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#### EDITORIAL.

E fear that those who rely on Football to make the Autumn term live, will lead a very dull life these days, when owing partly to the War, partly to infection, we find ourselves with a fixture card

which has become the proverbial "scrap of paper"; owing again to the War, the Play is at present a thing of the past (as one of our Irish friends would put it), though we hear rumours of a little attempt towards some substitute. It would almost seem as if our friends aforesaid would have to fall back on some form of mental recreation, let us say the Draughts Tournament, to make their time go less heavily.

The Dormitory Matches, nevertheless, are upon us, and there is every prospect of a keen competition. Nothing can compare with the Dormitory Matches as a tonic for a slow term. They are the one thing (unfortunately that it should be so) which rouses the interest of the whole School. Although the play is not always of the highest order, the spirit is there, and without doubt the Dormitory Matches are the fastest and most enjoyable games we see. In more ordinary times we might have read the School a lecture on their apathy towards School Matches as compared with Dormitory ones; but as the chances of our already somewhat meagre fixture list being worked through are fading away, we may as well make the best of the situation and concentrate our energies on the more plebeian "Dorm. Match."

The Christmas Term, as ever, sees many changes. At one blow we have lost Rogerson, Captain of School; Rees, Prefect of Chapel; Winn and Williamson, both Prefects; and they have left a gap hard to fill. Rogerson has taken the examination for the Indian Army. The results are not yet known, but we sincerely hope that he will be successful. Rees and Winn have obtained commissions in His Majesty's Forces, and Williamson is on munition work. All have our best wishes.

Besides the Rev. H. Dickinson and Mr. Keel, we have lost Mr. Butler and Mr. Jacob. Both are greatly missed. Mr. Butler was always in demand in our School Plays, and always most willing to help in any amateur theatricals which were going forward. The success of the D.P.'s Concert of last Christmas term was due almost entirely to his priceless suggestions and kindly encouragement. Our heartiest wishes go with him to Denstone. Mr. Jacob, although he had been with us little over a year, had endeared

himself to Worksop. In him the Preparatory Dormitory have lost a splendid Dormitory Master. He has gone to Bloxham, where he has recently been gazetted to the O.T.C.

The O.T.C. is working hard. Our Officer Commanding has been promoted Captain, and Mr. Tarver has been gazetted Second Lieutenant. A splendid number of recruits have joined, and some are already parading with the Company. The Corps is looking forward to the completion of the new Miniature Range.

Our First XI. is necessarily small, but quite as formidable as can be expected. No matches have yet been played, but we are sure that the team will not show to a disadvantage. Three Under Fifteen Matches have been arranged, and this has increased the keenness of the Juniors.

The Locals results are not as good as they might have been, but there are two bright spots; the Senior returns include a Distinction in English and General History and a Third Class Honours with exemption from Responsions. But after all, since the Upper VI. gave up taking them, the Locals have not for us the importance they once had.

The Lectures are a notable feature this term. Lectures have been planned for every Sunday evening, and so far we have had four most enjoyable ones.

We cannot close without reference to the Ordination. Elsewhere is a fuller account, but here we must say that S. Cuthbert's enjoys a peculiar honour, an honour of which it may justly feel proud.

# SPEECH DAY.

Speech Day naturally took on a very different appearance this year. Much of what we usually associate with the day was absent. The afternoon service, with its sermon; the distinguished visitor from outside (for we cannot call Mr. Mason a stranger) to give away the prizes and tell us all how to become Archbishops or Prime Ministers; and the prizes; over all was the shadow of war; altogether hardly the sort of circumstances which a new headmaster would choose, if choice were his, for his first report to the parents.

The day began with a Choral Eucharist, with Procession and Commemoration of the School's benefactors: the sermon was preached by the Headmaster, and a collection was taken in aid of a new organ. After lunch, school and visitors repaired to the Schoolroom, where the Headmaster delivered his report. After a reference to the value of the work done by Public Schools, as shown in the present war, he passed on to speak of the war's effect on this school; he congratulated the parents on their farsightedness in retaining their boys at school; the effort of the school, he said, had been to maintain the ordinary school life, while at the same time never allowing the boys to forget the great world drama going on before them. He made a cordial reference to the late Headmaster, and the help rendered by the present staff; explained the system of prize giving, and ended with an expression of his sense of the services rendered to the school by Mr. Keel, then leaving. The substitutes for the ordinary book prizes were then distributed by W. H. Mason, Esq., the Custos of the School. They consisted of certificates engraved with the School Arms, after a very handsome design supplied by Mr. Keel, which, as the Headmaster said, will serve those who received them as a very fine memorial of their designer. The recipients were as follows:

Prize List: Upper VI., Divinity, L. S. Winn; Classics, M. R. Hull; Mathematics, G. C. Rogerson; English and Ancient History, C. H. Steemson; Modern History, Ll. L. M. Evans.

Form Prizes. Easter Term: VI Lower, A. Williamson; V Upper, J. D. Piggford; V Lower, E. Williamson; IV A, F. W. Bedford; IV B, P. Cowen; IV C, H. Stevenson; III, L. H. Hepplewhite; II, J. L. M. Wood.

