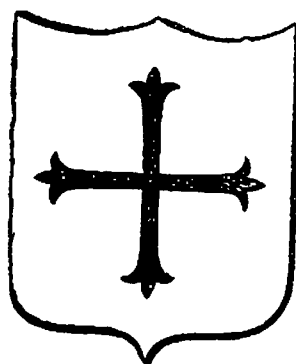


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SEC.-LIEUT. HUGH MONTGOMERY ARCHDALL OLPHERT.
3rd Royal Munster Fusiliers,
Killed in action at the Somme, on 9th Sept., 1916.
(Conqueror; Jan., 1912—July, 1915).

EDITORIAL.

As we sit down to write this, our second Editorial, our first thought is one of sadness at the loss of an Old Ellesmerian who has fought and fallen for his King and Country. We are indeed glad to be able to insert at last the photograph of one of Ellesmere's heroes, and we are sure the change will be appreciated by the many still at Ellesmere College who remember Olphert as a boy at school. Though personally we had not the privilege of his acquaintance, the fact that he preceded us in the Editorial Chair makes him of double interest to us.

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Perhaps we should next refer to the change in size of the present issue. We had serious thoughts of calling it a *Special Christmas Number* or a *Double Sporting Number*. We trust that the conglomeration of sporting news does not meet with any disapproval. What say the critics? We invite the views of our readers on this subject.

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Speaking of changes reminds us of several alterations in the school. Thus, the library has undergone a complete transformation and is now a comfortable and well furnished room. Our thanks are due to Mr. Cope for his untiring efforts on its behalf, for it is to him alone that we owe the present state of such an important institution as the School Library. He is at present engaged in completing his task of cataloguing the many books in the library—an undertaking which has already taken the whole of this term. Thus we are under a debt of gratitude to Mr. Cope for the time and trouble which he has so ungrudgingly spent on the library.

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The gift of a billiard table to the school is another change appreciated by all. It

would indeed be hard to estimate how many hours of real enjoyment the billiard table has provided. All that now remains for us is to thank the anonymous donor for his generosity in giving such a valuable present to the School.

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There is yet another change in a different part of the School—in fact, we don't like to mention it lest we be accused of "playing to the gallery." We refer to the introduction of mince pies and jam puffs into the Tuck Shop. We have also noticed a great spreading of sarcasm throughout the school—not that there is any connection. Everyone nowadays tries hard to be sarcastic. Those that can, make cryptic remarks which nobody understands, while those that can't, laugh at their own points and wonder why everyone else is so stupid. Thus a diminutive junior, addressing Baker shortly after the first appearance of the mince pies and jam puffs in the Tuck Shop, questioned him as follows: "Have you any cakes, please Baker?" On the latter replying in the negative the "wee bairn" was heard to remark: "Very well, then I'll have a jam puff." We foresee a future "star" for the Debating Society.

In conclusion, we wish all our readers a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Prefects.

- W. H. Pilkington*—Captain of School; Captain of Football; Member of Debating Society Committee.
A. Ericson—Prefect of Hall; Member of Games' Committee; Sergeant-at-Arms, Debating Society.
S. L. B. Smith—Prefect of Chapel; Secretary of Games; Member of Debating Society Committee.
H. D. P. Cooper.

D. D. Parnell—Editor of *The Ellesmerian* ;
Member of Debating Society Committee ; Assistant Librarian.

W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson—Secretary of
Debating Society ; Member of Games
Committee ; Assistant Librarian.

W. J. Butterworth.

H. W. Garforth.

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Last term we had to say farewell to Mr. H. A. Smith, Mr. C. S. Allwood and Miss B. I. Sparrow.

Mr. Smith had returned to us at the beginning of the term after an absence of eighteen months, during which time he had been on active service in France and had been very severely wounded. Unfortunately, his health did not permit him to remain with us long and he had to leave. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Allwood had been with us over a term and will be greatly missed. We wish him success and good luck.

Miss Sparrow had been here as Assistant Music Teacher for one term.

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This term Mr. W. W. J. Carl left us at about half-term to join the Navy Signalling Corps. We are very sorry to lose him, and wish him prosperity and good luck. Mr. Carl came here in January, 1915, as Senior English Master. He became Dormitory Master of the 'Yellows' in September, 1915. Mr. Beresford succeeds him as Dormitory Master.

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We extend a most hearty welcome to Mr. R. E. Blofeld, B.A., who succeeds Mr. Smith ; and also to Mr. G. L. Gould, who comes to us from Denstone College as Assistant Music Master.

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We also welcome the Rev. A. Cole, M.A., Vicar of Penley, who is teaching here this term.

Mr. Hoole returns to us this term, in place of Mr. Allwood, after an absence of one term.

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We congratulate W. H. Pilkington on being made Captain of School ; A. Ericson Prefect of Hall, and S. L. B. Smith Prefect of Chapel this term.

D. D. Parnell, W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson, W. J. Butterworth, and H. W. Garforth have been made Prefects. We offer them our heartiest congratulations.

The following new Dormitory Prefects have been made this term :—R. Bowyer, A. Prodger, H. J. Clee, B. Howard, and H. C. Shingler.

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We tender our hearty congratulations to D. D. Parnell on obtaining First Class Honours in the Oxford Senior Locals, with distinction in Latin. In order to celebrate his success, the school was given an extra half-holiday.

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D. A. Aubrey obtained 2nd Class and H. C. Shingler 3rd Class Honours in the Junior Locals, and G. M. Whiteway 3rd Class Honours in the Preliminary examination. We wish to offer them our congratulations.

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W. H. Pilkington is Captain of Football.

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The following have obtained 1st XV. Football Colours this term:—

A. Ericson (regained), E. Garnett (regained), K. J. Slater, E. A. Vanderbilt, E. Girling, W. J. Butterworth, A. G. C. Prodger, D. A. Aubrey, and R. W. Price.

S. L. B. Smith regained his 2nd XV. Colours ; and W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson, R. Bowyer, W. J. Keeley, and T. W. F. Bolland gained their 2nd XV. Colours.

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Last term, the following obtained 1st XI. Cricket Colours :—L. R. Tomkins

(regained), R. Bowyer, E. Garnett, N. P. Vanderbilt, W. H. Pilkington, R. W. Price and C. B. Coney.

J. F. Bolland, G. T. Cattell, H. J. Clee and S. L. B. Smith gained their 2nd XI. Colours.

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W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson was elected a member of the Games Committee this term.

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The following new officers of the Debating Society were elected this term :—

President :—The Rev. the Chaplain.

Sergeant-at-Arms :—A. Ericson.

Reporting Secretary :—J. L. W. Johnstone.

Member of Committee :—D. D. Parnell.

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This term the furniture of the Boys' Library has been varnished, new oilcloth laid on the floor, and the general appearance of the room improved greatly.

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A billiard table has been kindly presented to the school and placed in the Boys' Library. A billiard club has been formed with a terminal subscription of 2/6.

SWIMMING.

This year an unexpected spell of hot weather caused the baths to be filled at an early date in the expectation of a long spell of bathing. Unfortunately within a few days of opening, cold winds became the fashion and only the boldest ventured to go into the baths at all. This greatly militated against the swimming of lengths and few were done till the last fortnight of term, when the scorching sun raised the temperature of the water to a maximum of 73°.

The following boys swam various lengths :—

120 yds.—Allison, Adams, Creese, Lindholm, Owen, Roberts ii., MacFall i., Martyn, Fenton, Jones iv., Aubrey, Pennington, Whitfield i., Garnett iv., Fox-Russell ii., Riseley i., Bromley, Pavillard ii., Riseley ii., Kendall, Greenwood i., Davies i, Ryan iii., Greene, Weeks, Garnett v., Shirlaw, Euing, Lane-Williams.

120 yds. in flannels :—Irwin i., Adams, Slater, Morgan ii., Allison, Long, Wilks, Whitfield, Cattell ii.

250 yds.—Morris i., Settle, Owen, Creese, Bromley, Smith ii., Cattell i., Martyn, Riseley i., Ryan iii., Shirlaw, Keatinge i., Euing, Keeley, Pavillard i., Cattell i.

$\frac{1}{4}$ -Mile.—MacFall i., Allison, Over, Pennington, Skinner, Morris i., Whitfield i., Settle, Morgan ii., Lindholm, Owen, Hinton ii., Bradburn, Kendall, Pavillard i., Adams, Cattell i.

$\frac{1}{2}$ -Mile.—Topham ii., Owen, Over, Morris i., Wilks, Irwin i., Settle, Pennington, Cattell ii., Slater, Allison.

1 Mile.—Cattell ii., Slater, Topham ii., Jones i.

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The Sports were held during the last fortnight of term and produced very keen competition.

Senior Events.

High Dive—1, Jones i. (K. Harold); 2, Smith ii. (K. Harold); 3, Bradburn (K. Arthur).

Plunge—1, Topham ii. (K. Alfred); 2, Morris i. (Conqueror); 3, Barclay (K. Arthur).

Running Dive—1, Jones i. (K. Harold); 2, Irwin i. (K. Arthur).

1 Length—1, Vanderbilt i. (K. Alfred); 2, Jones i. (K. Harold).

4 Lengths—1, Vanderbilt i. (K. Alfred); 2, Jones i. (K. Harold).

Junior Events.

High Dive—1, Lindholm (*K. Edward*);
2, Bradburn (*K. Arthur*).

Plunge—1, Bradburn (*K. Arthur*); 2,
MacFall i. (*Conqueror*).

Running Dive—1 MacFall i. (*Conqueror*);
2, Pennington (*K. Alfred*).

1 *Length*—1, MacFall i. (*Conqueror*);
2, Allison (*K. Harold*).

4 *Lengths*—1, MacFall i. (*Conqueror*);
2, Irwin i. (*K. Arthur*).

Minimi Events.

Plunge—i. Cattell ii. (*Lower K. Alfred*).

1 *Length*—1, Riseley ii. (*Heywood*).

Flying Squadron—

Heat 1.—1, K. Edward; 2, K. Harold

Heat 2.—1, Conqueror; 2 Woodard.

