.

Henry VIII. was King of England and the greatest widower that ever was. He was born at a place called Annie Domino and he had 350 wives. The first was beheaded and then executed. The second was revoked and the third died and then he married Anne Bulletin.

DRAMATIC HISTORY.

MASTER: Who was the father of Queen Elizabeth?

PUPIL: Don't know, Sir.

MASTER: Who led the Pageant?

PUPIL: Mr. Calistri.



Old Boys' Club.

Another successful year of the Club's existence was brought to a close on March 31st; we hope and have every reason to believe that the present one will prove quite as successful. We should like to take this opportunity of reminding boys who will be leaving the School in July, that their first duty on leaving is to become Members of the Club. They will receive circulars in due course from the Secretary and he will be glad to put forward the names of those who wish to be elected.

An excellent programme was arranged for the Invitation Concert, held on March 1st, and our thanks are due to E. W. Stedman for his strenuous efforts in arranging it. It is to be regretted that there were not more people present to enjoy it and we should like to point out that the best way Members can show their appreciation of the work done by the Sub-Committee is to give them more work in finding seating accommodation for the audience.

We were again beaten in the Football Match against the School. We shall have to make a good effort to return the compliment at the Cricket Match.

Congratulations to G. E. Garton upon gaining a Scholarship of £50 a year for three years at St. Augustine's College, Canterbury. We wish him every success in his Theological degree for which he is working.

We hear that our Members at Cambridge are having a strenuous term. We hope to hear that Smith and Worley have scored well in their Finals.

We were glad to see W. O. Humphrey at Reigate again and to hear that he is doing well.

Congratulations to Mr. Calistri for organising the Reigate Pageant so well. The Club was well represented in the various sections, but we were disappointed that the Sports which came at the end of the programme were cut so short.

W. D. MALCOMSON,
Hon. Sec.



Report of the Committee for the Year ending March 31st, 1913.

We are pleased to report that our Members are still increasing, and that we now have more than 100 Members on the roll. Members also show their keenness in the interest they show in the welfare of the Club. There are, however, a few Members who reside in the district, of whom we neither see nor hear anything.

The Committee met eight times during the year, and the functions arranged have been carried through with success. New departures, in the form of Shooting Matches, have been instituted, and a Miniature Rifle Club is in the process of formation, and the Dramatic Section has started well.

The Cricket Match v. School was played on July 13th. An enjoyable game resulted in a win for the School, who were assisted by Mr. Dawson.

The Al Fresco Concert was held, after the Cricket Match, in the School playground. It was greatly appreciated, judging from the applause which was given to the friends who kindly assisted us. We were fortunate in having fine weather and being held earlier in the season than last year's concert, it was not too cold.

There were five entries for each of the Old Boys' races at the School Sports, and both races provided good finishes.

The Football Match against the School, on October 26th, resulted in a win for the Club. Unfortunately the game was somewhat marred by the weather, as it rained all through the match.

The Smoking Concert in the evening was held at the White Hart Hotel, the attendance being, as usual, somewhat small. The Club was well beaten in the Shooting Match v. the School O.T.C., but, as their team contained several Masters, we do not consider ourselves disgraced.

In November, a match was shot against the Croydon High School Old Boys' Association for the Ingle Lowe Challenge Cup. We were beaten, but as the average Club score was nearly 70 per cent, we hope with practice to improve on the result in future meetings.

The Annual Dinner was a distinct success, the numbers present constituting a record for the attendance at this function. A very enjoyable evening was spent, the only regret being that, owing to shortage of time, we were not able to finish the musical programme.

Success crowned the efforts of the Dramatic Section in the performance of "She Stoops to Conquer," on December 13th. The Balance Sheet shows the financial success of the undertaking, and we hope that this will be followed by numerous similar successes.

The Annual Dance took place on January 17th, at the King's Hall, Colman Institute. As on previous occasions, it was not well supported by Old Boys.

The Invitation Concert was held in March last. An excellent programme had been arranged and was greatly appreciated by those present. Unfortunately the audience was not so large as could be wished.

W. D. MALCOMSON,
Hon Sec.



Reigate Grammar School Old Boys' Club.

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 6TH, 1913.

RECEIPTS.				PAYMENTS.			
		£	s. d.			£	s. d.
To Balance in hand	..	16	19 6	By Secretarial Expenses	..	5	17 10
Subscriptions:—				„ Printing	..	0	9 6
One Life, at £1	1 0 .. 1 1 0			„ Sports Prize	..	1	1 0
One Entrance				„ Cricket Match (Teas)	..	0	10 0
Fee at	.. 0 2 6 .. 0 2 6			„ Hire of Football Ground	..	0	7 0
One Don. at	0 5 0 .. 0 5 0			„ Concert Expenses:—			
„ „ „	0 10 6 .. 0 10 6			Bell ..	..	1	9 4
„ „ „	1 1 0 .. 1 1 0			Wood	..	0	15 0
Six Annual „	0 1 0 .. 0 6 0			Rose	..	0	10 6
Three „ „	0 2 6 .. 0 7 6					2	14 10
24 „ „	0 5 0 .. 6 0 0			„ Annual Dinner:—			
		9	13 6	White Hart Hotel	..	14	6 6
Annual Dinner Receipts	..	13	19 6	Rose	..	0	12 6
				Worley	..	0	4 2
						15	3 2
				„ Balance in hand	..	14	9 2
						£40	12 6
						£40	12 6

Examined with the vouchers and books and found correct.

March 7th, 1913.

(Signed) HARRY KEASLEY, A.C.A., Hon. Auditor.
J. E. HALL, Hon. Treasurer.

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME ACCOUNT AS AT MARCH, 6TH, 1913.

