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The Breconian.

EDITORIAL.

 HE term, now drawing to a close, has presented to us varied fortunes. We will pass over the rather disastrous football season with little comment, pausing merely to congratulate the "A" Team on their defeat of the Ystradgynlais County School XV., the first, we believe, since the match has been played. We must also thank Mr Jones for coaching the 2nd game, where, we hear, he is moulding sound material for future school teams.

Let us pass on to that far sterner field, to the struggle which, as yet, shows no promise of a speedy conclusion. Here we have just cause for pride; for this term has brought us news of further great distinctions gained by Old Breconians. But mingled with this pride is sorrow, for we have also learnt of the death in action of several Old Boys, one at least of whom we nearly all remember, so recently was he among us.

In conclusion, we would beg the school, as has been done so often in past numbers of the 'Breconian,' to provide more material than has been forthcoming in order to add greater interest to these pages than that of a mere compilation of statistics. And so, having at last completed this obnoxious necessity, the Editorial, we entreat our readers to overlook our shortcomings, reminding them that some day they may have the misfortune to wield the editorial pen, and to learn the difficulties of the Editor's path.

IN MEMORIAM.

EUAN E. ARNOTT: School House (1913-15); eldest son of the late Mr. Arnott and Mrs. Morgan, of the Garth, Monmouth. Killed in France in September, 1916, while serving as 2nd Lieut. in the Welch. He came with his brother to Brecon from Monmouth Grammar School and in a short stay of two years made many friends by his frank, good natured comradeship. Physically strong and well grown, he soon came to the front in Athletics and won his place in the Football XV. of 1914 and in the Cricket and Hockey XI.'s of 1915. Half way through that summer, though considerably under military age, he left to join the Army and was gazetted to the Welch Regiment. About a year later he visited Brecon just before going out to France with a draft, and he fell in the heavy Somme fighting within a couple of months. He was only 19 years old at the time.

FREDERICK W. EVANS: School House (1908-10); son of Mr. and Mrs. Evans of Swansea. Died of wounds received in action on October 29th, 1916, while in France with the Welch Regiment. He was a boy of sunny temperament, charming all by his engaging simplicity and natural happiness of character. Few can have made more friends at school. Not greatly gifted intellectually, he never rose above an average place in school, but had he not left young to go into business, he would certainly have been one of our most distinguished athletes. As it was he never actually gained any Colours except his 2nd XI. cap in 1909 and 1910. But he was a most promising runner, especially at middle distances; and many will also remember him as 'the most impudent seller of dummies' that ever graced the 2nd game three-quarter line and a delighted experimenter in 'googlies.' Everything he did was done cheerily and gayly; no doubt he went into battle with just such a gallant joyousness. The world is the less bright for his untimely death.

HOWARD L. HARRIES: School House (1901-5); 2nd son of Mr David Harries of Cardiff. Killed by shell explosion in France on November 13th, 1916, serving as 2nd Lieut. in the Welch. Not specially distinguished in his school career, he later developed marked gifts of talent and character in business life. He was engaged in a shipping office and made himself master of several modern languages and was laying the foundations of a prosperous and useful career when war called him to the Army. He joined the Glamorgan Yeomanry in 1914 and after completing their course of training secured a Commission in the Welch Regiment. He was a boy of many solid and

manly qualities, for whom respect and affection grew as acquaintance developed.

P. B. JONES: School House (1896-8); one of several brothers at Christ College in the nineties. He made the army his career and was a Captain in the Middlesex. He played a prominent part in the school life of his generation. He was a School Prefect and did well in all school games, earning football and cricket Colours in 1897 and 1898. He fell in action at Hulluch on September 30th, 1915, taking a gallant part in the great Western offensive of that autumn. News of his death was, unfortunately, overlooked at the time and appears now in our pages for the first time.

MARTIN SPENCER SMITH: Hostel (1904-9); youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Smith, of 51, Palace Street, Westminster, and the third brother educated at Christ College. He spent many happy days at school and rose to be a School Prefect in his last year. A runner of great distinction, he won the Open Challenge Cup in 1908 and was unlucky not to repeat his success in the following year. He also found a place in the XV. of 1908, and again in the cricket XI. of 1909. Perhaps above all he will be remembered as a shining light in the School Choir and School Dramatic Performances. Few will forget his splendid singing and acting as 'Josephine' in Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore" in the Christmas Entertainment of 1905. After leaving school he took up farming in Canada and early in 1915 joined the Canadian Forces. On reaching England he was transferred with a Commission to the Queen's Westminster Rifles, in which two brothers, also O.B.'s, were officers. After an attack on the German trenches in September last, he and many of his company were reported missing, and later the news of his death was officially confirmed.

JOHN PRICE: at Christ College under the Rev. Rees Price in 1847 for one year, after which he completed his education at Llandovery and Clare College, Cambridge. He took Holy Orders in 1864 and became Rector of Llanveigan, near Brecon, in 1875, holding the living until his death 41 years later. He shewed himself at all times a man of vigorous personality; he was a militant churchman and much interested in music and folklore. Of his large family, of 15 children, two have been distinguished Breconians; John Price, at present Solicitor in Brecon and Registrar of Christ College, to whom we offer sincere sympathy, and the late Capt. Rhys Price, who died in South Africa while serving in the Boer War. Born in 1836 Mr. Price had reached the great age of 80 and with him passes one of the most interesting figures among old time Breconians.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

KILLED IN ACTION.

- Arnott, E. E., 2nd Lieut., Welch Regiment (in France, September 1916).
- Evans, F. W., 2nd Lieut., Welch Regt. (in France, October 28th, 1916).
- Harries, H. L., 2nd Lieut. Welch Regt. (in France, November 13th, 1916).
- Jones, P. B., Capt. Middlesex Regt. (at Hulluch, September 30th, 1915).
- Spencer Smith, M., 2nd Lieut. Queen's Westminster Rifles (in France, September, 1916).

WOUNDED.