Heat 3.—1, Heywood; 2 Gordon.

Heat 4.—1, K. Alfred, 2 K. Arthur.

Semi-Finals.—1, K. Edward; 2, Heywood.

1, K. Alfred; 2, Conqueror.

Final.—1, K. Edward; 2, K. Alfred.

Life-Saving Competition for Royal Humane Society's Medal. There were 16 entries for the three tests in this competition and the results were very close. Major MacFall kindly acted as judge and we were very grateful for his services. The first 8 competitors were:—1, Topham ii. (*K. Alfred*); 2, Smith ii. (*K. Harold*); 3, Jones i. (*K. Harold*); 4, Coney i. (*K. Edward*); 5, Irwin i. (*K. Arthur*); 6, MacFall i. (*Conqueror*); 7, Slater (*K. Arthur*); 8, Lindholm (*K. Edward*).

Topham ii. received the Royal Humane Society's Medal.

Championship—

1, K. Alfred, 35½ points. 2, K. Harold 31 points; 3, Conqueror, 25 points; 4, K. Edward, 20½ points.; 5, K. Arthur, 16½ points.

Provost's Bell—

1, Jones i. (*K. Harold*) 25½ points.

2, MacFall i. (*Conqueror*) 20½ points
3, Vanderbilt i. (*K. Alfred*), 18 points.

THE CRICKET SEASON.

Played 6. Won 4. Lost 1. Drawn 1.

The fixtures for the season were left chiefly for matches with the camp teams round about Ellesmere, owing to school teams finding railway expenses too heavy.

The above figures by themselves point to a successful season, and a success it was in every way. From the first members showed keenness in both matches and practice.

The fielding of the team was excellent; the catching was very good, and in matches only one catch was dropped. Special mention should be made of Pilkington at point, Garnett at cover point, and Bowyer in the long field.

Tomkins bowled exceedingly well throughout the season, and received useful help from Pilkington, Bowyer, and Price.

The batting was good on the whole, although one or two of the team did not come up to our expectation. Ericson and Tomkins started the season well, each scoring over 50 in the first match against Willaston. Garnett played very steadily at times, but Bowyer did not show up his true form in matches. We cannot be blamed for the defeat we suffered at the hands of the 6th Cheshire Regt., who brought over Lieuts. Cragg, Sparkes and Goodall; Cragg and Sparkes having played for Lancashire 2nd XI., and Goodall for Stockport.

A word or two must be said about the Dormitory Matches. The Champion Dormitory was really decided in the first round, when the Alfred and Harold, by far the two strongest dormitories, met. The Harold batting was very good, and their total score was 120, but the Alfred

batting was even better, for their score was 125 for 3. The Alfred won the final against the Arthur, the latter finding it very hard to stand up to the Alfred bowling (Tomkins and Price). There was great keenness and sportsmanship shown throughout the Dormitory matches, and the work which the leading men in each team accomplished is also worthy of mention.

To sum up, one certainly feels that the season was successful in that a great deal of keenness was shown, without which success is impossible. Even in the one match when we were beaten, we put up a hard fight.

During the season Tomkins regained his 1st XI. Colours, and Bowyer, Garnett, Vanderbilt, Pilkington, Price and Coney gained their 1st XI. Colours; while Bolland, Cattell, Clee and Smith gained their 2nd XI. Colours.

CHARACTERS OF THE XI.

- A. Ericson* (Capt.)—A sound and fairly consistent batsman, but is a little lacking in variety of strokes. A safe catch, but rather slow in the field. Captained the team with judgment and our thanks are largely due to him for the season's success.
- L. R. Tomkins*.—A very good batsman with a variety of strokes. A very useful man for opening the innings. Has been very useful as a bowler, and is a safe catch.
- R. Bowyer*.—A very good and keen batsman, but has had bad luck in matches, should make good scores next season. Proved useful as a change bowler, and is a safe catch and very good field.
- E. Garnett*.—A very good batsman, with a strong leg stroke; but should get out of the habit of standing with his left foot before his bat. A very good catch and field.
- N. P. Vanderbilt*.—Comes in late in the innings, and proves quite useful at times; but is rather inclined to trust to luck. A good field, and a fair catch.
- W. H. Pilkington*.—A good batsman who has made great improvement in his style. Lacks self-confidence; should make good scores next season. Has been useful as a bowler, and is a very good catch and field.
- R. W. Price*.—A very good batsman, but is inclined to be erratic. Will make a good bowler when he learns to take his time between each delivery. A very good field and catch.
- C. B. Coney*.—A fair batsman. Would make a very good field and catch, if he did not take things too easily; should learn to make sure of a catch with both hands.
- J. F. Bolland*.—A very good batsman, who has greatly improved during the season, but unfortunately is handicapped by lack of inches. A very good wicket-keeper, and a keen member of the team.
- G. T. Cattell*.—A good batsman, but did not do so well as was expected of him. Suffers from nerves. A fair field and catch.
- H. J. Clee*.—A very good batsman, who improved a great deal during the season, but did not have much opportunity of displaying his batting. Rather slow in the field, and a fair catch.

1ST XI. AVERAGES.

BATTING.

	No. of Inns.	Times not out,	Highest score	Total Runs.	Average
A. Ericson	6	0	64	137	22.63
L. R. Tomkins..	6	0	57	116	19.3
E. Garnett ..	6	2	40*	65	16.25
N. P. Vanderbilt	3	0	37	41	13.6
C. B. Coney	4	0	24	39	9.57
J. F. Bolland....	3	1	8*	19	9.5
W. H. Pilkington	6	3	11*	19	6.3
R. Bowyer.....	6	1	11	25	5.
R. W. Price	4	0	9	11	2.75
G. T. Cattell ...	3	0	3	4	1.3
H. J. Clee.....	2	1	28*	28	28.

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	M.	B.	W.	Average
L. R. Tomkins	61	9	140	24	5.83
W. H. Pilkington	23	4	50	3	6.25
R. Bowyer.....	29	4	75	10	7.5
R. W. Price	39	6	118	5	23.6

MATCHES.

1ST XI. v. WILLASTON SCHOOL.

Our first match of the season was played on June 10th, at home, the result being an easy win for us. The School batted first and retired after making a total of 144 for 8 wickets.

Thanks to the bowling of Tomkins the Willaston team were dismissed for a total of 29.

The scores were as follows :—

S. O. C.

L. R. Tomkins c Blackwell b Facon.....	57
E. Garnett lbw b Coventry.....	4
A. Ericson c Homer b Richardson.....	64
C. B. Coney hit wkt. b Richardson.....	1
R. Bowyer b Coventry.....	2
W. H. Pilkington not out.....	2
R. W. Price c Wilson b Coventry.....	0
N. P. Vanderbilt run out.....	2
J. F. Bolland run out.....	8
J. T. Cattell	{ did not bat.
H. J. Clee....	
Extras.....	4
Total....	144

WILLASTON.

A. S. Parkes c Bowyer b Tomkis	1
J. B. Bennett c Garnett b Tomkins.....	0
E. A. Coventry c Vanderbilt b Tomkins....	0
P. K. B. Homer c Garnett b Price.....	1
C. W. Richardson b Tomkins.....	0
E. Blackwell c Bowyer b Price.....	2
D. Blackwell b Tomkins.....	20
F. Skelton b Tomkins.....	2
S. P. Facon c Bowyer b Tomkins.....	1
J. W. Onions b Pilkington.....	1
H. M. Wilson not out.....	0
Extra.....	1

Total.... 29

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S.O.C. v. 3/I W. LANCs. R.A.M.C.

This match was played on our ground on June 17th. Ericson won the toss and decided to field first. It being a fine day, we were honoured by a large number of spectators from the various camps.

The result was a victory for us by 6 wickets and 12 runs.

For the School Tomkins and Ericson batted well, while Pilkington gave us a good display of bowling.

3/I W. LANCs. R.A.M.C.

Capt. Wall c Garnett b Tomkins.....	20
Dr. Goslyn b Pilkington.....	3
Sgt. Rudge b Pilkington.....	0
Corpl. Hughes b Pilkington.....	0
Pte. Hughes c Price b Bowyer.....	7
Lieut. Pinder c Bowyer b Tomkins.....	4
Pte. Thomas b Bowyer.....	16
Capt. Smith, c Garnett b Bowyer.....	12
Pte. Weston stumped.....	4
Col. O'Hagan not out.....	9
Pte. Barlow c Price b Tomkins.....	8
Extras.....	6

Total.... 89

S.O.C.

L. R. Tomkins lbw b Hughes.....	50
E. Garnett c Thomas b Goslyn.....	0
A. Ericson c Hughes b Rudge.....	25
C. B. Coney b Thomas.....	10
R. Bowyer not out.....	6
W. H. Pilkington not out.....	4

R. W. Price	} did not bat.
N. P. Vanderbilt...	
H. J. Clee	
G. T. Cattell	
J. F. Bolland	

Extras..... 2

Total.... 97

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S.O.C. v. OSWESTRY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This match was played at Oswestry on June 24th, the result being an easy win for us.

Oswestry batted first and made a total score of 47, Moses i. being the only one who gave our bowlers any trouble.

For the School Garnett and Clee batted well, The scores were as follows :—

OSWESTRY.

Finchett c Pilkington b Tomkins.....	8
Jackson (iii.) c Ericson b Tomkins.....	4
Wynn-Jones b Tomkins.....	10
Thomas (i.) c Cattell b Pilkington.....	0
Moses (i.) b Tomkins.....	16
Gregory (i.) c Garnett b Ericson.....	3
Allan b Tomkins.....	0
Chalk c Ericson b Pilkington.....	2
Moses (ii.) run out.....	1
Sutcliffe run out.....	1
Gregory (ii.) not out.....	0
Extras.....	2
Total....	47

S O. C.

