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## SCHOOL NOTES.

The chief feature of this term seems to have been the general activity which has pervaded all sides of the School life. The occupations in this term have been so varied that most of us have been busy in some way or other; indeed, some have found it impossible to get in all they wished.

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The first part of the term was remarkable for the fact that the Hockey was only rarely stopped by bad weather, and all sides had good games. Though one or two matches have been scratched by our opponents lately, the season has been a satisfactory one.

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The Officers' Training Corps, about which another notice will be found elsewhere, has had a very busy term. With the numbers up to 85, and a prospect of a further increase in the future, it has settled down to solid work, and this term has been largely occupied in getting together as a Company, and familiarising themselves with the use of the rifle.

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In addition, we have found time for the usual Cross-Country Run, Junior and Senior Fives Competitions, and the Annual Boxing Competition. The boxing will not have taken place before going to press, but from all appearances there is every prospect of its being up to the standard and numbers of previous years.

We take this opportunity of heartily congratulating the following on their successes at Oxford and Cambridge:—E. H. Hiscock, on his Open Mathematical Scholarship of £80 at Jesus College, Oxford; W. N. Riley, on his Open Mathematical Scholarship of £60 at St. Catherine's College, Cambridge; and A. D. Robinson, on his Open Science Scholarship of £40 at Pembroke College, Cambridge.

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On Saturday, March 11th, an interesting lecture on Kodak Photography was given by Mr. J. W. Eadie, assisted by Mr. Haines. The admirably arranged lecture was illustrated throughout by slides and demonstrations, concluding with biograph scenes from nature, and it was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience.

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We welcome the arrival among us of Mr. H. Oakley, who comes to take the place of Mr. Rigby, who left us last term for Christ's Hospital, Horsham. Mr. Oakley has already made his mark among us by his presence on the Hockey field, where he has done much to give some stability and cohesion to the forward line in Club games.

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Boys who have left since last term are:—W. H. N. Shakespeare, R. H. Phillips, A. H. Coney, D. C. Ellis, S. C. Aston, J. A. Brooke, J. R. Gallie, C. C. P. Smith, H. G. Cullis, E. Foxwell, R. F. George, T. W. Ashburner, C. E. E. Dingle, C. S. Painter, W. W. Shakespeare, J. A. Ayrton, C. E. A. Olds, R. Simons, A. H. Dingle; while the new boys are:—R. T. Allen, J. A. Chadwick, S. J. Crane, R. V. Craven, A. Dunn, J. G. Dunn, K. H. Ferguson, W. F. Hantin, M. Mandelborn, H. Moule, W. A. Probert, S. R. B. Smith.

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We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Reynolds on his marriage to Miss Hawkins at Northampton on December 22nd, and of wishing them both long life and every happiness.

Old Boys' news continue to flow in in gratifying manner. We have specially to thank Mr. Glover for his interesting article in this number.

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Last term we were unable to present our usual frontispiece owing to the impossible nature of the weather. For the benefit of those who value and preserve their Magazines as a record of the life of the School, we determined to make good this omission, and a football group therefore appears in this number, as well as the hockey group.

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The School Officers this term are :—

*Captain of Hockey* - W. N. Riley.

*Secretary* - - - E. H. Hiscock.

*Games Committee* :—

The Headmaster.	S. Hartley.
Mr. Carter.	G. V. Hobson.
Mr. Morris.	G. W. Cox.
Mr. Francis.	H. R. Creese.
O. Gardner.	



## PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

A large number of parents and friends assembled in the Public Hall on Saturday, December 10th, for the Speech Day. Col. Stallard, Chairman of the Governors, presided, and was supported by Dr. A. E. Hillard (High Master of St. Paul's School, London), Mr. F. A. Hillard (Headmaster), the High Sheriff of Worcester (Mr. A. H. Parker), Mr. F. A. W. Simes, the Rev. J. B. Wilson, and Mr. G. W. Hobson.

The Headmaster said :—“ During the past three years many developments have been conceived, debated, and carried through to a successful achievement, which entirely re-

store the School to the important position which it held in the history of the city in early times. We have been accustomed to place the foundation of the School about 1370. Thanks to the researches of Mr. Leach, a Chief Charity Commissioner, the evidences as to the existence of our School previous to this time have recently been brought together. I wish to express my thanks to Mr. Leach for his kindness in allowing me to use the results of his investigations. It is abundantly clear that we must go back further than 1370 for the foundation of the School, and must at any rate place it before 1291, in which year certain questions arose between the Rector of St. Nicholas and the headmaster and scholars of this school. This dispute has been referred to by at least one other historian of Worcestershire, but not entirely in the right connection. In 1312 again we have the record of the appointment of Hugh of Northampton to the headmastership of the School, and in 1429 of one John Bredel as master and governor. One other fact is also clear, and it is that our School was the only school at the time concerned in the general education of the sons of the citizens and district, except those who were destined to enter one of the numerous religious orders. The present happy combination of city and county in the government of the School is but a return therefore to pre-Reformation days. Circumstances and surroundings of 10 to 12 years ago emphatically pointed to the science side of the School as the first basis for its development. Laboratories were erected, and in a short time a steady stream of boys reached the highest standard of science taken in schools, i.e., the attainment of University scholarship or the qualifying for the engineering profession. So far we have confined our attention to physical science, but the time is not far distant when we shall have to turn to the biological sciences, botany and zoology, to provide scope for those who wish to prepare themselves at school for the medical and kindred professions. Next the mathematical side claimed attention, and fortunately the

right man was at hand. I have the pleasure of seeing him (Mr. Reynolds) here to-day, returning with true affection to the scenes of his early successes. I have no hesitation in saying that the Worcester boy possesses more than average mathematical ability. This mathematical side is still perhaps the most important in the School, but there is another side coming up which bids fair to run it close, and that is the classical side. Other departments have also undergone great changes during these years, and great improvements have taken place in the teaching of history and geography, as well as in the study of English literature. Equal developments have taken place in the teaching of art, but I have one sad fact to announce. Mr. Rigby is leaving us at the end of this term. He has been chosen to the Senior Art mastership at Christ's Hospital. We are sorry to lose him, but what he has done here we are sure that he will be able to achieve there, and we wish him all success. The religious teaching in our School remains what it has been for the past 10, 20, 50 years, and as such it will remain in the future. When some wealthy old boy or other philanthropic person sees fit to present us with a school chapel it will be accepted with the utmost gratitude. Of our future plans I must speak but briefly. The School House is practically full, and our total numbers are but a score short of the 300. (Applause.) There will, however, be during the next year certain important developments. One of these is the establishment of a new series of open scholarships for boys of about 15 years of age. These will be open for competition probably in May of each year, and will be given for classics, mathematics or science. They will be of the annual value of £12, tenable during a boy's school life, and will be called the Eld Scholarships. They will be tenable also for boarders, together with House Scholarships of £10 to £15. At first three will be offered each year. Some further steps will be taken to obtain systematic records of the physical condition of the boys. A section of the Officers' Training Corps is now forming in the

School. (Applause.) On this our Chairman will be able to speak with greater authority than I can; but, before I sit down, I should publicly like to thank the excellent body of men whom I have the fortune to have as colleagues." He concluded by welcoming Dr. Hillard as headmaster of the most important city school of the world, and by thanking the prize-givers for their valuable help, and the Governors and guests for their presence.

Dr. A. E. Hillard said he did not pretend to occupy the position of a detached critic, for he was in love with his profession, and therefore could not detach himself from it or believe that any work in the world was better than his own. It was generally understood in Fleet Street, and certainly by all the writers in our journals, that the schoolmaster was the only person who did not know anything about education. He said the ancient and ever loyal city of Worcester should be congratulated upon possessing such an excellent school as theirs—(applause)—one which could, by its traditions, challenge the most famous, and which by its adaptation of all modern needs, could certainly keep up with the foremost. (Applause.) When he spoke of public schools he meant the whole of the great and now developing secondary educational system, and when one read such records as those of the Grammar School, and of similar schools, one must believe that all the praise that was showered upon the public schools was deserved. (Applause.) From such schools came most of our great men, and almost all our legislators, our clergy (who were not all incompetent), our lawyers (some of whom were honest), and our doctors. It was the practice, he knew, for those who were engaged in the practical work of education to be directed abroad for their model, to be told that they did these things better in Germany, and if they only took a lesson from them, they might at last find and provide education worth calling by the name. Meanwhile he had conversed each year with over a dozen men engaged in educational work in Germany. These men were saying

they would give anything if they could produce anything like our public schools in their own country. (Applause.) He could not give the reason, but he would quote the words of a German professor, who explained that whereas the German boys were drilled into learning somehow or other, in England one went into the class room and saw the master face to face with the boys, and saw the common work in which they were engaged together. (Applause.) Contrasting the state of public schools 50 years ago with the present system, Dr. Hillard said that now they found teaching going on in every subject according to a boy's capacity; everything was carefully graded, divided, and they had choice and option according to every boy's particular purpose, everything to make the boys grow up healthy and strong, they were not subjected to any ill-treatment in any school or house, and there was no neglect. (Applause.) There were changes going on now, and one of these was respecting home life. Fifty years ago, and even later, everyone who required a first-class education for his son thought he must send him away from home. In many homes everything was apparently done to discourage a boy either from attending to his evening work or taking advantage of games and other school interests which he might do if the home arrangements were made for his convenience. (Hear, hear.) If this was not done, how much better it was for a boy to go to a school house where they looked after every phase of life. By living at home a boy should not be debarred from mixing with his fellows, which produced far more than anything inside school—self restraint, self respect, tact, the knowledge when to submit and when to command—and a boy who had acquired these habits, he thought, was one likely to go to the top, while the others would be employed in subordinate work for ever. (Applause.)

