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EDITORIAL.

WE have to chronicle with deep regret the death of one of our number during the term. On the afternoon of the 6th of February, Ivo P. Tebbutt, after a practice game of fives, had a collapse, and, without recovering consciousness, passed away within half an hour. He had been handicapped from a very early age by valvular heart disease, and this was the cause of his death. The irregularity due to the disease was so remarkably compensated that he had all his life been allowed to play games, as his medical attendants agreed with his parents in thinking this both right and advisable. Tebbutt's brightness and fun made him a general favourite. He will be especially missed by his companions at Grove House, but the whole school will sincerely mourn the loss of his cheery disposition and keen enthusiasm. We would offer our deep sympathy to his parents and sisters in their time of bereavement.

The meeting of the Board of Governors on the 7th of March was of unusual interest, and is likely to prove historic. It has been the traditional "wish" of L.P.S. ever since its early days to own what have always been referred to as "Central Buildings." Visions

of a stately pile to occupy the space between the playground and the North Drive have fascinated the minds of many of us from headmaster to the latest arrival, from the days of the crocodile crawling past the hallowed spot, to the present day, when the newly-fledged O.L. swings nonchalantly round the corner on the latest thing in motor bikes. How near we are come to the realisation of our dreams may be judged from the fact that the school spent a happy half hour on Sunday the 8th of March, inspecting the plans of the new building and putting a hundred questions such as "When will it be begun?" "Can we have the next Social there?"

We understand that the appeal for funds is still in preparation, but that sufficient promises of support have been already received to make it quite certain that the building will soon take concrete shape. It is perhaps too soon to offer criticisms of the plan approved by the Board, as alterations at present under discussion, may make them unnecessary. It may be stated, however, that the Building includes a school hall to seat about 300, a library, masters' common room, and six form rooms, with provision for two more to be added when required.

The architects, Messrs. Fred Rowntree and Son and Mr. Ralph Thorp are much to be congratulated on the production of a design at once individual and striking, while in general harmony with the rather varied styles of the later school buildings, near which it will be placed.

The site chosen is not that of tradition, but is midway between Grove House and the "San," the North-East front overlooking Pepper Lane, while the main façade faces the park. It is also intended to abolish the present lecture theatre, giving the room, extended somewhat at the west end, to the chemical laboratory. The old "stinks" lab. will be taken possession of, after enlargement by the inclusion of the arcade, by Mr. Unwin for Biological research, and the physics laboratory is to be nearly doubled by the inclusion of the fives court. In the centre of these three laboratories will be placed the School Museum.

Two new covered fives courts are to be added at the north end of the gymnasium and the sheds, the far too long-lived "temporary" class rooms, will have at last to find a less conspicuous resting place.

NEW BOYS.

- V. G. R. Fox, Falmouth.
IV. W. W. Pollard, Edgbaston.
P. B. Redmayne, Carlisle.

NEW OLD BOYS.

- M. Priestman, 20 Highfield Road, Edgbaston.
E. S. Harris, Sunnyside, Mill Hill, N.W.
H. A. Roberts, Magdala House, Lucknow Road, Nottingham.
H. L. Edmonds, 12 Linden Park, Tunbridge Wells.

PREFECTS.

P. S. Cadbury, (senior prefect) appointed September, 1912.			
D. G. Walker,	"	"	1913.
A. P. D. Penrose,	"	"	"
C. R. Day,	"	"	"
H. W. Ransom,	"	"	"
A. F. Grierson,	"	"	"

IVO P. TEBBUTT.

WEST Hill Cemetery, Winchester, is situated just above the city, across which it looks to a circle of rolling Downs: connection between this picture, which is wonderfully complete in itself, and the outer world is suggested by the frequent express trains running in the cutting that bounds the cemetery. In this beautiful spot a little company of Friends and others gathered on Tuesday, 10th inst., when the body of Ivo P. Tebbutt, only son of Arnold and Elizabeth A. Tebbutt, of Winchester, was laid to rest. The silence in the sunshine by the graveside was broken by a prayer from a Congregational minister of Winchester, and by the hymn "Abide with Me," which had been the boy's choice for family singing on the last Sunday spent at home. At the meeting in the adjacent chapel the place that Ivo Tebbutt had taken in Grove House was testified to by E. E. Unwin, and also by F. J. Edminson, who had travelled from Birmingham for the funeral. A later speaker, having referred to the larger aspect of life and its place in eternity, went on to say that his own personal belief in immortality and in the wise governance of God had been strengthened in the past few months by this and another unexpected death.

The Headmaster writes: "While at Leighton Park Ivo Tebbutt had endeared himself to everyone by the sunshine of his temperament, and by his brave outlook upon life. He was probably one of the best natural athletes that the School has seen, but he was handicapped from early life by valvular heart disease, which prevented him from taking the position in games that he would otherwise have done. He was, however, always cheerful, and acquiesced without grumbling in the restrictions that had to be placed upon him. In this way his example remains with all in a very living manner; to some of us, too, the seriousness with which of late he was taking life as a whole has made its own appeal. Death came to him suddenly, shortly after he had finished a game of fives: the doctors

are of opinion that the time of its coming was irrespective of his occupation. His schoolfellows and teachers who were present at the little gathering at his father's house after the funeral could not fail to be touched by the thoughtful sympathy which led his parents and sisters to speak with such kindly appreciation of his life at school : though filled with grief at their loss, their desire to make it clear that no regrets of any kind were felt as to his school life found frequent expression. For one at least of its lessons, the tragic suddenness of his end serves to emphasise the value of the loving nature that spoke evil of no one ; his influence lives and will live at home and school."

