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Editorial.

‘Yet once more, O ye laurels, and once more—’

ONCE more we find ourselves confronted by the problem of composing a new and original Editorial. As we lack that originality which we are told ever accompanies true genius, we will endeavour simply to record the events of the term, spiced by no philosophical flavouring, in the confident hope that they will remain unread. With this becoming touch of modesty let us to our task!

The unusual spell of summer weather with which the term opened carried in its train the inevitable summer drought. During this period various individuals were observed bearing pitchers of water after the manner of the ancient Egyptians. However, the heavens soon poured forth abundantly, and for some time continued to do.

The football season has been more successful than would appear from a glance at the fixture card. We heartily congratulate J. T. Davies and the XV. on winning the matches with Sherborne and Brecon, the two fixtures to which we naturally attach the most importance. When we remember that the team were without the services of their captain in the former and of Cooper and Griffiths in the latter, the School has every reason to feel satisfied.

Thanks to the kindness of the Warden, we have again had the opportunity of hearing Mr. Stafford Webber, and of enjoying two other entertainments later in the term.

In conclusion we wish those who are standing for Scholarships at Oxford all success, and all our readers a Merry Christmas and a New Year with customary rejoicings.

Cambridge Letter.

DEAR Mr. Editor,—Cambridge at the present moment is beset by two evils, rain and the electioneering enthusiast, the greater of the two is a matter of doubt. We regret the loss of R. G. Prichard, who has gone down to take up a position at Cardiff, where he occasionally turns out for the 'Old Monks.' We welcome D. J. Parry (Trinity) and Barker (Clare) into our midst. The latter played in the 'Fresher's match,' and has been seen to advantage on several occasions for Clare. D. Evans has developed into a feather-weight boxer, winning in the competitions a few weeks back; he now boxes for the 'Varsity. He is also doing stout work at scrum-half for Kings. Very little has been seen of Walters. It is believed that he has an exam. at the end of term, which may account for it. It is rumoured that he has developed a habit of missing last trains; this is likely to prove an expensive pastime unless nipped in the bud. The 'Varsity rugby team is certainly an improvement on last year's, but the unexpected will certainly happen if it should prove successful at Queen's Club on the 10th. In closing, allow us to congratulate the members of the fifteen on their beating Sherborne and Brecon. The fact that Sherborne have since beaten Tonbridge School makes this a still greater achievement.

I am, sir, yours, &c.,

'UNIQUE.'

The School.

THERE are 23 new boys.

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The Bishop of St. Davids distributed the prizes at the end of last term.

The Rev. Ebenezer Jones (O. Ll.), has resigned the living of Llandovery, owing to ill health.

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Dr. Taylor leaves at the end of the Term to take up another appointment. He will be succeeded as School Doctor by Dr. H. B. Elton. Dr. Elton was educated at Sherborne, Caius (Cambridge), and the London Hospital.

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In this year's Higher Certificate Examination, D. G. Davies obtained 'distinction' in six subjects (Latin, Greek, French, Divinity, History, and English). This is a School record, as no boy had previously obtained more than four 'distinctions.' The School obtained fifteen 'distinctions' in all.

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J. K. Muir and C. A. Loveluck have passed the London Matriculation; and G. A. Thomas, J. C. Morris and W. W. Shearman the Law Preliminary. J. K. Muir obtained a First Class.

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The cricket eleven had a most successful season. They won seven out of nine matches, including the Brecon match; score:—School 99, Brecon 90. The slow bowling of W. B. Price was the outstanding feature.

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We beg to acknowledge a donation of £5 from Lt. Col. Lloyd-Harries towards the Gymnasium Fund.

O. Ll's.

MARRIAGE.

On Tuesday, September 27th, at Llangadock Parish Church the Rev. N. L. James, Curate of Holy Trinity, Swansea, to Mary Margaret, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Phillips, Esq., and Mrs. Phillips, of Crossville, Llangadock.

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W. W. Humphreys obtained a 2nd class in Mathematical Finals at Oxford.

In Memoriam.

On May 29th, in London, after an operation, the Rev. David Jones Davies, M.A. (13th Wrangler), Fellow of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, Rector of North Benfleet, Essex, and Rural Dean of Rochford.

'The Bard,' by David Thomas, Mus. Doc., Oxford, was produced at this year's Musical Festival at Cardiff, and was very favourably received by the leading Musical Critics.

