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SCHOOL NOTES.

The following boys have left since our last issue:—

H. Barlow, W. Collins, H. L. Crabtree, W. Hulme, J. F. Kay,
H. I. Lord, L. Openshaw, W. Pickstone, F. Prophet,
A. O. S. Smith.

New boys:—C. Greenhalgh, J. Greenhalgh, E. V. N. Popple.

Pueri Auctoritatis Graves:—

Captain of the School: T. Eatough.

Prefects: T. Eatough, W. Morris, E. Singleton,
K. Simpkin, I. Wild.

Cricket Captains: 1st Eleven, T. Eatough; 2nd Eleven,
S. C. Jackson; 3rd Eleven, B. V. Brown.

E. Wolstenholme has gained a L.C.C. Senior Exhibition of £20 a year for two years, and W. A. Calvert and C. R. Hardman Junior Open Exhibitions. The Head Master, as Chairman of the Scholarships Sub-Committee of the L.C.C., had the pleasure of reading out at the general committee meeting the above successes of his own school.

The results of the Lancashire and Cheshire Institutes' Examination in French are to hand:—

Advanced.—Class 1: T. Eatough 92 marks (distinction), W. Morris 90 (distinction), J. B. Wood 89, K. Simpkin 88, J. Y. Smith 83, Ira Wild 82, J. M. Maddox 81. Class 2: E. Singleton 77, W. Pickstone 68, A. N. Phillips 65.

Intermediate.—Class 1: W. E. Rigby 86, E. Wolstenholme 81, T. W. Broughton, G. H. Lees, A. H. Marks, R. Morris, W. Scholes, 80 each. Class 2: A. Scholes 76, B. O. Binns 75,

S. C. Jackson 71, E. W. Hall, G. K. Hall, 70 each, G. H. Dykes, J. C. Jackson, 67 each, E. H. Heath and L. W. Wild 65 each. Pass: H. Spibey 63, L. Nolan, T. Silcock, 58 each, A. Lomax 55, W. Nuttall 52, T. H. Wardleworth 51, R. Byrom, J. E. Hartington, D. Sharp, 50 each.

Elementary.—Class 1: G. L. R. Brown, W. Hulme, 94 each, H. Heywood 91, J. W. Crawshaw 90, E. G. Heath 89, G. Haworth and H. Wild 87 each, J. Baxendale 86, S. A. Buxton and E. Hill 81 each, W. Bradshaw 80. Class 2: A. H. Croasdale 76, W. A. Calvert 74, F. Jackson 72, C. R. Hardman 70, J. Whittle 68, A. Bouchier, J. Morris and L. Wild, 67 each, G. Singleton and F. Stott 66 each, R. Calrow 65. Pass: A. Howard 62, T. H. Isherwood and N. Whitehead, 59 each, J. Hamer 53, H. A. Nuttall 51, F. Pickstone 50.

Class 1, 25; Class 2, 23; Pass, 15; total 63.

Congratulations to Mr. A. R. Allen, a former Master of Bury Grammar School, who has been appointed Head Master of the County School, Hereford.

Also to Mr. S. C. Rowland, who has obtained his M.A. Degree in Classics at London University.

The inscriptions on the Memorials in the Roger Kay Hall are as follows:—

1. "In loving memory of our
brave old schoolfellow,
Walter Rice Olivey.

Born at Sydney, N. S. Wales, March 19th, 1860.

He was a boy at Bury Grammar School from 1873 to 1878, when he joined the R. M. College at Sandhurst.

On Jan. 13th, 1880, he was made 2nd Lieut. in the 66th

Regiment and embarked for India March 10th.

At Maiwand July 27th while carrying the colours he was wounded and surrounded by the enemy

but he still kept the flag flying and with his colonel, five captains, and many brother officers fell at his post fighting to the last.

Frater Ave atque Vale."

2. "Robert Shepherd, Corpl. 7th (Queen's Own) Hussars. Died at Buluwayo, Rhodesia, Nov. 18th, 1896, of Enteric Fever after serving in the Matabele campaign. Aged 28 years."

"Frederick William Almond, Trooper 19th (Princess of Wales' Own) Hussars. Died of Enteric Fever January 26th, 1900, at Ladysmith, South Africa, during the siege. Aged 22 years."

"John Rothwell, Private 2nd Battalion King's Own (Royal Lancaster) Regiment. Died May 2nd, 1900, on Hospital Ship 'Simla' in Durban Harbour from wounds received at Spion Kop, South Africa. Aged 34 years."

"Dulce et Decorum est pro Patria Mori."

To the memory of Canon Evans, lately removed by what to most of us was an unexpected death, many tributes have been offered as to his character and ability. Some few words must be added in grateful memory of nearly 25 years' service as Governor of our School. This was a position most congenial to his training and temperament. Sprung from a family distinguished for scholarship and scholastic experience, winning at his University a first class in the Classical Tripos, he remained faithful to the best traditions of our Public School and University life, and never lost his interest in the culture and discipline of which our country is so justly proud. In practical proof whereof he sent four of his sons to our school, and was one of the most regular attendants at all meetings official and occasional of both Departments. His unaffected simplicity and humility which endeared him to so many friends may have led him to efface himself, so that many expected and desired for him a more distinguished position ; but that would have been dearly purchased if it obscured the courtesy, refinement, and innate dignity which all could recognise, and which won for him the affectionate loyalty of his parishioners and the esteem of people of all sorts and conditions who mourn his loss but will, we trust, cherish his memory as one who worthily represented the best type of an English Clergyman and gentleman.

The masters and boys of our School offer this unadorned but genuine tribute to one who so long thought about them and

served them, and their sympathy to his family in their irreparable bereavement.

The Competitions at the "House" Supper given by the Presidents on Monday, February 19th, resulted in a win for Hulme House with 1,038 marks. A picture by Archibald Thorburn has been presented to the successful House by the three Presidents.

The Bury Grammar School (Boys) has been approved by the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom for the purpose of registration, and has been added to the Council's list of Schools. It has for many years been approved by the College of Surgeons.

The following Elementary School Scholarships to Bury Grammar School have been awarded :—Hulme: J. W. Hall and H. L. Slater, St. John's, Bury. Kay: R. F. O'Neil, St. Thomas's, Radcliffe; H. Bennett, Peel Brow Council, Ramsbottom; W. Burton, Chesham; F. Merryfield, St. Chad's; A. Mills, Radcliffe Parish Church; J. Hamer, Peel Brow Council; F. Arnott, Elton Council; J. S. Davenport, Radcliffe Bridge Wesleyan.

The Rev. C. J. Woodhouse, M.A., Vicar of St. Peter's, Bury, has presented to the School Library twelve volumes of the works of Cicero.

We congratulate W. Morris on the successes he gained at the Public Schools' Athletic Sports held at Stamford Bridge, on April 17th. He was 2nd in the 100 yards and 3rd (1st in his heat) in the 440 yards. Had the programme been so arranged that he could have had more rest in between the races, there is little doubt that he would have secured a "first." However, wait and see!

We give the complete records of our five Football Elevens for the Season 1911-1912 :—

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.	
					For.	Against.
1st XI.	23	18	4	1	138	73
2nd XI.	23	17	3	3	111	68
3rd XI.	26	19	5	2	145	45
4th XI.	16	13	2	1	115	38
Junior XI.	7	5	1	1	27	12

Additional Football Colours have been awarded as follows:—

1st XI., E. Singleton ; 3rd XI., Haworth i., Foster, Nuttall i., W., Marks ii. ; 4th XI., Stott i., Whitehead, Peatfield, Heap.

Our Annual Founder's Day Service was held in the Parish Church on Monday, May 6th, the sermon being preached by Bishop Every of Argentina, an old Harrovian and school-fellow of the Rector of Bury. The Head Master read the Commemoration of the Founder and other Benefactors of the School, and T. Eatough, Captain of the School, read the First Lesson.