Dr. Hillard then distributed the prizes.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to him, paying a tribute to the work carried on by Dr. Hillard at St. Paul's

School. The vote having been accorded, Dr. Hillard responded.

Mr. Simes, replying to a vote of thanks to the Governors, said that of the many parts he had to take none pleased him more than speaking as a Governor. They had great cause for thankfulness in Worcester that they were well supplied with means for secondary education, and those who for many long years had been associated with the Grammar School boys and their capacities were really proud of their school, which combined all that was best in modern equipment and modern methods in the traditions of prestige and antiquity. (Loud applause.)

#### HONOURS LIST.

E. R. Appleton, Open Scholarship, New College, Oxford, £80 for four years; O. S. Phillips, Open Scholarship, Keble College, Oxford, £80 for four years; E. H. Hiscock, Worfield Exhibition, £50 for four years; E. R. Appleton, Worcestershire County Council Major Scholarship; O. S. Phillips, Worcestershire County Council Major Scholarship; O. S. Phillips, School Leaving Exhibition; H. W. Emerton, First Place, Intermediate Civil Service, appointed to Admiralty Division; E. H. Hiscock, Honours in Mathematics, Board of Education Examination; O. Gardner, Honours in Mathematics, Board of Education Examination; I. T. Pritchard, New College, Oxford, First Class Honour Mathematical Moderations; F. C. T. Woodhead, Hertford College, Oxford, First Class Honour Mathematical Moderations; J. R. Grisman, Worcester College, Oxford, Second Class Honour Mathematical Moderations; A. W. Woodhead, Queen's College, Oxford, Second Class Honour Mathematical Moderations; H. R. Otty, St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, Second Class Mathematical Tripos, Part I.; K. S. Martin, Pembroke College, Oxford, Third Class Final Honour School of Natural Science (Physics); D. Williams, First Class Intermediate Law Examination; F. W. Hemming, Second Class Intermediate Law Examination; J. R. Strickland, Membership, Institution of Civil Engineers (M.I.C.E.); F. H. Heppel, Associateship, Royal Institute of British Architects. The following obtained certificates exempting from the London Matriculation Examination:—H. E. Butler, H. R. Creese, R. A. Done, H. T. Gough, R. H. Phillips, S. J. Pickard, W. R. Ward, H. G. Watts, H. E. Wyatt.

## OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATION.

Senior.—1st Class Honours: H. G. Watts (distinguished in French, Mathematics, and Physics), H. R. Creese (distinguished in Mathematics). Additional: W. E. Wood (distinguished in Mathematics). 3rd Class Honours: H. E. Butler, A. E. Gibbs, H. T. Gough, S. Hartley, H. J. Watkins, H. E. Wyatt. Pass: A. H. M. Brierley, G. W. Cox, R. A. Done, P. B. Duckworth, T. R. Mills, W. J. Palmer, R. H. Phillips, S. J. Pickard, C. E. W. Simes, E. W. Venner, W. R. Ward.

Junior.—3rd Class Honours: P. Appleyard, H. C. Davis, C. N. Rowe, G. D. Smith, C. N. Wedge. Pass: G. A. Aldington, A. H. Coney, O. A. Creese, D. C. Ellis, R. H. Gardner, R. E. Grant, L. B. Heath, J. Holmes, C. F. Kimber, P. J. Lingwood, R. D. Partridge, S. G. Rowley, H. Smith, L. J. Wareham, A. J. Wilcock, E. C. Clarke, H. J. Hales, R. C. Lees, H. T. Mapp, F. B. Chalmers, C. W. Coney, W. L. Dowdeswell, R. J. Ewins, G. H. Gibbs, H. W. Harper, D. G. Hemus, W. H. Howes, J. R. Leeson, G. A. Mackie, A. Rhodes, B. W. Sadler, S. H. Smith, G. L. Watkinson, C. Darke, A. G. Dowty, J. Lampitt, H. E. Lewis, J. S. Lewis.

Preliminary.—Pass: J. R. Browning, A. Douglas, J. E. H. Duckworth, C. J. Flux, C. H. Hemus, W. G. T. Pearse, T. F. Baylis, H. M. Day, W. Downs, C. F. J. Lisle, F. H. Lock, J. L. Ranford, E. Rogers.

## PRIZE LIST.

Public Spirit, the Chairman's Prize; E. H. Hiscock, W. N. Riley. Goulsborough Mathematical Prizes—Senior, E. R. Appleton, E. H. Hiscock, W. N. Riley, O. Gardner; Junior, W. E. Wood, H. R. Creese. Special Science Prizes: Senior, O. S. Phillips, A. D. Robinson; Junior, J. H. Yard. Classical Prizes: A. E. Gibbs, S. Hartley, H. E. Wyatt, C. E. W. Simes. Latin Prizes: Senior, H. T. Gough; Junior, G. R. T. Fairbairn. Divinity Prizes. Senior, H. E. Butler, J. H. Yard; Junior, B. C. S. Wakefield. English Essay: Senior, E. H. Hiscock; Junior, R. E. Grant. The Head Master's Prizes for English Literature: Senior, H. G. Watts, A. D. Robinson; Junior, C. N. Wedge, C. F. Kimber. Geography: Senior, A. A. Painting, J. H. Yard; Junior, J. E. H. Duckworth. Modern Language Prizes: French, Special Prize, H. G. Watts; Senior, A. H. M. Brierley; Middle School, C. Darke, R. E. Grant; Junior, A. C. Beynon; Oral Work, A. G. Tarrant; German, W. H. N. Shakespeare. Prizes for Art: Senior, C. F. Kimber; Middle School, A. S. Menzies; Junior, Reg. W. Barlow. Nature Study: A. Fincher. Writing Prizes: Senior, H. J. Watkins, P. Appleyard; Middle School, G. H. Day; Junior, B. C. S. Wakefield. General Knowledge Prizes: Senior, O. Gardner; Junior, E. Rogers.

Oxford Local Examination Prizes.—Senior, 1st Class Honours: H. G. Watts (distinguished in French, Mathematics, and Physics), H. R. Creese (distinguished in Mathematics).

Form Prizes: Upper V., H. T. Gough, H. E. Butler; Lower V., F. H. Osborne, J. H. Yard; Upper IV., H. W. Harper, C. N. Wedge; Lower IV., J. Holmes, H. J. Hales; Upper III., C. H. Hemus, E. Rogers, J. H. Moon; Lower III., L. B. Swaffield, E. Wall, G. H. Day; II., H. A. Crickmer, B. C. S. Wakefield, V. W. Humpherson; I., P. J. H. Wasley, T. W. Crimp, J. G. Joseland.

Preparatory School Prizes.—R. J. Bowen, W. Woodward, C. Quarterman.

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## MR. H. A. RIGBY.

We have to record, with much regret, the departure from among us of Mr. Rigby, who, at the commencement of this term, entered on his new duties as Senior Art Master at Christ's Hospital. We sincerely congratulate him and wish him all success for the future.

During the two years in which he had been with us, he had done a great service in creating a new side of the work of the School, and the Art Room, for the equipment of which he was responsible, is a monument to his labours. We owe him, in addition, many grateful thanks for his untiring energy in meeting the numerous demands of the various School institutions to design suitable badges; and in this connection we may mention that it is hoped soon to be possible to incorporate into this Magazine the new cover which he designed. He did much to revive the Natural History Society, and brought together the nucleus of a good collection of fossils and other objects of interest. But, perhaps, the greatest tribute we can pay him is to say that we know there are many who will always gratefully acknowledge their debt to him for their greater interest and more intelligent appreciation of artistic ideals.

## OLD ELIZABETHANS' DINNER.

The Old Boys' dinner was held at the Star Hotel on Tuesday evening, January 17th. Mr. H. V. Plum presided, and Mr. H. Mansfield was Vice-Chairman, the guest of the evening being the Headmaster (Mr. F. A. Hillard). There were present also: Messrs. E. C. Harrison and W. G. Day (hon. secretaries), F. A. W. Simes, A. H. Parker, A. G. Parker, T. Parker, G. L. D. Kent, F. R. Jeffrey, S. J. Presdee, A. R. Norris, G. F. Stone, J. Grisman, J. W. Pountney, R. T. Hughes, J. E. Wall, T. Haines, H. M. Bennett, I. T. Pritchard, A. W. Woodhead, C. Till, G. H. Smith, H. M. Gardner, F. M. Plum, C. P. Park, A. R. Harris, W. C. Till, W. H. Darch, F. J. Spencer, and P. J. Roberts. The Rev. F. J. Eld, the former headmaster, and Mr. Potts, former second master, were both unable to attend because of ill-health.

