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EDITORIAL.

AT the Old Leightonians' gathering last summer the three years' term of office of the President, Leonard Doncaster, came to an end, and, as his successor, the choice fell upon J. Edward Hodgkin, whose portrait faces this page.

Born in 1875, he entered Bootham School in 1888, and on the opening of Leighton Park, in 1890, was not only the first scholar entered on the list, but, in order to arrive first on the premises, left home the previous day, and spent the night in London, thus accomplishing his desire. He was one of the first three Prefects who were chosen by Mr. Townson, and his chief School recreations were photography, the workshop, and rowing, the last being encouraged by the headmaster, who had himself been a keen oarsman at Nottingham.

Leaving school in 1893, J. E. Hodgkin was apprenticed to the firm of Ernest Scott and Mountain, Ltd., electrical engineers, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, with whom he has ever since maintained his connection, through the various stages of apprentice, estimating clerk, assistant to the general manager, and, for the past ten years, as a director with a considerable share in the management. He is a member of the Institutions of Electrical and Mining Engineers.

Early in his business career his health gave his friends some anxiety; but this was permanently established by two voyages, to South Africa and Australia respectively, the latter lasting over eighteen months.

Though closely occupied in his business, J. E. Hodgkin has many other interests, one of the greatest being his connection with the organization of motorists, with which he has been prominently identified in the North of England since 1904. In that year he

helped to found the North-Eastern Automobile Association, which, in the capacity of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, he has succeeded in working up to be the largest provincial club in the country.

His hobbies include photography, sketching, and the use of his hands in numerous useful and ornamental pursuits; while his interest in archæology has led him to undertake the excavation of a large British camp, and the compilation of a handbook to the county of Durham, on which he is at present engaged.

As a member of the Society of Friends, he has always taken a keen interest in its work. Not only is he one of our governors, but he is also a trustee of the Flounders Institute, and a member of the Ayton School Committee. His work as a recorded minister and elder of the Society, and for ten years as clerk of Darlington Preparative Meeting, is, perhaps, chiefly of local interest.

In 1902 he married Elspeth Lilian Backhouse, the sister of four O.L.'s, and they have three sons, the oldest of whom is nearly seven.

He has been present at almost all the meetings of the O.L. Club since its formation. We would congratulate both the Club and J. E. Hodgkin on his election to the Presidency, as we feel sure that under his guidance the Club will grow in its usefulness to its members, and to the school to which they are so devoted.

PREFECTS.

- D. W. Collier, appointed May, 1908.
 - R. B. Crewdson, appointed September, 1909.
 - E. I. Lloyd, appointed September, 1909.
 - A. R. Fuller, appointed January, 1910.
 - O. S. Hopkins, appointed May, 1910.
 - H. L. Harris, appointed January, 1911.
 - D. S. H. Keep, appointed January, 1911.
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NEW OLD BOYS.

- K. H. Brooks, Cedarhurst, St. Albans.
- C. C. Curtis, 18, Queenswood Avenue, Muswell Hill.
- T. C. Tonkin, Calumet, Plymouth.

E. H. May, St. Mary's Cottage, Colchester.

C. B. Wilson, 202, Tufnell Park Road, London, N.

J. N. Robertson, 42, Dalziel Drive, Maxwell Park, Glasgow.

NEW BOY.

Lower VI. E. P. Southall, Leominster.

THE PREFECTS' EXCURSION.

SOON after seven o'clock on a dull morning, with the rain coming down in a gentle, persistent way that seemed hopeless, the seven Prefects started for the station. Anyone seeing them would hardly have thought they were going for a day's enjoyment. Reading was dismal, and the station worse, but when the train arrived punctually, the seven resigned themselves to the slow journey to Birmingham slightly more cheerfully. At Banbury, the noted cakes were administered; but there was one who refused to be comforted, rising an hour earlier than usual seemed to disagree with him; it was very unlike him to refuse refreshment.

When we arrived at Birmingham Mr. Lloyd's and Gerald Lloyd's cars were waiting for us, and in them we soon reached Stewart and Lloyd's tube works. Arriving at the works, we were split up into two parties, for no one could talk to seven people at once in the noise of the works. The next hour and a half was full of interest. We were shown the whole process of the tube making, from when the iron strips entered the furnaces to where a man was colouring the pipes the standard colours for different classes of tube. The scene around the furnaces was most striking, and the heat from the hot tubes as they came out made us retreat to some distance, though men used to it worked a few feet from them. Hardly less interesting than the actual welding of the tubes was the machinery for making the screw on the ends of the pipes. Then we were shown men making the joints and T.-pieces by hand, and the fitting of these. The straightening and testing of the tubes was also shown us, and then we came to the most wonderful process of all. We

were taken to a part of one of the rooms boarded off from the rest and given pieces of red glass, and told to look through them only. We then entered and saw the welding of the large joints and flanges. A small electric arc gave the required heat, and we saw the molten iron running about almost as liquid as water. The intense light from this apparatus necessitated the use of the red glass. Time pressed, and we had to leave. Mrs. Lloyd had very kindly invited us to lunch, and again entering the cars, we were taken to Edgbaston Grove.

In the afternoon we visited the factory at Bournville. Mr. George Cadbury very kindly made arrangements for us to be taken round, and went with us himself a great part of the way. There is a great deal to be seen here besides the actual making of the chocolate. We were shown some very ingenious machines for making the boxes and tins and for wrapping up the packets of cocoa; another large room contained many printing machines for labels and for decorating some of the boxes. There was also a large machine shop for repairing any of these machines. Here again time prevented us seeing all we should have liked to have done, and we had not much time to spare in catching our train back to Birmingham. Here Mr. Lloyd met us again and took us to tea in an hotel. Directly after this we had to hurry to Snow Hill station to catch our train for Reading. We should like to thank Mr. Lloyd very sincerely for entertaining us, and making arrangements for the day's visit to Birmingham.

