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EDITORIAL.

IN this number we must say farewell to three members of the staff who are leaving us at the end of term. It is not an easy matter for a colleague to attempt to express the feelings of the school: only those who have worked with them, or been taught by them, can realise how much the school owes to them and how greatly we shall miss them. In offering, then, some slight *résumé* of their activities, apart from their teaching work, upon which it is not our province to dwell, we feel that our readers will find many gaps which they can fill, and that after all, these interests of which we shall presently speak are but the expression of that keenness for, and loyalty to, the school in which they have worked for so long a time.

Mr. Edminson came to Leighton Park in September, 1891, and was appointed Grove House Master in June, 1894. He has therefore given twenty-one years of service to the school. In our various societies and games he has always taken a prominent part; it is to his initiative that we owe our compulsory games, L. H. A. Society, Essay Society, and School Union. In the work of the Society of Friends he has held the offices of Secretary of the Institute, Secretary of the Religious Instruction Committee, and Clerk of the Monthly Meeting. The Borough of Reading will also miss him, as it owes its Peace and Arbitration League, its Anti-Gambling Society, its Guild of Help, and its Citizens' Association to his energy and enthusiasm. And yet, in spite of all this work, we feel that we shall miss Mr. and Mrs. Edminson most in their home at Grove. Their unflinching courtesy and kindness, their care of Grove boys, and their continual anxiety that the house should always be worthy of its position as the successor of Grove House, Tottenham, and a part of Leighton

Park, will be an inspiration to us who remain, and a tradition that we shall ever strive to maintain.

Mr. Rowntree has been with us thirteen years. During the whole of that time he has been our cricket captain, and we feel that the steady improvement that there has been in our summer game is due in a great measure to his leadership and careful organisation. As Secretary of the School Union he has had charge of our Exhibitions and "Big Socials," and we owe many valuable reports on our hobby work to his care and discrimination. The Junior Essay Society, too, will miss their chairman, whilst the naturalists have found in him one who was always willing to help and guide them in their work. Mr. Rowntree has also given valuable help to Reading Meeting. For many years he held the office of Clerk, and at all times his services have been appreciated on its various committees, whilst in recent years his thoughtful addresses in our meetings for worship have helped not a few of us.

Mr. Edminson takes up his duties as Secretary of the Woodbrooke Extension Committee in October next, and about the same time Mr. Rowntree opens his season as a public lecturer, whose programme has in it many well-known schools, including Harrow, Brighton College, Ardingly, and Hurstpierpoint. It is gratifying to know that the Governors have been able to make generous additions for the next three years to the incomes of both Mr. Edminson and Mr. Rowntree.

We referred to the approaching departure of Mr. Kaye in our last issue. We would reiterate what we said then. It will not be an easy thing to replace one whose activities and interests are so varied.

Through the kindness of friends we are able to present our readers with four illustrations. One of them is the work of N. Harricks, the winner of the prize offered by J. E. Hodgkin. The other three are photographs of those members of the staff who are leaving. We feel sure that all the Old Leightonians as well as the present boys will be glad to have these mementoes of many happy days spent at L. P. S.

But we must not lose sight of the future. We would offer a cordial welcome to those who are coming to us next term. We understand that the Governors have appointed Mr. E. E. Unwin, M.Sc., to be

the housemaster at Grove. Mr. Unwin is at present master of the Junior School at Bootham, York. He comes to us with a fine record of teaching success, both in Friends Schools and in Leeds University under Professor Miall. He is the author of a book on Nature Study. Mrs. Unwin is the daughter of W. H. Thorp, of Leeds.

Mr. Reginald H. Robson will also join the staff. He has for some years been teaching at Saffron Walden School, having previously graduated at Cambridge with honours in history. At Saffron Walden he has done much in fostering literary activity amongst the pupils; has played both in the school cricket and football teams, and has made a hobby of the violin.

It will be seen from our cricket report that we have enjoyed a successful season. We shall miss R. Ll. Lloyd, the captain of the Boy's XI. and senior prefect, very much. The Editor of the Magazine, too, is losing a colleague in the production of the LEIGHTONIAN in the person of his sub-editor, F. S. Brain, and would take this opportunity of thanking him for his able assistance. These posts, indeed, will not be the only ones that we shall have to fill when we meet again in September, for all those who are leaving have played their part right well. We shall miss them all, but we are sure that there are those among us waiting for the opportunity, and ready to take up the work which the school is handing on to them.

NEW BOYS.

- Form V. (2). R. A. U. Jennings, Horsell, Woking.
 Form IV. J. B. Fryer, Howden-le-Wear.
 Form III. W. I. Holmes, Newcastle.

NEW OLD BOYS.

- A. Gilford, Grosvenor Road, Shinfield, Reading.
 J. G. Goodbody, Beechmount, Clara, King's County.
 D. S. H. Keep, Abbot's Langley, Hertfordshire.

PREFECTS.

R. Ll. Lloyd (senior prefect), appointed September, 1911.

F. S. Brain, appointed September, 1911.

W. J. C. Taylor, appointed September, 1911.

E. P. Southall, appointed September, 1911.

E. Cadbury, appointed May, 1912.

J. P. Fox, appointed May, 1912.

H. R. Bickerton, appointed May, 1912.

THE CHRISTENING OF TOMMY.

A FAIRY TALE.

WHEN Tommy was born all the fairies were told to meet together and give him presents, of course the presents were not to be things that he could eat, because that is not a fairy's business, what they always give are presents of qualities such as Courage and Big Arms and lots of nice things that other people cannot give if they want to.

All the fairies met in a roomy swallow's nest that hung under the eaves just outside Tommy's nursery, the first to appear was a lady called "Goodness" who came in a dove-coloured dress tied in little scallops by white ribbon, she sat down and waited, presently another lady came, dressed in mourning, she looked very sad as though she had lost a dear relation.

"Good-morning," Miss Respectability," said Miss Goodness, for that was her name, "I am sorry to see you so sadly to day, you usually look better than this." Miss Goodness could not say more because Miss Respectability never looked really happy.

"Thank you," said the solemn dame, "My bereavement is a terrible blow to me, I have just lost my husband. He died of exposure. His name, my dear, few really knew it, was 'Appearance,' the papers though called him 'Gaudy Show,' it was very cruel of them, and I am sure it hastened his death."

Their talk was cut short by the entrance of a host of other fairies,

all talking at once and being very rude to each other and being very happy, one was heard to say: "Look here, Vivacity, you aren't wanted, it's a boy not a girl, send along Commonsense or Wit, really now, you are out of place."

"Googley-oogley. Listen to me Master Business-Capacity, you're too slow, you would have him turn out one of those straight jackets like old Punctual over there, let me give a boy a quality for once, don't look at the menu of delicacies, let's make a ragout."

"Indeed, Miss Vivacity," said Miss Respectability, "I am glad I came, what next will you wish to do to the poor little boy."

"Oh, you'll clothe him," said Miss Vivacity, "why don't you let me supply the ribbons?" Madam Prudery took up the threads of talk and wove them into a garment wherewith to veil the disgusting topic. The entrance of Forgetfulness, with his tie on crooked, stopped Madam from further damping the spirits of the company.