The Chairman gave "The School and our Guest." Expressing his regret at the absence of Mr. Eld, he said those older Old Boys would always think of Mr. Eld as the headmaster of the School, and he was sure that Mr. Hillard would agree with that view. He was also sorry that Mr. Potts was unable to be present. Giving some interesting school reminiscences, the Chairman said he wished to pay a grateful tribute to the excellent business training which Mr. Simes (who was Head of the School at the time) gave him. The successes of the School of recent years made the success of himself and others in the early days appear comparatively small. In these days of the highest organization, when they were encumbered by red tape, it was interesting to think how wonderfully they got on in the old days without any of these modern inventions. (Laughter.) The real reason was that the heart of the school depended upon the personality of the Master so much more than upon the organization and other matters. To schoolmasters like himself it was interesting and important to review one's school life because it gave them breadth of view in ruling their

schools, it enabled them to look at things from the point of view of the boy. Mr. Eld taught them that. Plenty of schoolmasters were feared and fewer were loved, fewer still were feared and loved, but Mr. Eld was thoroughly feared and thoroughly loved. He kept then (as he still kept) to his abiding happiness and to their lasting good the boy's heart and the boy's outlook on life. That was the key to his success. He put before them high ideals of honesty, industry, and honour, and he was certain that those ideals obtained under Mr. Hillard, or the School could not have achieved the success it had. The older Old Boys, no less than those of a younger generation, were grateful to him for the great success which the School had had under him, and they wished it even greater success in the future. (Applause.)

Mr. Hillard, in reply, also expressed regret at the absence of Mr. Eld and Mr. Potts, saying they were doing their best to perpetuate the tone which those masters started in the School. It was a special pleasure to welcome the Chairman, because he was one of the few Old Boys who had taken up the scholastic profession. He set a noble example by taking the scholarship at Hertford College, into which the School had dug so deeply, and he congratulated Mr. Plum on being the first to win that high distinction. He was now the headmaster of an important school in the North. One of the greatest joys of a headmaster was to see Old Boys grow up into manly men of the world, showing that force of character, energy, and high ideals which he had endeavoured to impress upon them. He recently discovered that one-third of the boys who had left school within the last ten years had gone abroad, and it was a great pleasure to receive letters from them from all parts of the world. They would be glad to know that all was well with the School morally, intellectually, and physically. The scholarships had been announced during the holidays, bringing the total to the usual number of four for the winter term. That showed that the work at the top of the School was continu-

ing at its high standard. Just below the top of the School they were turning out boys who were taking their places in almost every department of life. Those boys carried with them the high ideals and precepts which were characteristic of the School in Mr. Eld's time. After referring to the formation of the Officers' Training Corps, he said they had established a new series of open scholarships at the School for boys at 15, and that gave them the last link in the chain which placed them on an equal footing with all the big schools of the country, and as such summarised the position of eminence which the School had gradually been gaining during the last twenty years. Speaking of the absence of Mr. Page, who was to have been the Vice-Chairman, the Headmaster said they might send him their congratulations on the really high position he had obtained in the analytical world. He was one of the first Old Boys to take up the important profession of analytical chemistry, and for his age and experience he had already attained considerable distinction. In conclusion he spoke of the services of Mr. Harrison, who, for the past 21 years (that being their coming-of-age dinner) had taken in hand the management of the dinner.

Mr. Harrison thanked the Headmaster for his remarks, but said he thought that the time had come when he ought to be relieved of that work. He suggested that the management of the dinner might be taken over by the Old Elizabethans' Association.

Mr. Simes supported this view, saying they had now a vigorous Old Elizabethans' Association. He hoped that next year they would have at least 100 present.

Mr. Gascoigne said he would ask the Association to undertake that work, on condition that the Dinner Committee, which had made the arrangements for many years, would continue to support them.

Replying to the toast of "The Old Elizabethans," which was not formally proposed (Mr. Morris being unable to attend to do that), the Vice-Chairman, in a delightfully racy

speech, said he was proud to see Mr. Plum in the chair that evening, because he was in the School with him. The only difference between them was one of degree—the Chairman was at the top of the School and he was somewhere near the bottom. (Laughter.) It was not given to all of them to obtain scholastic distinction like the Chairman, but it was equally important that boys should be turned out from the School of good moral worth and high character. The old boys looked upon Mr. Eld as guide, philosopher and friend. If there were one thing he instilled into them more than another it was the dignity of manliness and good citizenship. He hoped that the time would be far distant when those happy gatherings would cease.

During the evening songs were given by Mr. G. H. Smith, and recitations by Messrs. Mansfield, Park, Bennett and Haines.



## OLD BOYS' NOTES.

- G. E. Downs ('94-'04) after passing through his Clinical Course at St. Thomas' Hospital, and successfully negotiating his M.B. Oxon., in something like record time, has been appointed Casualty Officer and Resident Anaesthetist at St. Thomas'.
- Lieut. H. R. N. Cobbett (1900-'03) captained the Royal Canadian Artillery, the winning team in Garrison League Cricket last year, with a batting average of 50, and, being somewhat weighty, has been playing back for them during the winter. He hopes to come over to Woolwich for a Gunnery Course next September.
- K. S. Martin ('99-'06) is going out to Nigeria to a Colonial Office appointment.
- F. W. Hayes ('06-'08) finished his two years on the "Conway" at Christmas, taking several prizes, and was appointed to the Royal Naval Reserve. He is now in the Hall Line S.S.

“City of Durham,” 6000 tons, from Glasgow to Delagoa Bay, Mauritius, Calcutta, and the Far East.

- C. T. R. John ('08-'09) is now with Messrs. Abel and Morrell, Redditch.
- G. M. Clark ('03-'05) and A. G. Pell Hiley ('01-'05) are running a Concert Party in the West of England.
- A. G. Bennett ('94-'04) of the Western Telegraph Company is at Pernambuco, Brazil.
- C. Reay Pughe ('01-'07) is Manager at Messrs. C. Saunders & Son, Estate Agents, South Kensington.
- S. G. Dean ('04-'08) is teaching at Redland Hill House, Bristol.
- F. J. Phillips ('02-'04) has passed Law Finals.
- A. H. Phillips ('02-'09) is at present engaged in the Government Offices on Form IV.
- R. G. L. Bennett ('94-'01) has made a 1500 mile journey on horseback from Hamadan to Nasratabad, Seistan, Persia, on the Afghan border, to take up the post of Manager of the Imperial Bank of Persia there.
- Rev. G. C. Weaver ('86-'92) is Organising Secretary for the Arch-deaconry of Durham and Sunderland to the Missions to Seamen.
- N. J. Gandy ('04-'06) is now in the Contracting Department of the Staveley Coal and Iron Co. Ltd.
- J. E. Wall ('86-'88) has been elected a Professional Associate of the Surveyors' Institution, and appointed Assistant Valuer in the Valuation Department of the Inland Revenue.
- T. Clapton ('91-'96) is Chief Officer in the British India S.S. Co.'s Mail Steamer running between Calcutta and Rangoon.
- A. W. J. Macreight ('03-'07) having spent three years on the “Worcester,” has made several journeys to Calcutta and Bombay in the British India S.N. Co.'s S.S. “Chyebossa.”
- G. F. Strickland ('02-'03) is Third Officer in the Strath Line of Glasgow.

W. P. Cross ('89-'96) is a Director of a Leather Firm in Northampton.

F. J. Bradley ('93-'96) is a Hardware Manufacturer at Pierson, Manitoba.

A. L. Fletcher ('02-'05) is engaged in research on Radioactive Minerals, and published a paper in the January Phil. Mag. on "The Radioactivity of Leinster Granite."

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#### BIRTH.

THOMASON.—On the 15th February, 1911, at 29, Stanley Gardens, Hampstead, N.W., the wife of Frederick Ernest Tillemont Thomason ('82-'84), of a daughter.

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#### MARRIAGE.

BRADLEY—RIDDELL.—On January 24th, 1911, at Pierson, Manitoba, F. J. Bradley ('93-'96) to Miss Minnie Riddell.

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#### DEATH.

HARDING.—On February 28th, 1911, at 28, Sebright Avenue, Ralph Robert Harding ('02-'08), aged 20.

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### MARRIAGE OF MR. E. REYNOLDS.