- Akrill Jones, T. 2nd Lieut. (Notts and Derby) Sherwood Foresters (near Thiepval, September, 1916).
- Davies, V. G. E., Lieut. and Instructor, Durham Light Infantry (in France, October 20th, 1916).
- Denny, E. M. C., 2nd Lieut. D.C.L.I. (in France, September, 1916).
- Denny, M. C. M., Capt. King's Liverpool Regiment., 2nd time (in France, September, 1916).
- Evans, K. P. O. Lance-Corp. Royal Welsh Fusiliers (in France, September, 1916).
- Grellett, R. C., Capt. Yorks Regt. (in France, August, 1916).
- Lewis, L. G., Private, Royal Fusiliers (in France, 1916).
- Lloyd, H. C. L., Major (Temp. Lieut. Col.), Welch Regt., attached Middlesex Regt. (in France, July, 1916).
- Magill, W. D., Capt. South Lancashire Regt. (in France, November, 1916).
- Morgan, H. I., Lieut. Australian F.A.—very severely (in France, July, 1916).
- Partridge, W. M., 2nd Lieut. Leicester Regt. (October, 1916).
- Price, A. B., Private, Royal Fusiliers (in France, November, 1916).
- Saunders Davies, D. H., 2nd Lieut. Royal Warwick Regt., attached Royal Flying Corps (in France, July, 1916).
- Shapland, G. P. B., 2nd Lieut. Manchester Regt. (in France, September, 1916).
- Thomas, C. S., Lieut. R.M.L.I. (in France; severely—November, 1916).
- Tudor, A., Private, Royal Fusiliers (September, 1916).
- Williams, H. H., 2nd Lieut. Yorks and Lancs. Regt., attached Machine Gun Corps (in France, Aug., 1916).

WOUNDED AND PRISONER.

- Spencer Smith, P., Lieut. Queen's Westminster Rifles (near Gommecourt, July 1st, 1916).

SUFFERING FROM GAS POISONING.

- Field, J. T., Lieut. (Temp. Capt.) A.S.C. (near Ypres, 1915).

INVALIDED FROM FRONT.

- Davies, C. G., Sergt. R.E. Sig. Co., 1st Welsh Division (from Suvla Bay, December, 1915).
- Stevens, R. E., Rifleman, King's Royal Rifles (from France, December 25th, 1915).
- Thomas, R. C., Capt. R.A.M.C. (from France, 1916).

NAVAL AND MILITARY HONOURS.

Mentioned in Despatches.

- Browne, E. D., Major and Political Officer, Indian E.F. in German E. Africa (1916).
 Browne, M., Capt. Middlesex (1915).
 Stephens, H. E. R., Surgeon R.N., H.M.S. Lion (1916).
 Williams, R. F., Lieut. R.A.M.C. (1915).

Commended by Lords of Admiralty.

- Stephens, H. E. R., Surgeon R.N., H.M.S. Lion (1916).

Military Cross.

- Browne, M., Capt. Middlesex (1915).
 Denny, E. M. C., 2nd Lieut. D.C.L.I. (1916).
 Fitzwilliams, J. K. Ll., Lieut., R.H.A. (1916).
 Williams, R. F., Lieut. R.A.M.C., (1916).

Special Promotion.

- Phillips, T. H., Lieut. R.A.M.C., to be Capt

ROLL OF SERVICE (7th List).

- Apthomas, R., Private A.S.C.
 Blackwood, T., Sub-Lieut. R.N.R., H.M.S. Wesward Ho!
 Browne, E.D., Major and Political Officer, Indian E.F. in German East Africa.
 Davies, C. G., Sergt. R.E. Sig. Co., 1st Welsh Division.
 Davies, E. B., Private Royal Sussex Regiment.
 Davies, H. B., 2nd Lieut. Monmouth Regt.
 Davies, R. B., Lieut. King's Royal Rifles, attached 100th Trench Mortar Battery.
 Davies, T. H. R., Cadet, 18th Reserve Battery, R.F.A.
 Davies, V. G. E., Lieut. and Instructor Durham Light Infantry.
 Dowding, S., Corp. North Somerset Yeomanry.
 Dunstan, A. R. B., 2nd Lieut., Monmouth Regt.
 Dyke, L. M., 2nd Lieut. Monmouth Regt.
 Edwards, H.F., Bomb. Australian F.A.
 Evans, G. S. W., 2nd Lieut. S.W.B. (Special Reserve).
 Evans, J. Howell, M.D., F.R.C.S., R.A.M.C., 4th Motor Ambulance.
 Evans, N. V., Private, S.W.B.
 Evans, W. R., Private, King's Shropshire Light Infantry.
 Fitzwilliams, G. H. Ll., M.D., F.R.C.S., French Red Cross, Lyon Hospital.
 Green, C. N., Driver, R.F.A.
 Griffiths, W. H., Private, Army Cyclist Corps.
 Griffiths, W., Capt. R.A.M.C.
 Gwynne, R., Private, A.S.C., Motor Transport.
 Hughes, E. J., Cadet, Inns of Court, O.T.C.
 Hughes, L., Corp. 137th Batt. C.E.F.
 Hughes, O. P., Private, 2nd Batt. Rhodesian Regt.
 Hughes, W. H., Cadet, Inns of Court, O.T.C.
 Jenkins, W. J., Private, 2nd A.O.R. 19th Hussars.
 John, M.W.R., Corp. Royal Monmouth Engineers
 Jones, E. S., Capt. Yorkshire Regt.
 Jones, K. S., Lieut. R.F.A.
 leHuquet, Gerald, Lieut., Worcester Regt..
 Lewis, D. R. T., 2nd Lieut. King's Own Royal Lancaster Regt.
 Leyshon, E. J., Private, King's Shropshire Light Infantry, attached A.P.O.
 Low, J. C., Private, East Surrey Regt.
 Macaulay, B. W., Cadet, Inns of Court, O.T.C.
 Magill, W. D., Capt. South Lancashire Regt.

Morley, W. A., Sapper, R.E. Glamorgan.
 Morgan, G. E., Surgeon Probationer, R.N.V.R.
 Morris, A. J., Lance Corp. Royal Welsh Fusiliers.
 Morris, D., Lieut. (Cyclist) Batt. Welch Regt.
 Musk, F., Private, Coldstream Guards.
 Parker, G. C. W., 2nd Lieut. R.F.A.
 Phillips, D. R., Lieut. A.S.C.
 Phillips, R. L., R.M.C., Sandhurst.
 Phillips, H. T., Private, Glamorgan Batt. National Reserve.
 Powell, I. M., 2nd Lieut. Welch Regt.
 Pratt, H. P., Private, S.W.B.
 Pryce, F. M., R.M.C., Sandhurst.
 Smith, W. H. E., Trooper, 1st Assam Valley Light Horse.
 Stephens, J. H., Trooper, Dorset Yeomanry.
 Stevens, R. E., Rifleman, King's Royal Rifles.
 Stevens, T. W., 2nd Lieut. Monmouth Regt.
 Thomas, A. A., Capt. Welch Regt.
 Thomas, H. E. Eric, Lieut. A.S.C. Mounted Division.
 Thomas, J. G. T., Lieut. Surgeon, Lancashire Fusiliers.
 Thomas, R. C., Capt. R.A.M.C.
 Trew, E. C., Private, East Kent Regt. (The Buffs).
 Williams, H. G., 2nd Lieut. Essex Regt.