Summer Term: VI Lower, A. Williamson; V Upper, J. L. Livingstone; V Lower, C. G. Handcock; IV A, R. C. Wainwright; IV B, T. M. Revington-Jones; IV C, A. G. Ewing; III, L. H. Hepplewhite; II, J. L. M. Wood.

Divinity: VI Lower, A. Williamson; V Upper, J. H. Jarvis; V Lower, P. S. T. Lisle; IV A, F. W. Bedford; IV B, T. M. Revington-Jones; IV C, L. V. Cross; III, S. C. Kendrick; II, S. Cowen.

Latin: Set B, F. G. Hancock; Set C, J. L. Livingstone; Set D, J. W. Goodson; Set E, A. J. Kendrick; Set F, P. Whiteley; Form III, L. H. Hepplewhite.

Greek: Set B, C. W. Anderson; Set C, A. C. Corlett.

Mathematics: VI Lower A, A. Williamson; VI Lower B, W. K. Clarke; V A, P. A. Bapty; V B, P. N. Linton; IV A, F. W. Bedford; IV B, A. G. Ewing; IV C, G. Parker; III, J. A. Wood; II, R. J. Day.

French: VI Lower A, G. M. Walton; Lower B, A. S. Smith; V A, J. N. Goodson; V B, G. T. H. Haughton; IV A, L. V. Cross; IV B, A. G. Ewing; III, N. C. Lozer; II, J. B. Thorpe.

German: Set B, A. W. Morrison; Set C. F.G. Haagensen.

History: VI Lower, H. P. Lee; V Upper, F. G. Haagensen; V Lower, P. S. J. Lisle; IV A, T. G. S. Hall; IV B, H. Kendall; IV C, E. W. Ker.

Geography: VI Lower, H. P. Lee; V Upper, F. G. Haagensen; V Lower, H. Towler; IV A, B. D. Rawlin; IV B, T. H. Ely.

English: VI Lower, A. Williamson; V Upper, E. H. Barritt; V Lower, A. F. Sharp; IV A, H. Stevenson; IV B, T. M. Revington-Jones; IV C, L. V. Cross.

Science: Non-Latin I, A. S. Smith; Non-Latin II. C. G. Handcock; Non-Greek I, A. Williamson; IV A, F. W. Bedford; IV C, E. H. Ker.

Music. Instrumental: L. W. Hancock, A. C. Corlett, L. Johnson. Vocal: D. G. C. Giffard, J. W. E. Cochrane.

Drawing: Non-Latin I, A. S. Smith; Non-Latin II, F. G. Haagensen; IV A, H. S. Walker.

After the distribution the Corps and Scouts paraded for the inspection of the visitors; tea was served in the Hall at 4-30, and the day was concluded by a sung Evensong.

# SWIMMING NOTES.

Sports.—The Swimming Sports were held on Saturday, July 24th. Owing to the war, it was deemed advisable to give certificates instead of the customary prizes, and no invitations were sent out. However, some excellent races were witnessed amidst great enthusiasm.

The events, with times and winners, were as follows: Ten Lengths (open), I Livingstone, 2 Cochrane; time, 3 mins, 39½ secs. Five Lengths (open), I Pratt, 2 Harland; time I min. 36½ secs. Five Lengths (under 15), I Oates, 2 Handcock min.; time, I min. 48½ secs. High Dive (open), I Handcock min., 2 Cochrane. High Dive (under 15), I Handcock ma, 2 Handcock quin. Novices' Race (I length), I Lacy max, 2 Taylor max; time 20 secs. Plunge (open),

I Smith max, 2 Goodreid; distance 35 ft. 9 ins. Plunge (under 15), I Handcock min, 2 Yates; distance 32 ft. 3½ ins. Dormitory Team Race, I Cross, 2 Crown; time 2 mins. 18 secs. Winning Team: Evans, Oates, Revington-Jones max, Stent. Running Spring Dive (open), I Handcock ma, 2 Handcock min. Two Lengths (open), I Revington-Jones max, 2 Pratt; time 28½ secs. Two Lengths (under 15), I Oates, 2 Revington-Jones ma; time 34½ secs. Obstacle Race, I Bapty, 2 Livingstone.

Victor Ludorum: Handcock min.

Water-Polo Match—Dormitory Contest. In the final the Fleur-de-Lys beat the Crown. Winning team: C. B. R. Rees, R. F. Richardson, P. A. Bapty, J. W. E. Cochrane, R. P. Pratt, G. W. Palmer, C. H. Steemson (Capt.).

The Bean Challenge Cup and the Tylden-Wright Challenge Cup were both easily won by the Crown.

Our best thanks are due to Mrs. Pearson, who kindly presented the cups after the sports.

LIFE-SAVING. On Sunday Afternoon, July 25, an examination was held in the Swimming Bath under the auspices of the Royal Life-Saving Society. During the term, quite a large number of boys had been taught the Society's methods of Release and Rescue, with the result that the Captain of Swimming, C. H. Steemson, was able to present fifteen candidates for the various tests.

Mr. Norman examined for the Society. The result of the examination was as follows: Hon. Instructor's Certificate: C. H. Steemson.

The Bronze Medallion: J. W. E. Cochrane, C. G. Handcock, J. L. Livingstone, J. P. Monkhouse, R. P. Pratt, C. B. Smith, C. H. Steemson, A. Williamson.

