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#### EDITORIAL.

Steadily, with the ever-increasing number of our old boys entering the various war-services, the tale of our losses keeps mounting. Each term a few of those who, in happier times, would have been leaders captains or scholars, with an influence which one can hardly calculate over the younger boys, drop away into Army or Navy, reappearing for brief intervals on leave, and then as often as not we are called upon to lament their untimely death, and to offer our respectful sympathy to their parents. It is a sad business, this, that we have been forced into, but not without its inspiration when we reflect upon the great cause in which all our most chivalrous are being sacrificed—as we trust, not in vain.

The most we can do is to 'carry on' and keep up the fine traditions of our old School. And we can say with justice that this is being done. Athletics are not everything (as we now are beginning to learn), but the habit of playing straight for one's side, of putting aside one's petty vanity for the welfare of one's school, of running one's hardest for one's house, even if no personal gain is in view,—all this is no small part of a sound education. The recent Athletic Sports shewed a welcome number of entries, and though (with one or two exceptions) the actual performances and times shewed that we are suffering

from our lack of older boys, the corporate spirit displayed was admitted on all sides to be admirable. The general feeling of the school is sound, and if there are one or two who imagine that their merits are insufficiently recognized by their school-fellows, and betake themselves to outside clubs of young men, we can only remind them that it is they who are the losers.

Things intellectual are not being neglected though there is a War on. With the idea of making parents and friends of boys in the School familiar with our activities, a Conversazione or 'Open Day' was held at the close of the Easter Term, when Classical, Historical, Scientific and Geographical Exhibits were displayed in the various rooms and explained, with more or less erudition, by Masters and boys. We were greatly indebted to Messrs. Green for the loan of their splendid case of exhibits, shewing their munition-making enterprise, and also to Mr. Bailey of the Horbury Waggon Works for his most educative series of specimens, illustrating the passage of a shell from the ingot to the finished article ready for filling. Space prevents us from doing more than thanking generally all those boys and parents and friends who lent us War Trophies or other objects which excited curiosity or admiration. Lastly, the Cadet Corps gave a really excellent display of drill and manœuvre under the soldierly command of the Company Sergeant-Major.

If the arrangements do not fall through,—which means if the farmers of the West Riding really need labour for the harvest, and will definitely engage us,—it is proposed to take a contingent of thirty-odd Cadets, with the Headmaster as Camp-Commandant, to Wetherby, from August 19th to September 17th for Harvest and other farm work. Given a drier August than that of 1917, we ought to pay our expenses, and, while being of some national service, enjoy an instructive and healthful holiday.

#### DE OMNIBUS REBUS.

#### PREFECTS OF THE SCHOOL.

H. E. Wilding, Senior Prefect, Company Quarter-Master Sergeant, Editor of the "Savilian."

F. Hanley, Captain of the "Hornets," Librarian of the Scientific Society

tific Society.

R. E. L. Wellington, Captain of Cricket, Captain of the "Swifts," Company Sergeant-Major.

H. G. Estcourt, Secretary of the Games Committee.

E. G. Parry, Captain of the "Magpies." G. H. Turner, Editor of the "Savilian."

H. Conolly, School Librarian.

R. B. Broadbent, Vice-Captain of Cricket, Captain of the "Bees."

W. M. Atkinson, Captain of the 2nd XI.

P. B. Broadbent.

At the end of last term we parted, to our great regret, from Mr. Young, who left us to take up an appointment at Berkhamsted School. During the eight years of his mastership here, he took a keen interest in every side of school life, and all join in cordial wishes for his success in his new sphere.

This term we have welcomed, as our new Modern Languages Master, Mr. C. McBurney, who has come to us from Queen's College, Taunton.

Mr. Grimes, also, was compelled by ill-health to leave the School at the end of last term, and to him we would wish a speedy recovery.

In common with other schools throughout the country, the recent German offensive has brought its burden of sorrow to us also. It is our sad duty, in this issue, to record the deaths of nine other Old Boys of the School, who have given their lives for their country, and we offer our heartfelt sympathy to those who mourn them.

Our Cadet Corps continues to flourish, though our numbers are not quite as high as those of last term. The field-day was held on June 25th.

The Annual Athletic Sports, though still in a chastened mood, were, nevertheless, the most successful function of their kind held on our playing-fields since the commencement of the War. The weather conditions were most favourable, and some excellent sprinting was witnessed.

Up to the time of writing, the efforts of the Cricket Elevens have not been attended with a very great measure of success. The standard of bowling in both teams is quite high, but neither seems to possess a sufficiently strong complement of reliable batsmen.

On Friday, June 28th, we had a most enjoyable tennis match with the Girls' High School. It is true that we won, but they provided us with some very hard games, not one of which lacked interest. We hope to have another match with them before the end of the season, and many more in years to come.

The Swimming Club is in a prosperous condition this season, and has had its numbers swelled considerably. It has

been determined to hold the Annual Swimming Sports at the end of this term, instead of at the beginning of next, but no definite date has been fixed as yet.

We congratulate E. G. Parry on passing his Army examination for the R.M.C. at Quetta (Indian Army) half way up the list.

H. E. Wilding has been awarded a "Freeston" Exhibition for Classics at University College, Oxford.

The Fives Cup was won by R. E. L. Wellington and H. G. Estcourt.

