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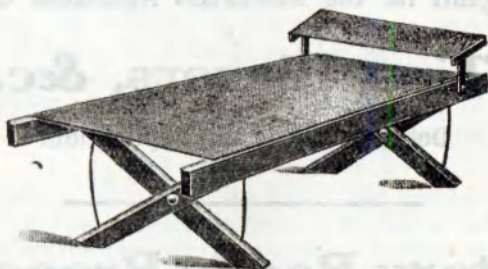
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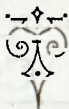
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Occasional Notes.

School breaks up Friday, December 20th.
Entrance Examination, Monday, January 13th.
School resumes Tuesday, January 14th.

The War is over at last, and the proud but poignant task of recording the exploits, sufferings, and deaths of our old School-fellows comes to a close.

To many the coming terms will be a novelty—a little experience of what the School was like before the War. It is to be hoped that the Sports Committee and other Committees and individuals responsible for the lighter side of School life will forthwith resume their too long interrupted activities.

It is, perhaps, a sign of the times that we have this term to welcome two new School Societies. So far as our experience extends we believe that the Astronomical Society is the first of its kind in our School annals. We wish it all success.

The Music Study Circle, after a year's sleep, has, we are glad to note, owing to the energy of our School Organist, awakened to what we hope will be a new period of unbroken prosperity. But in music, we are ashamed to confess, the School is very backward. Few people have heard of the George Broadfield Music Library; the Glee Society has an annual struggle for existence; and on an appeal for violins for the Orchestra a School of over eleven hundred produced three applicants!

The Fourth Annual Concert organised by members of the Sc.vi., in aid of the H.O.L.C. Fund, was as highly successful as past years have led us to expect. £40 was raised—a record.

Mr. Bruton has this term published a Handbook to the Museum, which will be of great use in the interpretation of the various exhibits. The School is already under a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Bruton; for it is in great measure due to his indefatigable energy that our School Collections have been so largely increased during the last two years and so carefully set up, and this extremely useful little guide increases that debt.

Although many School Institutions have suffered during the last four years the Play has always managed to survive, and this year, in spite of difficulties, "Twelfth Night" will be produced.

Many people will be glad to hear that for the fourth successive year there will be Post Office work.

In accordance with immemorial custom a General Election was held in the School on December 13th. The Coalition candidate was elected by an overwhelming majority.

A correspondent writing from Italy sends us a cutting from an American magazine, which gave us a moment's elation. It is an advertisement of a School in U.S.A., and contains the following extract from a speech of ex-President Taft:—"More and more we are making our preparatory schools into communities like those English Schools, Manchester, Rugby, Eton, where the boys are given the ideas of manliness, straightforwardness, decency of life." Hurrah!—but didn't Mr. Taft probably say Winchester?

The boys in the workshop have made a gift of sixty stools to the Ancoats Play School. We congratulate them on their hard work and generosity. They are now going to make 24 beds for children suffering from rickets. Also, if any of our readers have some old toys, will they bring them to the workshop to be patched up for these children?

Additions to the School Museum during the past month include a sheaf of rice from Mr. Mastin, a Rat Kangaroo from Belle Vue Gardens, a German steel helmet and two gas masks, from Lieut. G. W. Hyde, and a Somali spear.

Contributions, other than those relating to the O.M.A., will be received by Mr. A. S. Warman at the School.

O.M.A. Notes and O.M. Chronicle.

We are sorry to report two deaths from influenza, Mr. H. Cardwell, medical student, and Mr. F. Gadd, of the Rylands Library.

Lieutenant G. Waterhouse has been attached to the Naval Armistice Commission, and is now in the Baltic with Admiral Browning's staff. Recently he helped to receive the first batch of German submarines at Harwich.

Mr. George Bradbury, for the last seven years Surveyor of Taxes in Manchester, has been promoted to the rank of Superintending Inspector and Surveyor.

Mr. W. A. Beardsell, of Madras, has been appointed High Sheriff of Madras for 1918.

The names of two O.M.'s appear in the Council of the Royal Society, Mr. F. W. Gamble, Professor of Zoology at Birmingham, and Sir A. D. Hall.

Mr. H. Nicholson has been appointed Chairman of his division (Essex, Middlesex, Herts) for the Incorporated Association of Headmasters.

Mr. Herbert Sidebotham has written "England and Palestine: an Essay towards the Restoration of the Jewish State."

Mr. L. Golding has had articles on "Arles" in *To-day* and "Time of Swallows" in the *Manchester Guardian*.

Mr. R. E. Roper, M.A., M.Ed., late Assistant Master at Eton, has published a book on "Physical Education in Relation to School Life."

Rev. W. B. Selbie, D.D., has written "The Difference Christ has made."

Mr. A. H. Hope and Mr. I. L. Kandel have written Essays on French Education and German Education respectively in Dr. P. Sandiford's "Comparative Education."

Mr. S. B. Hartley has been appointed Hon. Secretary of the Federal Council of Lancashire and Cheshire Teachers' Associations. This office he combines with that of Hon. Secretary of the Joint Committee of the Lancashire, Cheshire and Westmorland Branches of the Assistant Masters' Association. Articles by Mr. Hartley on "Secondary Education" have recently appeared in the *Times* Educational Supplement, in the *Morning Post*, and in the *Journal of Education*.

T. Dudden, wireless operator, S.S. Carlton, was torpedoed May 29th. The wireless room was wrecked, but he stuck to his post, sending out signals for help, and won the special commendation of his captain.

Captain R. S. Patten, Duke of Wellington's (West Riding) Regiment, has relinquished his commission "on account of ill-health contracted on active service," and has been granted the honorary rank of Captain on discharge. Captain Patten enlisted in the ranks in October of 1914, and was commissioned in March of 1915, being on active service during the later part of that year. On a former occasion he refused the opportunity of being invalided out of the service, but in consequence of continuous physical disability was finally recommended for discharge last month.

J. E. E. Fenton has just won his third distinction. He has been given three months' seniority. At an early morning flight, the engine of his seaplane from the start kept missing fire. At last, thirty miles from his base, he had to come down and dispatch his messenger for help. Two French destroyers came up and took him in tow, but he refused to leave his machine, and was towed thirty miles home with waves of 6 feet to 8 feet high sweeping over him all the time. He has been in hospital, but we last heard of him as practising high dives with his doctor—a Harley Street physician.

N.B.—Will members please note that subscriptions should be paid to Mr. FRED ETCHELLS, Assistant Secretary, at the School, and that changes of address should be notified (also to Mr. ETCHELLS) without delay.

Honours List.

- R. D. Wormald, Domus Exhibitioner, prox. acc. to Open Classical Scholarship, Balliol College, Oxford.
- G. H. Podmore, Domus Exhibition for Classics, Balliol College, Oxford.
- P. D. Vincent, Open Scholarship for Mathematics, Balliol College, Oxford.
- J. H. Wolfenden, Williams Exhibition for Science, Balliol College, Oxford.
- T. G. Standing, Exhibitioner, Scholarship for Modern History, New College, Oxford.
- A. D. F. Dale, Exhibition for Mathematics, St. John's College, Oxford.
- E. Kenyon, Open Scholarship for Mathematics, Corpus Christi College, Oxford.
- F. B. Alcock, Open Scholarship for Classics, Oriel College, Oxford.
- J. Broatch, Open Scholarship for Classics, University College, Oxford.
- H. G. Lord, Open Exhibition and Philip Wright Exhibition for Classics, Wadham College, Oxford.
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Obituary.