L. R. Tomkins c Gregory (i) b Moses (i.)....	7
R. Bowyer c Gregory (i) b Wynn-Jones....	11
A. Ericson b Wynn-Jones.....	21
W. H. Pilkington b Moses (i.).....	0
E. Garnett not out.....	40
R. W. Price b Moses (i).....	1
G. T. Cattell b Moses (i).....	0
N. P. Vanderbilt b Wynn-Jones.....	2
H. J. Clee not out.....	28
J. F. Bolland.....	} did not bat.
S. L. B. Smith ..	
Extras.....	4
Total....	115

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S.O.C. v. 3/1ST W. LANCS. R.A.M.C.

This match was played at the Camp (Park Hall) on July 1st, and resulted in a win for the School.

The School batted first, and things did not look very bright, until Vanderbilt went in and pulled up the score to 53.

We must thank the soldiers for the enjoyable time we spent at the camp.

The scores were as follows :—

S. O. C.

L. R. Tomkins b Rudge.....	2
R. Bowyer c and b Rudge.....	0
A. Ericson b Lloyd.....	5
E. Garnett lbw b Rudge.....	6
W. H. Pilkington c Thomas b Lloyd.....	2
W. R. Price c Goslyn b Lloyd.....	1
N. P. Vanderbilt b Thomas.....	37
C. B. Coney run out.....	5
G. T. Cattell b Thomas.....	3
J. F. Bolland b Goslyn.....	3
S. L. B. Smith not out.....	1
Extras.....	4
Total....	69

3/1ST W. LANCS. R.A.M.C.

Capt. Smith b Tomkins.....	0
Corpl. Wall b Bowyer.....	10
Pte. Barlow b Tomkins.....	6
Sgt. Ellis run out.....	5
Corpl. Hughes c Coney b Tomkins.....	4
L.-Cpl. Lloyd b Tomkins.....	2
Pte. Trenbath b Tomkins.....	6
Pte. Goslyn b Bowyer.....	5
Sgt. Rudge c Ericson b Bowyer.....	8
Pte. Thomas run out.....	0
Sgt. Avery not out.....	4
Extra.....	1
Total....	53

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S.O.C. v. 3/1st W. LANCS. R.A.M.C.

Played at the Camp on July 8th. The soldiers on winning the toss decided to bat first. Their total score was 100, of which Pte. Thomas made 23 not out.

The School started their innings badly, but managed to bring their score up to 42 for 3 wickets, before they were called in.

The match resulted in a draw.

The scores were as follows :—

3/1st W. LANCS. R.A.M.C.

Corpl. Wall b Tomkins.....	5
L.-Cpl. Lloyd c Tomkins b Bowyer.....	3
Dr. Goslyn b Ericson.....	15
Corpl. Hughes c Garnett b Bowyer.....	0
Pte. Trenbath b Pilkington.....	6
Pte. Thomas not out.....	23
Sgt. Rudge c Coney b Ericson.....	7
Sgt. Myers c Coney b Tomkins.....	4
Pte. Barlow c Bolland b Price.....	13
Pte. Peers b Price.....	14
Pte. Hughes c Ericson b Tomkins.....	0
Extras.....	13
Total....	103

S.O.C.

L. R. Tomkins c Lloyd b Myers.....	0
R. Bowyer b Goslyn.....	5
A. Ericson c and b Rudge.....	17
E. Garnett not out.....	5
W. H. Pilkington not out.....	11
R. W. Price	} did not bat.
G. T. Cattell	
N. P. Vanderbilt...	
C. B. Coney	
J. F. Bolland.....	
H. J. Clee.....	
Extras.....	4
Total....	42

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S.O.C. v. 6TH CHESHIRE REGT.

Played on our ground on July 22nd, and resulted in an easy win for the Cheshire team. They beat us by 97 runs and 6 wickets. Capt. Goodall made 42, Lt. Sparkes 64, Lt. Cragg 42 not out.

Our team reached a respectable score of 70, although the scores made were rather poor, compared with other matches.

The scores were as follows :—

6th CHESHIRE REGT.

Capt. Goodall c Pilkington b Tomkins.....	42
Sgt. Beard c Ericson b Price.....	12
Lieut. Sparkes b Bowyer.....	64
Lieut. Cragg not out.....	42
Lieut. Cowpe c Price b Bowyer.....	4

Lieut. Butlin	} did not bat.
Corpl. Robinson	
Sgt. Mackrell.....	
Capt. Kirton	
Corpl. Furness	
Pte. Ridgway	

Extras..... 4

Total.... 168

S. O. C.

L. R. Tomkins b Cragg.....	0
R. Bowyer c Beard b Kirton.....	1
A. Ericson c and b Cragg.....	5
E. Garnett lbw b Cragg.....	10
W. H. Pilkington b Kirton.....	0
R. W. Price stumped.....	9
G. T. Cattell run out.....	1
C. B. Coney b Kirton.....	24
J. F. Bolland not out.....	8
H. J. Clee lbw b Sparkes.....	0
S. L. B. Smith c Cragg b Sparkes.....	0
Extras.....	12

Total.... 70

INTER-DORMITORY CHALLENGE CUP.

1st Round.

KING HAROLD v. KING ALFRED.

This was easily the best of the cricket dormitory matches. Some of the batting scores were very good. Pilkington i. (43) batted very well for the K. Harold, and Ericson (77 not out) did very well for the K. Alfred.

K. HAROLD.

E. Garnett c Pennington b Tomkins.....	18
W. H. Pilkington c Tomkins b Price.....	48
R. Bowyer c and b Ericson.....	10
D. W. Jones c Vanderbilt b Tomkins.....	10
E. Girling c Cattell b Ericson.....	1
F. W. Smith c Ericson b Price.....	4
E. A. Vanderbilt c Cattell b Price.....	7
R. F. Taylor c Price b Ericson.....	12
R. V. Settle b Ericson.....	6
E. Pilkington c and b Ericson.....	0
F. Garnett not out.....	1
Extras.....	3

Total.... 120

K. ALFRED.

L. R. Tomkins b Bowyer.....	0
G. T. Cattell c Jones b Garnett.....	7
A. Ericson not out.....	77
R. W. Price c Taylor b Pilkington.....	26
S. L. Smith not out.....	8
N. P. Vanderbilt.....	} did not bat.
G. Pennington	
F. B. Topham	
B. A. Aubrey.....	
J. W. Bruxby.....	
E. T. Bromley.....	
Extras.....	7
Total....	125

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CONQUEROR v. HEYWOOD.

Played on June 16th. The Conqueror won the toss and let the Heywood bat first. Keatinge i. and Davies brought up the Heywood score considerably. For the Conqueror, Shingler, Bolland i., and Williamson i. played well, and the Conqueror retired after beating their opponents by 5 runs and 3 wickets.

HEYWOOD.

L. R. Keatinge i. run out.....	11
H. R. Oldham run out.....	2
J. O. Davies i. b Bolland i.....	10
A. Prodger c Jeffrey b Bolland i.....	4
E. H. Fenton b Morris i.....	1
D. L. Keatinge ii. c Williamson ii. b Bolland ii	0
C. H. Amor b Bolland ii.....	0
G. G. Osborne c Bolland ii. b Bolland i.....	0
J. S. Foster run out.....	2
G. H. Sturgess b Bolland i.....	1
J. Long not out.....	0
Extras.....	11
Total....	42

CONQUEROR.

J. F. Bolland i. b Davies i.....	6
S. T. Morris i. c Long b Davies i.....	0
T. W. F. Bolland ii. c Prodger b Davies i....	8
F. Williamson i. c and b Davies i.....	15
H. M. Feltham c Amor b Prodger.....	0
H. Shingler not out.....	12
J. R. M. Jeffrey b Prodger.....	2
C. Payton b Davies i.....	1

D. Hinton ii. not out.....	3
J. MacFall	} did not bat.
P. Williamson ii.	
Extras.....	0
Total (for 7).....	47

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WOODARD v. KING ARTHUR.

The match was played on a dry ground. The Arthur won the toss and put the Woodard in. The scoring was slow at first, but owing to the excellent batting of Barclay, the Arthur succeeded in making 74 runs for 5 wickets. For the Arthur, Slater and Ellis bowled well; whilst for the Woodard, Hey played well behind the wicket and Woodward and Ashby bowled well.

WOODARD.

G. J. Ryan iii. run out.....	0
C. S. Ashby b Wilkinson.....	0
H. J. Clee c Adams b Slater.....	29
E. H. Woodward b Skinner.....	2
G. K. Hey lbw b Wilkinson.....	13
L. G. Berry c and b Wilkinson.....	2
C. E. V. Ryan ii. c Bradburn b Skinner....	10
J. H. C. Ryan i. stumped.....	0
A. E. Wardle c Skinner b Wilkinson.....	1
J. J. Steele c Adams b Slater.....	3
E. Chadfield not out.....	3
Extras.....	8
Total....	71

K. ARTHUR.

C. Ellis c Key b Woodward.....	9
F. J. S. Barclay c and b Woodward.....	46
W. A. C.-Wilkinson c Hey b Woodward....	3
K. J. Slater c Wardle b Ashby.....	8
C. G. Skinner not out.....	7
D. D. Parnell b Ashby.....	0
D. Bradburn	} did not bat.
Whitfield ii.	
Adams	
Irwin ii.	
Hutton	}
Extra.....	
Total (for 5 wkts.).....	74

K. EDWARD v. GORDON.

This match was played on a fine day. The King Edward batted first, but their first wicket soon fell. Harper and Keeley bowled well for the Gordon. At the end of their innings the Edward had made 41 runs, Harper having taken 5 wickets and Keeley 4. The Gordon then went in but did not do well, Everall making the top score (6 runs), and Carrick 5 (not out).

K. EDWARD.

H. W. Garforth b Keeley.....	2
F. R. Hitchmough run out.....	0
C. B. Coney i. b Harper.....	6
J. Butterworth b Keeley.....	5
W. Anslow b Harper.....	4
W. Kendall, hit wkt.....	2
H. Betteridge c Howard b Harper.....	0
F. Lindholm c Whiteway i. b Keeley.....	0
R. Wilson ii. not out.....	12
F. Booth c Howard b Keeley.....	6
W. W. Roberts c Howard b Harper.....	3
Extra.....	1
Total....	41

GORDON.