The Proficiency Certificate: J. W. E. Cochrane, C. G. Handcock, G. R. Handcock, O. G. Holmes, J. L. Livingstone,

J. P. Monkhouse, A. W. Morrison, D. F. Oates, A. Pallister, R. P. Pratt, J. N. R. Rutter, C. B. Smith, S. T. Smith, C. H. Steemson, A. Williamson.

The Candidates were lucky in having such an energetic and hard-working Bath Master as Mr. Norman, and it is to him they owe their success.

# O.T.C. NOTES.

We are at the beginning of the new school year, and re-organisation has to be carried through in the O.T.C. as in every other branch of school life. We have lost our Company-Sergt.-Major and the two Platoon-Sergts. (all with commissions), and several of the Lance-Corporals, so that we have to rely on less experienced N.C.O.'s. Yet the high standard of keenness is maintained, and there is no fear of the efficiency of the Corps as a whole being lost.

The Company parades now by dormitories instead of sections chosen by lot, and each dormitory forms a half platoon. The arrangement has so far worked very well and causes less confusion.

There are 40 recruits this term, so that our total strength is increased, but there are still several boys who are old enough and big enough to join who have not done so.

The new miniature range in the North Field is nearly completed and will soon be ready for use. It is to be hoped that a stray Zeppelin will not mistake it for an airship shed and blow it to pieces before it can be used.

# SCOUT NOTES.

There is not very much to report as yet, because of necessity our work for the first few weeks of Term has been one of re-arrangement and a general settling down to form, though we are now in very fair working order and ought to achieve some really sound results. We are fortunate in having some really keen and energetic Patrol Leaders and Scouts, and a fair number of eager recruits-still more so in securing so keen and able an Assistant Scoutmaster. hope to produce some thoroughly good all-round Scouts, who will be really efficient and useful to the School. Inter-Patrol Competition helps a good deal in this, and it bids fair to be very keen. So far the "Fox" Patrol leads the way easily, but the "Raven" is pressing it hard and ought to make some fairly "level pegging." A good many Scouts have passed some of their tests for the Second Class Badge. Soon we ought to have no small number working for their First Class, and incidentally working in a goodly number of Proficiency Badges as well. The Wolf Cubs are the very quintessence of keenness! They are shaping well and they give promise of being a really smart lot. When we have got our full equipment we ought to put up a really good show.

November 12th has been fixed as the date on which those who have passed their "Tenderfoot" are to be "sworn in," and we hope some Second-Class Badges may be awarded at the same time.

# CHAPEL NOTES.

The Term has already been marked by three events of some importance: (1) The admission of the School Prefects, D.P.'s, and S.P.'s, (2) the Installation of the Chaplain, (3) the Service of Ordination. The prefects were admitted to office after Evensong on the first Wednesday in Term. After the hymn, Beati mundo corde, the Headmaster gave a short but very practical address, basing his remarks on the motto, "Take heed to thyself," after which the hymn, "O Jesu, I have promised," was sung while each of the new Prefects

signed the Roll. The service had an impressiveness which could not fail to affect all who took part in it, least of all those who thus received the commission to a very definite leadership in the School life.

On the following evening the Headmaster presented the Chaplain to the Provost to be formally inducted by him to the "cure of souls" in the School. The usual declaration was read by the Chaplain, after which the Provost officially installed him and gave him the Blessing.

Of the Ordination a full account will be found elsewhere. It is sufficient here to say that not only was the occasion a unique one involving a privilege which no one could fail to appreciate, but one to which the School instinctively rose, so that by their hearty co-operation in the great act of Ordination, and in the offering of the Holy Sacrifice, the service was made a more real inspiration—in every way an endorsing of the Blessing given by the Church through the laying on of the hands of the Bishop. No one could fail to be impressed by the reality of this great Sacrament of orders, whereby the grace and authority first given by the Holy Apostles to S. Stephen, was handed on to one whose ministry begins among us.

There are some slight alterations in the routine of services. Evensong is now sung regularly on Sundays—a change perhaps not likely to receive an altogether hearty approval from some! But we must remember that this is an arrangement that is the rule in all our Schools, and we can hardly begrudge this extra opportunity of worship—in which we are linked up with all the churches of our Country—even if it costs us some sacrifice of our freedom. What we hope will not happen is that an additional service on Sundays will not deter us from giving freely to God—and for the benefit of those who need our help so greatly now—

that voluntary devotion and worship which is most pleasing to Him and beneficial to ourselves. Much more might—and, we hope, will—be made of the Intercessions on Sundays. and above all of the voluntary Eucharists which are offered for our Country's need at this time, and for our faithful slain. It is only fair to them that we should all do our bit in this matter, and that bit must make all the difference, both to them and to ourselves. Could we not make more use of the box for Intercessions—and more still of the Sacrifice which offers for all of us the "Greater Love" in which we, as well as our friends at the Front, ought to claim our share in the laying down of our lives for others?

For the same reason we must appreciate the additional Celebrations which we have on all the Red Letter Days of our Calendar.