HOBBY-WORK IN THE SUMMER.

IN spite of snow and hail as I write, signs of spring are much in evidence. For many, "snowdrops point to pads, crocuses to cricket," but for all naturalists the lengthening evenings remind us that the time is coming when outdoor work in hobbies will replace the wood work and metal work of winter. I am going to suggest a plan of campaign for ornithologists, whether as egg-collectors, observers, or photographers. A little thought beforehand may make

all the difference between real progress and disappointment. Entomologists, botanists and enthusiasts in other lines, will probably not find it difficult to adapt the hints to their own needs.

To begin with, collectors will naturally hope to add new species to their collections. The way that will give surest promise of success is to write down (from a book or from a better collection than your own) a list of the eggs that you have never yet got, and that you may reasonably hope to get, and to *arrange the list according to the month when the bird begins to breed*. Thus, if you are wanting Rooks' eggs, and leave it till after the holidays, then you may as well leave it till 1912. The Tree Creepers, too, will already be running behind bits of loose bark on the trees with intentions other than merely to see if there is food there. On the other hand, the Corn Bunting, though in England all the winter, will not lay till late in May, and probably not till June. If Reed Warblers are your quest, and you find that mid-June has come and you have no Reed Warblers' eggs, don't waste time looking for them then, but wait till July brings the time for a second brood. More ambitious collectors, who want to get on even terms with the rarities of the neighbourhood, will watch for the Dartford Warbler singing on and above gorse bushes during the last week of this term (the only way to find the nest, except by accident, is to see the bird carry to it material for building or food for the young); while some of us who mean to find Marsh Warblers, if they are to be found at all, in the osier beds, know we need not begin active search before May.

But besides collecting, note should be made of things we can't explain. To take a case in point: A clutch of Tree Sparrows' eggs will almost always be found to have one egg lighter than the rest. This has long been noticed, but it is only this month that I have seen the observation published that in a series of cases the light coloured egg was the last of the clutch to be laid. Now, this observation, if upheld, suggests a reason for the light colour, viz., actual lack on the bird's part of colouring matter. This leads to other questions: e.g., has the Tree Sparrow always lacked sufficient colouring matter for its eggs, or is it that of late years the bird is laying more eggs in a clutch than it used to do? Notes, seemingly trifling, may, if accurate, lead to real discoveries of whys and wherefores.

A very good example of what the photographer may do is published

in the March number of *British Birds*. Here observations are recorded, and photos shown of the daily growth of a young Kestrel. The change from down to feathers in a few days is startling, as shown by the pictures. This particular Kestrel was brought up by hand, and so could be put any day into a suitable place for photography. But captivity is not necessary; a photograph every other day of a nestful of young Larks would make a series that judges in a competition would view with favour. Young Moor-hens would give charming pictures, though they would be bad sitters. There is in fact in connection with nestlings a very great deal yet to be learnt, and observations day by day may easily give something quite new.

A movement that has been set on foot by the editor of *British Birds*, is to mark birds by numbered rings placed on the leg; the ring serves as a means of identification if the bird is caught subsequently. A Wagtail from Sussex was found in Portugal; a Lincolnshire Starling had gone into Yorkshire. Birds ringed at Ravenglass, Cumberland, have been found in Co. Down, in Lancashire, in Brittany, and in Portugal. By the time this is in print, I shall have a supply of rings, and I hope, with the help of members of the Natural History Society, to mark quite a number of nestlings. Among the things that such an enquiry into the movements of birds will help to settle, will be whether birds usually come back to nest near their nesting place of last year, whether migrants from a district go always to the same district as each other, and how long they take on their journey. We have our own migrant problems, by-the-by, quite close at hand. There seems to be a regular migrant route, running north and south, beyond Northcourt Avenue, parallel to the Shinfield Road. Wheatears, for example, pass along there both in autumn and in spring. Now, do these migrants keep always to the west of the road, and never cross the belt of trees that separates the Shinfield Road? Nobody seems to know for certain. If only the ornithological curators had kept and published lists of birds in the park each year for the last twenty years, we could now answer the question. Perhaps our observations carefully put down may help twenty years hence to answer questions of which we now don't dream.

C. I. E.

PLAY TIME.

WHAT shall a man say of those scenes from *Twelfth Night* at the social?—an old gray man at that, who, being no playgoer, and having no histrionic bent of his own to inspire him, is pressed to write an “appreciation”? First, that he did really appreciate; *videlicet*, that he smiled all around his venerable head, and at frequent intervals laughed unrestrainedly. “In good sooth it was excellent fooling.” (“*Isn't that enough, Mr. B.?*” “*No, go on!*”—*E.V.B.*) Now, comes my difficulty. Where all did so well how single out this one or that? If I begin at the bottom of the bill let none take offence. P. S. Cadbury, as Maria, was a charming “Tweeny,” worth her twenty pounds (“*And beer.*”—*E.V.B.*) to any suburban householder. How did he do it? He stepped so short, and smiled so pretty! A perfect ingenew. (“*You have spelt that wrong.*”—*E.V.B.* “*I beg your pardon, I have seen it so somewhere, and since last week this is a free country.*”—*H.M.W.*) R. L. Lloyd's Viola was sweetly pretty, *tout à fait ravissante* (which is Parisian for a little bit of orlwright), but, he should have blushed more. Get him to practise blushing. (“*No use. He never does anything worth speaking about.*”—*E.V.B.* “*Dear, dear! Get him to try to do a wrong thing, just for once. Art demands the sacrifice.*”—*H.M.W.*) Of the First and Second Officers, what can one say? Nature had not treated them impartially, and that is the long and short of it. Downie played the Fool with exuberance and airy grace. There is hope for any one who can do that! Most of us, when we set about playing the fool, do play the fool, and no mistake. The dear fellow capered as if he couldn't help it. I liked (and heard him) less as Sir Topaz. Malvolio impressed me immensely as a character study. (*Mind, I never saw Irving in the part.*) Well, Harris “jetted” like a very turkey cock: one almost heard the rustle of his quills, and smelt the sausage and the bread sauce. (*But, why did the house keep whispering “Tree”? It was a box-bush in a pot to my thinking.*) Grierson made up as a most convincing Sir Toby, what an Italianate ruffling, swaggering, roystering blade to be sure! Od's boddikins! whose weasand were safe within reach of that long rapier? The business of the duel scene was simply delicious! What