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The Rev. C. P. Price has been appointed Rector of Machynlleth; the Rev. J. P. Poole Hughes, Rector of Llanymynech; the Rev. D. E. Roberts, Vicar of Miskin, Mountain Ash; the Rev. R. W. Lockyer, Vicar of Penrice, and Rector of Reynoldstone; and the Rev. J. B. Reed, Vicar of Bronington, near Whitchurch, Salop.

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J. Conway Rees has resigned the Headmastership of Aligarh to take up an appointment in Lucknow.

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The following have gone into residence at Oxford:—A. B. Mayne (Balliol), D. G. Davies (Queen's), Bryan Rhys and T. S. Phillips (Jesus), D. E. Davies (Exeter), and H. Barker (Clare), at Cambridge, also J. R. Davies at Jesus, Oxford.

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D. E. Davies played in 'the Freshers,' and J. L. Williams in 'the Seniors,' at Oxford.

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D. G. Davies played for Glamorgan v. Somerset and scored the only try.

C. P. Lewis, S. H. Lockyer, and A. P. James played cricket for Carmarthenshire, who now occupy quite an exalted position among the minor counties in their group.

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The Rev. D. Davies (of Sydney, N. S. Wales). R. Beith, T. Davies and J. C. Morris have joined the Society.

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The following Subscriptions to the School Improvement Fund have been received with thanks:—C. P. Lewis, £5; Rev. W. Morgan, 10s. 6d.; W. W. Bentley, 10s. 6d.

Speech Day.

THIS annual function took place on Friday, July 29th, in the Gymnasium, the chair being occupied by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. The Warden in an opening speech read out a list of School successes gained in the preceding year. The examiner (E. C. Marchant, Esq., Fellow of Lincoln College, Oxford) next read his report. Alluding to the excellent work done by D. G. Davies and O. M. Williams, he warned us against the danger of setting too much value on mere examination results: life very often reversed the verdict of the examinations: these were only of practical service if they encouraged candidates to work in disinterestedness. The Bishop of St. Davids followed, congratulating the School on its continued progress and emphasising its great development in recent years. A brief speech was then made by General Sir James Hills-Johnes, V.C., who once more signified his great interest in the School. We append a list of the prize winners:—

Form VI.—*Latin, Greek, History, French*, D. G. Davies *English*, L. G. Cooper; *Divinity*, C. Morgan.

Va.—*Latin, Greek*, O. M. Williams; *History*, D. J. C. Jenkins; *Divinity*, B. A. Jones; *Cefnfaes*, C. W. V. Lewis.

Vb.—*Latin*, G. M. Evans; *Greek*, E. A. Nicholas; *Divinity, History, French*, G. M. Evans; *Cefnfaes*, D. O. Williams.

MATRIC.—*French*, L. P. Jones; *English*, J. F. Howells; *Latin and Science*, C. A. Ioveluck; *Cefnfaes*, J. C. Morris.

MOD. V.—*History and Geography*, O. E. Lloyd-Jones; *French*, E. D. G. Hughes; *Cefnfaes*, O. E. Lloyd-Jones.

IV.—*Latin and Greek*, R. T. Davies; *History*, W. R. Spurrell; *French*, E. W. Davies; *Divinity*, R. T. Davies; *Cefnfaes*, D. T. Bonnell.

IIIa.—*Latin*, A. P. Davies; *Greek*, G. H. Jennings; *History and Geography*, B. W. Benskin; *French*, W. G. Menhinick; *Divinity*, B. W. Benskin; *Welsh*, J. M. Thomas; *Cefnfaes*, W. G. Menhinick.

IIIb.—*Latin*, W. E. Harries; *French*, J. F. H. Williams; *History and Geography*, W. E. Harries; *Divinity*, W. S. Parrish; *Cefnfaes*, E. O. Griffiths.

IIa.—*Latin*, J. Samuel; *History and Geography*, J. A. Llewellyn; *Cefnfaes*, J. Samuel.

MATHEMATICS.—*Sets. IIa.*, H. W. Robinson; *Set IIb*, O. E. Lloyd-Jones; *Set IIIa*, D. I. L. Ellis; *Set IIIb*, A. P. Davies; *Set IVa*, C. J. B. Lewis; *Set IVb*, J. Samuel; *Set V.*, S. M. Williams.

ENGLISH.—*Set I.*, W. A. Harries; *Set II.*, R. T. Howells; *Set III.*, R. T. Morgan.