The choir are sticking it loyally, and are very patient under the prospect of more Plainsong. We all appreciate the time and effort they give, and we hope later on to be able to show this appreciation in a more substantial, more convivial, way than by ink and pen. The singing will go on improving if we all put our best into it. Perhaps in time we shall learn that Plain Song is really the most beautiful mode of chanting, in spite of its name.

On Sunday, October 17th, the new Chapel flag, St. George's Cross, was blessed at the Sung Eucharist, and afterwards flown from the School flag staff. It will be flown on all Sundays and Holy-Days in future. It is the Cross of blood to put us in remembrance of the heroism of our Leaders, the reality of the ideal which we follow.

Those who appreciate the dignity of worship will be glad of the sung Eucharist every Sunday after breakfast as our principal service, and of our attempts to add to the beauty and richness of this service.

## THE ORDINATION.

A unique, or if not unique, a certainly most unusual Service for a School Chapel, was held in our Chapel on Sunday, October 10th, and we are proud of it. The Rev. R. V. Fenn, a member of the Staff, was ordained Deacon by the Lord Bishop of Southwell.

It was a beautiful Service; the singing was splendid, the sermon most appropriate. The preacher, the Rev. G. J. A. d'Arcy, Vicar of Worksop, took as his text, "There was war in Heaven." He spoke of the great conflict which was now raging, not between the powers of this world, but between God and the Devil; and as in the armies of nations, so in the army of God there were officers and men; the clergy were the officers of God, commissioned to help and lead His people to victory. He next enlarged upon the dignity of the priest's office. A profession whose sole end was material gain was a vain thing. A profession which aimed at the relief of suffering was far more noble, far more worthy man's abilities. But the profession of priest was beyond all comparison the finest man could enter. Doctors could do much, almost to the miraculous, to lessen physical pain, but they were powerless to cope with mental anguish; in the hour of death the doctor with all his skill had to give place to the priest and his message of comfort. In conclusion the preacher said he would have his hearers, whose choice of a profession lay for the most part in the lap of the future, steadfastly count the cost before finally deciding upon a career. If they did so he was confident that many would feel the call to the ministry of God.

After the sermon the Rev. the Headmaster, acting for the Archdeacon, presented the candidate for Ordination. The Litany was then said and the Communion Service proceeded as far as the Epistle. Between the Epistle and Gospel came the supreme point of the service, the laying on of hands. As the Bishop pronounced the solemn words of Ordination, S. Cuthbert's could not but feel proud of the great honour paid it of being allowed to assist in its own Chapel at the service by which Power and Authority from God himself have been passed, through the Apostles and Bishops, down the ages since the first Whitsunday.

When the newly ordained Deacon had received his stole he chanted the Gospel, and the Holy Eucharist was celebrated with all the traditional ceremonial of the Church. The Communion Hymn, "Let all mortal flesh keep silence," was beautifully rendered. The meaning of the words was so brought out by the haunting rhythm of the melody that one realized the majesty of God as never before. At the close of the service the National Anthem was sung, and the stately procession passed out.

#### LECTURES

On Sunday, October 3rd, the Headmaster entertained us with a very interesting lecture, entitled, "A Trip to Holland." He dwelt briefly upon his general impressions of that country, and told us some very amusing stories about the Dutch people.

There were many picturesque slides, which were greatly appreciated, especially those depicting the national dress of the Dutch peasants and children.

We were all sorry when the lecture was brought to a close by the chapel bell, and we hope that, before long, the Headmaster will lecture to us again, and tell us something more about "the little people with the very great past."

On the 10th of October, Mr. E. Bellingham gave us an excellent lecture, entitled, "With Caravan and Camera." The lecturer began by showing us some photographs of the

caravan in which he proposed we should travel with him through Lancashire and Yorkshire. After all due preparations had been made we started off at a comfortable rate; we lingered for some days in the picturesque village of Whalley, inspecting both the remains of the Abbey and the old Parish Church. The caravan slowly wended its way through pretty country lanes, avoiding the high-road as much as possible, until we came to Kirby Lonsdale, where the lecturer told us an amusing story about the origin of the bridge there. At last we arrived at Morecambe, the sea forming a pleasant change to the country; from there we went to Heysham, where the lecturer drew our attention to the inscriptions on some of the tombstones in the churchyard of the old Saxon church. The caravan proceeded from there into Lancashire and returned home by a different route.

The School was kept in a very good humour all the evening by the numerous amusing anecdotes which Mr. Bellingham had at his disposal, and the lecture was thoroughly appreciated by everyone.

A stirring lecture was delivered on Sunday, October 17th, by Mr. W. W. Hind-Smith, on "Dr. Barnardo and his work." The lecturer told us that Dr. Barnardo was the pioneer in large scale relief work among the poor. When only a young man he was moved by the terrible condition of the London poor to start his great work. At first he had room for no more than twenty children, but gradually the work has grown until hundreds of children pass through the homes yearly. All remember the home that gave them their start in life, and all are thankful for the chance they were given. Dr. Barnardo has been dead ten years, but the work still goes on, with this motto, "No destitute child ever refused admission." At the end of the lecture three cheers were given for Mr. Hind-Smith and the work of the Barnardo Homes.