nudging, what shouldering, what prompting of unwilling warriors! Inglis, as Sir Andrew Aguecheek was an inimitable poltroon. When he complained of his broken cockscorn I craned for a sight of the blood. (*"Let them use a little red currant jelly next time."*—H.M.W. *"No, spoils the wig."*—E.V.B.) E. I. Lloyd as Sebastian was a fine figure. Personally, I had rather cultivate his company when he was making love than when making bloody cockcombs. (*"That is your taste."*—E.V.B. *"It is."*—H.W.M.) Still, he needs practice. (*"Now, really."*—E.V.B.) I observed him drop upon one knee to kiss hands; two is better form. (*"Or on all fours, perhaps?"*—E.V.B.) Fuller posed as a statuesque deep-voiced Olivia. (*"Personally, I like my countesses under five feet."*—H.M.W. *"I prefer mine six feet six."*—E.V.B.) All went admirably. I can pick no holes, if I wished to. Brain, who got into sea-boots and took the sea captain's part at ten minutes' notice, certainly deserves well of his school. (*"And of his country. The Navy League should keep an eye upon him."*—E.V.B.) The Duke (Keep) wooed that lofty countess with due caution, but put in for the orphan girl in blue with a fine enthusiasm so soon as he saw who was who. (No slump in Dukes there.) Her Honour's servants rollicked and laughed most infectiously. (I giggled consumedly myself; couldn't help it.) Somebody else may tell you the weak spots, I didn't find any. The programme was an entertainment in itself; those marginal notes, culled from all sources—Sheridan, Chaucer, and the authorized version. (The one which took me most was that from Tennyson's *Maud XI.*, *"Let the sweet evans endure."*)

H.M.W.

LEISURE PURSUITS, 1910.

An exhibition of work which filled the two class-rooms testified to the vigour and industry with which the various hobbies had been pursued during the year. In several branches the results were exceptionally good, the improvement on the preceding year being most marked in the exhibits of natural history, photography, and wood and metal work. Amongst the first named were four collections of

birds' eggs by L. P. Biggar (1st prize), J. M. Bickerton (2nd prize), K. H. Brooks and J. M. Grierson, the last two dividing the 3rd prize; three collections of butterflies and moths by K. H. Brooks (1st prize), J. F. O. King (2nd prize), and H. G. Saunders (3rd prize); an admirable study of birds' skulls on scientific lines, with illustrated catalogue, by J. M. Downie (special prize); two botanical exhibits by K. H. Brooks (2nd prize) and P. S. Cadbury; a small collection of fossils by C. R. Day (3rd prize); an exhibit of fowls by J. F. O. King (1st prize), and one of living stick-insects by C. R. Day; and several diaries, of which the best were by K. H. Brooks (special prize), J. M. Downie (2nd prize), L. P. Biggar and H. G. Saunders, the last two judged of equal merit. As a whole, the diaries, however, could not be said to show the advance noticeable in the other branches of natural history work. In photography K. H. Brooks took first prizes, and T. W. Hopkins 2nd prizes, in each of the three sections, prints, enlargements, and lantern slides. H. L. Harris received 3rd prizes in the first two sections, and E. Cadbury in the third section. E. H. May also showed creditable prints. In metal work, five engines or machines, finished or incomplete, were shown, H. L. Harris, D. G. Walker, and H. R. Bickerton receiving 1st prizes, and A. Gilford a 3rd. In carpentry, a special prize was awarded to K. H. Brooks for a very handsome and substantial arm-chair, one of the best exhibits of the year; A. R. Fuller and J. N. Robertson respectively received the 2nd and 3rd prize. In wood carving, J. F. O. King took a 1st prize. In chip-carving, the best exhibits were by W. J. C. Taylor (1st), T. W. Hopkins (2nd), and C. B. Wilson (3rd). In poker work, J. M. Grierson and N. Harricks respectively received a 1st and a 3rd prize; and in fret-work J. G. Goodbody and E. H. May a 1st and 3rd. C. R. Day took a 2nd prize for repoussé work. In art, K. H. Brooks received a 1st prize in each of the sections of colour and design. The only other exhibit in this branch of work was by L. G. Cole, one of the youngest boys, whose work was commended as deserving of encouragement. In archæology, S. F. Lennard received a 2nd prize for his diary, and D. S. H. Keep for his collection of coins. A second small collection of coins was shown by C. R. Day. The results in the music competitions were particularly good. The chief awards were as follows: Piano, W. J. C. Taylor and F. S. Brain

(1st prizes), J. M. Downie (3rd); concerted music, F. S. Brain and J. M. Downie (1st), E. I. Lloyd and R. L. Lloyd (2nd), A. Bell and R. H. Cook (3rd); strings, A. Bell (2nd); song, A. P. D. Penrose, A. Bell, J. M. Grierson (a 2nd prize each); composition, R. B. Crewdson a special prize for his waltz, "Weih-nachten," undoubtedly one of the best pieces of work in this year's exhibition, on which the composer is to be congratulated.