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GROVE HOUSE.

IN the last issue of "The Leightonian" (December, 1913) is an article on "Grove House, Tottenham," by a former scholar at that School, who is equally interested in "Grove House, Leighton Park." His personal reminiscences probably date from 1869, and those who have read them may not object to a few notes on a somewhat earlier period.

It was towards the end of 1854 that the present writer entered the School, and the Head Master, Thomas Hunton, had been recently married. The great improvement in diet introduced by Charlotte Hunton was still a topic of conversation among the boys. A little later, probably in the Spring of 1855, a remarkably long-continued frost was experienced, so that there was skating on the river Lea for a period of six weeks.

The large playground, covered with well-set London gravel, to which allusion was made in the "Leightonian," provided admirable recreation when cricket was impracticable, and the hockey played on it was very different from the game now in vogue. The whole school took part, being divided into two sides, each boy having his special opponent. The boys made their sticks, chiefly by the use of spoke-shaves, and brought them to the Headmaster that they might be certified as under a certain weight. Their extreme lightness made it safe to swing them overhead, and the lightness of the balls used (twopenny tennis balls) prevented all danger of serious accidents. There was, therefore, more scope for free hitting and less need for constant dribbling than in the modern game, and the fact that many who would now be mere spectators were then active players, made hockey more generally enjoyable than it can possibly be now. It is a poor thing to watch other people playing, in comparison with the joy of playing oneself !

Grove House Fives was also in some ways different from that usually played now ; but space forbids a description of its peculiarities. No one dreamed of wearing gloves, and during frosty weather bleeding hands were not uncommon. But what of that ? To some it was the Prince of Games, and the rush to secure the court, especially during the short recess, was a scene to witness.

The School year was divided into two terms of nearly equal length, the holidays consisting of about six weeks in summer and about four in winter. Such an arrangement would be unpopular now, and would probably involve too great a strain on the teaching staff ; but the work during term was less strenuous, and the quieter, more even course of life had many advantages, even from the health point of view. The day, also, was differently divided, the chief play-time, except on half-holidays, being before the 2 o'clock dinner. This was distinctly more favourable to health than the modern plan of filling the morning with school work and encouraging active exercise shortly after a full meal.

The School was divided not into "Forms," but into two "Rooms" the "Upper" and the "Lower," in each of which there were subdivisions varying to some extent with the subjects studied. The "Upper" room boys had certain privileges, such as sitting up later than the others, and certain additional work to do, such as writing essays (they were called "themes") and giving recitations, poetry one week and prose the next. At one period the afternoon recess of the two rooms was taken at different times, and then, for about ten minutes, the Headmaster was in School when half the boys were out-of-doors. This was a grand time for boyish adventures, such as climbing on to the roof to stand by the big clock when it struck four, "walking on the beam," and so forth.

This last phrase needs some explanation. The gymnastic apparatus was out-of-doors, and included an erection some 16 feet high supported by a round pole at one end and a square pole at the other. It was also furnished with a sloping ladder and small poles for swarming. From one support to the other stretched a beam about a foot square, about 18 feet long, and, of course, about 16 feet from the ground. From this beam hung a swing. To walk along this beam was the delight of those who had "good heads," and one boy actually hopped along it from end to end. In course of time the supports became rotten, and one day two boys began to swing fast and high in the hope of bringing it down. Just then the present writer happened to be sitting astride the beam between the two ropes of the swing, and it was impossible to get past either of these ropes without being caught by one of them, as the swing rose nearly level with the beam. The whole frame rocked and swayed ominously, but it survived this and a similar attempt made a few minutes afterwards, and was subsequently removed by the authorities.

The sketch of Grove House in the last "Leightonian" gives a faint idea of the "ledge" which ran round the house underneath the windows of the top storey. This "ledge" formed a convenient passage from one bedroom to another, especially when a master's

steps were heard outside, and a wanderer wished to return to his own quarters without being caught. The ledge was narrow and its height from the ground great, but it was not infrequently the promenade of boys who loved it for its own sake, quite apart from any desire to visit a schoolfellow. No doubt the danger was considerable, especially when one turned the corner from the lee side of the house and was greeted by an unexpected gust of wind, and anyone who fell into the area would certainly have been killed. There is, however, no record of any accident, and some may, in after life, have found the experience thus gained useful in mountaineering expeditions, or even in some business or profession.

As pen glides over paper, memories crowd in to the mind of incidents not yet even hinted at, of Masters and Schoolfellows, on whose varying characteristics it would be delightful to expatiate, of old School traditions which few still living can recall ; but this paper is already too long and must be brought to a speedy conclusion. Perhaps it will most fitly close with a hitherto unpublished poem by Thomas Hunton in the album of a boy who was leaving the School more than five years after his entry. The parody on Longfellow is obvious.