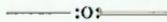
Exceptional interest attached to the wedding at St. Giles,' Northampton, on Thursday, December 22nd, of Mr. E. Reynolds and Miss Gladys Hawkins, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Hawkins, of Beaumont, Northampton. The wedding was of a comparatively quiet character, but a large number of friends attended at the Church. Mr. Walrond, senior classical master at the school, was at the organ, and played Wagner's Bridal March from "Lohengrin" before the Service. The Rev. Canon

Lloyd Jones, Vicar of All Saints, the Rev. T. A. Gurney, Vicar of St. Giles', and the Rev. T. R. J. Avery, Vicar of Syston, Leicestershire, were the officiating clergy; while the County School Choir, under Mr. Walrond, led the singing, the hymns being "The voice that breathed o'er Eden," to Stainer's tune, and "God of Mercy, God of Love," while the Psalm was "Blessed are all they that fear the Lord."

The bride was given away by her father, and Mr. J. Osborne Reynolds of Rudham, Norfolk, brother to the bridegroom, acted as best man. At the close of the brief Service Mr. Walrond played Mendelssohn's "Wedding March."

There was no reception of friends, Mrs. Reynolds, Mr. J. O. Reynolds, and Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, of Leicester, completing the wedding party. Later in the day Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds left for Mentone, where they spent their honeymoon.

There were a large number of presents from friends, both at Northampton and Worcester, including a gift of books from the Old Elizabethans.



## OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

The formation of a Contingent of the Officers' Training Corps was recorded in the Magazine last term. As, however, the official recognition by the Army Council was not received here till December 12th, there was no opportunity of printing anything but the mere record of the fact. Now, however, the work of the Quartermaster-General is nearly done, and we can begin to see how the Company is shaping.

During the Winter Term, before we came into existence officially, we worked hard at Squad drill, with the result that we were able to proceed, at the beginning of this term, to Company drill. With the coming of the finer weather we have been able to go out to some very useful fields, the use of which was kindly granted by Mr. R. J. Smith, O.E.

As officers, we are fortunate in having secured Mr. Booth and Mr. Morris.

The first Non-commissioned Officers were appointed on March 6th, when Privates Butler, Hartley, Riley, and Simes were promoted to be Lance-Corporals. With more practice these should prove capable Section Commanders.

The uniform is of the ordinary Service Dress type, the badge is bronze and shoulder titles in brass, having been designed by Mr. Rigby.

The Mills Web equipment has given satisfaction so far, the general opinion being that it has a very smart appearance.

We have received from the Authorities some sixty-eight long Lee-Metford Rifles, while for smaller boys there are Carbines.

A useful little armoury has been fitted up in the old Bun House, and a miniature rifle range is being constructed at Barker's Brick Works.

Next term will be very busy. We shall have all our shooting to do, besides as much field work as we can get. On June 29th or 30th will be the Annual Inspection, while on July 3rd a detachment is to attend at the Review of the Officers' Training Corps in Windsor Park by His Majesty the King. At the end of July comes the Camp on Salisbury Plain, to which it is hoped a good number will go. The expense to the Contingent is great, and Cadets are asked to contribute rather less than half. This is only possible if we take a good number and earn the maximum grant. It is, therefore, highly desirable that every Cadet who will be fifteen by October 1st, 1911, should attend Camp.

Perhaps it will be well to set out, once more, the objects of the Officers' Training Corps, and from that to understand what must be the end to which the efforts of the Royal Grammar School Contingent are directed.

The Officers' Training Corps is divided into Senior and Junior Divisions: the Senior composed of University Contingents, the Junior of School Contingents.

# WORCESTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL O.T.C. ROLL.

Lieut. H. Dippie (Company Commander).

Lieut. T. K. Mortimer-Booth (Right-half Co. Commander).

Lieut. H. H. Morris (Left-half Co. Commander).

Lce.-Corp. Simes, C. E. W.  
(Section Commander).

Lce.-Corp. Butler, H. E.  
(Section Commander).

Lce.-Corp. Riley, W. N.  
(Section Commander).

Lce.-Corp. Hartley, S.  
(Section Commander).

## Section I.

Pte. Painting, A. A. } Squad  
 „ Palmer, W. J. } Leaders.  
 „ Baylis, T. F.  
 „ Berridge, J. N.  
 „ Brierley, A. H. M.  
 „ Coney, C. W.  
 „ Day, G. H.  
 „ Downs, W.  
 „ Dowdeswell, W. L.  
 „ Grant, R. E.  
 „ Hayes, W. M.  
 „ Jordan, A. G.  
 „ Knight, J. A.  
 „ Robinson, A.  
 „ Sadler, B. W.  
 „ Smith, S. H.

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„ George, A. H.  
 „ Ranford, J. L.  
 „ Huddleston, J. W.  
 „ Lewis, J.

## Section II.

Pte. Darke, C. } Squad  
 „ Wood, W. E. } Leaders.  
 „ Gibbs, G. H.  
 „ Hellaby, C. E.  
 „ Homes, W. M.  
 „ Harrison, C. J. L.  
 „ Leeson, J. R.  
 „ Lingwood, P. J.  
 „ Mount, G. N.  
 „ Marriott, H. K.  
 „ Pembridge, J. T.  
 „ Rogers, E.  
 „ Smith, C. F.  
 „ Slader, F. W.  
 „ Watts, H. G.  
 „ Wyatt, H. E.

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„ Rowley, S. T.  
 „ Goodwin, G. A.  
 „ Shilton, D. W. F.  
 „ Mackie, G. A.

## Section III.

Pte. Hobson, G. V. } Squad  
 „ Humpherson, V. } Leaders.  
 „ Davis, H. C.  
 „ Duckworth, J. E. H.  
 „ Flux, C. J.  
 „ Gardner, O.  
 „ Golightly, J. P. R.  
 „ Hiscock, E. H.  
 „ Harrison, D.  
 „ Knight, C. R.  
 „ Kimber, C. F.  
 „ Watkinson, G. L.  
 „ Williams, H.  
 „ Wright, J. E. T.

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„ Aldington, G. A.  
 „ Dillworth, W. C.  
 „ Dunn, J. G.  
 „ Evans, P. E.  
 „ Gardner, R. E.  
 „ Moule, H.  
 „ Wall, E.

## Section IV.

Pte. Pickard, S. J. } Squad  
 „ Venner, E. W. } Leaders.  
 „ Gibbs, A. E.  
 „ Creese, H. R.  
 „ Bannister, S.  
 „ Jackson, G. A.  
 „ Cox, G. W.  
 „ Day, H. M.  
 „ Hill, J. L.  
 „ Howfield, J. A.  
 „ Lisle, C. F. J.  
 „ Stanton, E. V.  
 „ Willcock, A. J.  
 „ Wilson, B. V.  
 „ Oborn, R.

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„ Parsons, W. G.  
 „ Wakefield, B. C. S.  
 „ Hunt, S. T.  
 „ Lewis, H.  
 „ Banks, H. C.

The object of the whole is to act as a source of supply to the Special Reserve of Officers, and, of course, also directly to the Army.

The Special Reserve of Officers is composed of men who have taken commissions, have qualified, and who attend annual training with their regiments, but who remain civilians, liable, however, to be called out to fill the gaps caused by the immense wastage of war.

The reserve is to be supplied largely from the Senior Division, O.T.C., members of which are to take the qualifying examination ("B").

The Junior Division is to feed the Universities with trained cadets, who have taken their first examination ("A"). Further, it is to supply candidates to Woolwich and Sandhurst, and finally, it is to provide an elementary military education to the cadets, with a view to their eventually taking a commission in the Territorial Force.

The Certificates of proficiency, obtainable in both divisions, exempt from part of the Probationary Training for Special Reserve Officers, and give advantages in the examination at Woolwich and Sandhurst.

Our aim must be, therefore :—

- (1). To send in as many candidates for Certificate "A" as possible.
- (2). To encourage Cadets to take Commission in the Territorial Force when they leave School.
- (3). To send candidates, through the Universities, into the Special Reserve.
- (4). If possible to send candidates to Sandhurst and Woolwich.

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## HOCKEY.

We opened our season on January 28th with a match against the Old Elizabethans. The game was fast, both sides

playing keenly. We soon got away and Cox found the goal. Soon afterwards Painting scored, and Riley put on two more. The second half of the game was more even, and, had our opponents front line been in better form, a more even score had resulted. As it was, we got two more goals, and won by six to nil. Riley played a thoroughly good game, and scored four of these goals. Williams played well in goal, but the Old Boys should have scored on at least two occasions. Gibbs, A. E., made a promising debut in our team, and for the O.E.'s Sparshott played with vigour.

W.R.G.S. :—Williams ; Hiscock, Butler ; A. E. Gibbs, Gardner, Pickard ; Cox, Hartley, Riley, Painting, and Hill.

O.E.'s :—G. F. Gibbs ; P. Lamb, G. F. Stone ; N. Parker, A. J. Parry, A. F. Guise ; O. K. Bevington, F. R. Baylis, A. A. Bryant, L. B. Carlton, and C. M. Sparshott.

