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EDITORIAL.

A distinguished man is said to have spoken of our being engaged in South Africa in a 'kind of a War'; we may now perhaps think of ourselves as having achieved a 'kind of a Peace,' though the internal ferment and discontent which seems to be permeating all classes of society, and particularly the lower strata, is threatening in the extreme. Let us hope that England will find herself once more, as she did a century ago, in spite of all gloomy anticipations.

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However, for us as a School, the future ought to possess little but bright hopes. We have come through the stress of nearly five years of War with less damage to us as a corporate whole than perhaps might have been feared, True, both our scholarship and our sports have suffered not a little; true, also our honours list will for several years look a little meagre in comparison with the easy years before 1914; but what of all that? We, in common with all the Schools of England, have this compensation: we know that those of our Old Boys who staked their all for their country, both those who have gone, and those whom we are proud to welcome back among us to-day, have given us an incentive, and a cause of legitimate pride in the ancient school of which we are members.

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One of the deprivations several forms have had to suffer during the war has been the lack of Physical Training, and the shortage of younger Masters able-bodied enough to take an active part in the games with them. By the appointment of an ex-officer to take charge of this important side of our school work, it is hoped that we shall benefit greatly henceforward.

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The Cadet Corps, having had a small foretaste of the joys of camp life last year, when they undertook farm-work at Wetherby, are to send their first contingent to an actual military camp this year at Hornsea. It is greatly to be hoped that, once they have experienced the genial hardships and indescribable pleasures of life in camp, they will bring in large reinforcements of recruits next term.

DE OMNIBUS REBUS.

SCHOOL PREFECTS.

- R. E. L. Wellington, Captain of the School, Captain of Cricket, Captain of Savile's House, Cadet Officer in Corps, Editor of the Savilian.
E. G. Parry, Captain of Freeston's House, Cadet Officer in Corps, School Librarian, Editor of the Savilian.
W. M. Atkinson, Captain of Bentley's House.

P. B. Broadbent.
A. J. R. Mahon.
W. Crowther, Vice-Captain of Cricket.
C. Staynes, C.S.M.
F. G. Waterhouse, Hon. Sec. to Games Committee, C.Q.M.S.
J. F. Walker.

HOUSE PREFECTS

R. Burgess.
C. C. Holdsworth.
W. Guest.
H. England.
C. Peel.

This term has seen the innovation of House Prefects—Prefects who wield authority only in their respective houses, and who help the House Captain to administer the local affairs of the House. These prefects fill the inevitable gap created when a House is almost—in some cases wholly—unrepresented among the school prefects.

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Owing to press of other school business Captain Spilsbury, after two years most successful organisation and training of the Corps, has handed over the command of the Cadet Corps to Captain R. G. Metcalf, Captain Metcalf has seen service in France, with the King's Own Royal Lancasters.

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This term we have welcomed on the staff Mr. J. S. Bywater, an Old Savilian who has been serving with His Majesty's Forces in Egypt.

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The Cricket teams have had little success this season, although some of the matches were more keenly contested than is apparent in the final scores. The services of Mr. Allsop as Coach have been secured this year,

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Congratulations to the following on being awarded their cricket colours: W. Crowther, R. Burgess.

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The Annual Athletic Sports were held this year with all the ceremony attendant on that function in pre-war days. The standard of keenness shown both in the number of entries for races and in the actual running of them was highly creditable.

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Congratulations to E. G. Parry on being awarded a Freeston Exhibition at University College, Oxford. His

performance is the more creditable since he was hampered by having missed twelve months school work when training for the Army.

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The Annual Tennis Match with the High School proved, once again, a most enjoyable fixture. The results were as follows :—

W.G.H.S. 7 Sets.

W.G.S. 12 Sets.

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The School Swimming Club has prospered as usual in spite of other attractions. The Annual Swimming Sports have had to be postponed from the end of this term--when it had been decided to hold them—to the beginning of next.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Annual Sports, after the more sombre occasions of the past four years, were resumed with all their former ceremony on Wednesday, June 4th, and perhaps even surpassed all previous efforts. The morning witnessed a heavy downfall of rain, which however proved very welcome to the competitors, and failed to damp the ardent enthusiasm of parents and friends of the School. A large number of people spent an enjoyable afternoon in watching the keenly contested racing and in listening to the excellent programme of music provided by the band of the "Queen's Bays."