Bishop Every spoke to the scholars about love for their School. They must not think about their own welfare only, he said, but must think for the School, helping one another for the honour of the School, and doing their utmost to make it the pride of their town. The really important thing about any School was the kind of pupils it turned out. The School was a good one if its scholars were honest and truthful and fought the battle of life fairly and like men.

The Swimming Sports were held on Thursday, the 23rd May, Messrs. Norton, Warrilow, Hignett and Spivey again kindly acting as judges. The number, both of competitors and spectators, showed an increase on last year, and the events were well contested. The Two Lengths Handicap becomes increasingly popular, and this year four heats were necessary to sift the competitors. The Neat Dives were very good ; it must,

however, be remembered that the prize goes to the best *single* dive, and also that a *quick rise to the surface* adds to the efficiency of a dive.

The Hutchinson Cup passes from Derby to Kay (Kay 46 points, Derby 23 points). The winning of all three Relays by the same House sets up a record; and, as to records, in future we hope to be able to take the times of the Relays, and also of the Two Lengths Open Scratch, the latter race to be looked upon as a school championship, with a suitably inscribed medal for the prize.

RESULTS.

Junior relay race.—1, Kay House (Sleigh, Smoult and Taylor); 2, Derby House (Metcalf, Hartington ii, and Ward); 3, Hulme House (Kay iv, G. K. and Chadwick).

Middle relay.—1, Kay House (Stott ii, J., Hill and Foster); 2, Derby House (Whittle, Calrow and Broome); 3, Hulme House (Minton, Crompton and Marks ii, F. F.).

Senior relay.—1, Kay House (Eatough, Morris ii, R. and Morris i, W.); 2, Derby House (Smith i, Hartington i, and Buxton); 3, Hulme House (Wild i, Dykes and Maddox).

Two lengths open handicap.—Heat winners: 1, Whittle; 2, Hartington; 3, Taylor; 4, Marks.

Final.—1, Taylor; 2, Marks; 3, Whittle.

Neat Dive.—1, Whittle; 2, Taylor, R. P.; 3, Whitehead.

Two lengths open scratch.—1, Eatough; 2, Morris ii; 3, Maddox.

Plate Diving Competition.—1, Maddox; 2, Morris i, W.

E. A. Scott, Junior Science Master and Commanding Officer of the School O.T.C. left us at the end of last Term.

On Wednesday, April 3rd, in the presence of Masters and Boys, Wild i, I., on behalf of the Bury Cadet Corps, begged Captain Scott to accept a Smoker's Cabinet as a slight acknowledgment of his services at School and Camp, and in the hope that it would remind him of those who had served under him in the Corps.

Wood i, J. B. said he was sure they all knew the pains Captain Scott had taken with them during the years he had been

their Commanding Officer. He had spared no efforts to make the Corps a success, and had spared no trouble to give them a good time.

Captain Scott, in accepting the present, thanked the cadets very heartily for that token of their friendship. He would always remember the seven years he had been in Bury, and hoped the boys would support Mr. Spivey, their new Commanding Officer, as loyally as they had supported himself.

The Smoker's Cabinet bore a silver plate with the inscription: "Bury Grammar School, O.T.C., to Captain E. A. Scott, as a token of esteem, by present members of the Corps, April 3rd, 1912."

Mr. Scott's position as Junior Science Master has been filled by Mr. A. J. Nicholas, B.A., of Christ's College, Cambridge, who for the past two years has been in charge of the science side of Ranelagh School, Berkshire.

The following notices are taken from the "Western Command orders by Lieut.-General Sir Henry Mackinnon, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., Commanding-in-Chief":—

1. John Herbert Spivey to be Second-Lieutenant, for service with the Bury Grammar School Contingent, Junior Division, Officers' Training Corps. Dated 16th April, 1912.

2. Bury Grammar School Contingent, Junior Division, Officers' Training Corps—Second-Lieutenant John H. Spivey is granted the provisional rank of Lieutenant, with the pay and allowances of that rank. Dated 17th April, 1912.

MEMORABILIA.

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

Tuesday, 22nd October.—Speech Day. Prizes to be distributed by Bishop Welldon, Dean of Manchester.

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

LEADING LIGHTS.—III.

Hear, Land o' Cakes and brither Scots,
 Frae Maidenkirke to Johnny Groats ;—
 If there's a hole in a' your coats,
 I rede you tent it :
 A chield's amang you taking notes,
 And, faith, he'll prent it.

For the third of our series of biographies we take as our subject a worthy personage hailing from a more noteworthy town than that which gave us our previous "Lights."

Our hero was born in the year 1892 at "That other Village," as Heywood is sometimes called, and there his early life was spent. His fond belief in his apparent ultimate origin was betrayed in very early childhood, for he retained the short variegated petticoat of his reputed ancestors until long after the age at which such garb is general among the youth of this country. Indeed, even to-day, his vivid neck-gear on special occasions is accounted sufficient decoration for the Aldwych desert by the London County Council.

Before tracing his scholastic life it would be well to point out his own personal characteristics. First and foremost is a deeply-rooted love of contrariety; this is the dominant feature of his existence, which gives the key to his complex personality. Hardly less important is his proficiency in Art, whether pictorial or dramatic. The remembrance of these two proclivities is essential in criticising his career.

At his first school—Benfield Street Schools, Heywood—his artistic faculties were sedulously fostered by his schoolmaster, who was himself an enthusiast. He was well grounded in the rudiments and application of art, so well indeed that when our young hero turned his talent to caricature in sign and deed, Nemesis overtook that luckless pedagogue. So scathing was his satire that, in 1905, stung beyond endurance, the Dominie administered a gilded pill by persuading his tormentor to betake himself to the "Schole att Bury," where his gifts would have wider scope, and, incidentally, more adequate—er, rewards! For our part we thank that school-master.

In September, then, of that same year behold the barbarian, with a County Council Scholarship, at our gates, eagerly sizing up, D'Artagnan-like, the possibilities of this new world. His spirit of contrariety led him to join himself unto Form Lower Five A. whose pronounced disregard for the well-known forms and customs of antiquity would appear to accord with his own aims and aspirations. There he retired for a while from publicity. This retirement had two results. In the first place his tutors at the end of his first term reported his conduct "most exemplary," and thus gave the lie to the predictions of the Heywood Dominie. The more important result was our hero's first artistic success, the latter being a not infrequent result of such retirement among artists. In form, it was the graphic representation of the frenzies of a delirious dandelion, and was deservedly hanged (or hung?) in the west corridor.

A desire to belie the first impressions formed of him led him to assert himself in the following year. His laboratory exploits weeded out the less strong-minded of his fellows, and the remainder he led in many attempts to overthrow established beliefs and customs. In the then newly-revived Debating Society, he became head of a band of reformers, contrariety being the impulse and argumentative capability the medium. This bias towards reform led him to introduce caricature as a means of enlivening a dreary lesson, reinforced on occasion by dancing skeletons, ingeniously fashioned in cardboard. However, he solaced his outraged tutors by taking a First Class in the Junior Locals, a hitherto-unprecedented occurrence in the Upper Fifth.

After the summer holidays, he was elevated to the grandeur of the Lower Sixth which sobered him to such an extent that he soon proved himself eminently fitted for maintaining due order and decorum, and devoting himself to the public good. Although in the Lower Sixth, he gained a further Locals success and a more valuable Scholarship, his energies were mainly divided between the Art Room and the School Stage (we speak figuratively). Devotion to the former enriched our corridors; attention to the latter resulted in the nucleus of our store of stage scenery.

His Debating Society reputation led him to champion the Progressive cause in the earlier Election of 1910, with the result that the adverse majority was materially reduced. That the seat was not carried was not due in any way to a lack of energy or of conviction on his part. He was a pillar of the Debating Society, being an indefatigable Secretary and popular speaker.

As Captain of the 2nd Eleven, his keenness was no inconsiderable factor in our football excellence of to-day; his successes on the Sports field bear witness both to his prowess and to his House-Patriotism. So closely was he connected with all branches of our School life that his departure last year was a great loss to us, though he left us a rich store of example and honours.