On Saturday, February 4th, our visitors were Evesham. They arrived two short, so Hiscock and Hobson turned out for them. The game began very evenly, each side attacking in turn. Cox then got away for us and scored, but our opponents soon equalized. The visiting goalkeeper was then kept busy ; he defended well, but Riley got two through, the second by a terrific shot, which missed the custodian's head by a narrow margin. In the second half Riley, whose shooting was excellent, scored two more. The visitors made a few determined rushes, and on one occasion netted the ball. Mr. Oakley then obtained a sixth goal, so that we ran out winners by 6--2. Our left wing showed excellent form, Pickard being particularly good. Hobson, for the visitors, played extremely well at outside left.

Team :—Williams ; Mr. Booth, Mr. Carter ; Mr. Morris, Gardner, Pickard ; Cox, Hartley, Riley, Mr. Oakley, and Hill.

On February 15th we were visited by Upton, who, however, brought but a poor team. Hobson replaced Hill at outside left, and Hiscock came into the half-back line. We held the upper hand throughout, and by half-time had obtained seven goals.

This score was actually increased to nineteen, and at the same time our goal was kept intact. Riley, who did brilliant things, was responsible for no less than fourteen of these goals. Hobson did good work on the left wing, and the Upton goalkeeper made a few good saves in the early part of the game.

Team :—Williams ; Mr. Booth, Mr. Carter ; Hiscock, Gardner, Pickard ; Mr. Rebsch, Hartley, Riley, Mr. Oakley, and Hobson.

W.R.G.S. 1ST CLUB XI. *v.* LEOMINSTER H.C.—The Club were without Mr. Carter and Hartley when they went to Leominster on February 25th. The ground was very sodden, and badly needed rolling. Many times when dribbling the ball the forwards over-ran it, owing to its falling into a hole. The Leominster team were used to the ground and play a slogging game, the ball travelling very quickly from one part of the field to another.

At the commencement of the game play was very even, and the Club succeeded in forcing a penalty corner. However, this did not result in anything, and shortly before half-time Leominster got a goal. Soon after, a rush by the Club resulted in a goal, scored by a good shot by Mr. Oakley. In the second half Leominster had rather the better of the play and were soon one ahead. The Club repeatedly tried to get through, but were defeated by a stubborn defence. After half-an-hour's play the Leominster outside-left converted a good pass by the outside-right, and soon after another was added in the same way. There was no further scoring, the Club thus losing 1—4.

Team :—Williams ; Mr. Booth, Hiscock ; Gibbs, Gardner, Pickard ; Mr. Rebsch, Butler, Riley, Mr. Oakley, and Hobson.

W.R.G.S. 1ST CLUB XI. *v.* WORCESTER 2ND XI.—At Boughton, on Wednesday, March 1st, we met a strong Worcester 2nd XI., containing six 1st XI. men, including Hall and Lunn. The Club were without Gardner, which made a great difference to the effectiveness of the half-back line.

Play was very even at the commencement of the game. Pickard found Lunn rather a handful, and the forwards combined much better than any we have been against this season. Lunn scored first for our opponents, and after play in mid-field, Mr. Oakley scored for the Club. This was followed soon after by a goal for our opponents through Buck. No further scoring took place before half-time. In the second half the Club right wing refused to make use of many opportunities when in the circle. Mr. Booth did some really good work, and often crumpled up the left wing of our opponents. Another goal was scored against the Club after some smart play, to which the Club replied with a goal through Mr. Rebsch. Lunn added another good goal, which was the last that was scored. Result 2—4.

Team :—Williams ; Mr. Booth, Mr. Carter ; Mr. Morris, Pickard, Hiscock ; Mr. Rebsch, Hartley, Riley, Mr. Oakley, and Hobson.

On Saturday, March 11th, we journeyed to Malvern to meet the Town team. Our opponents scored first, but Cox soon retaliated. Soon afterward Robinson stopped at the cry of "offside," with the result that the homesters rushed a goal. Hartley then converted a pass from the left, and just before half-time Riley scored with a good back-handed shot. In the second half Malvern had most of the game. They put on three more goals and won by 5—3. Our forwards were not in good form, and the home backs, who played exceedingly well, proved too much for them. Pickard's absence was felt considerably in the defence.

Team :—Williams ; Hiscock, Robinson ; Gibbs, Gardner, Butler ; Done, Hartley, Riley, Cox, and Hobson.

W.R.G.S. 1ST XI. v. OLD ELIZABETHANS.—The Old Boys brought a strong team to meet the School on Stephenson Terrace, on Saturday, March 25th. In the first half there was much play in midfield, Parker looking after Riley too well to let him get into the danger zone. The Old Boys' halves backed up the forwards well, and Williams had to save on more than one occasion.

Sparshott played a good game and frequently put in good centres. The School made many determined rushes, but were unable to get near enough to shoot. At half-time no goals had been scored. In the second half the Old Boys had rather the better of the game. Hiscock played a good game for the School, and Pickard fed his own forwards well, but was inclined to keep the ball too long. After about ten minutes play in the second half, Parry pushed the ball through for the Old Boys, Williams could not quite reach it, and it dribbled into the net. Within a few minutes of time, Riley had an open goal, when the referee pulled up Parker for an alleged "barge." The School did not again get a chance of shooting, the game resulting in a win for the Old Boys by 1—0. Teams:—

Old Elizabethans :—A. C. W. Hobson ; F. Woodhead, G. F. Gibbs ; A. Woodhead, F. L. Parker, H. M. Gardner ; F. R. Baylis, I. T. Pritchard, A. J. Parry, A. F. Guise, C. Sparshott.

School :—H. Williams ; E. H. Hiscock, A. D. Robinson ; A. E. Gibbs, O. Gardner, S. J. Pickard ; G. W. Cox, S. Hartley, W. N. Riley, H. E. Butler, G. V. Hobson.

W.R.G.S. *v.* WORCESTER 2ND XI.—On Thursday, March 30th, we played our final match at Boughton Park. We started in startling fashion, getting three goals in the first ten minutes.

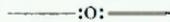
Some dogged play followed, and just before half-time our opponents netted the ball. Pickard got badly knocked about on his face but continued to play a determined game. Soon after the interval, Riley, who had already shot two goals, forced another. Then followed a fine centre from Hobson, which was well converted by Hartley. From a tussle in front of goal Riley scored a sixth goal, and then the home team scored their second goal. A few minutes before the end Hartley got another, and we consequently won by 7 goals to 2.

Teams :—Williams ; Hiscock, Mr. Carter ; Mr. Rebsch, Gardner, Pickard ; Cox, Hartley, Riley, Mr. Oakley, and Hobson.

## INTER-HOUSE HOCKEY.

The Inter-House Hockey was again played on the knock-out system, owing to shortness of time. In the first round, Woolfe House defeated Temple House by 9--3, and School House defeated Wylde House by 13--1. In the second round, Woolfe House, on replaying a draw of 1--1, defeated Tudor House by 2--1, while Yewle House lost by 17--0 to School House, who thus had to meet Woolfe House in the final, which resulted in a very keen game, and at the end of a fast match, Woolfe House were only beaten by 4--2; the last two goals for School House were rather soft ones.

School House were stronger this season than last, and were expected to win the Cup. Woolfe House played well together and made School House go all the way to win the Cup. Tudor House did not do as well as was expected.



## THE GAMES.

The School wound up the football season by defeating a rather uneven Old Boys' team by 7 goals to 3. The forwards displayed considerably more dash than in many of their previous matches.

Team:—Simes; Hiscock, Venner; Butler, Gardner, O., Riley; Bannister, Hartley, Hobson, Palmer, and Hill.

The hockey season started in brilliant fashion. We won our first three matches to the tune of 32 goals to 2. It was very unfortunate that so many games, especially school matches, had to be scratched through various reasons, as we feel that, in those at home at any rate, we should have rendered a good account of ourselves.

The House matches aroused considerable keenness, and should be instrumental in providing good talent for next season. The final between School House and Woolfe House could not very well have been better, and one could not help admiring the

pluck of the beaten side, who held out to the bitter end against great odds.

Some of the School practices on the 2nd and 3rd grounds might be taken more seriously ; there is an inclination to slackness, both in starting and playing, which is bad for the game.

It is a pity that the hockey season is so short, as many boys do not find their form before the middle of term ; and small boys should remember that hockey is a game in which size and weight do not count for so much as in football, this giving them a more equal chance with the bigger fellows.

#### CRITICISM OF THE XI.

Riley, W. N. (Captain). He is a brilliant individual player with clever stick work. Though dangerous when in the circle, he does not combine well and seldom passes direct to his outside men.

Williams, H. He has been very valuable to his side, and improved much during the season.

Hiscock, E. H. Hits powerfully, but is rather inclined to give "sticks." Uses his head well.

Robinson, A. D. A very keen and enthusiastic player. He occasionally gets too far up the field to be safe.

Gardner, O. A hard-working, keen centre-half. He does not use his head as well as his hands.

Pickard, S. J. On his day the best half in the School. Tackles well and can hit.

Gibbs, A. E. A strenuous half-back, who tackles well but is weak at hitting.

Cox, G. W. A good dribbler and takes his passes well.