		£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand	..	..	13	12 8
Subscriptions	..	..	3	19 2
Donation : Dramatic Club	..	..	3	10 0

£21 1 10

		£	s.	d.
By Fees :—				
R. A. Brown :				
3 terms at £3 13 4	..	..	11	0 0
„ Books : R. A. Brown	..	..	1	13 1
„ O.T.C. Fees	..	..	0	10 6
„ Balance	..	..	7	18 3

£21 1 10

Examined with the vouchers and books and found correct.

March 7th, 1913.

(Signed) HARRY KEASLEY, A.C.A., Hon. Auditor.
J. E. HALL, Hon. Treasurer.

Form Notes.

VIA.

Motto: "*Verberemus.*"

It is always a difficult matter to obtain copy for the notes of this form as only half of the form ever contribute, and we do not commit so many sins as other forms.

With regard to work, the form maintains its reputation of being a hard-working and pains-taking one, and although Mr. J. G. H. once said that he had never known VIA. to overwork themselves, yet *we* believe that we often come fairly near it. Without wishing to exhibit any of that swank so often displayed by boys lower in the school, we believe that as a form we have established a school record, being the only form of which all the members have obtained certificate "A."

Only one of us refused to take part in the Pageant. We do not know if he afterwards regretted his decision, but we *do* know that the rest of us had at least as much enjoyment and amusement out of it as we afforded the spectators.

Of the many encomiums bestowed upon No. 1 Group by the crowd, several were earned by members of this form, including "Don't 'e look 'oly?" and "There's 'air!" We desire to express our sincere sympathy with "His Majesty" on the refusal of his steed to join in the "Grand Stag (?) Hunt."

Our non-mathematical member seems to show a much greater liking for s(h)ocks and stares than for stocks and shares.

The mysterious telegram received by Mr. L—— on April 1st, was delivered in the presence of two of our members, who beg to state that he laughed for 12 minutes 46½ seconds.

Some of the lower school folk appear to be adepts in playing tricks with the English language. One of them, we notice, has been singularly cheerful since he had his coat cleaned with "harmonium."

We apologise for having wandered so far beyond the limits of our own form in these notes, but the smallness of the form renders it inevitable.

C. J. R. G. T.

VIB.

Motto: "*Non pro nobis, sed pro Schola.*"

The form is this term a hard-working one, and in spite of such nuisances as tin whistles and rag-time, we have succeeded in satisfying all the masters except Mr. L--b, who, in spite of the time spent by him in explaining to us what Work and Energy are, cannot convince himself that we are really well acquainted with them.

Congratulations to Lillywhite on becoming cricket captain.

The form scientists are very busy at present. Dare has lately been making great progress in his valuable research work on "centrifugal osculations set up among the molecules of ink in an inkpot by means of rapidly rotating the pot." If the pot is rotated rapidly enough a certain definite quantity of ink is deposited on the nearest spectator, the amount varying directly as the velocity of the pot and the square root of the distance from the pot to the nearest spectator.

A well-known master has been kind enough to tell the form that:—"The rate of chattering varies inversely as the length of the speaker." We know some exceptions.

H. G. B.

C. S.

V.

Motto: "*Excelsior!*" or "*Huppards!*"

"Watt Ames can a Brewer have?" It is now up to IVB. to try again.

The Maths. Master appreciates the value of a melody played underneath the window during maths. He also delights in "unconscious humour." We learn that if you cannot prove a thing in Algebra you assume it and say that it is done for "convenience."

Bon—, translating German: "Under the doorway showed itself a bob-tailed coat." He meant that a head-waiter was standing in the doorway.

We have the authority of at least three masters that B-rn-rd has been sleeping in the past term. The English master threatened to throw a piece of his chair at him to wake him up. If he continues so he will not use much paper in the exams. Once, while he was awake, we extracted from him that a "little knife" was a "cutlet." People who are in the habit of eating them will soon require new teeth.

P—— will now oblige with the present of être.

P-sh says woman is an abstract noun, which implies that she cannot be heard or otherwise experienced with the senses.

Vêtements convenables = suitable vegetables. Oh, P- -l- y, were they turnips?

We are told that this is the assis form.

A French master, marking exam, papers: "Bless my soul, eet gives me the peep!"

S- ence says that indigo is the blood of an insect. It must evidently be the blood of the aristocrats!

The form at present consists of:—Bungy, Squeaky, Moses or Meath, Buster, Carter, Inky, Sigger, Dick, Scatty, Pansy, Strawberry, Richard Dick, Percival, Spikey or N & H, Streeter, Silly Button, and Professor.

F. E. P.

W. G. S.

IVA.

We have lost our Headley. Consequences are:—

1—D. book less, though not infrequently, in the room.

2—Less noise till Pr - tt obliges with some such gem as
— $1^2 = -1$ or 28 lbs. = 1 cwt.

3—Less excitement in the way of free fights. But he left his lore with us. Here is some of it:—

He - dl - y's Law.

The pressure of a gas is inversely proportioned to its pressure.

Dying people like to see a clergyman.

Location is the art of speaking.

A layman is a sinner.

Kn - ght's frenzy seems to have passed, and he is not so long-winded this term, but perhaps he is frozen by Pr - tt's method of evaporating the vacuum.

E. T.

IVB.

Motto: "*Roo stwi thon ee Yeopen.*"

Riddle for our rivals in IVA: What is worse than Monte Carlo?

We sadly miss one member of our form—poor old Pickles. He was our life and soul. It is rumoured that he has taken a pickle factory in Aldridge.

Half the form seems to have gone mad on chemistry. Here are a few discoveries: G - sd - n has found that chlorine and hydrogen form water. Bang!!! Our cat, Al-x-nd-r, says that a sulphate is formed when you 'eat a nydrate. Is this a new kind of catsmeat? Cr - p - s says that alcohol is used principally for drinking. Now we know why he appears rather merry and hic-cy in the mornings.

B - nn - tt is still looking for the "draught chamber" in the store room.

We have formed a secret society called the "Go-Bangs."

T - rn - r shows a remarkable tendency for "speechless messages from the eyes." From whom?

