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SCHOOL NOTES (Boys).

The following boys have left since our last issue :—

Anderson, Aspinall, Barcroft, H. Barlow, Boardman, A. H. Bradley, G. A. Bradley, Brandwood, Butcher, H. Cass, Clarabut, Clay, Dickinson, Duxbury, Gregson, Hayes, G. Hilton, Holder, Holt, E. Jones, F. Kay, E. A. Lees, A. Lowe, McFarlane, Meadowcroft, J. H. Nuttall, Oldroyd, Ridyard, A. Rothwell, A. K. Rothwell, Round, Schofield, J. C. Sharp, Smethurst, Stock, Sutcliffe, Turner, Whittingslow, Wilde, F. Wood.

The following are new boys :—

Ashworth, Burton, Bott, Brooks, Broome, Calvert, G. Cass, Chadwick, A. Dearden, Glenday, Hamer, Haslam, L. Hartington, R. Haworth, W. Hilton, Hutchinson, Hyde, Isherwood, F. Jackson, S. R. Jackson, A. Kay, Lawson, J. M. Lord, Lomax, Mather, Mottershead, Peatfield, E. Roberts, Rowlands, G. Singleton, Smoult, J. S. Stott, D. Taylor, F. Taylor, K. Taylor, V. Taylor, Temperley, Whitehead, Whittaker, Whittle, L. Wild.

Pueri Auctoritatis Graves :—

Captain of the School : T. Eatough.

Prefects : T. Eatough, R. B. Clarabut, W. Morris, J. C. Sharp, E. Singleton, K. Simpkin, I. Wild.

Football Captains : First Eleven, Eatough ; Second Eleven, Wild ; Third Eleven, Dykes ; Fourth Eleven, Brown, B. V.

Sports Secretary : Morris i ; Assistant Secretary : Morris ii.

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES.—Higher Certificate of Oxford and Cambridge: T. Eatough and E. Jones (Distinction in additional Mathematics), W. Morris, K. Simpkin, I. Wild.

Matriculation, Joint Board: E. Jones (First Class, with Distinctions in Mathematics and Mechanics and Physics).

Oxford Local Senior: A. Lowe (2nd Class Honours, Distinction in French, 33rd: Pass: J. Y. Smith, H. H. Hayes, T. Turner, J. C. Sharp, H. Pickup (special).

Oxford Local Junior: First Class Honours—W. Morris (bracketed 9th, Distinctions in History 6th, Latin 7th, English 52nd); J. B. Wood (bracketed 41st, Distinction in Latin, 17th); E. Singleton (bracketed 64th, Distinction in English, 52nd); J. M. Maddox (bracketed 82nd, Distinctions in French, 31st, and Latin, 38th); W. Pickstone (bracketed 98th); T. W. Broughton (bracketed 217th, Distinction in History, 14th). Second Class Honours: R. Morris, G. A. Bradley, E. Wolstenholme. Third Class Honours: G. H. Lees, G. F. Clay, B. O. Binns, A. H. Bradley, W. E. Rigby, S. C. Jackson, J. H. Nuttall, A. N. Phillips (Distinction in Latin, 11th). Pass: G. H. Dykes, E. W. Hall, E. T. Heath, W. Scholes, G. K. Hall, T. H. Wardleworth, E. Warrington, J. H. Murgatroyd, A. H. Marks, R. J. Mitchell, C. Meadowcroft.

Oxford Local Preliminary: Second Class Honours—H. Spibey. Third Class Honours: G. L. Brown, T. Silcock, A. Scholes, J. C. Jackson, H. Heywood. Pass: N. Simpkin, E. G. Heath, J. H. Binns, H. Wild, H. Crabtree, E. Hill, R. Calrow, A. H. Croasdale, W. Roberts.

L.C.C. £60 Scholarship: E. Jones.

Civil Service, Junior appointments: H. Barlow (10th on the list, 2nd in French, 3rd in History, 7th in Mathematics); K. McFarlane (19th on the list, 4th in Physics, 7th in Chemistry, 9th in Mathematics).

College of Preceptors (First Class): S. C. C. Jones and E. A. Lees.

Chartered Accountants' Preliminary: J. C. Sharp.

The Lancashire and Cheshire Institutes' French examination takes place on April 2nd. We have 88 candidates this year, and hope to have again as superintendents Messrs. H. T. Bull, R. W. Butcher, V. N. English, P. S. Howarth, G. B. Murgatroyd, and H. B. Webb.

Our heartiest congratulations are due to Mr. James Kenyon, Alderman John Parks, Colonel Walker and Colonel Wike, whose names have been added to the Freeman's Roll of the Borough of Bury. One of the new Freemen is a Governor of the School, one an ex-Governor, and the other two are "Old Boys."

Our Annual Prize giving took place on Tuesday, October 17th, the Rector of Bury, Chairman of the Governors of the School, presiding. As the evening's proceedings were fully described in the local papers, it is not necessary to fill our pages with any lengthy account, but three features deserve to be specially recorded in our School Magazine. The prizes were distributed by Lord Derby, an honour which the recipients are not likely to forget: T. Eatough, as Captain of the School, was invested by Lord Derby with a gold pendant which had been purchased out of the funds left in the hands of the Olivey Memorial Committee; and Lord Derby unveiled the Memorials to Walter Rice Olivey and to Robert Shepherd, Frederick William Almond and John Rothwell. We were very glad to have with us Colonel Sir W. R. Olivey, the father of our Maiwand hero, and hope that he felt the warmth of the welcome we accorded him. A copy of the inscriptions will be inserted in our next issue.

The following boys were top of their respective forms in the Christmas Examinations:—L. VI., Wolstenholme; Rem., Binns i., B. O.; U. V., Nolan; V., Heath ii., E. G.; U. IV., Stott i.; IV., Hutchinson; Trans., Pickles; III., Taylor v., T.; II(a), Hilton; II(b), Ratcliffe.

Kay House retains the "Blackburne" Challenge Cup for Cricket.

Extract from "*Bury Times*," Wed., Oct. 11th, 1911 :—

A RECORD DAY FOR THE BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—

The Bury Grammar School had no fewer than five elevens in the field on Saturday, October 7th, and they created a record by winning all their matches, in addition to which eight boys of the school played for Major Adair's team v. Bury Road, Tottington, and this match was also won, the score being 6—3. It is certainly a splendid performance for a school to have 63 boys playing football on one afternoon, and each team to prove successful. The matches were as follows :—Bury Grammar School 1st v. Blackburn G. S. 1st, won 5—2; Blackburn G. S. 2nd v. Bury G. S. 2nd, won 8—0; Bury G. S. 3rd v. Kersal 1st, won 4—1; North Manchester 1st v. Bury G. S. 4th, won 2—1; and Bury G. S. 5th v. St. Chad's, won 2—1.

The Chess Club, now in its third season, has been very active of late. On November 10th Singleton i played nine simultaneous games, winning two and losing seven. On November 18th Mr. Rowland, Maddox i, Morris i, Singleton i, and Bradley i each took a table against Mr. Blackburne, the ex-champion, who played twenty games, winning seventeen and drawing three. All our members held out well, and Morris i was the next last to finish. On December 7th the Club played a team of Old Boys and won by three games to two, Morris i, Maddox i, and Morris ii securing victories. On the following day Mr. N. B. Holmes took fifteen tables against the School. He won thirteen games in all, but lost to Orrell and Singleton ii. A week later the return match against the Old Boys resulted in a victory of four games to one in our favour:

The question of awarding the £50 Scholarship to the Bury Grammar School is still under consideration by the Authority, and we expect the arrangements will be completed before our next issue.

A "Life" of the Rev. John Lister has been published by the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society, and an advance copy has been forwarded to the Head Master.