WELSH PRIZE.—D. Morgan.

MATHEMATICAL.—VI., A. B. Mayne;

Historical.—VI., D. J. Jones.

Geoffrey Williams' Prize.—D. G. Davies.

School Entertainment.

THE first School Entertainment took place in the Gymnasium on the evening of Friday, November 4, Mr.

Stafford Webber giving us a lime-light lecture on the 'Humour of Punch.' His selection of pictures included specimens of the best work of bygone draftsmen, the typical features of whose art Mr. Webber pointed out in detail. Among many excellent pictures the palm must always be given to 'Général Féorier' and 'Dropping the Pilot.' In the course of his lecture Mr. Webber recited Hood's 'Song of the Shirt,' which he rendered with very great feeling and pathos. It is impossible to describe at length all the excellent material of his entertainment. The slides were uniformly good: the lecturer has a great gift for rendering the speech and characteristics of the types he wishes to illustrate; and he makes us understand what a tender heart Mr. Punch has for the poorer and humbler of his many children.

The second of this term's entertainments took place in the Gymnasium on Saturday, November 19th. It consisted of a series of violin selections by Lieut. Col. Lloyd-Harries, and of a number of School choruses, with a humorous song by R. H. Hughes. Lieut.-Colonel Lloyd-Harries received a great reception, and he rendered his selection (especially the last item) with admirable finish. R. H. Hughes delighted the audience with his cosmopolitan verse: we suspect that one or two of his Gallicisms were unknown to Littré. The programme was as follows:—

PROGRAMME.

The School Chorus—'Forty Years on'	..	..	J. Farmer
Solo by W. N. MORGAN.			
Piano Duet—Gavotte in F	..	..	Leon D'Ourville
D. O. WILLIAMS and Mr. F. H. SMITH.			
Violin Solo—Sonata in A	..	..	Handel
Lieut.-Colonel T. LLOYD-HARRIES.			
Part Song—'The Happiest Land'	..	..	J. Farmer
THE MUSICAL SOCIETY.			
Songs of the Wrens (Tennyson)—(a) 'At the Window'			Sullivan
(b) 'The Letter'			
Mr. F. H. SMITH.			
Violin Solos—(a) Mazurka	..	..	Wieniaski
(b) Serenade	..	..	Drdl
Lieut.-Colonel T. LLOYD-HARRIES.			
Song—'The Amorous Goldfish' (<i>Geisha</i>)	..	..	Sidney Jones
W. F. RENFREY.			
Unison Song—'Tender Wood-Dove'	..	..	Gounod
THE TREBLES OF THE CHOIR.			
The School Chorus—'Down among the dead Men'			Old English
Solo by H. S. JOHN.			
Song—'Mentra Gwen'	..	..	Welsh Air
J. T. DAVIES.			
Violin Solo—Fantaisie on Airs from Gounod's Faust			Vieuxtemps
Lieut.-Colonel T. LLOYD-HARRIES.			
Part Song—'Waken, Lords and Ladies gay'	..	..	Pachter
THE MUSICAL SOCIETY.			
Humorous Song—'Yer 'at don't fit yer very well'			C. Yorke
R. H. HUGHES.			
The School Chorus—'John Peel'	..	..	Old English
Solo by L. P. EVANS.			
The Carmen.			
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.			

Football.

THE SCHOOL v. REV. R. H. ROBERTS' XV.

PLAYED Oct. 5th; resulted in a win for the visitors by 1 goal 2 tries to 1 try. During the first 20 minutes of the game the visitors were attacking, Ifor Williams

bringing off some good tackling. From a scrum a few yards from our goal line Bryn Lewis scored, the try not being converted. A misfield by H. O. Williams resulted in another try being added. The School then took the offensive, a forward rush was led by Cooper, and from a scrum J. T. Davies scored a try. Throughout the second half the School backs played well, N. Griffiths and Ifor Williams doing good defensive work. Morgan receiving the ball, well passed out by N. Griffiths, was tackled on the line, and some fine kicking brought play into our 25 when Bryn Lewis breaking through our defence, scored a try which was converted.

The School was represented by O. M. Williams (*back*), W. N. Morgan, I. Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*), N. Griffiths and D. J. Jenkins (*halves*); J. T. Davies, L. Evans, L. G. Cooper, H. R. Powell, H. R. Jones, H. S. John, R. B. Jones, O. J. Jones (*forwards*).