J. B. HODGKIN.

[The Editor regrets that there were several inaccuracies in the article on Grove House, Tottenham, that appeared in the December number. The following are some important corrections :—Bowly, Sir Alfred Pease, Bart., Yearly Meeting on Ministry and Oversight, Lord Aber Conway, Inner Life of the Religious Societies of the Commonwealth, F. E. Fox, Fielden Thorp, Edward Backhouse, William Ball, Josiah Forster.]

In his chamber, calm but weary,
(For the "packing up" is dreary
Tho' the hope of Home may cheer thee.)
Rested young Ingenuus.

All his schooldays now were ended,
The last muster roll attended,
The last flight of stairs ascended
In the old Gymnasium.

O'er him Slumber soon was stealing,
 "Farewell!" sorrows kindly healing,
 And that kind refreshment dealing
 Known alone to Morpheus.

But strange feelings soon came o'er him,
 And a vision rose before him,
 And he heard a voice implore him,
 Like the famed ἀπόστολος.

For he thought a sheet descended,
 In whose ample folds were blended
 Forms uncouth and strange and splendid,
 Shades of things γενομένων.

And the voice in accents lowly,
 With a cadence calm and holy,
 Whispered solemnly and slowly
 "Rise and look, Ingenuus."

And, mid shades of friends departed
 Friends beloved and loving-hearted,
 From the curtained folds there started
 Forms of things ἀσώματα.

Kind advice unwisely slighted,
 Acts of kindness ill requited,
 Early hopes untimely blighted,—
 Misere, Domine!

Falls, while climbing *ad Parnassum*,
 Errors, *ob ingenium crassum*,
 Failures, from a *corpus lassum*,—
 Such thy stores Μνημοσύνη.

Toils, whose issue had been glorious,
 Strifes, where Duty proved victorious,
 Progress hailed as meritorious
 By his old διδάσκαλοι.

Friendships, Death alone could sever,
 Noble thoughts to perish never,
 Germs of good to live for ever,—
 Gloria tibi Domine!

"Rise and look," the voice repeated,
 But the youth, afraid, retreated,
 Thinking much his eyes that greeted
 Κοινὸν ἀκαθαρτὸν τέ.

"Such perchance it was," undaunted
 Spake the voice, "but Heaven has granted
 That what once was sin was haunted
 "May become εἰλογία,

"And the Past, tho' oft possessing
 "Darkening shades, may prove a blessing,
 "If Experience comes confessing
 "Wisdom's ways are pleasantest,"

"If the thought of past-earned sorrow
 "Rouse thee to a holier morrow,
 "If from evil, good thou borrow,
 "With a sage's alchemy,

"If the faith in sins forgiven
 Fix thy faith more firm in Heaven,
 "And the veil is wider riven
 "Which conceals Eternity."

Such the Voice—then all departed,
 And Ingenuus, noble-hearted,
 As the unbidden tear drop started,
 Turned him to Futurity;

Praying, when Earth's school was ending,
 Grateful Love the past attending,
 Faith and Hope their influence blending,
 He might rest,
 As sleep the blest,
 When closing thoughts are homeward tending.

T. HUNTON.

AN APRIL ANECDOTE.

ABOUT April, as Aunt Annie anticipated, Arthur, always as asinine as age allowed, arranged an altogether absurd and awkward argument against Alfred, an able antagonist, about altering ancient anecdotes.

As afternoon advanced, Archie arrived, and after announcing Aunty as absent at an Anti-Suffrage Association address, acted as an accomplice and ably assisted Alfred at arguing.

Alfred, aided and advised, adopted adequate and admirable arguments against abolishing and abbreviating any aboriginal and antique anecdotes.

Arthur, appropriating an adverse aspect, asserted absolute agreement at all attempts at abridging and amending ancient anecdotes, and approved actual abolishment as an alternative antidote.

Although Arthur adopted abundant and abusive adjectives, Alfred always answered amiably and affably, and Archie appeared amused.

Alas, Arthur's anger arose ; Arthur attempted and achieved ardent and arrogant assaults at Alfred ; and Alfred, afflicted and annoyed, affirmed absolute authority above Arthur.

Archie, always alert and attentive, artfully advised avoiding all additional achievements, as Aunty apparently approached.

Aunty arrived abruptly, alike agitated and alarmed, and affectionately appeased and abated Arthur's anger, attributing all as accident. Although aged, Aunty always acted as an able arbitrator, and Arthur actually appeared ashamed.

All applauded Aunty, and apologies abounded. Arthur accepted all Alfred's arguments, admitting accusations about anger and assault, and Alfred acknowledged all apologies.

Archie affected acute amusement at all affairs.

After arriving at an advantageous agreement about ancient anecdotes, all acted accordingly.

ABJECT ASS.

LA FETE DU SAINT SAUVEUR.

On Sunday the whole village was awake, and before the usual time, there was a service in the church of unusual importance.

After this quiet reigned for a time, then most people went to the little Place de Saint Sauveur in the afternoon, to see the mountebanks and acrobats. Inside the square of trees a space was roped off; at the end away from the church was a rough stage and hut of laths. All round, under the trees, were booths doing a roaring trade. There, under a blazing sun, all the visitors sat and watched the little stage, while the little band blared and crashed, and young girs carried round trays of badges.

Then followed a period of buying at various booths, wonderful speaking dolls for a few francs, and long ginger cakes; shooting at pipes; riding the roundabout.