He had set a seal to his scholastic achievements by gaining a Civil Service Appointment, and amid our hearty cheers and sincere good wishes he left our precincts for London, where the rest of the small but increasing body of old Buriensians will testify that "he's a' richt, ye ken."

For ourselves, it has been a labour of love to compile this incomplete sketch. We venture to hope that it will in some way, however small, serve to confirm our readers in their opinion of the general excellence of Kenneth McFarlane, presently of His Majesty's Estate Duty Office in London, sometime Scholar and Prefect of the Bury Grammar School in Lancashire.

H. B.

HEAD MASTERS OF BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

VII.

For the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. C. F. Hildyard there were twenty-five candidates. For the purpose of the final selection, a committee reduced the number to four, namely, Rev. Denis Barnard, Lancaster; Rev. Edward Hale Gulliver, London; Rev. George H. Statham, Bury

St. Edmunds ; and Rev. John Young, Kirkham. At a meeting held on January 15, 1877, the trustees of the school proceeded to the appointment of head master. After receiving the report of the selection committee, and having seen the aforementioned candidates, the choice of the trustees fell on the Rev. G. H. Statham. "Mr. Statham," it is recorded, "after much hesitation decided to refuse the appointment," and, a fresh election taking place, the Rev. E. H. Gulliver was chosen. On February 6 Mr. Gulliver was "inducted head master according to the form prescribed by the founder."

Born in the Island of St. Helena, on June 16, 1845, the Rev. E. H. Gulliver was the son of Captain Edward Gulliver, R.N. (a member of a naval family), by his wife Frances, daughter of James Hale, of St. Bees, Cumberland, a man of landed property, who claimed descent from the celebrated seventeenth-century Judge, Sir Matthew Hale. Mr. Gulliver was a pupil at St. Bees Grammar School (of which an "old boy" of Bury Grammar School, the late Rev. William Taylor Newbold, was head master from 1880 to 1903), where he obtained a scholarship in connection with Pembroke College, Cambridge, taking the degree of B.A. in 1865, and M.A. in 1872. He was ordained deacon (reading the lesson as senior deacon) in 1867, and priest in 1868, at York Minster, by Archbishop Thomson. His first curacy was at Rigby-Moorside, Yorkshire, 1867-68. He was the second of four curates at Holy Trinity, Stratford-on-Avon (Shakspeare's Church), 1869-71. He next accepted an offer from his late classical master, Canon E. H. Knowles—the Principal of St. Bees Theological College,—of the headmastership of the High School at Lahore, in the Punjab, with the assistant-chaplaincy, on which occasion he was presented with a purse of 120 guineas, his M.A. degree and hood, and many valuable books. Two of his sisters accompanied him to India, where he remained some years. On resigning the headmastership at Lahore, Mr. Gulliver was unanimously invited to fill the like position at the Bishop Cotton School, Simla, during the furlough of its head-

master, and he acted in this capacity from 1875 to 1877, when he returned to England. He was married while in India—at Bombay Cathedral, by the Bishop—to Esther Georgiana, daughter of Ellis James Gilman, of The Boltons, South Kensington. On her mother's side, through a marriage of her aunt, Mrs. Gulliver was connected with Bishop Selwyn, of New Zealand fame, and his name is perpetuated through some members her family. Two children were born to Mr. Gulliver in Bury. There were others: he had "his quiver full of them." Eleven sons and two daughters survived him.

Mr. Gulliver was strongly in favour of the drill system, and did something in this direction at the Bury School. One of the pupils under him here, who passed direct from this school to the Military College at Sandhurst, was the subsequent hero of Maiwand, Lieutenant Walter Rice Olivey, who was born (at Sydney) within a few miles of where Mr. Gulliver died. It has been said to me of Mr. Gulliver that "he had much influence with boys, emanating from a personality of great self-control and justice." His work in Bury, however, was not of long duration. After his several years' sojourn in India, the climate of South-east Lancashire proved most trying to him—probably engendering phthisis (to which he ultimately succumbed),—and considerations of health led him to resign the headmastership. His "intended resignation" was considered at a special meeting of the trustees on May 26, 1879, and his successor was appointed within six weeks. It was with a good deal of regret that the trustees lost Mr. Gulliver's services.

Seeking health in a sunnier clime, Mr. Gulliver went out to Australia. For some time he was acting-vicar of Christ Church, Ballarat, Victoria, and afterwards tutor of St. John's College, Auckland, New Zealand. He was an extempore preacher; he could write good verse, and he was a frequent contributor to an Australian publication. He died on March 28, 1894, at Penshurst, and was interred at Hurstville Church, about ten miles from Sydney, New South Wales.

A meeting of the Grammar School trustees was held on July 3, 1879, for the purpose of electing a head master in the place of Mr. Gulliver. Three candidates who had been selected by the sub-committee appointed to examine the applications presented themselves, namely, the Rev. William Henry Howlett, M.A., (Christ's College, Cambridge), second master of the Preparatory School, Boxmoor, and curate of Hemel-Hempstead ; the Rev. George Blackmore, B.A., (Queen's College, Cambridge), curate of Great Casterton, Rutland ; and the Rev. William Stabb Matthews, B.A., (Brasenose College, Oxford), head master of Kirkham Grammar School, in the Fylde. The choice of the trustees fell upon Mr. Howlett, and he entered upon his duties as head master on Monday, August 11, 1879. In the meantime—on July 28—Mr. Howlett was married at Arundel Parish Church to the youngest daughter of Thomas Yarrall Johnston Dally, a member of a family long and honourably connected with the county of Sussex, a relative of the famous prison reformer, Mrs. Elizabeth Fry, and one of whose ancestors was Mayor of Chichester.

The only son of George and Elizabeth Howlett, the Rev. W. H. Howlett was born on December 2, 1849, at Wicklewood, Norfolk. As a pupil at Perse Grammar School, Cambridge, in 1869 he gained a Scholarship in Classics, of £30, at Christ's College, Cambridge, and was admitted in October. At his college he won the second prize in 1870 and a Foundation Scholarship of £70 per annum ; in 1871, prize for Latin Verse and a Fishmongers' Exhibition ; in 1872, second prize, Theological Examination ; in 1873, Classical Tripos, 9th in 2nd class. He took the degree of B.A. in 1873, and M.A. in 1876. In the year after his admission to Christ's College he took part in the first game of Association football played at the University, on "Parker's Piece," and he played cricket with the College eleven in 1872-73. He was appointed secretary of the College Musical Society in 1872. In 1870-73 he sang in the College choir, where there stood on one side of him the present Bishop of Ripon

(Dr. Thomas Wortley Drury, late Bishop of Sodor and Man), and on the other side the present Garter Principal King-of-Arms (Sir Alfred Scott-Gatty, famous for his many musical compositions). In 1873-77 Mr. Howlett was classical master at the College, Ely, and during the last two years of that period he was also house master at St. Audrey's. He was ordained deacon, at Ely, by Bishop Woodford, in 1876; and priest, at St. Albans, by Bishop Claughton, in 1878. His first curacy was at Chettisham, Cambridgeshire, 1876-78, held in conjunction with the school-chapel at Ely; and he was curate of Hemel-Hempstead, Herts., from 1878 up to the time of his appointment to Bury Grammar School. In 1877-79 he was also second master at the Preparatory School, Boxmoor, Herts.