On Saturday, February 3rd, the School Debating Society had one of its popular "short-paper" evenings, Mr. Hignett being in the chair. Appended is a list of readers and their subjects :— (1) Eatough—"The *raison d'être* of the British Army"; (2)—S. C. Jackson—"The Elephant"; (3) J. M. Maddox—"National Service"; (4) R. Morris—"Party Government"; (5) K. Simpkin—"Sir Philip Sidney"; (6) J. Y. Smith—"Cardinal Wolsey"; (7) H. Spibey—"Advantages and Disadvantages of Conscription"; (8) J. Wild—"Ballooning in the past"; (9) L. W. Wild—"Kindness to animals." By a ballot of the House, the prize was awarded to J. Y. Smith.

On Saturday, February 17th, the subject before the House was "National Service," Captain Scott, our new vice-president, being quite appropriately in the chair. J. M. Maddox spoke of the advantages of national service on the lines of the N.S.L. He was ably supported by W. Morris, who showed the great physical benefits to be obtained from such a system. Eatough and Y. Smith made out a very good case for the opposition, but the advocates of national service secured the verdict by three votes. Practically every member present took part in the discussion.

The entertainment promoted by the masters and boys of the School was held on Thursday, December 14th. The first part of the programme was filled by an operetta, "Christmas with the Pixies"—played by the Junior School. Mr. Denning and Mr. Williams had worked hard with the boys, and, as a result, the singing and acting were really excellent. The costumes were delightful. The little brown pixies reminded us of our nursery days, and of the fairies which some grown-ups do not believe in—but, of course, that's only how the Katawampus affects grown-ups. And when the soldiers marched on, how our hearts thrilled! and

how our minds turned to sleepy sentries, to fatigue parties, to bayonet charges on Conway heights, or Ashworth Chapel—in fact, to the time when we ourselves were proud to wear those very uniforms.

The second half of the evening was of a more varied character. We were favoured by a song from Mr. J. Whitworth, whose rich voice and genial face were not unknown to us. The brothers Morris played excellently—as usual. We are quite coming to regard their violin duets as a regular part of our programmes. Binns gave us a humorous recitation, but seemed unusually nervous. Ah! Binns, you were not wont to be so shy when, but two short winters ago, you flirted outrageously with your country-bumpkin-cousin, Tony Lumpkin, and coyly eloped with your lover Hastings. Mr. Wood's humorous songs delighted the boys, who demanded, in no quiet terms, an encore. They got it, and would have liked some more.

The evening closed with a farce, "The Little Savage," which was particularly successful, and produced much merriment. Miss A. Hopkinson filled the part of Kate Dalrymple admirably. Her awkward simplicity, assumed to dismay the heart of her undesirable, self-seeking and mean suitor Larkins, was particularly good. Smith i. as Major Choker, and Smith ii. as the haughty Lady Barbara, were both very good; while Nolan as Jonathan, the the Major's servant, who could not forget that he had "been in better sarcumstan..." simply made us laugh whether we wanted to or not. Mr. Hignett played the part of Lionel Larkins, and played it well. Mr. Spivey's ability is too well known among us to need comment. Mr. Warrilow acted as stage manager, and the scenery for the operetta was kindly lent by Mr. Culling. Altogether we had a most enjoyable evening.

PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB.—Some very good work has recently been done with the club enlarging lantern. It is surprising that more use is not made of what is unquestionably a fine apparatus. To be able to secure a 15 by 12 ins. enlargement, with an exposure

of five minutes (under condition of perfect cleanliness, thanks to the electric light) is an opportunity not given to many amateur photographers. Sections of plates can be still further magnified—the range of the lantern covering between two or three feet.

Not every photograph can bear enlarging, far from it ; in fact an amateur is fortunate if he can find one or two per cent. of his plates that have sufficient pictorial quality to merit framing ; but once he has seen some of his work framed and has felt the sudden thrill of creative power—the “but for me, this picture had not been”—he has made a big stride ahead of mere fact-recording towards the realms of art and self-expression.

The autumn Kay House Social was held on Tuesday, November 21st, and was generally pronounced to be the best of the series. There was a jovial spirit abroad, due, no doubt, to the reviving fortunes of the House. Messrs. S. C. C. Jones, W. and R. Morris, W. Pickstone, and Holding maintained the high musical reputation of the House ; while, towards the end, the set programme was interspersed with “variety turns” in lighter vein, Messrs. A. Rothwell and S. C. Jackson making their *début* on the boards with great *éclat*, and S. C. C. Jones descending from the classic heights to give some chorus songs which went with a rollicking swing. After refreshments there were games, competitions, and whist, at which G. A. Bradley, T. Oldroyd, N. Whitehead, and A. A. Greenhalgh proved winners.

The Committee are to be congratulated on the excellence of the arrangements.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Major H. O. Hutchinson, an “Old Boy” of B.G.S., and “Cock of the School” in 1867. He was interred at Prestwich on Monday, February 19th. The Church was filled with deputations from various bodies, the School being represented by the Head Master and several of the Governors.

On Monday, February 19th, boys and masters were the guests of the Presidents of the three Houses at a dinner held in the Roger Kay Hall. Before the tables were cleared for games the Head Master voiced the opinion of us all in thanking the Presidents for a very enjoyable evening, and in expressing our regret that Mr. James Kenyon, the President of Kay House, was unable to be with us. The Rector of Bury and Colonel Wike said how glad they were to be able to contribute to the social side of school life, and made sympathetic reference to the death of Major Hutchinson, to the high esteem in which he was held, and to the great debt owed to him by Bury Grammar School.

The rest of the evening was devoted to chess, whist, competitions and various games. The proceedings closed at about half-past nine.

MEMORABILIA.

L.C.C. Junior Exhibitions Examination.—Saturdays, 23rd and 30th, March.

Easter Holidays.—Thursday, 4th April to Thursday, 11th April (both inclusive).

Founder's Day.—Monday, 6th May.

L.C.C. Senior Exhibitions Examination.—Tuesday, May 7th to Friday, May 10th.

Whitsuntide Holidays.—Friday, 24th May to Thursday, 6th June (both inclusive).

Sports' Day.—Tuesday, 18th June.

Matriculation of the Joint Board.—Tuesday, 2nd July to Friday, 12th July.

Oxford Locals.—Monday, 15th July to Saturday, 20th July.

Higher Certificate.—Friday, 12th July to Saturday, 27th July.

Cricket Week.—Monday, 22nd July to Saturday, 27th July.

O.T.C. Camp.—Monday, 29th July—Wednesday, 7th August—Salisbury Plain.

Summer Holidays.—Saturday, 27th July to Wednesday, 11th September (both inclusive).

Christmas Holidays.—Friday, 20th December to Wednesday, 15th January (both inclusive).

SCHOOL REGISTER (*Continued*).

- Frederic son of Mrs. Dobson of Mere Hall, Little Bolton.
Entered ———
- Henry son of Charles Butterworth of Rochdale, Merchant. Entered
Jan^y 1841. *æt.* 15 Entered 1848 Jesus Coll., Cambridge.
- John son of the Rev^d. Henry Crewe Boutflower, Min^r. of St. John's,
and Master of this School Entered July 1840. *æt.* 8.
- John son of Samuel Milne, Superintendent of the Hudson Mill.
Removed from the Lower School Jan^y 1842, *æt.* 11.
- Richard son of Richard Lomax, Surveyor of Taxes—removed from
the lower School Jan^y 1842, *æt.* 11.
- Edward son of James Partington. Bookkeeper at Mr. Kay's
Foundry—removed from the lower School Jan^y 1842,
æt. 13.
- Ralph son of Ralph Crompton, Clerk of the Parish Church—
removed from the lower School Jan^y 1842, *æt.* 13.
- John son of John Moscrop, Grocer—removed from Lower School
1842.
- Edward son of ———Chadwick, Manufacturer, Rochdale.
Entered July 1842. Went afterwards to St. John's Coll,
Cambridge.
- Harry Grundy son of Robert Taylor Grundy, Solicitor.
- Frank Grundy son of Robert Taylor Grundy—removed from the
lower School August 1843.
- William son of Samuel Milne, Superintendent of the Hudson
Mill—removed from the lower School July 1842. Left
Xmas 1844.
- Samuel nephew of the Rev^d. Hugh Allen, Min^r. of St. Paul's—
removed afterwards to the Lower School.
- George and John Openshaw, sons of Lawrence Openshaw, Brick
House—removed afterwards to the Lower School.
- John Finch Calliet, son of Pierre Calliet—French Teacher.
- John son of R^d. Lomax, Surveyor of Taxes—raised from the
Lower School 1843.
- William son of Giles Ashworth, Gentleman, of Turton—removed
from the lower School August 1843.
- Eric William son of Thomas Clarke, Esq., Barrister, of
Knedlington, Howden. Left Xmas 1844—Ent^d. St. John's
Coll., Cambridge 1845.
- Charles son of the Rev^d. H. Harper—Archdeacon of Madras.
Ent^d. Christmas 1843—Went to Sedbergh, 1845.