JOHN BELFIELD GADD.

Jack Gadd passed away at the age of 23 on November 2nd, a victim of the influenza epidemic in Manchester. Never of very robust health, and rejected as unfit for the Army, he tried his strength by efforts to do his share in war work, acting as a hospital orderly after his day's work was over. He was the elder son of Mr. Arthur Gadd, F.R.M.S., of Didsbury, and comes of a family of Old Mancunians. He came to the School in 1907 with a scholarship, and was on the Modern side. After leaving in 1911, he was on the staff of the John Rylands Library. His life had been one of quiet kindness and earnest study, and he never knew what it was to have an enemy. His end was patient and brave, as his life had been.

A friend of the late W. G. Green, of whom a notice appeared in our last number, writes:—"He was always willing and eager to do anyone a service. Whilst in hospital almost his chief concern was for a boy who was just going to enter the School.

He was anxious that he should not be repulsed by the first strangeness and loneliness, and should get to love and honour the School as he himself did. Many know the amount of work and energy Gilbert put into Church work. He was a loyal Christian and showed it by his life."

Verse.

THE AEROPLANE SINGS.

The birds wheel screaming from our path; the homes
Of men grow small and fade far, far away.
How beautiful they shine! The earth is dressed
In all her borrowed loveliness of light,
And tempts us with sweet witchery to stay
And gaze upon her winsomeness. But no!
We fight the embattled winds, and take the shock
Exultant, rising o'er their rude assault.
The free air rushes by, and we are filled
With pulsing joy, and keen exhilarant life.
Ah, glorious power, that lifts a man on high
Amid these rushing winds, and shews him earth,
Sleek sluggard earth, drowsing in dreams below!
Behold, I sing the sovereign wit of man,
The restless wit that could not brook to drowse,
But sped him o'er the wide prodigious plains
Of land, o'er mighty seas, and now uplifts
Into the ether, clear, and clean, and free.
At night when I have sailed betwixt the stars
And gazed into the deeps of gloom below
I have beheld him with his cars of fire,
Dart o'er the earth's wide breast, and seen his ships,
No breeze to waft, plough thro' the glimmering sea;
And now that wit has fashioned me whose wings
Uplift him thro' the wind-swept realms of flight.
The spaciousness and freedom of the air,
The clean strength of the winds, revivify
The soul grown torpid; and, when winds are lulled,
Who passes through the silver swell of cloud,
The marvellous still dignity of heaven
Fills with a larger reverence of soul.
My master guides me; and beneath his hand
As when a tired bird swoops with folded wings,
I dive, flashing strange beauties as I fall. G. HARRISON.*

*The writer had taken part in eighty night raids.—Ed. *Ulula*.

The Gentle Art of Cutting.

In the pre-Troglodytic days we were all of us cognisant of at least two kinds of Cutters (I do not, of course, imply that there were only two kinds of Cutters then existent; but there were two kinds with which we were more than usually well acquainted) and curiously enough they were both Daisy Cutters. The one was an all too frequent phenomenon which the batsman at the other end always resented, and the other was usually a Yankee contrivance for trimming the four square yards that war has camouflaged into a cabbage plot.

There were, too, some of us who surmised that we suffered from the effects of a third kind of Cutter—a patent but illicit contrivance whereby Olympus used to cut off a little more every year from those necessary appendages so hated of Olympus that succeed each laborious “Term.” I say “used,” but the pessimists believe that the Holiday-Cutter has not yet been scrapped.

But Necessity is the Mother of Invention, and it is very evident that a new craving for excitement has arisen in the School. At length has been discovered a game which experts claim (and, of course, experience teaches) is of enthralling interest, and will feed to repletion the hugest appetite for excitement.

To call “Hour-Cutting” a game is to put the state of things too mildly. It is in fact tending to become a cult, of which the fetiches are the Basement Window, and (so an all too irreverent soul informs us) the Pr-f-t’s R--m.

Like Baseball, however, and Cricket, and Football, it has settled down into a well ordered game with rules and a system of scoring. The full total of ten is scored by anyone who walks out in the middle of an hour, and leaves the School by the main entrance before the eyes of the Guardian of the Gate without subsequent exposure.

Two marks are deducted for substituting the Basement Window for the Main Entrance, while anyone who stays away from the beginning of the hour forfeits three marks. Anyone staying on the School premises only scores two marks. Exposure involves two quite different sets of marks. The first set are highly coloured and painful, and the second count as minus marks. Each Saturday morning counts as minus five marks, while anything worse counts a minus mark per mark.

It will be seen from the above slight resumé that a high standard of nerves and physical endurance is called for, while the game, like Scouting, is an excellent teacher of self-reliance.

According to the latest available information, a high Classical form leads by a few marks of both kinds over a well-known Science form. Howbeit the future of the Game is in the hands, or rather the canes, of Olympus.

Correspondence.

[To the Editor of *Ulula*.]

DEAR SIR,—Now that there are signs of a resumption of normal conditions in all branches of our School life, it seems only right and proper that, with the least possible delay, our outdoor activities should be placed upon a satisfactory basis. If there is anyone who doubts the pressing need for this, I have only to point out (a) That the majority of M.G.S. live in City or Suburban Districts, (b) That in a recent examination of candidates for the O.T.C. out of a total of a hundred and ten over forty failed to pass the doctor.

Our Sports Captains, while fully recognising this fact, find their path beset with two big difficulties. The first is the utter lack of enthusiasm throughout the School. Boys seem to think that their sole duty is to attend School from 9-5 to 3-10. Some boys do not regard even this as a duty. The result is that the whole of our School Sports are supported by less than a hundred boys. The second difficulty is that of organising sports on a form basis. There can be no enthusiasm, or (to call it by its right name) public spirit, while games are organised on a form basis. Where 15 forms are competing for a shield it is a rare occurrence for more than four to be in the running, and the result is that the other eleven slack.

There are three remedies possible. Either each individual must shew a quite unprecedented amount of public spirit, or it will rest with the Captains either to organise compulsory sports or to organise the School by "Houses." The decision rests with the School.

We are, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

THE CAPTAINS OF GAMES.

[To the Editor of *Ulula*.]

DEAR SIR,—We all know that there are football, cricket, swimming, lacrosse, gym., harriers and chess teams, but why are there not boxing teams? Are there any reasons why teams should not be formed?

There should be first and second teams, each team consisting of a heavyweight, middleweight, featherweight, flyweight and paperweight. This team should box other teams of secondary schools and clubs, such as Manchester Secondary School, Y.M.C.A. and Hugh Oldham Club, etc. Colours should be given to boys who are in the teams and to those who reach the finals in an annual competition.

I think if a boxing display were given every fortnight or month by boys who can box, more boys in the School would join boxing classes and take part in an annual competition, not like last year's total, for only ten boys of a School of 1,100 were willing to box. If teams were formed here, I am sure the scheme would be taken up by various other secondary schools.

Let me quote the following words from a recent paper:—
“There is something more in boxing than mere giving and taking of knocks, and the recognition of the many good qualities it develops, both mentally and physically, has now raised it to the dignity of an accomplishment, and I look forward to the day when it will become a compulsory part of a boy's education.”