A very interesting lecture was delivered by Dr. Brown, of Sheffield University, on October 24th. Belgium, which he took as his subject, was unfolded to us; it appeared to us in a new light. He pointed out its position in Europe, between Britain, France, and Germany, which had necessitated the treaty guaranteeing its perpetual neutrality. The Flemings in the North and the Walloons in the South, though they had so little in common, were yet able to form a nation; and all differences, if there were any, disappeared in the face of their German foes. The invaders, avoiding the difficult Lorraine and Belfort gaps, preferred to tear up the treaty and pass through this country, beautiful in its scenery and rich in its historical associations. The maps and pictures of Belgium, thrown on the screen, bore witness only too truly to the thoroughness and ruthlessness of the enemy's advance. The lecturer concluded by showing a number of drawings representing portions of the fighting in the Western theatre of war.

On All Hallows' E'en, Mr. F. Ferguson visited us and gave a pleasant musical lecture on "Folk songs and folk lore of the sea." He showed by many anecdotes how the sailor always sang whilst at work, combining the song with his actions. The time was easy but possessed rhythm. "Salt Horse," and "Boney was a warrior," were two catches which illustrated this point. These he called their work songs. The tars always composed their own peculiar songs, and they were for the most part sad ones, relating to wrecks and disasters. The cause of this doleful spirit was the outcome of the hard conditions of the sailor's life. Some times happy strains took the place of the unhappy, when the crew were gathered around for the evening. Some faithful "Bess" or "Nance" figured chiefly in them. Mr. Ferguson mentioned how strange it was that men never thought of their great sea captains in song. He pointed out their superstition and sang a song of the sea serpent. The lecturer's voice possessed an exquisite touch of delicacy which made his songs live, and the weakest tunes became contagious. The school gave him a rousing reception.

# THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

Mr. Wigglesworth has undertaken the presidency of the Debating Society this term. The first meeting was held in the Library on October 24th. The subject before the House was that "the Invention of Gunpowder has had a greater influence on mankind than the Invention of Printing." That much can be said on both sides was proved by the number of speakers who addressed the House. C. H. Steemson made out a very good case for the Proposition, taking the present war as a basis for his arguments. He pointed out that if universal peace succeeded this great conflict, or even if the Germans proved the victors, the result in either case would be attained by Gunpowder. G. Walton opposed the motion with the conviction that the spread of Christianity was due in a large measure to the invention of Printing, and he suggested that it was by printing that the Renaissance movement in its earlier stages found expression. Ll. L. M. Evans, rising to second the Proposition, viewed the situation from a historical standpoint. By a series of arguments he proved that the rise of the middle class and England's colonial and maritime supremacy were directly brought about by Gunpowder. H. C. Geipel, in an able speech seconding the Opposition, showed how Printing had made possible the education of the lower classes, and prevented England from becoming insular. G. S. M. Parker, V. Lacey, J. G. Sykes for the Proposition, and E. H. Barritt, A. Hart, C. G. Handcock, and A. Smith for the Opposition, delivered promising maiden speeches. On a division the motion was lost by one vote.

The following officers have been elected this term: C. H. Steemson, Hon. Sec.; Ll. M. Evans, C. H. Steemson, G. M. Walton, H. C. Geipel, Committee.

### CHESS CLUB.

At a general meeting of the Club, on the second Sunday in the term, the Headmaster was elected President, Mr. O'Meara Hon. Treasurer, and L. E. Houghton Hon. Sec. The following were elected to form the Committee: W. E. M. Lewis, A. Hart, F. G. Hancock and A. Smith. There are in all twenty members in the Club, and two Tournaments are at present in progress.

# A CYCLE TOUR IN SCOTLAND.

The idea came as we were taking a stroll in Clumber woods. At first it seemed impossible of fulfilment, but as the days passed on we became more determined to see it through. Long before the end of the Summer term we had laid all our plans for the tour into Scotland. Many little difficulties arose but were soon overcome, and the time frittered away in one long series of delightful visions of camp fires, mountains, woods, and beauty, until finally we set out.

The morning of July thirty-first saw us begin our tour from Langton in Yorkshire. We were clad in khaki and carried a week's provisions, rugs, cooking utensils, maps, waterproofs, and tent. Towards the evening of the first day we arrived at Durham, where friends put us up for the night. After visiting the cathedral and chief places of interest, we set out next day for Morpeth. Here we were lucky, for fortune bade us choose the Mayor's summer cottage as a suitable place to spend the night. His tiny house was too small for us, but he readily lent us his barn, and entertained us right royally. Soon we tired of cycling, and turning