The Clock on the outside of the School buildings continues to register its silent and unavailing protest against the passage of time.

The Editors wish to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries, apologising for any omissions:

—Grovian, Liverpool Institute Schools Magazine, Leodiensian, Hymerian, Cryptian, Hill and Dale, Batley Grammar School Magazine, Chronicles of Ermystead and Petyt Journal, Fulneck School Magazine, City of London School Magazine, Danensis, and Bristol Grammar School Magazine.

#### ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Our Annual Sports were held in the New Playing Fields on Wednesday, June 5th, in summer-like weather. Despite the effective damper which the War has placed on all festivities, it was almost possible to imagine that we were back once again in the happy days of peace. The attendance of visitors was much larger than it has been in the last few years, while the Band of 10th W.R. Volunteers, contributed much towards

enlivening the proceedings.

Perhaps the most gratifying feature of the afternoon was the keenness with which all the events were contested. Partly, no doubt, through the influence of the War, the sports of the last few years have been marked by a comparative dearth of entries. Especially has this feature been noticeable in the case of such races as the Senior Mile, revealing a general lack of enthusiasm throughout the whole school. This year, every effort was made to improve this state of affairs, and there was great competition amongst the four houses to head the list of entries. In fact, the number of competitors was so great, that it was found necessary to run off the heats of the various races before the actual Sports Day. The Senior Cup, this year, was not as barren of runners as on the last occasion, and one did not see a solitary competitor running round the course by himself, or without any effective competition to urge him on. R. E. L. Wellington again secured this trophy, his brilliant

performance evoking the admiration of all. In the 100 yards flat race he created a record with a time of 10\frac{2}{5} seconds. C. J. Baines eventually secured the Junior Shield, but the exciting finishes to some of the races promise some good sprinting for

the next few years, at any rate.

A distinct innovation, this year, was the substitution of a House Relay Race in place of the usual tug-of-war. Each house supplied a team of four boys, two over, and two under 15, the winning team counting 24 points, the second 12, towards the House Shield. The Magpies won this event with some brilliant sprinting, the Swifts being a good second. Eventually, the latter proved the winners of the House Shield, after a keen struggle with the Bees, whom they defeated by

12 points.

At the conclusion of the sports Mrs. Spilsbury gracefully distributed the prizes from the pavilion, after being presented with a bouquet by the Senior Prefect, H. E. Wilding. Cr. Mellor in proposing a vote of thanks to her for her kindness, expressed his appreciation of the way in which the proceedings had been conducted, and the Rev. W. Mahon seconded the proposition. The Headmaster, in reply, said that he was extremely gratified at the success of the first semi-public sports held since he had been at the school. Entries had been good, and the enthusiasm and keenness which had been shown by the boys augured well for the future.

The following is a list of the results:—

Senior Broad Jump—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 C. Staynes,

3 R. B. Broadbent. Distance—17ft. 9ins.

Junior Broad Jump—1 T. Lawe, 2 L. H. Judge, 3 T. V. Way, Distance—13ft. 8ins.

Senior 100 yards—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 W. Crowther, 3 A. J. R. Mahon. Time—103 secs.

Junior Quarter-Mile—1 C. J. Baines, 2 J. F. Wolfenden, 3 F. J. Askham. Time 71½ secs.

Senior High Jump—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 R. B. Broadbent, 3 W. Crowther and F. K. Ramsden. Height-4ft. 9\fins.

Junior 100 yards—1 C. J. Baines, 2 F. J. Askham, 3 G. S. Green. Time  $-12\frac{3}{5}$  secs.

Senior Quarter-Mile-1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 W. Crowther, 3 A. J. R. Mahon. Time 581 Secs.

Junior School 220 yards Handicap -1 N. W. Slade, 2 B. P. Roche, 3 W. Dronfield.

Junior School 100 yards Handicap -1 H. C. Sanderson, 2 G. Walker. 3 L. E. Hardy.

House Relay Race—1 Magpies, 2 Swifts. Time 51\frac{2}{5} secs. 100 yards Handicap (Boys under 15)—1 W. Calvert, 2 R. Bell and F. G. Waterhouse.

Junior Half-Mile-1 C. J. Baines, 2 T. Lawe, 3 J. F. Wolfen-Time—2 mins.  $39\frac{3}{5}$  secs.

Old Boys' 100 yards Handicap—1 E. G. Parry, 2 G. R. Bell. Time—12€ secs.

Senior Hurdles—1 W. Crowther, 2 R. E. L. Wellington, Time—20% secs.

Junior High Jump—1 T. Lawe, 2 J. F. Ramsden. Height—4 feet.

Senior Half-Mile—1 R E. L. Wellington, 2 A. J. R. Mahon, 3 R. B. Broadbent. Time—2 mins. 292 secs.

220 yards Handicap (open)—1 G. D. Blackmore, 2 F. K. Ramsden, 3 C. Staynes.

220 yards Handicap (Boys under 15)—1 J. N. T. Parry, 2 H. Wilkinson, 8 R. J. Haigh.

Sack Race—1 C. C. Holdsworth, 2 R. B. Paterson, 3 H. Spencer.

Senior Mile—1 R. E. L. Wellington. 2 R. B. Broadbent, 3 H. England. Time—5 mins. 50% secs.