PROMOTIONS.

Akrial Jones, R., Private, to be 2nd Lieut., King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, attached Royal Flying Corps.
 Best, F. H., 2nd Lieut. 2nd/1st (Brecknock) Batt. S.W.B. (T.F.) to be Lieut.
 Browne, M., Lieut. and Adj., Middlesex Regt., to be Capt.
 Davies, T. D., Private, Welch Regt., to be Corp.
 Davies, W. L. Gwyn, Lieut., R.A.M.C., to be Capt.
 Davies, V. G. E., 2nd Lieut., Durham Light Infantry, to be Lieut. and Instructor.
 Denny, M. C. M., Lieut., King's Liverpool Regt., to be Capt.
 Harries, F. S., 2nd Lieut., Welch Regt. to be Capt.
 Hughes, P. B., 2nd Lieut., Durham Light Infantry, to be Lieut.
 Jones, G. B. H., 2nd Lieut., Welch Horse, to be Lieut.
 Large, G. C. W., Lieut. and Adj., Royal Warwickshire Regt., to be Capt.
 Llewellyn, G., Trooper, Glamorgan Yeomanry, to be Corp.
 Macaulay, H., Private, to be 2nd Lieut., Seaforth Highlanders.
 Miers, J. Hammer, Capt., Monmouth Regt., to be Major.
 Morgan, H. I., Sergt., Australian F.A., to be Lieut.
 Morgan, I. M., Private, R.A.M.C., to be Sergt.
 Morris, D., 2nd Lieut. (Cyclist) Batt., Welch Regt., to be Lieut.
 Parry, C. F., Private, R.A.M.C., to be Corp.
 Phillips, C. D., Capt., S.W.B., to be Major.
 Phillips, W. G., Sapper, R.E. (T.F.), to be Corp.
 Powel, T. H. B., Trooper, Glamorgan Yeomanry, to be Sergt.
 Singer, C. W., Bomb., R.F.A., to be Quarter Master, 68th Welsh, D.A.C.
 Spencer Smith, C.O., Capt., Queen's Westminster Rifles, to be Major.
 Thomas, C.S., 2nd Lieut., R.M.L.I., to be Lieut.
 Thomas, D. W. E., Major, 2nd/1st (Brecknock) Batt. S.W.B., to be Lieut.-Col.
 Thomas, R. C., Lieut., R.A.M.C., to be Capt.
 Thomas, W. R., Private, to be 2nd Lieut., Mechanical Transport, 182nd Siege Battery.
 Tudor, G., 2nd Lieut., Royal Welsh Fusiliers, to be Lieut.
 Watkins, E. V., Private, to be 2nd Lieut., Welch Regt.
 Williams, T. R., Trooper, Glamorgan Yeomanry, to be 2nd Lieut., S.W.B.
 Williams, W. R. Corp., Welsh Horse, to be 2nd Lieut.

LETTERS FROM THE WAR.

I.

I daresay you will be surprised to hear that I am in it again. I have been out for over eight weeks. I was first of all in the trenches up North and had quite a fair time—much better than Gallipoli anyway; you can get out of it in France for a short time, and there are such things as billets. . . . In the recent stirring times we have done our bit; our objective was a wood, and we got it—pretty awful work, all thick brushwood and hazel copses, bristling with machine guns and snipers dug in with three days' rations and a plentiful supply of ammunition. They caused us considerable nervous annoyance and not a few casualties, but we won through and did our bit of push. The odd coincidence was that half-way through the operations I was ordered to reinforce the Welch, and joined a body of them commanded by Jack Brooker! We recognised one another at once and had a yarn together and shared rations. We even became reminiscent and talked of the time he bowled A. P. James the first ball after tea in 1907. I haven't seen him since, as we are resting in different areas, but I have heard he came through all right, though at the time we were pretty desirous of Brighties! The present second in command is a Monmouthian—H. M. Long—and in my company is an old Llandoverian—J. A. Jones—; so we can go over some of the old squabbles again. . . . We are in a deserted village, occupying what must have been the late dame school, judging by a small array of cages and well covered text books and a very feminine register of scholars. . . . I had a good tour of a few Hun dug-outs in the wood. They were 30 odd feet deep, with several entrances, match-boarded sides, easy chairs, comfortable well covered beds, stoves, plentiful crockery, and cigars and cigarettes which smoked very well indeed. Some comfort the old Hun seems to have enjoyed!

(From the Somme. July 7th.)

II.

I first of all joined the Civil Service Rifles and after being made Corporal and refused permission to go to the front in order that they might keep me for instructing, I transferred out of sheer spite and joined the Inns of Court, where I met several O.B.'s. I finally reached the stage of Sergt.—which lasted for 4 solid hours only, as I was then sent to join the K.R.R. We came out in November 1915 and I still remain intact. I am sadly afraid the Bosch has a habit of choosing his victims, for all the best chaps seem to get it first. My brother returned from Germany last December after having some horrid experiences and joined up the second day after his arrival, also with the K.R.R. It might be interesting if you could get an article for the Breconian from him on his German experiences. . . . It may interest you to know that a few days ago I spent 2 days in a shell hole in mortal fear of being spotted by a sniper and not daring to move. The first night I dared not go back, because there was a big 'strafe' on; the second I went back at the double.

(From the Somme. July 28th.)

III.

I have arrived here at last after quite a decent journey. We stayed a night at Gibraltar and had a good view of the Rock. The search lights, which played on our ships at night, gave us a wonderful sight of its defences. Our next stop was Port Said, after a long journey round the North of Crete. I had some opportunities of seeing what an Eastern town is like. Only one part of the town was for the troops, etc.; the Arab town was out of bounds, and if you entered it at night, you were responsible for yourself, either by means of a revolver or a knuckle-knife. Here we had our first taste of the sun and also of marching in heat. I thought I used to sweat enough to grumble at in Eng-

land, but here, after the march, it was just as if I had fallen into the sea. We were all the same, 'fat' and thin ones; it did us a world of good and took the stiffness out of us. During our journey via Suez we had N.W. Monsoons, which made things cooler. . . . Mesopotamia itself is not so bad, 120 to 130 in the shade and 147 to 150 in the sun, that's the hottest it has been yet. We parade at 4.30 in the morning till 7. It is glorious then, quite cool in fact. After breakfast you get into pyjamas and remain till lunch inside your tent in some restful way. Then comes the worst part of the day, 2 to 5 p.m.; you simply lie down and sweat. About 7 it is glorious again, and at night we are out on patrol duty. . . . I am standing it wonderfully—in fact they say I am getting stouter every day. However, it remains to be seen, if they are only pulling my leg. I hope you 'strafed' the other schools at cricket all right.