W. J. Keeley c and b Coney i.....	0
C. R. Nevett i. b Coney i.....	0
B. H. Cathrick c Booth b Hitchmough....	0
B. Howard c Anslow b Coney i.....	2
N. C. Harper c Betteridge b Coney i.....	0
R. T. Everall c and b Hitchmough.....	6
C. L. Younger c Butterworth b Coney i....	2
O. J. Watkins c Anslow b Hitchmough....	2
B. Carrick not out.....	5
G. M. Whiteway i. b Coney i.....	0
W. D. Aherin b Coney i.....	0
Extras.....	2
Total....	19

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Semi-Final,

K. EDWARD v. K. ALFRED.

This match was not very interesting owing to the superiority of the K. Alfred team. Tomkins (27 not out) batted very well for the K. Alfred, and Hitchmough bowled well for the K. Edward.

K. EDWARD.

C. B. Coney b Price.....	1
H. W. Garforth run out.....	4
F. R. Hitchmough lbw b Tomkins.....	4
W. J. Butterworth b Price.....	1
W. G. Anslow c Ericson b Price.....	2
F. Booth b Tomkins.....	8
R. M. Wilson b Price.....	3
R. L. Morgan run out.....	2
W. E. Kendall c Price b Ericson.....	5
F. A. Lindholm not out.....	0
W. W. Roberts b Ericson.....	0
Extras.....	4
Total....	34

K. ALFRED.

L. R. Tomkins not out.....	27
G. T. Cattell b Hitchmough.....	7
A. Ericson b Coney.....	0
R. W. Price b Hitchmough.....	0
S. L. Smith not out.....	4
N. P. Vanderbilt..	} did not bat.
G. Pennington ...	
F. B. Topham	
D. A. Aubrey	
J. W. Bruxby.....	
E. T. Bromley.....	
Extras.....	2
Total....	40

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K. ARTHUR v CONQUEROR.

This was rather a close game. The Conqueror batted first and made 53 runs, although only four members of their team scored at all. Morris i. (22), Bolland i. (16) and Bolland ii. (11) batted best. Ellis and Slater bowled well for the Arthur. whilst Barclay (36 runs) batted best for the latter dormitory. The King Arthur won by 4 runs and 1 wicket.

CONQUEROR.

J. F. Bolland i. lbw b Ellis.....	16
T. W. F. Bolland ii. c Parnell b Slater.....	11
H. C. Shingler b Ellis.....	0
S. T. Morris i. b Slater.....	22
H. M. Feltham c Skinner b Ellis.....	0
J. R. M. Jeffrey c C-Wilkinson, b Ellis.....	0
V. T. Payton b Ellis.....	1
J. C. MacFall i. b Slater.....	0

D. Hinton ii. c and b Slater.....	0
J. C. Lee ii. b Ellis.....	0
E. Hinton i. not out.....	0
Extras.....	3
Total....	53

K. ARTHUR.

W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson c Hinton i. b Boll- and ii.....	2
F. J. S. Barclay c Bolland i. b Bolland ii.....	36
C. Ellis c Payton b Bolland ii.....	1
K. J. Slater b Bolland ii.....	3
C. G. Skinner c Feltham b Bolland ii.....	3
D. D. Parnell c and b Bolland i.....	0
L. P. E. Whitfield ii. b Bolland ii.....	4
D. C. B. Bradburn c Bolland ii. b Bolland i.	0
G. H. Adams b Bolland i.....	3
L. Irwin i. not out.....	1
C. Hutton did not bat.	
Extras.....	4
Total (for 9 wks.)..	57

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Final.

K. ARTHUR v. K. ALFRED.

This match was rather uneven, and resulted in an easy win for the K. Alfred. Vanderbilt and Price batted well for the victors. Slater bowled well for the K. Arthur; Tomkins and Price for the K. Alfred.

1ST INNINGS OF K. ARTHUR.

L. P. Whitfield c Aubrey b Tomkins.....	2
F. J. Barclay c Aubrey b Tomkins.....	0
K. J. Slater b Price.....	1
C. Ellis c Vanderbilt b Tomkins.....	2
C. G. Skinner c Bruxby b Price.....	0
W. A. C.-Wilkinson b Tomkins.....	10
D. D. Parnell c and b Tomkins.....	0
G. H. Adams run out.....	0
D. C. Bradburn b Price.....	0
L. Irwin c Ericson b Tomkins.....	0
R. Irwin not out.....	0
Extras.....	2
Total....	17

1ST INNINGS OF K. ALFRED.

L. R. Tomkins c C-Wilkinson b Ellis.....	3
G. T. Cattell b Slater.....	6
A. Ericson lbw b Slater.....	7

R. W. Price c C-Wilkinson b Slater.....	23
N. P. Vanderbilt c Whitfield b Ellis.....	47
G. Pennington c Adams b C-Wilkinson.....	4
F. B. Topham c Bradburn b Slater.....	1
D. A. Aubrey not out.....	5
J. W. Bruxby c Skinner b C-Wilkinson.....	2
E. T. Bromley c Adams b Slater.....	3
Extras.....	3

Total.... 117

2ND INNINGS OF K. ARTHUR.

F. J. Barclay b Tomkins.....	8
K. J. Slater c Ericson b Tomkins.....	0
C. Ellis b Price.....	0
C. G. Skinner b Price.....	2
L. P. Whitfield lbw b Tomkins.....	0
W. A. C-Wilkinson b Tomkins.....	2
D. D. Parnell b Price.....	0
D. C. Bradburn b Tomkins.....	1
G. H. Adams b Price.....	2
L. Irwin c Ericson b Price.....	0
R. Irwin not out.....	0
Extra.....	1

Total.... 16

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

A Tennis Tournament was arranged between six masters and six boys. The boys proved victorious, but each pair was beaten by the Headmaster and Mr. Evans.

SCORES :

The Headmaster	v	F. B. Topham
Mr. Evans		T. W. Bolland
	6—4	for masters
	6—2	for masters
The Headmaster	v	A. Ericson
Mr. Evans		J. Bolland
	6—2	for masters
	6—3	for masters
The Headmaster	v	R. Bowyer
Mr. Evans		J. Barclay
	6—1	for masters
	6—3	for masters
Mr. Cope	v	F. B. Topham
The Rev. The Chaplain		T. W. Bolland
	8—6	for boys
	6—4	for boys
Mr. Cope	v	A. Ericson
The Rev. The Chaplain		J. Bolland
	6—3	for boys
	6—4	for boys

Mr. Cope	v	R. Bowyer
The Rev. the Chaplain	J. Barclay	
	6—3 for boys	
	6—3 for masters	
	6—3 for boys	
Mr. Righton	v	F. B. Topham
Dr. Drawbridge	T. W. Bolland	
	6—0 for boys	
	6—1 for boys	
Mr. Righton	v	A. Ericson
Dr. Drawbridge	J. Bolland	
	6—2 for boys	
	6—1 for boys	
Mr. Righton	v	R. Bowyer
Dr. Drawbridge	J. Barclay	
	6—0 for boys	
	6—1 for boys	
Score in sets: Boys, 6—Masters, 3.		

INTER-DORMITORY TENNIS CHALLENGE CUP.

The dormitory matches were on the whole very well contested, for most of the games were only won after a hard struggle. In the end, however, the Conqueror proved the victors and J. F. Bolland and T. W. F. Bolland are to be congratulated on gaining the cup for their dormitory.

1st Round.

GORDON v. HEYWOOD.		
B. Howard	v	A. C. Prodger
B. H. Cathrick	L. R. Keatinge i.	
Score in games	6—4 for Gordon	
	6—3 for Gordon	
K. ALFRED v. CONQUEROR.		
F. B. Topham	v	J. F. Bolland
A. Ericson	T. W. F. Bolland	
	6—4 for Conqueror	
Score in games	8—6 for K. Alfred	
	11—9 for Conqueror	
K. ARTHUR v. K. HAROLD.		
F. J. S. Barclay	v	W. H. Pilkington i.
C. G. Skinner	E. Garnett iii.	
	6—1 for K. Arthur	
Score in games	6—3 for K. Harold	
	6—3 for K. Arthur	
K. EDWARD v. WOODARD.		
C. B. Coney	v	H. J. Clee
H. W. Garforth	E. H. Woodward	
Score in games	8—6 for K. Edward	
	6—2 for K. Edward	

Semi-Finals.

K. ARTHUR v. CONQUEROR.		
F. J. S. Barclay	v	F. J. Bolland
C. S. Skinner	T. W. F. Bolland	
	6—1 for K. Arthur	
Score in games	6—2 for Conqueror	
	7—5 for Conqueror	

GORDON v. K. EDWARD.

B. Howard	v	C. B. Coney
B. H. Cathrick	H. W. Garforth	
	6—2 for K. Edward	
Score in games	8—6 for the Gordon	
	6—3 for K. Edward	

Final.

CONQUEROR v. K. EDWARD.		
J. F. Bolland	v	C. B. Coney
T. W. F. Bolland	H. W. Garforth	
Score in games	7—5 for the Conqueror	
	6—3 for the Conqueror	

SHOOTING.

The Shooting VIII. last term was as follows:—A. Ericson (Capt.), E. C. C. Lindop, E. Garnett, F. B. Topham, B. Howard, J. H. C. Ryan, W. H. Pilkington, H. J. Clee.

Only one match was arranged (against Worksoop College), in which Ellesmere was defeated by a narrow margin. The team was a very strong one and but for the weather might have given a much better account of itself. Some very good scores were made in the O.T.C. Miniature Musketry Course. Towards the end of the term the Long Range was made available for use, but examinations and other things prevented our going to it. It is hoped that when the weather gets warmer we shall be able to get some practice on it, and arrange some fixtures.

O.T.C.