440 yards Handicap—1 C. Staynes, 2 D. A. Cresswell.

In conclusion, our thanks are due to all the masters who so kindly officiated, and to the two Sports Secretaries. H. G. Estcourt and H. A. Firth, who, by their unflagging efforts, made possible the most successful sports held since the commencement of the War.

#### THE TERM'S CRICKET.

At the time of writing, the results of this season's cricket matches have been very unsatisfactory. Of the six First XI. matches we have won one, drawn one, and lost four. Yet, considering the many disadvantages under which we labour this year, disadvantages more numerous even than in previous

years, these results are not unexpected.

Owing to the exigencies of military service both teams are extremely young, in years and experience. Only three of last year's team are here, and, of the remaining eight, several did not even play in the 2nd XI. last year. As will be seen from the characters of the individual members of the team, lack of confidence is our chief stumbling-block. On occasion we can give a very good account of ourselves, as, for instance, our scoring of 170 runs for 7 wickets in a little over eighty minutes; but as a rule if our first two or three batsmen come out, for some reason, without contributing their customary quota to the score, the remainder of the team, capable though it may be of scoring, becomes nervous and collapses in a signal way. It must be realised that this additional responsibility placed on the shoulders of the early batsmen, makes it all the more difficult for them to score freely.

Our bowling has been fair, but once again it is left too much to two or three individuals to act for the whole team. Other bowlers we have, but their bowling lacks the necessary sting and certainty which additional practice would give. The fielding was bad at the beginning of the season, but has improved enormously, with the result that, now, few runs are scored against us which could be stopped by smart fielding.

Our greatest need is undoubtedly a net pitch. It is positively dangerous to play on the ground now intended for that purpose, but until we can devote a lot of time to net practice our younger members will fail to gain the necessary confidence and certainty.

However, we have several more matches yet to come, in which we hope to give a better account of ourselves. Especially are we looking forward to our match at the end of the term with the Old Savilians, a fixture which has had to be cancelled of late years owing to the absence of Old Savilians on military service.

Appended is a list of matches up-to-date:-

		ноо	L V	. Bradford Grammar S	сноог	
Played May 11th, at Wakefi	eld.			n a a		
W.G.S.				B.G.S.		
Broadbent I. c Constantine b	Hutto	n	2	Hutton (not out)		29
Firth b Hutton			9	Ogden (not out)		20
Barton c Wade b Brayshaw			0	Constantine (did not bat)		
Wellington b Brayshaw			32	Thoseby ,,		
Burgess c & b Brayshaw			0	Shaw ,,		
Walker b Brayshaw			0	Brayshaw .,		
Crowther, run out			0	Wade ,,		
Staynes b Hutton			0	Emsley ,,		
Broadbent II. b Hutton			L	Moffat ,,		
Dixon c Thoseby b Hutton			0	Birkbeck ,,		
Atkinson (not out)			0	Rhodes ,,		
Extras			1	Extras		3
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Total	**		45	Total for no wickets	s	52

WAKEFIELD GRAMM	IAR S	сноо	L	v. Woodhouse Grove School.—
Played May 25th, at Woodhouse Grove.				
Woodhouse G.	S.			w.G.S.
Ellis lbw. b Wellington			0	Firth I. b Ellis 5
Heeley c Wellington b Bro	adbent		83	Burgess, run out 12
Whitaker run out			2	Broadbent I. b Gomersall 6
Akehurst c Barton b Firth	II.		0	Wellington c Whitaker b Heeley 35
Wilson, b Wellington	22		2	
Greenacre c Crowther b W	ellingto	on	3	Crowther b Heeley 11
Gomersall c Broadbent II. b				
Pickersgill b Crowther		• • •	-	Barton c Gomersall b Heeley 5
Whitton c & b Crowther			2	Walker, run out 2
Wade b Crowther			0	Dixon, not out 1
Woolley, not out			1	Firth II. c Ellis b Heeley 0
Extras			1	Extras 0
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Total		1	02	Total 82