SCHOOL v. REV. G. I. R. JONES' XV.

Played Oct. 12th, resulted in a win for the visitors by 1 goal 5 tries to 2 goals. School were handicapped by the loss of Cooper and J. Williams. The game opened briskly, the visitors scoring twice in the first ten minutes, the latter of which was converted. The School then pressed, H. O. Williams dribbling up to their 25, and from a scrum E. E. Roberts scored. D. P. Davies and Mr. Lockyer each crossed our line before half-time. During the second half the School were more aggressive, H. O. Williams and R. M. Humphreys making frequent bursts, but the visitors maintained their superiority and scored twice, Beith being particularly prominent. Towards the end of the game the School were continually pressing; H. O. Williams taking a long pass from Morgan was tackled almost on the goal line. Finally Humphreys, making a fine individual effort, scored a try which was converted.

Llandoverly School.—O. M. Williams (*back*), W. N. Morgan, T. P. Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); N. Griffiths, D. J. Jenkins (*halves*); J. T. Davies, L. Evans, H. R. Powell, H. S. John, Sir J. A. Owen, R. B. Jones, E. E. Roberts, H. R. Jones (*forwards*).

THE SCHOOL v. LLANDILO.

Played at Llandilo on Sat., Oct. 15th, in wet weather. During the first half the School did most of the attacking but failed to score, while Llandilo scored an unconverted try from an opening by Davies (the out-half). In the second half Llandilo were more aggressive, and scored a second unconverted try—the result of a forward scramble. Throughout the game the School forwards played well, and executed some fine work, their rushes being particularly formidable. The backs, though passing well at times, failed to make use of their opportunities.

The School was represented by O. M. Williams (*back*); W. N. Morgan, T. P. Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); N. Griffiths and Jenkins (*halves*); J. T. Davies, L. Evans, H. J. Powell, H. S. John, Sir J. A. Owen, O. J. Jones, E. E. Roberts, and C. Morgan (*forwards*).

THE SCHOOL v. MR. R. K. GREEN'S XV.

Played on the School ground on Oct. 22nd, resulting in a win for the visitors by 25 points to 12. The visitors started off with a rush, and for the first 10 minutes play settled in the School 25. The School forwards then broke away, and L. Evans scored under the posts, the try being converted. From the kick off the visitors pressed, and finally crossed our line twice before half-time, neither try being converted. At the beginning of the second half the visitors broke away and scored a fine try. The visitors maintained their superiority, scoring 4 more tries, one of which was converted. O. M. Williams and R. M. Humphreys dropped two good goals for the School, the latter from a free kick.

The School was represented by O. M. Williams (*back*); W. N. Morgan, T. P. Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); N. Griffiths and D. J. Jenkins (*halves*); L. P. Evans, H. J. Powell, H. S. John, E. E. Roberts, Sir J. A. Owen, O. J. Jones, C. Morgan (*forwards*).

SCHOOL v. SHERBORNE SCHOOL.

Played on the Cardiff Arms Park on Wed., Oct. 26th, in fine weather. The game throughout was fast and exciting,

and the tackling on both sides was excellent. Although the Sherborne forwards were heavier, the Llandoverly pack (of whom Cooper was always most prominent) were more skilful. In the first half Coleman, after a good passing movement, scored for Sherborne. In the second half Llandoverly scored twice through Humphreys and Morgan, both tries the result of splendid openings by I. Williams, who converted one of the tries. During the last stages of the game Llandoverly initiated several dangerous attacking movements, which were checked by superb defence by the Sherborne backs. Final score—

Llandoverly	..	..	..	8	points
Sherborne	..	..	..	3	..

The School was represented by D. T. Williams (*back*); W. N. Morgan, Ifor Williams, R. H. Humphreys, and H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); D. J. Jenkins and N. Griffiths (*half-backs*); L. P. Evans, L. G. Cooper, M. J. Powell, E. E. Roberts, H. S. John, Sir J. A. Owen, O. J. Jones, and H. R. Jones (*forwards*).

SCHOOL v. S.D.C., LAMPETER.

Played at Lampeter on Wed. Nov. 9th, in nice weather. The School started down the slope, and at once became aggressive. They passed very well, and on several occasions were very near scoring. Towards the end of the first half, Humphreys picked up near the line and scored a try, which Ivor Williams converted. In the second half the play became very rough, and Cooper met with a most unfortunate accident, a fractured wrist; he, however, most pluckily played on. Lampeter scored 3 tries in quick succession, mainly the result of long kicks and fast vigorous following up: two of these were converted, leaving them victorious by 13 points to 5.