A 1917 FINALIST.

[To the Editor of *Ulula*.]

DEAR SIR,—Will you permit us the use of your columns to inform all Old Mancunians, parents of past and present Mancunians, and the wider public interested in our School, that a Committee has been formed for the purpose of raising a War Memorial Fund, worthy of a School with over 400 years behind it?

As far as can be traced, there are more than 4,000 Old Boys serving with His Majesty's Forces, and over 440 have given their lives.

Briefly the objects of the suggested Memorial are:—

- (a) To establish a Fund to assist in the education and upbringing of the sons and daughters of any Old Boys who may have fallen or have been disabled in the war.
- (b) To place in the School a permanent and worthy Memorial commemorating the names of all Old Boys who have laid down their lives for their country.

- (c) To provide in the School new and enlarged accommodation for the teaching of science. We cannot think of any better way to commemorate those who have fallen than in helping the School thus to train more efficiently those who must take their places in building the new order of the future. Any proposal for commemorative Scholarships will receive due consideration.

The Committee has already received indications of strong support from a large number of sympathisers, and we appeal with confidence to a generous response. £20,000 at least, will be required.

Lord Sumner of Ibstone has consented to be President of the Fund, and two other well-known Old Mancunians, Sir John Bradbury, K.C.B., Secretary, and Mr. R. T. Hindley, General Manager, Williams Deacon's Bank, Ltd., have consented to act as Joint Hon. Treasurers. To simplify receipts and avoid delays, they desire that all subscriptions should be sent to Williams Deacon's Bank, Manchester, or any branch of that Bank in London or elsewhere.

On behalf of the Executive Committee,

J. L. PATON, *Chairman.*

TOM WHITTAKER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Major Merryweather Memorial Fund.

The amount contributed up to date stands at £97 7s. 0d., details of which will be found below. We propose to hold a meeting some time during the summer term of 1919, to discuss the form which the Memorial shall take. Meanwhile suggestions with regard to this important point, and also further donations to the Fund will be welcome.

S. B. HARTLEY.

J. P. MAYO.

Dec. 2nd, 1918.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS.

His old colleagues, £43.

Messrs. M. Allen, £3 3s.; J. E. Herbert, £3; C. F. Ward, £3; A. Deacon, £2; A. W. Dennis, £2; H. Bronnert, £1 11s. 9d.; D. Sawers Scott, £1 10s.

One Guinea from each of the following:—Lieutenant J. F. Bunce, Second Lieutenant H. V. Irving, Messrs. R. H. S. Johnson, A. Macgregor, R. S. Marks, John Mather, R. M. May, J. Mayoh, Lieutenant E. L. Whalley, and A. H. Hope, Esq.

£1 from each of the following :—Lieutenant J. H. Mainwaring, Captain H. Ormerod, E. Torres, Esq., and Lieutenant G. L. Waterhouse.

Eleven Shillings from J. J. Barker, Esq.

Half-a-Guinea from each of the following :—Messrs. B. W. Carmichael, J. C. Carmichael, F. Checkley, N. E. Collyer, C. Eccleston, T. Lowe, Gunner C. H. Scott, and Captain W. Smith.

Ten Shillings from each of the following :—Messrs. R. L. Ager, C. Battersby, A. Bowley, D. Burton, R. J. Chayter, A. Cameron, Lieutenant D. Drew, Second Lieutenant H. O. Evans, Messrs. V. G. Funduklian, H. S. Goodwin, Lieutenant A. L. Laing, Messrs. R. F. Patreieux, G. Pedley, A. Simcock, N. Sutherland, F. Thompson, J. A. Tucker, E. Turner, W. Willcock, A. Wilson (Gunner), F. W. Wood.

Seven Shillings and Sixpence from R. Toombs, Esq.

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Three Shillings from A. E. Taylor, Esq.

Two Shillings and Sixpence from each of the following :—Messrs. G. V. Donnelly, E. Jackson (Lieutenant), S. V. Thomas, E. E. Watson (Second Lieutenant), F. Weaver.

Two Shillings from each of the following :—Messrs. E. M. Appleton, H. Kingsley, J. Phillips, and R. Hadfield.

Subscriptions from Boys in the School, per G. V. Donnelly, Esq., 11s. 3d.

TOTAL, £97 7s. 0d.

The Roll of Honour.

KILLED IN ACTION OR DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

Berry, J. F. W., Lieut., King's Liverpool Regiment
 Checkley, F., Gunner, R.G.A.
 Corlett, W. J., Pte., Manchester Regiment
 Darwin, J. H. B., Lieut., Manchester Regiment
 Green, P. S., Capt., R.A.M.C.
 Hollinrake, H. F., Sergt., North Staffs. Regiment
 Jalland, H. H., Lieut., Black Watch
 Johnston, W. H., Co.-Sergt.-Major, D.C.M., A.S.C.
 Lloyd, E., Cadet, R.A.F.
 Lodge, K. A., 2nd Lieut., Lancashire Fusiliers
 Marks, G. C., Pte., A.S.C.
 Mumby, H. C., 2nd Lieut., Tank Corps
 Palmer, H. A., 2nd Lieut., Wiltshire Regiment
 Pearson, F., Corpl., Lancashire Fusiliers
 Richardson, G. H., Capt., M.C., Manchester Regiment
 Schaffer, H., Lieut., Canadian Engineers

Scott, F. G., 2nd Lieut., M.M., Manchester Regiment
 Sherry, G. F., Lance-Corpl., Lancashire Fusiliers
 Stott, R. S., 2nd Lieut., Lancashire Fusiliers
 Tatham, A., Ch. Eng. Rm. Art., R.N. (lost with submarine)
 Thompson, H. B., Pte., Northamptonshire Regiment
 Thorley, G., Lieut., Manchester Regiment
 Watts, S., Lieut., Manchester Regiment
 Williams, D. R. V., Pte., Royal Fusiliers
 Wilson, T., 2nd Lieut., Loyal N. Lancs. Regiment
 Young, A. W., Pte., Durham L.I.

WOUNDED.

Allen, V., Lieut., M.G.C. (gassed)
 Cheetham, T., Lieut., m.c., Sherwood Foresters
 Cooper, A. L., A/Capt., m.c., Rifle Brigade
 Johnson, N., 2nd Lieut., R.A.F. (invalided)
 Hickson, C. H., Pte., Cheshire Regiment (second time)
 Kelduff, F., Corpl., Lancashire Fusiliers
 Kempton, J., 2nd Lieut., Lancashire Fusiliers (fourth time)
 Knight, P. M., Sapper, Royal Engineers
 Lowe, W. H., Major, Lancashire Fusiliers
 Mottershead, J. H., 2nd Lieut., Manchester Regiment (Feb., 1917)
 Purdy, M. M., 2nd Lieut., m.c., M.G.C.
 Thornley, P. J. C., Lieut., Lancashire Fusiliers
 Ward, R., m.c. (3), D.S.O., Capt., Manchester Regiment
 Wardle, R. A., 2nd Lieut., Northumberland Fusiliers

PRISONERS OF WAR.

Statham, R. L., m.c., Dorset Regt. (attd. Port E. F.)
 Wild, S. V., 2nd Lieut., R.N.D. (previously reported missing)

DISTINCTIONS.

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 Crawshaw, C. H., Major, K.O.S.B. (and to D.S.O.)