In elocution, numerous competitors took part, of whom the following received prizes:—Prepared speech, D. W. Collier and E. I. Lloyd (1st each), H. L. Harris (3rd); unprepared speech, E. I. Lloyd (1st), A. R. Fuller (2nd), D. W. Collier (3rd); recitation, J. M. Downie (1st), H. L. Harris (2nd), E. I. Lloyd and C. B. Wilson (3rd divided). Of the numerous essayists, H. L. Harris was awarded the 1st prize in prose and R. L. Lloyd in poetry, D. W. Collier the 2nd prize, and E. I. Lloyd the 3rd in each of those sections. Of the juniors, A. W. Bell and J. M. Bickerton were placed first and second respectively.

The best pieces of work, as already mentioned, were Crewdson's original musical composition, Brooks' arm-chair and his natural history diary, and Downie's study of birds' skulls. Each of these was marked by a special prize, and an extra point in the competition. A satisfactory feature of this year's exhibition is the large number of boys whose work is represented. Of the 43 boys at the time in the school, 38 have secured points in the competition, 20 in School House, and 18 in Grove House, and 10 boys reach double figures in their points. Grove House leads by a total of 157.5 points against the 99.5 of School House. It, therefore, retains the Hobbies Cup for this year. K. H. Brooks, with his huge total of 40.5 points, compiled by work in varied fields, earns for the fourth successive year, his place upon the Honours Board.

W. S. R.

REPORTS OF SOCIETIES.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—Two meetings have been held so far this term. The first one almost mechanically resolved itself into a discussion of Great Britain's attitude to pauper aliens, falling, as the meeting did, soon after the Houndsditch and Stepney atrocities. R.

L. Lloyd and J. M. Grierson proposed that "In the opinion of this House, pauper aliens ought to be excluded from the country." D. W. Collier and D. S. H. Keep officially opposed it. After quite a lively discussion, it came as rather a surprise to learn that the motion was lost by eight votes to fifteen.

Our second meeting was devoted to another general subject, the motion running as follows: "In the opinion of this House conditions of modern life are antagonistic to culture." O. S. Hopkins and W. J. C. Taylor proposed, whilst the opposition was conducted by E. I. Lloyd and T. W. Hopkins. Although the standard of speaking was, perhaps, not so high as at other times, there was considerable diversity of opinion, improved facilities for education of every kind being responsible for the defeat of the motion by nine votes to fourteen.

E. I. LLOYD.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.—The first meeting was mainly taken up with Society business. An Egg Committee was appointed for the year, but no Diary Committee, owing to the compulsion of diaries being under consideration. The following were made curators, to fill up vacancies :—

Aquarium, W. J. C. Taylor.

Botany, P. S. Cadbury.

Entymology, J. F. O. King.

Osteology, J. M. Downie.

Ornithology, Mr. C. I. Evans and J. M. Bickerton.

Zoology, E. I. Lloyd.

H. R. Bickerton was elected Union representative of the Society. Following this business Mr. C. I. Evans spoke for the remaining time upon eggs, and stated some reasons for the colour of those of various birds. He exhibited a number of eggs, and showed how some can be distinguished from others of a like nature by the touch. In accordance with a suggestion put forward by Mr. Rowntree, a lecture on "Cats, Ancient and Modern," was delivered by Mr. H. M. Wallis to a meeting of the Society, on March 9th, open to the School. The lecturer displayed a number of diagrams on the walls, to which he referred, to illustrate his remarks. Starting with the ancestors of the cat, which lived millions of years ago, Mr. Wallis

traced the evolution of the domestic "Pussy," going off on a side track here and there, up to the present day. The lecture was decidedly interesting, and enlivened now and again with some of the lecturer's delightful anecdotes.

J. M. DOWNIE.

L. H. A. SOCIETY.—At the third meeting of last term we had an interesting lecture from L. M. Angus on "Architectural Records of the Middle Ages." Taking Haddon Hall as his principal example, he traced its gradual growth, showing us how first one improvement and then another was made. The lecture was profusely illustrated with lantern slides, which proved of much assistance in helping us to grasp this interesting archæological subject. One meeting has been held this term, an evening devoted to the works of Burns and Scott. The Society assembled in the dining room at Grove House. The Burn's part of the programme was undertaken by two Scottish representatives, J. M. Downie and J. M. Grierson. Downie gave us an excellent account of Burn's life and character, and Grierson read several of his pieces, notably, "Tam O'Shanter," in the genuine Lowland Scotch. The Scott part of the evening then began with a reading by E. I. Lloyd from "Waverley," describing the battle of Preston Pans. D. W. Collier recited a patriotic piece from the "Lay of the Last Minstrel," and H. L. Harris read part of the last canto of the "Lord of the Isles," about the battle of Bannockburn. The evening was brought to a close by a scene from "Ivanhoe," the one in which Gurth pays the Jew for the armour which he had given the disinherited knight. One end of the room was arranged as the Jew's apartment, and the fair Rebecca, arrayed in rich satin garments, was discovered reclining on a divan, while her father, his big beard spreading over his costly clothing, paced the room, or warmed his hands by the low fire. The part of the servant was taken by F. S. Brain. D. S. H. Keep took the part of Gurth, R. Ll. Lloyd that of Rebecca, while Inglis impersonated the Jew. L. H. Fox and E. P. Southall have joined the Society.

H. L. HARRIS.

CAMERA CLUB.—At a business meeting, held early in the term, H. L. Harris was appointed Secretary, and a Committee was appointed to revise the Society's rules. At the next meeting the revised rules were adopted, and it was also decided that an album should be kept in which all prize-winning prints must be inserted.