1st, at Wakefield.	HOOL	V÷	ACKWORTH SCHOOL,—Played June
W.G.S.			Ackworth School.
Wellington b Ullathorne	(	0	Ullathorne c Barton b Firth II 15
Burgess lbw. b Ineson		5	Rowell, run out 1
Broadbent I. b Ullathorne	1		Rowell, run out 1 Stewart b Wellington 0
TO 1 T 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		0	Heaton c Firth b Broadbent I 35
Crowther b Ineson		5	Atkinson b Wellington 4
Broadbent II. c Oliver b Ullathorn	16	1	Oliver lbw. b Wellington 7
Dixon c Dixon b Ullathorne		8	
Barton c Stout b Ingron	• •	1	Sinnoth c & b Broadbent 0 Ineson, not out 6 Stout lbw, b Wellington 0
Barton c Stout b Ineson Staynes b Ullathorne	• •	Ů.	Stout Ibw. b Wellington
Walker b Incom	• •	5	Stout lbw. b Wellington 0 Bailey b Wellington 0
Fight II and and	• •	0	Bailey b Wellington 0
Firth II., not out	• •		Dixon b Wellington 0
Extras	• •	1	Extras 1
Total	5	51	Total 69
June 8th, at Wakefield.  W.G.S.  Wellington b Hiley  Burgess lbw. b Cameron  Firth I. not out  Broadbent I. b Mason  Crowther c Cameron b Hiley  Pirth II. c & b Hiley  Dixon c Ellison b Hiley  Barton lbw. c Mason  Shaw, not out  Walker (did not bat)  Staynes ,,	6	33 13 12 15 8 2 4 0	Leeds Grammar School.—Played  L.G.S.  Mason c Barton b Firth II
Extras	• •	8	Extras 8
Total for 8 wickets	17	70	Total112
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15th, at Ackworth. W.G.S.			Ackworth School.
Wellington c Sinnott b Heaton	2	21	Rowell c Staynes b Wellington 16
Burgess c Stont c Ineson		2	Ullathorne c Firth b Broadbent 16
	2		Stewart b Wellington 26
Broadbent I. b Heaton		9	Heaton b Broadbent 45
Crowther c Ullathorne b Heaton		2	Atkinson b Wellington 5 Oliver lbw. b Burgess 22
Shaw c Ineson b Heaton		2	Oliver lbw. b Burgess 22
Firth II. b Heaton		ð	Sinnott c Broadbent b Burgess 13
Barton c Atkinson b Ullathorne		6	Ineson c Broadbent h Firth II 0
Dixon b Ullathorne			Bailey b Firth II 0
Walker c & b Heaton			Dixon c Barton b Burgess 2
Staynes, not out Extras		1	Stout, not out 0
Staynes, not out		2	Bailey b Firth II       0         Dixon c Barton b Burgess       2         Stout, not out       0         Extras       9
Total	8	21	Total154
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WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL V. SILCOATES SCHOOL .- Played June 22nd, at Wakefield. Silcoates School. W.G.S. .. 26 Harper c Dixon b Firth II. .. .. 12 Wellington c & b Prosser .. 20 . 16 Barker b Firth II. ... Burgess lbw. Barraclough .. 39 Barraclough b Wellington Firth I. c Sharman b Prosser Sharman, not out ... Prosser b Wellington ... .. 55 Broadbent c & b Prosser ... . . .. 27 4 . . Crowther, run out.. .. .. 2 Firth c & b Barraclough .. Ren II. not out ... -0 Barton b Prosser .. .. 0 Walker, not out ... 0 .. Shaw, not out Staynes (did not bat) Dixon Extras .. Extras

Total for 4 wickets .. 155

Total for 7 wickets .. 64

#### CHARACTERS OF THE TEAM.

#### \* Signifies Colours.

- \*Wellington, R. E. L. 1915-16-17-18 (Captain). As usual, he has displayed great energy, and has been responsible for the evolution of a rather inexperienced team into a very fair and promising XI. Has spared no pains in coaching individual players, and has brought forward several keen youngsters who should do well in future seasons. Is far and away the best batsman in the school, and is especially strong in front of the wicket, his driving being powerful and well timed. Has not yet succeeded in developing his back play. His fielding is above reproach, and he has been the most successful member of the XI. both with bat and ball.
- \*Broadbent, R. B. 1917-18. (Vice-Captain). A very promising batsman, who should do well with more discrimination as to balls which may be hit, and the confidence consequent upon this knowledge. Has proved useful as a bowler, though he is somewhat erratic. An excellent fielder. His services as Vice-Captain have been invaluable.
- FIRTH, H. A. (1917-18). A batsman who has improved extremely during the season. He is a hard hitter on the leg, but should cultivate his off-strokes, which are rather weak at present. Has made a good stumper, though more speed in getting down to low balls is desirable. Very keen in all departments of the game.
- BURGESS, R. (1918). A new member of the team, who has proved a very successful defensive batsman. He is too short for punishing offensive play, but he restrains himself and waits for balls on the leg, which he glides in an admirable manner. A splendid fielder.
- CROWTHER, W. (1918). Has improved considerably in batting during the season, and has become very useful in that part of the game. Has bowled occasionally, but his pitch and direction are too erratic for him to be dangerous. An excellent fielder.
- FIRTH, W. S. (1918). A bowler who will do splendidly if he does not try to bowl too fast. As a batsman he has made considerable strides, and shows great promise. His fielding leaves much to be desired.
- SHAW, E. (1918). A very young member of the team who shows considerable promise. He bats with confidence, and should do well with more experience and height. He should also develop into a useful bowler. One of the best fielders in the team.

- Barton, J. H. (1918). A batsman with considerable hitting powers, who has failed to come off very often this season, probably owing to lack of confidence. Safe in the long field, but should cultivate his ground fielding.
- WALKER, J. F. (1918). An erratic batsmen who has improved of late. His fielding is very keen but not always accurate. He should devote more time to practising, as there would then be every probability of his doing well.
- BROADBENT, P. B. (1918). A player who has the makings of a good batsman, but lacks confidence. Keen, but somewhat erratic in the field.
- STAYNES, C. (1918). A batsman who has plenty of style, but little scoring ability. His fielding has much improved lately. Would make a dangerous bowler with increased steadiness.
- DIXON, A. D. A young player who has made considerable strides during the season. He is a powerful hitter, but his back play, and defensive play generally, needs careful attention. A keen fielder.
- CHAPMAN, E. N. and ATKINSON, W. M. have also played. The former is a batsman of no mean ability. He has no lack of confidence, and hits very hard, but should cultivate his defensive play. Fielding good. The latter is, at times, an excellent bowler, but a weak batsman. Fielding moderate.