At last, when dusk fell, all went to the river-side and a new joy began. Wonderful stars, bridges, moons, all sorts and shapes of boats floated about lit up. Then a roar, and, on the opposite bank, the trees were lit up, changed colour, became dark, belched rockets, and quieted down.

Now a light appeared from behind. Above us, the old chateau was glowing red, perfect in every detail. Next, the bridge above, the Hospice below, the river itself, each in turn blazed and burnt. And last of all their display, a burst of fire from them all, and the crowd rushed away, back to the square.

Then began a rushing mixture of forms mingled with shouts, laughter, waving arms and dashing confetti; while the old church kept guard over it all, its shadow quiet under the moon. Handfuls of confetti covered you; you heard a voice behind you calling, turned round, and at once a pretty hand filled your mouth with confetti! But you have your revenge, for soon you do the same to Hellene. And so it went on, until you walked on inches of confetti, and at last turned reluctantly towards your hotel and a last glass of—cider. And so, while Françoise the maid closed the doors, you retired to your bedroom to watch the last few people go by. Last of all, a handful hits your face, and a voice followed, “Prenez, ça, donc! Oh ! la ! la !”

“DENISE.”

SHIELD MAKING.

WHEN the Old Leightonians' Club decided to present a silver challenge Shield to the School the small Committee in charge of the details approached a North of England Quaker, Mr. John B. Gibbs, who represents Art with a big "A" at Congleton. The question then arose as to who should be entrusted with the responsibility of putting the design into execution. As there was no available O.L.—at least within the knowledge of the Committee—a suggestion made by Mr. Gibbs was adopted, and the contract placed in the hands of Mr. Andrew Willetts of Middlesbrough. It is not clear how this gentleman of high artistic and executive skill came to plant himself in the essentially commercial centre of Middlesbrough, but so he did, and, at the time in question, was finding it very hard to earn sufficient butter for his bread, if not to get the bread itself. It was, therefore, in the nature of a kindness to the artificer as well as with the idea of securing really honest craftsmanship that the building of the Shield was placed with Mr. Willetts. The actual size in which the design was to be worked out was left for Mr. Gibbs to settle with Mr. Willetts, a limit being placed on the total outlay to which the Committee would go. Sufficient money was provided to purchase the silver sheet, and Mr. Willetts bravely started on his task. After some weeks the writer paid him a visit, and found that considerable difficulties were being experienced in the nature of the metal which became very springy through the treatment it received, and could not be again softened as Mr. Willett had no annealing furnace. This trouble may possibly have been due to the very high relief in which the design was worked out. At about this stage, too, Mr. Willetts discovered the contract price he had arranged would cover him in the lordly remuneration of about 3d. an hour for his time, and he suggested that further money should be provided if the work was to be completed. This took the Committee by surprise, and some additional funds were put

up privately as it was felt that the O.L. Club could not be asked for more money. When the work finally left Mr. Willets' hands, the strain upon the silver had exhausted its patience, and in several places, especially round the edge, the metal had given way. The writer believes that Mr. Edminson made himself responsible for some improvements in the way of strengthening the metal of the Shield, the work being carried out by Messrs. Botley and Lewis, of Reading, with the final result that we get the Shield as we now know it, and as it graces the walls of School or Grove House from time to time.

A propos of this subject, can any Leightonian, present or past, say why sporting trophies are so inevitably associated with all that we as Quakers are brought up to abhor and detest. The shield, unless it be regarded emblematic in the Pauline sense, is as inevitably warlike as its modern counterpart the Dreadnought 20in. plate ; the challenge cup is nothing more nor less than the descendant of the wassail cup, associated with sad scenes of debauchery and depravity ! Who will arise and introduce the fashion for a trophy more consistent with our peculiar traditions, e.g., "The Silver Broad Brim, The Veritable Leather breeches, The Penn and Indian Squirrel in silver gilt ?"

J. E. H.

REPORTS OF SCHOOL SOCIETIES.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.—So far this term there have been three meetings of the society. The first was devoted entirely to private business ; W. Pollard, G. R. Fox, R. D. Buchanan, and P. B. Redmayne were elected new members and D. S. Newbegin resigned.

At the next meeting Mr. Unwin gave us some advice on the proper keeping of diaries, and Mr. Evans a short talk on the "Trapping of small mammals," mentioning the best traps and bait to be used. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to reports.

At our last meeting an egg committee was appointed and a list of the proposed alterations to the rules was brought before the society. Professor J. Percival then gave us a lantern lecture on "Spiders." He dealt with their life history and habits, and the construction of webs. His slides were excellent and added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening. The last ten minutes was devoted to questions which showed that the lecturer had thoroughly interested his audience.

L. COLE.

L. H. A. SOCIETY.—The Society is keeping up its usual standard as regards numbers, but is suffering from possessing several members who are far from keen.

Our first meeting this term, on February 2nd, was open to the School and consisted of a lecture by Mr. H. M. Wallis, entitled, "The Tragedy in the Balkans ; and a week in Adrianople." Practically the whole school attended, as well as most of the staff.

Our second meeting was a purely business one, and was held in order to give the committee some guide as to what play to choose for next term.