Mr. Kaye was appointed President and Treasurer. At the close of the meeting a sale was held of various photographic oddments, the accumulation of the past two years or so, and several shillings were realized. On February 15th, Mr. King, of Reading, gave us a very interesting lecture on "Colour Photography," illustrated by a number of lantern slides. He briefly traced the attempt to obtain true colour rendering, from the early days of photography, and showed us some excellent colour photographs on both autochrome and Thanes plates. The lecture was open to the School, and was largely attended. Three autochrome slides by T. W. Hopkins were shown, and were very favourably criticized by the lecturer. J. M. Downie, P. S. Cadbury, A. P. D. Penrose, and E. Wallis have joined the Society.

H. L. HARRIS.

JUNIOR ESSAY SOCIETY.—Although the present number of members in the Society constitutes exactly half the School, the only meeting which has been held so far this term was rather sparsely attended. Mr. Rowntree presided, and, when the usual preliminary business had been disposed of, essays were read by P. S. Cadbury on "A Nightmare," N. Harricks on "Nelson's Column," C. R. Day on "A Visit to Tilbury Docks," L. B. Cole on "Stonehenge," R. H. Cook on "The Forth Bridge," J. M. Bickerton on "Alcohol," and S. F. Lennard on "Tobacco." Mr. Evans supplemented L. B. Cole's essay with a description of the archæological researches that are being carried on in the neighbourhood of Stonehenge.

S. F. LENNARD.

MUSICAL SOCIETY.—The band has met for weekly practice, and have spent most of their time in the study of Haydn's Seventh Symphony. They have also rehearsed the slow movements of Mendelssohn's Scotch and Italian Symphonies. Both the Senior and Junior Singing Classes have met regularly, and a small choir has been started for the practice of part songs.

SENIOR ESSAY SOCIETY.—At the first meeting this term, O. S. Hopkins read an essay on "Sir Walter Scott and 'Marmion.'" This was followed by an essay entitled "Homer and his Works," by F. S. Brain. A discussion of the subjects followed the essays. E. I. Lloyd also read the School Chronicle for the third term, 1910.

The subject under consideration at the second meeting was "The Evolution of Law." D. S. H. Keep and D. W. Collier read essays, and a good discussion followed. R. L. Lloyd has been elected Secretary of the Society, and J. F. O. King is a new member.

D. W. COLLIER.

FOOTBALL.

ALTHOUGH the results of the matches of this term do not show a great deal of success, they are, on the whole, satisfactory. We have been considerably handicapped by the numerous changes made necessary by illness of members of the team. O. S. Hopkins was away for the first fortnight, and Inglis, who was playing right back, had to drop out after the second match.

The team has been as follows:—Goal, J. M. Bickerton; backs, D. S. H. Keep and J. G. Goodbody; halves, R. L. Lloyd, D. W. Collier, Mr. Kaye; forwards, F. S. Brain, Mr. Scarborough, E. I. Lloyd, O. S. Hopkins, and H. R. Bickerton.

REPORTS OF PLAYERS.

J. M. Bickerton: Has improved a good deal since last term; but is liable to "off" days.

R. L. Lloyd: Plays consistently well, and has a happy knack of being just where he is needed.

F. S. Brain: Plays hard, but is not very sure, sometimes centreing rather wildly.

The above have received their 1st XI. colours.

A. R. Fuller: A fair shot, but very slow.

J. P. Fox: Is very quick, tackles and kicks well. He has only played in boys' XI. matches.

REPORTS OF MATCHES.

L. P. S. v. Y. M. C. A. at Reading, January 25th.—Owing to the absence of Mr. Scarborough and Hopkins, our forward line was very weak, but, chiefly owing to the hard play of E. I. Lloyd, the Y. M. defence had plenty of work. The game was a tough one, and our opponents were lucky in getting such a large score as 6—1.

L. P. S. v. Y. M. C. A., at L. P. S., January 28th.—This game was more even than the last, and the whole team played up well. Mr. Scarborough was again in his old place—at inside right—and Inglis took his place at right back. Keep, at right half, played well against a difficult outside man. The score was 2—5.

L. P. S. Boys' XI. v. Douai Abbey, at L. P. S., February 4th.—This proved one of the best games of the season, and our team played in much better form than they have shown before. J. P. Fox played in the place of Inglis, who was hurt in the last match. He played very well; tackling quickly, and usually successfully. J. M. Bickerton, in goal, made one or two good saves; but his clearing was faulty. Leighton obtained the first goal, Fuller scoring after some good work by E. I. Lloyd. Douai then went ahead, and pressed for some time, scoring three before half-time. The Douai forwards were especially quick in front of goal, and it was to this chiefly that they owed their victory. Result: Leighton 2, Donai 4.

Boys' XI. v. Clayesmore School, at L. P. S., February 8th.—Won 14—0. Our opponents had a much weaker team than when we played them last term, and we had an easy victory. The team played as well as could be expected in such an uneven game, but our shooting was not good.

L. P. S. v. Y. M. C. A., at Reading, February 1st.—Lost 3—6. L. P. S. lost the toss and had to play against wind and sun, and the Y. M. C. A. had the game much their own way. At half-time the score was 3—0 against us. After half-time Leighton held their own well for the rest of the game. In the first ten minutes of the second half L. P. S. scored three times, but the Y. M., after some good wing play, scored again. Another goal was lost by a mistake of our defence. J. M. Bickerton played well in goal.

L. P. S. v. University College, at Reading, February 15th.—L. P. S. won the toss, and played with the sun behind them. The combination of the College forwards was good, and L. P. defence had hard work. The College scored twice early in the game, but after this our forwards got on better. A long shot by Hopkins, which their goal muddled, gave an opening to Fuller, who scored our one goal. The game after this was more even, though after half-time the score went more against us. Of the forwards, Lloyd.

though in an injured condition, was still the best. Keep played well in his new position of right back. Goodbody also played well. Result: Lost, 2—5.