The School, who were without their captain, were unlucky to lose by so great a margin, as they played well and most pluckily throughout a game in which there was a deal of unnecessary vigour. Of the forwards Cooper and Powell were the best. Behind the 'scrum' Griffiths and Jenkins,

Humphreys and Ivor Williams were very good. D. T. Williams at full-back, though not brilliant, was safe, and did many clever things.

School Team.—D. T. Williams (*full-back*); W. N. Morgan, Ifor Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); Jenkins and M. Griffiths (*halves*); L. P. Evans, Cooper, Powell, John, E. E. Roberts, Sir J. A. Owen, O. J. Jones, and W. B. Price (*forwards*).

THE SCHOOL v. LLANDILO.

Played on the School ground, Nov. 19th, resulting in a win for Llandilo by 2 goals (1 drop) 1 try to 1 goal. Llandilo started well, scoring a try from a forward rush in the first 10 minutes of the game, and shortly after the School suffered a severe loss owing to the injury of N. Griffiths. During the first half Llandilo were mostly on the aggressive; Davies, the out-half registered a good drop goal, but the School made frequent bursts, H. O. Williams nearly scoring from a long pass by Powell. In the second half play was more even, towards the end of the game the School was continually pressing, Powell doing good work amongst the forwards, and H. O. Williams and R. M. Humphreys amongst the backs. From a scrum in front of their goal-line, H. O. Williams after a splendid bout of passing, scored a magnificent try which I. Williams converted. On the stroke of time Llandilo, after a forward rush up the field, scored from a scrum.

The School were represented by D. T. Williams (*full-back*); H. O. Williams, R. M. Humphreys, I. Williams, and W. N. Morgan (*three-quarters*); N. Griffiths and D. J. Jenkins (*halves*); L. Evans, H. J. Powell, H. S. John, Sir J. A. Owen, E. E. Roberts, O. J. Jones, W. B. Price, and G. Bryant (*forwards*).

SCHOOL v. CHRIST COLLEGE, BRECON.

Played at Brecon on Nov. 26th. School took the field without Cooper and Griffiths. Brecon were at full strength; the latter winning the toss, kicked off and followed up hard, a bad mistake by O. M. Williams nearly resulting in a score for Brecon in the first minute. At the beginning the Brecon

forwards were superior, but bad handling spoiled their work. Passing on both sides was faulty, no chance being given for an open back game; the tackling was very keen, neither side allowing much scope for individual play. There were many determined forward rushes, which were stooped by grand defensive work by both teams. J. V. Rees and H. B. Davies were conspicuous on the home side, Ifor Williams and Humphreys tackling gamely. After a short break both sides settled down to more scientific work, but the teams were as nearly balanced as possible. W. N. Morgan outpaced the home backs, but stepped into touch at the last moment. Half-time arrived without a score.

In the second-half Brecon began to tire; the School forwards slowly found their feet, J. T. Davies calling on his men with great confidence: from a scrum Morgan darted over before either team was aware of what was happening; the kick at goal failed. The School now began to display better work behind, one or two movements being executed beautifully. T. P. Williams was too good for the opposing halves, and with a fine pass he enabled Jenkins to slip between the posts, J. T. Davies converting. Brecon now came on with a rush, and a very fine movement, in which nearly all the backs participated, ended in a brilliant try by Hoskins. But the School were not to be held back. In the last 15 minutes they completely mastered the Brecon pack, pushing them back in the scrums; in the last few minutes Brecon were on the defensive, two fine cross-kicks by J. T. Davies and Humphreys nearly putting Morgan in. On time a great run by the two centres resulted in H. O. Williams scoring well out, the kick failing. Time was then called, the score being—

Llandovery	..	..	..	11 points
Brecon	..	..	..	3 points.