"You are late," said Mr. Punctual, pulling out his watch.

"Know I am," said Forgetfulness; "but what's the use of coming before, none of you have done anything! Miss Vivacity has fooled away the time, Dame Respectability has been doing two people's work—smoothing down things that are smooth, that's her work, and straightening things that are tidy, her late husband's. Now what have you done, please, Mr. Punctual?"

"Oh, I appeared in good time"

"In fairly good time," said Miss Goodness, who was never late, but who did not brag about it.

"Glory be to Goodness," said Mr. Punctual, "I didn't notice it was you, thought you were Virtue. . . ."

"People say we are alike. Virtue says I am her understudy, I do more work." Vivacity turned to her friend, Sweet-Temper, and said: "Just like old Punctual to say that, showing off before a person who he took for Virtue; and how like Goodness, too, Virtue never sweats for the sake of it like she does, spends all her time at the Church. Come, let's get a peep at the little kiddy before the others, and perhaps steal a kiss." Just as they were making off, Malignity and Dishonesty darkened the doorway.

"Oh, good morning to you all," she said, sweeping a curtsey to each in turn.

“ Old cat ! ” said Vivacity.

“ Don't say that, ” said her friend.

“ Very well then, go and kiss them if you like them so ! No, you won't ? I am not surprised. Come and see the baby. ”

“ The young ladies will be a little late I fear, ” said the last comers, “ we have been to see him already. ”

“ Hum ! Up to mischief, I suspect, pray tell us what you have done, Mr. Dishonesty ? ”

“ Oh, I have just stroked his pillow a little and er— gave him a present called Worldly Policy—, it will come in useful, it will come in useful ! ”

“ And I, ” said an old wretch called Malignity, “ have touched him with the staff of Wisdom, flavoured his life with a spice of Sarcasm—no, Miss Goodness, not Cynicism—and shall we say, kindled in him a spark of Humour. ”

“ Quick, ” said Goodness, “ no time to waste ; go along, Mr. Punctual, we can't work till we have some basis, you go in and shape things a bit, then Sweet-Temper, Miss Vivacity will perhaps take in Madam Prudery ”

“ No thanks ! ”

“ Then it is left to Mr. Business-Capacity (a usual mixture). I am afraid I can do nothing directly, only indirectly. ”

They all went into the nursery to make their gifts, such an imposing scene, when two new fairies came round from the other side of the cot. Miss Respectability moved forward to address them. “ I think we have not the pleasure of your acquaintance, are you strangers to fairy-land ? ”

“ Yes, we are, our names are Heredity and Environment, and we have taken on the duties which were previously laid upon you. ”

“ So the child isn't sarcastic, deceitful, or malicious, ” said Miss Goodness. “ What a relief. I might have known that Malignity and Dishonesty defeat their own ends by their lies ! ”

“ Excuse me, Madam, those attributes you mention are not a gift, or a blessing, or a curse, they are always Variants, in this case I assure you they are Recessives. ” Thus did the New Fairy calm the Old.

“ I like to hear you talk,” said Goodness, “ but will you take care of the boy ? ”

“ Madam, he shall have the utmost that Learning can do for him.”

“ Yes, yes ; now please give him his bottle.” J. R.

AN AUTUMN SONG.

The birds in the woods are calling
 The last call of the year
 Ere they go southward flying ;
 The year is slowly dying,
 And leaves in the woods are falling
 To deck the solemn bier.

At eve the sunset flushes
 With blood—a crimson stain,
 With summer's glory vying ;
 But yet the year is dying,
 For swift the colour rushes
 To lifeless grey again.

The voices in the river
 Sob low a song of pain ;
 The year is softly dying,
 The hours are swiftly flying.
 Come, greet them now for ever—
 They come not back again.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

THE Athletic Sports were held on Saturday, 30th March. All the boys in the school, with the exception of one who was away in Oxford for examination purposes, entered and trained hard for the events, though the rain that fell during the fortnight that followed

the "sixes" was enough to damp the ardour of the most enthusiastic. As a consequence the finishes in most events were very close, particularly so in the open Quarter, when five yards would have covered the first four. Appended are the results:

Steeplechase—Lloyd (21 min, 26 $\frac{2}{3}$ sec.) Bickerton, J. M., Harricks, F. S.,
Wotherspoon.

Kicking the Football—Bickerton, J. M. (50 yards) Keep and Cadbury.

One Mile—Bickerton, J. M. (5 mins 1 $\frac{4}{5}$ sec.) Lloyd, Harricks, F. S.,
Ransom.

100 Yards—S. F. Lennard and W. J. C. Taylor (11 $\frac{2}{5}$) Goodbody
Bilbrough.

Long Jump—Lloyd (17ft. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.) Taylor, Goodbody, Keep.

Quarter Mile—Taylor (57 $\frac{2}{3}$ sec.) Fox, Bickerton, J. M., Lloyd.

High Jump—Taylor (4ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.) Goodbody, Smee.

120 Yards Hurdles—Taylor (18 $\frac{2}{3}$ sec.*) Goodbody, Fox, Lloyd.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—Edmonds (88 $\frac{1}{2}$ yards) Bilbrough, Cadbury.

Half Mile—Bickerton, J. M. (2 min. 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ sec.) Lloyd, Bickerton, H.
R., Ransom.

Putting the Weight—Hopkins (27ft. 7in.) Goodbody, Edmonds.

Junior Events:

Kicking the Football—W. Bell (40 yards) Clarke, Grierson.

100 Yards—Grierson (12 $\frac{2}{3}$ sec.) Hopkins, Cole.

Long Jump—Grierson (16ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.) Cole, Hopkins

Quarter Mile—Grierson (64 $\frac{1}{3}$ sec.) Wallis, Hopkins.

High Jump—Clarke, Grierson and Hopkins (4ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.).

220 Yards—Grierson (27 $\frac{2}{3}$ sec.) Wallis, Hopkins.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—Grierson (68 $\frac{1}{2}$ yards) Wallis, Bell.

Half Mile—Grierson (2 min. 32 $\frac{4}{5}$ sec.) Wallis, Gilford.

120 Yards Hurdles—Grierson (21 $\frac{4}{5}$) Hopkins, Clarke.

Tug of War—Grove House.

Heelas Trophy (Junior Champion)—A. F. Grierson.

Godlee Cup (Open Champion)—W. J. C. Taylor.

* Denotes School Record.

 OLD LEIGHTONIAN SHIELD, 1911-12.

	SCHOOL.	GROVE.
Summer Term	5.85	4.07
Autumn Term	4.33	1.92
Spring Term	6.22	8.63
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Total	16.40	14.62
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E. V. B.

 THE NATURAL HISTORY EXCURSION.

THE excursion took place on June 6th, and we went to Streatley for the third time. We hired one of Cawston's launches, the "Starlight," and started about 9.30. Streatley was reached at 11 o'clock. Everyone then went his own way, taking a lunch-packet with him; some went on the river and others up the hill into the woods.

Those who went on the river were the most fortunate in finding nests. N. Harricks found two lesser white-throats' nests, and two cuckoos' eggs were also found in reed-warblers' nests. A butcher bird's nest with young was found on the hill.