The strength of the Contingent is at present 144. The following are the recruits this term:—L. Berry, J. F. Barker, R. E. Brabyn, L. H. Bradley (ii.), J. G. Brooks, G. F. Brown (i.), H. D. Brown (ii.), H. Charles, L. Corah, H. W. Fraser, H.

Griffith, G. Harrison (i.), C. A. Johnson, M. Jones (iii), C. W. Jones (iv.), C. W. Kemp, O. H. Parry (i.), C. N. Parry (ii.), E. V. S. Pavillard (i.), J. G. J. Pavillard (ii.), R. Philip, R. W. Raby, A. Rice (ii.), A. D. Shrimpton, R. N. Wilson (iv.), F. G. Wintle.

Parades this term have been at 12.15 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and manœuvres on Tuesday afternoon at 2. There has been one Field Day, on Thursday, December 7th, when we co-operated with S. Lawrence College (Rams-gate) O.T.C. The scheme was an attack by a "Brown" force, composed of the S. Lawrence O.T.C. with two sections of the Ellesmere Contingent, against the "White" force represented by Ellesmere. The attacking force was supposed to have reached the road leading from Tetchill to the top of Frankton Brow by 11-30 a.m. Meantime the defence had consolidated a position round Hardwick on the main Ellesmere—Oswestry road. S. Lawrence developed their attack along two lines, one platoon working round the left flank of the defenders, while the other delivered a frontal attack. The latter manœuvre brought both sides into violent collision almost at once, and it is feared that they put each other out of action several times over. However Ellesmere saw fit to give way and they were gradually pressed back beyond the woods. Meantime the remainder of the S. Lawrence force met with no opposition until they had made almost a complete circuit of the Hall. Finally however they met the opposing flank near to the ground where the first attack was finishing, and the final issue was decided in a general "scrap." It was now no later than 2 o'clock; the attack had developed more quickly than had been expected. The rest of the time was spent in working out another scheme in which Ellesmere became the attacking force.

This was largely spoilt by a mistake on the part of the bugler on the other side who in the middle of a desperate retreat suddenly decided to sound the charge.

It is easy to criticise the working-out of the first scheme. The main attacking party did not appear to take much trouble to find cover. In spite of the assistance offered by the prevailing fog they succeeded in discovering their presence to the enemy long before it was necessary. Ellesmere was too careless in keeping in touch during the retirement. It is of the utmost importance to preserve a straight line in extended order. The Ellesmere fire too was badly controlled by the platoon and section commanders, although the fact that only a certain number of cadets carried ammunition probably made fire control more than ordinarily difficult. The scouting of the defence was much better than that of the attack.

Both Corps fell in on the road at about 3 o'clock and marched back to the school behind the S. Lawrence band. After tea in the Dining-Hall, the visitors left for their train at five o'clock. Generally speaking it was a very successful day. Our best thanks are due to Mrs. Kynaston of Hardwick for her kindness in giving us the use of the ground for the manœuvres, and also to the Matron and the others who provided the very excellent final "spread."

DEBATING SOCIETY.

(From our Parliamentary Correspondent).

The House met for the first time on Sunday, September 24th. Mr. Beresford announced that he regretted having to hand in his resignation from the Presidency. He felt that stress of work and more arduous duties would prevent him from giving that attention to the Society which the position of President involved.

The Society then proceeded to elect the following new officers:—

President—The Rev. the Chaplain.

Vice-President—Mr. Beresford.

Sergeant-at-Arms—W. H. Pilkington.

Reporting Secretary—J. L. W. Johnstone

Members of the Committee—A. Ericson and D. D. Parnell.

The House then adjourned.

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Sunday, October 1st.

The House met at 6-35 p.m. in the Boys' Library.

Ericson proposed and Parnell seconded that the number of adverse votes necessary to exclude a nominee from the Society should be six.

The House then proceeded to discuss the motion "that hair cutting should be abolished."

S. L. B. Smith maintained that shaving was but vanity; meditatively stroking his chin he denounced the whole shaving population as effeminate beings devoid of all sense of manliness. He contemplated with some satisfaction, the extra ten minutes in bed gained by not shaving, and completed his speech by showing the House the utility of beards as neck-warmers.

D. D. Parnell opposed the motion. In a vigorous and breezy speech he pointed out that hair cutting promoted cleanliness and that a considerable amount of time would be saved by not having any beards to clean. With the instincts of a mathematician he said that if the weight of a man's beard varied directly as the distance he travelled, an army of 6,000,000 men would have six tons less weight to carry; this was a consideration. Last, but by no means least, men should imitate the finer qualities of women.

T. W. F. Bolland thought that men should shave to encourage the industry of pillow-stuffing. The hon. member's re-

mark was greeted with effusive laughter.

D. D. Parnell replied. "Poets," he said, "wore long hair." He hastily pointed out that he was not a poet; merely that the Barber had been indisposed on the previous Thursday.

S. L. B. Smith said that Indian soldiers wore beards and yet were as smart as any soldiers.

The motion was rejected by nine votes to six.

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The next motion was, "That in the opinion of this House, School life is one continual jest."

R. W. Price opened the debate by saying that time went quickly for easy going people, slowly for slackers, and, (with an air of supreme understanding) like lightning for 'swats.' On the whole, he maintained that school was a pleasant pastime. (This remark was not met with the uproarious applause that it merited).

K. J. Slater opposed the motion. He remarked that School was a rotten place (Loud applause). He saw no good in learning German owing to the absence of all Germans after the war. He seemed to voice the fellings of the House when he said that no one wanted to know what a straight line was.

E. Girling said that everybody looked gloomy at school. Boys went into form looking glum and came out of it with three drills, still looking glum.

A. Ericson spoke feelingly on the hardships he had undergone when he came to School first. He remarked, with obvious sincerity, that he had to work very hard. (Loud laughter.) He really saw no joke, but if his hearers thought there was anything funny in his last remark they were at liberty to laugh. (More laughter, whereupon the speaker's mask of surprised and injured unconcern melted away.)

Mr. Browett said that some boys treated everything as a joke. (Loud and incessant laughter.)

K. J. Slater, in his reply, compared the food at school very unfavourably with that he had at home. His own thin, weak and puny frame was caused by the scanty fare. *He* generally got lines or drills for working hard.

R. W. Price said that college food and air put on weight. (Murmurs of doubt.) German must be learnt as much as ever after the war. Striking the attitude of a man who knows that he is about to enlist the sympathies of all men, he said that the juniors delighted in school life; they did not have to wash. The Sergeant-at-Arms here removed two or three obstreperous and pugilistic juniors, and the debate ended. The proposition was carried by eight votes to seven.

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Sunday, October 8th.

The motion before the House was, "that, in the opinion of this House, the present style of masculine attire needs drastic reform."

Mr. Browett opened the Debate by saying that to call a man's dress beautiful was a mistake. "Clothes," he said, "have an influence on the juvenile mind." Why did the male class wear gloomy clothes when our gloomy skies were sufficiently depressing? He took, for an example of gloom added to gloom, the advent of a doctor in sober clothes. "Why not have the doctor arrayed in pink silk tights, a green waistcoat and a yellow coat?" he asked. (Murmurs of amusement gradually increasing to roars of laughter as the vivid picture grew in the minds of the House.) The speaker cited many examples of gloomy clothes and ended his speech by recalling the clothes of Goldsmith.

Mr. Gould said that the present style of

dress was perfectly suitable. It was apt to be spoilt by the 'knuts' but this was exceptional. Dress often showed character; therefore a plain, sober, and tidy mode of dress was quite in keeping with a gentleman's character. The tendency of the present day's fashion was to the effeminate; in the speaker's opinion the jockey's dress would be rather a joke.

D. D. Parnell said that black or dark clothes let out heat in winter and retain it in summer which was obviously a disadvantage. He pointed out how much nicer people would look if attired as at a fancy dress ball. To exemplify this he referred to the baker dressed as the classical Cupid. A yachting costume, too, was very becoming. The average British workman was not well dressed; he would look nicer in a blue serge suit.

R. W. Price said that a doctor in such bright clothing would probably hasten his patient's death. He maintained that every body could not afford bright clothes. "What would people think if they saw the 1st XV. coming on to the field in yellow stockings, scarlet shirts and green trousers?"

Miss Turner said that the present masculine attire was too mathematical and square. She felt strongly on the subject and voted most emphatically for the proposition. The thick, hot, tight clothes men wear are too ridiculous for words. In India men looked cool and Rajahs very cool and picturesque. "Why should men be cabined, cribbed, confined in clothing unhealthy in its very structure?" she asked. She suggested a toga as a splendid model for modern masculine attire.

Miss Scott rose and was greeted with loud applause. She spoke for the opposition and said that the modern style of attire was eminently suited to present day requirements.

Mr. Gould again spoke of the 'knot.' He did not see why men should want to follow the example of the 'knot.' The costume of the 'knot' was objectionable and generally in execrable taste.

Mr. Browett pointed out, to the intense discomfiture of the Opposition that the Opposer had made a remark about reform (history does not relate what the remark was). This was contradicting the motion and therefore a good point for his side.

After a good speech, in which the House was begged to show itself as loyally representative of England in voting for the proposition, the vote was taken and the motion was lost by eighteen votes to four.

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[At the time of going to press, accounts of the remaining debates of the term are not forthcoming.]

THE RUGBY SEASON.

In writing a summary of the football season, the first fact confronting the reader is the short fixture list. This is of course due to the war and railway expenses. The committee did all that was possible to try and fill the fixture card, even offering to defray part of the expenses of prospective visiting teams. Our first fixture was at Liverpool and Ellesmerians can look back with pride on the display of the team. To the spectators the display of our side was an excellent example of what science can do against vigour and weight. The match against Willaston was unfortunately one-sided and, although the score was heavy, one must compliment the Nantwich team on its pluck and tenacity. The third match was a tit-bit. We were arrayed once more against a team with a preponderance of avoirdupois

and much individual brilliance. Again science and scrummaging told and we won.

Our forwards all through the term were very good, the 'halves' were up to the standard, and the 'threes' a fast, useful combination.