(From Mesopotamia. Aug. 4th.)

IV.

Doubtless you have seen my name in the casualty lists. The W.O. made their usual blunder, informing my people that I was 'severely' wounded. Up comes my Pater from the wilds only to find me "in the pink," as Tommy invariably says. As a matter of fact all I got was a piece of shell in the top of my calf, which kindly came out 8 inches lower down, thus avoiding complications of any sort. . . . The only officers left after our introduction to the Prussian Guard were the C.O., Adjutant and Signalling Officer. We went over at a place that five Brigades had already failed to capture. Of course we were absolutely confident and had 300 guns to bear on our one Battalion frontage. Everything was beautifully synchronized, and we took the first two lines to time, with one rush—but then we found them untouched almost in a shallow trench, where they could just bomb into the second line. The artillery was terrific, all wires were cut, and not one runner managed to get back. We failed to get up reserves and after 24 hours practically hand to hand fighting, we had to retire. Another Brigade had failed! Personally I had rather an exciting time; I was buried once and then had a sheet of corrugated iron hurled at me, temporarily 'doing me in.' Then I spent a few hours in a shell hole with another officer and some men, just out of bombing range. Finally when I was about sole survivor, there was a most tremendous upheaval and I thought I was following the rest, but it was our Sappers springing a sap head so near that I was able to drop back into it. I was just going back to the line to see what reserves I could scrape together, when I suddenly found myself sitting in a corner with the stretcher bearers bandaging up my leg. Quite the worst of all was getting back to the dressing station amidst a hail of shell—I got buried once more, and then they thought I had had enough and left me alone. I was lucky, for my clothes was torn to shreds by shrapnel, etc.

(From Hospital. September 12th.)

V.

At present we are about 50 miles from the line resting. The rest consists of ordinary peace time training all day and every day, but it is a huge relief from the sound of guns and in a place where you feel quite safe. I have been in the line twice with the Battalion and got into a fairly hot shop both times, but we did not lose many officers. My word, the sights you see out here, pleasant and otherwise, open your eyes wide and make you realise what war is! I saw a thing the other day that was serious but I thought had a touch of humour in it. A man was riding a horse and a shell burst very near him and blew his left arm off. In that condition he got down from his horse and went into the dressing station; when he came out again, he started looking for his arm! He was for 'Blighty' all right and so seemed rather glad to have been hit. There are three O.B.'s here, Glanley, the 'old woman' and myself. Poor old Arnott was killed the last time up the line. His lot brigaded with us and I was very near when he was hit, but he died in the dressing station. I. M. Powell has come out to join us.

(From the Somme. October 19th.)

VI.

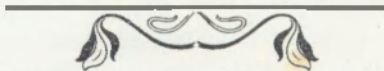
I was when I last write in the Sinai Peninsula, after having spent a few weeks on the Red Sea. Gradually working north along the canal we were in the initial stages of the Romani and Kala scraps. My impression of both affairs were mainly those of rushing about in the moonlight looking for a non-existent enemy and heavy shelling and rifle shots in every direction but from the one from which we expected it. Having, I suppose, done our work on the Canal—as a matter of fact, we were responsible for the building of fortifications round the bottom end—we were hurried off to Alexandria and shipped in a transport, once a fashionable Atlantic liner. We were landed at a place 400 miles W. of Alexandria, where we have been since. . . . We are not far from the Italians, who often come in to see us, armed to the teeth of course. There is a tradition here that when the black gentlemen outside our barbed wire wish to get more rifles, they simply charge the Italians and take what they want; but I am wrecking the bond of union between members of the Quadruple Entente by such tales. . . The mounted patrols of each side are diplomatic enough on this post to avoid each other and we have no excitement stronger than galloping like fury and exchanging shots which never hit anything. In addition to my regimental work I am temporarily doing duty as staff interpreter to our General, translating the French despatches, which come to us from the Italians. They are usually reports of spies and make interesting reading. I have picked up quite a working knowledge of Arabic. The average Bedouin, however, is not the fiery person poets imagine him to be. He usually understands a few well placed kicks better than my bad Arabic. . . . I sent my Breconian to G. Llewellyn and am constituting myself representative of the O.B.A. for Egypt, where there are some few O.B.'s.

(From Egypt. October 20th.)

VII.

We have been having a busy time since last Saturday. Our attack started on Saturday morning, and we were fighting continuously till Wednesday. Since then we had a quiet time, and yesterday we came out for a rest. On Sunday night last week the Bulgarians made two furious counter-attacks. One came off at about 9 in the evening, and the other at 1.15 a.m. Monday morning. The Bulgars attacked in mass formation, and appeared to be demoralised. Our rifle and machine-gun fire absolutely mowed them down, while our artillery finished them off. I'm not sorry I am having a rest. I never took my clothes off for a week and only managed to get one wash. . . . I am glad to hear Akrell is only slightly wounded. I feel very much like the man who went through Mons, the Marne, and the Aisne, and then was killed by a 'bus while on leave. For a week we lived in a perfect inferno of shells, all sizes. I spent my time either trying to prevent myself from drowning in the trench, which was full of water, or excavating people who had been buried by H.E.'s. Sometimes to vary the monotony I was buried instead. After this had been going on for some time we were withdrawn, and given a rest. I had hardly got into the rest camp before I went down with fever. I am gradually recovering from it, and expect to be allowed up to-morrow.

(From Salonika. October 17th.)



FOOTBALL SEASON, 1916.

In severe contrast to the winter of 1915 we have nothing to be proud of this season. Misfortunes have, as usual, not come singly; the causes of failure have been many and various. Scarcely any of the fine players of 1915 remained available; the pick of that year's 1st game reserves had also gone; early in November, Henshaw, the one star, left to prepare himself for war service, which involved the loss of a brilliant individual player and a change of captaincy; injuries kept several promising recruits out of practice games and made us short of our best side in both school matches; and the weather has been abominable, interrupting regular practice in an unprecedented degree.

We can urge all these things in excuse of our present weakness, but, with all allowances made, we ought to have done better. The material at hand, crude and unskilful as it was, might have achieved less disastrous results. Enthusiasm and persistence have on the whole been somewhat deficient; stronger captaincy has been wanted all through the term, and in careful training more might have been done. With some exceptions the members of the 1st game have not yet acquired such rudimentary virtues as fearlessness in tackling and persistent effort throughout a game.

The 2nd Game, thanks to Mr Ifor Jones, have had opportunities of learning the elements of the game. We hope they have taken the lesson of this season to heart. Young and weak teams we are almost certain to have from now 'until this tyranny of war is overpast'; but there is no reason why our players should be 'soft' and irresolute.