Most of the entomologists were rewarded by finding green hair-streaks. The hill and the woods afforded good opportunities to the botanist.

We had tea at the "Swan Hotel" at 5.30, and started home soon after six. We were fortunate in having the only fine day of the week, and this added considerably to the enjoyment of the excursion.

L. BIGGAR.

 L. H. A. EXCURSION TO LONDON.

The gloomy gateway was passed, and we stood within the precincts of the Tower. High up on the left was the passage in the wall from which Sir Walter Raleigh used to converse with passers-by; to the right, the Traitors' Gate—but the Beef-eater hurried us on.

We had come to London on an excursion to visit places of interest, and armed with a document to admit us to various parts of the Tower that are not usually shown to visitors.

Among these were the Dungeons. Beneath the White Tower are spacious cellars—the old torture-chambers; unfortunately they do not contain any of the old instruments of torture, but are filled with guns and cuirasses taken in war. In the wall there is a very small cell where Guy Fawkes was kept for three months; he must have had an iron constitution, as there was not sufficient room to lie out straight. There was also a large, dark dungeon where many prisoners could be stored—within earshot of the shrieks of the tortured. Such matters were well arranged in the good old times.

It was a great contrast to go to the Norman Chapel in the same tower. It had a wonderful charm, with the subdued light and peaceful hush. The Presbyterians and Methodists in the garrison have their services there. Again it was a change to see the relics of ancient agony. There were the axe and block used in an execution, and there were more marks than one on the block. There was even a thumbscrew in position; it looked so neat, well made, and so effective!

From the Tower we went to St. Paul's. First we visited the Crypt Chapel, and saw the tombs of Wellington, Nelson, Sir Arthur Sullivan, and other celebrities. Then we went up to the Whispering Gallery, and right up above the dome, from which we had a wonderful view of houses and streets, the river winding away, and the towers of the many churches built by Wren. One thing is certain: St. Paul's is higher than it looks.

After lunch, St. Bartholomew's Church, Smithfield, claimed our attention. All that remains of a large abbey church is the choir. Fortunately, it is the oldest part, and, indeed, it is the oldest church in London. Until quite recent years the North Transept was occupied by a blacksmith's forge, the Lady Chapel by a lace factory, the Triforium by schools; the Cloisters were stables. These have all been bought out at great expense, and the damage carefully repaired. The Norman arches were very beautiful, and all was wonderfully quiet, although a street ran close by.

Then we went to the Houses of Parliament. Thos. Wiles, M.P., and T. E. Harvey, M.P., most kindly conducted us over the building, and throughout our visit they did their utmost to give us pleasure. We shall long remember their kindness. Unfortunately it was too wet to have tea on the Terrace, and we had to have it indoors. We went on to the Terrace afterwards, and the view was very beautiful, as the river was high, and the water glittered in the clear light.

After tea we all attended a sitting of the House of Commons. The House was in Committee of Supply in connection with education, and, although no one of note was present, it was most interesting to see the members scattered over the benches, and the press reporters moving quietly in and out of their gallery over the Speaker's chair.

We left the House to return to Leighton Park, all agreeing that we had passed a most successful day.

E. P. SOUTHALL.

THE PREFECTS' EXCURSION TO HENLEY.

A DISTINCT point which was noticed with much joy by the prefects, when they awoke on the morning of June 24th, was that the weather contrary to custom looked like being fine. Another useful point was the use of taxis in order to carry their august personages down to the river. On the arrival at the landing stage a venerable bark was found awaiting them, the age of which is rumoured to have run that of the King's barge very close. The food was, however, packed in without delay, though not without much energy owing to absence of a steam crane in the vicinity. Some excellent times were now made on the way down, the rowers using their bodies well and pulling through in perfect style. Hands, however, becoming a little worn, towing was resorted to; at this time one of the navigators unfortunately brought one of the oars into contact with some reeds on the river bank, the strain, of course, proved far too great and the blade parted company with the handle. Another oar was inadvertently disposed of before arriving at Marsh Lock, where a long wait was necessary. On arriving at Henley the embarkation of the royal party was watched with interest, the prefects all proving to be in excellent form with the voice. One prefect, however, not

then having had the pleasure of Miss Hay's lectures, has lately been haunted by the fear that he made use of the wrong palate on that occasion. After the dinner hour had been successfully finished great excitement was caused by the return of the royal barge. A great desire to be conspicuous was shown by some members of the company, one gentleman, in particular, almost overreaching (these printer's errors are really very trying—Ed.) himself in his efforts to be noticed.

With their usual desire for punctuality a start was made for home by the prefects shortly after five. The business of forcing a passage through the crowd of boats near the royal pavilion proved one of the most enjoyable parts of the day. Many jokes were played upon other boats, and everyone was in the very best of humours. For the rest, after an excellent supper, seven excessively happy gentlemen glided serenely along in a boat with three oars and two seats broken, under a beautiful summer's sky, and arrived at Reading at 10.30 p.m. almost to the minute! What more could punctuality desire?

J. P. F.

OLD LEIGHTONIANS' CLUB.

The yearly subscription is 4s., which covers payment for the three issues of the "Leightonian." (The club year is from August to July.) The life subscription is £2, which entitles the subscriber to receive all issues of the "Leightonian" for a period of 15 years.

The Club has at present a membership of 160, consisting of 125 life and 35 yearly subscribers.

OLD LEIGHTONIAN NOTES.

ON the 23rd of April, at Shelleys, Darlington, the wife of J. Edward Hodgkin, of a daughter.

On the 1st of May, at Haughton-le-Skerne, Darlington, to Anthony and Amy E. Wallis, a son, who was named Henry.

On the 12th of May, at Wynna, Northwood, the wife of F. Ion Richardson, of a son, who was named Geoffrey.

On the 14th of May, at Denecroft, Newcastle, to George F. and Lilian B. Mounsey, a son, who was named ~~Edmund~~^{Edward} Richey.

On the 7th of June, at Orillia, Ontario, Canada, to William Oswald and Emily Jean Cudworth, a daughter, who was named Margaret Jean.

On the 19th of March, the wife of J. Arthur Richardson, of a son.

K. H. Brooks has passed the examination for the Reading and Oxford Joint Board Diploma in Agriculture.

Eric Wills, in September, joins the staff at Mr. Jones' School in Colwall.

H. C. Barlow and his sister won the open mixed doubles at the Malvern Tennis Tournament at Whitsuntide.

Congratulations to Bernard Thistlethwaite on his engagement to Katharine, third daughter of Herbert Fox Standing, D.Sc., of Tananarive, Madagascar.

R. B. Knott passed the Final examination for Solicitors last March, and is now working with Messrs Sale of Manchester.

Several old Leightonians lunched together in Manchester at the time of Yearly Meeting. One party consisted of Henry Hodgkin, Ronald Hodgkin, George Hodgkin, Edward Little, Roger Knott, and Charles E. Stansfield. Bertram Crosfield, H. T. Cadbury, Kenneth Angus, Dyson Holdsworth, and Olaf Hodgkin, were also present at some of the sittings.

J. S. Morton, after eighteen months' experience in Glasgow, has returned to Leeds, where he is helping to manage his father's cloth factory.