L. P. S. v. The Foxes, at L. P. S., February 18th.—L. P. S. turned out a full team for this match, and until nearly the end of the game made a very good fight. The Foxes scored one goal before half-time, but L. P. had their own share of the game. Towards the end of the game Leighton defence seemed to get tired, and the Foxes were allowed to score rather quickly. Result: Lost, 1—6.

L. P. S. v. Mansfield College, at Oxford, February 21st.—L. P. S. lost the toss, but were given the advantage of hill and wind first. The greater part of the first half was spent in the Mansfield part of the field, but L. P. only scored twice. Our own goal had one or two narrow escapes from rushes by the opposing centre and inside left, both fast men. After half-time the School forwards worked very well, and in spite of wind and hill managed to keep the opposing backs working all the time. E. I. Lloyd was, as usual, in good form. Result: Won, 4—2.

House Match, February 23rd.—Draw, 0—0. The match was played on a very windy day and on a soft ground. For practically the whole game Grove were pressing, but the high wind made shooting very uncertain. The Grove right wing was much better than the left, but the halves found great difficulty in keeping the ball on this wing during the second half, because of the wind. The School goal had many narrow escapes, but the Grove shooting, even allowing for the wind, was not good. Goodbody played exceedingly well in the School defence.

Teams.—Grove: T. W. Hopkins, J. P. Fox, D. S. H. Keep, L. H. Fox, R. Ll. Lloyd, E. Cadbury, F. S. Brain, O. S. Hopkins, E. I. Lloyd, J. M. Grierson, S. T. Lennard. School: J. M. Bickerton, R. B. Crewdson, J. G. Goodbody, E. P. Southall, D. W. Collier, A. E. Mitchell, J. F. O. King, A. P. D. Penrose, A. R. Fuller, H. R. Bickerton, W. J. C. Taylor. D. W. COLLIER.

SECOND XI.

The team were unfortunate in suffering their only defeat when playing a much weakened team.

Team : Hopkins T. W., Fox J., Crewdson R. B., Fox L, Cadbury E., Harris H., King, Grierson, Fuller, Downie, Lennard. Also played : Lloyd R, Taylor, Biggar, Mitchell, Southall, Gilford.

Date.	Apponents.	Ground.	Result.	For.	Agst.
Feb. 1 (Wed.)	Collegiate School	L P S	Won	5	0
„ 4 (Sat.)	Donai Abbey 2nd XI	Woolha'n	Lost	0	5
„ 15 (Wed.)	Collegiate School	L.P.S.	Won	8	1

A. R. FULLER.

OLD LEIGHTONIAN NOTES.

A. S. LLOYD is farming at Tadcaster, following in the footsteps of Frank Holdsworth and Phil. Harvey. He can be seen entraining sheep at 3.30 a.m. for York market, and is reported to be pleased with himself in that he spotted as a winner the bull that subsequently took second prize at the Perth Agricultural Show.

The First Trinity Pair.—L. J. Cadbury stroked the winning boat in the Foster Fairbairn pairs at Cambridge. It will be remembered that in company with A. S. Lloyd he accomplished the same feat last year.

We understand that the Royal Coronation robes are being woven in H. M. Warner's works, in Essex.

We note that E. Backhouse and Ronald Hodgkin are acting as clerks of the Durham Quarterly Meeting, and that J. B. Braithwaite is assistant clerk of the London and Middlesex Quarterly Meeting.

B. Thistlethwaite has been busy compiling a history of his forbears in Yorkshire. The book is well reviewed.

D. Pye-Smith is studying agriculture at Oxford University.

Granville Holdsworth was married, on February 8th, to Miss Margaret Black.

Rumour has it that E. C. D. Marriage is personally interested in the massing of the American troops on the Mexican frontier, and that Algie Pease's name appears among a long list of farmers, fruit-growers and beach-combers who are agitating for further reciprocity.

J. S. Stephens is one of the leading lights in the Natural History Society at John's, Cambridge, and is also taking considerable interest in the Railway Club.

J. Rickman is continuing O. L. rowing traditions at King's. He was a member of their second boat, which made three bumps in the recent Lent races.

E. F. Wills is busy reading for his "trip" next term; and B. Pickard has left his motor at home, so that nothing may take him away from his work.

R. Smee has joined the Inns of Court Officers' Training Corps, and may be seen disporting himself on the horses of the Life Guards at Knightsbridge barracks.

Among the O.L.'s who visited Switzerland this winter we note H. C. Barlow, Phil. Harvey, Reg. Mounsey, Hugh Crosfield, Basil Benyon, G. N. Cadbury, and Rob. Hutchinson. We shall soon have to form an O.L. winter sports club.

A French firm has bought the Wireless Telegraphy Company, in which B. Binyon is interested. He has not yet decided whether he will henceforth assume the role of Consulting Engineer or Company Promoter.

S. Hodgkinson is fruit farming in British Columbia.

G. B. and A. S. Lloyd took a motor trip to the Pyrenees at Christmas time. They went out, *via* Southampton and Havre, to Biarritz, and returned by Avignon and Paris. We hear that they averaged 140 miles a day, had 15 punctures, and ruined four new tyres. For further details as to the American way of doing France *en auto* apply to either or both, as their accounts differ widely.

It must not be presumed from the preceding paragraph that G. B. L. is spending his time entirely in recreation. In addition to his work he has found an opportunity in helping the Birmingham Working Boys' Home. This institution is finding shelter and work for destitute and homeless lads of the city, and endeavours to train them in self-reliance, and make them useful citizens.