At our third sitting on March 2nd, Howard R. Smith (O.L.), gave us a talk on "Brass Rubbing ; the Brasses of the district ; and the keeping of Archæological Diaries." Although the attendance was unavoidably small, we had a most interesting talk, with plenty of time for questions.

G. R. Fox and L. S. Penrose then read essays, the former on "The struggle between Reading Abbey and the town," and the latter on "The Breaking up of the Ruins of Reading Abbey." Both were interesting papers, but, unfortunately, lack of time prevented a discussion.

E. WALLIS.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—Although the Society is keeping up its numbers, yet the debates are suffering from the fact that some members only speak when they are compelled to do so. We have had two meetings this term, the first was the usual Sharp Practice Debate, which was held in the lecture room. The second debate was on the South African Labour Troubles. Mr. Unwin proposed "that in the opinion of this House the action of the South African Government in dealing with the late Labour troubles was unjustifiable." The motion was opposed by Mr. Ballard. J. B. Tryer seconded the motion and L. B. Cole opposed it. The motion was won by twelve votes to nine. At the suggestion of Mr. Unwin this meeting was held in the Grove House dining hall. The room was arranged as a model parliament with Government and Opposition benches. The experiment proved a great success and the new arrangement seemed to give life and ardour to the speakers and enthusiasm to the rest of the Society.

D. G. W.

SENIOR ESSAY SOCIETY.—Only one meeting has been held so far this term. M. A. Sisson, L. Wells and G. R. Fox were elected new members, and M. A. Sisson was appointed chronicler for the term. E. Wallis gave us a full and descriptive chronicle for the preceding term. P. S. Cadbury then read a good essay on "Some problems of our large towns and a few possible solutions of them." This gave rise to a long and interesting discussion. A. P. D. Penrose then read the opening chapters of a short story entitled, "The harrowing experiences of Obadiah Mole."

ALAN BELL.

JUNIOR ESSAY SOCIETY.—We held our first meeting this term on Monday, February 9th. W. W. Pollard, C. Ransom and R. L. Nisbet were elected members of the Society. Six essays were read and the meeting was well attended. Ten essays have been promised for the next meeting which is to be held on Monday, March 9. The Society has at present 27 members.

H. G. SAUNDERS.

MUSICAL SOCIETY.—The Mendelssohn evening was held on November 29th, and was considered the best performance that the society has yet given. The band showed up well in the "Hebrides" overture, which is so far their most daring achievement, and the whole programme was a success.

This term we are preparing for a Handel evening, at which the band will contribute the overture to "Samson," and a concerto in B flat for piano, organ and strings. W. W. Pollard and A. J. Hodgkin (violins), R. A. V. Jennings (viola), F. J. Painter (organ), and O. A. A. Pollard (piano), have joined the band this term, increasing our numbers to 12.

ALAN BELL.

CAMERA CLUB.—We have only held one meeting this term, on February 5th, when G. R. Fox and H. W. Ransom were elected members. It is hoped that members will enter for the competition for photographs of the Sports.

R. B. H.

RESULTS OF GYMNASTIC COMPETITION.

SENIORS.

STALL.—A. P. D. Penrose, P. F. King, F. S. Harricks and A. F. Grierson.

BOOM.—F. S. Harricks, P. F. King and A. F. Grierson.

HORIZONTAL.—P. F. King, A. F. Grierson and I. P. Tebbutt.

PARALLELS.—P. F. King and A. P. D. Penrose, F. S. Harricks and A. F. Grierson.

ROPE.—A. F. Grierson, P. F. King and R. T. V. Clarke.

HORSE.—A. F. Grierson, P. F. King, J. T. Wotherspoon.

JUNIORS.

STALL.—L. S. Penrose, J. D. Barlow and A. J. Hodgkin.

BOOM.—L. Cole, L. S. Penrose and I. C. Bell.

HORIZONTAL.—L. S. Penrose, I. C. Bell, J. D. Barlow.

PARALLELS.—L. S. Penrose and L. Cole, J. D. Barlow.

ROPE.—L. S. Penrose, L. Cole and J. D. Barlow.

HORSE.—I. C. Bell and G. Jefferys, J. D. Barlow.

STORRS FRY SHIELD.—P. F. King.

PECKOVER CUP.—L. S. Penrose.

FOOTBALL.

OUR Boys' XI this term was very much the same as last term ; only Edmonds and Harricks having left. Unluckily, we had only two matches arranged, one of which had to be scratched, while in the other we suffered rather a bad defeat.

The Masters' XI greatly missed Mr. Unwin, who, it will be remembered, was injured last term. In spite of this the XI did fairly well, winning 1, drawing 2, and losing 2.

The following have been awarded their colours this term :—
J. B. Fryer, L. B. Cole, O. A. Pollard

January 24th. Masters' XI v. The Foxes, at L.P.S.

Leighton Park lost the toss and started by defending the far goal. After a very short time "The Foxes" succeeded in scoring. All our forwards worked hard, but failed to get near our opponents' goal. The Foxes soon scored again, and by half-time they had four goals to our nil. They had many more successful shots during the second half, bringing the final score to 10—0. This defeat can somewhat be accounted for by the absence of Messrs. Unwin and Thursby. The weather was not at all favourable owing to the hardness of the ground from the severe frost.

January 28th. Masters' XI v. Reading Y.M.C.A., at L.P.S.