HEAD MASTERS OF BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

VI.

Shortly before leaving Bury, early in 1858, to take up the position of Rector of Elmdon, near Birmingham, and within a fortnight after the appointment of his successor at the Bury Grammar School, the Rev. Henry Crewe Boutflower was publicly presented with a silver inkstand and an ornamented set of silver castors, on behalf of the congregation to which he had ministered for so many years as incumbent of St. John's Church. St. Paul's school was lent for the occasion (January 13), and the room was not able to accommodate all who wished to attend. Mr. W. Walker, of Lark Hill, made the presentation. Appreciation of Mr. Boutflower's long and useful ministry at St. John's was heartily expressed, and very cordial references were made to his services in connection with the public charities of the town, particularly the Dispensary. In replying, he said :

His removal from St. John's was not of his own seeking. The offer of the parish to which he was going was made to him most unexpectedly by an old and valued friend ; and after some hesitation, and seeking guidance from above, he had been led to accept it. He could not expect, as life advanced, strength for the unremitting duties to which he was called by his position in Bury. He thought it best, therefore, to accept the charge offered by God's providence, which gave him an opportunity of ministerial labour more suited perhaps to advancing years and diminishing strength.

Two of the burials in St. John's graveyard at which Mr. Boutflower officiated, during his incumbency here, were of relatives of his own, namely (1), Mary Anne, his wife's sister, and wife of his brother, John Boutflower, F.R.C.S., of Manchester (1797-1889), who died on May 2, 1851, aged 45 ; and (2) her mother, Arabella Catharine (*née* Cardin), widow of Henry Johnson Boutflower, surgeon, Hon. East India Company's service, who died in Bury on December 5, 1853, aged 82. Dr. H. J. Boutflower was married at Chousa, Bengal, in 1802, and died four years afterwards. He was at the Siege of Seringapatam, in

1799, and one of his grandsons—Dr. Andrew Boutflower, of Kersal, Manchester—has in his possession a large émerald ring (for some time worn by his mother) which was taken from Tippoo Sahib's finger as he lay dead on the battlefield. Mrs. Arabella Catharine Boutflower met the Duke of Wellington in India, and frequently entertained him. Among her intimate friends she was known as "The Begum." One of her grandsons (a brother of the present Dr. Andrew Boutflower) was a pupil at Bury Grammar School.

Mr. Boutflower, the former head master, died on June 4, 1863, aged 66, after a short illness, while on a visit to his old pupil and friend, the Rev. William Burbury, at West Felton Vicarage, Shropshire, and was buried in Elmdon Churchyard. He was survived by his wife, who died on January 10, 1877, aged 74. It was written of Mr. Boutflower ten years after his death, by one who knew him :

He was much beloved at Bury, during his long and official connection with that town, both in public and private life, and he is gratefully remembered as an able and conscientious clergyman, as a good preacher, and as a firm and sincere friend. From early boyhood the tone of his mind was deeply religious, and little passages in Latin written in diaries which he has left, and dating from schoolboy days, bear testimony to habits of strict self-examination and to great watchfulness over himself, with an ever-increasing desire to do his work more efficiently, and to become in all the relations of life, whether as scholar, Sunday school teacher, schoolmaster, clergyman, or father, both in life and conversation, an example of faithfulness in the path of Christian duty. *Respice finem* was a motto which he seems never to have forgotten from childhood to his latest day.

There were thirty-two candidates for the vacant head-mastership, and the Rector (Rev. E. J. G. Hornby) and the Rev. Francis H. Coldwell, two of the trustees, were deputed to visit several of them and report. At a meeting of the trustees on January 2, 1858, it was unanimously "resolved and ordered that the Rev. C. F. Hildyard be and is hereby elected and chosen Head Master of this school in the place of the Rev. H. C. Boutflower, who has resigned."

The new head master, Rev. Charles Frederic Hildyard, at the time of his appointment to Bury was second master of King Edward VI Grammar School, Grantham. He belonged to a knightly family of considerable renown, the Hildyards of Winestead, Yorkshire—a family of Saxon extraction, which could claim royal descent, and members of which for many generations figured prominently in the public life of Yorkshire and Lincolnshire. Prior to 1665 there were among these Hildyards no fewer than ten knights, and from 1665 to 1814 four baronets, and the family was connected by matrimonial alliances with the principal nobility of the aforementioned counties. Both the father and the grandfather of the Rev. C. F. Hildyard were in Holy Orders, as was his maternal grandfather. Born at Beverley on July 16, 1823, he was the third son of the Rev. William Hildyard (1790-1872), sometime Rector of Hameringham-cum-Scraftfield, Lincolnshire, by his wife Mary, daughter of the Rev. William Hett, Canon of Lincoln. The father, who was educated at Westminster School and at Oxford, had a compliment paid to his scholarly attainments by being requested to write the Latin verse for an edition of Gray's *Elegy* which was published as an *édition de luxe* in English, Latin, and Greek. The son was educated at Christ's Hospital and at Worcester College, Oxford, matriculating on February 27, 1845, and taking the degree of B.A. in 1849. He was ordained deacon in 1852 and priest in 1854, by the Bishop of Lincoln, and acted as curate of Braceby in the diocese of Lincoln, while second master at King Edward VI Grammar School, Grantham. Six months before removing from Grantham to Bury he married (June 23, 1857) Louisa Eliza, daughter of J. W. Hamilton, Esq., of Upper Clapton, London, and second-cousin of General Sir James Kempt, K.C.B., the commander of a division at Waterloo and subsequently Governor-General of Canada.

Soon after becoming head master at Bury, Mr. Hildyard began to urge the need of greater accommodation for scholars. In the minutes of the school trustees it is recorded that at the

annual meeting on May 6, 1858, "an application was made by the Head Master for some enlargement of the school. The Trustees fully agreed to the necessity of something being done, but as they hope in a short time to obtain an enlargement of the playground, they deferred building 'til that should be done, and 'til their funds should be able to meet the expense." On November 3, 1858, "in consequence of the number of candidates for admission," the Trustees resolved that a scheme of the alterations required should be prepared and submitted to them; and on the 29th of the same month a committee was appointed to confer with Mr. Whittaker, architect, and to obtain plans and estimates of the necessary buildings for increased school accommodation. At the annual meeting on May 6, 1859, the Trustees accepted an offer made by Lord Derby, through the Rector, of "the piece of land at present occupied by the old buildings adjoining the school to the west, with the buildings upon it [one of which had been used as Mechanics' Institute], to be held by them in fee for the purpose of a playground for the school, on condition that it shall be properly enclosed, remain open for the purpose specified above, and that no house buildings be erected upon it, and upon condition also that the Grammar School shall be open to the Rector at certain reasonable times for the instruction of the choristers of the Parish Church." A committee was appointed to "conduct an application to the Charity Commissioners and arrange the additional school buildings which may be rendered necessary," and the committee was also authorised to "take the necessary steps for lighting the school with gas." At the next annual meeting, on May 6, 1860, "the thanks of the Trustees were voted to Lord Derby for his kindness in giving the land constituting the site of the present school, and the playgrounds adjoining, and to the Rector of Bury, who also gave a part of the Rectory garden for the enlargement of the school." The work of enlarging the buildings was done in 1861, and at a meeting of the Trustees on February 5, 1862, Mr. Hildyard reported "that the school had re-opened with 29 boys in the

upper school and 41 boys in the lower school, and that financially the accounts were satisfactory." The Trustees "ordered that the new school be insured from fire to the extent of £500, and the books and furniture therein to the extent of £100."