News from the "sea-bound, creek-indented promontory," better known to us as the West Country, is scanty. Geo. Cadbury and Olaf Hodgkin have been visiting it, the one on a walking tour, the other to recruit his strength ere he returns to Madagascar.

Cyril Knott writes in great form from Hankow. His knowledge of the language has increased to the extent that he can teach the natives Algebra, and hopes soon to grapple with Chemistry.

F. W. Woods has been playing "Rugger" regularly with the Manchester club, and has several times appeared in their first team.

T. H. Tattersall is still at Sedbergh School. He says that the school motto is: "The hard nurse of men," and that they live up to it. He was soon initiated into the mysteries of "Up Winder!"

H. C. Barlow is working in his father's business in Manchester. For recreation he plays lacrosse for Marple.

Ronald Hodgkin is doing temporary duty in Manchester as organizing secretary of the City League of Help.

T. W. Harris has been working hard for the Liberal cause in the Cockermouth Division of Cumberland, and received a great ovation at the declaration of the poll.

Basil Wallis has just returned from a tour in the East. He has been acting as medical officer on board the s.s. "Protesilans."

Among the recently admitted Freemen of the Borough of Lancaster we note the names of two O.L.'s, to wit., G. L. Ford, solicitor, and R. C. Ford, silk spinner.

O. Fayle is engineering in Argentina, and H. Fayle is following the same profession, when revolutions do not interfere, in Mexico.

At Sandy Croft, Low Bentham, to R. C. Ford and Margaret Ford (*née* Harvey) a daughter, who was named Elizabeth Rawlinson.

At Houghton-le-Skirne, Darlington, to Anthony Wallis and Amy E. Wallis (*née* Mounsey), a son, who was named Edward Crosfield.

At 7, Old Park Ridings, Winchmore Hill, the wife of Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin, of a son, named Patrick Henry.

At Shelleys, Darlington, to J. E. Hodgkin and Elspeth Hodgkin (*née* Backhouse), a son, who was named Brian Maurice.

At Barnet, to J. F. Braithwaite and Margaret Braithwaite (*née* Midgley), a son, who was named Frederick Arthur Bevan.

We have pleasure in reporting the engagements of H. M. Warner to Miss Marjorie Sowerby, of Newcastle-on-Tyne; J. E. Mounsey to Miss Christine Annie Trail Robertson; Basil Wallis to Miss Alice Dodson, of London; and J. F. Holdsworth to Miss Lucy Marriage, of Petersfield.

The annual meeting of the Old Leightonian Club will take place on Saturday, July 29th. Old Boys wishing to take part in the cricket tour or tennis match are requested to write to B. W. Doncaster, Whinfell, Whirlow, Sheffield, as soon as possible.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Congratulations to D. W. Collier, who has obtained a Mathematical Exhibition at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and also the Old Leightonian Leaving Scholarship. Both these successes are well merited.

The Foxes visited us on February 18th, and easily defeated us, the score being 6—1. In the evening a Social was held, for which a capital programme was arranged. All did well, but special mention must be made of H. L. Harris and E. I. Lloyd in the duel scene from "The Rivals," of E. P. Southall's violin solo, and J. M. Downie's recitation. We were glad that several of the Foxes were able to spend the week-end with us.

Congratulations to A. R. Fuller on obtaining the first place in the Fives competition, a position which he achieved by skilful and consistent play.

The thanks of the School are due to Lord Peckover, who has kindly promised to provide a trophy for the Junior Gymnastic Competition.

On March 4th we listened to an interesting and instructive lecture on "Volcanoes" from Leonard Doncaster, M.A. (O.L.), which was illustrated by several fine lantern slides, some of them being from the lecturer's own photographs. The subject was dealt with in an entertaining and capable manner, and the majority of the audience came away feeling that they knew much more about volcanoes than they had done previously.

All the societies have been in a flourishing condition this term, and the Camera Club, which has for so long a time provided a fund of wit for the School Chronicler, has at last revived. As a sign of its resurrection it arranged for an excellent lecture on "Colour Photography" by Mr. H. A. King, to which the whole School was invited. An entertaining and instructive lecture on "Cats, Ancient and Modern," by Mr. H. M. Wallis, under the auspices of the Natural History Society, was also open to all.

On March 10th we attended a lecture on "Valparaiso," at the Friends' Institute, which was given by Sir Bery Cusack-Smith, K.C.M.G. The lecturer, who was for seven years British Consul-General in Valparaiso, gave us a detailed description of the town and its inhabitants, and showed that Valparaiso, which means Vale of

Paradise, is indeed a misnomer. The lecture was well illustrated by several good lantern slides, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent.

The appearance of the Army airship "Beta" over the School one day this term caused considerable excitement and interest. We learn from the local newspapers that the airship proceeded from Aldershot to Wallingford-on-Thames and then returned, and that all the while those on board were communicating with headquarters by means of wireless telegraphy. We have not yet discovered whether some of those playing in "Compulsory" were roused by patriotism to attempt to cheer, or whether they were merely attracting the attention of the enterprising airmen.

The football season closed with a decisive win over Mansfield College, at Oxford. The Mansfield men very kindly entertained our team to dinner in Hall and to as much of their annual concert as time allowed. A most enjoyable day was spent, and a fitting finish was provided to a strenuous season.

On February 1st the School attended the Orpheus Concert in the Town Hall. We went there with memories of a very fine orchestral concert held some time previously; but this time the concert was a vocal one, and we found the glees and part songs more difficult to follow, and to enjoy, than the orchestral music of the previous time. From our point of view the feature of the evening was the solo singing of Mr. Albert Garcia, who pleased all with his renderings. The School looks forward keenly to the special concert next term, which will be a larger affair than usual, in honour of the Coronation.