It has been proposed to raise a subscription for certain persons to pay a visit to an establishment owned by Mr. Tonsoria l'Artiste.

The royal horse appeared to have an objection to candle-wearing in the Pageant—especially in the Great Stag Hunt.

Mr. C - 1 - str - is still waiting to hear perfect silence in class.

D. R. T.

C. E. C.



Scientific Society.

Several boughs of the Scientific Society long thought dead have caused surprise by budding. When the new head secretary took charge he asked the working secretary to report as to what had been done in the existing 51 sections and sub-sections. Here are a selection:—

Navy League Section: None of the boys seem to take an interest in it—never was really started.

Photographic Section: All former members have left, and as none of the present boys take photographs, interest in this section has dropped altogether.

Stamp Section: It was intended to form a school collection of stamps, but no one took any interest in it.

Botanical Section: Members were supposed to collect wild flowers for the museum, but very few did.

A paraphrase of those remaining would be “nothing doing.”

Only three sections have been started again, and success in these will justify later extensions. That no charge for membership is now made is evidence of a kind heart, not of inactivity.

CHESS SECTION.

Last term the somewhat ambitiously designated Chess Club held its meetings regularly on Fridays from seven to nine or (tell it not in Gath!) even later. Considering the size and enthusiasm of a meeting at which it was decided to inaugurate the club, the attendance has been disappointing, though several members have turned up regularly and shown great keenness. Mostly the veriest “skittles” is played, but considerable talent has been shown by some, notably (for a beginner) Whiting. Davies is the best player we have, and if he would remember to look at every piece before moving he would be really a sound chess player.

The beginners have come on considerably, but it is a pity some of them cannot keep the good resolutions they make when they are caught in an easy trap, that they will not be caught thus a second time. With regard to the picture on another page, the master concerned says it is a gross libel, in two respects especially. Firstly, he never smokes a pipe at the meetings of the club; and secondly, even if he ever did get his opponent into a hole, he would never think of being so unkind as to look jubilant over it.

In conclusion, let us place on record our very great pleasure at seeing Sergeant English so regularly at our meetings.

SMOTHERED MATE.

GEOLOGICAL SECTION.

This section of the Scientific Society is gradually increasing in numbers, and soon we hope to see most, if not all, of the members of the Society belonging to the Geological Section. We have only had two meetings this term up to the present, but we hope to have more after the Examinations. Papers have been given by Mr. McKay, Thompson, and Ryall, and have all proved very interesting. Let me take this opportunity of urging those boys who belong to the Scientific Society, but not to the Geological section, to come into our next meeting, and then, if they like it, to join us.

C. G. J. S.

STAMP SECTION.

Last term a number of boys re-formed the Stamp section of the Scientific Society. At a meeting which was held in the library it was decided that the idea of forming a school collection should be abandoned and that a system of exchange (by which members might easily increase their collections) be adopted. The exchange soon proved very popular and, consequently, very successful.

During the term about 45s. worth of stamps, ranging in value from 1d. to 1s. 6d., changed hands. Several members availed themselves of the rule by which stamps might be bought for half their catalogue value, and with the money so obtained fresh stamps were purchased to swell the stock of the exchange.

This term very little has been done, owing to the extra work for the exams. A new book, however, is being stocked. Members would greatly oblige if they would each send a selection to the secretary as soon as possible to enable us to make a good re-start after the exams. are over.

House Notes.

THE TRIALS AND TROUBLES OF A HOUSE FOOTBALL CAPTAIN.

I am one, and any others in the same boat will join with me in saying that it is an unenviable position to hold. Of course, it has its advantages, most things have, but I am now not writing of its good points, only of its trials and troubles.

First, at the beginning of the season, all the small boys in the house are anxious to know in which team they are going to be, who is going to be captain, if he can play just once, as he has bought a "house" shirt, you know. Well, these questions get answered, or not, according to the mood of the captain.

A few days afterwards a rumour gets round the school that a match of some sort is going to be played somewhere. That is enough for the enthusiasts; they come round you and fire a perfect volley of questions at you; appended are just a few: "Who's playing in the match to-morrow?" "Who is it against?" "Can I play?" "Shall we win?" "Do we play in colours?" "Where shall I play?" "How many goals are you going to get?"—etc., etc.

The poor football captain is supposed to answer every one of these questions fully, and if he can't answer them at once he is dubbed a pig, a rotter, a slacker, and as many other epithets as the youthful mind can express. On the day of the match half of the members of the team come up to you and tell you they can't play. If you don't accept their excuses you are again called a rotter, etc. House shirts have added yet another opportunity for the captain to show his patience. It is a general rule that house shirts never can be found; they are nowhere until the match is over, and then they turn up in shoals.

The Sports are now coming on and house captains have to persuade their respective athletes to train, from which most think they ought to be exempt; but, brother house captains, the boys get gradually older, so that there is a better time coming, and then——but we will "wait and see."

C. G. J. S.

PRIORY HOUSE.

The Priory House maintained their successful start up to the end of the series of House matches, and succeeded in winning the House Cup, given by the Old Boys. Francis, Potter and Blackman were the mainstay of the team, while

Bishop, Whiting and Blunden did good work at times. The second XI. acquitted themselves very creditably. The first House match in cricket has been played, resulting in a defeat for us at the hands of Redstone. Pash's batting was very good, while he and Faulkner both bowled very well.

J. L.

REDSTONE HOUSE.

At football we did not meet with much success. We ought to have won our first match against Doods, having held the lead nearly all through the game. We played well until about 10 minutes before the end, when we led by 6—4, then Doods rallied and made three successful rushes at our goal, making the final score 7—6 against us.

We did not give Priory or Wray nearly such a good game, losing by large margins in each case.

Our 2nd XI. has not done badly, but might have done much better. We usually played well, and were never beaten by more than two or three goals, while our victory against Wray was 7—0.