Mr. Hildyard had carried on the work here for nearly nineteen years, when he was impelled by health considerations to place his resignation in the hands of the Trustees, on November 20, 1876. He was known as an elegant classical scholar, like his father, and an authority on English literature and poetry. After leaving Bury, he became curate of Banham, Norfolk, and from 1887 to 1895 he was curate-in-charge of Great Bircham, Norfolk, to which living he was presented by the late Bishop of Norwich, Dr. Pelham. Retiring from Great Bircham, Mr. Hildyard lived the remainder of his days in rest at Norwich, where he died—retaining his faculties almost unimpaired to the end—on January 13, 1906, at the age of 83 years, and where he was buried. Mrs. Hildyard died on December 11, 1886.

The roll of Bury Grammar School boys contains the names of Mr. Hildyard's four sons, namely: (1) Rev. William Hildyard, who took his degree at King's College, London, and is now Rector of Wickmere-with-Wolterton, Norwich, and Rural Dean. (2) Francis Edward Hildyard, who, on leaving the school, entered the Manchester and Liverpool District Bank in Bury, and is now sub-manager of the Bank at the head offices in Manchester. (3) Rev. Lyonel D'Arcy Hildyard, who took his degree at Magdalen College, Oxford, became curate to Canon Farrar at St. Margaret's, Westminster, was afterwards Minor Canon of St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, and is now Rector of Rowley, Yorkshire. A first-rate cricketer, he played for his University against Cambridge in three seasons, and also played for Lancashire, Somersetshire, and Norfolk. He married a daughter of his kinsman, Captain Robert Hildyard, R.E., and niece of General Sir Henry Hildyard, K.C.B. (4) Cecil George Ormerod Hildyard, who is on the staff of the Society for the Propagation of the

Gospel in Foreign Parts. A very good cricketer, he frequently played for M.C.C.

The Rev. C. F. Hildyard's aunt, Miss Mary Jane Hildyard, was governess to Queen Victoria's children, including the late King, and lived for many years, up to her death, in a beautiful house in Regent's Park which was granted to her by Her Majesty. King Edward VII. granted to Mr. Hildyard's last surviving sister—the widow of the Rev. Charles Richmond Tate, Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and Rector of Trent, Somerset—a suite of apartments in Hampton Court Palace, where she died in 1910.

WILLIAM HEWITSON.

LEADING LIGHTS.—II.

On the eleventh day of December, in the year of grace 1891, the subject of our sketch was ushered into this world, a proceeding against which, we may be sure, he declaimed with his customary eloquence. We regret to say that the local newspaper devoted no more than one line of its matter to this phenomenal event. Be it registered as a source of everlasting ignominy to the editor of that journal! Our hero spent much of his earlier years in disputing the phenomena of his own birth with his elders, and we must record, again with profound sorrow, that they answered his sagacious remarks on the subject by the usual subterfuge of parents, namely, the doctor's black bag. This period of trial once successfully negotiated, we find him, at a very early age, pursuing his researches into the ultimate cause of things, at St. Thomas's School, Radcliffe. Here his recreation consisted in making experiments on the elasticity of clay—it was before the Plasticine epoch—and in this branch of study he made some momentous discoveries. However, as the language which he used when discussing his researches was too technical for his audience, the exact character of these discoveries must for ever remain buried in oblivion.

His days at school were somewhat saddened by an unrequited passion which he conceived for a wooden horse, and, when his parents left Radcliffe to reside in a more congenial abode, he was already prematurely aged and inclined to treat the sportive Eros with mature cynicism. While away from Radcliffe, and consequently from the tender care of his biographer, an event which may be regarded as the blot upon an otherwise stainless career occurred ; he became a choir-boy. We would fain let the matter rest in oblivion, but we are precluded from doing so by our determination to present our hero as he really is. We look with disdain upon the sycophantic biographies which record nothing but the virtues of the subject. Moreover, he became so skilled in this nefarious art that the very scrolls of Fame would proclaim our incompetence were we not to mention this fact. Not only was he a member, but he eventually became head of his particular order. At this period, he again experienced romantic feelings, and laid aside his former cynicism. He was, however, separated from his divinity by another migration on the part of his parents.

Returning to his old school, he obtained a County Council Exhibition and proceeded to those surroundings which are so dear to our readers. Amid these secluded cloisters he pursued the even tenour of learning and increased in wisdom and stature, especially the latter. No longer do we hear the swift patter of his feet and the dulcet tones of his voice on the soccer field. No longer do we see the ball shoot from his toe in a disconcerting curl and repose (sometimes) in the corner of the net. But we all remember what a mighty man of valour he was. In the gentle art of natation he excelled, and we ourself have often had the doubtful pleasure of floundering in his back-wash. In amateur theatricals, the romantic experiences of former years served him in good stead, and there was that pathos in his voice, that far-away look in his eyes, when he uttered the tenderer portion of his part which showed that his thoughts were on those earlier episodes of which we have already made mention. In the

Debating Society he was a leading light, and we recall vividly his characteristic attitude when delivering his jeremiads. One hand in his pocket, the other grasping his notes, one shoulder six inches higher than the other, again that far-away look in the eyes, that apparent unconcern which concealed an intense interest in the matter under discussion. As such do we picture him now when he has left our little world and has become an essential unit of the Government. We have had the distinction of his friendship for many years now. Let us conclude by testifying our affectionate recognition of its worth. Harold Barlow was, and is, an outrageous good fellow.

CRICKET.

The School First Eleven opened the season with an exciting match with Bowdon College, which the School managed to win by a small margin of runs. This victory was followed by a good win against Salford Technical School who turned out one of the strongest teams they have had for several years. The third match, against Manchester Technical School, resulted in a defeat, as the Manchester side included several players who play for some of the leading Saturday clubs. Although defeated the School gave quite a good account of themselves against such a strong eleven. The boys made up for their last defeat by winning the three following matches—Hulme G.S., Manchester G.S. and Bolton Church Institute.

In the return match with Salford Technical School, played at Buckley Wells, our boys were defeated. Unfortunately Clarabut, Jones i, Meadowcroft, Mr. Denning and Mr. Warrilow were unable to play, and the result was therefore only what one might have expected. The Parents' Match was a very exciting fixture. The fathers took first knock and scored 99 in the time limit of an hour and a quarter. The boys managed to pass this total just on time for the loss of seven wickets. Blackburn and Bowdon ended in losses, Bowdon by a small margin of runs.

The general all-round cricket shown by the team has been good, except the fielding, which at times has been rather weak. Batting and bowling have both been good, but what the team lacks is a reliable wicket-keeper. For a new ground our wickets have played exceedingly well, our pitch being easily the best we play on in any of our matches.

Enjoyable matches were played with the Doctors and Mr. Marsh's Eleven. The School were victorious against the Doctors, but lost to Mr. Marsh's Eleven, which was rather a strong side including several players from the Town team.

Matches played—16. Won—9. Lost—6. Drawn—1.

HOUSE MATCHES.

1st Eleven.

Hulme 14, Kay 15 (for 1).
 Derby 78, Kay 52 (for 9).
 Derby 64 (for 2), Hulme 62.
 Hulme 47, Kay 42.
 Kay 131 (for 6), Derby 19.
 Hulme 65, Derby 53.