from the main road pitched our tent for the first time, at Bamboro'. There was all we wished for, bathing, a church teeming with interest, an old castle, and very pleasant people. Our only foes were earwigs, and a donkey feeding near by. We could not tear ourselves away from this delightful spot for three days, which were passed chiefly in bathing and sight seeing. On the fourth of August we crossed the Border, and that evening were caught in a heavy storm. But the ever hospitable Scotsman soon made us comfortable. In due course we came to the Trossachs, after visiting Edinboro', Falkirk, Linlithgow, and Sterling, all places of great interest. The night before we reached the Trossachs we stayed in McKarracher's straw barn, by the burn of Cambus. The scenery at this point beggars description. From the lake there rose a magnificent range of mountains, with a quaint hostelry at their foot, and behind it a large forest of dark firs. Above them appeared the purple heather, then the barer rock, until finally the mountains were topped with rain clouds. At this point our homeward journey began. We had a hard struggle to push our cycles over the mountain ridge. Often riding on a ledge with an abyss below we seemed a "span from death." For our struggle up the one side and perilous journey down the other, we were charged one shilling toll. Our route from Aberfoyle was through Glasgow, Lanark, and Biggar. Some times we ran into clouds on our way, much to our annoyance. On Monday, August ninth, we crossed the Border again, leaving far behind "the land of brown heath and shaggy wood." We stayed at Gretna Green, where a good lady gave us an exhortation to "Tee-totly-ism," as she called it; not that we needed it. The following day, after leaving Carlisle, a happy event occured. We had not gone far, and were feeling most despondent, and could not ride owing to the roughness of the road, when an officer passed us. Fourteen miles further on we overtook the same officer doing repairs. Without any

ceremony he asked us if we should like to be towed behind his car, telling us at the same time that the back axle was We jumped at the opportunity and soon were speeding towards Kendal. The ride through Rewith, where it was market day, was most exciting. We had travelled thus for nearly thirty-five miles when an accident happened. My friend, throwing all caution to the winds, placed his rope on the lamp bracket instead of keeping it in his hand. The inevitable happened. The cycle had a broken pedal, and the owner torn trousers and cut hands. Our good Samaritan did not desert us, but mended the pedal and bandaged the wounds. Then we bade him goodbye. Once through Kendal we began the climb over to Sedbergh, and stopped half-way over to look back. Here was a spectacle. The last declining rays of a hazy sunset spread their faint glimmer in the sky. A heavy mist had lifted from the valley and hung as a blanket, pierced only by the barren mountains. A heavenly quiet reigned everywhere.

It rained heavily that night, and for the first time, at a farm, we were refused admittance. At last we found a barn and had our supper. The remainder of our food we left out ready for breakfast. In the early hours I awoke to find my companion hurling my boots about. I was too tired to ask the reason, but in the morning I soon knew, for the rats had eaten all our food. That morning we had no breakfast until 12-30 p.m. Leaving Sedbergh we came to Wensley Dale and so home, where they hailed us as the "Rag men." For this twelve days' trip the cost was £2 5s. Two further items of interest: We both lost nearly a stone in weight, and during the journey of 560 miles, there was only one puncture.

G. WALTON.

# O.C. NEWS.

The following is a list of O.C.s serving with His Majesty's Forces, in addition to those in the July list:

-	Brookes, P	14th Sherwood Foresters .	1909
	Butler, B. H.	11th Canadian Mounted Rifles	1906
	Cook, M. C	26th Royal Fusiliers	1912
	Cooper, J. A		1910
	Crisp, N. V	3rd London Field Co., R.E.T.,	
		47th Div	1904
-	Downman, T. F. C.	3/5th Sherwood Foresters .	1902
	Fenwick, J. G. H	62nd Canadian Infantry.	1906
	Jeffery, R. E	Inns of Court O.T.C	1907
-	Kelk, C. K.	5th West Yorks	1908
_	L'Amie, H. St. C.	3rd Duke of Wellington's Regt.	1912
	Longley, F. A. J	Inns of Court O.T.C	1911
	Longley, P. R	Artists' Rifles	1911
_	Minchin, L	12th Sherwood Foresters .	1905
	Panting, H. A.	P.U.M.B	1911
	Payne, M. S.	Inns of Court O.T.C	1912
	Pond, R. C	A.S.C	1910
_	Rees, C. B. R.	5th West Yorks	1909
	Reid, J. B	5th Scottish Rifles	1909
	Richardson, A. A.	Inns of Court O.T.C	1900
	Stephenson, F.J.B. 87th (Montreal) Grenadier Guard		ls
		(3rd Canadian Contingent) .	1909
	Thompson, C. B	R.A.M.C	1895
_	Warren, R. G.	3/1 st Highland Divisional	
			1905
-	Winn, L. S	3/5th Hampshires	1912
	Mr. Whitley has	received a commission in the	3 rd

Mr. Whitley has received a commission in the 3rd Royal Scots, and is now stationed at Glencorse, Milton Bridge, N.B.; Mr. Pascoe is in the 17th Royal Fusiliers.

We deeply regret to record the death at the Front of G. C. Woodburn, of the 3rd Leicesters. R.I.P.

We have received news of the following promotions among O.C.s: W. C. Linay (A.S.C.), J. I. W. Cowgill, E. H. Payne, W. E. G. Walker, to be Lieutenants; R. G. B. Anderson, G. H. Armstrong, H. B. Buckley, J. F. Newton, H. P. Parker, B. H. Townsley, to be Second Lieutenants. J. Kirkwood has received a commission in the 10th Seaforth Highlanders.

E. Cavie has been transferred to the Cycle Corps, G. K. Milligan to the 9th Lincs.

We hear of the following O.C.s as having gone to the Front, besides those mentioned in former issues: W. B. Allen, C. G. Bateson, R. Buckley, J. H. F. Clarke, J. A. Cooper, J. H. Jameson, W. C. Linay, R. H. Macturk, R. C. Pond, J. B. Reid, J. Stephenson, J. Tasker, W. E. G. Walker, O. T. Walton, A. L. Wincott, H. P. Wood, W. A. Wood.