Hartley, S. An energetic and fast forward, but rather apt to overrun the ball.

Butler, H. E. He is not naturally a forward, but has been useful in boring through the opposing defence.

Hobson, G. V. He fills the rather difficult position of outside left creditably. Has not enough confidence in himself, and centres too soon.

The thanks of the Games Club are due to Mr. Chessall for so ungrudgingly carrying out the task of refereeing during the Footer and Hockey Season.

Regarding the prospects of next Cricket season, many improvements and alterations have been made which will affect it. First of all, having a ground man on the field all the winter has made a vast improvement to the state of the ground generally. The greater part of the "square" has been relaid, and also part of the practice wickets. Another thing that will affect the teams very considerably is the new re-arrangement of the House system, in eliminating the 1st and 2nd XI.'s from the House matches, except in the Open House Ties. This will mean that these boys will be able to have, at least, twice as much of net coaching as hitherto.

Both School and Club teams should be stronger than last year, as practically the whole of last year's players will be available. The batting prospects are decidedly good, and if one more genius can be brought out as a bowler, the bowling should excel last year's standard, and enable us to hold our own in school cricket.

New matches have been arranged with the Bristol Bohemians, the Aliens (Birmingham), Mr. A. W. Isaac's XI., and the Hon. Ernest Allsopp and Mr. A. W. Isaac are each also bringing an XI.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR,

From W. A. EVANS, Organising Secretary, Public Schools  
Emigration League, 12, King's Bench Walk, Temple, E.C.

Dear Sir,

One of the chief needs of our Colonies is a supply of strong men of character, intelligence and energy, who will settle down

seriously to the occupation of farmers, stock breeders, and fruit growers, and who will thus assist in bringing under cultivation the immense areas of land at present untouched by labour.

There are many boys in our Schools who are eminently fitted for such a life, and who would develop into successful colonists, if only their parents were in touch with conditions of life in these Colonies and could start their sons in a suitable manner of life.

The Public Schools Emigration League has been founded, under the auspices of the Head Masters Association, with the view of supplying the long-felt want of some definite connection between our Colonies and the public schools of the Mother Country. Offices have been set up in London which are in communication with colleges and advisory councils in all the Colonies, so that the parents of a boy who intends to emigrate to one of the Colonies may find exactly what will be necessary for him, and, moreover, the boy will himself be under the protection of the League on arrival at his future home.

The League has given a good account of itself during the first year of its life. Its services, at present, have been called for mainly in connection with the placing of public schoolboys with selected farmers in Canada, who, after a year of training, are to pass for a further course of one year at the local agricultural colleges, after which time they should have acquired sufficient experience to enable them to establish themselves on their own account.

There can be no question as to the usefulness of such an organization, and time alone will show the benefit which will accrue to our Colonies from the work of the League.

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## THE HOUSE SUPPER.

On Tuesday, December 20th, the Headmaster and Mrs. Hillard welcomed a large company at the Annual House Supper.

The guests included Mr. Simes and Rev. Canon Hopton, as well as many Old Boys.

After the company had done justice to an excellent supper, the Headmaster proposed "The King." Mr. Booth opened the vocal part of the programme, his song being followed by the Headmaster proposing "The Visitors." He expressed his pleasure at seeing so many present, and his references to Old Boys were very entertaining. He was especially pleased to see Mr. Hopton, and referred to his interest in the School when he was in Worcester. After a Pianoforte Solo by Miss Bullock, Mr. Hopton replied. Mr. Simes was compelled to leave early, so his son replied for him. Following a Song by Mr. Barker, Mr. Morris proposed "The New Staff." He assured us that, although Mr. Rebsch might appear to be a sportsman, he was really a dried-up Classic; Mr. Chessall added dignity to the Staff; Mr. Dippie was an example of sternness, while Mr. Francis added an air of brightness to the School. Mr. Rebsch's witty reply was much appreciated. Mr. Rigby's song was loudly applauded, and was followed by the replies of Messrs. Chessall and Dippie. Oborn now played a Violin Solo, which was cheered, but owing to lack of time no encore could be given. Mr. Francis now made his reply, which was followed by another song by Mr. Booth, which was encored. Mr. Carter next proposed the toast of "Absent friends and those leaving." He referred to the deep regret that would be felt throughout the School at the departure of Mr. Rigby. He had been in the School for some time, and during that time had been loved and respected by the boys. He also spoke of Brooke's leaving, and mentioned the memorable occasion when Brooke didn't know what to say. Mr. Boon's song was next heard, and was followed by Brooke's reply. In a few well-chosen words Brooke thanked Mr. and Mrs. Hillard, Masters and Boys for their forbearance. Mr. Rigby received a great ovation when he got up to speak. He was sorry to leave, and would always have delightful recollections of his time at Worcester. He bemoaned the pulling down of beautiful old houses by an unartistic City Council, and hoped that when the

boys he had taught came to be City Councillors they would respect the artistic.

After singing "Auld Lang Syne" and "God save the King," the pleasant evening was brought to a close with hearty cheers for the Headmaster and Mrs. Hillard.

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## DEBATING SOCIETY.

At the first debate of the half-session, on Saturday, January 28th, the subject for discussion was:—

"That this House considers the present Government would not be justified in giving Home Rule to Ireland."

Butler, who proposed, displayed a very close knowledge of the text of "Pros and Cons." The first to get on the Motion was Wyatt. He said the suggested remedy of creating 500 new peers was but a futile postponement of the inevitable. Riley, either from close knowledge of, or lack of sympathy with, the Irish, despised them heartily, inasmuch as they reminded him of the Bandar-log. Simes said Ireland was a colony, and, therefore, should be given her self-government like the others. The historical speech came from Mr. Dippie. By means of it he proved the Irish fully qualified to rule. Hiscock laid stress on the Englishman's failure to understand and act in sympathy with the Irish temperament. Mr. Hooker vigorously attacked Mr. Dippie's deductions, and then denied Gibb's statement that there was a clear mandate for Home Rule. Pickard and Darke also spoke for the Motion, and Painting against it.

On a division there were 17 votes for and against, but the Chairman's casting vote being for, the Motion was carried.

When the House met on February 11th, the subject for discussion was:—

"That in the opinion of this House, the Daylight Saving Bill would be beneficial to the country."

Since the cow would give her milk no earlier, Darke was against the Motion. Simes, however, had benefitted from it in the holidays, and therefore supported it. Wyatt suggested living in glass houses, "or why not in trees? Moonlight is but daylight reflected, so why not go in for moonlight?" Mr. Dippie described the fantastic vision the conflicting arguments had produced in his mind. He was, he said, too confused to vote.

Wedge, Yard, Watkinson, Butler, Hartley, and Kimber supported, and Williams H., Coney, Davis, Hiscock, Grant, Watts, Berridge, and Lampitt opposed the Motion, which was lost by 28 votes to 16.

The Motion for March 4th was:—

"That this House expresses its belief in Ghosts."

Hartley, who opened, displayed a good grasp of his subject. He treated it by means of the "Theory of the Fourth Dimension." It was a clever treatise, but rather calculated to open up a path for thought than to convince one of the existence of ghosts. Robinson, his supporter, wrongly took ghosts to mean souls, but his speech, though not on the point, was nevertheless an interesting dissertation on dualism. Hiscock's conception of a ghost was a visualised soul, but of such a thing he denied the existence. Simes had argued ghosts were of no use to us, but Watts pointed out we were none to them. He also said that, by Hartley's speech, our dimensions would in time become infinite. Wyatt's speech was neat. He said that the opposition had set out to prove that nothing was nothing, and the supporters, that if there aren't ghosts there ought to be. Ghosts, he said, were perfect little boys, so Mr. Hooker refused to believe in them. For other reasons, though, the latter was neutral.

Davis spoke for the Motion, and Grant and Leeson against it. It was lost by 28 votes to 11.

The subject before the House for March 18th was:—

"That a system of Preferential Tariffs is imperative."

Robinson compared the protected, flourishing cocoa industry

with the unprotected, declining sugar and carpet trades. By a reference to the Japanese Tariff and proposed U.S.A. Reciprocity he proved it was imperative. This Simes denied, both on the authority of Adam Smith, and from the fact that English commerce had, under Free Trade, attained its present height. This led Hiscock to remark that one wanted Bengers' Food when weak, but when strong did not require it. Grant referred to the disastrous effects of Free Trade on Jamaica sugar factories, and then Gardner, in his usual style, set to work to pull Simes' speech to bits.

The speeches were few but long. Watkinson and Butler supported the Motion, and Creese opposed it.

The Motion was easily carried by 29 votes to 7.

This half-session, the speakers who showed most eloquence were Simes and Robinson. Wyatt, too, has shown himself a good debater, and Watts, though bitten by the germ of neutrality, has made some clever speeches. There are, moreover, many useful speakers, and there is now never any necessity for "calling on" a member.

On Saturday, March 25th, a Literary Evening was organized, at which readings and recitations were given. It was open to VIth Forms and the VA., and those who put in an appearance spent an enjoyable and interesting evening.