#### CADET CORPS NOTES.

Although slightly inferior in numbers to last term's contingent, the Corps is far superior this term in efficiency. All its drill is steadier, and the accuracy in little details, necessary to perfection is gradually being acquired. Such is the opinion not only of its own officers, but also of Old Savilians who have drilled it in the intervals of rigid training in O.T.C's., O.C.B's. and the like.

The following promotions are announced:--

To be Sergeants:

Corporal P. B. Broadbent. Corporal H. Lowery (Band Sergeant).

To be Corporal:-

Lance-Corporal W. M. Atkinson.

To be Lance-Corporals:-

Cadet F. G. Waterhouse. G. W. Blackmore. C. M. Peel. F. K. Ramsden. R. Bell.

The Field Day took place on Tuesday, June 25th, despite the inclemency of the weather, which, true to its gloomy tradition, provided rain in torrents during the afternoon. However, we found adequate shelter in some stables, and when the rain cleared off at four o'clock we enjoyed a splendid march back to school. Manœuvres were rendered impossible by the rain, but the additional experience in march discipline was invaluable.

Our hearty thanks are due to Mr. Cooper Firth, of Slaithewaite, near Huddersfield, for the magnificent cup he has presented to the Corps. It is to be awarded to the best individual shot of the year, and will undoubtedly prove the object of a spirited competition.

#### JUNIOR SCHOOL NOTES.

The Junior School has had a further increase in its numbers this term, so that there are now over a hundred boys

for the first time since its inauguration in 1910.

The range of size, looking across the ranks, when all are assembled for prayers, is much greater than hitherto, and so many small boys increase the importance and magnify the stature of the II. Uppers. Some of these last have almost grown out of recognition, and we who have known them from the time when they first took their places in I. Lower, cannot but feel astonishment at their telescopic development.

Considerable keenness has been shown this term over the cricket, for which there are now four divisions, and the weather has almost always been propitious. After the encouragement of last term's football, when we fought a drawn battle with the Bede Home boys, we are hoping to show up well in the oncoming matches with the last mentioned opponents, and with the High School girls. Boys are everywhere to be seen nowadays with caterpillars, moths, butterflies, and the like, and some collections are being made for the exhibition at the end of the term. Others are collecting plants for pressing, and allotment holders are doing their best to rear record vegetables.

The Sports on June 5 were much appreciated by the Junior boys. Some very keen tugs were held prior to the event. In one item—the sack-race, we were given a chance of mingling with the Seniors, and after many extraordinary and laughable antics, brought in some of our "men" as winners. Though only two events were allotted to the Juniors we had

80 entries.

A Roll of Honour sheet, for the names of those subscribing to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Smokers Fund, has been sent to

us, and the sum of £1 3s. 0d. was raised.

The War Savings Association is still working very satisfactorily. Since its formation in February a sum of £267 has been subscribed.

#### OLD SAVILIANS KILLED IN ACTION:

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.—Lurence Binyon.

HAROLD GIGGAL—1909-1914, Member of the 1st XV. 1912-1913; 1913-1914; 1st XI. 1913. Lance-Corporal, Cameron Highlanders. Died of wounds in France, March 27th, 1918.

One of a large number of worthy fellows who have come to the School from a neighbouring borough, Harold Giggal would not fail to add credit to his name

and the School. A sportsman to the backbone, with a quiet unassuming manner, he was a trier to the last, and, no matter how badly things were going for his side, he never lost heart. To his brother, another Old Savilian who has lately been involided from the Army, we all wish to offer our sincerest sympathy, and to assure him and his mother of our genuine pride in their gallant brother and son. We have the utmost confidence that Harold would "play the game" to the last, and we trust that he was mercifully spared much suffering. One thing we are sure of is that he would bear his pain without flinching, of such stuff was he made. No one revelled in hard knocks at football more than he.

#### GEOFFREY GEORGE MIERS GREEN — 1905-07. 2nd Lieut., West Yorkshire Regiment. Killed in France, March 28th, 1918.

Geoffrey Green had seen considerable service in the ranks in France, and returned early in 1917 to attend a Cadet School for training. Gaining his commission later in the West Yorkshire Regiment, he was attached to the K.O.Y.L.I. and deservedly won a high place in the estimation of his superior officers for his cheerful and conscientious devotion to duty. As a lad here at School, so amidst all the horrors of war, he was ever cheery and smiling, full of fun, and keenly alive to a joke. Who could fail to be attracted to him by his pranks and his infectious laugh? He could be serious, however, at times and we have the knowledge that he was a very capable officer, trusted by his men and relied on by his superiors. His father, Spokesman of the Governors in 1915–16–17, and now Deputy-Spokesman, a good friend to the school for many years, may rest assured that we are genuine and sincere in our heartfelt sympathy with him and Mrs. Green and their daughters. We hope most earnestly that it may be some little comfort to them to know that we recognise with pride and gratitude the service and sacrifice of these gallant lads. The memory of boys like Geoff. Green will ever be fresh, we trust, in the annals of our School.