In the main, the performances themselves hardly reached the usual standard. The greater competition however, both for the Challenge Cup and Junior Shield, made up for this lack of brilliancy. R. E. L. Wellington again carried off the Cup, though not without rivalry, securing this coveted trophy for the third time. The Junior Challenge Shield was deservedly won by J. F. Wolfenden, who showed himself a promising young athlete. The House Shield was obtained by Savile's House, which thus has kept the Shield in its possession for three consecutive years; an event which appears to have been paralleled only once in the recent history of the school.

The Mayoress (Mrs. Blakey), who kindly distributed the prizes, was warmly thanked for her services, and a most pleasant afternoon came to an end.

In conclusion our thanks are due to all those who officiated at the Sports in any way; and especially to Mr. Head and the Hon. Secretaries, E. G. Parry and W. M. E. J. Atkinson who performed their unenviable task with great assiduousness and zeal.

Appended is a list of the results :—

- (1) Throwing the Cricket Ball—1 J. F. Walker, 2 H. Keeling, 3 C. Staynes. Distance—74 yards 1 ft.

- (2) **Senior Mile**—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 A. J. R. Mahon, 3 H. England. Time—5 mins. 19 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
- (3) **Junior Quarter-Mile**—1 J. F. Wolfenden, 2 J. D. Richards, 3 W. A. Carr. Time—73 secs.
- (4) **Senior High Jump**—1 R. E. L. Wellington, (Remainder failed to reach the limit). Height—4 ft. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
- (5) **Senior Hundred Yards**—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 W. Crowther, 3 C. Staynes. Time—11 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
- (6) **220 Yards, under 15 (Handicap)**—1 J. C. Ramsden, 2 C. J. Baines, 3 F. J. Askham.
- (7) **220 Yards Junior School (Handicap)**—1 D. Colbeck, 2 T. Barran, 3 H. C. Sanderson.
- (8) **Senior Quarter-Mile**—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 W. Crowther, 3 H. England. Time 61 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
- (9) **Babies' Race**—1 Perkin, Garden, Cresswell.
- (10) **Senior Broad Jump**—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 C. Staynes, 3 H. England. Distance—18 ft. 6 ins.
- (11) **Junior Broad Jump**—1 J. F. Wolfenden, 2 W. A. Carr, 3 R. O. Hall. Distance—15 ft. 6 ins.
- (12) **House Relay Race**—1 Savile's (Captain R. E. L. Wellington)
2 Bentley's (Captain W. Crowther.) Time 49 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.
- (13) **100 Yards, under 15 (Handicap)**.
1 H. Turner, R. Firth, dead heat. 3 C. M. S. Yates.
- (14) **Senior Hurdles (120 Yards)**—1 R. E. L. Wellington, 2 W. Crowther. Time—21 $\frac{1}{5}$ secs.
- (15) **Junior Half-Mile**—1 J. F. Wolfenden, 2 J. Carson, 3 A. Thackray. Time 2 mins. 50 secs.
- (16) **100 Yards, Junior School (Handicap)**—1 D. Colbeck, 2 J. W. Thompson, 3 G. W. Knox.
- (17) **Old Boys Race (Handicap)**—1 Glover, 2 Cliff, 3 Abell. Time—11 $\frac{4}{5}$ secs.
- (18) **Junior High Jump**—1 R. O. Hall, 2 J. D. Richards. Height 3 ft. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
- (19) **Senior Half-Mile Flat Race**—1 A. R. J. Mahon, 2 H. England, 3 D. H. Mosby.
- (20) **Junior Hundred Yards**—1 W. A. Carr, 2 J. F. Wolfenden, 3 J. D. Richards. Time—13 secs.
- (21) **Sack Race**—1 W. Paterson, 2 W. Glover, 3 R. Spencer.
- (22) **220 Yards Open Handicap**—1 W. Calvert, 2 C. J. Baines, 3 J. H. Capewell.
- (23) **100 Yards Open Handicap**—1 A. D. Dixon, 2 C. J. Baines, 3 J. H. Capewell.
- Tug of War**—Senior School, Freeston's House (E. G. Parry, Captain.) Junior School, P. S. Green's Team.
- Consolation Race**—1 H. Wilkinson, 2 C. M. S. Yates.
- Winner of Senior Challenge Cup : R. E. L. Wellington.
Winner of Junior Challenge Shield : J. F. Wolfenden.
Winner of House Shield : Savile's (R. E. L. Wellington, Captain.)