At cricket we can boast of an unbeaten record. Having beaten Priory in the semi-final, we hope to give either Doods or Wray a good game in the final for the cup.

A. L. P.

DOODS HOUSE.

The past football season has been a fairly successful one for the house. The 1st XI., after starting the season very badly, finished second in the House Football Competition, beating Wray by goal average. The 2nd XI., however, played good football throughout the season and won the "Junior" House Cup without losing a match.

The cricket prospects of the House are good, but there is no previous form to judge by, as the cricket competition is an entirely new one.

The House should do well at the Sports, and it seems likely that Doods will prove the champion house.

Unfortunately, the House is the smallest of the four, both in size and numbers. This, however, can be made up for by a little extra keenness on the part of the members.

H. G. B.

WRAY HOUSE.

Wray house did very well in the House competition, considering the adverse conditions under which they played. It was most unfortunate for Wray that Doods should beat them on goal average, but still that is the fortune of football. Many members of the 2nd XI., I am sorry to say, showed a great lack of keenness, any excuse seeming better than none to get them off playing.

C. E. J. S.

DOODS v. WRAY.

Pooley, J., c Spearing, b Silcock	23	Morrison, not out	35
Rayner, b Silcock	4	Spearing, b Risbridger	3
Pooley, R., not out	48	Knight, b Risbridger	21
Burtenshaw, b Knight	1	Ayres, run out	3
Bennett, run out	2	Carter, b Turner	0
Risbridger, c Morrison b Spear-		Silcock, run out	0
ing	8	Farrington, b Ris-	
Baker, b Reeves	8	bridger	0
Turner, R., l.b.w., b Knight	2	Reeves, b Turner	0
Jeal, c Farrington, b Knight	1	Verrells, run out	0
Childs, b Knight	1	Savage, b Rayner	2
Hayllar, c & b Knight	0	Libby, b Risbridger	0
Extras	12	Extras	10
Total	111	Total	74

Bowling.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Silcock	10	1	27	2
Knight	9	3	0	32
Spearing	2	0	12	1
Libby	2	1	2*	0
Reeves	7	0	27	1

* 1 wide ball

Bowling.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Rayner	6	3	16	1
Risbridger	12	0	35	4
Burtenshaw	1	0	6	0
Turner	5	1	7	2

REDSTONE v. PRIORY.

Pash, b Blackman	24	Lillywhite, l.b.w., Pash	6
Mattock, run out	5	Pratt, b Faulkner	3
Gower, b Lillywhite	5	Blackman, b Faulkner	0
Faulkner, b Lillywhite	5	Blunden, c & b Pash	3
Alexander, b Lillywhite	0	Bishop, b Faulkner	3
Spence, T., b Lillywhite	0	Jordan, b Pash	2
Wallis, b Blackman	1	Whiting, run out	18
Dare, c Bishop b Blackman	4	Wetherfield, R., c Faulkner	
Sutton, b Blackman	24	b Pash	3
Spence, J., b Lillywhite	3	Potter, c Alexander b Pash	3
Gooda, not out	0	Hudson, not out	6
Extras	10	Northover, ii., b Faulkner	0
Total	81	Extras	1
		Total	48

Result : Redstone won by 33 runs.

Bowling.					Bowling.				
Bowler.	o.	m.	r.	w.	Bowler.	o.	m.	r.	w.
Lillywhite ..	13 ²	3	30	5	Faulkner ..	8 ³	1	21	4
Blackman ..	13	3	41	4	Pash ..	8	1	26	5



Cricket Notes.

Considering the disadvantages under which we labour in that we have no adequate opportunity for any cricket practice at all, the performances of the eleven so far have not been so bad. At the time of writing we have lost to Caterham by a substantial margin, drawn with Horsham, and played two very strenuous games with Battersea, one of which we won by sixteen runs; and the other, after most nerve-trying excitement, we lost by one wicket, when we had at one time appeared to have the game well in hand. Our match with Guildford had a most exciting finish, for we won by four runs only. The scores are appended, and want of space forbids any remarks on the matches, so we proceed at once to a discussion of the

CHARACTERS OF THE TEAM.

* LILLYWHITE, J. H. G. (Captain). Is by far our most valuable man. He is an excellent bat—his fifty-eight against Battersea, which has earned him the bat with which he made it, was practically flawless, as he always shapes like getting runs. He bowls excellently, and would be a really dangerous bowler if he could cultivate variety. As a Captain, he has not yet thoroughly mastered the art of managing his bowling, but in fairness to him it must be pointed out that he hardly knows as yet the extent of the resources at his command.

SILCOCK, C. G. J. (Vice-Captain). Is a useful change bowler and an excellent field. So good is he in this latter respect that he would almost be worth playing for his fielding alone. As a bat he has been disappointing, but we hope he will get a lot of runs yet—probably before these lines appear in print.

* POOLEY, J. W. Is a good wicket-keeper and a very useful, forcing batsman. One feels sure that he could play a steady game, but he prefers to smite, and it is generally to good purpose.

* MORRISON, B. H. Is, perhaps, the best bat in the team. With more height and reach he would score heavily; as it is, his scores would be much larger if he could hit harder. He can stop in for any length of time. He fields very well.

FAULKNER, G. W. Is our best bowler. Fast, with a puzzling break, and occasionally a straight one. Opposing batsmen are always glad when he is taken off. His length is not always perfect, but he is improving in this respect. One feels

sure that he would be good, also, for runs; but he insists on hitting.

RAYNER, C. Is a very useful man. He bats well, makes a very good change bowler, and is good at long leg.

PASH, A. L. Is a good, steady bat, and a brilliant cover-point. He has not "come off" in first-eleven games, but did very well in the house match, and will, no doubt, live up to his reputation. He can bowl a little.

KNIGHT, J. Has not made as many runs as might have been expected. He fields very well.