H. Chesterman has gone with the Balkan Expeditionary Force.

J. I. W. Cowgill, K. C. Fisher-Brown, and D. J. G. Dixon have been invalided home, but have now rejoined their regiments.

Our condolences to Captain E. Buckley, who has been wounded in France. We learn that on Sept. 29th he led three assaults on a German trench, and it was in the last of these that, while lighting the fuse of a bomb, he was struck in the left leg by a German bomb, and at the same time received a bullet wound in the same quarter; not however (so we gather) without having first done a certain amount of execution on the enemy. He managed to roll back a considerable distance to our lines, and is now doing well, and hopes to make a complete recovery. He is now in hospital at Bathurst House, Belgrave Square

Our condolences also to C. S. Bott, N. Carter, and G. L. N. Rutter, wounded in the Dardanelles during the summer; and to A. P. Dale, who has been taken ill and is in hospital in Alexandria.

We regret to hear that E. J. W. Gray, 14th Durham Light Infantry, is missing.

C. A. S. Bean and P. W. Maclagan have seen some hard fighting during the summer. The former was in the famous moonlight charge of the Canadian Highlanders, following on the first big gas attack in the spring, "four lines of bayonets in perfect dressing," which swept down on the German guns in the wood; he was later struck in the chest by a piece of shrapnel, but came off with nothing worse than a bruise through the providential presence of a Bible in his pocket. Maclagan was also in a gas attack in June, in which his battalion suffered considerably by gas and artillery fire.

We have received the following letter from B. Biggin in British Columbia: "Thinking you might like to hear of two more O.C.s, out in Canada, who have done their duty in joining H.M.F., I should like to mention the names of B. H. Butler and J. Fenwick, of the Cross Dormitory, who are now here in Vernon. There has been a Military Training Camp of some 5,000 soldiers established here for some time, with a steady influx of recruits from all over B.C. Being a resident of Vernon, but unable to join the forces by reason of my deafness, I was naturally interested in the arrival of the soldiers. My first surprise was when I met B. H. Butler, of the 11th Canadian Mounted Rifles, and later J. Fenwick, of the 62nd Infantry (Overseas Draft). Both Butler and Fenwick have called on me a number of times at my bachelor's quarters just out of town, where we have long talks and big 'Guts' about the old School and the good times we had there. Butler and Fenwick send their compliments, and wish to be remembered to any O.C.s who remember them, and would at any time be very pleased to hear from them. I remain, dear Sir, yours truly,

"B. BIGGIN (for B. H. Butler and J. Fenwick."

"Box 604, Post Office, Vernon, B.C."

We have received the following letter from K. U. White, now assistant pay clerk on board H.M.S. "Skirmisher," on active service. "Just a line to let you know I am getting on all right, and that I like the Navy very much. The censorship is still rather strict, so I cannot say very much. This is quite a small ship, and I am the only subordinate officer on board, so I mess in the Ward Room with all the other officers. We are generally at sea now and get mails about once a fortnight-our last one being up to September 24th. The authorities seem to choose the slowest tramp steamer they can possibly find for mails. It has been pretty hot out here, and we only gave up whites a few days ago. have been tormented with flies, which one sailor feelingly remarked in a letter, "have come off the dead bodies of our men." However, the cooler weather seems to be driving them off a bit. Now and then we call at some small port and try and get provisions. This is generally a hard job, as the people round here speak some awful language which nobody knows. (It is taught in a modified form in some schools by the way). However, there is generally someone who knows a little English, and we generally weigh anchor with plenty of potatoes, beef, bread, and the impression that their rate of exchange is rather peculiar. It generally varies at each place. However, as the Admiralty seem to have got plenty of cash knocking about, what does it matter? We are always glad of the stops, as they provide an opportunity for a bathe off the side, or a walk on shore. I hope the school is getting on all right, and that as fast as chaps pour out and into the army (or navy), more are pouring in to take their places. I also hope that the First XI. has beaten Sheffield Grammar School this season. Anyone at school who is going in the Navy as assistant clerk ought to learn typewriting, although it is not a subject of the entrance examination. Shorthand is very rarely used in the Service, although it is always a useful thing to know."

- J. H. Jameson writes from France as follows: "I left the 3rd Battalion on the 3oth September for the Front, and had the good fortune to be posted to the 1st Battalion on my arrival in France. We are at present resting in billets about five miles behind the line, but expect to go out again for another big 'strafe' in a day or two. I am rather looking forward to my first experience of modern fighting, which from the general account consists of a continuous exchange of bombs at point-blank range, to the music of shells and machine guns."
- J. R. Gilmore has had the misfortune to fail in the medical test for Sandhurst, and has now joined Cox's Bank.
- J. V. Goodson has gone to the House of the Sacred Mission at Kelham, to prepare for Holy Orders.

We are asked to say that no "card of events of the term" has been issued to members of the O.C. Club, because the term for one reason and another is so uneventful, that any card of the sort would be almost a blank.

# ANNALS.

In spite of these untoward times the School is full, in fact over-full, for two boys have been domiciled outside the dormitories; our number of new boys, forty-five, must establish a record.