L.P.S. won the toss and started by defending the far goal. About 25 seconds after the kick-off, before L.P. had quite realised the game had started, the Y.M.'s scored their first goal. After this, play was fast and furious, and for some time neither team seemed to have any advantage ; until just before half-time Mr. Robson scored with a fine shot in the corner. Steady play continued on both sides throughout the rest of the game ; each side scoring one more goal. L.P.S. showed very good form. The only fault was that the forwards did not keep far enough up.

January 31st. Masters' XI v. Pilgrims, at L.P.S.

The Pilgrims won the toss and started by defending the far goal. For a long time play was very even, the ball being in front of both goals a great deal. Then, with a smart rush, the Pilgrims were successful in finding the net, while just before half-time Wotherspoon scored for L.P. with a nicely placed shot. From the beginning of the second half our superior training showed, and except for a few rushes the ball was kept in our opponents' half. L.P.S. managed to add three more goals, while the Pilgrims added one, thus bringing the game to a close with the score 4—2 for us. The ground was in good condition, and the game was enjoyed equally well by both teams.

February 5th. Masters' XI v. Mansfield College, at L.P.S.

Mansfield won the toss and started by defending the far goal. For the first ten or fifteen minutes the game was very even ; then we pressed very hard, but did not manage to score. With a good rush our opponents succeeded in scoring, and at half-time the score was 1—0. The whole of the second half we were in front of the Mansfield goal, and except for about three rushes they were not in our half at all. In spite of this one of their rushes was successful, bringing the game to a close with the score 2—0 against us. Our forwards' shooting was simply rotten. It was a magnificent day, sunny, but not too hot.

February 11th. Masters' XI v. University College, at Reading.

L.P.S. won the toss and started by playing with the wind. There was a continual drizzle throughout the game, which made the ground very sloppy. The game was very even from the beginning till the end, and a much better one than that of last term. The College scored first, but not very long after L.P. equalised with a smart rush and good combination. Shortly before half-time our opponents scored again. From the start of the second half the game became very keen, and it was not long before Wotherspoon found the corner of the net with a fine shot. Later in the game the College scored again, and just a few minutes from time we managed to equalise once more. The team played well, but were greatly handicapped by the absence of Messrs. Unwin and Scarborough. The combination of the forwards showed distinct signs of improvement. The College had very bad luck, hitting the posts four times.

February 14th. Boys' XI v. Borlase School, at L.P.S.

L.P.S. lost the toss and started by defending the far goal. Considering it was the first Boys' XI match this term, and that we had a half and a back away, we did not so badly. The scoring was pretty equally distributed throughout the game, our opponents scoring 4 goals in the first half and 3 in the second half, to our one in the first. Our play was very poor.

February 18th. House Match.

School won the toss and started by defending the far goal with the sun at their backs. Throughout the whole of the first half the game was very equal, and both goals were in great danger on several occasions. A penalty was given against School, but Grove did not manage to score. By half-time neither side had scored. About ten minutes after the start of the second half, during a scuffle, Sotomayor managed to score in the corner ; from that time Grove proved themselves the better team. One rather exciting moment was when A. Bell ran out to Wotherspoon, and both fell on the ball, then about seven more people came up and fell over them. All this time the

ball was underneath, but when it did come out Grove managed to get it through. When the whistle blew Grove had five goals to their credit. The Grove team did their duty to a man and were amply rewarded. The School team played a magnificent game considering that they were really a much weaker side, and it was not till the last when they were absolutely done that Grove got through. Teams :—

GROVE HOUSE.—Fryer ; Hopkins, Saunders ; Nisbet, Grierson, Grace ; Painter, Sotomayor, Wotherspoon, Pollard, Fox.

SCHOOL HOUSE.—A. Bell ; Clarke, Butler ; Wallis, Cadbury, Barlow ; Cole, Pease, King, L. S. Penrose, I. Bell.

A. F. G.

SECOND ELEVEN.

The second eleven has only played two matches this term, both against teams which we have not played before, and both were a distinct success.

The first match on January 28th was against the Kendrick School 2nd XI, and ended in a score of 1—8 against us—by far the worst defeat this season. Although this sounds a heavy score, the game was really more or less even, and at half-time the goals were one all. Towards the end, however, Kendrick overpowered us, and before the close managed to score seven more.

The second match on February 14th was against the Blue Coat School, and ended in a win of 3—2 for us. The ground was very wet and slippery, and we were the heavier, though the slower, team. The game was very even, and our opponents very nearly secured a draw. However, chiefly through our superior weight we gained one

goal near the end of the match, which set the result in our favour. We much look forward to playing both these teams again next season.

E. W.

O.L. NOTES.

H. B. GIBBINS is the new President of the O.L. Club. We hope to present our readers with his photograph in our next number.

Congratulations to Basil Doncaster and his wife on the birth of a son.

Also to W. Petty on his marriage to Miss Nellie Stevens, of Reading. Petty is in practice as a veterinary surgeon in Southsea.

Also to Stephen Holmes on his engagement to Miss Janet Hunter, of Gateshead.

On the 16th of January, to George and Edith C. Cadbury (née Woodhall), a daughter, who was named Mary.

On 1st of February, at Melbury Road, W., to John and Fanny Mounsey, a son.