BURTENSHAW, H. G. Is one of last year's team, whom we have not yet had much opportunity of watching. He has a good reputation, and, from what we know of him personally, we fancy he will live up to it.

BLACKMAN, W. J. Is a bowler with a nice easy action, and a fine field. He shapes, also, like a man who is good for runs.

SUTTON, W. G. Is a fine natural hitter, but has shown that he can play real cricket and play it well. He fields splendidly at third man.

POOLEY, R. A. Is a very promising bat. When he gets bigger great things may be expected of him. He also fields well in the country. Unfortunately, he cannot always play.

MATTOCK, G. Can bat well and has plenty of strength. His fielding, however, is not satisfactory, and he must see to it that he improves in this respect, when he will be a very useful man.

G. J. L.

R. G. S. v. CATERHAM SCHOOL.

Played at Reigate, on Wednesday, May 14th, and resulted in a win for Caterham by 103 runs to our 39.

<i>Caterham.</i>		<i>Reigate.</i>	
Young, ii., c Mattock b Lillywhite	4	Lillywhite, c and b Jones	8
Young, i., b Lillywhite	3	Morrison, b Jones	0
Sawdy, c Rayner b Faulkner	4	Pooley, J., by Jones	0
Rees, b Faulkner	3	Silcock, b Jacob	0
Tusting, c Knight b Faulkner	9	Rayner, b Jacob	0
Jones, c Knight b Rayner	27	Pash, b Jones	4
Rowe, not out	29	Knight, J., b Jacob	1
Williams, c Pooley i. b Rayner	0	Mattock, b Jones	7
Dash, c Pash b Rayner	0	Pooley, R., b Jones	0
Robertson, b Lillywhite	8	Faulkner, b Reeves	2
Jacob, c and b Rayner	13	Burtenshaw, not out	1
Extras	3	Extras	16
Total	103	Total	39

Bowling :

Lillywhite	...	3 wickets for 51 runs.
Faulkner	... 3	" 19 "
Silcock	... 0	" 1 run.
Rayner	... 4	" 30 runs.

R. G. S. v. HORSHAM G. S.

Played at Horsham, on Saturday, May 24th, and resulted in a draw.

<i>Horsham</i>			<i>Reigate.</i>		
Rowland, not out	...	62	Lillywhite, lbw, b Moore	...	27
Swain, c Lillywhite	...	58	Pooley, b Moore	...	2
Cutler, ii., lbw b Lillywhite	...	2	Pash, lbw, b Moore	...	7
Ringer, c Lillywhite b Pash	...	2	Morrison, c King b Cutler ii.	...	2
Cheesman, run out	...	4	Rayner, not out	...	14
King, c & b Faulkner	...	22	Silcock, not out	...	2
Cutler, i., not out	...	6	Knight	} did not bat	
Brown	} did not bat		Sutton		
Halfey			Faulkner		
Thorn			Mattock		
Moore			Burtenshaw		
Extras	...	5	Extras	...	0
Total (for 5 wkts.)	...	161	Total (for 4 wkts)	...	54

Bowling :

Lillywhite	took	2 wickets for 63 runs
Faulkner	" 1 wicket	35 "
Silcock	" 0 "	24 "
Rayner	" 0 "	10 "
Pash	" 1 "	24 "

R. G. S. v. BATTERSEA G. S.

Played at Earlsfield, on Wednesday, May 28th, and resulted in a win for us by 16 runs.

<i>Battersea.</i>			<i>Reigate.</i>		
Eastcott, b Faulkner	...	19	Lillywhite, c and b Sprigge	...	5
Rhodes, c Silcock b Lillywhite	...	0	Pooley, J. W., b Ayling	...	38
Game, b Lillywhite	...	5	Pash, b Game...	...	3
Sprigge, b Faulkner	...	5	Morrison, lbw b Bedford	...	15
Ayling, b Rayner	...	19	Sutton, c Game b Ayling	...	4
Arnold, c Morrison b Silcock	...	6	Rayner, b Ayling	...	5
Radbourne, b Silcock	...	2	Silcock, c Radbourne b Ayling	...	0
Steeds, not out	...	7	Knight, S., c Steeds b Ayling	...	0
Wheeler, c Morrison b Rayner	...	6	Pooley, R., c Rhodes b White-		
Bedford, b Silcock	...	0	man...	...	8
Whiteman, c Morrison b Silcock	...	0	Mattock, not out	...	4
Extras	...	10	Faulkner, c Rhodes b Bedford	...	7
			Extras	...	10
Total	...	83	Total	...	99

Bowling :

Lillywhite	took	2	wickets	for	32	runs
Faulkner	"	2	"		17	"
Silcock	"	4	"		16	"
Rayner	"	2	"		9	"

R. G. S. v. BATTERSEA G. S.

Played at Reigate, on June 4th, and lost by three runs and one wicket.

<i>Reigate.</i>		<i>Battersea.</i>	
Lillywhite, b Ayling	... 58	Eastcott, c Knight b Faulkner	5
Pooley, J. W., b Sprigge	... 5	Rhodes, b Faulkner	... 1
Pash, b Sprigge	... 2	Ayling, c and b Lillywhite	... 2
Rayner, run out	... 4	Game, not out	... 45
Sutton, b Game	... 8	Sprigge, c Lillywhite b Faulkner	18
Silcock, b Game	... 1	Steeds, c Lillywhite b Faulkner	0
Pooley, R. A., b Ayling	... 1	Wheeler, b Faulkner	... 0
Mattock, c and b Ayling	... 2	Arnold, b Silcock	... 6
Knight, b Ayling	... 0	Bedford, run out	... 0
Blackman, b Game	... 5	Adair, c and b Lillywhite	... 2
Faulkner, not out	... 0	Evans, not out	... 4
Extras	... 6	Extras	... 6
Total (for 10 wkts)...	92	Total for 9 wkts) ...	95

Bowling :

Lillywhite	took	2	wickets	for	32	runs
Faulkner	"	5	"		32	"
Blackman	"	0	"		6	"
Silcock	"	1	"		19	"

R. G. S. v. GUILDFORD G. S.

Played at Guildford, on Saturday, June 7th, resulting in a win for R. G. S.