This is the best season experienced at Ellesmere in 1st XV. matches. The dormitory matches have been played with the usual rivalry. The *Alfred* and *Harold* met in the final. The issue was quickly placed beyond doubt, the *Harold* gaining the shield. The Colour Matches yet to be played will furnish the young idea in the school with tips for their future on the "footer" field.

CHARACTERS OF THE XV.

- W. H. Pilkington* (capt. and right-centre). An enthusiastic player, a 'three' of value, combining speed with weight. A good touch finder. He is a splendid example of sportsmanship.
- **A. Ericson* (centre three-quarter). Has a useful swerve. Can also run straight for the line. A good 'place' kick.
- **E. Garnett* (scrum half). A plucky player who manages to get away from the scrum well. Useful touch-finder.
- **K. J. Slater*. A small but excellent forward. Keeps the pace up and leads the forwards well right up to the final whistle. Good in the tight.
- **E. A. Vanderbilt*. A small but plucky forward. Has much strength and 'go.' Splendid in the tight.
- **E. Girling* (stand-off half). Useful in defence. Will be a fine player when he completely rids himself of selfishness. Has played extremely well this season.
- **W. J. Butterworth*. A big, weighty forward. Tackles well and is useful in the rush. Is improving with experience.

- **A. C. Prodger* (right wing three-quarter). Very fast. Takes a pass well and is a fair tackler.
- **D' A. Aubrey* (left wing three-quarter). Has improved during the season. Has a useful turn of speed and goes straight for the line. A fair tackler.
- **R. W. Price*. A new forward. Valuable in the line out. A good dribbler, keeps the pace to the end.
- †*S. L. B. Smith*. The hooker. Has improved and regained his old position. Useful with his feet. Can improve in the line-out.
- †*W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson*. A good forward. Does not shine in the open but does his duty in the tight. Useful tackler.
- †*R. Bowyer* (full back). Fast and fairly reliable. Is not always a safe touch-finder. Knows how to stop a rush.
- †*T. W. F. Bolland*. A fast, plucky forward. Has developed into a useful front-ranker. Good in the tight.
- †*W. J. Keeley*. A weighty forward. Has rid himself of slowness. Must keep fit and sustain his pace.
- *denotes 1st XV. Colours.
† denotes 2nd XV. Colours.

T.E.W.

MATCHES.

LIVERPOOL COLLEGE v. S.O.C.

This match was played at Liverpool and was in the nature of an experiment. We had no idea of the size of the opposing team, nor its strength. We were well received and shewn the "sights" by the Secretary of the Club. The game was played at Sefton Park in delightful weather, the Ellesmerians seeing that before them was the toughest problem they had ever confronted. The home forwards began dominating the game with short rushes which were stemmed time and

time again by our backs. Following on a piece of bad fielding they at length broke through and scored. The kick failed. This early score had the effect of bucking up the visitors and away they rushed with the ball and over the Liverpool line! It was impossible to see who scored: all our forwards were in at the kill. The kick, though a good one, hit the post and thus the scores were level. Immediately after the drop-out, Ericson took the ball and simply waltzed over the line for try two. The kick, though a beauty, failed again. After this Ellesmere seemed to have the game in hand and the pluck displayed by our recruits was splendid.

After the interval, Liverpool got another try by intercepting a pass. This was not improved upon. The scores were now level again. Now came the tit-bit of the second half, a splendid rush over half the length of the field, and a short, sharp dash by the captain and try number three. With unusually bad luck Ericson's kick again hit the post. The visiting team were now shewing signs of wear and Liverpool, aided by several "frees" got near our lines. The tackling here was grand: I have rarely seen better. Time should have been called, but Father Time must have befriended the referee—unless he had mistaken the date for altering his watch in accordance with the Daylight Saving Bill. The last kick was successful and the game ended with the score:—

Ellesmere, 3 tries.

Liverpool, 2 tries, 1 penalty goal.

Comments.

It is difficult to single out special players for praise in a game where Liverpool could have spared us many stones in weight and many inches in height; yet Pilkington worked very hard and Ericson gave of his best. Had the game been open, the issue would have been decided early. Aubrey tackled well and did his best in

attack. With the exception of a few slips in fielding, the whole team did well.

Those old players among the spectators, who witnessed the game, were astonished at our display against our bigger opponents.

T.E.W.

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S.O.C. v. WILLASTON SCHOOL.

Played at Nantwich on Nov. 4th, and resulted in an overwhelming victory by 72 points (6 goals 14 tries) to nil.

The team as a whole played good football, but the opposition was very weak. Our forwards, who were excellent in the loose, did not get the ball in the scrum as often as the opposing pack, but when they did it was heeled out cleanly.

The halves were good, Garnett being quicker at getting away from the scrum, and Girling passing well to the three-quarters.

The three-quarters played a great game, running and passing well—the only fault being on the part of the centres, who showed too much tendency to bore the wings into touch before passing to them. Bowyer at full-back kicked well.

Of the 20 tries, Ericson scored 9, Pilkington 1, 5, Prodger 3, Aubrey 2, Butterworth 1.

The goal-kicking was poor, many kicks in front of goal being missed.

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S.O.C. v. O.C.B. LICHFIELD.

The S.O.C. F.C. were fortunate in obtaining a belated fixture with a side that had run Rugby School to nine points. Our military opponents were got together by C. Clark, the Blackheath half-back. The contrast in size and weight was again apparent to the spectators. The game soon resolved itself into a forward tussle, and although outweighed in the scrum and loose, the Ellesmerians more than held

their own. There was much individual brilliance on the military side, but as a cohesive force they were beaten fore and aft. A few minutes before the interval, the Ellesmere 'threes' got going and with a delightful piece of work ending in the famous Welsh trick, the reverse pass, Pilkington scored, Ericson converting. The remainder of the game was gruelling, the forward struggle being maintained until the final whistle. Free kicks were given in favourable positions but the score remained with the home team victorious by the five points scored in the first half.

Comments.

Comments on the team are invidious. Yet there are one or two points worth dwelling upon. First, one must compliment the whole team on its tackling and rushing, secondly the captain's touch-kicking, and the pluck displayed by the threes against such big opponents. The halves played well but were handicapped by poor heeling, the one weak spot in this year's team. On the other hand, the half-back is the pivot of the whole side and, if there are no openings made, the 'threes' are useless. In defence the halves were exceptionally plucky, and deserved the honours presented them after the match.

The O.C.B. were very pleased with our display. They themselves played a splendid game.

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S.O.C. v. WILLASTON SCHOOL.

This, our final match of the season, was fought out at home on good turf in bracing weather. Ellesmere were soon seen attacking and the issue was beyond doubt after the first ten minutes. The first half yielded 19 points thanks to splendid tries by Prodger and Pilkington. The second half was brilliant, the passing and handling generally being above reproach. The forwards, who up to this point were not

doing too well, now woke up and three of their number got tries—Bolland ii., Slater, and Butterworth. Willaston were now well beaten but they played pluckily. Pilkington and Ericson were the backbone of the movements throughout the game. The 'halves' were good and Griffith at full back, although faulty at the beginning, played well in the second half. To single out forwards for praise would be invidious.

Final score 49 pts.—0. for S.O.C.

During the game Pilkington managed to score 4 tries, Aubrey 3, and Prodger 2, while Ericson, Slater, Bolland ii., and Butterworth scored 1 each.

DORMITORY MATCHES.

First Round.

K. HAROLD v. K. EDWARD.

This match was played on a fine day but the ground was inclined to be heavy. The first half was very one-sided, owing to the marked superiority of the *K. Harold*, but after half-time the *K. Edward* seemed to wake up and the *K. Harold* did very little scoring. For the victors, Pilkington i., Garnett iii., and Vanderbilt played well, while the pick of the *K. Edward* team was W. J. Butterworth, H. W. Garforth, W. E. Kendall and J. G. Wilson iii., the latter being especially good at scrum-half. Final score 30—0 for *K. Harold*.

Teams:—*K. Harold*.—R. Bowyer; D. Jones, W. H. Pilkington, (capt.), E. Girling, D. Langford i.; E. Garnett iii., F. Garnett iv.; E. A. Vanderbilt, E. G. Thomas, D. Dewhirst, E. Pilkington, W. H. Tindall, H. S. Pilkington, J. Taylor, C. Kemp.

K. Edward.—H. Griffith; W. E. W. Kendall, W. J. Butterworth (capt.), F. A. C. Lindholm, R. M. Wilson ii.; J. G. Wilson iii., L. W. Jones iv.; H. W. Garforth, E. L. Coney, R. B. Hammersley, R. E. Brabyn, W. D. Thompson, G. Martyn, E. A. Rice ii., H. W. Fraser.

K. ALFRED v. CONQUEROR.

This match was played on the First Club ground on Thursday, Nov. 9th. From the first it was evident that the two teams were fairly well matched. The first half was especially strenuous, the two packs confining the play to mid-field. At times, however, the *Conqueror* neglected to mark Ericson and he therefore ran through several times. In the second half the *Conqueror* forwards rallied and occupied most of the game by their strenuous rushes. An exciting scrimmage took place a yard or two from the *Alfred* touch line and the *Conqueror* forwards only just failed to secure a try. Ericson scored most of the *Alfred* tries and Price i., Smith iii., and Bruxby i. played well. There is no doubt that the *Conqueror* had extraordinarily bad luck in not scoring, for their forwards were conspicuous for their pluck and tenacity. Williamson ii., Pavillard i., Aston, and Pavillard ii. deserve mention on the side of the losers. Final score 18—0 for K. Alfred.

Teams:—*K. Alfred*.—J. W. H. Bruxby ii.; G. T. Cattell i., R. N. Wilson iv.; R. W. Price i., S. L. B. Smith, H. D. P. Cooper, L. A. Price ii., J. L. W. Johnstone, F. G. Wintle, D. F. Homes, G. T. Grandvoinet.