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 Cobley, B. R., Lieut., Manchester Regiment
 Freshwater, A. J. C., Lieut., Manchester Regt. (attd. Tank Corps)
 Mackenzie, G. O., Lieut. (A/Capt.), Cheshire Regt. (attd. Tank Corps)
 Mullineux, M., Rev., Chaplain to New Zealand Forces
 Williamson, H. P., 2nd Lieut., Australian Engineers

FRENCH CROIX DE GUERRE.

Mellor, G. M., Lieut., Lancashire Fusiliers (attd. Tank Corps)

FRENCH MEDAL OF HONOUR.

Caldwell, W. J., Sergt., R.E.

MILITARY MEDAL.

Smythe, C. Grosvenor, Lance-Corpl., W. Yorks. Regiment

The War.—Personal Notes.

KILLED IN ACTION OR DIED ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

Lieutenant J. F. Wilkinson Berry (Eric) (1910-14), King's Liverpool Regiment, died on November 22nd, at Wimereux, of pneumonia, aged 21. He was the only son of Mr. J. F. Berry, of Swinton. He obtained his commission in November, 1915, and in July, 1916, was severely wounded in France. After a long time in hospital he returned to France last August. He was a member of the School O.T.C. for three years, and had just entered Manchester University when the War broke out.

Private Frank Briddon (1905-08), Monmouthshire Regiment, of whom there was a brief report in our last number, was killed in France on October 8th. He was the son of Mr. George Briddon, of Urmston. "He was one who would help anybody," writes a comrade, "and anyone would do anything for him."

Lieutenant Charles Burgess (1898-1901), R.F.A., whose death was recorded in our last number, was the eldest son of Mr. Charles Burgess, of Lower Peover, Cheshire, fell in action on October 11th, having volunteered to get the guns up into position under intense artillery and machine-gun fire. After leaving the School he joined the staff of Beith, Stevenson & Co. Here he persevered with his education, becoming proficient in French and German, and attending classes at the School of Technology. Captain Yule, his first commander, wrote of him: "I knew him on the bright days and the dull days, but he was always the same, strong, cheerful, and helpful, conscious of his responsibility and never shirking it."

Corporal Edgar B. Causer (1910-11), 1/6th Manchester Regiment, whose death was reported in our last number, was the son of Mr. W. B. Causer, St. Mary's Road, Higher Crumpsall. He was killed instantaneously by shrapnel on September 27th, as his division was assembling for attack near Havrincourt. Letters from officers and comrades say of him: "He was a splendid soldier and an excellent instructor and leader," "One of the stoutest and staunchest fellows one could wish to meet," "He had no thought of personal danger, and was always cheerful under the most trying conditions."

Gunner F. Checkley (1911-13), R.G.A., died of pneumonia at Rouen. He was the only son of Mr. F. Checkley, of Olton, Warwickshire, late of Davyhulme, Manchester. He was aged 21.

Private W. J. Corlett (1910-15), Manchester Regiment, died in the Infirmary of a wound in the spine, received last March, which paralysed his lower limbs. He was the only surviving son of Superintendent Corlett, of the Fire Brigade. At School he took a prominent part in the Scouts and as a Camper. A friend says of him: "Few fellows had so many friends; enemies he had none; he had far too much good nature. During all the time, over eight months, that he was in hospital he was cheerful and determined to get better."

Lieutenant J. H. B. Darwin (1894-96), Manchester Regiment, attached 5th Royal Warwicks, who was reported wounded and missing at Cambrai, in December, 1917, has since been reported to have died there in hospital behind the German lines. He was the son of Surgeon-Major G. H. Darwin, Medical Officer of the L. & Y. Railway. Lieutenant Darwin joined the University O.T.C. in 1915, whence he got his commission in the Manchesters, but all his service abroad was with the Warwicks. His colonel said he was a splendid soldier, and he was a great favourite with all his men. He leaves a widow and one small son.

Private Harold Evans (1912-15), King's Liverpool Regiment, whose death was reported in our last number, and whose regiment was then wrongly given, died of wounds in France on September 30th, aged only nineteen. At School he excelled at games, especially Lacrosse. Before enlisting he had done good service in Red Cross work, often being out till two or three in the morning helping to transport wounded, on the top of his day's work. On his last leave he spent several evenings on this work. His brother, also an O.M., and serving in the Army, says he never during his life caused his parents a moment's grief.

Captain P. S. Green (1899-1903), R.A.M.C., died of pneumonia at Wimereux, on November 13th. He was the son of Mrs. Green, of Oaklands, Lwnton. From the School he went to Manchester University, where he took his degree in Medicine, afterwards becoming Medical Officer at the Crumpsall Institution. Subsequently he took up the study of radiology at the London Hospital. He served over two years in Mesopotamia, returning in June last, and going out to France in the following month.

Sergeant Harold F. Hollinrake (1913-14), North Staffs. Regiment, killed at the age of 22 on November 9th, just two days before the Armistice was signed, was the only son of Mr. F. Hollinrake, Clerk to the Todmorden Guardians. He came into the Science Transitus from the Todmorden Secondary School. On leaving us he was articled to Sir W. Cobbett, solicitor, but at once joined the Army, got a Commission in the Lancashire Fusiliers, and went out to Gallipoli in July, 1915. On being transferred to Egypt he resigned his commission, came home, joined up in the ranks, and quickly won his promotion to Sergeant. He had a love for music, nature, and poetry, and he continually counteracted the coarsening influences of a soldier's life by reading his favourite authors. In a letter to the High Master, which was found on his dead body, he gives a long list of English, French and Latin books which he had with him, one of his favourite authors being Richard Jefferies.

Lieutenant H. H. Jalland (1897-1905), Black Watch, killed on October 18th, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jalland, of Fern Cottage, Romiley. At School he was in the Gym. VIII., in the Football Eleven, and won the mile race. He won a classical scholarship to Pembroke College, Oxford, where he took his degree in 1909, afterwards taking a course in commerce at Birmingham University. At Oxford he stroked his college boat, and was in the O.T.C. He entered the King's service as a Clerk in the Private Secretary's Office, and was in attendance on their Majesties at the Coronation Durbar in Delhi in 1911. He volunteered in 1915, got his commission in the Black Watch, saw service in Macedonia, was transferred to the

Western Front, and was killed in the attack on Wassigny. Lord Stamfordham, writing from Buckingham Palace, speaks of his keen and capable work, and of his modest character, and says the news of his death was received with sincere regret by the King.

Cadet Edward Lloyd (1915-18), R.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd, of Cavendish Road, Bowdon, has been killed in a flying accident. Before coming to M.G.S. he was educated at King Edward VII. School, Sheffield. He was just 19 years of age. At School he distinguished himself at games, and he had shown keenness and skill as an aviator.

Second Lieutenant Kenneth A. Lodge (1906-07), Lancashire Fusiliers, who has died in hospital, was the son of Mr. Charles Lodge, B.A., of Chorlton-on-Medlock, Manchester. He enlisted in the Manchesters, and was selected for a commission. He was wounded recently. His brother, Lieutenant R. N. Lodge, who was killed in action in 1915, was also in the Lancashire Fusiliers.

Private Godfrey C. Marks (1906-8) A.S.C., who has died of influenza, was the son of Mr. A. Marks, of Kensington House, Kersal. After leaving School he entered his father's business. He had put in nearly four years' service in France.