2nd Eleven.

Kay 44, Hulme 19.
 Kay 59, Derby 20.
 Derby 59, Hulme 23.
 Kay 79 (for 3), Hulme 11.
 Kay 30, Derby 14.
 Derby 63 (for 6), Hulme 52.

DOLCE FAR NIENTE.

Overwork and worry had told their tale and we had perforce to seek out some quiet and secluded nook where we could throw off our heavy burdens and seek repose. After much calm deliberation and much perusing of guide-books the little village of W—— seemed to suit the varied dispositions of our select party. We were four in number, Sandy, Daddy, Pat and I, and we shunned the gaudy glamour and senseless frivolity of our modern seaside resorts ; rather did our æsthetic souls call for peace and solitude ; to us the very essence of bliss was to ramble along the country lanes, along the woody paths or along the babbling brook ; we loved nature and she—— I am sorry, dear readers, but Pat says I am talking rot and had better get on with the tale. It is a great pity, for I was just getting nicely into it ; but there, Pat has no soul and no passion (except a never satisfied one for apple pie).

The village not being far distant, we cycled [put into ablative absolute!] The first day was spent in prospecting, and Sandy soon established a claim: we found him in the kitchen of a neighbouring farm assisting the ladies of the household to shell peas! He was by no means abashed at being discovered in so compromising a situation but calmly called us to "come in and make yourselves at home!" He soon wearied of pea-shelling, and we found him later in the cellar, conducting hydrostatic experiments with the farmer's barrel of harvest beer.

After the discovery of the farm, things were hopeless. For a month that farm was in a state of perpetual siege; Sandy said he went because he liked their butter-milk; Daddy lauded the praises of the cheese and eggs, while Pat showed a marked partiality for the oil-cake.

We joined the village tennis club; the courts were beautifully situated at the end of a lovely wood through which ran a winding path; the misogynist of the party remarked that it was his firm belief that the situation of those courts was only one of the innumerable examples of feminine cuteness. The courts themselves were rather remarkable; yards of break could be got; balls dropping on the service line were quite likely to bounce back over the net; still after about a fortnight's hard practice our efforts to reach the ball began to assume an air of grace and elegance.

Eventually, after much testing of brakes and expenditure of oil, we had a day's cycling. We went *via* Kendal to Ambleside, where a notice inviting us to partake of the best dinner in town proved too strong for our voracious appetites. The dinner finished, and, we might add, paid for, we continued our way to Grasmere, where we rested and cooled ourselves by the stream which runs alongside the Church; the water looked so inviting that day that we had great difficulty in preventing Sandy from displaying his natatory powers and incidentally his bucolic carcase in its refreshing ripples. Arguments involving the questions of modesty and Watch Committees were of no avail, but finally we impressed it upon him, by sitting on his head, that he had better not go in. Refreshed by our rest we pushed our

cycles up Red Bank ; the climb up is more than compensated for by the magnificent panorama to be seen from the top. We were all bathed in perspiration and frightfully hot after our climb, but Daddy and Pat were quickly cooled by the innocent remark of an old gentleman who wanted to know if they were connected with the Boy Scout movement ! They were attired in footer costume and also wore slouch hats ! When we had brought them round by vigorous artificial respiration we remounted and proceeded to Coniston, then down the side of the lake to Greenodd and thence on home *via* Grange and Arnside. The latter part of the ride was comparatively uneventful except that Pat ran into a churchyard wall, Daddy shaved the wheel of a char-a-banc by about three inches, and my front wheel had a few words with a large stone concerning a right of way. One feature, however, was an exhibition, by Pat, of graceful sliding in a recumbent posture down a particularly steep hill ; his bicycle won by a good four or five lengths ; we picked him up and put him on his machine again !

After this unusual activity things toned down somewhat. Rest and solitude seemed only to be found in the precincts of the farm, and in particular round the fruit trees. We were solemnly commanded not to touch one single apple or pear on the trees, but could have all that dropped ; of course we kept the strict letter of the law, but to see Daddy and Pat shaking those tree trunks would have convinced anyone that they could work if only the spirit moved them. At the end of a week those trees which had so lately been groaning under the heavy burden of luscious green fruit were quite bare ; at the end of another day Daddy and Pat were also groaning under a similar burden.

Sandy ought really to have been an inventor—he was always finding things. One day he found a perfect bathing place ; we went to it with frenzied haste and began to change ; Sandy found a quick way to disrobe and was ready first ; whereupon he ran down the bank calling to us that he had found a lovely deep place ; then he found an ideal place from which to dive. With a gleeful shout he splashed in and when he came out—he didn't say it, but his appearance showed it,—*we* found that *he* had found the

outlet of a sewer. The rest of us decided that we hadn't time to bathe before tea and consequently dressed, at the same time comforting Sandy by telling him he would know in about a fortnight whether he had typhoid or not. This aspect of the case rather startled him and his thoughts turned to vaccination as a possible remedy.

The continued hot weather proved a great strain on the resources of the fluid refreshment of the village, and eventually we appealed to our landlady or Granny as we termed her. She volunteered to make us some herb beer, provided that we found her the herbs, the chief of which were wild carrot, wild thyme, robin-run-i'-th'-hedge and yarrow. We had a day's hunt for the herbs; Sandy found something which he swore was yarrow, and after struggling with it for the best part of an hour succeeded in uprooting a tree about four feet high. From this, he argued, Granny ought to make about a barrel of beer, and he carried it home in high glee—a distance of about two miles. His face beaming with pride, he laid his prize down at Granny's feet but she denied having any chance of making herb beer from an elm tree!

In all we had a glorious month; fortune in the shape of fine weather favoured us. Perhaps now and then we look back with regret at the good time past, but we soon look ahead in the other direction and see pleasures to come in the future.

S.V.B.

FOOTBALL.

FIRST ELEVEN.				Goals.	
Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For.	Against.
16	14	2	0	109	42

Left as we were with nine members of last year's team, we confidently expected having a successful season, and there can be no doubt but that our expectations have so far been amply realised. The only occasions on which we have suffered defeat were against Fairfield College and Owens College, the former being solely due to distinctly bad play on the part of the whole team. With those

exceptions, however, the play of the forwards in particular has been quite good, and we have won several meritorious victories, notably against Blackburn and Manchester Grammar Schools.

CRITIQUE.

SHARP, goal.—Very safe ; clears high shots particularly well.

LEES, right back.—Tackles well, but has a weak kick.

SINGLETON, left back.—A good back ; has improved considerably since the beginning of the season.

SIMPKIN, right half.—Tackles well, but is rather erratic.

EATOUGH, centre half.—An excellent half ; good both in defence and attack ; feeds his forwards well.

NUTTALL, left half.—A very good half ; feeds his forwards well.

MORRIS, right outside.—Very fast ; centres well, but should learn to kick with his left foot.

CLARABUT, right inside.—Fast and tricky ; a good shot.

ROTHWELL, centre forward.—A good forward, and is particularly clever with his head.

HARTINGTON, left inside.—Passes well, and has plenty of weight ; weak shot.

COLLINS, left outside.—Fairly fast, and dribbles well, but should centre more frequently.

Colours are held by Eatough, Clarabut, W. Morris, J. Sharp, J. H. Nuttall, A. Rothwell, Hartington, and Collins.

School v. Manchester Grammar School.—Wed., Oct. 11.

Result : School 4, Manchester G.S. 0.

This match was played at Manchester, in very close weather. The game opened with a series of hot attacks on the School goal, and on several occasions the Manchester forwards narrowly missed scoring. The game gradually became more even, however, and after about half an hour Rothwell received the ball from Clarabut and promptly netted it. Half-time arrived with the score unaltered. Throughout the second half the School had most of the play. After about ten minutes, following on some good passing, Clarabut scored a good goal, and in a short time further goals were added by Morris and Clarabut. Towards the

end the Manchester forwards pressed a little, but their attacks were easily repulsed by the School backs, and "time" arrived with the score 4—0 in favour of the School.