Of the individual players we will only say that the forwards, without by any means realising expectations (notably in scrum-mage work), did well at times; C. Ll. Morgan is an improved player and Roberts worked hard; R. C. Jones and G. Thomas were certainly triers. The backs had no previous experience and could not help being a poor lot, but they ought to have learned to tackle better. D. Leyshon, till hurt, was much the best, and Dunbar and Fryer are not lacking in determination.

We have therefore an uphill fight to make next year in order to regain our lost laurels, and like the Allies in the present war one and all must combine if success is to be achieved.

THE FIFTEEN, 1916.

- H. LEYSHON (Full back).—A plucky tackler, but slow and only a moderate kick; is not physically strong enough to stand a hard game.
- D. LEYSHON (Right wing).—Runs strongly and has some pace. His knowledge of the game is sound and defence very fair; but he has been handicapped by injuries.
- T. L. PRICE (Right centre).—Disappointing at present, but is young and ought to improve with more experience and resolution.
- W. G. FRYER (Left centre).—Can tackle well and tries hard; at present lacks knowledge of the game and is too slow to be effective in matches.
- G. R. DUNBAR (Left wing).—An injured collar bone has spoilt his play. Promises well, as he has some pace and is not without courage in defence.
- B. W. SIMS (Inside half).—Played well in practice games, but seemed to lose his head in the School matches. Very light and slow at present.
- G. N. LLOYD REES (Outside half).—A good kick and has some ability in attack; but his defence is very weak and his play generally lacking in vigour.
- R. M. ROBERTS (Forward)—1915-16.—Plays a bustling game but has hardly come up to expectations. Neglects footwork for handling and is slow to give assistance in defence.
- C. LI. MORGAN—1915-16.—A quick active forward, who no doubt would have done even better than he has but for long absence owing to an injury. Uses his feet well in the loose.
- R. C. JONES.—Plays a hard game and, though clumsy, has been the most useful of the new forwards. Must learn to pack tighter.

G. THOMAS.—A very slow but persevering scrummager. Tackles well, when not outpaced, and has done steady service to the team.

A. H. JOHNS.—Not very successful this season ; his play lacks consistency and he has been clumsy in the scrum.

I. LL. OXENHAM.—A fair forward, but needs to go harder. Often places an excellent goal.

T. R. DANIEL.—Young, light and slow ; but may make a player in time.

G. WILLIAMS.—Has little weight in the pack, but plays a keen game ; with more experience should be useful.

K. G. EVANS (Three-quarter).—Has some dash, but is too variable and does not tackle or save well.

In the absence of the Captain, Colours have not yet been awarded : the above team therefore is not necessarily in order of merit.

CHRIST COLLEGE V. MONMOUTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—A heavy snowfall postponed this match from November 18th to November 22nd. We took the field without our best back, D. Leyshon, and always had the worst of a scrambling game. The Monmouth pack was bigger and heavier than ours, and penned us in our "25" almost without intermission. In the first half we defended well, the forwards struggling clumsily, but hard, and Fryer tackling well behind. The Monmouth backs had no skill in attack, with which to press home their advantage, and though they made us often touch down, there was a blank score sheet at half time.

For some time the second half promised better things, but at last the home forwards pushed us bodily over the line, and secured a try. After this we rather lost heart, and two similar tries followed. The weight of the Monmouth pack was assisted by one or two forwards shirking their share of scrummage work on our side. Not long after H. Leyshon was dazed by a blow on the head and had to leave the field. In his absence Monmouth scored the best try of the match by a combined run, but it would very probably have been checked, had the loss of a man not disorganised the defence. So they beat us in the end by 14 points to nil.

Monmouth clearly deserved their success. The forwards were strong and capable, and wisely took charge of the game after half-time. Their backs were if anything weaker than ours. On our side there was much sound defence up to a certain point, but after the first try our play became disappointing. The forwards were ineffective both in the scrum and in the loose; Fryer, playing substitute, was the best of the backs, though Dunbar tackled well. We were unable after the match to accept the kind invitation of our opponents to remain for a lecture on Russia; but the members of one car had the opportunity on the way home of attending a lengthy practical demonstration of motor repairing in all its branches.

The following represented Christ College:—(Back) H. Leyshon; (three-quarters) G. R. Dunbar, T. L. Price, K. G. Evans, W. G. Fryer; (halves), G. N. Lloyd Rees, B. W. Sims; (forwards) R. M. Roberts, C. Ll. Morgan, R. C. Jones, G. Thomas, A. H. Johns, I. Ll. Oxenham, R. C. Williams, and T. R. Daniel.

CHRIST COLLEGE V. LLANDOVERY COLLEGE.—Played at Brecon on November 29th under perfect conditions. We suffered a very severe defeat by 56 points to nil, and were in all respects inferior to our opponents. Llandovery was an older, heavier and more experienced side. Our young and crude XV. could not by any means have averted defeat, but it might have put up a much better fight, if the tackling of the backs had been more resolute and unflinching. It must be acknowledged, however, that Llandovery played a fast and clever game, and that, except for less weight in scrum than usual, they had a team of normal, pre-war standards.

Only to two portions of the game can we look back with much satisfaction, the first 10 minutes and a period of similar length in the middle of the second half; during both of these we held our own creditably and showed very fair form. But the first reverse had a disheartening effect, and Llandovery wrought havoc as soon as they realised the essential weakness of our tackling. Some tries also were distinctly given away by wild mistakes in passing and fielding.

Our forwards did useful things in the loose from time to time, but were out-classed in hooking and wheeling. Roberts, R. C.

Jones and C. Ll. Morgan perhaps deserve mention for keen efforts. Our backs twice handled rather nicely, and Lloyd Rees made some good touch-finding punts; but inexperience, want of 'head' and poor tackling marked their play throughout. H. Leyshon again had to retire hurt early in the game; Dunbar was a spectator, and D. Leyshon, owing to previous injury, was much below his usual form.

Whether Llandovery were as good a side as they appeared to be we should not like to say definitely; but they seized an obviously golden opportunity with abundant skill.

Mr Schofield was excellent as referee.

Our team was:—(Back) H. Leyshon; (three-quarters), D. Leyshon, T. L. Price, W. G. Fryer, K. G. Evans; (halves) B. W. Sims, G. N. Lloyd Rees; (forwards) R. M. Roberts, C. Ll. Morgan, R. C. Jones, G. Thomas, A. H. Johns, I. Ll. Oxenham, T. R. Daniel and G. Williams.