<i>Reigate.</i>		<i>Guildford.</i>	
Lillywhite, lbw b Goodall	... 0	Skeet, c Pash b Blackman	... 20
Pooley, J. W., b Goodall	... 9	Waters, lbw b Faulkner	... 16
Morrison, c Rolfe b Waters	... 12	Evans, lbw b Faulkner	... 1
Pash, b Waters	... 7	Goodall, run out	... 10
Rayner, b Goodall	... 16	Chapman, b Faulkner	... 0
Silcock, b Rolfe	... 0	Wood, b Blackman	... 1
Sutton, lbw b Rolfe	... 1	Mills, b Blackman	... 0
Knight, S., b Goodall	... 0	Draper, b Faulkner	... 1
Blackman, run out	... 2	Rolfe, b Faulkner	... 0
Faulkner, not out	... 0	Hawkins, c and b Lillywhite	1
Burtenshaw, b Goodall	... 0	Martin, not out	... 2
Extras	... 15	Extras	... 7
Total ...	62	Total ...	59

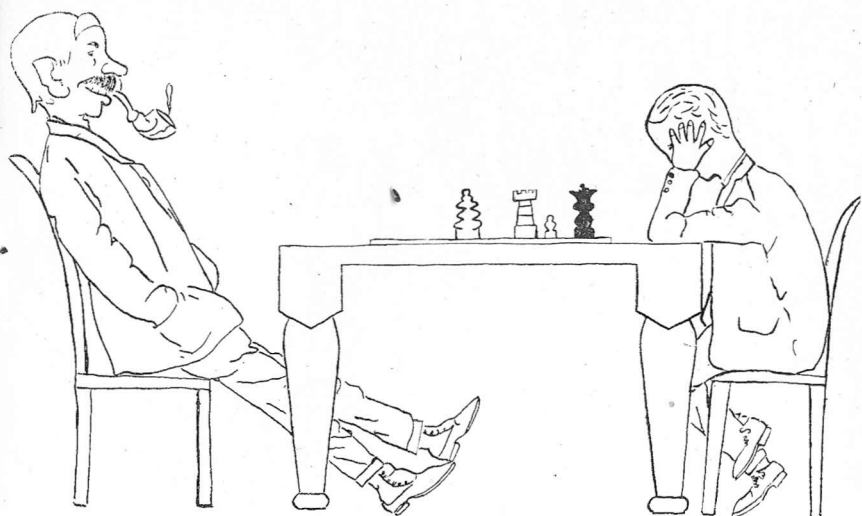
Bowling :

Lillywhite	took 1 wicket for 25 runs
Faulkner	" 5 wickets 12 "
Blackman	" 3 " 15 "

*Football.*

Last term the first eleven was extremely successful, winning every match, and two of them against our redoubtable rivals from (is it ?) the county town. The coincidence is flattering to the writer, but he fears it must be explained otherwise than in the (to him) obvious way. The fact is that whereas in the past we have been outlasted, this term we have outlasted our opponents. Twice we have been down at half-time, once by the heavy margin of four goals, and in the other games, always with the exception of the Old Boys' match, we have given of our best in the second half. There is an obvious explanation for this. The fairly frequent interpolation of the House matches and the fact that there are two or three first eleven boys in each house has kept the members of the team very fit, because they have had to do most of the work in these games. There is an equally obvious moral. Play hard on every possible occasion, and your football will improve more even than you expected.

We have been helped in another way by these House Matches, for they have led to the successful reorganisation of the forward line. A certain House-master, remarkable for many things, but perhaps mainly for his enthusiasm (is not even his golf "ardent" ?), is justly proud of the fact that he "discovered" Sutton as a forward. With Rayner below form at inside left, and Sutton going great guns in House matches, it was an obvious experiment to bring the latter into the forward line and send the former outside. And it has answered splendidly. Sutton is not a polished forward, but he has been, perhaps, as useful as any other (except Silcock) since his inclusion. He is always on the spot (would that as much could be said for his colleagues !) and has obtained several of his very respectable tally of goals by means of this virtue alone ; he has been "there" to push the goalie through before he could clear. We must not forget, either, that he scored four times against Guildford. Francis, who has taken his place in goal, has done very well. If only he had been as safe when what was demanded was easy, as he has been brilliant when the extremely difficult has been asked of him, he would have been as fine a



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school goal-keeper as it has ever been our good fortune, or desire, to see.

To come to the actual matches. The first one, not yet reported, was against

HORSHAM G.S.—Owing to a misunderstanding, our Sussex friends came over on February 19th instead of March 19th. However, a wire had been received in the morning, and we had hastily got together our men to play. The School scored in the first two or three minutes, Lillywhite being successful with a beautiful, if rather lucky, curling shot at very long range. Another goal soon followed, Pooley this time being responsible. Play quieted down a little after this, but Silcock and Sutton added goals before half-time, at which period the congratulatory remark was exchanged: "Quite a pleasant relief not to be down at half-time, isn't it?"

In the second half the visiting team played up strongly, in no way dismayed by the heavy margin against them. Their efforts were rewarded to the tune of one goal, but the School were able to wear them down, and notched two in reply, so that Reigate came out winners by six goals to one.

R.G.S. team:—Francis; Faulkner, Burtenshaw; Lillywhite, Pooley, Morrison; Potter, Pash, Silcock, Sutton, and Rayner.