CRICKET NOTES.

At the time of writing the School XI. has had anything but a successful season. It has played eight matches, of which it has won two, lost five, and tied one. It is not easy to account for such a failure. Both in batting and bowling individual members have shown talent, at one time or another, but rarely together, so that it has been left to one or two to attempt to win the match unaided. The fielding was extremely bad at the beginning of the season, but it has improved of late. Too many catches are still missed through slowness in starting, and at least twenty runs are lost every match by the same fault in running between the wickets.

The keenness of the School as a whole is most gratifying. More boys are playing cricket regularly this season than ever before, and arrangements have been made for members of the 1st XI. to help in the tuition of the younger members of the school. Mr. Gibling and Mr. Waters have both been indefatigable in helping to teach the game, and to them we would give our sincere thanks.

The 1st and 2nd XI's have undoubtedly been hampered tremendously by the absence of net pitches on which to practice. The services of our coach, Mr. Allsop, have been nullified to a certain extent by this deficiency, which will be rectified, we venture to hope "now that the war is over."

We are looking forward to our match with the Old Savilians, who, we hear, are bringing a very strong side against us. We hope to give a better account of ourselves in this match than in our previous efforts this season.

Appended is a list of matches played at the time of writing.

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL V. LEEDS GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Played at Wakefield on May 22nd.

W.G.S.				L.G.S.			
Wellington b Cameron	..	..	4	Sledge b Firth	..	..	12
Burgess b Plackett	..	..	6	Hiley b Wellington	..	..	0
Crowther b Plackett	..	..	0	Hampshire c Smith b Firth	..	..	6
Walker b Plackett	..	..	0	Cameron run out	..	..	0
Staynes b Cameron	..	..	9	Lloyd b Firth	..	..	4
Firth b Cameron	..	..	5	Wilson c Broadbent b Wellington	..	..	15
Broadbent c Exle b Plackett	..	..	5	Plackett b Wellington	..	..	1
Dixon b Plackett	..	..	1	Elam lbw. b Wellington	..	..	11
Smith c Elam b Plackett	..	..	5	Cooper b Staynes	..	..	10
Breakwell, not out	..	..	14	Overend c & b Smith	..	..	12
Atkinson b Cameron	..	..	0	Exle, not out	..	..	3
Extras	..	..	3	Extras	..	..	9

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. BRADFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Played at Bradford, May 24th.

W.G.S.		B.G.S.	
Burgess c Rhodes b Brayshaw	.. 44	Thoseby c Wellington b Staynes	10
Walker b Brayshaw	.. 0	Constantine lbw. b Staynes	.. 0
Breakwell c Rhodes b Brayshaw	.. 6	Whitley b Wellington	.. 0
Wellington b Rhodes	.. 40	Brayshaw, not out	.. 55
Crowther, run out	.. 11	Birkbeck b Staynes	.. 1
Broadbent b Brayshaw	.. 0	Moorhouse b Wellington	.. 3
Smith c Brayshaw b Birkbeck	.. 1	J. Constantine c & b Firth	.. 9
Staynes c Thoseby b Brayshaw	.. 2	Rowley lbw. b Staynes	.. 4
Firth c & b Brayshaw	.. 5	Green b Wellington	.. 14
Dixon lbw. b Brayshaw	.. 0	Rhodes b Staynes	.. 3
Atkinson, not out	.. 1	Moore b Crowther	.. 10
Extras	.. 3	Extras	.. 4
Total	.. 113	Total	.. 113

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. SILCOATES SCHOOL.—Played at Wakefield, on May 31st.

W.G.S.		S.S.	
Burgess lbw. b Bruce	.. 12	Hamilton c Firth b Staynes	.. 3
Walker b Rew*	.. 2	Campbell b Staynes	.. 7
Breakwell st. b Bruce	.. 6	Bruce b Firth	.. 1
Wellington, not out	.. 32	McKinna lbw. b Firth	.. 1
Crowther b Rew	.. 18	Rew b Firth	.. 5
Broadbent lbw. b. Campbell	.. 5	Matthews b Staynes	.. 12
Smith c & b Rew	.. 7	Weatherill b Firth	.. 2
Staynes c Simpson b Rew	.. 0	Simpson b Firth	.. 8
Firth c Weatherill b Campbell	.. 5	Broadbent c Crowther b Staynes	.. 1
Hinsley c & b Campbell	.. 0	Habershow b Firth	.. 0
Atkinson b Rew	.. 0	Wetherill II. not out	.. 0
Extras	.. 0	Extras	.. 5
Total	.. 87	Total	.. 45

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. LEEDS TEXTILE STUDENTS.—Play at Wakefield, June 18th.