Second Lieutenant Harold L. Palmer (1908-13), Wiltshires, killed in action, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer, of Shrewsbury, and a nephew of the late Councillor Hiram Howell. At School he was Captain of the Football Team. He died at the age of 22.

Corporal Frank Pearson (1899-1902), Lancashire Fusiliers, died of wounds received in action 14th April, 1918, in France. He was a Foundation scholar from Bolton, and before the War his home was at 161, Clifton Street, Moss Side.

Captain G. H. Richardson, M.C. (1890-95), 22nd Battalion Manchester Regiment, who was killed in action in Italy on October 29th, was the youngest son of the late Rev. W. Richardson, rector of St. John's, Miles Platting, and of Mrs. Richardson, 44, Birch Lane, Manchester. He left the firm of Shaw, Butler, and Jardine in 1914, joined a Public Schools battalion, and served with the Royal Fusiliers in France during the following year. Obtaining a commission in 1916, he was posted to the Manchester Regiment, and served with the 16th and later the 22nd Battalion. For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in command of a company in the action of Polygon Wood he was awarded the Military Cross. He subsequently went to Italy with the 7th Division, and was killed by almost the last shell which fell on the British front. His commanding officer writes of him as "a brave and excellent leader of men," and adds: "If it were possible for a man to get to a position he would always do it, and his men knew it too."

Lieutenant Harold Schaffer (1903), Canadian Engineers, killed in action on October 30th, was the only son of Mrs. Schaffer, of Cricklewood, London. After leaving us he went to the South African College, Capetown, where he won many prizes. From there he went to the Institute of Technology,

Boston, U.S.A., and took his B.Sc. and Mining Diploma, and subsequently was engaged in engineering work in California. Then he went to Canada and enlisted in the ranks, but very soon got his commission. Throughout his varied experiences, says his mother, he always retained a great affection for his old School.

Second Lieutenant F. Gordon Scott, M.M. (1906-09), Manchester Regiment, killed in action on October 20th, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott, of The Knoll, Urmston. He joined the Public School Battalion in September, 1914, and won the Military Medal at the Battle of High Wood.

Lance-Corporal C. E. Sherry (1909-10), Lancashire Fusiliers, killed in action, was the son of Mr. W. J. Sherry, of the Grange, Hyde.

Lieutenant Kenneth Sinclair (1904-08), Royal Engineers, whose death was recorded in our last number, was the son of Mr. A. J. Sinclair, of Green Bank, Marple. After leaving us he took his B.Sc. with honours at the Manchester School of Technology, where he was President of the Students' Union. He got his commission in August, 1915, and his first active service was in Egypt, 1916-17, for which he was mentioned in General Murray's despatches. A severe strain necessitated home service for nine months, and then he went to France last April, and died of wounds received in action near Le Cateau. He was a keen Lacrosse player, playing for our School team, for the Marple Club, of which he was Vice-Captain, and occasionally for Cheshire. He leaves a widow and an infant son.

Second Lieutenant Robert S. Stott (1910-12), Lancashire Fusiliers, younger son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stott, of Heywood, is reported missing since October 12th, believed killed in action. After serving in the ranks for two years, and being twice wounded, he got his commission last February. A promising cricketer, he played with the Heywood Club in the Central Lancashire League. He was aged 21. It is only about three months since his elder brother, W. E. Stott, also a Second Lieutenant in the Lancashire Fusiliers, was killed in action.

Private Hartley B. Thompson (1913-15), Northamptonshire Regiment, who has died in hospital, was the son of Mr. F. G. Thompson, of Oak Avenue, Old Trafford. He was wounded at Villers Bretonneux in April last.

Lieutenant Gordon Thorley (1907-10), Manchester Regiment, who died on November 7th in France from wounds received in action, was the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Thorley, of North Shore, Blackpool. He was married, and was 23 years of age.

Lieutenant S. (Noel) Watts (1906-11), Manchester Regiment, who has died in hospital of pneumonia, was the son of Mr. S. Watts, late of Edale, Derbyshire, and grandson of Mr. Samuel Watts, senior partner of Messrs. S. & J. Watts, of Portland Street. He was head of the Classical Sixth, and won a scholarship at Corpus Christi College, Oxford. He was at the end of his second year of residence when the war broke out. He enlisted in the Public Schools Battalion of the R.F., and was twice wounded. A friend sends us the following appreciation:—"There is nothing but gratitude in

every memory of Noel Watts, as we look back upon the way he lived his life and the way he laid it down. Our first thought is a thought of praise to the Father of Lights, from whom cometh every perfect gift. I knew him before he came to the Grammar School, and I can say of him what a friend said of Sir Philip Sydney, 'I have known him since he was a boy, and I have never known him other than a man.' He sat in our Classical Sixth room day by day for three years under G. F. Watts' 'Aspirations,' a picture of the young knight with clear, unclouded brow, wide opened eyes, and mouth that tells of high resolve. I have always thought of him in terms of that picture. There was so much in him of all that was best in the old chivalry, that generous loyalty, and 'dignified obedience,' that 'unbought grace of life,' that high-mindedness and eagerness for high achievement, 'that sensibility of principle and chastity of honour which felt a stain like a wound, and ennobled whatever it touched.' His love of music and poetry was in itself an inward measure of his quality. And that inward fineness of nature was lit up with a passionate desire for good. He was among us as one who coveted earnestly the best gifts, a Galahad who sought the grail. There was in him from the first that trait which, according to the greatest of English teachers, marks out unfailingly the higher type of character—the trait of moral thoughtfulness. Then came the War. To none that I have known was the whole business of bloodshed more repugnant than it was to Noel Watts. He was not an athlete, he had not the athlete's fierce joy of contest and zest of rivalry for the first place in the race. He was not a camper, and had no love for roughing it in the open. He was cast in a quieter mould. An old Chaplain, in charge of the Venereal Disease Hospital, tells me that, when he goes to the Hospital, he says to himself, 'He descended into Hell.' I can think of no other terms adequate to express the utter revulsion which Noel Watts must have felt for the business of the war. The more honour to him that he came forward so promptly to do his duty as a man and a citizen. I think I never saw him so happy as when he called on me just a few days ago. Knowing what it must have meant to him to give up all comfort and security of life, the pleasure of letters, and art and music, and all that seems to make life worth living, and to put his will absolutely under the command of men far inferior to him in ability and education, there was only one explanation I could render to myself of his happiness—it was the lamp of sacrifice. He has lost his life for the sake of the Highest, and, losing, has found it. We cannot speak of such a one as dead.

"How should he die
 Seeing death hath no part in him any more, no power
 Upon his head,
 He hath bought his eternity with a little hour
 And is not dead.
 For an hour if ye look for him, he is no more found
 For one hour's space,
 Then ye lift up your eyes to him and behold him crowned,
 A deathless face."

We will think of him as he is, crowned with glory and honour, with everlasting joy upon his head. And we will think of him where he is—in heavenly places with Christ Jesus, his chosen Lord and King."

Lieutenant J. H. Webb, M.C. (1904-05), Manchester Regiment, whose death was recorded in our last number, was killed in action on October 9th. He was the son of Mr. P. Webb, of Prestwich Park. Before the war he was employed by Messrs. A. & S. Henry & Co. Joining the Public Schools

Battalion in September, 1914, he was wounded at High Wood and again at Passchendaele, where he won the Military Cross.