J. M. Grierson is an officer in the 5th Scottish Rifles.

Alan Gilford is serving his apprenticeship with the engineering firm of Messrs. Lobnitz and Co., of Renfrew.

J. M. Downie and J. M. Grierson intend camping on the banks of the Thames for a week after the O. L. gathering. They think that they will be able to live together in peace and quietness as they had four terms' training in the double study.

A. J. S. Inglis has joined his father in the leather trade.

J. Rickman is the latest victim of "Motor Bike" fever. He has purchased a "Doughty Douglas" (no charge for the advt.), and may be seen disporting himself thereon. Rumour has it that on one occasion he arrived at St. Albans late in the afternoon in a famished condition, as his interest in his new toy was so great that he had forgotten to break his fast.

B. Pickard is working in an engineering establishment in Manchester. He hopes to leave the shops and enter the office at the end of the year.

J. F. O. King is still in Heidelberg, greatly enjoying the life there. He is getting plenty of rowing and tennis, and, of course, acquiring a sound knowledge of French and German.

D. W. Collier has had a most successful first year at Cambridge. He not only rowed in the Hall first boat in the "Mays" and at Henley, but also obtained a First in Part I. of the Mathematical Tripos. His college authorities have awarded him a Foundation Scholarship.

J. M. Downie and E. J. Lloyd have settled down to serious medical work, and in company with J. Rickman, are up for the "long." In spite of the stuffy climate, the stuffer lectures, and the stuffiest of stuffy laboratories, they cheerfully anticipate a stay of a month in the deserted university town.

L. J. Cadbury was at Henley this year, coaching the Trinity Hall boat and rowing in the Goblets.

Congratulations to Roger Whibley on his engagement to Miss Margaret Moore, of Cambridge; also to George Ll. Hodgkin on his engagement to Miss Mary Wilson, eldest daughter of Henry Lloyd Wilson, of Birmingham.

REPORTS OF SCHOOL SOCIETIES.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.—The following have been elected members of the society this term:—H. L. Edmonds, D. Guilford, J. B. Fryer, W. I. Holmes, R. A. U. Jennings; I. C. Bell has been elected Curator of Geology. The entomologists have done well this year. Several purple hairstreaks have been reared from cater-



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pilars found at Pamber. A wood-white has been seen on the Park by W. Bell. W. Bell also succeeded in rearing some swallow-tail butterflies from caterpillars which he found in Wicken Fen last year. Those interested in bird's have also been fortunate. W. J. C. Taylor found a grasshopper warbler's nest with eggs. The nests of the lesser whitethroat, tree-sparrow, kingfisher and little grebe have also been found; also several cuckoos' eggs. It is interesting to note that herons have been seen on the pond lately. There have been three meetings of the Society this term and one business meeting.

L. BIGGAR.

CAMERA CLUB.—We have held one meeting this term, when C. A. Jennings and W. Holmes were elected members. The time was chiefly taken up with the consideration of arrangements in connection with the new dark room. We are glad to report that the work is rapidly progressing and may possibly be completed before the end of term. The benches are being made by the carpentry class.

T. W. HOPKINS.

MUSICAL SOCIETY.—The Band has met regularly and rehearsed a symphony of Mozart's and a selection from Sullivan's "Gondoliers."

W. A. W. BELL.

THE CRICKET SEASON.

The following boys have received their colours:—

R. L. LLOYD.—Has advanced in batting power. Has good style and is very steady. Has done well as wicket-keeper, and has captained the team with judgment and success.

H. R. BICKERTON.—Bats with power and in good style. Would do still better with more restraint. A useful bowler. A brilliant field at cover point.

J. M. BICKERTON.—Bats in nice free style and with improved steadiness. One of the best fast bowlers we have had. A smart field.

J. P. FOX.—A good scoring bat. Has a good eye and watches the ball closely. A very useful slow medium bowler, with a dangerous swerve. A smart field.

T. W. HOPKINS.—When once set, bats with power. A good fast bowler, and a good field. Has made great advance both in bowling and fielding.

S. F. LENNARD.—Has developed into an excellent bat—steady, and with greatly increased power. Can bowl as a change. A good field.

H. L. EDMONDS.—Has great hitting power. Needs to cultivate defence. A fine field.

E. CADBURY.—Has improved greatly in batting, bowling and fielding. Is now good all round.

D. J. MALCOMSON.—Bats well and in good style. Useful as a bowler. A good field.

F. S. BRAIN.—Has some defence, and on occasion can hit hard. A very fair field.

C. F. G. BILBROUGH.—Has hitting power, but is wanting in style and steadiness. Fields well.

THE season has been an entirely enjoyable one, and in a large measure successful. We have again had the advantage of the services of Walter Wright on two afternoons in the week, but not in matches as in previous years. A keen spirit has been manifest throughout the school, and the cricket has reached a level at least as high as in any previous year. The steady improvement which has taken place for several years past has been of a marked character, and has been a source of great satisfaction to me as captain. In writing this, my last report, I may say what a pleasure it has been to me to work in this capacity with one generation after another of boys, and with what regret I now retire from my office.

W. S. ROWNTREE.

THE SECOND ELEVEN.

The second eleven has had a better season than might have been expected. Out of seven matches we have won four and lost three. Maidenhead were weaker than usual, and were beaten twice. Collegiate were just beaten the first time they played, and on the second occasion they brought a master who made 54 before being bowled by King. In the away match against Henley we were beaten by 18 runs, and they also beat us on the return match, though

they were not much better than us. Reading School 2nd. XI. were rather too strong, though it was only one of their men who made most of the runs.

Date.	Versus.	L.P.S.	Oppnts.	Result.
25th May	Maidenhead College	45	34	won.
1st June	Reading Sch. 2nd	64	140	lost.
5th „	Maidenhead College	74	41	won.
19th „	Collegiate School	53	38	won.
26th „	Henley School ...	35	53	lost.
29th „	Collegiate School	133	74	won.
13th July	Henley School ...	59	85 for 7	lost.

R. B. Hopkins finished first in the batting averages with 17.29. In the bowling averages Taylor came first with 4.33, but this is only the result of six overs. Hopkins 5.92, and King 6.05, come very close together.

W. J. C. T.

BOYS' XI.-AVERAGES. BATTING.

Name of Batsman.	Runs.	No. of Innings.	Times not out.	Highest Score.	Average.
H. L. Edmonds... ..	192	9	1	93*	24.0
R. L. Lloyd	149	8	0	48	18.62
H. R. Bickerton	178	10	0	59	17.8
J. M. Bickerton	173	10	0	55	17.3
E. Cadbury	113	10	3	69*	16.14
J. P. Fox	138	10	1	52	15.33
D. J. Malcomson	93	10	3	42*	13.28
S. F. Lennard	84	10	0	22	8.4
T. W. Hopkins	49	8	1	21*	7.0
C. F. G. Bilbrough	21	6	3	10	7.0
F. S. Brain... ..	16	7	0	11	2.3

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING.