The Rev. R. V. Fenn, M.A., was ordained Deacon in the School Chapel, on Sunday, October 10th, by the Lord Bishop of Southwell. He has our best wishes.

Congratulations to L. E. Smith, Esq., on being promoted to the rank of Captain; and to J. E. Tarver, Esq., on being gazetted Second Lieutenant in the O.T.C.

As we go to press we learn that G. C. Rogerson has passed into Woolwich, 37th on the list. Congratulations.

Congratulations also to C. B. R. Rees on being gazetted to the 5th West Yorks.; and to L. S. Winn on obtaining a Commission in the 3/5th Herts.

We welcome this term, in addition to the other new members of the Staff, Mr. R. J. Marsh, B.A. (Cambridge), who succeeds Mr. Butler in teaching History; Mr. H. E. Wigglesworth, B.A. (London), whose subject is English; and Miss F. E. Bowley (Drawing).

The following promotions have been made this term:—Ll. L. M. Evans to be Captain of School; C. H. Steemson to be Prefect of Chapel; F. G. Sinkinson, G. M. Walton, R. F. Richardson, to be Prefects.

We congratulate A. C. P. Stephenson on being elected Captain of Football, Gym. and Fives.

The following promotions have been made in the O.T.C.:—Corporal Steemson to be Company Sergt.-Major, Corporal Stephenson to be Sergeant, Lance-Corporals Evans, Walton, and Richardson to be Corporals.

The Rev. R. V. Fenn is Dormitory Master of the Crown, and has also taken charge of the Museum and Photographic Society. Mr. Norman has taken over the management of the Tuck Shop. Mr. Wigglesworth is President of the Debating Society. Mr. Wilderspin is in charge of the Gymnasium. Mr. Tarver is Librarian. Mr. O'Meara is President of the Chess Club. The new Chaplain has taken up from his predecessor the duties of Scoutmaster, with Mr. Marsh as assistant-Scoutmaster.

The Cross carried off the Dormitory Shooting Cup and the Mellish. Congratulations to Corporal Evans on winning the Mellish with 53 points out of 55.

The Crown won the Bean Cup and the Tylden-Wright Cup at the Swimming Sports. They also obtained the Cricket Cup.

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The following were awarded School Swimming Colours: P. A. Bapty, J. W. E. Cochrane, R. P. Pratt, E. R. Harland, T. M. Revington-Jones.

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#### VALETE.

- G. C. Rogerson. Crown; Upper VI.; Captain of School, 1915; Captain of Running, 1915; Captain of Gym., 1914-15; Running VIII., 1913-14-15; Shooting Colours, 1914; First XI. Cricket, 1915; First XI. Football, 1915; Company Sergeant-Major O.T.C.; Certificate A.
- C. B. R. Rees. Fleur-de-Lys; Upper VI.; Prefect of Chapel; Captain of Football, 1915; Captain of Cricket, 1915; Captain of Fives, 1915; Running VIII., 1913-14-15; First XI. Cricket, 1913-14-15; First XI. Football, 1912-13-14-15; Platoon-Sergeant O.T.C.
- L. S. Winn. Lion; Upper VI.; Prefect; First XI. Football, 1914-15; First XI. Cricket, 1915; Platoon-Sergt. O.T.C.
- A. Williamson. Lion; Lower VI.; Prefect; First XI. Football, 1913-14-15; First XI. Cricket, 1915; Corpl. O.T.C.

#### AVETE.

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#### OXFORD LOCALS RESULTS.

Senior. 3rd Class Honours, excused Responsions: A. Hart, Distinctions in English and General History, H. P. Lee. Pass: H. C. Geipel, F. G. Hancock, W. E. M. Lewis, C.

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JUNIOR. Pass: J. H. Jarvis, J. L. Livingstone. J. P. Monkhouse, J. O. Piggford, C. B. Smith, S. T. Smith, L. Williamson, J. N. Goodson.

Preliminary. 3rd Class Honours: A. C. Corlett, G. S. V. Thackeray.

Pass: F. W. Bedford, E. R. Best, D. M. Beswick, B. B. Brown, P. Cowen, L. V. G. Cross, T. H. Ely, N. M. Fowler, E. J. C. Hewitt, O. G. Holmes, N. W. Hullah, W. H. Christmas, A. G. Ewing, T. G. S. Hall, A. J. Kendrick, E. H. Ker, T. M. Revington-Jones, T. B. Yeardley.

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About midnight on Thursday, July 22 last, Gerald Arthur Cubitt Jamieson passed very peacefully and painlessly into that happy land where there is neither night nor sea; no darkness, no mystery. He died very suddenly of heartfailure in the initial stages of what appeared to be a very mild attack of diphtheria.

Jamieson was born on March 19, 1904, and had never been robust; he was devoted to his school and our beautiful chapel, though he had only completed one year of school life.

Young though he was, his life had been a particularly beautiful one, especially at home, where he seemed to be thinking always of those whom be loved, and never of himself. The example of such a life cannot be lost.

Requiescat in pace! Such will be the constant and heart-felt prayer of all who knew him.

Words fail to express our respectful sympathy with Dr. and Mrs. Jamieson.