At first Brecon were much better at forward; J. V. Rees was the best forward during the game. On the whole, the Brecon handling was bad, though the kicking was very sure. Llandovery won through excellence of back play; Jenkins was easily the best back playing, while there was no comparison between the three-quarter lines; Ifor Williams and Hum-

phreys tackled unerringly, often pinning both player and ball. T. P. Williams played a grand game, passing and tackling like an old hand. The forwards were very determined, but they were outweighed. On the whole, the better team won. *Teams*—

Brecon.—W. R. Thomas (*back*); V. G. Davies, W. L. Hoskins, D. J. Walters, H. Flooks (*three-quarters*); W. A. G. Howell and S. R. Phillips (*half-backs*); H. C. M. Denny (*capt.*), J. V. Rees, H. B. Davies, G. E. Morgan, J. T. Kemp, C. F. Thomas, J. Cooper, A. J. Rees (*forwards*).

Llandovery.—O. M. Williams (*back*); W. N. Morgan, Ifor Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); T. P. Williams and D. J. C. Jenkins (*half-backs*); J. T. Davies (*capt.*), L. P. Evans, H. J. Powell, H. S. John, O. J. Jones, Sir J. A. Owen, E. E. Roberts, W. B. Price.

Referee.—Mr. T. B. Schofield.

SCHOOL v. REV. M. E. DAVIES' XV.

On Tredegar Close, Dec. 1st. The visitors arrived with a strong pack of forwards. The game was rather dull; in the first half the School played with the wind, and the game was very even. From a forward rush J. T. Davies picked up grandly, and gave to I. Williams, who transferred to Humphreys; he running well, passed to H. O. Williams, who scored near the posts, the try being converted. This was one of the best tries scored on the ground this season. The visitors, however, forced the game, and scored well out, no goal resulting.

On resuming the visitors were too good for the School, their forwards were heavier, and their half-backs much speedier; they scored twice, converting one try, and ran out winners by 11 points to 5. The teams played 16 men each.

School Team.—D. T. Williams (*back*); W. N. Morgan, Ifor Williams, R. M. Humphreys, H. O. Williams (*three-quarters*); T. P. Williams and D. J. C. Jenkins (*halves*); J. T. Davies, L. P. Evans, H. J. Powell, H. S. John, O. J. Jones, Sir J. A. Owen, E. E. Roberts, W. B. Price, G. Bryant (*forwards*).

SCHOOL 2ND. XV. v. LLANELLY EXCELSIORS.

This match was played on Nov. 5th, in good football weather. The Llanelly team carried the game into the School 25, but D. T. Williams saved by a good kick. A good run by H. R. Jones took play to the other end, where it remained for some time. Play was again transferred to the School line, but no score resulted, and half-time came with no score on either side. In the second half the School line was well defended by good kicking by D. T. Williams and the 'centres.' The play centred on the School 25, but Beith relieved by a good dribble. Harris on the left wing put in some good work, but was forced on more than one occasion into touch. Towards the latter portion of the game the School line was in danger more than once, but good defence prevented any scoring. The game thus ended in a pointless draw. Among the forwards Bryant figured conspicuously, while Price-Jones did some good work. At full-back D. T. Williams gave a capital display.

Team.—D. T. Williams (*full-back*); H. R. Jones, Buckland, D. M. Evans, W. A. Harris (*three-quarters*); D. Beith and T. P. Williams (*halves*); Sir J. A. Owen (*capt.*), O. J. Jones, Bryant, W. B. Price, C. Morgan, Gethin Thomas, Price Jones, J. M. Thomas (*forwards*.)

SCHOOL 2NDS. v. MR. D. P. DAVIES' XV.

This match was played at home on Nov. 18th. The School pressed during the greater portion of the first half—towards the end of which Buckland scored a try, which was converted. No other points were gained in the first half.

In the second half our opponents played a more bustling game, and play was carried to the School end, which was attacked again and again. These attacks, however, did not result in any score. Towards the end of the half the School play brightened up, and H. R. Jones taking a pass on the line from Buckland, scored a try which was converted by C. M. Williams. Soon after F. J. Thomas scored under the posts, and the kick was successful. Near the call of time C. Morgan scored from forward play, but the kick failed. The School were thus victorious by 10 pts. to nil.

Team.—O. M. Williams (*full-back*); H. R. Jones, Buckland, D. M. Evans, W. A. Harries (*three-quarters*); D. Beith and T. P. Williams (*halves*); Bryant, C. Morgan, Price Jones, Gethin Thomas, R. B. Jones, G. M. Thomas, F. J. Thomas, E. David.

Debating Society.

WHEN the first Committee meeting of the term was called, it was discovered that only three old members and the chairman remained on the executive committee. The first duty, therefore, was to elect new members, and after the co-option of Mr. Hewlett, E. E. Roberts, N. Griffiths, D. T. Williams and E. G. R. Hughes were chosen.