It is to be hoped that this function will be continued in the future, for not only does it afford pleasure to those already interested in literature, but also tends to develop a taste for it.

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## DEBATING SOCIETY CONCERT.

This Annual Concert was held in the Hall on Saturday, December 17th, 1910. The audience, enthusiastic as usual, included several O.E.'s, and Mr. Hughes was present to supply



H. Williams. G. W. Venner. Mr. Chessall. W. J. Palmer. S. J. Pickard.  
E. H. Hiscock. Mr. Carter. W. N. Riley. W. H. N. Shakespeare. O. Gardner.  
G. V. Hobson. H. E. Butler. S. Bannister.

SCHOOL 1st XI.

refreshments. Mr. Rigby came in for a great ovation on his final appearance before leaving the School.

The Programme was :—

1. Piano Solo—"Husarenritt" ..... Mr. Carter.
2. Song—"The Mermaid" ..... S. Hartley.
3. Song—"Border Ballad" ..... Mr. Booth.
4. Song—"The Mountains of Mourne" ..... Mr. Barker.
5. Part-Song—"The Singers" ..... Singing Class.
6. Song—"El Dorado" ..... Mr. Rigby.
7. Violin Solo—"Meditation de Thaïs" ..... R. Oborn.
8. Song—"Song of the Toreador" ..... Mr. Carter.
9. Part-Song—"The Colours" ..... Singing Class.
10. Song—"The Diver" ..... E. W. Venner.
11. Song—"Long ago in Alcalá" ..... Mr. Booth.
12. Song—"The Powder Monkey" ..... Mr. Barker.
13. Song—"The Deathless Army" ..... Mr. Boon.
14. Song ..... Mr. Rigby.
15. Banjo Solo—"The Bluebells of Scotland" ... G. V. Hobson.
16. Song—"The Magnet and the Churn" ..... Mr. Carter.

At the end of the Concert, the Chairman, on behalf of those present, thanked the contributors, and the evening concluded with Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King.

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## HEARD AND SEEN.

That the motto for many members of the School is:—"I don't think."

That some members of the O.T.C. are to be armed with bugles, which weapons, it is to be hoped, will only be used as a last resource.

That the exact meaning of "left turn" is now pretty well known.

That there are some very "fancy" experiments going on, though the use of pot. perm. and conc. sulphuric has not been proved feasible as a "dope" for petrol engines.

That the specimens of "radix saccharifera" had not won a 1st Class Diploma.

That the amount of saccharose was  $5\%$ .

That a quondam scientist used up an hour in cleaning a flask, fitting a cork to it, and cutting his finger.

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## CROSS COUNTRY RUNS.

On Wednesday, February 22nd, a paperchase was held for the whole School, with Riley and Hiscock as hares. The trail led up to Rainbow Hill, where the hounds were checked for some time, past Astwood Cemetery to Hindlip, thence to Fernhill Heath, crossing the railway beyond the station, and so on to Hawford Bridge. After the scent had led the hounds along the road to Worcester for a short distance, it branched off to the Waterworks, by way of Camp, and from there it led to the School.

The hares arrived home 25 minutes in front of the leading hounds, but this was probably owing to the difficulty found in following the trail. About 35 boys turned out, but only 10 finished the run in good time. Wood, W. E., Knight, J. A., Robinson, and Watts ran well.

A Cross-Country Trial Run was held on Wednesday, March 22nd, for those boys who wished to learn the course of the Senior and Junior Race.

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## THE FIVES COMPETITION.

To most of the younger members of the School, who, we are convinced, do not make up for their non-participation in this recreation by supporting the School in other respects, the Fives Competitions this term have been but a name and a budget of

notices (mostly to—and the word does *not* betray our identity—accelerate the competitors). We feel infinitely indebted to those who are earnestly trying to finish their games in a month.

In the first round, Butler started well by defeating Simes, and in the second he won his match against Hiscock. In the third round he was also successful against Gibbs, G. H., while Palmer, who had had an uncontested course until the third round, beat Lingwood. Done has yet to play Gardner, O., in this round. One of these and Palmer, and Butler and Riley, have been drawn together for the semi-final.

In the Junior semi-final, Dunn defeated Aucott, and in the final, against Hemus, he was also victorious.

It has been decided that, in future, it shall be counted a “let” if, in the service, the ball strike the vertical barrier.

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## THE CHESS CLUB.

During this term the Chess Club has held its usual weekly meetings. In addition to the ordinary games among the members, a number of us have played games of simultaneous chess with the two Vice-Presidents. The match against Stourbridge, which we expected would take place at the end of this term, has been postponed until the Summer Term, as was the case two years ago.

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## NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

We hope that with an improvement in the weather the Natural History Society will also brighten up. The sleepy months of the year are almost over, and in the Spring Dame Nature wakes up, and the enthusiast begins to take an active part in the life around him, and sallies forth to conquer “fresh fields and pastures new.”

Now, as to our Society in particular, there seems to be no reason why some boy in the Upper School, who does not devote his whole spare time to Cricket, should not take up the organisation and development of this Society. Too many things are left to the Masters, and boys are rather inclined to think they are conferring a favour to the Masters if they take a special interest in such a Society as this. We should remember that this and other kindred Societies in the School are for the benefit of the boys, and to enjoy these advantages to the full, the management and control should be in their hands.

Several of the boys in the Junior Forms are taking a keen interest in the observation of nature around their homes, and we are glad to see that one or two are keeping notes of their finds, as it is a good practice to keep a diary with the dates of the first eggs and butterflies, and localities of different wild flowers.

Now that the bird-nesting season is coming on, we should like to remind members that they can do more good in the interests of natural history by preserving and taking an interest in the development of the various species of birds, than by ruthlessly collecting the eggs and disturbing the birds. A good plan is to collect two eggs only of each variety, as the birds will usually go on sitting on the remaining eggs. Eggs should not be swapped like foreign stamps, but only those one finds oneself should be valued.

Country boys should invite those who are keen and have not the same opportunities to go rambles and expeditions, thus helping each other and, at the same time, obtaining much enjoyment.



## LIFE IN A HIMALAYAN VALLEY.

The winter number of the School Magazine has just reached me, reminding me of an old-standing promise to write to you. Here, in an out-of-the-way corner of the Punjab, life is not so full of excitement and change as some of my contemporaries seem to have found it, judging from letters in your pages.

Kulu is a large valley in the Himalayas, shut in by the mountains, which rise many thousands of feet on every side. These hills are covered with forests, which cover the whole country below 12,000 feet, except where years of grazing and repeated firing have turned the hillsides into bare grazing grounds. Majestic and grand are these mountains ; in summer only the upper peaks are covered with snow, but in winter all the forests are under many feet of snow. Cold, snow, and rain, are rather different to one's conception of India ; but here all three prevail to an extent which makes one wish for warmer climes. One advantage of winter, however, is the excellent bird-shooting. Five different kinds of pheasants, a sort of large partridge, woodcock, pigeon, occasional duck, and other birds, which make a very welcome addition to one's bag. The shooting is by no means easy, and nearly all the shots are at birds coming down hill like rockets. During the first few days I hardly touched a bird, and was quite relieved to find that mine was not at all an uncommon experience.

Big game is only found on the top of the hills, just below the summer snowline, and although ibex, tarr, red and black bear exist, I have as yet done no execution whatever. Work seems to take up the greater portion of my time, as is perhaps only to be expected when one's forests are scattered over 2000 square miles of country. Even this area does not contain the forests of Lahul, bordering directly on Thibet, which are under my charge.

As is perhaps to be expected, the people are quite unsophisticated, and provide for their own simple wants from their local farms and jungles. Food is, of course, produced from their fields ; wool from sheep and hair from goats provide them with garments, wood and medicinal herbs are got from the jungle, and already the major portion of their wants has been satisfied.

All cultivators have rights over the jungle, and without these rights could not exist. Consequently, the forest officer's work is intimately bound up with the civil administration of the district.

Women do most of the field work. Rich men marry two or more wives, while poor men are content with one wife. Where land and money are scarce, several brothers unite together to marry one wife, and they all seem to live very happily together. At the local fairs, which are numerous, men and women wear their best dress and prettiest nose and ear-rings and other ornaments. The men dance round an image of the local god, while the women sit round and applaud. Indeed, a large fair is quite a pretty sight.

In October, all the gods of the valley visit the chief god at Sultanpur, and pay their respects to the Rai Sahib, who is the present representative of the old Rajas who once ruled all Kulu. This fair lasts some days, and the noise of the tom-toms, trumpets and cymbals, makes day and night hideous. As the various gods arrive, the followers of each one strive to assert the dignity of their own village god by making the most unearthly din.

The god's little cars are covered with gold and silver images, and adorned with flowers. The whole colour scheme is gorgeous, but under the bright Indian sun the most impossible colours blend with really charming effect.