Name of Bowler.	Wides.	No Balls.	Runs.	Wickets.	Overs.	M'dens.	Balls bowled.	Average
T. W. Hopkins	—	—	126	23	64	22	384	5'47
J. M. Bickerton	—	—	251	34	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	27	581	7'38
H. R. Bickerton	1	1	109	14	47 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	283	7'78
J. P. Fox	1	—	241	22	76 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	461	10'95

Matches Played 10. Won 7. Lost 3.

May 15th.—v. ABINGDON SCHOOL, at L.P.S.

L.P.S.

Abingdon School.

J. M. Bickerton, c Barnes, b Ashwin ..	13
S. F. Lennard, c Pratt, b Ashwin ..	3
H. R. Bickerton, b Bruce ..	3
J. P. Fox, c and b Bruce ..	3
T. W. Hopkins, lbw b Bruce ..	4
E. Cadbury, b Walker ..	2
D. J. Malcomson, run out ..	0
H. L. Edmonds, b Bruce ..	33
C. Smees, b Bruce ..	6
F. S. Brain, c Davenport, b Bruce ..	0
A. N. Pearson, not out ..	0
Extras ..	3
	70

R. M. Graham, b Hopkins ..	0
W. N. E. Bruce, c H. R. Bickerton, b Hopkins ..	13
B. J. Bury, c Brain, b Hopkins ..	0
H. E. L. Walker, b Fox ..	41
W. C. Williams, b H. R. Bickerton ..	5
E. G. Tame, c Lennard, b Fox ..	0
A. Davenport, b H. R. Bickerton ..	0
F. W. Lupton, b H. R. Bickerton ..	14
A. F. Pratt, c H. R. Bickerton, b Fox ..	6
H. W. C. Barnes, not out ..	7
G. J. H. Ashwin, absent ..	0
Extras ..	5
	91

May 18th.—v. ABINGDON SCHOOL, at Abingdon.

Abingdon School.

L.P.S.

H. A. L. Donkin, b J. M. Bickerton ..	17
W. N. E. Bruce, b Hopkins ..	12
E. G. Tame, not out ..	32
F. W. Lupton, ht wkt, b Hopkins ..	5
H. E. L. Walker, c Fox, b Lennard ..	13
W. C. Williams, lbw, b Lennard ..	2
A. Davenport, b Hopkins ..	19
B. J. Bury, lbw, b Fox ..	0
A. F. Pratt, b Hopkins ..	0
H. W. C. Barnes, b J. M. Bickerton ..	9
A. E. Trinder, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
Extras ..	14
	123

J. M. Bickerton, c & b Walker ..	0
S. F. Lennard, b Bruce ..	7
H. R. Bickerton, c Tame, b Bruce ..	11
J. P. Fox, c Donkin, b Bruce ..	11
T. W. Hopkins, b Walker ..	0
H. L. Edmonds, run out ..	1
E. Cadbury, c & b Bruce ..	0
D. J. Malcomson, run out ..	1
C. Smees, b Walker ..	1
F. S. Brain, c Bury, b Bruce ..	1
C. F. G. Bilbrough, not out ..	0
Extras ..	4
	37

May 25th.—v. CLAYESMORE SCHOOL, at Pangbourne.

Clayesmore School.

L.P.S.

Berry-Hart, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
Denny, c Cadbury, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
Potts, c Fox, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
Crofton, c Edmonds, b Fox ..	7
Goodyear, c and b Fox ..	6
Williamson, not out ..	10
Duggan, lbw b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
Cricksbank, c J. M. Bickerton, b H. R. Bickerton ..	0
Honore, b J. M. Bickerton ..	5
Calwell, c Edmonds, b H. R. Bickerton ..	0
Herbert, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
Extras ..	3
	31

J. M. Bickerton, b Potts ..	8
S. F. Lennard, c Herbert, b Denny ..	22
R. Ll. Lloyd, c Duggan, b Honore ..	29
H. R. Bickerton, b Goodyear ..	0
J. P. Fox, c Crofton, b Potts ..	14
D. J. Malcomson, b Potts ..	17
T. W. Hopkins, run out ..	3
E. Cadbury, not out ..	69
H. L. Edmonds, b Williamson ..	26
F. S. Brain, lbw b Potts ..	1
C. F. G. Bilbrough, lbw b Potts ..	10
Extras ..	15
	219

J. M. Bickerton, 6 wickets for 8 runs.

May 29th.—v. COMMON ROOM, at L.P.S.

<i>L.P.S.</i>		<i>Common Room.</i>	
J. M. Bickerton, lbw, b Pearson	55	W. S. Rowntree, c Edmonds, b Fox	4
S. F. Lennard, b Kaye	21	J. J. Finch, c Edmonds, b Fox	19
R. Ll. Lloyd, b Kaye	0	H. C. Edminson, c Lloyd, b Hopkins	16
H. R. Bickerton, b Scarborough	59	W. Tovey, b Hopkins	0
J. P. Fox, b Rowntree	52	E. P. Kaye, b Hopkins	2
D. J. Malcomson, not out	19	F. J. Edminson, c J. M. Bickerton, b H. R. Bickerton	1
E. Cadbury, not out	9	R. Whittaker, not out	55
T. W. Hopkins	} Did not bat.	J. H. Wickstead, run out	7
H. L. Edmonds		E. V. Ballard, c Fox, b J. M. Bickerton	0
F. S. Brain		W. H. Scarborough, b J. M. Bickerton	1
C. F. G. Bilbrough		A. N. Pearson, b J. M. Bickerton	5
Extras		Extras	7
(5 wickets)	16		117
	231*		

* Innings declared closed.

June 1st.—v. READING SCHOOL, at L.P.S.

<i>Reading School.</i>		<i>L.P.S.</i>	
G. C. Toulmin, c Lennard, b Fox	2	J. M. Bickerton, b Dymore-Brown	11
E. Baseden, c Hopkins, b Fox	6	S. F. Lennard, b Fulcher	15
H. Fulcher, b Hopkins	26	R. Ll. Lloyd, b Dymore-Brown	3
Higlett, b Fox	12	H. R. Bickerton, c Blazey, b Gregory	25
Blazey, b Fox	5	J. P. Fox, b Gregory	15
Dymore-Brown, b Hopkins	0	E. J. Malcomson, b Gregory	5
Pullen-Bury, c and b Fox	4	E. Cadbury, c Blazey, b Gregory	4
Russell, b J. M. Bickerton	23	T. W. Hopkins, not out	21
Cowan, C. Hopkins	13	H. L. Edmonds, b Gregory	0
Bardsley, b J. M. Bickerton	9	F. S. Brain, lbw b Baseden	11
Gregory, not out	0	C. F. G. Bilbrough, b Gregory	5
Extras	5	Extras	1
	105		119

T. W. Hopkins, 3 wickets for 16 runs.
J. P. Fox, 5 wickets for 49 runs.

June 5th.—v. SWALLOWFIELD PARK, at L.P.S.