All those who wished were given the opportunity of attending a lecture at University College on the "Sites and Games of the Ancient Greek Festivals," by Miss Evelyn Radford. A large number availed themselves of this chance to learn something of this subject. Miss Radford, who is a member of the Hellenic Society, and has only lately returned from a visit to Greece, treated her subject in a capable way, and one which all could understand. She divided the lecture into three parts. She dealt firstly with the games themselves, giving a description of the Pentathlon and the other sports, and showing how highly athletic prowess was considered amongst the Greeks. The sites of the games were next pictured and explained, and, lastly, Miss Radford dealt with the statues and monuments of the athletes and all that can be learnt from them.

The lecture was well illustrated by lantern slides, and the only fault that could be found at all was that it was rather difficult to follow, since Miss Radford's voice did not carry very well in the large hall.

This term some members of the modern side of the Sixth Form have had the privilege and pleasure of attending two French lectures at the college. The first, on "The Evolution of Dress," did not appeal strongly to most of us, as was perhaps natural, owing to its almost totally feminine nature. The lantern slides greatly assisted our comprehension of the somewhat technical terms used with reference to female attire. The second lecture, by M. Petilleau, of Charterhouse, on "The French Version of 'Blue Beard,'" proved to be of much greater interest, the lecturer's sly humour and fund of witty anecdote appealing to all.

At the close of the orthodox football season "sixes" were arranged by the Athletic Committee. Four teams were chosen, each of which played two matches with the others. At first it looked as though Lloyd's and Collier's teams were vastly superior to the remaining two, but the return matches completely altered this view, so that on the close of the last day's play the result was as follows: Lloyd 8 points, Collier 7; Hopkins 5, Keep 4. The winning six was composed of E. I. Lloyd, J.G. Goodbody, E. Cadbury, J. M. Grierson, J. M. Downie, and W. A. W. Bell.

Overheard in the Grounds.—"The sixes are on now." "Oh, yes, that's a game you play in a small court, in which you hit the ball with your hand." (Just one out!)

The ten hundred and ninety books of the library have recently been re-arranged on the shelves according to subjects. Two card catalogues have been made, containing the names of authors and titles; there are numerous cross-references. The cards are kept in a small cabinet in the hall. The new system will have the advantage that the names of fresh additions to the library can be added without disturbing alphabetical sequence. The bulk of the work has been done by boys in all parts of the School. There has been a considerable increase in the number of books borrowed. Fiction has been placed in the darkest corner, and it is hoped that many boys will not, as in the past, confine their attention to this department, but will realize that we possess many valuable works of literature, natural history, and travel. Men of letters are urged to hob-nob with their namesakes, the original authors, rather than with the critics.

Essayists about to indulge in Society journalism or scientific research will find plenty of grist for their mill upon the shelves. THE LEIGHTONIAN intends to embark on a campaign for a standard article, 80 per cent. fact, and not more than 20 per cent. fable. W. J. C. Taylor has been appointed boys' librarian by the Union, and issues books daily. We beg to acknowledge with many thanks the gift of the following books: "Oeuvres Completes de Moliere," three volumes, presented by E. Lièvre; "Edinburgh, 1910," presented by J. B. Hodgkin; "The Decisive Hour of Christian Missions," presented by J. B. Hodgkin; "A Victor of Salamis," presented by C. I. Evans.

The steeplechase was run on March 22nd. Owing to building operations and market gardens, the course was slightly different from that of previous years. The day was beautifully fine, and the absence of a "plough" favoured the runners, though a slight head-wind told against them. Eight boys faced the starter. At the half-mile Lloyd was leading, with Inglis, Collier, Harris, and Goodbody in close attendance. This was the order of running until Steeplechase Hill was climbed, then Inglis passed Harris, but the latter sprinted through the spinney and again took the third place. At the finish E. I. Lloyd was first, in the good time of 21 min. 47 1/5 secs., closely followed by Collier, H. L. Harris and Inglis. The remainder passed the winning post in the following order: J. M. Bickerton, Goodbody, H. R. Bickerton, and Taylor. The race was remarkable, in that the first four runners finished much closer together than has been usual in the past.

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"POETICA."—It is a bold thing to publish an anthology. It is a declaration of faith for all to criticise; for we who have not the courage to publish (to say nothing of finding a publisher with a belief in us) are ready enough to judge. The sub-title of "Poetica: a book of English Verse for Repetition," shows Mr. Ridges' aim clearly enough, and the book is full from cover to cover of things worth knowing. Tennyson and Wordsworth share the honours between them: there are 15 extracts from each. The ancients are represented by the ballad of Sir Patrick Spens alone; but the names of Marvell and Newbolt, Dryden and Browning, Spencer and Keats, will show that there is variety enough among the extracts from more

modern authors. Not all boys who have the book will learn all the pieces by heart, but they will be wise if they learn to know them all sufficiently to call them old friends. The preface will approve itself to teachers, except, perhaps, the suggestion that the harder poems are suited to boys and girls of 15 or 16; at L. P. S., at all events, we hope that many generations of Sixth Form boys will find in "Poetica" realms of gold to travel and goodly states to see. The book has quite half-a-dozen portraits in it; they are not thoroughly satisfactory, but they will serve the purpose for which they are there. In other respects the get-up of the book is excellent, and we may endorse the appreciation of one of the best-known headmasters in the north of England: "She's a bonny little craft, and should sail well."

C. I. E.

(*"Poetica: a book of English Verse, chosen and arranged by John Ridges."*
Blackie, 1s. 6d.).

NOTICES.

The Editor will welcome contributions for the next number up to 1st of July.

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of *By Kent and Skerne, School Echoes, Abingdonian, Stramongatian, Plymouthian, Chigwellian, The Lily, The Wyvern, Reading School Magazine, Penn Charter*, and offer our apologies for any incidental omission from this list.

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