W.G.S.		L.T.S.	
Burgess b Hamlyn	.. 4	Hamlyn c & B Wellington	.. 24
Breakwell b McLintock	.. 0	Stewart b Firth	.. 11
Walker c Firth b McLintock	.. 1	Langton lbw. b Wellington	.. 2
Wellington c McLintock b Hamlyn	.. 5	McLintock, not out	.. 50
Crowther b McLintock	.. 0	Gibson lbw. b Smith	.. 24
Broadbent b McLintock	.. 10	Firth, not out	.. 5
Firth b McLintock	.. 8	Hamilton (did not bat)	
Smith c Langton b McLintock	.. 0	Harper	..
Dixon c Gibson b McLintock	.. 12	Lord	..
Hinsley, not out	.. 1	Ban	..
Atkinson st. b Hamlyn	.. 0	Wade	..
Extras	.. 5	Extras	.. 13
Total	.. 46	Total (for 4 wickets)	.. 129

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. BRADFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—
 Played at Wakefield, June 25th.

W.G.S.				B.G.S.			
Burgess b Birkbeck	..	..	7	Thoseby, run out	..	..	10
Breakwell b Brayshaw	..	..	0	Constantine (i) b Staynes	..	..	2
Walker b Birkbeck	..	..	5	Birkbeck c & b Atkinson	..	..	18
Wellington c Fancourt b Brayshaw	35			Brayshaw c Broadbent b Staynes	..	..	9
Crowther b Brayshaw	..	..	20	Whitley b Wellington	..	..	20
Broadbent b Rhodes	..	..	2	Rowley, not out	..	..	19
Staynes b Rhodes	..	..	11	Moorhouse b Wellington	..	..	2
Smith b Brayshaw	..	..	13	Constantine (ii) b Wellington	..	..	3
Dixon b Brayshaw	..	..	2	Moore (not out)	..	..	15
Hinsley st. Constantine b Rhodes	0	Rhodes (did not bat)	
Atkinson, not out	1	Fancourt	
Extras	11	Extras	10
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Total		..	107	Total (for 7 wickets)		..	108

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. LEEDS GRAMMAR SCHOOL.— Played at
 Leeds, July 5th.

W.G.S.				L.G.S.			
Burgess c Lloyd b Cameron	..	..	2	Sledge c Burgess b Firth	..	..	4
Walker b Cameron	..	..	1	Woodhouse b Atkinson	..	..	9
Wellington, run out	..	..	7	Hiley c Staynes b Atkinson	..	..	1
Breakwell b Cameron	..	..	0	Hampshire b Firth	..	..	0
Crowther b Cameron	..	..	0	Wilson b Atkinson	..	..	15
Broadbent c Cameron b Woodhouse	..	..	4	Cameron b Atkinson	..	..	0
Staynes b Cameron	..	..	0	Lloyd, not out	..	..	14
Firth c Arden b Plackett	..	..	0	Plackett c Walker b Atkinson	..	..	0
Smith c Overend b Cameron	..	..	14	Overend c Dixon b Atkinson	..	..	6
Dixon, not out	0	Cooper b Wellington	1
Atkinson lbw. b Plackett	1	Arden b Wellington	1
Extras	6	Extras	6
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Total		..	35	Total		..	57

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. LOFTHOUSE PARK GUARDS.—At
 Wakefield, July 8th.