Conqueror.—J. F. Bolland i.; J. MacFall, T. C. Lee ii., D. Hinton ii., T. W. F. Bolland ii.; P. S. Williamson ii., J. R. Jeffrey; E. V. S. Pavillard i., W. F. Williamson i., A. E. Aston, J. Pavillard ii., H. C. Shingler, E. Hinton i., V. T. Payton, D. L. Farrar.

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HEYWOOD v. WOODARD.

This match was played on Nov. 11th and was fairly well contested on both sides. Soon after the commencement Prodger finished off some good forward work by scoring a good try for the *Heywood*. Soon after this, however, Hey dribbled down

from the half-way line and equalised. In the second half Prodger again scored for the *Heywood* from a good pass by Davies i. The *Woodard* retaliated by scoring their second try, but after this the *Heywood* had the best of matters, Prodger scoring 3 more tries. Prodger, Keatinge i., Amor and Davies i. played well for the *Heywood*, while Clee and Hey were most conspicuous of the *Woodard* team.

Final score : 17—6 for the *Heywood*.

Teams :—*Heywood*.—G. L. Riseley ii. ; L. H. Bradley ii., A. C. Prodger (capt.), G. G. Osborne, J. S. Foster ; J. O. Davies i., D. La C. Keatinge ii. ; L. R. Keatinge i., C. M. Amor, E. H. Fenton, C. W. Bradley i, C. Blackwell, D. Riseley i., G. H. Sturgess, L. Walker.

Woodard.—C. E. Ryan ii. ; G. K. Hey, G. T. Ryan iii., L. G. Berry, G. F. Brown i. ; H. J. Clee, E. H. Woodward ; J. H. C. Ryan i., E. Hughes, J. G. Brooks, J. W. Rice i., F. J. Creese, J. J. Steele, A. E. Wardle, G. S. Morgan i.

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K. ARTHUR v. GORDON.

This match was played in excellent weather and was fairly well contested. The *Arthur* team was slightly the heavier of the two teams but the *Gordon* played very pluckily and managed to secure one try. There was a good deal of indiscriminate kicking throughout the game and in fact the *Gordon* scored their only try in this way. The *Arthur* forwards played extremely well, Slater, Adams and Huxham being most conspicuous. The latter scored a good try for the *Arthur*, while Ellis, who played a fine game throughout, managed to score their other tries. All the *Gordon* team played well but perhaps the most noticeable were Keeley, Harper and Younger, the latter playing very well as the *Gordon* back. Keeley made repeated attempts to bring up the *Gordon* score but

his efforts did not meet with success, possibly because he was not backed up as well as he might have been.

Final Score : 12—3 for *K. Arthur*.

Teams :—*K. Arthur*.—L. P. Whitfield i ; D. D. Parnell, C. G. Skinner, C. Ellis, W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson ; D. C. B. Bradburn, W. A. Wright ; K. J. Slater, A. V. L. Huxham, G. H. Adams, L. Irwin i., G. Pennington, R. Irwin ii., H. Schofield, L. A. King i. ;

Gordon.—C. L. Younger ; B. H. Cathrick, N. C. Harper, M. Whiteway i., O. F. Watkins ; B. Howard, B. Carrick ; W. J. Keeley (capt.), C. R. Nevett, R. J. Everall, F. B. Greenwood i., C. F. Morris, W. D. Aherin, J. W. Robinson, A. B. Milton.

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Semi-Finals.

K. ALFRED v. HEYWOOD.

This match was played on Monday, Nov. 20th, on the 1st Club ground amid most unfavourable conditions, the ground being wet and muddy and the ball consequently heavy and hard to handle. The *Alfred*, by far the heavier team, soon shewed themselves markedly superior to their opponents in every way. Although the *Heywood* tackled very pluckily, they were unable to stop the frequent rushes of the *Alfred* 'threes,' and Ericson ran through again and again. Shortly before half-time Prodger broke away and scored the *Heywood*'s only try. A notable feature of the game was the number of tries which were not converted owing to the heaviness of the ball.

Ericson, Smith iii., Price i. and Wilson iv. played well for the *K. Alfred*, while Keatinge i. and Riseley ii. of the *Heywood* should be mentioned for their plucky tackling.

Final score 35—3 for *K. Alfred*.

Teams :—*K. Alfred*.—J. W. Bruxby i. ; D'A. Aubrey, A. G. Cattell ii., A. Ericson

(capt.), E. Bruxby ii.; R. N. Wilson iv.; C. H. Johnson; S. L. B. Smith iii.; R. W. Price i.; H. D. P. Cooper, L. A. Price ii.; J. L. W. Johnstone, F. G. Wintle, D. F. Homes, G. T. Grandvoinet.

Heywood.—G. L. Riseley ii.; L. H. Bradley ii.; A. C. Prodger, G. G. Osborne, J. S. Foster; J. O. Davies i., D. La C. Keatinge ii.; L. R. Keatinge i., C. M. Amor, E. H. Fenton, C. W. Bradley i., C. Blackwell, D. Riseley i., G. H. Sturgess, L. Walker.

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K. HAROLD v. K. ARTHUR.

This proved a very hard game from beginning to end. The *K. Arthur* began by pressing hard towards the *Harold* line. The situation was saved for the *Harold* when one of their forwards kicked the ball high into the air and Pilkington i., catching it after some bad fielding on the *Arthur* side, scored an easy try. The *K. Arthur* forwards played very energetically for the first part of the game, but towards the end of the first half they seemed to tire so that the *K. Harold* were able to add several more tries. After half-time the *K. Arthur* forwards redoubled their efforts but were unable to score. The *K. Harold*, mainly through the efforts of Pilkington i., Garnett iii. and Vanderbilt, succeeding in scoring again. The game ended as it began with the *K. Arthur* forwards pressing hard. Throughout the game Slater was conspicuous for his splendid forward work and he was well backed up by Huxham and Pennington. On the winning side Vanderbilt was to be seen in the thick of the game, while Garnett iii. and Girling also distinguished themselves.

Final Score: 32—0 for *K. Harold*.

Teams:—*K. Harold*.—D. Jones; D. Langford i., E. Garnett iii., W. H. Pilkington (capt.), C. T. Kent; E. Girling, T. Garnett iv.; E. A. Vanderbilt, R. Bowyer

i., E. G. Thomas, E. H. Tindall, E. Pilkington iii., D. Dewhurst, H. Pilkington ii., J. Taylor ii.

K. Arthur.—L. P. Whitfield i.; D. D. Parnell, R. Irwin ii., W. A. Chaplin-Wilkinson (capt.), W. A. Wright; C. Ellis, D. C. B. Bradburn; K. J. Slater, A. V. L. Huxham, G. H. Adams, C. G. Skinner, G. A. Pennington, L. Irwin i., H. Schofield, L. A. King i.

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Final.

K. HAROLD v. K. ALFRED.

This match was played on Nov. 25th in the most wretched weather imaginable. The ground was one mass of thick mud interspersed with pools of water. As can be imagined the players found it impossible to keep their feet, and at the conclusion of the game were coated with mud from head to foot.

The first half of the game was very hard, the two packs being very well matched. The first try was scored by the *K. Harold*, mainly owing to the smartness of their halves. The *Alfred* forwards made desperate efforts to get the ball over the *Harold* line but without success. The *Harold* managed to score several times before half-time, but there is no doubt that the plucky tackling of the whole of the *Alfred* team kept the score under. Ericson made several attempts to get through but was too closely marked. The second half was even more strenuous than the first. The *Harold* forwards began to press hard and a most exciting struggle lasting twenty minutes took place on the *Alfred* line. Both packs pushed splendidly at this point and eventually the *Harold* got through. Ericson then made a fine dribble right in to the *Harold* 'twenty-five' but could not get through. A notable feature of the game was the pluck displayed by the smaller members of both

teams. Cattell ii., Bruxby i. and Wintle deserve mention in the *Alfred* team and Pilkington iii. and Garnett iv. in the *Harold*.

Final Score 23—0 for *K. Harold*.

Teams :—*K. Alfred*.—J. W. Bruxby i. ; D'A. Aubrey, A. G. Cattell ii., A. Ericson (capt.), E. Bruxby ii., G. T. Cattell i., R. N. Wilson iv. ; S. L. B. Smith iii., R. W. Price i., H. D. P. Cooper, L. A. Price ii., F. G. Wintle, J. L. W. Johnstone, D. F. Homes, G. T. Grandvoinet.

K. Harold.—D. Jones ; D. Langford, C. T. Kent, W. H. Pilkington (capt.), E. Pilkington iii. ; E. Garnett iii., E. Girling ; E. A. Vanderbilt, R. Bowyer, E. G. Thomas W. H. Tindall, T. Garnett iv., H. Pilkington ii., D. Dewhurst, J. Taylor.

STAMP COLLECTING AS A HOBBY.

A gentleman once remarked to me, "I notice that those boys who go in for collecting stamps are more intelligent than those who do not." This remark leads me to write something on this absorbing hobby. If we look out for an expression similar in meaning to the word "hobby," we shall not be far wrong in selecting "pursuit" as nearest the mark. This word "pursuit" implies "something followed habitually."

After these brief preliminary remarks let us go on to have a little talk on the matter, though before doing so, a word of warning.

In a well-known book by an equally well-known author there is a story of a man who was for ever talking about one thing—King Charles's head. It was impossible to be in his company for long without his saying something on this subject. I mention this because I would not have you worrying your acquaintances

with what might come to be looked upon as your only subject. People grow more than annoyed with a man (or boy) who has but one thing to talk about.

The young beginner will not feel perfectly content unless provided by fond parents or an indulgent aunt with an album for the collection about to be. This important matter having been dealt with satisfactorily, the next thing will be to make a commencement, which will come from some kind friend in the shape of some of his duplicates. Interest will be much increased now that the stage has arrived for placing the stamps one by one in the virgin pages of the Stamp Album.

Much care must be exercised not to reject a stamp from the album, which after a cursory examination appears to be duplicate to another which has already been duly affixed. To examine a stamp a good magnifying glass is practically indispensable, by means of which you will be able to note the most minute differences between one stamp and another of the same country. In such a case a minute difference is not a negligible quantity, as it may make all the difference between a valuable specimen and the reverse.