"A" TEAM v. YSTRADGYNLAIS COUNTY SCHOOL.—This, our first match of the season, was played on an unusually wet and windy day on our own ground. The School elected to play with the wind. From the start the School forwards pressed, and were obviously superior in every department to their opponents. The wet state of the ground prevented much back play. T. L. Price cleverly picked up the ball in the loose, and scored between the posts. The try was converted. The second half resolved itself into a series of scrummages in the neighbourhood of the half-way line. There was no score. Thus the School retired victors by 5 points to nil. This is our first victory in this match.

The following represented the "A" Team:—(Back) G. N. Lloyd Rees; (three-quarters) D. Leyshon, T. L. Price, T. R. Daniel, G. R. Dunbar; (half-backs) D. W. R. Thomas and B. W. Sims; (forwards) A. H. Johns, G. Thomas, R. C. Jones, I. Ll. Oxenham, R. C. Williams, W. M. Jones, T. Thomas and G. Williams.

CHRIST COLLEGE "A" TEAM v. YSTRADGYNLAIS C.S.—This match was played at Ystradgynlais on November 11th in fair weather. The School won the toss and played with the wind. At

the start the School failed to grasp the initiative, and in the first few minutes Ystradgynlais scored, but the kick failed. The School then pressed, and an attempt at a drop goal by Lloyd Rees only just failed. Several chances were lost, however, by the slowness of the backs. The Ystradgynlais half, a player of no little skill, then broke away, and put his wing over with a second try. This was converted.

In the second half Ystradgynlais pressed hard, but only succeeded in scoring two tries, thanks mainly to the good tackling of our full-back. Both their tries were unconverted. Our backs showed lack of skill, D. Leyshon alone being in form. R. C. Jones was the best of the forwards.

The following represented the "A" Team:—(Back) H. Leyshon; (three-quarters) D. Leyshon, T. L. Price, K. G. Evans, D. E. Murray; (half-backs) G. N. Lloyd Rees, B. W. Sims; (forwards) R. C. Jones, A. H. Johns, G. Thomas, I. Ll. Oxenham, R. C. Williams, T. R. Daniel, G. Williams, and W. M. Jones.

CHRIST COLLEGE 1ST XV. v. H. S. DAVIES' XV.—This was played on November 4th in fair weather. The ground was rather sloppy in some places. The School chose to play towards the Orphanage. The visitors immediately pressed us into our "25," but the School gradually woke up and began to attack. D. Leyshon, obtaining the ball from a loose scrum, made a swift run and scored a try, which was converted. The visitors, however, retaliated by scoring a good try, their left centre intercepting a pass and scoring beneath our posts. The try was unconverted. The visitors, although obviously in poor training, put up a sturdy game, the speed of their three-quarter line being a notable feature. They missed one or two tries by mis-fielding. The School continued to attack in the second half and scored a number of tries, only one of which was converted. The School finally retired victors to the tune of 25 points to 8. Our sincere thanks are due to H. S. Davies and his team for thus providing a match for the 1st XV., the only scratch game of the season.

The following represented Christ College:—(Back) H. Leyshon; (three-quarters) D. Leyshon, T. L. Price, K. G. Evans, D. E. Murray; (half-backs) G. N. Lloyd Rees, B. W. Sims; (for-

wards) R. M. Roberts, C. Ll. Morgan, A. H. Johns, G. Thomas, R. C. Jones, I. Ll. Oxenham, R. C. Williams, T. R. Daniel.

HOUSE MATCHES (SENIOR).

A—M easily beat both the Hostel and N—Z, and so won the cup. The Hostel was successful over N—Z. The games were not productive of very good or interesting play, due in part to the great disparity in size among the players.

The Junior matches are not yet decided.

LECTURES AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

On October 19th, 1916, at 8 p.m., Rev. H. Moore Sanders delivered a lantern lecture on the rise of the Benedictine order in England, with special reference to Fountains Abbey. Owing to an oversight, the lecturer found that he had come prepared to lecture on Fountains Abbey, for the second time. However, the subject, while new to some member of the School, was treated in such a way that an entirely new lecture seemed to be delivered, and it was much appreciated by the audience. Mr Isitt and Mr Hardy, after much trouble, succeeded in calming the friskiness of the lantern, and, this done, exhibited successfully an excellent set of slides.

On November 29th a lecture was delivered by the Rev. Jocelyn Perkins, on the "Miracle of the Marne." Though the Llandovery match had made many of us tired of life, yet Mr Perkins managed to obtain the attention of nearly all of us. Few people have realised how close we were to a crushing disaster before the Battle of the Marne, but the truth was at least communicated to Christ College that evening by Mr Perkins. The lantern revolted as usual, but Mr Hardy and Johns soon effectually crushed the rebellion.



PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The distribution of prizes this year was a private ceremony, at which the Headmaster, in a brief review, referred to some very gratifying results of the Oxford and Cambridge Board Examinations. For two successive years there had been no failure in the Lower Certificate Examination, whilst the number of subjects passed and that of the first classes obtained made a record for the College. The "Roll of Service" now contained 282 names, and was probably not exhaustive; 15 Old Breconians had lost their lives, two were prisoners of war, and a number wounded, whilst six were mentioned in despatches, and three had obtained distinctions, which included a D.S.O. and a Military Cross. Considerable modifications had been made in the curriculum, to enable the senior boys to present themselves for entrance to Woolwich and Sandhurst, and the Cadet Corps, recently revived, was in a flourishing condition. No candidates were being presented for the Oxford and Cambridge Board certificates this year, chiefly to leave the way clear for those boys who desired to prepare for Military Examinations.

PRIZES, &c.

Parry deWinton Leaving Exhibition (£40 for three years): W. D. G. Wilkinson.

Bishop Lloyd Memorial Prize: W. D. G. Wilkinson.

Sixth Form (classics): F. M. Pryce; (mathematics and science): G. Thomas.

Upper Fifth: C. Ll. Morgan; (French): D. C. Thomas.

Lower Fifth: A. L. Thomas; (extra): G. R. Dunbar; (Greek): N. V. Evans.

Fourth: O. H. Jones; (Greek): J. M. Lewis.

Third: W. V. Thomas; (science and drawing): H. Scudamore.

Remove: T. Griffith Jones; prox. acc.: D. K. Evans; hon. ment.: R. C. Jones.

Lower School: N. Thomas.

Mathematics, Div. 3: W. G. Fryer; Div. 4: D. E. Murray; Div. 5: D. W. R. Thomas; Div. 6: T. Griffith Jones; hon. ment.: E. E. Adams, D. K. Evans; Div. 7: C. Herbert; p. ac.: P. Stein.

Science, Div. 2: (a) W. G. Fryer; (b) C. E. Thomas; Div. 3: E. D. J. Davies.

Rev. A. E. Donaldson's Modern History Essay—Class A (open): C. Ll. Morgan; p. acc.: G. Thomas; Class B: G. R. Dunbar.