The first debate was held on Sat., Nov. 15th, Mr. Pullinger being in the chair. The following motion was discussed:—'The craze for record-breaking is to be condemned.'

Proposed by R. H. Hughes, seconded by E. E. Roberts.

Opposed by E. G. R. Hughes, seconded by E. de Q. Mears.

R. H. Hughes himself broke all records by not once reaching the point; his knowledge of record-breaking seemed to consist of looping-the-loop and high diving.

E. G. R. Hughes whose performances on a closed-in circular track were so ably described by the 3rd speaker, treated with contempt the 'facetious remarks' of the proposer of the motion. He demanded to know what we thought of Julius Caesar, and dealt at length with the Indian Mutiny.

E. E. Roberts spoke 3rd, playfully flicking the leaders of the opposition with the stinging lash of his tongue, and causing them to squirm beneath the invective of his bitter sarcasm.

E. de Q. Mears spoke 4th. 'This pernicious punster was in a humorous vein—

'With his head in dints and his eye in squints
His Speech abounded in subtle hints'—

to quote a parody on one of De Quincey's own works.

The appeal to the house was gracefully responded to by H. R. Weeks, who took a broad-minded view of the situation, so broad that the greater part of his discourse was taken up by a description of the discovery of America.

D. T. Williams thereupon made some observations in a sound matter of fact manner, and then, casting a surprised look around, quickly regained his seat.

C. Morgan rose amidst applause. 'This self-styled 'terrestrial star' shone forth on this occasion with unprecedented brightness, and a brilliance far surpassing that of Halley's Comet, yet like that glittering orb, he sped on his luminous flight, leaving behind him an audience blinded by the brightness of the fleeting vision. His speech resembled a violin solo, in that it may be divided into 4 parts, *i.e.*

- (a) Andante Moderato
- (b) Basso Profundo
- (c) Crescendo Pianissimo
- (d) Diminuendo Explosio!

Part (d) was a vituperative attack on the proposer of the motion. This pleasing feature closed the debate, and on the votes being taken, the motion was lost by 32 votes to 24.

It was in a more sober frame of mind that the house assembled on Sat., Oct., 15th. It was observed that the attendance was not as large as usual though, whether the gruesome nature of the subject or the warmth of a study fire was responsible for this, is a disputed point. The motion was, 'In the opinion of this house capital punishment is to be condemned.' Mr. Ralph was in the chair.

The motion was *proposed* by Mr. Pullinger, seconded by B. A. Jones, *opposed* by Mr. Hewlett, seconded by D. M. Evans.

Mr. Pullinger, in proposing the motion ridiculed the humanitarian attitude of his historical opponent, requesting his audience to turn their attention not to theory, but to fact.

Mr. Hewlett confessed he did not possess the mathematical subtlety of his opponent, whose arguments he deftly twisted to support his own view, adding others which completely won over the house.

B. A. Jones was in rather a blood-thirsty mood, he had little sympathy with murderers as a class, and was not averse to a mild system of torture being inflicted on those of a particularly brutal nature.

D. M. Evans, who spoke 4th, appeared to be in some doubt

as to whether it was a sermon or a lecture he was called upon to deliver, for he punctuated his remarks by frequent appeals to his 'friends,' and displayed a vast amount of Biblical research.

Again *H. R. Weeks* headed the mad rush of orators eager to secure the honour of speaking first. With sound perception he recognised that the subject was a serious one, and he expressed his intention of approaching it in a serious manner. He seemed surprised that his audience did not take this remark in the spirit in which it was offered.

R. H. Hughes, backed up the theories of an 18th century criminologist (whose name he was unfortunately unable to pronounce) with topical illustrations, briefly outlined the methods adopted by famous murderers from the time of Jack the Ripper to the present day, and generally displayed knowledge of a more intimate nature than could have been gathered from second-hand sources.

E. E. Roberts was indulging in his inimitable conversational style when the 'Black Cap' was put on the proceedings, in the shape of the gas being put out. The speaker took the hint, and promptly turned off his own.

It is curious to note that during this period of enforced gloom the 'Terrestrial Star' did not rise above the horizon. This thought reminds us forcibly of the poet's fervent prayer:

'Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder where you are.'

When the light was turned on, '*O. Williams* made a neat speech, directing the attention of the house to another side of the question. He omitted to say which!