This chapter, the last of the series, would extend far beyond the limit permitted if an attempt were made to set forth the many notable successes of scholars who have been educated under the present head master and his excellent staff, a staff second to none among the Grammar Schools of Lancashire. But a few facts, illustrative of Mr. Howlett's activities and service outside his duties as head master, may be enumerated. His interest in the Bury Athenæum is well-known. He was president of that institution in 1887; he is a trustee-director; he may be regarded as founder of the Athenæum Operatic Society, of which he is chairman. The first meeting of the local branch of the Christian Social Union was held at his house (then in Silver-street), in 1891, and he has been secretary of the branch from the beginning. In March, 1892, with the help of Sir Henry James, M.P. for Bury (afterwards Lord James), he was instrumental in starting the Cadet Corps in association with the 5th Battalion Lancashire Fusiliers, the Cadet Corps having since taken the shape of a junior branch of the Officers' Training Corps. In the years 1900-1 he was a member of the Secondary Education Council of Convocation of York. He was sometime a member of the Bury Borough Education Committee. In the years 1903 to 1907 inclusive he was Chairman of Division XII.

of the Incorporated Association of Head Masters, and a member of the Council of the same Association from 1904 to 1908. Since 1910 he has been a member of the Education Committee of the Lancashire County Council—co-opted by the head masters and assistant masters of secondary schools. He is a trustee of the Bury Savings Bank. On Founder's Day (May 6th), 1912, he was elected President of the resuscitated Bury Grammar School Old Boys' Association: he had also been President of the Association at the outset, the first annual dinner having been held on January 30, 1895, but a period of "suspended animation" setting in some years later.

Signal events during Mr. Howlett's headmastership have been the scheme, approved by the Education Department in August, 1899, for the Kay and Hulme amalgamation and a new constitution of the Grammar School; the taking over by the Governors, on April 23, 1900, of the High School for Girls (Bolton-street), now the "Bury Grammar Schools (Girls)," Miss J. P. Kitchener still filling the position of head mistress; the erection of new school buildings in Tenterden-street, from the design of Mr. W. Venn Gough, of Bristol (the boys' school being formally opened by the late Frederick Earl of Derby on December 17, 1903, and the scholars assembling there for the first time—after the Christmas vacation—on Tuesday, January 19, 1904; the Hon. Arthur Stanley, M.P., aforesaid Earl, opening the girls' school on January 17, 1906, the corner stone of the last-named school having been laid on November 2, 1904, by Mr. Henry Whitehead, of Haslem Hey, then High Sheriff of Lancashire); the laying of the foundation stone of the new central (Roger Kay) hall, the gift of Mr. H. Whitehead, on June 25, 1906, by Lord Stanley, the present Earl of Derby; the opening of the same hall on March 7, 1907, by Lady Stanley, now Countess of Derby; and the opening on June 24, 1907, by Mr. H. Whitehead, of the school rifle range, the gift of Mr. Thomas Kay, of Stockport.

As in the case of a near predecessor (Rev. C. F. Hildyard), Mr. Howlett's four sons were scholars at the Grammar School, viz., Captain Arthur Waltham Howlett, M.B., Ch.B., (Victoria University, Manchester), of the Indian Medical Service, now Governor of the Central Convict Goal, Agra ; Lieutenant Charles George Howlett, M.B., Ch.B., (Victoria University), Indian Medical Service ; Leslie William Howlett, M.B., Ch.B., (Victoria University), resident surgeon, Weston-super-Mare Hospital ; and Charles Yarrall Howlett, Alberta, Canada.

In all the three centuries of its existence the Bury Grammar School has had only two head masters whose length of service has exceeded Mr. Howlett's ; and he is now well within two years of reducing that number.

WILLIAM HEWITSON.

THE RUBAIYAT OF HOMER CAYENNE.

1. in the yer anno domini 1912
2. Inthe spring ofthe yer, ven all wus sobutiful,
3. The birdssingin g pretily on orlovthe oustops,
4. . . . i forsooth payed avis it untoa larj toun
5. The naym ofit Bury, the luke ofit midlin.
6. Anther idid phindinit a structure of brix solarj anso cumly
7. Thati nit i enterd to se wotitwas lik,
8. Anther i did se meny things stranj
9. Men larg anstaytly to bois smallan livly
10. Ofal shayps ansises phrom bigwuns to littlewuns an phatuns
to thinnuns
11. Varying muchly but orlovthem chereful.
12. But wun in partikular a yūthe tall and kumly
13. Whos chekes wer so ruddie anwhos hair wos unkempt

14. Smuthe of tung wus this phair lukin yūth
15. he was kaptin theytol dme
16. Ov kriket and phutball owwich i no knuthin.
17. they allkall them gaymes ov skyl
18. anenduyrence.
19. Atthem he did shyne abuv most ovis phelowse
20. The phayre mayds adoared him as Adonis ov yore.
21. But he wos not avinany anleft them phor lorn.
22. Anuther ther wos ye knut at ye classiks
23. swipht futed Achilles angrāt
24. At ye jumpe.
25. e wun meny priz is
26. Phrom cups down to pokitnives anthey cald im anib.
27. Styl anuther wosther whos naym wos anod wun
28. Hys naym itwos ma docks anforsooth e did lūkit
29. E did kolekt wakinstyx witha dele ov suksess
30. the delyte of the laydes.
31. He inturn loved them but thro his grate yuth he perforce
32. adto waytabit.
33. Then came the jaybee a striplin ov orksher
34. Atall yuth analso a bugshuter ov meritte,
35. Anphrom the sayme vyllaj atall yuth kald nohlahn
36. Kaym daly along withim anwos rather bukolik
37. is voyse wos so gruph
38. Lik that ov a kabbie anis lukes did belie im.
39. A phayre yūthe naymd Yawksmyth ov kumly ap pereance
40. Whose phays wos al smyles
41. e did much debaytin
42. Andatit wos kwitanut
43. Then there wos unkle noend ov a nib
44. Whos swete ways ansly smyls did verimuch damaj
45. Tothe susseptibul harts ovmani phayre damsels
46. But he kārd notajot anwent onis wā.
47. Meni mohr wer ther but i kannot relayt them
48. Mi buk is now dun ani must givover.
49. Thus endeth the Rubaiyat of Homer Cayenne.

SCHOOL REGISTER (*Continued*).

- Joseph son of Robert Wood, . . . New Road—removed from Lower School, Easter 1845.
- Thomas son of Thomas Bott, Surgeon, Bury—removed from Lower School Xmas 1844, *æf.* 12.
- Edwin son of John Rawdin, Exciseman—removed from Lower School Jan^y. 1845, *æf.* 13.
- James son of Henry Henshall, Superintendant (sic) of Police—removed to Upper School Jan^y. 1845.
- Alfred son of Beardmore Baldwin, Clarke Street, 12—removed from Lower School Easter 1844.
- John son of Richard Battersby, Woollen Manufacturer—removed from the Lower School Xmas 1844, *æf.* 12.
- John Kay son of John Lord, Draper, Square—removed from Lower School Xmas 1844, *æf.* 13.
- William Robert son of the Rev^d. Joseph William Inchbald, Minister of St. Mary's, Rochdale. Ent^d. Jan^y. 1845.
- Thomas Charles son of the Rev^d. Joseph William Inchbald. Ent^d. Jan^y. 1845—Entered Brasenose Coll., March 1849.
- James son of——Sidebottom, Esq., Etheson House near Mottram, Cotton Merchant. Ent^d. 1845—went afterwards to the Rev. S. V. Boutflower, Seaforth.
- George son of the Rev^d. E. Verdon, Incumbent of Tottington . . . 1845 Removed to Clergy School, Rossall.
- Edward son of the Rev^d. E. Verdon—removed to the Lower School.
- James son of Wm. Roberts, Bookkeeper, Kirklees—removed from Lower School 1845.
- Samuel son of James Kay, Tailor, Heywood—removed from Lower School Jan^y. 1846. Left August 1847.
- George son of George Moscrop—removed from the Lower School.
- John Russell son of John Walker of Belle Vue, Bury, Merch^t. Removed from the Lower School 1845.
- Robert son of——White, London(?), and nephew of Mr. Perrin, Railway Engineer.
- Francis son of Thomas Nuttall.
- Robinson son of Handel Greenhalgh, M.D.

CRICKET.