R.G.S. v. BATTERSEA G.S.—Played on the Lodge ground, on Saturday, February 26th. This match proved the most exciting, and probably the fastest, of the season. The home team was unhappy at the start, and failed to match their opponents in opportunities. The visiting speedy right winger was too fast for Lillywhite and (in this half) insufficiently masked, with the result that those goals in which he was more or less directly concerned were scored almost in as many minutes. He would, doubtless, have been responsible for further scoring had it not been for the fact that he was frequently off-side. However, a little before half-time the score was 5—1 in favour of the visitors, Silcock having been responsible for the homesters' solitary point. Reigate was now pressing, and presently Sutton netted from a mêlée in the visitors' goal. Immediately on the re-start, however, the Battersea outside-left went away and scored a most remarkable goal with a shot at an incredible angle which few people saw—certainly Francis didn't. Just after this half-time arrived with the score: Battersea, 6; Reigate, 2.

In the second half the stamina of the home team began to tell, and they gradually reduced their visitors' lead. The score was at 6—4 for some time, then an incident occurred which doesn't happen once a season: The ball was an object of contention, just outside the Battersea penalty area, between Silcock and a Battersea defender. Suddenly, there was a sound of a

kick, and the ball had flashed into the net. Few, if any, either of the players or spectators, realised for some seconds that the best goal of the season had been scored. *Si sic omnia!*

The score of 6—5 woke Battersea up, and they soon added a seventh goal. Reigate replied, however, with another, and strove desperately for the equaliser. The ball was bobbing about in front of the Battersea goal when their left-back handled, and with the resulting kick Pooley, hardly deservedly, brought the scores level. The struggle for supremacy was now very keen, and amid scenes of the greatest enthusiasm the winning goal was obtained a little before time, the final score reading: Reigate, 8 goals; Battersea, 7 goals.

Team: Francis; Faulkner, Burtenshaw; Morrison, Pooley, Lillywhite; Potter, Pash, Silcock, Sutton, and Rayner.

R.G.S. *v.* TIFFIN'S SCHOOL KINGSTON.—With Blackman back in the team, and Burtenshaw, who had been out of health and correspondingly out of form, much better, the School journeyed to Kingston with high hopes. Nor were they disappointed, for after a game in which they were never extended they ran out winners by the comfortable margin of six goals to one. Silcock scored four and Sutton two.

Team: Francis; Faulkner, Blackman; Lillywhite, Pooley, Burtenshaw; Potter, Pash, Silcock, Sutton, and Rayner.

R.G.S. *v.* OLD BOYS — This match was played on the Lodge ground, on March 15th, and proved a fairly easy win for the School. At the start the Old Boys pressed but could not score. Presently the School forwards transferred, and kept the ball well in their opponents' half. Silcock scored four goals, and Pash and Sutton got one each, the score at half-time being 6—0 in favour of the School.

It is unpleasant to have to have to record that the boys became very slack in the second half. Although playing against an untrained team they failed to stay, and, so far from adding to their score, lost three goals, the scorer in each case being Hammond. Thus the School won, 6—3. The School team was the same as against Kingston; unfortunately, the writer's notes of the Old Boys' team have been lost.

R.G.S. *v.* GUILDFORD G.S.—We were sorry that our old rivals could only bring a depleted team over on March 29th. Still, a very good game took place, which was much more even than the score would indicate. Early on Blackman scored the visitors' only goal with a miskick which twisted out of Francis' hands. The School played up well—made the most of their chances, and scored eight times. Sutton was in great form and scored four goals (the first four). The team was as in the two previous games. This is the team the photograph of which appears in this issue.

The "second eleven," properly so-called, played no matches after Battersea last term. But a "non-colour" eleven has played two matches—one against Dorking, which was won 5—0, and one against the Police Orphanage, which was won 5—3. Cranleigh was obliged to scratch owing to illness, and when our team was due to go to Horsham the weather was quite impossible.

G.J.L.



The Reigate Pageant.

On Saturday, May 31st, Reigate saw one of the most eventful days of its history, when Colley Hill was given to the nation.

Lord Curzon performed the ceremony of dedication, after which a pageant, representing the Canterbury Pilgrims of many periods, took place. As usual R.G.S. did not fail to play its part, and sent a party of twenty-five members of the School, representing people of diverse occupations, to join the procession. This procession marched from the summit of Colley Hill to the Horse Show Ground, where an exceedingly interesting spectacle was observed. The pilgrims, numbering more than four hundred, marched round the ground and then paraded before the Grand Stand. After the Company which was considered the finest had been rewarded, an exhibition of horsemanship and some mediæval sports were given by the pageant participants. Although it had been publicly declared (on the posters) that Henry VIII. (Mr. Calistri) was to have a "Grand Stag Hunt," we were surprised to see that he took no part in the event at all, leaving the hunt to his "gallant knights and ladies gay." The reason for this, as given by Henry himself, was that his horse refused to go.

The girls of the County School gave, under the leadership of Miss Anderton, a pretty display of an Empire Dance, while the pupils from Franches School provided the audience with an exhibition of Morris Dancing.

In the evening it had been arranged for the School company and the Old Boys' company to give exhibitions of 14th century sports, but, owing to numerous delays, a great part of the programme for these events had to be cut out. We understand that most of the delay was caused by the time taken by the speech-making on top of the hill, while the proverbial obstinacy of the "mokes" also contributed to it.

We hope Hall has quite recovered from his escape from drowning in the apple tank.

On the whole, we believe we can say that the pageant passed off very successfully. On the hill and on the Pilgrims' Way

down into the ground there must have been quite 25,000 people—in fact, Nature herself seemed to have repented of her thunderous promises of the morning and to have turned up smiling to see the nation receive Colley Hill.

R. J. D.



Ye Grand Mediæval Pageant.

AFTER BARHAM (INGOLDSBY LEGENDS).