W.G.S.				L.P.G.			
Burgess lbw b Clarke	..	..	21	Black b Wellington	..	..	0
Walker c Tucker b Dixon	..	..	2	Jewell b Wellington	..	..	1
Wellington b Dixon	..	..	0	Tucker c Hinsley b Wellington	..	..	0
Breakwell b Dixon	..	..	9	Clarke, retired. not out	..	..	67
Crowther lbw. b Clarke	..	..	18	Duckray c Firth b Staynes	..	..	5
Staynes b Clarke	..	..	0	Dixon c Crowther b Wellington	..	..	8
Firth c Duckray b Worcester	..	..	1	Durham c & b Atkinson	..	..	9
Smith c Dixon b Clarke	..	..	5	Taylor c Breakwell b Staynes	..	..	8
Dixon b Worcester	..	..	0	O'Brien c Wellington b Atkinson	..	..	0
Hinsley, not out	2	Tyson, not out	3	..	3
Atkinson, run out	0	Worcester b Staynes	0
Extras	5	Extras	7
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		..	63			..	108

WAKEFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. ACKWORTH SCHOOL.—Played at Wakefield, July 12th

W.G.S.		Ackworth.	
Burgess b Hunecka	10	Dixon b Firth	16
Walker e Berry b Hunecka	2	Stout b Wellington	1
Breakwell lbw. b Berry	0	Oliver b Wellington	4
Wellington c Marshall b Berry	8	Marshall b Wellington	0
Smith c & b Hunecka	16	Bailey b Wellington	0
Crowther b Berry	17	Berry b Firth	1
Staynes b Bailey	29	Harrison b Wellington	3
Firth c Walker b Bailey	28	Twelves b Wellington	0
Hinsley c & b Bailey	4	Walton, not out	0
Dixon, not out	3	Hunecka c Crowther b Firth	0
Atkinson c Walton b Berry	8		
Extras	15	Extras	2
Total	142	Total	27

CHARACTERS OF THE TEAM.

* Signifies Colours.

- *WELLINGTON, R. E. L. (1915-16-17-18-19 (Captain). Sets his team a fine example of keenness, especially in the field, a department in which they would do well to follow. The only suggestion one might offer is that five or six overs at a time is about as much as a boy can be expected to bowl well, even if he is getting wickets, and a more frequent change of bowling might be resorted to. As in former years he stands out as the best individual performer of the side both in bowling and batting, and he should go far. Occasionally he has lost his wicket through choosing the wrong ball to hit—a very common fault with the best batsmen.
- *CROWTHER, W. (1918-19). Batting much improved. Should cultivate scoring strokes on the off. Fielding excellent. Bowling too erratic. An excellent vice-captain.
- *BURGESS, R. (1918-19). A very useful batsman. Should content himself with defensive play and leg strokes as he lacks the height for driving. Fielding excellent.
- *FIRTH, W. S. (1918-19) Slow-medium right arm bowler. Should vary his vary his balls more. Batting very fair. Ground fielding poor.
- WALKER, J. F. (1918-19). Batting improved. Has developed a powerful drive to the off, which he doesn't use nearly enough. Fielding keen and smart.
- *BREAKWELL, R. (1919). A promising batsman. His forward shots are good, but his back play lacks confidence. A good natural stumper. Should develop into an excellent all round cricketer.
- *STAYNES, C. (1918-19). Bowled very well at times, but erratic. As a batsman has plenty of style, but little scoring ability. Good in the field.
- ATKINSON, W. M. (1918-19). On occasion a useful and dangerous bowler. Batting weak. Fielding very poor.
- BROADBENT, P. B. (1918-19). Batting shows lack of confidence. Should do well with more experience. Fielding extremely sound.
- *SMITH, H. (1919). A useful all round member of the team. Has batted at times with considerable vigour. As a bowler will be useful when he has learned to vary his bowling. A safe fielder.
- DIXON, A. D. (1918-19) Batting lacks confidence. Fielding weak.
- HINSLEY, C. also played on one or two occasions. His fielding and batting are moderate, but lack vigour.

CADET CORPS NOTES.

This term the command of the Corps was undertaken by Capt R. G. Metcalf who, as successor to Capt. Spilsbury, has very ably performed his duties as C O.

The Corps as a whole is developing into a well disciplined body and, with the exception of one or two undesirable defaulters, is also beginning to realise the difference between civil and military law.

Early in the term a field day at Woolley Edge was greatly enjoyed, but on July 11th, a visit to Chevet Woods was by far the most important event of the term. The sham fight, which took place in the afternoon was very amusing. Strange to say the result must be entered as a draw, since both the Platoon Commanders have decided that their respective platoons were the victors. Even though peace is now signed it is hoped that the cadet corps will still draw a good number of recruits each term. The promotions this term have been

To be Sergeant	--	Corporal Bell, R.
„ Lance-Corporals		Cadet Burgess, R. Guest, W.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NOTES.