FIRST ELEVEN.	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
	13	7	4	2

The play of the Senior Eleven has on the whole been quite good this season, and as we have only four members of last year's Eleven with us, the above results may be considered very satisfactory. On the other hand, we have suffered four defeats, one of which ought certainly to have been avoided. Eatough has been a tower of strength in batting, being the most consistent member of the team, while Lomax and Hill have made several very useful scores. The strength of the side, however, has undoubtedly been the bowling. Here Lomax and Eatough have done remarkably well in nearly every match, in spite of the fact that many of the wickets have been on the soft side and have not, therefore, helped a fast bowler like Lomax. Jones, Hill and Nolan have proved quite useful as change bowlers, Nolan especially. Fielding has at times been rather slack, returns to the wicket, for instance, being very inaccurate. This part of the game is very important, and often goes as far to win a match as batting and bowling. Hartington has proved quite a capable wicket-keeper. Colours have been awarded to Lomax.

A Cricket Week has been arranged for the end of Term, matches being booked for the 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th of July against the Old Boys, Rev. J. W. Marsh's XI., Hulme Grammar School (Manchester), and the Doctors, respectively.

SECOND ELEVEN.	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
	7	3	4	0

We have been rather unfortunate in having no fewer than six matches cancelled owing to wretched weather. Opening the season against Farnworth Grammar School 1st at home, we lost an exciting match by 116—110, and sustained a further defeat at the hands of Stockport Grammar School 1st the following week. We have twice beaten Manchester Grammar School 3rd Eleven, and have also beaten Salford Technical School. The remaining matches, against Manchester Hulme and Blackburn Grammar

Schools have resulted in losses. Dykes has been our most consistent bowler; indeed, he has bowled well in every match. In batting, J. Stott's 60 against Manchester stands out pre-eminent, but Buxton, Scholes and Haslam have made some useful scores.

The THIRD ELEVEN have been rather handicapped through having several of their best players taken at times for the Second Eleven. An interesting match was played with Stand Grammar School, ending in a tie. Heaton Moor College were defeated, but both North Manchester and Kersal ended in losses. Baxendale was the most reliable batsman, Marks, F. Stott and Wild doing most of the bowling.

OPEN LETTERS.

No. VII.

TO REV. W. H. HOWLETT, M.A.
(Headmaster, The Bury Grammar School).

DEAR SIR,

It is not for a moment to be presumed that you have paid any attention to these exceedingly humble letters to Bury's citizens. And yet it would not be surprising if you had shown some interest in them; for, as I have written previously, I am an old pupil of yours.

It was under your eye and the eyes of your colleagues that I learned to write a grammatical sentence; that I learned what very little I know of French; that I first wandered tentatively along the tortuous paths of experimental science. I even remember construing actually a Latin author (with an unlearned halting, it is true) in your august presence. And if I have any regard for the literary turn of a phrase or sentence, it is in some measure due to you and to one of your assistants, who is also a clergyman. There were, however, some subjects for which neither you nor your able assistants could kindle a zeal in my mind.

Of course, it would be idle for me to pretend that all my recollections of school life were pleasant and happy. There was a care! But the softening influence of time has toned down to their true proportion the things that one time loomed large in my boyish mind. Thus, I am enabled to look back upon these days as a period during which discipline was made as little irksome as possible and tasks were

LIGHTENED BY KINDNESS.

When I read "Nicholas Nickleby," Mr. Wackford Squeers means nothing to me from my own experience. Of the terrors of the censorious pedagogue, I am happily ignorant.

When I see you in the street your figure does not recall the schoolmaster to me. For some reason, the common notion of the pedagogue is that of a tall, lean, and rather sharp-featured person. Shakspeare, too, conceived of him as an ascetic and ill-nourished being. But your figure shows no generosity of stature; you are not lean, or pale, nor are you stern-looking. Instead of an anxious look, you bear a good-humoured frankness. You might pass for a very successful business man, if it were not for the clerical hat.

A true son of your alma mater, you have a profound respect for the virtue of a University education; and a pupil destined for one of the 'Varsities is sure of your warm regard and personal interest. You possess the happy knack of being able to engender in your scholars a veneration for their school. None of them ever forget they were Grammar School boys. Always have I found them jealous of its honour and delighting in guarding its reputation. In Bury we are fond of bragging about our Grammar School, and it is no empty and vaunting boast. There is no shame in its record. Its pupils are to be encountered in many Universities, and their preformances at these places have consistently reflected credit to themselves and added to the ample good name of the school. The honours board does not lack names.

Under your eye, cleverness is never in danger of being overlooked. You are eagle-eyed in your

SCOUTING FOR CLEVER BOYS.

I have seen you peregrinate from form to form in the hunt for boys destined at some future time to win scholarships. How successful you are is shown by the constantly recurring paragraphs in the local press headed "Grammar School Successes." You believe, I know, in the value of advertisement. But while pursuing the brilliant boy to his lair, you do not quite forget the ordinary industrious plodder. These come in for a share of your attention, and the success of some of these justifies your reputation, for indeed it is by such pupils that a master should be judged. The clever boy will often make his way himself.

You believe prodigiously in athletics, in the proper apportionment of work and play. It is none of your scheme to have Jack a dull boy. To earn your approval, a scholar must not only be persevering and assiduous in his attentions to an extensive and almost illimitable curriculum, but must also display some zest for the "playing fields." "Mamma's darlings" (this is your own phrase) are none of your fostering: you are training boys to be men, to take a man's place in the world, and not to meander grumpily through life as "wet blankets" and everlasting "kill-joys." You put the

STAMP OF CITIZENSHIP

upon your pupils. I recall, too, your curtness of speech. You had a sharp, staccato way of saying "Boy!" which seemed to freeze any meditated breach of discipline before it could occur. Some of your pupils may, on this account, have regarded you as a severe sort of person, but I think it was more a mannerism than anything else.

The schoolboy of to-day may still be seen with "shining morning face," but no longer does he "creep unwillingly to school." You and your confreres have changed all this. School has now more attractions and interests than ever it had before. A race of broad-minded masters have sprung into being and have swept

away the cobwebs from the old and dusty scholastic principles. Invigorated by new ideas and scientific methods, education has become a vital force. The master's influence has supplanted the magistral cane. Knowledge is assimilated by the scholar, not thrust down by the fear of the birch. Learning has at last become a natural process.

It may be that in this letter there is much of the Grammar School and little of you. That is because it is difficult to dissociate the two. You are the school, the school is you. And that, I venture, even in my humility, to say is as it should be.

ONLOOKER.

[Reprinted from the *Bury Times* of 23rd March, 1912].

THE SPORTS.

The Annual Sports were held on Friday, June 21st, the track being in excellent condition although heavy rain had fallen the day before. As the heats had been run off previously in every event, except the obstacle, winners received prizes. Some very good running was witnessed, several of the finishes being most exciting. In the Open Half-mile (Scratch), for instance, the three prize-winners reached the tape in a bunch, while in the Open 440 (Scratch) and the Mile, Maddox i, and Eatough fought most strenuously for second place. Morris i. again carried off the Senior Championship, and had he been extended more, instead of in most cases an easy winner, his times would have been remarkably good. Hartington ii. did well to win the Junior Championship and, with his great staying powers, should turn out a first-class runner. The Senior Jump was an interesting event Morris winning with 4 ft. 7½ ins., afterwards clearing 4 ft. 11 ins. in an exhibition jump; Maddox, Wood and Hartington also jumped well. The Relay Race excited great interest and was keenly contested. In the Senior Long Jump Morris i. created a fresh record with 18 ft. 10¼ ins, followed by an exhibition jump of 19 ft. 9⅜ ins.

The attendance was above the average and the enthusiasm put in by the boys caused the events to go with a swing. The band of the Lancashire Fusiliers played selections at intervals and was much appreciated by all. In the unavoidable absence of Colonel Hall, who was detained in the Courts, the prizes were distributed by the Rector of Bury, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was accorded on the motion of the Head Master, seconded by Mr. M. N. Kenyon.