After the principal speakers had summed up the house divided, and the motion was lost by 32 to 18.

R. H. HUGHES,
Hon. Sec.

School Tuck Shop Committee.

A GENERAL Meeting was held on Nov. 4th, 1910, the Warden presiding. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the Balance Sheets for the Easter and Summer Terms were explained and adopted.

To fill up vacancies on the Executive Committee, L. G. Cooper was proposed by R. M. Humphreys, and seconded by J. T. Davies. N. Griffiths was proposed by Mr. Lloyd, and seconded by Mr. Lockyer.

Mr. Lloyd then proposed, and was seconded by Mr. Lockyer, that £40 should be handed over to the Gymnasium Fund.

Mr. Lloyd stated that if all complaints and suggestions were submitted to the Hon. Secretary, they would receive due consideration.

The meeting then closed. We present the following balance sheet:—

COLLEGE TUCK SHOP.

ACCOUNTS FOR FIRST TERM, 1910.

Income and Expenditure Account.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Stock at commencement of Term	..	11	11	0	Sales	..	131 10 5
Purchases	..	97	15	10½			
Gross Profits	..	22	3	6½			
		£131	10	5		£131	10 5

Profit and Loss Account.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Working Expenses—				Gross Profits	..	22	3 6½
Mrs. Richards	..	7	0	0	Discounts	..	6 0 3
Printing	..	2	12	2			
Gas	..	0	11	4			
Petty Cash	..	1	0	0			
Tips	..	0	7	6			
Depreciation	..	1	0	0			
Nett Profit	..	15	12	9½			
		£28	3	9½		£28	3 9½

Balance Sheet, May, 1910.

	£	s	d		£	s	d
Due to Firms	..	1	13	4	Balance at Bank	..	13 16 10
Balance	..	47	5	8	Credit due	..	2 9 10
					Cash in hand	..	0 13 4
					Premises and Fittings	21	0 0
					Stock in hand	..	10 19 0
		£48	19	0		£48	19 0

School Entertainment.

THE third School entertainment took place in the Gymnasium on Dec. 1st, Mr. Capper amusing us with a most interesting performance. In the first part of his programme he illustrated some of the methods of the 'Spiritualists,' showing us 'how it is done.' In this purpose he required (and obtained) two excellent 'subjects' from among our visitors: to these he added a third—a very small boy with a very small coat, yet large enough to conceal from us the right way of removing a ring and a key from a string threaded through them, and knotted to a chair belonging to the School, and, therefore, above suspicion. Mr. Capper then (without showing us 'how it was done') removed from his wrists a piece of ordinary braid tied round them, and then passed on to the most interesting part of his programme— instantaneous thought-reading by means of 'Mediums,' and later by digital contact, and finally without any contact at all. These items were extremely good, and were readily appreciated. We regret that bad weather prevented many of our visitors from attending.

College Buns.

FOR describing a voice as being 'like a bellows with a big hole in it.' . . . takes the bun.
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For experimenting with Syrup of Figs.—Ionian, Farmer Giles, and Murrk divide 1 bun.
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For turning cold water into his bath and drinking the hot.—βωμολόχος takes the bun.
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For losing his Pomeranian on Cardiff Station, and finding that at Brecon his 'at didn't fit very well.—Sertertius takes the bun.
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For saying that congruent triangles are produced by superstition.—Dick Turpin takes the bun.

For losing his toasted bun, for being caught toasting his bun.—A member of a New Building's Study takes the bun.

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For watching for the Day-light Comet at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.—Πάρεγ takes the bun.

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For asking for Soup Tickets, and valuing copy books at half-a-crown.—A Very New Boy takes the bun.

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For wiping the mud off the ground near the bottom goal-post with an opposing forward.—P. J. takes the bun.

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For saving up sixpence to buy fire-arms.—Pieds de Fée takes the bun.

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For containing as a motto for impositions, 'Forget and Forgive.'—The Copy Book takes the bun.

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For criticising the Greeks as being uncivilised.—Historicus takes the bun.

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For delicate appreciation of the glories of hexameter verse.—Badge takes the bun.

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For performing the disappearing trick on 3 plates of fish after having lost his appetite.—Twper Dai takes 1 bun for each plate.

We beg to acknowledge receipt of *The Shirburnian*, *Ipswich School Magazine*, *Swansea Grammar School Magazine*.

We regret that our Oxford friends have failed to respond to our demands for news.—ED.