SECOND ELEVEN.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.	
				For	Agst.
16	13	2	1	80	42

The Second Eleven has, so far, had a very successful season. We have taken over several of last year's First Eleven fixtures, and in all these matches have more than held our own. The only losses the team has sustained were against the Manchester G.S. Second Eleven and Rochdale Secondary School First Eleven, when we were out-weighted. For the first time on record we have beaten Blackburn G.S. ; our eight goals to nil exactly reversed last year's score.

Much of our success has been due to the brilliant defence displayed by Jackson in goal, and by Nolan and Whittingslow as backs. Owing to several changes the halves have been rather weak, with the exception of Hill, who has played well throughout the season. On the whole the forwards are good. Buxton especially is to be commended.

Colours have been awarded to:—Wild (Capt.), Hill (V.-Capt.), Jackson, Whittingslow, Nolan, Bouchier, Morris, Rigby and Buxton.

THIRD ELEVEN.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.	
				For	Agst.
18	12	5	1	96	39

The Third Eleven have a very good record as it is, and it would probably have been better still but, that owing to a series of misfortunes, we started the season without regular backs. For a while the halves, who fortunately are exceptionally good, had to do a good deal of work which was not their own. Now that G. L. R. Brown is again fit, and Hawarth has come into the team, every place is well filled. The forwards, though individually good, might, with the exception of Sharp, show better judgment in combination, and, in particular, each should do his own work

rather than that of other people. There has, however, already been an improvement in this respect. Several of our games have been against much bigger teams, whom the School had challenged for the Second Eleven, but who preferred to play us.

Colours have been awarded to Dykes, Orrell, G. L. Brown, Baxendale, Sharp, Rogerson, Calrow.

FOURTH ELEVEN.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.	
				For	Agst.
11	9	1	1	73	22

This eleven has done exceedingly well during the past term. Taking into consideration the size and weight of some of the teams they have played it is, without doubt, a very creditable record they have won for themselves. The match that was lost was unevenly contested, as two of our best men were unavoidably absent. We hope that the team will continue to uphold this record during the remainder of the season.

Colours have been awarded to B. V. Brown, Byrom, Packman, H. Barlow and Hardman.

JUNIOR ELEVEN.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.	
				For.	Against.
6	4	1	1	26	11

HOUSE MATCHES.

1st Eleven.	2nd Eleven.
Kay 5, Derby 2.	Kay 7, Derby 0.
Derby 14, Hulme 1.	Hulme 3, Derby 2.
Kay 17, Hulme 0.	Kay 10, Hulme 1.
Kay 9, Derby 3.	Kay 4, Derby 3.

OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

Non-Commissioned Officers :—Sergeants I. Wild, H. Wilde, W. Nuttall, W. Morris ; Corporals Maddox, Burgoyne ; Lance-Corporals Packman, Bradshaw, J. B. Wood, J. Nuttall.

Total parades and attendances for year ending September 30th, 1911, was 114. This does not include the class for N.C.O's.,

the class for Certificate "A," nor about 14 attendances for Musketry. 29 parades were held at 3-30—4-15 on Tuesdays. The parades consist of company parades, field-days, camp, drills for Royal Review, recruits' drills, drummers' and signallers' practices. 85 attendances were made in addition to the 29 on Tuesdays.

30 cadets of 15 years of age and over attended camp, for 10 days, at Aldershot, July 29—August 8th, with the Public Schools' Brigade. The weather was unusually hot, but the camp itself was excellent. We had a grand time viewing the many military sights of Aldershot for instructional purposes: The army airship—the Gamma—the aeroplanes, the new howitzers, said to be the best in any army, with their panoramic sights giving high angle, lateral and direct fire, the quick-firing guns and heavy batteries, the ration stores for all the troops in Aldershot, and from the spectacular point of view the finest of all, the Guards battalion parade, and the massed bands of Coldstreams, Grenadiers, Scots and Irish Guards.

This year, 1912, the conditions for the House Teams for the "Mellor Cup" will be those adapted for landscape targets. These targets represent a section of country to the skyline. White screens are placed above with faint outlines corresponding to the main features on the landscape.

The rifles are harmonised by preliminary experiments, and it is known at what height above the target the shot should strike the white screen. The landscape target is thus not damaged although aimed at. The Team Commander does not fire, but gives the indication of object. The team must recognise the object and fire within the time limit. Points are given for good indication, recognition and number of shots found, or close grouping of fire. The shooting will be carried out in March or April.

The examination for Certificate "A" will be held on March 11th, 1912, for written work on Infantry Training and Field Service Regulations. The following cadets have joined the class:—Wild, I., Nuttall, W., Morris, W., Maddox, Wood, Dykes, and Morris, R.

The musketry, with permission of Major Adair, will be fired on the 30 yards range with ball ammunition during March or April. Only senior cadets will be allowed to fire after passing the tests in aiming and trigger pressing.

The cost of camp amounted to £47 6s. 9d. The deficit balance was very generously covered by the Governors, and the cost would have been much higher, in fact £16 higher, but that we benefited to that extent by the pooling of all railway fares to Aldershot.

Major Strachan addressed the School on the subject of "Military Service," on November 14th, with Mr. J. L. Norton in the chair. The National Service League advocates that every man, rich or poor of all ranks, should serve, at 18 years of age, for 4 months in camp the first year, and about 14 days per year for the three years following. This would free the Navy now bound to our shores owing to our weak forces. The proposals are in the way of organisation and fairness to everyone, and are to be commended.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

CONGRATULATIONS.—C. G. Ainsworth, 1st M.B.; J. P. Ainsworth, Associate Member of Institution of Civil Engineers; F. H. Ashworth, married; H. Bentley, Inter. Accountants' Exam.; C. H. Bott, married; G. V. Buxton, Inter. B.Sc. (London) and married; F. S. Cockerill, Assistant Surveyor at Oldham (Land Act); A. Crompton, Final Law; C. Cronshaw, Bronze Medal; C. R. Chadwick, London Matric., 1st Divison; Dr. W. R. Douglas, House Surgeon at Salford Hospital and Surgeon Tutor at the Royal Infirmary; H. F. Farr, M.A. (Cantab); G. Forshaw, married; Dr. John Gow, House Surgeon at Royal Infirmary; N. Greenhalgh, B.Sc., Science Master at Grammar School, Antigua; H. C. Greenwood, M.Sc., Research work at Messrs. W. Hutton & Sons, Sheffield; N. Hall, Certificate "A," Manchester University O.T.C.; Wright Howarth, Senior Bankers' Institute Exam., £10 prize; L. W. Howlett, Final M.B., Ch.B., Hon. Physician and Surgeon, Hospital,

Weston-super-Mare ; Mr. James Kenyon, Freedom of the Borough of Bury ; C. G. Lees, Final M.B., Ch.B. (First Part) ; Dr. J. Parks, Mayor and Freeman of the Borough of Bury ; T. H. Seaton, Associate Member of Institution of Civil Engineers ; H. Taylor, Chairman of the Bleachers' Association and Vice-Chairman of the Bleachers' Federation ; J. Whittam, Final Law ; J. C. Wrigley, First-Class Clerkship, Indian Civil Service, Goldsmiths' Prize of £25, Senior Classical Master, High School, Dublin.

Captain A. W. Howlett, I.M.S., has been appointed Governor of the large Central Gaol, Agra. We understand there are some 1,800 convicts in the main buildings and 500 in the annexe.

Our Old Boys at Manchester University are working so strenuously that very little in the shape of news is forthcoming from our correspondent. He informs us, however, that Herbert Cartman is doing wonders in the realms of Dentistry and A. Lowe in the School of Engineering, while F. L. Burton is digging for Hebrew Roots when not lost in the mazes of Ethics and Metaphysics. May good fortune attend them.