A tale of a Pageant I fain would tell
 Held in a town that they called Cherchefelle,
 In the great and glorious day of old,
 When times were hard and knights were bold ;
 But now as Reigate it is known
 (George the Fifth being on the Throne.)
 Now, through this town in ancient days
 Those pilgrims you read of in tales and lays
 To Canterb'ry went
 With the pious intent
 Of saying an ave or pater or two
 (The things that the friars all told them to do)
 At St. Thomas's shrine, which great fame enjoyed.
 ('Tis sad to relate it has since been destroyed).
 Now to the north of Cherchefelle
 Or Reigate as most people call it now—well,
 The road that the pilgrims were wont to follow
 Passed over a hill,—(the town's in the hollow).
 This path o'er the hill, I was going to say
 Has always been known as the Pilgrims' Way.
 In nineteen thirteen this pathway of fame
 And a part of the hill— Colley Hill is its name—
 Was bought for the Borough to keep as a place
 For the good and the joy of the whole human race ;
 At least for the portion who venture this way,
 For it makes a fine spot for the children to play,
 And for lovers a better place never was found
 For footpaths so shady and seats do abound ;
 While for little boy scouts 'tis a good hunting ground.
 To describe it fully's a fruitless endeavour
 It's "a thing of beauty, a joy for ever!"

The fact that this lofty, beautiful hill
 Would be saved as a place for "the populace" still
 Could not be allowed to pass by unknown,
 And interest great in the matter was shown.
 So they sent for Lord Curzon, a man of renown
 To come and make speeches at fair Reigate Town ;
 To stand on the hill, on a suitable day
 And declare the hill open for ever and aye.
 Lord Curzon decided to come, "but" said he
 "If I come I expect some amusement to see".
 Then a meeting they held and at once did agree
 That a pageant of pilgrims the best thing would be ;
 But then who would manage this pageant so gay
 For none of those present could think of a way.
 At last someone said I can find you the man,
 Who'll be able to do it if anyone can.
 So M. Calistri did a missive receive,
 "Do you think you can help with the pageant, for we've
 No one else who will offer to run the affair ?"
 Said he with a smile, "Bless my soul, I declare
 I will help these poor folk and will show them what's what ;
 For as Henry The Eighth I will ride 'fore the lot."
 To work like a bee our bold Corsican went,
 And soon far and wide were advertisements sent.
 While pilgrim performers in plenty were found
 To walk down to the hill to the old Horse Show Ground.
 The time of preparing was not very long
 But under the signior the movement was strong
 And eagerly people awaited the day
 Of the Pageant (they fixed on the last one in May).
 At last it arrived and the folk came together,
 With murmurs of praise to the clerk of the weather
 The hill it was crowded, the roadways as well,
 The numbers of people I cannot ev'n tell ;
 The pilgrims were gathered all on the brow
 Where a platform was raised for Lord Curzon to bow
 To the people and jovially say
 In commencement, the phrase "What a beautiful day !"
 At least, that is what I was told that he said,
 I could see nothing more than the top of his head ;
 While of his great speech I could hear not a word
 Though that is a thing that has often occurred.
 And when he had done someone else had a try,
 And so on and so on till folk wondered why
 The pilgrims had not yet arrived at the ground,
 They were in a manner of speaking "speech bound."
 At last all the speeches were finished and done,

But regrets at their ceasing I never heard one ;
 The pilgrims at last might now start on their way
 Down the hill through the thousands of people gay.

Bluff King Harry the throng doth lead,
 Gaily riding a milk-white steed.
 Following him come a couple of knights
 In new tin waistcoats and cast-iron tights.

On they move in gorgeous array
 O'er the crest of the Pilgrims' way,
 Just as they used in the Pilgrims' Day.

Down the gorgeous company go
 (For fear of slipping they go rather slow),

Lest one of the crew, *soi-disant* "knight,"
 (In his new tin waistcoat, shapely and bright),
 Should fall off his gee-gee, he'd be in a plight
 Which couldn't with truth be described as all right.

On they go, so stately and gay,
 Down that slippery Pilgrims' Way.

Slipping and sliding,
 Tripping and gliding,
 Some of the knights aren't much used to riding.

At last they reach the foot of the hill
 And march along with a right good will
 To the Horse Show ground where crowds await
 The Pilgrim host in great estate.

After the king the pilgrims come,
 Some in garments you might call "rum,"
 Others in silks and satins are drest,
 Their mediæval "Sunday best."

At the head of each company
 Its chosen captain do we see,
 But lo ! the chief of number one
 Is an abbot portly in mitre and stole,
 Cassock, vestment and sandalled sole.

Follows the Abbot a "Holy Son,"
 A brown-clad Friar so tall and lean,
 A contrast to the Abbot is seen.
 Now the rest of the company
 Follow these in groups of three,
 Yeomen stalwart, a minstrel gay,
 A miller, a forester take their way,
 A charcoal-burner with them doth go,
 Another minstrel, often known as "Joe,"
 Came after, an armourer on his right,
 On his left a shipman whose hat's a fright ;
 A peasant doth follow and with him his son,
 An innkeeper, too, with his child doth move.

Then a palmer and carpenter hand-in-glove ;
 But stay—I believe a mistake I’ve made,
 ’Twas a *couple* of palmers in brown arrayed.
 Now a woodcutter grey, two archers bold,
 With five merry beggars the tale is told.
 These were the flock of Number One,
 But to tell all the rest, were that begun
 ’Twere one that I would not venture to do ;
 So if’t must be done—well I leave it to you.
 But “*tempus*” and space now my lay must curtail
 A fact which I fancy you will not bewail ;
 So I cannot do more than just once to allude
 To the latter events before I conclude.
 How the pilgrims in order did march round the ground
 To a military band’s gay and martial sound.
 How number eleven received the prize,
 How Henry VIII. had a nasty *surprise*,
 When his steed, which was only a hired one you know,
 In the stag-hunt refused absolutely to “*go*.”
 How numbers of maidens in dances moved,
 And “*Sons of England*” great Warriors proved.
 All these and a number of others took place.
 Such as tilting the ring and a species of race.
 But if you were there—there is no need to tell,
 And if you were *not* there, all *I* say is—well—
 You ought to have been !

REGAC.