The officials were :—President, the Rev. W. H. Howlett ; judges, Colonel Hall, the Revs. J. C. Hill and C. E. Renshaw, Superintendent Pickering, Major Adair, Messrs. M. N. Kenyon, T. R. Bertwistle, A. Collins, J. L. Norton, Percy Woodcock, V. Heap and C. R. Scholes ; steward of the course, Mr. E. S. Warrilow ; timekeepers, Messrs C. H. Sprankling, A. J. Nicholas and J. Hignett ; points steward, Mr. J. Hignett ; competitors' steward, Mr. A. C. Round ; prize stewards, Messrs. S. C. Rowland and Rigby i, W. ; hon. secretary, Mr. R. D. G. Denning ; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. H. Spivey.

RESULTS.

Appended are the results of the various events ; the letter in parenthesis denoting the House to which the competitor belongs—Derby, Hulme, or Kay :—

High Jump (under 13).—1, Kay iv, (H) ; 2, Hartington ii, (D) ; 3, Sleigh (K) ; height, 3 ft. 5½ ins.

100 Yards Scratch Race (under 15).—1, Haworth i, (D) ; 2, Marks ii, (H) ; 3, Heap (H) ; 13⅔ secs.

220 Yards Scratch Race (open).—1, Morris i, (K) ; 2, Hartington i, (D) ; 3, Wood (K) ; 25⅔ secs.

100 Yards Scratch Race (under 13).—1, Hartington ii, (D) ; 2, Kay iv, (H) ; 3, Whittaker (D).

440 Yards Scratch Race (under 15).—1, Marks ii, (H) ; 2, Brown ii, (D) ; 3, Heap (H) ; 1 min. 9⅔ secs.

100 Yards Scratch Race (open).—1, Morris i, (K) ; 2, Maddox (H) ; 3, Wood (K) ; 12 secs.

440 Yards Scratch Race (under 13).—1, Hartington ii, (D) ; 2, Metcalf (D) ; 3, Morris iii, (K).

Half-mile Scratch Race (under 15).—1, Foster (K); 2, Stott ii, (K); 3, Stott i, (K); 2 min. $49\frac{1}{5}$ secs.

Half-mile Scratch Race (open).—1, Maddox (H); 2, Eatough (K); 3, Buxton (D); 2 mins $24\frac{1}{5}$ secs

Obstacle.—Heat winners: Hilton (D), Bott (K), Wild i, (H), Simpkin (K), Greenhalgh (K), Rogerson (H), Smoult (K), Brown G. (K). Final: 1, Hilton (D); 2, Rogerson (H); 3, Greenhalgh (K)

High Jump (under 15).—1, Hill (K); 2, Stott i, (K); 3, Heap (H); 4 ft. $2\frac{1}{2}$ ins.

440 Yards Scratch Race (open).—1, Morris i, (K); 2, Maddox (H); 3, Eatough (K); $59\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

Potato Handicap (under 10).—1, Holmes (D); 2, Roberts (D); 3, Taylor D. P. (K).

440 Yards Handicap (under 15).—1, Bott (K); 2, Whitehead (K); 3, Hamer (K).

Relay Race.—1, Kay House; 2, Derby House.

220 Yards Handicap (under 11).—1, Hall J. (H); 2, Bott (K); 3, Taylor vi, (K).

Half-mile Handicap (open).—1, Jackson S. (K); 2, Packman (H); 3, Wild i, (H).

High Jump (open).—1, Morris i, (K); 2, Wood i, (K); 3, Maddox i, (H); 4 ft. 7 ins. (exhibition jump 4 ft. 11 ins.)

100 Yards Scratch Race (under 11).—1, Holmes (D); 2, Bott (K); 3, Hall iv, (H); 15 secs.

One Mile Scratch Race (open).—1, Morris i, (K); 2, Maddox (H); 3, Eatough (K).

Mile Cycle Handicap (open).—1, Crompton (H); 2, Wild i, (H); 3, Nuttall i, (H); 3 mins. $11\frac{4}{5}$ secs.

Old Boys' 100 Yards Race.—1, F. Smith; 2, E. Jones; 3, F. Buxton.

House Tug.—Kay beat Hulme.

Long Jump (open).—1, Morris i, (K), 18 ft. $10\frac{1}{4}$ ins. (exhibition, 19 ft. $9\frac{3}{8}$ in.); 2, Hartington i, (D); 3, Maddox i, (H).

Long Jump (under 15).—1, Hill (K), 15 ft. $7\frac{3}{8}$ ins. 2, Crompton (H); 3, Heap (H).

Long Jump (under 13).—1, Hartington ii, (D), 13 ft. $3\frac{7}{8}$ ins. ;
2, Ashworth (K) ; 3, Pickstone (H).

Senior Champion :—Morris i, (K), 66 points.

Junior Champion :—Hartington ii, (D), 41 points.

Champion House :—Kay, 226 points.

SCHOOL CUPS.

“Blackburne” (Cricket), “Wike” (Football), “Whitehead” (Sports), “Hutchinson” (Swimming), and “Mellor” (Shooting), all held by Kay House ; “School” (Athletics), Morris i, (K) ; “Haworth” (220 Yards Open Scratch), Morris i, (K) ; “Bruce” (440 Yards Open Scratch), Morris i, (K).

PENTATHLOS.

We knew our time was coming
If we only waited, strong ;
So we waited—How we waited !
Till Kay House “came along.”

We started at the bottom ;
Steady, without a stop,
We slowly climbed, and dogged,
Till Kay House came out top.

All honour to the climbers
Who’ve reached the top at last,
And honour too to all Kayans
Who’ve helped us in the past.

And now we’ve reached the summit,
We’ll hold it might and main,
Lest unawares those weary days
Come creeping back again.

OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS.

On the afternoon of May 6th (Founder’s Day), the Grammar School Contingent, Lieutenant Spivey in command, took part in operations with regulars from the barracks. We formed the

Advance Guard of a Convoy moving from Manchester to Haslingden *via* Ainsworth. The regulars represented bodies of raiders, and our duty was to drive them a sufficient distance from the Starling road for the Convoy to pass in safety and without stoppage. We accomplished our object at about 4 p.m., and Major Adair then gave a criticism of the operations. He said that our firing and the use we made of cover were excellent, but that in reinforcing a firing line, instead of filling up the gaps and thus increasing the thickness of the fire, we prolonged the line at each end, our fire thus becoming scattered, and losing in efficiency.

The Cadets were inspected on May 11th by Major Percival, D.S.O. For the first time since the establishment of the Officers' Training Corps, the Bury Contingent was honoured by an Officer direct from the War Office.

Major Percival arrived at 3 o'clock, inspected the cadets and witnessed the march past. Subsequently, he watched some extension movements in order to see if fire control were effective, and at the same time he had the signallers under observation. At the end, he addressed a few remarks to the corps on their work, and then visited the armoury and the rifle range, leaving Bury again about 5 o'clock.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

CONGRATULATIONS.—W. Bott, Manager, Rawtenstall Branch of the Union Bank of Manchester Ltd.; S.V. Brown, Class II., Part I., Natural Science Tripos, Cambridge; H. Cartman, 1st Professional L.D.S. (England), 2nd Exam., L.D.S. (Manchester), 2nd place in Operating, Junior 'Fletcher' Prize for Operating, Dental Mechanics and Metallurgy; T. Chantler, a daughter; T.O. Coupe, M.A. (Camb.); R. D. G. Denning, success of the Old Boys' Dinner, Founder's Day; C.E. Diggle, married; R.G. Glenday, Class II., Part II., Natural Science Tripos, Cambridge; H. C. Greenwood, D.Sc. (Victoria); N. Hall, B.Sc., 2nd Class Honours in Chemistry (Victoria); V. J. Harding, D.Sc. (Victoria); F. Hopkinson, Final L.D.S. (England); E. Jones, Class I., Part I., Mathematical Tripos,

Cambridge ; E. B. Lee, Civil Service, Excise Appointments, 49th out of 1,350 candidates ; A. S. Newbold, B.Sc., 3rd Class Honours in Chemistry (Victoria) ; Leon Orr, married ; M. Parkinson, Inter. Exam. of the Auctioneers' Institute ; C. Perham, Private Secretary to the Permanent Secretary of the Admiralty ; T. H. Seaton, Assoc.M.Inst. C.E., the Professional Associateship Exam. of the Surveyors' Institution ; J. W. Smith, married ; A. E. Wild, Class II., Division I., Classical Tripos, Cambridge, his L.C.C. Senior Scholarship of £60 being continued for a fourth year ; J. C. Wrigley, First-Class Clerkship, Home Civil Service, under the Local Government Board ; W. Wood, Lent Colours for the Downing College Boat.