#### ALAN SMITH, D.C.M.—1907-1910—Sergeant, West Yorkshire Regiment. Killed in France, March 28th, 1918.

A fellow Sergeant writes of Alan Smith as follows:—"He was our best chum, lively and grand company out of the line, fearless and brave in the trenches, a true British lad who had taken up arms in his country's defence." We, who knew Alan Smith at School, can fully endorse this testimony of one who had shared perils with him. We have been privileged to read the account of how he gained his Distinguished Conduct Medal, and we can confidently state that even higher honours might well have been gained by him. Pride is mingled with sorrow for our loss of so young a life—Alan Smith was but 22 years old—and, in civil life, was making a name for artistic colour work. He had won prizes for his work, and was of a nature quite foreign to warfare. However, the call was not likely to be unheeded by such a character; and like so many of our boys he died that we might live, and that his beloved country might be safe from enemy aggression. All honour then, be to these lads, and respectful sympathy to their parents and all who are dear to them.

### MAURICE WILLIAM CAMPBELL SPROTT, M.A., M.C., Assistant Master at the School, 1910-11. Captain and Adjutant, Norfolk Regiment. Killed in France, April 16th, 1918.

Maurice Sprott joined us as an Assistant Master in 1910, and remained on the staff for one year. A son of the Bishop of Wellington, New Zealand, he received his early education at Wellington College. Entering Trinity College,

Cambridge, he had a very distinguished career, gaining a Second Class in the Classical Tripos and later a Second Class in the History Tripos. When war was declared he was a Master at Victoria College, Jersey, where he had been since leaving us. He received his commission in 1914, and saw almost continuous service on the Western front from that time. In the Somme offensive he was severely wounded, and for his gallantry was mentioned in dispatches. Early in 1917 he gained the Military cross, and was subsequently promoted Captain and Adjutant. From information received from his Commanding Officer and from others who knew him well, we are proud to say that his military career was a most distinguished one. Fearless in action and reliable in every detail of his military duties, he was a great loss to his battalion. He has followed far too many of our younger Masters, and we can assure the relatives and friends of these men that the school will not easily forget their devotion to duty. Although Maurice Sprott was here only for the short space of one year, yet he made many friends in Wakefield.

#### ARTHUR ABLETT — 1907-1913 — Second-Lieutenant, Machine Gun Corps. Died of wounds in France, April 22nd, 1918.

Very soon after the outbreak of war Arthur Ablett, who had only just left school, joined the Queen's Own Yorkshire Dragoons, and we well remember the pride with which he wrote to inform us that he had become a Trooper, After about two year's service in France he came back in March, 1917, for a commission in the Machine Gun Corps, and, when gazetted, went back to France in October, 1917. We understand, from reports received by his family, that he was practically killed in action in a local attack, only living long enough to be brought in. His Commanding Officer writes .—" He died as an officer should, with his face to the enemy, after having accomplished what he set himself to do in a local attack which was satisfactorily conducted." Thus Arthur Ablett bravely met his end, and many an Old Savilian at School during the past eighteen years will recall the name with affection and pride. His two elder brothers were members of the 1st XV. from 1899 to 1904, and were respectively Captain of the team the last three years. Although Arthur was not so prominent in the playing fields as his more athletic brothers, yet he was keenly interested in all features of our School life, and was, with good reason, a favourite with all. The school will regret his early death but will feel pride in the manner of his sacrifice. To his widowed mother, and to his brothers, we offer the sincerest sympathy of all Old Savilians, past and present Masters, and boys of the School, and we can confidently assure them that Arthur Ablett will not soon be forgotten.

#### GEORGE MILLER BROOK—1906-1910—Lieutenant West Yorkshire Regiment (Leeds Rifles). Killed in France, April 25th, 1918.

Many Old Savilians resident in Wakefield will well remember Georgie Brook at School, and will feel real grief at his death. He was always of the most cheery disposition and invariably had a smile on his face. He had seen considerable service in the Army, and was commanding his company at his death. It was hoped at first that he was not killed but only missing, but subsequent reports left very little hope of his being alive. His brother officers write of him that he was a great favourite with everyone, and that he and his men, by their stubborn resistance and total disregard of personal danger, successfully stemmed the tide-of the enemy's advance during a very critical time. Again one of his comrades says:—"I regret to say, he died, fighting to the last, leaving us to mourn a very gallant officer and gentleman." How very often we have had a similar epitaph to our lads, and how increasingly proud we all are of these brave young lives so unselfishly given for us at home.

GEORGE RONALD SLACK—1908-1914—Marconi (1st Class Wireless Operator) H.M. Transports. Drowned at sea, April 30th, 1918.

Ronnie Slack was rapidly making headway in the profession he had decided to adopt, and was keenly interested in his work. We have heard how very eagerly he was looking forward to a short leave at home, and it seems doubly hard that he should have met his end almost within sight of land. The ship being loaded with ore from Spain soon sank, and very few of his ship-mates were saved. Ronnie Slack was the youngest of three brothers, all deservedly popular at school, and the sympathy of us all is extended to his parents and to his two brothers both serving in His Majesty's Forces. We can assure them that not easily will he be forgotten. Of the quietest disposition, he could nevertheless be keenly interested at times and, although seldom venturing an opinion, yet he had views of his own. Behind his reserved manner was an intensely patriotic soul.