The Head Master has received the following pamphlets published by H. C. Greenwood, M.Sc., an "old boy" of the School:—"The Production of Ferro-Alloys," from the Transactions of the Chemical Society, and "The Reduction of Refractory Oxides by Carbon," published by the same society. From the Proceedings of the Royal Society, there is an article on "The Proximate Determination of the Boiling Point of Metals"; from the Transactions of the Faraday Society (volume 7), has been reprinted a pamphlet on "The Boiling Points of Metals," which was a contribution to a discussion on high temperature work before the Faraday Society. Another pamphlet is a reproduction of a cutting of the Journal of Physical Chemistry published at Leipsic,

the title being "A Note on the Steam Press Curve and the Heating of Certain Metals."

On November 30th and December 1st and 2nd the Senior or Old Boys' Section of the School O.T.C., under Lieut. J. H. Sleigh, held a very successful Café at the Church House. Tobacco, flower and chocolate stalls were set up, presided over by relatives and friends of the Old Boys, and a capital programme was arranged for each evening. The effort realised the creditable sum of £82, to be devoted to the upkeep of the section. The Old Boys are to be congratulated on the success of this, the first venture of its kind.

Dr. C. M. Brown died on the Booth liner "Napo" at Iquitos, River Amazon.

CAMBRIDGE,

February, 1912.

Dear Mr. Editor,

Another academical year has begun, and whereas we have lost but one of our number, Wrigley, we have gained one in the person of Jones, who is a "fresher" at Christ's. He has opened his University career well, and we wish him luck. To all and sundry visitors to his rooms he demonstrates the practical proof of Newton's Law of Gravitation by well-devised experiments with pieces of sugar or coal falling in the direction of a policeman on point duty outside the College. On the athletic side he has played "soccer" and has scored a goal, much to the disgust of his own goalkeeper. On the intellectual side he is just commencing the study of mathematics.

Ainsworth is still with us, and divides his time between the dissecting-room and the "rugger" field.

Wood is spending his spare time in the acquirement of the terpsichorean art and also in the cultivation of bow neckties. We

also hear that he spends a good deal of his time in adjusting his cap by means of a portractor.

Wild is faced with the prospect of a tripos in the near future. We hear a prospect of his migration to Newnham.

Brown's card parties on Saturday evenings still continue to attract some of our brethren. He also continues as the best toast-maker amongst old Buriensians. He has been playing vigorous "soccer" and has been awarded his colours.

Norris has been seen outside the Castle, much to the disgust of Dawson.

Nothing really exciting has happened of late. The fifth of November passed off quietly, and the only possible chance of "ragging" was supplied by the visit of Dr. Torrey, and even that was allowed to pass.

CANTAB.

BASKET BALL.

Our play last term was not distinguished by many successes. We played 6 matches, won 1, lost 3, drew 2.

1. Bury *v* Oldham (at home) 1—1.
2. „ *v* Oldham (away) 4—2.
3. „ *v* Manchester H. School 3—5.
4. „ *v* Bolton High School 6—10.
5. Bury *v* Macclesfield. League Match 4—15.

This year we joined the Northern Schools Basket Ball League, and were drawn to play against Macclesfield in the first round. We lost mainly, I think, owing to their advantage in height. It was a good game, and the girls played their best, Hilda Metcalf in particular, as centre of the defence.

6. The 1st. XI Hockey Team Challenged us and a very close exciting game was the result. The score was 7—7. The Hockey Team had greatly improved in their play and gave us a great deal to do.

HOCKEY.

The First Eleven played three matches last term, the fourth fixture having been postponed owing to bad weather. Next year we hope to have more fixtures; several teams were unable to play us this year.

1st Eleven *v.* Withington Girls' School.

The first match of the season was played early in the term, on October 21st, against Withington Girls' School, on the opponents' ground. The result was a hard won victory for us, the goals being 2—1.

1st Eleven *v.* Oldham Grammar School.

On December 4th our team played against its sister school, Oldham Grammar School, and beat them 4—0. All fixtures with Oldham this year are being played on our ground, as theirs is under repair.

1st Eleven *v.* Whalley Range High School.

Whalley Range played against us for the first time this year on December 18th on our ground. We beat them 3—1.

1st Eleven *v.* Withington Girl's School.

This term, on January 27th, we played the return match against Withington on our ground. The first half was a keen fight and at half-time the goals were 2—0 in our favour. During the second half we seemed to have all our own way, and when time was up we had scored 6 to our opponents 0.

Return matches have been arranged later on this term with Oldham and Whalley Range, and two matches with "Bella Vista."

It is a great pity more clubs do not run a second team. Oldham is the only school this year that is able to produce a team to play us.

The Forms from IV B. upwards will play matches as usual for the shield, which is now shared by Forms V A. and VI.

2nd Eleven *v.* Oldham Grammar School 2nd Eleven.

On November 27th Oldham came to Bury to play us, and the match resulted in a victory for the home team, the goals being 4—1.

SPORTS.—(Girls).

The Sports were held in the playgrounds on Thursday, July 27th. Although these grounds are rather rough for flat races a fairly good track was marked out, and, in spite of a few showers, we had a very enjoyable afternoon. The mothers of the girls were invited and were entertained (by the girls) in the Central Hall. Mrs. Hill kindly distributed the prizes. The prize-winners were :—

Flat Race.—Under 10, H. Glenday ; under 13, M. Smethurst ; under 15, May Smith ; over 15, Mary Taylor.

Dressing Race.—Under 13, N. Glenday ; under 15, M. Barlow ; over 15, K. Brown.

Three-legged Race.—Under 13, N. Glenday and R. Watson ; under 15, M. Fitton and A. Yardley ; over 15, E. Rigby and K. Brown.

Egg and Spoon Race.—Over 15, Eva Forbes.

Shuttlecock Competition.—Under 10, P. Hall.

Obstacle Race.—Under 10, L. Smethurst ; under 13, R. Watson ; under 15, H. Metcalf ; over 15, E. Rigby.

Sack Race.—Under 13, M. Bridge ; under 15, A. Clay ; over 15, N. Orrell.

Potato Race.—Under 10, D. Smith ; under 13, N. Glenday.

Long Jump.—Under 13, M. Foers ; under 15, E. Price.

Skiping.—Under 13, N. Glenday ; under 15, H. Metcalf.

Cycling.—Winding, E. Price ; tortoise, J. Prince.

Relay Races — Junior School, Form III B. ; Middle School, Form IV A. ; Senior School, Form V B.

Hat-Trimming Competition.—E. Riley and K. Stephens.

THE ENTERTAINMENTS.

An entertainment in aid of the Sports Fund was given on Monday, February 5th, by the Junior School. Forms I., II. and III.B., contributed three scenes from "Alice in Wonderland," viz., "Painting the Roses," "The Duchess," "The Cook," and "The

Mad Hatter's Tea Party." As the part of Alice was too much for one girl to learn, Maidie Zucker took the part in the first two scenes and Emmie Tinline in the last.

All the children spoke their respective parts clearly and naturally; and judging from the laughter of the audience, the by-play was decidedly amusing, especially the behaviour of the Mad Hatter's guests, who were not at all polite, and were certainly not troubled with "company manners."

This was followed by scenes illustrating Indian Life taken from Longfellow's "Hiawatha." M. Broome, M. Foers, and N. Glenday successively took the part of Hiawatha as a child, a boy, and a man. The performance showed no little ability, and the dresses and grouping were excellent: the warriors in their war paint and feathers made a brave show. Some had borrowed from friends real mocassins, dangerous-looking clubs, and—shades of Fenimore Cooper!—a real scalping knife!

On Tuesday and again on Friday the elder girls gave an excellent rendering of scenes from "Cranford." These included "A Morning Call," "An Invitation," "Miss Barker's Tea Party," "The Burglar Scene," "The Bankruptcy," "The Return of Peter."