The term has passed rather uneventfully, except for the sports and one or two cricket matches.

As regards the former event, the Junior School showed up in pretty good numbers for the races, the usual ceremony of explaining of the word "handicap" to the young and uninitiated was gone through, and the School turned out, almost to a man, to indulge in tug trials.

These always cause intense excitement ; I have no doubt that the frequent wild cheers and occasional imprecations could be heard a mile away. The final on the Sports Day was a tame affair in comparison to preliminaries, the majority backing P. Green's side, which justified all expectations.

The Sack Race was worth watching, as an illustration of the various methods, scientific and otherwise—chiefly otherwise—employed by juveniles when enclosed in a sack. One almost wishes that their too active limbs could always be similarly trammelled.

The Junior School has a record number of boys now, and if any more come, we are contemplating a classroom on the roof.

Cricket practices have proceeded pretty smoothly. in various types of weather. The XI, though beaten by IIIA, hope for better luck in later matches.

At the end of this term, the exhibition of boys' collections of plants, insects, etc., and various kinds of handiwork, will be

held under the auspices of Miss Robinson, its inaugurator. We hope for a good show.

This being Peace Term, there seems to be a very general feeling among Juniors that it is a great condescension to do lessons at all, holidays, varying from one week to six months in honour of the event, being what they consider their due for weathering a long and trying war.

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.—*Laurence Binyon.*

FRANK ALFORD KINGSWELL—1892-94-96. Yorkshire Dragoons and Lieutenant Rifle Brigade, reported killed in action March 23rd, 1918, but subsequently was reported missing. No definite news was received till after the signing of the armistice. In February, 1919, a Sergeant in the Rifle Brigade wrote and described the desperate action fought near Flavy-le-Martel, when Lieut. Kingswell—the last of the Officers—was killed in action by machine-gun fire, after fighting almost continuously from March 21st until the afternoon of March 23rd.

Alford Kingswell served in the South African War in the Queen's Own Yorkshire Dragoons. He was mentioned in despatches and received the Queen's Medal with four clasps. Returning home he served a further nine years in the Dragoons, attaining the rank of Sergeant-Major. Subsequently he became a Solicitor, passing the Intermediate Examination with First-Class Honours, and being admitted in 1907. When war broke out in 1914 Alford Kingswell at once obtained a commission in the Yorkshire Dragoons and went with them to France, acting for some time as Divisional Bombing Officer. Then he was seconded for duty with the Rifle Brigade and was severely wounded at Beaumont Hamel. He was sent home and informed that he would never again be fit for active service. Going before a Medical Board in due course he was ordered to report for duty. Re-joining the Rifle Brigade, Kingswell was sent out in command of a Company to fight a rear-guard action when the great German advance was made; and so he fought and died as he wished to do, a hero and a patriot to the end. We are proud of him and we are very desirous of being allowed to share in the family's pride of their soldier brother. For very many years the name of Kingswell has been an honoured one in the annals of the School, and Alford Kingswell has gained by his deeds an everlasting debt of gratitude, love and reverence. May he rest in peace.

WILLIAM INGLE—1908-11—Private, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, reported wounded and missing on August 16th, 1917, and subsequently presumed dead by the War Office.

Early on in the War Willie Ingle enlisted in the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry and was out in France in August, 1915. He came home on leave in July, 1917, and very shortly after his return was reported wounded and missing. Inquiries have been set on foot through the Red Cross and other

organisations but, up to the present, nothing has been discovered. We fear very little hope can now be entertained of his safe return home and our sympathies are with his family who are so well known in a neighbouring township. Willie Ingle was a worthy member of the School and we are quite certain that he would play his part in the great and serious period through which we have all been passing during the last five years. The country is the poorer for the loss of such sterling characters.

RALPH NEAL CRESSWELL — 1910-18 — Second-Lieutenant, Royal Air Force (Pilot). Reported missing October 23rd, 1918, now presumed killed.