Private D. R. V. Williams (1913-15), 9th Royal Fusiliers, who has died in hospital from the effects of gas, was the son of the Rev. D. Williams, late of New Mills, now of Goole. Before coming to us he was at Kingswood School, Bath. He was an unassuming but talented boy. He had a wonderful gift for reciting, and on two successive speech days recited in the Free Trade Hall, besides taking the title rôle in Henry V. at the Christmas play.

Second Lieutenant Thomas Wilson (1910-13), Loyal N. Lancs. Regiment, was the son of Mrs. Wilson, of Langworthy Road, Seedley. He joined the Manchester Pals Battalion as a private, and was wounded at Montauban in July, 1916. His colonel writes: "He had already endeared himself to both officers and men. He died a noble death in hand-to-hand combat."

Private A. D. Young (1914), Durham Light Infantry, was the son of Mr. John W. Young, of Salford. He was killed in action in France on October 15th, at the age of 19. He was only a year with us, and prior to enlistment was with Messrs. Galloway's, Knott Mill Iron Works.

DISTINCTIONS.

The following are descriptions of the deeds for which O.M.'s have received distinctions :—

Sergeant H. Burrows, M.G.C. (Military Medal).—His section was ordered to move to the support of the already unstable line. When it arrived the Germans were in possession, and the whole section was almost wiped out. Sergeant Burrows stuck to his post single handed and continued to inflict losses on the enemy. (His only brother, Lieutenant A. C. Burrows, also an O.M., died of wounds in Mesopotamia.)

Sergeant W. J. Caldwell, R.E. (French Medal of Honour, with crossed swords in silver).—For valuable services rendered to the French Armies in the field. This is the highest award available for a N.C.O. He has received the personal congratulations of the Colonel-in-Chief of the R.E. in France.

Captain W. Hubbard, R.A.F. (Distinguished Flying Cross).—A bold and determined fighter in the air and against troops on the ground. On August 26th he engaged three enemy two-seaters, shooting down one out of control. Owing to his pressure pump being shot away in the combat he reached our lines with great difficulty, landing only 150 yards west of our front line. Undisturbed by the fact that the machine was under direct observation and subject to heavy fire, he removed all the instruments and pegged the machine down before leaving. Altogether he has accounted for five enemy aeroplanes.

Lieutenant (A/Capt.) George Ogilvie Mackenzie, Cheshire Regiment, attd. Tank Corps (Military Cross).—On one occasion the tank he was in received three direct hits. Although twice wounded, he continued to guide his section in spite of heavy shelling, and successfully led the attacking infantry to their objectives. Again, when his tank was disabled by shell fire, he joined the infantry and led a party to silence a hostile machine-gun.

Rev. M. Mullineux, Chaplain to the New Zealand Forces (Military Cross).—For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. During two days' hard fighting, when the medical officer had become a casualty early in the first day, he took charge of the regimental aid-post, dressed the wounded, and superintended their evacuation. The post was subjected to very heavy high explosive and gas shell for twelve hours, and but for his skill and excellent dispositions serious congestion would have occurred. His untiring energy and cheerful service in providing comforts for the troops under most adverse conditions were of the greatest value to all ranks of the battalion.

Lance-Corporal C. Grosvenor Smyth, 1/6th West Yorks. Regiment (Military Medal).—For gallantry and good work in conducting his guns and teams through a heavy action against German tanks, and bringing all back in safety. (Lance-Corporal Smyth was only 18 when he won this distinction). Previously he had been noted for volunteering for dangerous work, and had come out first out of 500 in a test in machine-gunnery, being made, young as he was, Battalion Instructor in the Lewis Gun.

Second Lieutenant J. H. Snaddon, R.G.A. (Italian Bronze Medal for Valour).—With his battery did valuable work towards the success of a daring raid on the enemy trenches, supporting, under violent enemy fire, the action of the advancing infantry. On numerous occasions this officer had shown his courage and self-devotion.

Sergeant (A/S.-M.) R. F. Wilson, Manchester Regiment (Distinguished Conduct Medal).—He has shown great personal gallantry and disregard of danger in bringing parties with ammunition up to the guns in action. His initiative and determination have on more than one occasion been instrumental in providing the guns with ammunition at critical moments.

Football.

The prospects of the season were not very good. There were only four of last year's team left, including two with colours, as compared with seven including five with colours, last year. Also we had lost Mr. Green, whose valuable help we missed very much. Now that the end of the War is in sight we are looking forward to his return.

The flu. has played havoc with the teams. Five of the First Eleven have been off at different times with it, and owing to illness we lost Windsor, our right back, after the first match. The Second Eleven have fared even worse, for a period of nearly a month all the half-backs were unable to play.

The flu's latest victim is our Captain, J. C. Blake, who will probably not be able to play again this term. We wish him a speedy recovery.

SCHOOL v. ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE.

On Saturday, October 12th, at Alexandra Park. The game commenced with some play in the midfield, but St. Bede's soon began to attack, and after about a quarter of an hour's play they penetrated our defence. We then took the ball into our opponents' half and made a strong attack, but were unable to score, not through lack of opportunities but through weak shooting. Towards half time the St. Bede's forwards again broke through and scored.

We resumed fully determined to win, as we had had quite as much of the game in the first half as our opponents. We kept up quite a strong attack, but St. Bede's were saved by their goalkeeper, who played a brilliant game. They made several rushes down the field, scoring twice, and making the final score :—

School, 0; St. Bede's, 4.

Team :—Kirsop; Windsor, Smith; Hobson, Blake, Kemp; Williams, Warburton, Wightman, Hadfield and Turner.

SCHOOL v. KING'S LANCS. C.F.

On Wednesday, October 16th. Our opponents were a team of convalescent officers, including our ex-captain, J. E. Haygarth, and several pre-war league players.

At first the game was fairly even, but as soon as the officers settled down they proved dangerous, and we had some very narrow escapes. One of their half-backs had the misfortune to sprain his ankle and they were obliged to continue with ten men. This made quite a difference, and during the rest of the half the play was very even and no scoring was done.

On resuming the officers, who had slightly altered their team, began to attack very vigorously, and their right outside scored with a good shot from the wing, which gave Kirsop no chance. We almost immediately took the ball down the field, and after some good wing play by Turner, Hadfield equalised. By this time our opponents were beginning to show a lack of condition, and were kept mostly on the defensive. A few minutes before time Hadfield again scored. Final Score :—

School, 2; King's Lincs. C.F., 1.

Team :—Kirsop; Davies, Smith; Hobson, Blake, Kemp; Williams, Warburton, Wightman, Hadfield, Turner.

SCHOOL v. HULME GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

On October 30th, at the Cliff. In this match we had the misfortune to be without three of the regular team. The game started with School in the river goal, and the School forwards were soon attacking. We continued to have most of the play during the first half, but shooting was rather weak.

The second half was much more evenly contested, and after about ten minutes Blake scored from long-range. Hulme then commenced pressing. However, the score remained unchanged until a few minutes before time, when the Hulme inside left scored. Final Score :—

School, 1; Hulme Grammar School, 1.

Team :—Kirsop; Davies, Smith; Hobson, Blake, Worthington; Tarbett, Manson, Wightman, Hadfield, Turner.