<i>L.P.S.</i>		<i>Swallowfield Park.</i>	
W. S. Rowntree, b Jessett	0	F. Bryant, b J. M. Bickerton	7
J. J. Finch, b Jessett	1	H. Jessett, b Kaye	1
R. Ll. Lloyd, b Jessett	0	G. W. Bye, run out	5
E. P. Kaye, b Jessett	0	A. G. Burt, bowled	5
H. R. Bickerton, b Jessett	15	J. Lowe, c H. R. Bickerton, b Hopkins	21
R. Whittaker, b Jessett	6	J. Bye, c Whittaker, b J. M. Bickerton	2
J. M. Bickerton, c Johnson, b Burt	33	H. M. Vernon, c Whittaker, b Fox	13
J. P. Fox, b Jessett	14	E. G. Johnson, b Fox	1
S. F. Lennard, not out	29	W. Biddlecombe, c H. R. Bickerton, b Fox	2
T. W. Hopkins, b Jessett	9	F. E. Timerwell, not out	3
H. L. Edmonds, b Jessett	36	Extras	16
Extras	15		76
	158		

J. P. Fox, 3 wickets for 5 runs.

June 8th.—v. BEDALES SCHOOL, at Petersfield.

<i>Bedales School.</i>		<i>L.P.S.</i>	
O. Horsley, b J. M. Bickerton ..	5	J. M. Bickerton, c Horsley, b Cardew ..	28
N. A. S. Brown, c Lloyd, b H. R. Bickerton ..	26	S. F. Lennard, b Cardew ..	6
G. A. Murray, c Bilbrough, b Hopkins ..	39	R. L. Lloyd, run out ..	24
H. Allan, c H. R. Bickerton ..	0	H. R. Bickerton, lbw b Brown ..	17
N. S. Harrison, c H. R. Bickerton ..	0	J. P. Fox, c Nicholson, b Cardew ..	6
G. H. Cardew, b Hopkins ..	0	H. S. Edmonds, c Scott, b Cardew ..	4
A. H. Latter, b Hopkins ..	0	D. J. Malcomson, b Brown ..	0
T. O. Scott, b Hopkins ..	1	E. Cadbury, b Brown ..	4
D. A. W. Nicholson, not out ..	44	T. W. Hopkins, b Cardew ..	4
J. L. Farquharson, c Lennard, b Hopkins ..	5	F. S. Brain, c Kennedy, b Cardew ..	1
H. Kennedy, b Fox ..	8	C. F. G. Bilbrough, not out ..	4
Extras ..	12	Extras ..	1
	140		99

T. W. Hopkins, 5 wickets for 22 runs.
H. R. Bickerton, 3 wickets for 15 runs.

June 11th, 13th, 14th. SCHOOL v GROVE.

<i>School House.</i>		<i>2nd Innings.</i>	
<i>1st Innings.</i>			
J. M. Bickerton, c Grierson, b Fox ..	19	b T. Hopkins ..	4
H. R. Bickerton, c Bilbrough, b Hopkins ..	26	run out ..	0
D. J. Malcomson, b T. Hopkins ..	25	b T. Hopkins ..	27
C. Smee, c Lloyd, b T. Hopkins ..	0	b T. Hopkins ..	0
H. L. Edmonds, c R. Hopkins, b T. Hopkins ..	0	b Fox ..	1
P. S. Cadbury, c Lloyd, b T. Hopkins ..	2	c Brain, b T. Hopkins ..	6
A. Bell, b T. Hopkins ..	1	c Bilbrough, b T. Hopkins ..	2
F. S. Harricks, c Cadbury, b T. Hopkins ..	0	lbw, b Fox ..	3
W. J. C. Taylor, not out ..	10	run out ..	1
L. C. P. Biggar, b Fox ..	1	not out ..	0
P. F. King, c Cadbury, b T. Hopkins ..	5	b Fox ..	1
Extras ..	7		
	156		46

T. W. Hopkins, 8 wickets for 49 runs.

<i>Grove House.</i>		<i>2nd Innings.</i>	
<i>1st Innings.</i>			
S. F. Lennard, b J. M. Bickerton ..	13	c J. M. Bickerton, b H. R. Bickerton ..	4
R. Ll. Lloyd, c & b H. R. Bickerton ..	4	King, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
J. P. Fox, lbw b J. M. Bickerton ..	0	c King, b J. M. Bickerton ..	5
T. W. Hopkins, c & b H. R. Bickerton ..	7	b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
E. Cadbury, b J. M. Bickerton ..	4	c Malcomson, b J. M. Bickerton ..	1
F. S. Brain, c Malcomson, b H. R. Bickerton ..	0	b H. R. Bickerton ..	5
C. F. G. Bilbrough, lbw b H. R. Bickerton ..	1	b J. M. Bickerton ..	0
A. N. Pearson, b H. R. Bickerton ..	0	not out ..	3
R. B. Hopkins, b H. R. Bickerton ..	0	c King, b Malcomson ..	5
A. F. Grierson, not out ..	0	c J. M. Bickerton, b Malcomson ..	0
J. P. Tebbut, b J. M. Bickerton ..	0	c King, b Malcomson ..	0
Extras ..	1	Extras ..	2
	30		25

J. M. Bickerton, 4 wickets for 14 runs.
H. R. Bickerton, 6 wickets for 15 runs.

and 5 wickets for 7 runs.
D. J. Malcomson, 3 wickets for 0 runs.

June 15th.—v. KING ALFRED'S SCHOOL, at L.P.S.

L.P.S.	
J. M. Bickerton, c Robson, b Proctor	.. 36
S. F. Lennard, lbw b Proctor	.. 1
R. Ll. Lloyd, b Proctor	.. 48
H. R. Bickerton, c Proctor, b Bell	.. 40
J. P. Fox, not out	.. 17
D. J. Malcomson, b Proctor	.. 0
H. L. Edmonds, b Bell	.. 24
T. W. Hopkins, c & b Bell	.. 1
E. Cadbury, not out	.. 3
F. S. Brain	} did not bat
C. F. G. Bilbrough	
Extras	.. 7
(7 wickets)	.. 177*

King Alfred's School.	
Bell, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 14
May, run out	.. 2
Rice, c Fox, b H. R. Bickerton	.. 3
Robson, c Cadbury, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 1
Walters, c Malcomson, b H. R. Bickerton	.. 4
Proctor, b Hopkins	.. 5
Watson, c & b J. M. Bickerton	.. 1
Richings, not out	.. 5
Harris, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 0
Harvey, c Lloyd, b Hopkins	.. 1
Beardsley, c H. R. Bickerton, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 0
Extras	.. 6
	42

* Innings declared closed.

J. M. Bickerton, 5 wickets for 13 runs.
H. R. Bickerton, 2 wickets for 6 runs.
T. W. Hopkins, 2 wickets for 5 runs.

June 19th.—v. READING WEDNESDAY, at L.P.S.