Ralph Cresswell joined the Air Force in June, 1917, and went to France in October, 1918. He was leading a Formation Flight over the enemy lines at Le Cateau, when he was attacked by 15 enemy machines at 6000 feet. A sharp fight took place and he was lost sight of and reported missing. No news of him came for nine weeks, but in February, 1919, his observer returned to England after having been a prisoner. In a letter from him it was learned that Ralph was wounded early in the fight and his machine brought down, after having sent two enemy machines crashing to the earth. Thus Ralph Cresswell did his bit and all will revere his memory for his bravery. That he loved his work and the part he had chosen to help his country we have good reason to know. He was a fine fellow and was a daring pilot. It is a marvellous thing what wonderful deeds English Schoolboys have done in this great war and Ralph Cresswell was a notable example.

OXFORD LETTER.

Friday, June 20th, 1919.

Dear Mr. Editor,

This term, which alas, draws to an official end to-morrow, has been full of the most pleasant activities for us all. Needless to say, we have done no work. Yesterday saw us on the river, wielding a punt pole as though it was charged with high explosive. To-day we are counted amongst those who have crossed the Rollers and ascended to Islip even in the heat of the day. The river too, has seen us, though infrequently, toiling on a fixed seat in "tubbing" and "toggers," until the more fortunate few were deified in that glorious, if truncated week, when deeds of high achievement were performed, less for the College than some particular pair of bright eyes. Then to tea, and hero-worship on the barge! Rowing days past, we have given ourselves to the milder joys of tennis and cricket, and, *horresco referens*, to the jazz-roll.

The weather, the girl from Somerville, and the weakness of human nature, have all conspired against the exhortations of tutors where work is concerned, but it is remoured that one of our number, who shall be nameless, is reading Roman Law and enjoying it. We have not neglected the claims of various societies however, whose *raison d'être* is to serve up scholarship

camouflaged with cleverness and spiced with wit. The College Debating Society and the Union are our prime food, whilst such unofficial gatherings as the Martlets and the Neo-Hellenists turn aside from politics to the rarer atmosphere of art and high-living. As yet we have not entirely escaped from the blight which the great war cast on our minds, which may account for our curious oscillations from earnestness to levity, and *vice versa*. Still, meetings for discussion are seldom dull, and often stimulating, which is all they need to be.

I am afraid, sir, I have already far outrun the limited space you so willingly accord me, so I must regretfully draw to a close. With all good wishes to yourself and the school, in the pleasant anticipation of seeing you once more next month.

Yours sincerely,

OXONIENSIS.

CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

Dear Mr. Editor,

Cambridge, this term, presents few differences from its pre-war activities. The river, the playing fields, and even the lecture rooms, as rumour reports, are just as crowded as ever. The same multitude of bright hued blazers dazzle the eye, tho' toned down a little by naval and American uniforms. For we entertain strangers in our midst—selections from the Navy and American Army. The latter have introduced one innovation—baseball—while the former have brought us more notoriety than fame. Of the Old Savilians here few details are forthcoming. One has been seen on the river, a martyr to the inexorable demands of May week; the other was reluctantly permitted to assume the rôle of the flannelled fool, until the intense heat reduced his energy and average to a minimum. Scholastic achievements are there none; the authorities wisely and happily recognised the futility of attempting to extract the non-existent, and dispensed with most of the May examinations. In view of our very limited numbers dare we hope that they will be swelled a little next term? Recruits from the old school will be heartily welcome.

Yours sincerely,

O.S. CANTAB.

OLD SAVILIAN NOTES.

Mr. G. E. Webster desires to take this opportunity to express his appreciation of the numerous kind enquiries made by Old Savilians and friends during his recent illness. He is pleased to report himself as back at duty once more, and hopes to 'carry on' again with renewed energy.