SCHOOL v. SALFORD TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

On Wednesday, November 6th, at Swinton. The Technical School having the assistance of several Old Boys, were able to field a strong team. School lost the toss, and played against the wind. A few minutes after the commencement our opponents scored a very lucky goal with a long shot which bounced over the head of our goalkeeper, who got stuck in the mud. We were shortly afterwards awarded a penalty, from which Wightman scored easily. The whistle blew for half-time without any further scoring.

In the second half, owing to our weak forward play, we were mainly on the defensive, our opponents scoring three times. Final Score:—

School, 1; Salford Technical, 4.

Team:—Kirsop; Davies Smith; Hobson, Blake, Kemp; Williams, Warburton, Wightman, Hadfield and Turner.

SCHOOL v. BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

On Saturday, November 9th, at Bury. After our display in the last match, we decided to try to improve the team by making a few changes. Blake changed to centre forward and Warburton came back into the halves.

School lost the toss, and had to play against a slight wind. At first Bury had most of the play, but we soon settled down after the new arrangement. After a corner from the right wing, Hadfield scored a good goal with a very low shot, which gave the goalkeeper no chance.

In the second half the Bury forwards became very aggressive, and about half way through the centre forward found the net with a shot which just went under the bar. The game now became very keenly contested. Bury continued to attack, but our defence proved sound. Blake dribbled the ball up from the centre and scored a well-deserved goal. Later, Jacques added another with a splendid shot from rather a difficult position.

The game was a very enjoyable one, and by far the best we have had yet. There was a decided improvement in our play, especially in the forwards. The backs, Sharp and Smith, played a splendid game, and Warburton will make an excellent half-back when he settles down properly. Final Score:—

School, 3; Bury, 1.

Team:—Kirsop; Sharp, Smith; Hobson, Kemp, Warburton; Williams, Wightman, Blake, Hadfield and Turner.

SCHOOL v. KING'S LANCS. C.F.

On Wednesday, November 13th. The officers had a better team than in the last match, and having had some practice were in better form. School kicked towards the river, but at first made little headway, the ground being very muddy indeed. The first half was very evenly contested, each side scoring twice.

In the second half we had most of the game, and our opponents were on the defensive, but we were not successful in scoring. This was chiefly due to the wretched state of the ground, which made shooting difficult. Final Score:—

School, 2; King's Lances. C.F., 2.

SCHOOL v. R.A.M.C., HEATON PARK.

On Saturday, November 16th, at the Cliff. As soon as the whistle blew our opponents made a terrific rush and scored. They continued to attack very strongly, and shortly afterwards scored again. School now began to settle down, and made some headway, although the very slippery state of the ground added very much to the difficulty. Several corners were forced, but they availed us nothing. The opposing backs, who were very heavy, played a good game, and were successful in keeping us out until half-time.

We now played a much better game, and after about twenty minutes Williams scored with a fine shot from the wing. The R.A.M.C. forwards were never again really dangerous, but their defence played well, and it was not until near the end of the game that Williams again scored, making the final score:—

School, 2; R.A.M.C., 2.

C. E. K.

Harriers.

The run on Saturday, October 19th, was from South Manchester School, with the H.O.L.C. The hares, F. G. Smith and D. E. J. Mitchell, took a new course. After passing through numerous streets, the trail led to the river Mersey, and continued to the bridge at Northenden, then across Palatine Road, still keeping along the river bank until Ford Lane was reached. The trail then led along Ford Lane, across Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, on to the Didsbury course. Passing over the L.N.W.R. embankment to Burnage Station. From that point the track continued over the old South course until home was reached.

A large proportion of the H.O.L.C. and a few of our own members took a wrong course from the beginning, and found themselves running towards the new aeroplane sheds. They followed the Fallowfield course, and only came in contact with our own track on their return.

The run was one of the best we have had this season, we had a splendid turn up.

We must congratulate Stewart, M.T.B., on being first man in.

On Saturday, November 9th, the run was from Irlams-o'-th'-Height, and with the kind permission of Mr. Ormerod, we changed at Broom Hall. The run proved to be very exciting, for immediately we had left the Hall, we were assailed by a farmer, who threatened us with an ugly looking hatchet for daring to trespass on his grass plot. From here we followed the L. and Y. line for some distance until we came to a road along which we ran, and then across the fields to the left, and finally to Thirteen Arches. Passing underneath, we found ourselves barred by canals and vast areas of flooded fields. We turned to the right, crossed a railway line, and continued along the side of a hill until we came to a clough, here we turned to the right through the clough, which proved to be rather muddy. At the end of the clough we climbed up the bank to the right, and were once more assailed by a farmer. This gentleman immediately set his dog on us—one said he had never run so fast in his life. We reached Broom Hall at about five o'clock. The length of the run was nine miles. Before leaving Mr. Ormerod kindly provided us with some tea.

We ran from the Cliff on November 16th, and took the usual course along the golf links, then turning to the right, went over Kersal Moor to Drinkwater Park. From here we followed the steeplechase course back to the Cliff.

The turn-up was not so good as usual, owing to the prevailing epidemic.

Life-Saving.

The Examination took place at the Victoria Baths, on Thursday, October 31st, 1918. Eight candidates—eight passes.

Passed the Certificate Examination :—J. C. Taylor (Sc. v), L. Thompson (MT.a), D. Blake (Cl. Tr.), R. I. Roberts (5a), F. H. Peacock (4a), A. W. Lee (Sh. c), H. N. Hargreaves (Sh. c).

Obtained the Medallion :—J. C. Taylor (Sc. v), L. Thompson, D. Blake, R. J. Roberts, F. H. Peacock, J. T. Sawyer (3d).

S. E. BALLY.

O.T.C. Intelligence.

Promotions, dated 25th November, 1918:—

Lance-Sergeant Williams to be Sergeant.

Corporal Bronnert to be Lance-Sergeant and Armourer.

Scripture Union.

An interesting series of meetings has been held during the term at mid-day on Tuesdays and Fridays, and for the Keenites only on Thursdays after school. The attendance at the mid-day meetings has been 1,780 at twenty meetings (average about 75). We should like to see more boys at the meetings after school on Thursdays, and hope that this branch of our Society will be more flourishing next term.

Addresses have been given by the Dean of Manchester, the Bishop of Europe, Mr. Hartley, Rev. C. P. Keeling, Canon Richardson, Rev. R. E. Reid, Mr. Meeson, Rev. W. R. Cole, Rev. W. H. Finney, Canon Green, Rev. J. Wilson, Mr. Paton, and Mr. Waite. In addition, we have had a visit from our old friend, Mr. D. H. B. Harford, who has returned from India for a stay in England. Next term we shall, unfortunately, lack the services of Webster (Ræ), who as Treasurer and member of the Committee has been very helpful to us.

T. J. J.

Literary Society.

At a Meeting of the Society, held on August 1st, the President in the chair, Mr. Beeley read a paper on "Benjamin Disraeli."

Disraeli's political brilliance has led to undue censure being passed upon his novels, which are confessedly weak of plot and inclined to verbosity.

But in spite of these manifest faults, Disraeli was in his own line undoubtedly a master. He has left many interesting and spirited pictures of the Aristocratic Society of his age. He may be somewhat long-winded, but his novels contain many charming word-paintings of natural scenes, and he is a master of pointed epigrams and character sketches.