Reading Wednesday.	
C. A. Newman, b Kaye	.. 0
H. J. West, b Fox	.. 7
C. J. Martin, b Kaye	.. 0
G. Weedon, b Kaye	.. 1
A. Parsons, c Whittaker, b Fox	.. 5
L. R. Penson, b Fox	.. 5
Gooding, b Kaye	.. 0
W. P. Hicks, c Kaye, b Fox	.. 1
B. P. Turner, b Kaye	.. 1
C. Parsons, not out	.. 4
Lawrence, c. Fox, b Page	.. 0
Extras	.. 1
	20

L.P.S.	
R. Ll. Lloyd, c Newman, b Parsons	.. 44
S. F. Lennard, b West	.. 27
R. Whittaker, b West	.. 2
E. P. Kaye, st Newman, b West	.. 1
H. R. Bickerton, c Penson, b West	.. 13
J. J. Finch, b West	.. 8
W. S. Rowntree, b West	.. 4
J. M. Bickerton, c Martin, b West	.. 6
J. P. Fox, c Hicks, b Weedon	.. 5
H. S. Edmonds, c Gooding, b West	.. 10
T. W. Hopkins, not out	.. 5
Extras	.. 4
	129

E. P. Kaye, 6 wickets for 7 runs.
J. P. Fox, 4 wickets for 12 runs.

June 26th.—v. KING ALFRED'S SCHOOL, at Wantage.

King Alfred's School.	
May, b Fox	.. 9
Bell, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 0
Robson, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 5
Rice, c Hopkins, b Fox	.. 5
Walters lbw b Fox	.. 1
Proctor c Brain, b Fox	.. 0
Watson, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 7
Richings, not out	.. 2
Beardsley, b J. M. Bickerton	.. 0
Harvey, run out	.. 0
Butt, c J. M. Bickerton, b Fox	.. 2
Extras	.. 11
	42

L.P.S.	
J. M. Bickerton, lbw b Bell	.. 16
S. F. Lennard, c Walters, b Proctor	.. 0
R. Ll. Lloyd, c Proctor, b Butt	.. 15
H. R. Bickerton, b Bell	.. 12
J. P. Fox, c Watson, b Butt	.. 0
D. J. Malcomson, c Robson, b Proctor	.. 0
H. L. Edmonds, c Robson, b Proctor	.. 0
T. W. Hopkins, b Butt	.. 6
E. Cadbury, b Richings	.. 12
F. S. Brain, b Butt	.. 2
C. F. G. Bilbrough, not out	.. 2
Extras	.. 16
	87

J. M. Bickerton, 4 wickets for 12 runs.
J. P. Fox, 5 wickets for 19 runs.

June 27th.—v. BEDALES SCHOOL, at L.P.S.

L.P.S.

J. M. Bickerton, b Cardew	4
S. F. Lennard, c Scott, b Brown .. .	3
R. Ll. Lloyd, b Brown	24
H. R. Bickerton, b Cardew	11
J. P. Fox, lbw b Cardew	0
H. L. Edmonds, b Brown	11
E. Cadbury, c Latter, b Brown	10
D. J. Malcomson, not out	3
T. W. Hopkins, b Brown	5
C. F. G. Bilbrough, b Brown	0
F. S. Brain, b Brown	0
Extras	6
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Bedaes School.

O. Horsley, b J. M. Bickerton	6
N. A. S. Brown, lbw b H. R. Bickerton ..	11
G. A. Murray, run out	3
H. Allan, c Lennard, b J. M. Bickerton ..	9
G. H. Cardew, b J. M. Bickerton	3
I. L. Farquharson, b J. M. Bickerton .. .	6
D. A. W. Nicholson, c Edmonds, b H. R. Bickerton	9
A. H. Latter, b J. M. Bickerton	11
H. Kennedy, b J. M. Bickerton	0
N. S. Harrison, c Malcomson, b J. M. Bickerton	0
T. O. Scott, not out	2
Extras	2
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J. M. Bickerton, 7 wickets for 26 runs.

July 13th.—MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL v L.P.S. at L.P.S.

Magdalen College School.

H. Amon, b J. M. Bickerton	11
F. B. Luget, c Brain, b T. W. Hopkins ..	29
R. Bacon, b J. M. Bickerton	0
D. H. W. Thomson, c Lloyd, b J. M. Bickerton	7
G. E. C. Attwood, b J. P. Fox	9
J. F. Clapperton, b T. W. Hopkins	0
W. M. Millard, c Lloyd, b T. W. Hopkins ..	0
T. A. Scattergood, b H. R. Bickerton .. .	7
V. A. V. Jessel, c Lloyd, b J. P. Fox .. .	25
E. R. Andrews, c Bilbrough, b J. P. Fox ..	2
C. B. Shepperd, not out	0
Extras	1
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L.P.S.

R. Ll. Lloyd, b Attwood	6
S. F. Lennard, c Bacon, b Attwood	6
J. M. Bickerton, b Attwood	2
H. R. Bickerton, b Attwood	0
J. P. Fox, run out	20
H. L. Edmonds, not out	93
E. Cadbury, c Luget, b Clapperton	0
D. J. Malcomson, not out	42
T. W. Hopkins,)	
C. F. G. Bilbrough,) Did not bat	
F. S. Brain,)	
Extras	16
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(6 wks.)	185

July 9th.—HOUSE MATCH.

School House.

1st Innings.

J. M. Bickerton, c Fox, b T. W. Hopkins ..	58
H. R. Bickerton, b T. W. Hopkins	20
D. J. Malcomson, b Lennard	22
P. S. Cadbury, b Fox	4
P. F. King, c Lloyd, b T. W. Hopkins .. .	1
H. I. Edmonds, b Fox	0
W. J. C. Taylor, b T. W. Hopkins	3
W. A. W. Bell, c and b Fox	5
C. Smee, b T. W. Hopkins	5
F. S. Harricks, b Fox	14
L. P. Biggar, not out	2
Extras	2
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	135

2nd Innings.

b T. W. Hopkins	23
b T. W. Hopkins	5
b Fox	13
b Fox	20
b T. W. Hopkins	2
b T. W. Hopkins	21
b Fox	10
b T. W. Hopkins	4
run out	1
c Brain, b Fox	11
not out	5
Extras	16
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Grove House.

1st Innings.

S. F. Lennard, not out	132
R. L. Lloyd, c Malcomson, b H. R. Bickerton	22
J. P. Fox, l Malcomson	68
T. W. Hopkins, c P. Cadbury, b King .. .	32
E. Cadbury, b J. M. Bickerton	37
F. S. Brain, b J. M. Bickerton	1
C. F. G. Bilbrough, b Malcomson	20
A. N. Pearson, b Malcomson	0
R. B. Hopkins, b King	1
A. F. Grierson, c Bell, b King	2
J. T. Wotherspoon, c Bell, b King	0
Extras	20
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SCHOOL NOTES.

The Summer Term commenced on Friday, April 26th, when we re-assembled to find our numbers very little altered. The weather during the term has not been of the best, and the hope that we should have a repetition of last summer has not been fulfilled. Rain and damp have severely handicapped the summer sports, as can be seen by a glance at the cricket scores where high totals have been prevented by the softness of the wickets. However, on the whole, the term has been as successful as usual, and has justified the opinion of so many that the summer term is the most enjoyable of all. Next term will start on September 18th and will be chiefly conspicuous for the absence of several old faces. There will be changes, not only amongst the boys but also amongst the staff, as will be seen elsewhere in our columns.