Hearty congratulations to Colonel Henry Fishwick, of Rochdale, one of the oldest "old boys" of Bury Grammar School, who was 78 on March 9th last.

Frank Crawshaw is fourth engineer on the "Ardmount," trading between England and the South American ports.

Very sincerely do we regret the death on June 18th of Canon Evans, one of the Governors of the School and Vicar of Walmersley for nearly forty years.

Also of Mr. James Crossley, formerly manager of Derby Street and Crimble Mills, who died at Blackpool, June 3rd.

The surplus of the subscriptions to the two School Memorials is to be devoted to the purchase of an "Old Boys' Challenge Cup" for the mile race.

It is hoped that Old Boys will do all they can to extend the sale of the School Magazine, especially as several pages of each issue are devoted to their interests. The following names and

addresses of a few of the more recent subscribers are appended by way of encouragement :—W. Percy Ashworth, 26, Alexandra Road, Southport ; W. Bott, Fernsholme, Walmersley Road, Bury ; G. V. Buxton, 318, Hornby Street, Bury ; Rev. E. Hartley, South Lawn, Crosby, near Liverpool ; Sydney Webb, Clayton House, Piccadilly, Manchester ; H. A. Woodhead, Williams Deacon's Bank, Bury.

Probably the one event that many of us will specially associate in our minds with the current School Term is the Old Boys' Dinner held on Founder's Day in the Bury Town Hall. Old Boys and present and past Masters turned up in goodly numbers, and a thoroughly representative gathering was the result. The success which attended the function, and especially the enthusiasm displayed by all present, must be particularly gratifying to the Committee, for the dinner was intended to be the first step towards the resuscitation of the Old Boys' Association. The following proposals were put to the meeting and carried unanimously :—(1) That the Old Boys' Association be revived ; (2) that an annual dinner be held on 6th May, at a charge of 3/- ; (3) that a Secretary and Treasurer and a second Secretary (from the Staff) be appointed by the "old boys" ; and (4) that a Committee of "old boys" be formed, comprising representatives for each of twelve periods of years ranging from 1845 to 1910. The following Committee was then appointed : Messrs. John Downham, H. T. Bull, F. Metcalf, J. Brown, W. Ashworth, H. Ashworth, V. Nuttall, H. Whitehead, J. W. Burgoyne, J. R. Crompton, J. H. Sleight, R. S. Ashworth, and W. Anderson, with Messrs. P. S. Howarth and R. D. G. Denning as Hon. Secretaries. May success crown their efforts !

Appended is a list of those present at the dinner, and the periods at which they left the school :—1845-1870 : Alderman J. Battersby, R. Ormerod, S. Kay, Rev. W. H. Howlett,

J. Downham, R. Peel. 1870-1880: Councillor W. Bridge, R. Pollitt, W. J. Beaven, T. Hope, S. H. Renshaw, C. R. Scholes, H. Simpkin, F. Yates, J. Battersby, H. T. Bull, H. Cass, W. Peers, W. Crompton, J. D. Mould, Rev. E. J. S. Lamburn. 1880-1883: F. Metcalf, T. H. Cornall, H. Hall, Rev. J. A. Lauria, H. Yates, J. Moore. 1883-1886: F. Cartwright, S. Woodcock, C. Vickerman, H. P. Roberts, J. Brown, R. W. Wood, J. Heywood. 1886-1889: J. H. Peel, W. Ashworth, T. G. Barlow, T. Speight, A. P. Nuttall, W. Hart, A. Coulthurst, E. Alcock, E. Ashworth, E. W. Andrew. 1889-1892: F. A. Woodcock, R. B. Rigby, W. A. Barnes, E. O. Mosley, C. Wood, H. Ashworth, J. Ashworth. 1892-1895: W. A. Hewitson, H. Heywood, T. D. Nuttall, A. H. Gregson, J. Pixton, C. H. Greenhalgh, W. V. Heap, J. H. Peacock, jun., T. Chantler, H. Holt, V. H. Nuttall, H. Hopkinson, F. M. Bentley, P. Cook, C. Hill, R. Kay. 1895-1898: H. Holt, J. Hall, C. R. Bardsley, R. Millett, P. S. Howarth, H. Whitehead, G. Clough, T. Downham, J. Robinson, A. H. Peacock, F. W. Howarth, N. Nuttall, H. Horrocks, S. Hopkinson, H. Haslam, W. R. Douglas, G. B. Murgatroyd, J. L. Norton, R. D. G. Denning, E. S. Warrilow, A. J. Nicholas. 1898-1901: R. W. Butcher, G. Geldard, S. Webb, G. T. Ingham, J. W. Burgoyne, J. Seddon, W. T. Heaton, T. Seaton, C. Ashworth, H. Crawshaw, G. Crawshaw, J. H. Wild, G. Hall, E. Rothwell, J. R. Crompton, J. Ashworth, A. W. Blomley, J. P. Ainsworth, P. Rogers. 1901-1904: A. Nuttall, J. R. Brierley, H. V. Holt, T. H. Sellen, J. Crowther, J. Sleigh, G. Jobson, H. Hope, A. Fitton, C. K. Holden, H. Twelves, M. Taylor, F. Greenhalgh, G. M. Blacow, J. Whittam, W. Whittaker. 1904-1907: J. K. Bridge, J. Shaw, B. Spencer, H. Orrell, J. Grindrod, R. Smith, Conrad Hill, H. Stott, S. W. Howarth, H. Downham, W. Sleigh, S. Ramsbottom, C. Blomley, Wright Howarth, J. H. Spivey, J. Hignett, J. V. Hardman, C. B. Rigby, C. Peacock, R. S. Ashworth, S. C. Rowland. 1907-1910: G. Lord, E. L. Southam, G. R. M'Farlane, M. Parkinson, T. Coates, B. Taylor, S. Rothwell, A. Lowe, H. Smith, P. Simmonds, F. Jackson, F. Cain, W. Anderson, J. O'Neil, A. Calderbank, B. Minton, A. Round, C. H. L. Zucker, H. Howarth.

CAMBRIDGE,

June, 1912.

Dear Mr. Editor,

At the end of the corresponding term last year we ventured to state that another academical year had drawn to a close : we have reached a similar position once more and could not resist the temptation to re-introduce our previous phrase, because we were rather proud of it.

We cannot as yet—not that we wish to do so by any means—say that Ainsworth has gone down. He is still assimilating knowledge and still spares enough time for cricket, and we have even seen him playing tennis.

Wild has been in the clutches of Tripos fever, but we prophesy a quick recovery : we hear he is coming up for a fourth year : possibly the preparation for the Tripos account for his comparative scarcity during the term.

Brown is the only one of our number who is going down. He also has been Tripping and consequently has not been quite the congenial host of former terms. We believe that he has done almost all the things required of an undergraduate : he has been for tea to Newnham and has fallen in the river !

Wood is still coxing and had the honour of participating in three more bumps during the Mays. He points with pride to a gaily-adorned rudder now in his rooms and is already rehearsing the story he will tell to his grandchildren in the future of "How I took Ditton." At the time of writing he is at Henley where we wish him the best of luck.