EDWARD STEWART FLETCHER — 1908-1912 — Second-Lieutenant, West Yorkshire Regiment. Reported missing in France, 1917, and officially reported killed June, 1818.

The many Wakefield friends of Stewart Fletcher had anxiously awaited some news of him for a whole year, hoping all the time that he was at least a prisoner of war. It was not to be, however, and we are very grieved that another young life has been necessary in service of his King and Country. Stewart Fletcher was a typically irresponsible school-boy, full of the joy of life, and both in School, in the Playing Fields, and in the School Camps, was resolved to get the most out of them all. Patriotic to the utmost, he was never happier than when he came to visit us, and, although his health was not of the best, yet he delighted in a rough-and-tumble football game. Such boys as he were bound to take an active part in the more serious times in which we are now living, and all honour be to them that they have in no case failed us. To his father who has had a full share of trouble these last few years, we wish to tender our sincerest sympathy and to assure him that the memory of his boy will live long in the hearts of all those who knew him and esteemed him.

LEONARD JOHN HORNE—1904—1912. Lieutenant, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. Killed in France, June 15th, 1918,

Leonard Horne, at the outbreak of war, was holding a Freeston Exhibition from the School at University College, Oxford, and had deservedly gained the esteem of the Authorities, as he had previously merited that of the School Authorities. He had been at the school rather longer than most of our boys, and had passed from form to form until he had joined the VIth. Here were found a band of boys-several of them, alas, have joined the majority-exercising the greatest possible influence for good on their younger school-fellows. Of these stalwarts Leonard Horne was one, and it is no mere platitude to say he soon made his mark in the VIth. His nature was somewhat shy and retiring, but he had the firmest convictions and could exercise, if he chose, his will to win his opinions. That he was a success in the Army, we have most reliable information, and through all the horrors of it all he could find time to think of us at home and write a few lines. We shall miss him very greatly, for to such Old Savilians we must look for the continuance of that close and firm tie that binds past and present. Many a lad will remember Leonard Horne with affection, and may we venture to hope that the knowledge of this fact may be some comfort to his parents, and to his younger brother who has but recently left us, soon himself to join the Army.

Note.—At the moment of going to press no definite news of the death of Alford Kingswell has yet been received. His father has had information which justifies him in hoping that his son may yet be alive and a prisoner of war. May we add our fervent desire that such good news may be true.

#### OLD SAVILIAN NOTES.

#### NEW MEMBERS :-

Mr. H. Akeroyd, 3, York Place, Sandal, Wakefield.

Mr. G. R. Bell, Chevet Lane, Sandal, Wakefield.

Mr. D. Colbeck, East Villa, Alverthorpe, Wakefield.

Mr. J. Ewing, Woodhouse Hall, East Ardsley, nr. Wakefield. Mr. E. A. Hirst, 34, Beverley Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

Mr. F. S. Marr, Windhill Terrace, Queen Elizabeth Road, Wakefield.

Mr. A. H. Morton, 38, Peterson Road, Wakefield.

Mr. J. L. Morton. 38, Peterson Road, Wakefield. Mr. E. G. Parry, The Vicarage, Sandal, Wakefield.

Mr. T. S. Perkin. Regent Street, Belle Vue, Wakefield.

Mr. P. Saunders, 10, Rishworth Street, Wakefield.

Mr. R. C. C. Thompson, 14, Marsland Place, Berners Street, Wakefield.

#### ALTERED ADDRESSES :-

Mr. A. B. Young, The School, Berkhamsted, Herts.

Mr. C. W. Fennell. The Gables, Newstead Road, Wakefield.

Mr. Frank A. Matthews, Alton Villa, Whalley Avenue, Sale, Cheshire.

Mr. Richard Murray, The Manor House. Berwick in-Elmet, viâ Leeds.

Mr. S. H. Hadfield, Bay Nook, Carr Lane, Bridlington.

Mr. Bromley W. Hill, c/o Mr, M. T. Hill, Snape Bridge, Saxemundham, Suffolk.

Mr. G. A. W. Gould, Dominion Iron and Steel Co. Ld., Engineering Dept. Sydney C. Breton Canada

Engineering Dept., Sydney, C. Breton, Canada. 180443 Sig. T. Cliffe. No. 1 Co., Princess Patricia's Canadian L.I., B.E.F., France.

Rev. E. W. Bartlam, 8, Fitzwilliam Street West, Huddersfield.

Mr. Sydney Burn, I.C.S., Puduk Kottai, South India.
Mr. H. G. Abel, Cowper Street, Central Foundation School,
London, E.C.

The Hon. Secretary's new address is

G. E. Webster, 14, Westfield Grove, Wakefield.

We hear the War Memorial Fund Appeal will shortly be issued by the Committee appointed to prepare a scheme, and we heartily commend it to all Old Savilians and friends of the School, in the confident hope that a sum of money worthy of the object will be raised. Mr. Harry Haigh, Barclay's Bank Ltd., Wakefield, has been appointed Hon. Treasurer of the fund, and donations may be paid direct to him at the bank, Mr. Head at the School, or Mr. Webster.