If these few words should arouse in readers of *The Ellesmerian* any interest in a subject which will make many a leisure hour pass pleasantly and profitably, I shall be more than repaid for any small trouble I have been at in writing this article. You will learn to take an interest in other countries and their inhabitants, as very frequently something in the design of a stamp will indicate some notable episode in its history.

A few examples may be interesting. Japanese stamps very frequently have a chrysanthemum—the national flower of that people—as part of the design. Off due East across the Pacific we come to Peru whose stamps exhibit the sun which

was worshipped by the Incas, who anciently inhabited that part of South America. Speaking for myself, I always find that I am interested in "Long" U.S.A. stamps with their pictorial Life of Columbus. Egyptian stamps shew us a little sketch of one of The Seven Wonders of The Ancient World. viz., The Great Pyramids of Gizeh with the attendant Sphinx, which will lead some of us to think of Oedipus and the famous riddle which was put to him by The Sphinx. The Orange Free State stamp with its refreshing picture of an orange tree loaded with fruit is pleasant to behold in summer.

Even the name of a place on a stamp kindles our imagination, as we think of something we have read about its inhabitants, their religion, customs, appearance, dress, etc., e.g. Trinidad with its Pitch Lake or Spain with thoughts of a "Siesta" and its wonderful Palace of The Ecuriel.

In the many portraits on stamps, we have a National Portrait Gallery in miniature, which recalls the Acts of a Peace-Maker (Edward VII.), the many gracious kindnesses of Victoria, "The Good," and her great "I will be good." The Emperor Francis Joseph brings before the instructed reader a whole kaleidoscope of events connected with the Hapsburg family or the war.

T.W.B.

THE WAGER.

The year 1913 was drawing to a close: Two seniors stood in the quadrangle of a large English public school. One was a First Fifteen forward and the other was a good shot, but not quite up to the mark, and so he was always the sixteenth man. He was a leading speaker in the Debating Society, and very popular with both masters and boys. Nevertheless despite

his efforts, he had never gained his object, namely, to see his name posted on the school board as a representative of the old school. Turning to his chum he suddenly said, jokingly, "Look here, Brown, I will bet you sixpence, that before the end of next year I shall be on some list or other in the school." His sporting friend, Brown, took the bet.

The clouds of war gathered in 1914, overshadowing the country with trials and grief. Brown and Clewthorpe enlisted and were sent to France with the first batch. They fought shoulder to shoulder through Mons but during the terrible retreat on Paris, Clewthorpe was mortally wounded. His chum Brown, who had studied for a doctor during the commencement of his business career could do nothing to save him. He passed away. They buried him on the fields of the Marne. Brown, who was more fortunate, received leave to spend his Christmas at home. His first duty on arriving home was to visit his old school. He roamed round the old quad. and came to the spot where Clewthorpe had made his bet. He thought of his chum's body lying on the shattered fields of France. He wandered on until he came to the Chapel. On entering, he saw a notice which he had not seen before when he was at the school. It was the school's "Roll of Honour." Glancing down the column of names, his eye fell on that of his friend. *Edward Norman Clewthorpe, Killed in action, October 1914.*

His chum had achieved his object. But his name was on a far greater list than he had expected—a list much more important and honourable than any sporting notice.

R.W.P.

OXFORD LOCALS.

July, 1916.

SENIOR.

1st Class Honours, with distinction in
Latin : D. D. Parnell.

Passed : J. G. Cameron.

JUNIOR.

2nd Class Honours : D'A. Aubrey.

3rd Class Honours : H. Shingler.

Passed : G. Adams, R. Bowyer i., E. T. Bromley, C. Bullard, G. T. Cattell i., H. J. Clee, C. M. Hutton, J. L. W. Johnstone, J. Long, C. W. Owen, R. W. Price i., W. H. Tindall.

PRELIMINARY.

3rd Class Honours : G. M. Whiteway i.

Passed : C. M. Amor, H. Betteridge i., D. C. Bradburn, C. W. Bradley i., J. O. Davies i., D. P. Davies iii., R. J. Everall, N. C. Harper, D. Hinton ii., W. E. W. Kendall, G. Martyn, J. W. Nankivell, C. R. Nevett i., G. A. Richards i, J. W. Robinson, J. M. Rowlands, F. W. Russell, G. T. Ryan iii., C. E. V. Ryan ii., J. H. C. Ryan i., C. G. Skinner, E. G. Thomas, D. Thompson, O. F. Watkins, L. R. Whitfield i., E. H. Woodward.

O.E. NEWS.

Ellesmerians past and present have every reason to be justly proud of the records of former members of the school who are living up to the ideals of the school motto by fighting for their King and Country. We are glad to hear that three old Ellesmerians, *Lieut. F. A. Ninis* and *Sec. Lieuts. J. F. Woodall* and *A. G. Shepherd* have gained the Military Cross. We offer them our heartiest congratulations and wish them all success and prosperity.

J. F. Woodall visited us this term, just before going to London to receive his

Military Cross from the King. He had not recovered completely from the effects of wounds received in action, and limped slightly. We wish him a speedy return to health.

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N. M. Greeves, who was Captain of School from September 1914 to July 1915, paid us a short visit during the term. He has just obtained a commission as Second Lieutenant in the King's (Liverpool Regiment). We send him our best wishes for the future.

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C. D. Quilliam who left us last Easter, is now at Sandhurst. We wish him all success.

IN MEMORIAM.

During the summer holidays we received the very sad news of the death in action of *Hugh Montgomery Archdall Olphert*, who left Ellesmere in July 1915. He obtained a commission in the Royal Munster Fusiliers. On the 9th of September, 1916, at the Somme he was sent to a battalion of the Royal Irish Regiment which was short of officers. and later in the day was killed leading his men, about five hundred yards east of Guillemont.

When he left school he was a member of the Sixth Form and a Prefect. He also edited the *Ellesmerian* for two terms, and took a prominent part in the general life of the school, in which he won the esteem and respect of all.

Requiescat in pace.

VALETE.

- C. B. Coney. Entered January 1912. Prefect, October 1915. Captain of School, January 1916. 2nd XV. Rugby Colours 1914. 1st XV. Rugby Colours 1915. Captain of Hockey 1916. 1st XI. Cricket Colours 1916. Sergeant O.T.C. Sergeant-at-Arms, Debating Society. Assistant Librarian. IV. Form. (King Edward.)
- F. B. Topham. Entered May 1911. Prefect, Oct. 1915. Prefect of Chapel, January 1916. Corporal, O.T.C. Reporting Secretary Debating Society. VI. Form. (King Alfred.)
- N. P. Vanderbilt. Entered September 1911. Dormitory Prefect, October 1915. Prefect, January 1916. 1st XV. Rugby Colours, 1914. 1st XI. Cricket Colours, 1916. Company-Sergeant-Major, O.T.C. VI. Form. (King Alfred.)
- H. M. Feltham. Entered September 1913. Dormitory Prefect, April 1916. 1st XV. Rugby Colours, 1915. O.T.C. Remove Form. (Conqueror.)
- R. F. Taylor. Entered April 1914. Dormitory Prefect, April 1916. 1st XV. Rugby Colours 1915. Sub-Editor of the "Ellesmerian," 1916. Corporal, O.T.C. Debating Society. (King Harold).

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The following also left :—W. G. Anslow, C. S. Ashby, F. J. S. Barclay, F. Booth, E. T. Bromley, J. Brooke, B. E. Browne, C. Bullard, J. G. Cameron, D. P. Davies iii., W. S. Ecclestone, S. G. Ellams, F. A. R. S. Gray, B. V. Greene, F. R. Hitchmough, C. Hutton, E. C. C. Lindop, J. Long, R. L. Morgan ii. S. T. Morris i., C. W. Owen, W. W. Roberts ii., R. V. H. Settle, H. E. Shirlaw, F. W. Smith ii., E. D. Staunton, L. R. Tomkins, T. E. H. Weeks.

SALVETE.

The following new boys entered this term :—A. N. Alltree, L. Annesley, H. S. Aspinall, J. F. Barker, A. A. Bond, C. A. Boulton, W. E. Bowyer (ii), R. E. Brabyn, L. H. Bradley (ii), J. G. Brooks, G. F. Browne (i), H. D. Browne (ii), A. M. Butt, H. Charles, J. B. Clayton, L. A. Corah, A. S. Denson (ii), R. H. Fletcher, H. W. Fraser, L. J. H. Greenfield, H. Griffith, W. B. R. Heppel, A. J. Irvine, C. A. Johnson, C. W. Jones (iii.), M. Jones (iv.), C. W. Kemp, A. Knight, J. M. Moore, H. D. Pope, O. H. Parry, R. Phillip, A. Rice (ii), R. W. Raby, R. N. Wilson (iv.), F. G. Wintle, and W. A. Wright.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE ELLESMERIAN."

SIR,

It is well known that very few members of the school contribute articles of any description to *The Ellesmerian*. I should like to suggest that all members of the VIth Form should be compelled to contribute in some way to the school magazine. It seems a pity that a boys' magazine should be written almost entirely by masters.

Hoping that these views will receive your due consideration,

I am, Sir,

Yours, etc., X.Y.Z.

[We should like to point out to our readers that the writer of the above letter sent in an article for publication, after reading which we are firmly convinced that *no* pressure at all should be brought to bear on the Sixth,—*Ed. Ellesmerian.*]

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries, and beg to apologise for any omissions :—

The Hurst Johnian, The Olavian, The Novocastrian, The C. & R. Chronicle, The Willaston School Chronicle, The King Edward's School Chronicle.

EDITORIAL NOTICES.

Editor of "The Ellesmerian": D. D. Parnell.

Sub-Editor: J. L. W. Johnstone.

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The Editor is always pleased to receive articles from members of the school, provided that they are written on foolscap paper and in ink. Members of the Upper School should endeavour to write at least one article for *The Ellesmerian* before they leave. If in doubt as to whether their article is fit for publication, they should consult the Editor who will always be

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