Jones has safely negotiated the "fresher" stage and is now blossoming forth as the important second year man. We believe he has turned his attention to Algebra and is studying that particular type of progressions known as A.P's.

In accordance with our customary rule we have omitted any mention of academical successes : we are modest and besides, the local newspapers are quite good.

The term as a whole has not been very exciting, a state of affairs probably due to the feverish condition of men engaged in examinations.

May Week afforded the usual pleasing sights—we watched them every night—but the races were somewhat marred by indifferent weather. The cricket matches against the Australians and the Africans were also much interfered with.

We Cantabs looked with much interest and pleasure upon the re-union and dinner of old boys, and we all regretted our inability to be present : that the union will prosper is the sincerest wish of

CANTAB.

HATS!!

The Editor wished me to write a cold scientific account of the visit which we paid the Hat Factory of Messrs. Adam Ashworth and Sons (Bury) Limited in the latter part of this term, when Mr. Edmund Ashworth so courteously showed us through the works, but being a scientist of some repute, I decided otherwise, and am giving an account of a conversation between two other fellows.

“Hats? Oh! I suppose they are made somehow or other just as they make most things nowadays. They put some felt in a machine, turn a handle, and out comes at the other side a ready-for-wear. Quite easy. Something like a penny-in-the-slot machine..”

“My dear fellow, you’re talking through your hat. Hat making is a most complicated business.”

“Now then, Lord Thingumbob, none of your haw-haw. What do you know about it?”

“Well! you know, we’ve just been through Ashworth’s place, and a jolly surprise it was to all of us. We went in with your ideas in our heads, but Mr. Ashworth soon knocked them

out. He took us up to his sample room, and in about a quarter of an hour told us all about it, and very lucid his explanation was. They start with—do you know, I never before realised that bowler hats came from sheep's backs, and Australian baa-baas at that, and—

“Tut, tut ! don't put on 'side.' What do they start with ?”

“They begin with short-fibred wool—the long-fibred kind is used in making yarn—and by hammering masses of it together they produce felt. The minute hook-like projections on each fibre lock one in the other and the wool gets matted together. Felt making was discovered by a monk. Ever had corns, Pigeon ?”

“You'd better not go to any more hat factories, my boy. It's affected your brain box. What have hats to do with corns ?”

“Nothing, but corns have something to do with hats. Why, your father couldn't wear a hat if he didn't have corns. As I was saying when you rudely interrupted, a pious monk of the days of old—that's another thing I did not know before. They used to have corns in King John's time ; even monks, pious monks had corns. The monk, to ease his foot, plucked some wool from an obliging sheep's back and placed it under the corn. Some time later in the day he discovered that the wool had been converted into a hard cloth-like substance by the pressure and motion of his foot. That's why the Felt Maker's Association has a monk and a sheep as its mark. Even you, Pigeon, can make some felt if you press some wool between your hands with a back-and-forward movement.”

“My dear fellow, I know as much about hat-making as when you started. You can begin to tell me something about it now.”

“Sorry, old man, I'm afraid I can't. We promised Mr. Ashworth not to give away any of the trade secrets !”

I'm told Pigeon administered the other fellow a dignified and severe thrashing after that and then put him in his pocket.

THE UNDERGRADUATE.

The undergraduate of to-day influences the life of his old school to a greater extent than is usually supposed.

The natural survey of the undergraduate visiting school on "coming down" for the holidays, supplemented by the accounts of returned scholarship-hunters, who have studied the undergraduate in his natural surroundings, enables the Upper Forms to acquire a fairly true opinion of the species.

As many of the schoolboys will later themselves proceed to the University, they attempt to model their present life as a preparation for their state in the near future. Consequently, University slang is accepted in the higher forms of schools and small cliques are formed to produce surreptitious journals and to write essays on abstruse subjects, in a superior, flamboyant style, with the elegantly witty predominating over the suavely commonplace.

According to the schoolboy, the undergraduate as a class has, rightly or wrongly, certain well-defined characteristics.

His immaculate dress, and his unruffled hair, smooth and long, at once mark him externally as a "'Varsity Man." His conversation takes a superior, intelligent turn, with a grotesque element of bathos in the slang with which it is interspersed. His renderings of the names of the Colleges give a humorously irreverent tone to his accounts of university life.

You gather that his rooms are upholstered with pipe-racks, and that the chief object of the Universities is to assist a harassed Chancellor of the Exchequer by the consumption of dutiable articles, in chief, tobacco. You are invited to believe that his post-prandial reflections are regularly liable to be interrupted by the rude entrance, through the window, of some cigarette-stealing knave, who risks both neck and pocket by a promenade along roofs, ledges, and gutterspouts, in search of the narcotic vapour which shall soothe his disordered nerves.

You hear with delight the old account disguised in modern garb, of the long and futile chase given by the ferocious "prog," and his sturdy "bulldogs" to the seven-mile 'Varsity champion; of the effects of a "bump-supper" upon some mild inoffensive freshman, who mistakes the famous mulberry-tree of Christ's College for "a beashly forish"; of the nimble daredevil, who climbs to the top of King's College, King's Chapel, or other eminence, for the purpose of annexing tiles or railings, to retail as souvenirs among his assembled friends.

All these are ancient, but are periodically dragged from their dusty retirement, and ruthlessly invested with modern externals, to excite the admiring risibility of the undergraduate-to-be.

With the tales of some famous "rags," and these hoary "revenants" of past ages, the undergraduate in a reminiscent mood is ever acceptable and amusing, more especially to those benighted mortals from whom a University career is withheld.

The daily life of the undergraduate is well-known. The few hours before noon are passed in devotions first at chapel, then to the muses at lectures. The afternoon is passed in diversions, either at athletics or in paying social calls. The evening is taken up with dining, either at an informal tea in the undergrad's own rooms or in Hall at the College dinner. After dinner he invites, or is invited to, an informal "coffee" or "wine" confined to members of his own set. It is here that "rags" are planned and executed, that yarns are spun, and that experiences are compared. Later, when yawning takes the place of yarning, the company disperses.

Unless the undergraduate feels particularly awake, he retires for the night. Otherwise he ensures himself a fatigued brain by working, "reading" he styles it, far into the next day, and when finally he gets to bed, he sleeps with a soundness which makes his "gyp" fear for the worst. Though the undergraduate is so fastidious in matters of clothing, his "square" and "rag," *i.e.*, his cap

and gown, being ordained by university statute, are generally picturesque ruins, and as such are treasured by their owners. The first term of the year is generally taken up in forming the "sets" or cliques into which undergraduates naturally segregate, in familiarising the "fresher" with his new life, and in looking forward to the end of term when the old schoolfellows in quest of scholarships, come up. The Lent term is the term of work, whether it be for the blue riband of the Tripos, or for the Blue of the Inter-Varsity contest. We are most of us familiar with the reply of a sporting man who satisfied a too inquisitive aunt with the reply that he was reading hard—for his Cricket Blue, thereby inspiring an awed opinion of the scope of University study.

The Summer Term, in which come the "Mays" (examinations) and May week, both of which, you are told, are so called because they happen in June, and the latter also because it lasts a fortnight, the summer term is the term of enjoyment and gaiety, tempered only by the inexorable calls of the Tripos Examinations. A host of sisters, your own and some other fellows', come up to enliven the crowded "Backs" with the splendour and freshness of feminine attire.

And after, as the "Long" approaches, marking for some the final phase of University life, friends sketch their future prospects with the bubbling ambition of youth, and proceed, leaving for the most part their name and exploits written on the fast-fading leaves of Oblivion's dusty scrolls.

In after years, when the "dashing blood" has become a mild country-curate, when the "Blue" finds almost any exercise irksome, when the "reading man" is drowned in the perpetual sameness of scholastic life, the graduate recalls, with that feeling of sadness which is not akin to pain, his life as a "Varsity Man," with all its pleasures and pains, and its goodly preparation for that state of life unto which he hath been called.