TO E.E.A.—A TRIBUTE.

War's awful toll has made us rue
 The loss of sons, good, brave, and true;
 But none more bitterly than you,
 Our Arnott.

Still with us dwells your cheery face,
 Although cold earth your form encase;
 Still your keen ardour in life's race,
 Our Arnott.

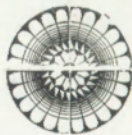
The School has oft with proud acclaim
 Watch'd, on the field, your sturdy game;
 The 'greater game' you played the same—
 God's Arnott.

 F.W.E.

Turn the list o'er, and see . . .
 What was the name you read?
 Evans, F. W. . . . 'tis he,
 Our little Fred!

Of the 5th Welch, 'tis writ,
 Second Lieutenant . . . dead!
 Twenty-one years . . . The Pity of it!
 Poor little Fred!

O Death, O glutton Death,
 Hadst not enough instead,
 That thou must stop such joyous breath?
 . . . Our little Fred!



CRICKET.

HOUSE MATCHES.

HOSTEL v. N. Z.—Hostel won by 44 runs. Wilkinson took 6 wickets for the winners.

Hostel v. A. M.—Hostel won by 149 runs. The following did well for the winners. S. Evans 50, E. J. Morgan 22 and T. Thomas 20. Wilkinson took 6 wickets.

A. M. v. N. Z.—A M. won by 19 runs. For the winners K. G. Evans scored 26 and Henshaw took 7 wickets.

INS v. OUTS.—Outs won by 81 runs. For the Outs Lloyd Rees scored 39 and W. M. Jones 23. Henshaw took 6 wickets for the losers.

CHRIST COLLEGE 2ND XI. v. S. WEBB'S XI.—Played on the College ground on July 15th and won by 38 runs. S. Evans as usual defied the bowling with great success. Score :—

CHRIST COLLEGE.

S. Evans, not out	52
E. Williams, b Livsey	2
W. M. Jones, b Livsey	0
C. Ll. Morgan, lbw, b Howat	1
H. I. K. Jones, b Howat	1
N. Evans, c Livsey, b B. Williams	2
D. Leyshon, st Evans, b B. Williams	7
W. G. Fryer, b Howat	3
T. Thomas, c D. Williams, b Howat	0
C. E. Thomas, lbw, b Howatt	2
A. I. Thomas, run out	2
Extras	4
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S. WEBB'S XI.

J. Powell, b Leyshon	3
B. Williams, b Leyshon	0
T. Rowlands, c Morgan, b Leyshon	0
C. Livsey, b W. M. Jones	0
B. Lewis, b Leyshon	2
W. Evans, b C. E. Thomas	14
D. Williams, b Leyshon	0
A. Howat, run out	3
S. Webb, not out	4
W. Ashton, b H. I. K. Jones	0
B. Miles, b H. I. K. Jones	0
Extras	12
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BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. M. Jones	5	2	7	1
Leyshon	6	2	11	5
C. E. Thomas	2	1	4	1
H. I. K. Jones	1.5	0	4	2

2nd XI. AVERAGES.

Played 4 ; Won 3 ; Drawn 1.

BATTING.

Name.	Innings.	Runs.	Highest Score.	Not Outs.	Average.
S. Evans ..	4 ..	108 ..	52* ..	2 ..	54
T. Thomas ..	5 ..	45 ..	17 ..	— ..	9
H. I. K. Jones ..	5 ..	22 ..	10 ..	1 ..	5.50
N. Evans ..	3 ..	14 ..	9 ..	— ..	4.66
D. Leyshon ..	3 ..	14 ..	7 ..	— ..	4.66
W. M. Jones ..	4 ..	10 ..	8 ..	— ..	2.50
C. Ll. Morgan ..	3 ..	7 ..	5 ..	— ..	2.33

Also batted :—I. Ll. Oxenham, 4, 17 and 1 ; R. M. Roberts, 3, 0 and 6 ; S. E. Lewis, 0, and 40 ; T. L. Price, 1 and 25 not out ; F. M. Pryce, 12 not out and 22 ; K. G. Evans 5 ; E. Williams, 10 and 2 ; A. L. Thomas, 2 and 2 ; C. E. Thomas, 0 not out and 2 and W. G. Fryer, 3.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
C. E. Thomas	7	2	17	6	2.83
D. Leyshon	15	5	27	9	3
W. M. Jones	14	5	27	2	13.50

Also bowled :—I. Ll. Oxenham, 7, 3, 12 1 ; R. M. Roberts, 7, 1, 10 4 ; T. L. Price, 9, 2, 19, 4 ; S. E. Lewis, 6, 4, 2, 3 ; H. I. K. Jones, 2.5, 1, 4, 2 ; C. Ll. Morgan, 3.4 2, 2, 3 ; and W. G. Fryer, 3, 1, 12, 2.

THE CRICKET LEAGUES.

For lack of space the usual summaries were held over from our last number. We now publish the League Table and some leading averages. The even nature of the competition will be seen from figures. Two new records were set up in the course of the term, viz., J. D. H. Richards, 109 not out (highest individual score), and C. Ll. Morgan, 355 runs (highest aggregate for one season).

BATTING AVERAGES.

	Innings.	Runs.	Highest Score.	Not Outs.	Average.
C. Ll. Morgan (F.) ..	15 ..	355 ..	61 ..	1 ..	25.36
W. M. Jones (W.D.) ..	9 ..	204 ..	69 ..	— ..	22.66
D. W. R. Thomas (A.) ..	12 ..	196 ..	51 ..	3 ..	21.77
W. G. Fryer (B.) ..	15 ..	253 ..	58* ..	3 ..	21.58
A. L. Thomas (W.D.) ..	13 ..	253 ..	82 ..	— ..	19.46
T. Thomas (B.) ..	15 ..	237 ..	52* ..	2 ..	18.23
D. Leyshon (G.) ..	17 ..	248 ..	41 ..	3 ..	17.71
J. D. H. Richards (A.) ..	14 ..	214 ..	109* ..	1 ..	16.46
S. Evans (A.) ..	14 ..	199 ..	40 ..	— ..	14.21
C. E. Thomas (A.) ..	14 ..	177 ..	32 ..	— ..	12.64
E. Williams (B.) ..	15 ..	161 ..	34* ..	2 ..	12.38
I. Ll. Evans (W.D.) ..	13 ..	135 ..	42 ..	1 ..	11.25

K. G. Evans (F.) scored 71 runs in three innings (twice not out).

BOWLING--WICKETS TAKEN.

D. Leyshon (58), W. G. Fryer (57), C. E. Thomas (53), E. Williams (48), D. E. Murray (45), W. M. Jones (44), C. Ll. Morgan (43), N. S. Blackall (32), and H. Leyshon (31).