On 5th of February, at 61 Broughton Road, Banbury, to George Ll. Lloyd and Mary Fletcher Hodgkin (née Wilson), a son.

J. E. Hodgkin has been elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries.

Roger Darby is farming near York.

The annual meeting of the O.L. Club will be held on the evening of Saturday, the 25th of July. The tennis match will take place on the previous day. The cricket tour will start at Kendal on July 17th. Those wishing to play should write to Philip Keen, Globe Works, Villa Street, Birmingham, at once.

On February 17, at Mohill Church, by the Very Rev. the Dean of Clonmacnoise, Rector of Clara, assisted by the Rev. Henry Justice, B.A., Rector of the Parish, Robert, younger son of Robert

Goodbody, Charlestown House, Clara, and grandson of the late Sir John Barrington, D.L., Killiney, to Millicent, second daughter of Major Villiers, E. Hunt, Aughey House, Dromed.

H. L. Edmonds sailed on March 7th for the Sandringham Mission, Norton Siding, Hartley, Rhodesia.

E. S. Harris is at Woodbrooke trying to improve his Maths. (?)

M. Priestman is filling in his time at "The Abstainers and General Insurance Company" prior to entering an accountant's office.

Eric and Ronald Lloyd, Basil Darby and P. Keen have been playing with Swarthmore F.C. Up-to-date they have scored 111 goals to 38. A record !

Congratulations to Alan Lloyd on his engagement to Miss Dorothy Hewetson, of Boston Spa, Yorks.

Also to Philip Harvey on his engagement to Miss Barbara Pease, of Okehampton.

On February 13th, at Kingston Lodge, Mannamead, Plymouth, the wife of C. Reginald Fox, of a son.

W. J. C. Taylor is taking the Inter. B. Eng. Course B. at Liverpool University. On the occasion of a student's rag, he is reported to have been wheeled in a bath-chair through the main streets of that city.

D. J. Malcomson is at present on the Clodagh Estate, Matale, Ceylon. He has been enjoying (?) the N.E. Monsoon and fighting dogs, who apparently do not appreciate his motor-bike.

E. S. Harris and D. J. Malcomson will share the honour of being O.L. scholars this year. We congratulate them both.

We hear that G. H. MacLean is engaged, and has also bought a two-seater Fiat. The two things seem to follow naturally, don't they ?

A. E. Mitchell is taking the first year course in textiles at Leeds University.

F. S. Harricks is at Harrogate taking a correspondence course of commercial training, and incidentally enjoying himself.

L. H. and J. P. Fox are at Leeds University, the former taking Textiles and Dyeing, and the latter Chemistry.

J. N. Robertson has now gone into his father's business, namely, the St. Mungo Golf Ball Manufacturing Co., Glasgow.

H. T. Cadbury and his wife have been enjoying a holiday in India, where they have visited the more important of the Friends' mission stations, as well as many of the better known "sights" of the country. They have sent home interesting descriptions of the Christian Mela at Makoriya, as well as of their visit to the Begum of Bhopal.

A correspondent reports having called upon Basil Binyon and his wife at their new home, St. Cuthbert's, Bushey. One of the features of the establishment is its novel installation of electric light, which it was explained was fixed up in a few hours and could be removed in about as many minutes, the wiring being done by means of lead covered wire run along the walls of the house outside and introduced into each room through the window framing. A petrol engine in the garage supplies the current.

J. Rickman is to be congratulated on passing his second M.B. last December. Now he is turning his attention to one of the better professions, namely, Law, as his unwilling victims, the members of the C.U.F.S., can testify.

J. F. O. King represented the 'Varsity in the gymnasium contest with Oxford. Congratulations.

O. S. Hopkins finds his somewhat unique figure eminently suited to the manly sport of hammer-throwing, and has met with success in the College Sports.

H. L. Harris makes an able President of the C.U.F.S.

E. I. Lloyd is to be congratulated on his continued success on the track this term. He has not been beaten this term in the half-mile. Under his able Secretaryship, Trinity has won the Inter-College Championship. He has been given a half-blue, and will run as second string in the half mile at the 'Varsity sports.

L. C. P. Biggar stroked Christ's II, who made two bumps in the Lents.

E. S. Brain, not content with his honours achieved in the Soccer line, has taken to rowing again this term, and was in the Hall boat which made three bumps. Congratulations on getting a first in his Law Mays last December.

E. Cadbury has added to his laurels by rowing in 1st Trinity 1st Lent Boat.

H. R. Bickerton works 10 hours a day and plays tennis on half-holidays.

J. M. Bickerton is to be congratulated on winning his College Fresher's sculls. He rowed in the Pembroke 2nd boat, but it was not very successful.

R. L. Lloyd rowed 4 in 1st Trinity II boat, which was the only 1st boat to gain a place. He ran with much success in the Inter-Club relay race for 1st T.B.C. in the College Sports.

SCHOOL NOTES.

THE annual Hobbies Exhibition was held on Wednesday, December 17th, in the gymnasium. The exhibition was one of the most successful of recent years, largely owing to the large numbers of live-stock shown. The weak spot was the woodwork which was far less than usual. At the same time, a quite separate exhibit of school work was being shown in the dining room of School House. In this case the books shown for any subject

were the books of the whole form, good, bad and indifferent. This exhibit failed to arouse as much interest as had been hoped.