On the last evening of the Easter term, the staff gave their customary Social, which attained the height of success that these entertainments always do. The programme was divided into two parts: the first part consisted of music, both solos and concerted items, while the second contained two dramatic pieces. Of these, one was entitled "Old Martha," and the other "My Uncle's Will." The first piece was acted by Miss Clarke, Miss M. Edminson, Mr. Rowntree, Mr. Finch, and Mr. Ledger. The two first-named excelled in the parts of the old cottager Martha and her neighbour Jane Box. Mr. Rowntree much amused the audience by his energetic rendering of the fierce squire, whilst Mr. Finch and Mr. Ledger, as the squire's daughter and the curate respectively caused much merriment, especially in the love passages. Mr. and Mrs. Ballard and Mr. Edminson were responsible for the second piece, and all three fulfilled their parts admirably. The whole affair constituted a most enjoyable evening which was greatly appreciated.

We desire to extend a hearty welcome to Mr. Roslyn Whittaker who has come to us this term from Dollar Academy as Modern Languages Master. Though this welcome is offered rather late in the term it is no less real than if it had been expressed sooner, and it is,

indeed, perhaps more real since we have had the opportunity of getting to know him. Not only has he filled his post with ability, but in the cricketing world he has ably lived up to the reputation of one who has kept wicket for Clackmannan.

The thanks of all are due to Mr. Edminson, who, by kindly presenting a cup to be held by the winner of the annual Tennis Tournament, has satisfied a long-felt want. We congratulate J. P. Fox, who by winning the competition this summer, is the first holder of the cup. A large number entered for the tournament this year, and a very interesting competition resulted.

Yearly Meeting being held in Manchester this year, the usual garden party did not take place. However, the *excursion* was not discontinued but was taken rather later in the term than is customary, from Saturday, June 22nd, to Monday, the 24th. Most of the School were able to go away, but a few remained and spent their time on the Saturday on the river and on the Monday at Lords, where the first Test match between England and Australia was in progress. Unfortunately rain prevented a full day's play and somewhat marred the enjoyment of the excursion.

The Society excursions were held on June 6th, which was fortunately a fine day in the middle of a particularly bad spell of weather. The L. H. A. spent a day in London, in which the chief feature was a visit to the House of Commons while the Natural History Society basked on the river with a somewhat smaller amount of physical exertion.

The Athletic Committee in general, and the specially appointed sub-committee in particular, are to be congratulated on the success of the two new tennis courts. The courts have been well looked after by the curators, and have been the means of affording opportunities of tennis to all who desire it. It is particularly noticeable that the younger boys have been getting much more of the game this term than they have in the past. For this welcome feature the two new courts are in great measure responsible.

Cricket has been followed with the usual amount of keenness this term with a very satisfactory number of successes. The first XI, under the able captaincy of Mr. Rowntree, have so far won all

their matches, whilst the Boys' XI, with R. Ll. Lloyd at their head, have only been defeated three times. On two of these occasions they were without their captain, a fact which probably had something to do with the result.

On Monday, May 6th, some of the school attended a lecture on Labrador by Dr. Grenfell, in which he described his missionary work in the North. Everyone who knew anything at all about this splendid worker was anxious to hear from his own mouth descriptions of his hardships and labours, and they were not disappointed. The lecture was interesting from start to finish. Dr. Grenfell related some thrilling adventures which had happened to him, and his description of the strong and hardy people of Labrador was especially attractive.

On May 1st the School attended an Orpheus concert. The programme contained both choral and orchestral numbers and was much enjoyed. The principal items were Weber's overture "Der Fereichütz," a symphonic poem by David entitled "The Desert," and a suite for orchestra by Saint Saëns.

We heartily congratulate F. S. Brain, our sub-editor, on obtaining a scholarship for intending law students at Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

We are glad to note that the members of the Camera Club have been doing good work this term. Quite a large number of prints were sent in to the judges in the J. E. Hodgkin and Thornton-Pickard competitions, who had some difficulty in deciding which were the best. The prizes ultimately fell to the lot of N. Harricks, T. W. Hopkins, and A. P. D. Penrose.

During Mr. Mauritz's absence at the Olympic games we have dropped one of the lessons in physical drill each week. In their place we have had the pleasure of some visits from Miss Hay, who has given us a short course of lectures and exercises in breathing and voice production.

We hear that Mr. Walter Thursby, of King's College, Cambridge, will join the staff next term. Mr. Thursby was Cricket Captain of Sedbergh School and Football Captain of his College.

We print the following Time-table as an explanation of the suggested programme for the first week of the holidays which follows.

Note-taking :— 7 a.m. each morning (except Monday) ; also afternoons and evenings where not otherwise filled.
 Collect :— 8.45 each morning.
 Singing or Band (Monday and Thursday evenings.
 Practice :— { Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

	MONDAY.	TUESDAY.	WEDNESDAY.	THURSDAY.	FRIDAY.	SATURDAY.
Before Breakfast.	Preliminary talk in Lecture room by Mr. Evans.	Note-taking.	Note-taking.	Note-taking.	Note-taking.	Note-taking.
Morning.	"The ten days' siege of Reading" and visit to Southcote house. (Mr. Edminson)	Visit to Power Station. (Mr. Binns)	Visit to Workhouse. (Mr. W. Fryer)	Comparative Anatomy I. for forms VI. & V ¹ . (Mr. Rowntree) Visit to Timberyard for forms V ² , IV. & III. (Mr. Ballard)	"Tops and Gyroscopes." (Mr. Scarborough) Comparative Anatomy II.	Finish note-books.
Afternoon.	"Timber" for forms V ² , IV. and III. (Mr. Ballard)	"Treatment of Paupers." (Mrs. Evans)				
Evening.		Aquatic Sports ; Weighing and Measuring.		Miss Hay. 7.40 p.m.		

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TIME TABLE FOR FIRST WEEK OF HOLIDAYS.

Note-taking each morning before breakfast if up in time, and in evenings after supper when not otherwise occupied.

Collect all the contents of the breakfast table unto oneself. (Glutton.—Ed.)

Singing practice for ever and ever, Amen.

THURSDAY. *Morning*: Comparative Anatomy I. Endeavour to prove my brother a close relation to the ape family. *Evening*: Miss Hay. Exclamations of Ah! O-o-h! M-m-m-ah! from the labouring family.

FRIDAY. Topping time with gurgling gyroscopes. My brother tries to prove the ape theory on me!

SATURDAY. Day's rest to recoup energy

SUNDAY. Don't ask questions and you won't get told any lies.

MONDAY. *Morning*: Siege of Uncle George's Orchard and visit to Uncle George's house. *Afternoon*: The stick, administered by Uncle George. (Hear, hear!—Ed.) *Evening*: Forget troubles, playing Bridge.

TUESDAY. *Morning*: Visit the power station; draw supplies from Dad. *Afternoon*: Treatment of schoolboys discussed with vigour. *Evening*: Aquatic sports with brother in bathroom.

WEDNESDAY. *Morning*: Finish novels. *Evening*: Visit to Play-house.

NOTICES.

The Editor will be glad to receive articles for the next number up to December 1st. He begs to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of *By Kent and Skerne, School Echoes, Abingdonian, Stramongatian, Plymouthian, Chigwellian, The Lily, The Wyvern, Reading School Magazine, Saffron Walden School Magazine, Kingswood School Magazine*, and offers his apologies for any omission from this list.



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