LEAGUE TABLE.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Won 1st Innings.	Won 2nd Innings.	Points.
Bantams	8	4	3	1	—	23
Anzacs	8	4	2	—	2	22
Ghurkas	8	4	4	—	—	20
Wild Ducks	8	3	4	1	—	18
Flycatchers	8	3	5	—	—	15

OCCASIONAL NOTES.

The term began on Tuesday, September 16th, and will end on December 19th, 1916.

At a meeting of the School on Thursday, September 18th, A. G. Henshaw was unanimously elected Captain of Football. At the same time, A. H. Johns, G. Thomas, R. M. Roberts, T. L. Price, and G. N. Lloyd Rees were elected to fill vacancies on the Games Committee.

At another meeting, held in October, Henshaw tendered his resignation from the office of Football Captain, owing to his impending departure to join the Colours. R. M. Roberts was unanimously elected in his stead.

The Editors of the "Breconian" this term are G. Thomas, C. Ll. Morgan, and G. R. Dunbar.

The School Prefects this term are A. H. Johns, G. Thomas, and A. G. Henshaw. The House Prefects are: Schoolhouse, C. Ll. Morgan, R. M. Roberts, and G. R. Dunbar; Hostel, J. D. H. Richards, G. N. Lloyd Rees, W. L. Smith, and S. Evans.

On Monday, November 13th, Principal Parry, of Carmarthen, delivered a sermon in the Chapel on behalf of the National Mission. On Sunday, November 19th, Rev. H. J. Church Jones gave the School a very interesting sermon at the evening service. Mr Church Jones also preached to us on Sunday, December 3rd.

On October 19th a half-holiday was granted to the School by the Headmaster in honour of war distinctions gained in the R.A.M.C. by old Breconians.

On November 1st a half-holiday was given at the request of the Mayor of Brecon, W. J. Williams, Esq.

W. L. Hoskins (O.B.) won the middle-weight boxing competition of the 8th Officers' Cadet Battalion at Lichfield.

Sir Richard Atkin (O.B.) was a member of a Board of Special Inquiry into War Office irregularities.

Lieut. and Quarter-Master C. W. Price (O.B.) was in command of a Tank during the September fighting on the Somme. 2nd Lieut. S. G. C. Rich (O.B.) is also employed in the Tanks.

2nd Lieut. P. S. Lewis (O.B.), who was reported wounded and a prisoner after the fall of Kut, has been exchanged, and, we are glad to report, is now quite recovered.

Lieut. P. Spencer-Smith (O.B.) was wounded and taken prisoner at Gommecourt on July 1st. He is organising British prisoners in a hospital in Germany, and, strange to say, the Germans are giving him every aid. His only complaint is that he is underfed.

Lieut. A. R. Evans (O.B.), R.E., did good work in France last year in supplying the troops with water. In view of the coming offensive at Loos, it was imperative that abundance of water should be available, while the only spring of any size near was the foot of a disused coal-mine. In the face of almost incredible difficulties, he succeeded in raising this water, though every tool and article of machinery had to be improvised.

2nd Lieut. W. J. H. Morgan (O.B.) has paid us a short visit before joining the R.F.C., for which he volunteered.

F. M. Pryce has passed the Sandhurst Entrance Examination, being second on the list, and has obtained the Kemp Prize. R. L. Phillips has also passed the same Examination. We congratulate our Army Class on the first fruits of its work.

D. C. Thomas (O.B.) has passed the London Matriculation.

We beg to thank G. Thomas for his courage and determination in filling the position of Organist since Henshaw's departure. Despite lack of previous experience, he has done most useful service to the Choir.

MARRIAGES :—

On 13th June, at St. Mary's Bitton, by the Rev. E. E. Lough, Jack Brooker (O.B.), 2nd Lieut. Welch Regt., son of Mr and Mrs F. W. Brooker, of Bitton, Gloucester, to Dorothy Edith, daughter of Mrs Wharton, of Bromley, Kent.

John Llewelyn Dixon Morgan (O.B.), younger son of the late Mr J. W. Morgan, Bolgoed, Brecon, to Gwynifred, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W. S. Hunter, Gilling Castle, Yorkshire.

BIRTH.

We beg to congratulate Capt. R. C. Thomas (O.B.) on the birth of a daughter.



OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of the following magazines:—"Bristol Grammar School Chronicle," "Bromsgrovian" (2), "Cheltonian" (3), "City of London School Magazine," "Dovorian" (2), "Fettesian" (2), "Giggleswick Chronicle," "Johnian," "Marlburian" (5), "Malvernian" (2), "Monmouthian," "Pauline" (2), "Portsmouthian," and "Tonbridgian."

O.B. ASSOCIATION.

OLD BRECONIAN WAR LIST.

A complete Roll of Honour and List of O.B.'s on Service with the Navy and Army has been prepared and will be published, it is hoped, before Christmas. Copies will be sent free of charge to all members of the Association; a charge of 6d will be made for non-members. Members are asked to inform the Recorder, if they fail to receive their copy, and are invited to send additions and corrections, as far as they can, with a view to a revised Edition in the future.

A. E. DONALDSON,
The Hostel, Christ College, Brecon.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editors of "The Breconian."

DEAR SIRs,—Would it not be possible to have an Honours Board erected for those O.B.'s, who have either lost their lives for their country, or won distinctions in this War. Surely something ought to be done in remembrance of them. Hoping this will receive due consideration,

I remain, yours etc.,

"HOPEFUL."

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT:—

Torportes gelu: Your request should be addressed to the proper authorities and not to the "Breconian." Economy of space has caused the omission of some other letters.—(Edd.)

To the Editors of "The Breconian."

DEAR SIRs,—Is it necessary for the "A" team to repeat the football fixtures which have been accepted of late years? It is as well to know that an opposing team is what it professes to be. That is to say, it is a good thing to be certain that, say a County School

team, be composed of present students only, and not of a mixture of Past and Present. The public opinion of the School games is affected if our team loses, when it ought to win if circumstances were such as they are represented to be.

I am, yours, etc.,

ONE OF THE "A" TEAM.

(We believe you are right: the match ought strictly to be called v. Ystradgynlais Past and Present. No doubt if again arranged, this will be its title.—EDD.)

BALANCE SHEET FOR 1915-6.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.

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C. J. E. LARGE, Hon. Treasurer.

The Recorder hopes that all O.B.'s will send their subscriptions for the coming year as early as possible and that they will endeavour to add to the roll of members, so that the Association may face increased expenses without difficulty. The following are the recognised subscriptions:—2/6 annual, 10/- for 5 years and £1 for 10 years.





Burton