Towards the end of the afternoon the headmaster made a short speech, and ended by giving out the awards, medallions and certificates of the Royal Life Saving Society, won last July. The guests left at 5.30.

On December 17th, when the Hobbies Exhibition had been cleared away, a small social, largely arranged by C. R. Day, was held in the Grove House dining-room. As the masters were at this time holding a staff meeting, this social was invaluable as a stop gap, and was greatly appreciated.

On Saturday, January 24th, the day of the Foxes's match, there was a social directly after tea. P. King, of the Foxes, entertained us with two admirable recitations, and the Band, considering the short time for practice, did extremely well. Unfortunately, owing to some misunderstanding, very few of the Foxes were able to stay to the end. We hope, next year, they will spend the week-end with us.

On Saturday, January 31st, we had a visit from the "Pilgrims" football team, and in the evening they gave us a very jolly entertainment. Mr. Philips gave us a song and a musical recitation on "Drawing-room Songs," illustrated on the piano. G. B. Lloyd gave us his burglar song, and the Band filled in the intervals. Most of the "Pilgrims" stayed over the week-end, and several were entertained on Sunday afternoon in the studies.

On Monday, February 2nd, Mr. H. M. Wallis gave us a talk on "The Tragedy in the Balkans, and a week in Adrianople." The lecture which was under the auspices of the L. H. A. Society, was open to the school. After a brief introduction of the country of Bulgaria, and of the characters of the Greeks, Bulgars, and Turks, our lecturer gave us some of his own experiences while distributing relief in the Balkans last winter. He then went on to the subject of Adrianople and explained by blackboard diagrams exactly how it was stormed, and gave several interesting anecdotes which he had heard in connection with the siege. This last part of the talk was

illustrated by a number of curios which Mr. Wallis had picked up in the ruined forts of Adrianople. The evening closed with a few minutes for questions.

Congratulations to E. S. Harris who has won a £60 open Mathematical Scholarship at John's College, Cambridge. We enjoyed a half-holiday on Monday, February 2nd, in consequence.

On Monday, 16th February, some of the older boys received an invitation to a private piano recital by Mr. Howard-Jones, at Miss White's school, in the Bath Road. About a dozen availed themselves of the opportunity, and all who went enjoyed it immensely.

On March 4th, a concert was given in the University College Hall by the College Choral Society and orchestra, which was attended by most of the school. The chief item of the programme was a cantata, "Everyman," the words of which were taken from an old morality play. The "Unfinished Symphony" of Schubert was also played, and also two short sketches by a Russian composer, both of which delighted the audience.

We are extremely sorry that Mr. W. Thursby is leaving us this term to take up a post as private secretary. The keen interest he has shown in all our sports, and the splendid example that he has set us on the football and cricket field will not soon be forgotten. The Junior Essay Society, too, will miss a most energetic president. We wish him every success in his future career.

We offer a hearty welcome to Mr. J. L. Kitto, B.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, who is joining the staff next term. Mr. Kitto was a contemporary at Cambridge of Mr. Wilson Harris, a former master, and now one of the Governors.

Two illustrations in our last number were from photographs taken by O. A. A. Pollard. He has also taken a view of Grove House, which appears in the 1914 Year Book. Well done, Camera Club!

At the close of the regular football season, as last year, a tournament of "Sixes" was arranged; but an improvement was effected by adding a junior group. Teams captained by A. F. Grierson and C. S. Richmond proved to be victors.

The prefects spent their holiday in an excursion to London. The Wonder Zoo at Olympia and the magic of St. George's Hall were the principal attractions. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Day very kindly entertained them to dinner.

On Saturday, February 28th, Mr. Burn gave the School a lantern lecture on "Rome." He showed us slides of all the chief features of the ruins of ancient Rome ; the Coliseum, the Triumphal Arches, Temples, Catacombs, and many others, and in many cases he went into historical details. Then he dealt with St. Peter's, showing both interior and exterior views, and also a splendid bird's eye view of Rome from the top of the Cathedral, which illustrated very well the smallness of the seven hills upon which it is supposed to stand. Of these seven hills only one is really perceptible. He pointed out that the reason why so little of ancient Rome is left to-day is because greedy Popes used the stones of ancient buildings for their own houses and churches.

The Mid-Term Social, given by Mr. Thursby and his committee, was held on Saturday, March 7th. The first part of the programme consisted of three instrumental solos by L. Wells, I. C. Bell and W. W. Pollard respectively, a song by Mr. J. A. Brain, a recitation by D. Gilford, and a Scotch reel by Grierson, Wotherspoon, Walker and A. Penrose. The second part was entirely taken up by a one-act play entitled "The Area Belle." We would congratulate all the performers. They gave us a most enjoyable evening.

Kenneth H. Brooks, on his last visit to the School, offered a prize of ten shillings, to be open for competition in July, for the best set of twelve lantern slides of natural history subjects. Mr. and Mrs. Brooks wish to carry out the plans that Kenneth Brooks had for fostering this branch of hobby work, and, together with Mr. Unwin, have drawn up rules to govern the award. The award in July, 1913, was as follows :—1st, J. M. Bickerton for bird slides ; 2nd, R. Hopkins for a mixed set of pets.