On Tuesday, October 1st, Mr. Yoffey read a paper on "Jewish Nationalism."

After detailing the attempts to establish communities of Jews in Palestine, Mr. Yoffey went into the question of the suitability of Palestine as a home for the Jewish race, laying stress upon the fact that in Palestine alone had the Jews been free and undisturbed. The future plans of the Zionist Committee, as expounded in their publications, were ably set forth.

A Meeting of the Society was held on October 22nd, when Mr. F. A. Porter, O.M., gave a paper on "Poetry and Poetastery," which for freshness and originality was one of the most remarkable the Society has ever heard.

Describing Poetry as neither "the music of the Spheres nor the primal warblings of Nature," nor yet the "Oversoul of youth," as the critics would have us believe, Mr. Porter went into the three elements of poetry and their origin.

Incidentally, Mr. Porter denied the existence of Inspiration. Poets did not receive their afflatus from without. They were endowed with a keener power of observation and a more refined judgment than other men. There was nothing unpractical or other-worldly about poetry. Poets are essentially practical men with a practical object.

On November 5th, Mr. Collinge delivered a paper entitled "Some criticisms of modern Literature." The Meeting was remarkable as being the longest recorded during the last fifteen years.

The gist of Mr. Collinge's remarks was that the agnosticism of the old intellectuals had cast a cloud of gloom over their writings while the new generation, inspired by fresh beliefs and an irrepressible *joie-de-vivre*, had a wider scope and less limited powers. A detailed criticism of most modern novelists led to the conclusion that the good novelist records not merely the action alone but probes deeper and analyses the causes and motives that led up to these actions.

In this the President heartily supported Mr. Collinge, contrasting Conrad's "Lord Jim" and Mason's "Four Feathers."

The long discussion which followed explored many nooks and crannies and the Society dispersed at a quarter past six.

G. H. PODMORE.

F. B. ALCOCK.

Junior Debating Society.

The Junior Debating Society met this term as follows:—

On October 4th, the Secretary in the chair. Richardson proposed that "I.O.T.H., Competitive Examinations should be abolished." He said that the system encouraged underhand methods. Wilkinson opposed; he argued that the system was a great incentive to work. After speeches by Kloet and others, the motion was lost by 13 votes to 4.

On October 11th, Mr. Fasnacht, President, in the chair. Richardson moved that the "filth and grime of S.E. Lancashire are a disgrace to civilization," drawing attention to the abominable condition of Manchester air and streets. Kershaw opposed, saying in excuse that Manchester was the centre of a very important industry. Wilkinson and others made speeches, and upon a division the motion was carried by 21 votes to 19.

On October 18th, the President in the chair. In private business the date of the Tea was fixed for November 15th. Wilkinson proposed that "At the coming Peace Conference, Native races should have Native representatives." His speech dealt principally with the untrustworthy characteristics of the German Nation. Richardson opposed, mentioning the state of Russia at that time. The President supported the motion, making some very surprising statements about certain African tribes. Mr. Collinge also supported the motion. The motion was carried by 21 votes to 14.

On October 25th, the President in the chair. Richardson proposed that there should be "Tariff Reform after the War." He drew attention to the infant industries developed in Britain since the beginning of the War. Wilkinson opposed, asking for support for the principles of Free Trade. Kloet, Kershaw, and others also spoke. The motion was lost by 33 votes to 8.

On November 8th, the President in the chair. Richardson proposed that "This House condemns the Government's defiance of the law as laid down in the Home Rule Act." He based his arguments on the fact that since there was such an Act on the Statute book, and yet not in force, the Government was acting contrary to law. Wilkinson opposed, saying that the time was inopportune for its application. The President called Ireland "the most ill-treated nation on the face of the earth." Mr. Collinge also spoke vehemently in favour of the motion. The motion was carried by 24 votes to 12.

On November 22nd, a Mock Trial was held. Prisoner at the Bar, Wilkinson, was charged with attempting to blow up the School on the night of November 18th, 1918. Richardson, Counsel for the Prosecution, quoted the proverb, "What M.G.S. does to-day, Manchester does to-morrow, and England the day after." If the School had been blown up on Monday, England would therefore be blown up on Wednesday. Prisoner had been seen, in a certain passage under the School, to strike a match, and attempt to light a train of gunpowder. Counsel for the Defence, Kloet, proved that at the time prisoner was supposed to have been seen in the passage, he was on Central Station. This did not convince the Jury however, and after a short summing-up by Lord Justice Fasnacht, they retired for two seconds and brought in a unanimous verdict of "Guilty." Prisoner was sentenced to confinement for life in a certain institution in Prestwich.

Afterwards the Society adjourned to the Grotto Café for tea, and at 6-30 a visit to the Hippodrome was paid, where, thanks to the kindness of Mr. Reynolds, the manager, we were allowed a reduction in the price of admission.

W. A. R.

Philosophical Society.

On September 24th, a Meeting was held to elect officers for the Session 1918-1919. The following were elected:—President, Mr. C. L. Barnes; Vice-President, K. K. Wood; Secretary, L. J. Prosser; Treasurer, E. B. Bennion; Librarian and Reporter to *Ulula*, J. H. Wolfenden.

On October 1st Mr. Barnes gave an interesting lecture on "The Humours of Science," consisting chiefly of scientific articles from University Magazines.

On Tuesday, October 8th, the Secretary gave a lecture on "Rubber."

On Tuesday, October 15th, E. B. Bennion gave a very interesting lecture on "Iron and Steel," in which he clearly described the various operations by which a mass of iron ore is converted into steel, illustrating the appliances used with blackboard diagrams.

On Tuesday, October 22nd, K. K. Wood gave an interesting dissertation on "The History of Aviation." The lecturer had procured a magnificent set of slides, but the lantern refused to work. In spite of this misfortune, the lecture was immensely appreciated by the Society.

On Tuesday, October 29th, A. B. Craig gave an extremely interesting lecture on "Fireproofing," detailing the various processes which are used to render inflammable substances such as flannelette, as non-inflammable as is required by the Government standard. He illustrated his lecture by experiments on fireproofed and non-fireproofed articles.

On Tuesday, November 12th, Greenhalgh gave a very interesting lecture on "The Submarine," explaining the mechanism and construction thoroughly and lucidly.

L. J. PROSSER.

Old Mancunians Association.

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1914	Berry, James F. W.	Innellan, Portland Road, Swinton (Nov. 22)
1915	c Corlett, William J.	Fire Station, London Road, M/r. (Oct. 8)
1903	† Green, P. S.	Oaklands, Lowton, Newton-le-Willows (Nov. 13)
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1916	a Rainbow, George	Croft Bank, Castleton, Lancs. (Oct. 8)
1909	a Scott, Francis G.	The Knoll, Church Road, Urmston
1912	b Stott, Robert S.	Sandbank House, Egerton Street, Heywood (Oct. 12)
1909	a Thompson, Richard V.	Claremont, Western Road, Flixton
1910	c Thorley, Gordon B.	36, Seafield Road, North Shore, Blackpool (Nov. 7)
1911	Watts, Samuel	124, York Road, near Waterloo, S.E. 1
1913	a Wilson, T.	219, Langworthy Road, Seedley (Aug. 29)
1914	a Young, Alexander W.	83, Eccles New Road, Salford (Oct. 15)

a Killed in action.

b Believed killed in action.

c Died of wounds.

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