NEW MEMBERS:—

- Mr. J. H. Barton, Rhoscolyn, Coalway Road, Piern Fields, Wolverhampton.
Mr. G. E. Hoyland, School House, South Hiendley, Barnsley.
Mr. H. Conolly, Walton, Near Wakefield.
Mr. Geo. Booth, Stoneleigh Terrace, Agbrigg, Wakefield.
Rev. A. L. Wylde, S. Simon's Vicarage, Bethnal Green, E.
Mr. Albert Myers, Station Road, Ossett, Yorks.
Mr. W. S. Lund, 70, York Street, Wakefield.
Mr. R. W. Burns, 16, St. John's Square, Wakefield.
Mr. H. Lowery, 35, Park Lane, Wakefield.
Mr. C. Mellor, Jr., Westgate, Wakefield.
Mr. N. Nicholson, 35, King Street, West, Manchester.
Mr. J. M. Perkin, Blenheim Crest, Wakefield.
Mr. D. M. Shackleton, Middlestown, Near Dewsbury.
Mr. G. H. Turner, 25, Clarendon Street, Wakefield.
Mr. J. B. Oxley, Alverthorpe, Wakefield.
Mr. J. Henry Haigh, Barnsley Road, Hemsworth, Near Wakefield.
Mr. F. Hanley, Home Farm Hemsworth, Near Wakefield.
- Since issuing the Year Book we have been notified of several errors in addresses, etc.
- Mr. G. G. Blakey, Moorleigh, Sandal, Wakefield.
Messrs. G. F. and C. W. Hutchinson, Yew Villa, Normanton, Near Wakefield.
Mr. G. E. Welch, M.A., B.Sc., Belgravia Road, St. John's, Wakefield.
Mr. T. Cliffe, 1202, Fourth Avenue, New Westminster, B.C. Canada.
Mr. H. W. Crouch, 11, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

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We shall be glad if Members will write us at once should they discover any inaccuracies either in address, title or dates.

We are without the addresses of :

Mr. L. de F. Bartle (1899-1902).

Mr. W. A. Marsden (1878-84).

and shall be pleased if any member can supply them.

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MARRIAGE.

COOKE—HICKS. On April 23rd, at Kirby Moorside, Mr. Rowland B. Cooke to Miss Winifred J. Weatherley-Hicks.

OLD SAVILIANS CLUB.

Twenty-first Annual Meeting.

About the usual number of members attended the 21st Annual Meeting held on July 11th, in the School Hall (by kind permission of the Headmaster) when Lt.-Col. H. J. Haslegrave, C.M.G. (the President) was in the Chair.

The business was chiefly of the usual routine character. The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, which had been printed and circulated to the members were adopted, and many of the officers re-elected.

President : Lt.-Col. H. J. Haslegrave, C.M.G.

Hon. Treasurer : Mr. J. W. Berry.

Hon. Secretaries : Messrs. C. H. Head and G. E. Webster.

Hon. Auditors : Messrs. J. H. Glover and H. Oxley.

Nine names were submitted for the five vacancies on the Committee, and upon a vote being taken Messrs. A. A. Bonner, E. A. Greenwood, G. E. Tansley, J. P. Firth, and A. C. Green were declared elected.

Notice had been given to amend Rule IV, which now reads :—

“Any member may commute the Annual Subscription of five shillings by payment of a sum of two guineas in lieu thereof. Such commuted subscription shall include subscription for the current year, but be exclusive of any arrears. Subject to a reserve of £150 being kept intact, the commuted subscriptions may be placed to the credit of the general account.”

Short Reports were given of the progress of the War Memorial Fund and the Garden Fête.

Hearty votes of thanks were passed to all the officers of the Club and also to Mr. Spilsbury for the use of the Hall.

COPY OF GENERAL ROUTINE ORDERS

by

GENERAL SIR WILLIAM R. ROBERTSON,

G.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., D.S.O., A.D.C.,

Commander-in-Chief, British Army of the Rhine,

General Headquarters,

June 30th, 1919.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S BRANCH.

2998. ACT OF COURAGE:—The Army Commander wishes to express his appreciation of the following act of courage;—

On June 9th, some German children were playing on the landing stage above the embarkation pier, Cologne. One of them fell into the Rhine and was being rapidly carried down by the current, when Lieut. R. F. Cobby, R.G.A. dived in from the embarkation pier and succeeded in rescuing him after he had come up for the last time.

The current was very strong and the river was rendered more dangerous by the fact that several barges and boats were tied to the pier, so that Lieut. Cobby ran very great personal risk in diving in.

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Mr. W. W. Marks (O.S.), Clerk of the Peace to the Bedfordshire County Council has been presented by the Council with a silver table service as an appreciation of his very valuable services during the past 27 years. We are sure all Wakefield friends will rejoice at this mark of recognition of one of our most distinguished Old Boys.

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All Old Savilians will also be delighted to congratulate Mr. G. E. Webster, one of the Secretaries of the Club for so many years, on his being made a Governor of the School. He has been chosen as a representative member by the City Council. We are glad to see him back again restored to his usual vigour and we sincerely hope he will have many years of useful life both to the Club and to the School.