It is not easy, especially in these days, to recapture the spirit of "Cranford" and present it with any dramatic force. Its gentility and its refinement are elusive, and we are far from the days when the purchase of a new cap or an invitation to tea caused a real flutter of excitement. Nor do I think modern ladies roll balls under their beds as a precaution against lurking recumbent burglars!

Miss Matty was delightfully played by E. Glenday at the eleventh hour. E. Allen being ill, the part of Miss Mary Smith was taken by H. Metcalf, who deserves great praise for the way in which she rose to the occasion. Miss Pole (I. Hutchinson), Mrs. Forrester (K. Collins), Miss Betty Barker (G. Hodgson), all did so well that it is invidious to make any distinction; but mention must be made of the social tyrant, the haughty Honourable Mrs. Jamieson, whose slumber "loud and long" at

Miss Barker's Tea Party brought down the house, and her dog Carlo (in every-day life Sammy) behaved in an exemplary manner : he refrained from barking, and drank his milk at exactly the right moment. Martha (M. Clay) and Peggy (M. Watson) also contributed to the success of the evening.

Our many friends were most generous in lending us all kinds of delightful old dresses, shawls, and poke bonnets that had been treasured up for years and years. One dress owned to 160 years, and the dresses at the tea party were really quaint and beautiful. The costumes helped much to the effectiveness of the play, and our thanks are here given to all who helped in this way.

On the whole, the entertainments were a distinct success, and we have a good sum of £23 in hand for our various needs.

SCHOOL NOTES (Girls).

The following pupils left in July :—F. Whitehead, M. Wild, J. Ramsden, A. Wood, R. Barber, L. Brunskill, O. Budden, M. Chew, M. Brown, P. Stansfield, A. Lord, D. Smoult, S. Lucas, D. Jackson, D. Broome, M. Lomax, A. Higham, N. Orrell, M. Barrett, B. Taylor, D. Smith, M. Hyslop, M. Bolton, D. Taylor, D. Cunliffe, M. Lord, F. Pinkerton, G. Fowler, D. Thorp, I. Holden, D. Dixon, M. Smethurst, H. Dearden, H. Glenday, E. Roberts, N. Thorp, E. Price, D. Eckersall, A. Smethurst, E. Wisken, B. Howard, G. Chew.

The following have joined us this term :—W. Clegg, V. Ball, R. Lord, L. Watson, J. Laird, M. Heap, E. Collins, E. Grimshaw, M. Macpherson, K. Derry, M. Fenwick, M. Roxby, M. Binns, M. Ramage, F. Howe, E. Graham, S. D. Clegg, M. Bertwistle, B. Farrow, C. Bouchier, M. E. Riley, M. Hargreaves, Z. Battersby, W. Battersby, A. Dawson, L. Wolfenden, J. Ashworth, B. Nabb, C. Sharp, P. Sharp, I. Fitton, M. Johnson, E. Entwistle, A. Worsley.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.—*Joint Matriculation Board*.—

E. Glenday, J. Ramsden, M. Clay (Distinction in Mathematics). Others, already holding matriculation certificates, took supplementary papers in the following subjects:—F. Whitehead (higher papers in Eng. Lit., French, Latin, and the ordinary paper in Greek); M. Wild (higher papers in Eng. Lit., French, Latin); L. Brunskill (higher papers in Eng. Lit. and French); E. Wilkinson (higher papers in English—Distinction—and French, and the ordinary papers in Latin and Geography).

Oxford Locals.—The numbers sent in were not so large as usual—13 seniors, 13 juniors, 7 preliminaries—but the results are satisfactory. We especially congratulate D. Bedford, E. Riley, M. Pickstone and B. Bowden on the Distinctions gained. D. Bedford was 16th on the list. Results:—(Senior) K. Brown, E. Nuttall and L. Whitehead, Third Class Honours; W. Heath, D. Howard, A. Lord, S. Lucas, T. Rigby, D. Smoult, P. Stansfield, G. Whittle, Pass. (Juniors)—D. Bedford (1st Class Honours, Distinction in English), E. Riley (2nd Class Honours, Distinction in English), A. Clay and D. Jones (3rd Class Honours); E. Allen, E. Ashworth, M. Smith, M. Sykes, G. Whittaker, E. Wild, L. Burgess, Pass. (Preliminary), M. Pickstone (2nd Class Honours, Distinction in English, Geography, Arithmetic—1st on the list). I. Hutchinson (2nd Class Honours), B. Bowden (3rd Class Honours, Distinction in Geography), E. Smith, H. Rostron, H. Metcalf, E. Colley, Pass.

This year two Susannah Ramsbottom Scholarships have been awarded: Elsie Wilkinson, the Head of the School, holds one, and Eileen Glenday the other.

The Governors have given a Kay Exhibition to M. Wild, who is in residence at Newnham.

Doris Eckersall was placed eighth on the list of successful candidates in the recent examination for Post Office clerks, and has already begun her work at the Head Office in Manchester.

On the resignation of the original holder, L. Brunskill received half of a Hulme Scholarship at the University on the results of the Matriculation Examination.

Failing a Solomon to award judgment as to the ownership of a Silver Star won jointly by M. Clay and E. Wilkinson for a sheet of drawings sent in to the Royal Drawing Society, the said star has been mounted and framed, and hangs as a school trophy in the upper corridor.

Our thanks are here given to the Rector for the fine copy of Andrea del Sarto's "S. John the Baptist," which he kindly gave to the School. We were sorry that he was prevented by illness from presenting it in person. It is a very welcome addition to our picture gallery, and hangs in a good light. The original is regarded as one of the finest of the works of "the faultless painter."

In addition to our contingent at Owens, we have now three girls at Cambridge. M. Wild is reading classics, E. Sutcliffe, who already holds a Classical Honours degree at Manchester, has gone for a further course of study, and M. Whitehead is at the Cambridge Training College.

Of the girls who left in July, D. Broome is studying at the Manchester School of Cookery, J. Ramsden has taken up Dentistry, M. Brown is at the Ripon Training College, A. Lord is working for a musical degree, M. Chew is preparing to be a Kindergarten Mistress. It is pleasing to find so many of our elder girls ready to profit by the varied careers now thrown open to women.

Prize-givings are so much alike, that except to the prize-winner of the year, they are hardly to be differentiated except by the personality of the prize-giver. This year we were fortunate

enough to have secured Archdeacon Clarke of Rochdale in that capacity, and those who heard his earnest words of advice and admonition will not easily forget them.

The Rector, in his introductory remarks as chairman, told us, what many of us had not known before, that in the original statutes of the school provision was made for ten poor girls; not, of course, for their literary education, but probably that they too might not "go unwashed and uncombed," and might have a good start in life; and he left in our minds a picture of the contrast between the cramped and narrow life of the girl of that day and the glorious opportunities that await the girl of the present.

The Archdeacon touched upon both sides of school-life: the acquisition of knowledge and the formation of character. He urged upon us the necessity of knowledge as "the key" to an intelligent appreciation of the best things: the need for the "key" of knowledge to unlock the barriers of language that separate us not only from the thought of the ancients, but from much of the best thought of our own time. Then taking Tennyson's line as his motto, he set before us the need for "self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control" in the building up of character. Self-reverence was self-respect; self-knowledge gave warning of one's weak spots, and self-control gave mastery over them. The address was helpful and stimulating, and being delivered in simple language, it easily captured the attention of those to whom it was addressed.

Our thanks are due to Mr. James Kenyon for an admirable framed photograph of himself, by Lafayette. This latest gift to the Boys' section has been hung in the north corridor, and bears the following inscription:—

Yours very truly,

James Kenyon.

Governor, 1882. Treasurer, 1904.

M.P. for Bury, 1895—1902. Freeman of Borough, 1911.