The Annual Meeting of the Old Savilians' Club is fixed for Saturday, July 27, at the School. Chair to be taken at 7 p.m. Recommendations of the Committee to raise the annual subscription to 5s. and the commutted subscription to two guineas, will be brought forward, as it is found the increasing costs of printing, paper, and postages make it impossible to keep the Club's finances in a satisfactory state.

A cricket match—Past v. Present—has been arranged for the afternoon of the same day. Mr. W. H. Kingswell, Jr., Newton Lodge, Wakefield, will captain the Old Savilians XI. and will be glad to hear from any Old Boys desirous of playing.

#### MARRIAGES :-

Major John Chambers, M.C. (Order of Crown of Italy) to Constance May Laycock.

Captain G. T. Carpenter, M.C., Royal Engineers, to Kathleen Kilner.

Captain H. C. Whitley, West Yorkshire Regiment, to May Hudson.

#### VALETE.

VI c.	VI L.B. (contd.)	IV A.
Hill, H.	Heald, R.	Lazenby, H. L.
Wilding, H. E.	Lowery, H.	Lee, H.
VI M.	Perkins, J. M.	Lord, S. E.
Broadbent, R. B.	Ramsden, F. K.	Quarmby, G. G.
Estcourt, H. G.	Staynes, C.	Kilburn, F.
Flower, R. G.	V A.	IV C.
Hanley, F.	Brooks, H. G.	Cameron, D. S.
Turner, G. H.	Firth, A. M.	Gelder, T. V.
VI L.A.	Heywood, J.	Wordsworth, G. T.
Gibson, E.	Lancaster, G.	II U.
Harrison, M.	Murtland, W. A.	Clark, W. S.
Milnes, F.	Wilson, J.	II L.
Ripley, C.	V B.	Allen, R. K.
Webster, J. W.	Chapman, E. N.	Walker, G.
VI L.B.	Green, F. L.	I U.
Barton. J. H.	Roche, R. P.	Hetherington, T. A. D.
Firth, H. A.	West, L.	I L.
Haslegrave, H. L.		Whitehead, L. C.

#### ROLL OF HONOUR (continued).

The following additional names of Old Savilians serving in His Majesty's Forces, have been received since the last issue of the "Savilian." It is desired that any additions or corrections to the School Roll of Honour will be communicated to Mr. Head at the School.

J. E. North, Air Mechanic, Royal Air Force. (1904-07).

E. Giggal, Private, Lincoln Regiment. (1904-09). Invalided.
 H. Giggal, Lance Corporal, Cameron Highlanders. (1909-14).
 Killed in France.

F. N. Hargreaves, 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Air Force. (1911-14).
 J. M. Gibson, Private, West Yorkshire Regiment. (1912-14).

F. Butler, 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Air Force. (1910–14).

C. T. Archer, 2nd Lieutenant, Chinese Labour Battalion. (1901-08).

A. E. Baynes, Air Mechanic, R.N.A.S., attached R.N. (1910–16).

- G. R. Slack, 1st Class Wireless Operator. (1908–14) Drowned at Sea.
- C. E. Woodhead, Private, Northumberland Fusiliers. (1912–14).

  Prisoner of War.

G. L. Charlesworth, Private, Durham Light Infantry. (1911-14). Prisoner of War.

C. L. Reynolds, M.A., 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Marine Artillery. (1899–1907).

J. S. G. Holmes, 2nd Lieutenant, R.A.F. (1912–16).

A. H. Morton, Gunner, Royal Garrison Artillery. (1911-17).

A. R. Wright, Private, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.
(1911-14).

H. H. Hulmé, Private, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. (1912–14).
J. R. Gillespie, Private, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.

1911-15).

T. Watson, Lance-Corporal, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. (1911-15).

G. E. Hoyland, Bombardier, Royal Garrison Artillery (1910–16).

R. Sutcliffe, 2nd Lieutenant, Royal Engineers. (1909-13).

The following Military Honours have been gained by Old Savilians since our last issue:—

M. W. C. Sprott, M.A., Lieutenant, Norfolk Regiment. Military Cross. Killed.

E. J. C. Ashmore, Captain, Gurkha Rifles. Military Cross.
W. B. Postlethwaite, M.B., Captain, Royal Army Medical Corps. Military Cross. H. L. Hopper, Lieutenant, Duke of Wellington's Regiment. Military Cross.

H. G. Ludolf, M.B., Captain, Royal Army Medical Corps.

- attached Lincolnshire Regiment. Military Cross. G. Thompson, M.C., D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel, London Regiment. Bar to D.S.O., and the Croix de Guerre from the French Government.
- Chambers, M.C., Captain (Acting Major) Royal Field Artillery. Order of the Crown of Italy (Cavaliere).
- Major Chambers has since been brought home to undergo a special course at the Woolwich Military College.

The following Old Savilians have been recently mentioned in dispatches:

G. L. Hudson, Captain. King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. C. L. Reynolds, Captain, West Riding Divisional Army Service

L. Reynolds, Lieutenant, Machine Gun Corps.

M. W. C. Sprott, M.C., Lieutenant, Norfolk Regiment.

News has been received that Captains G. L. Hudson and F. Lawe, Privates G. L. Charlesworth and C. E. Woodhead, who had been missing for some time, are now prisoners of War.