The "Deotas," as the gods are called, exercise an important influence on the life of the village. The "deota" owns land, and often has a small forest of deodar trees for his own. Indeed, deodar trees are often held sacred. Sometimes, when marking trees for felling, one comes across some old tree which is supposed to be the habitation of a "deota."

I remember once, when out shooting, one of my beaters dropped a stone into a tin box hanging on to a tree and rattled it. On my asking him what on earth he was doing, he said it was for a warning for the deota to give me good shooting; otherwise *he* would shake and punish the deota! I fancy the deota must have been annoyed, for I couldn't hit anything that day.

Such is Kulu, and such it has been for ages, far removed from all questions of "interest," or "sedition," with never a thought of insubordination to the local officials.

H. M. GLOVER (I.F.S.)

Kulu, Punjab.

## HOUSE LETTERS.

## TUDOR HOUSE.

The winners of the Inter-House Hockey Competition this year were School House. Last year we easily defeated them in the final. We drew a bye this year in the first round, being matched against Woolfe House in the second. A fast, exciting game ended in a draw. We were unfortunate not to have won, but the nature of the ground rendered accurate hockey impossible. Lock played a very useful game, though new to the game, while Hawkins often broke up the attacks by the opposing forwards. Hayes played a dashing game; he has improved very much this season, and should turn out a really good player. Gibbs marked the centre well when Riley tried a run through, and was always reliable. Of the forwards, Painting was the best, but he gave a very disappointing display. Last year he gave great promise of developing into a good player, but he has fallen off this year. Douglas played well, but must loose the ball quicker. Morris saved one or two hot shots in goal. In the re-play, Riley had to play in goal owing to a crock. The game was very even, and finally ended in a victory for Woolfe by the odd goal in three.

We are looking forward to the Cross-Country Race at the end of this term, and to the Sports at the end of May. We look for much from Gibbs and Riley in the Cross-Country Race, and in the Sports we will make a great effort to bring back the Sports Cup to Day-boys, after its long sojourn with the Boarders. May we be successful!

TUDOR.

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 TEMPLE HOUSE.

We are again recalled by your clamouring tones to the fact that such things as Houses exist. The fact first struck us when we gathered our forces together to play Woolfe House in the hockey competition, when, on the swirling waters of tutorial and

other labours, we seized upon the proverbial straw, in the shape of the hockey stick, which alone could save us (but, unhappily, not for long) from sinking, oblivious to all civilian pursuits, into the vortex of the all-embracing O.T.C. We are now getting into it well, but it will be a long time before we get to the bottom of it.

As is above hinted, our doings in the Inter-House Competition were not conspicuously good. We were defeated in the first round by Woolfe, who were victorious by 8 goals to 3.

The Cross-Country Race is now occupying the attention of some of us, whose numbers, we hope, will be augmented at the next House meeting. Some of us have found enjoyment in a quiet stroll in the fives' courts, while some will soon be indulging in the placid art of boxing. Some, again, disregarding the notices about an "All British week," have taken up Swedish drill, while others, again, oil their "breeches" with Russian petroleum. Many of the latter, we are glad to announce, are getting quite good shots; in fact, they will soon hit Worcester if they only keep trying—and close both eyes.

When this letter appears in print, we hope to have taken places in the Senior and Junior Cross-Country, till when, we remain, yours hopefully,

TEMPLE.

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#### SCHOOL HOUSE.

This term it is our happy lot to record the capture of the Hockey Cup. In the final, after a hard fight with Woolfe House, we were victorious by 4--2. Our team as a whole played well, the two backs proved themselves capable wing men, and Pickard's play at centre-half was very sound.

Another pleasant task is that of congratulating Hiscock, E. H., and Robinson, A. D., on their scholarship successes at Oxford and Cambridge respectively. We feel sure that the former will be quite happy there, as then he will be able to open windows and drop things at midnight to his hearts content.

We have been very busy this term with the O.T.C. Ninety-six per cent. of our numbers have joined, and we hope to be as well represented at Camp. Sines and Butler are to be congratulated on their promotion to the rank of Lance-Corporal. Much energy and "Brasso" has been used in the cleaning of buttons; but on parade days, more energy and some language is used in the efforts to put on puttees.

There has not been a great change in our fellow boarders this term. Brooke, J. A., has left us, and much do we miss his somewhat unmusical but tireless tongue. Shepherd has also left us, to swell the ranks of the Day-boys. We welcome Wilson and Moule to our midst.

We hope to be well represented in the boxing contests, which, at the time of writing, have not started; while Butler has reached the semi-final of the senior Fives Competition.

The weird noises that issue at times from study No. 1 are not, as might be supposed, caused by a member of the feline race, but by "The Character," struggling in the throes of Welsh. The Cat-whacker-in-chief has not yet delivered his promised lecture on the art.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

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#### YEWLE HOUSE.

We received a great shock on returning this term to find that our first captain, W. H. N. Shakespeare, had left us. A vote of thanks was passed to him for his services, and our best wishes go with him in his future career. Creese, H. R., was elected House captain, and Sadler Games captain in his place.

The number of boys giving in their names to play hockey was very small, explaining, perhaps, the disastrous failure against School House. Gardner, M., and Wilcock were the most promising hockey players. Unless more offer to play hockey next year, rigorous methods will have to be taken. The fives entries have, we are glad to see, been numerous from the House, but, in the

juniors especially, very few had any idea of the game. Pasco and Evans would have done very well if they had played fives previously. Boxing and running are finding quite a number of supporters in this House, and we have our share of members in the O.T.C., although there are still some who ought to join.

It is to be hoped that the members of Yewle House will not despair because they are rather small this year, but remember that the House will not weaken in the course of the year, for the junior boys in the House are quite above the average. We have great hopes in Winterbourne for the Junior Cross-Country.

YEWLE.

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#### WOOLFE HOUSE.

This term on the whole has not been a bad one for Woolfe House. In the Inter-House hockey, which was played on the "knock-out" system, we defeated Temple in the first round. On Meeting Tudor House in the semi-final, after a drawn game, we managed to win. In the final, against School House, we were defeated by 4 goals to 2 after a very fast game. In this match, as in all, Done, Hill, Wood, and Wyatt, H. E., were very conspicuous, whilst Blunt and Wyatt, C. P., also played very pluckily. Lewis, H. A. M., in goal, when he has had more experience, should make quite a good goal-keeper.

We hope to see a large number of boys enter for both Senior and Junior Cross-Country. For the former we place our hopes in Wood, W. E. Wulfunians should also remember that the Sports will take place at the beginning of next term, and should train for them during the holidays. The Boxing Competitions do not seem to be attracting much attention in the House.

Hockey colours have been awarded in the following order :—  
Done, R. A., Hill, J. L., Wyatt, H. E., Wood, W. E., Blunt, Coney, C., and Wyatt, C. P.

WULFUNIAN.

## WYLDE HOUSE.

Owing to the scarcity of hockey players in our ranks we have not, this term, shown to the best advantage. We had the misfortune to be drawn to play, in the first round, against the strongest House, and, accordingly, we were knocked out in the earliest stage of the competition. Our team, however, did their best, especially Palmer and Bannister, both of whom were almost strangers to the game.

We are not down-hearted, however, and hope next term not only to retain the Senior Cricket Cup, but also to gain the Junior.

WYLDE.

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## OXFORD LETTER.

Dear Sir,

We are pleased to say that we cannot begin this letter with our usual complaints about the weather during the term.

The past term is always the most uneventful of the three, "Toggers" providing its chief excitement. A large number of bumps were made this year, and the racing was always interesting. Balliol went head of the river, bumping the House, who were again bumped by New College. The latter College had a bump supper to celebrate the six bumps made by their two crews together. A great feature of the Toggers was the success of St. Edmund's Hall, who made four bumps.

No doubt you know the results of the Inter-Varsity contests, so there is no need for dilating on them. We have defeated Cambridge at Soccer, Rugger, and Boxing, whilst Cambridge have been successful at Hockey and Fencing. We are looking forward to the Boat Race, and have no doubt about which is the better crew of the two.

The Union has been favoured with an Address by Mr. Birrell, and, contrary to expectation, supported him in his Home Rule policy.

The O.E.'s here turned out in strong force to welcome Otty on his visit to Oxford. Gardner has been playing soccer, hockey, and occasionally rigger, for Merton, and has soon become fit after his recent illness. A. W. Woodhead is to be congratulated on obtaining Certificate "B."

We offer heartiest congratulations to Hiscock, Riley, and Robinson on their Schols., but we confess we are sorry that the two latter are not to join us.

Yours very sincerely,

OXON.

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## CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

Dear Mr. Editor,

We were very sorry not to see a Cambridge Letter in last term's Magazine. Since that time we have met Oxford several times, and have been surprised at the Soccer and Lacrosse results. The Boat Race and Sports should both prove very exciting, and at present it is very hard to say which is the more likely to win.

The "Lents" produced a record number of bumps, and the celebrations were on a proportionate scale, especially at Caius, where the temperature rose considerably during the evening.

Clifton has been skipper of the Downing Hockey Team, and has not found the post a bed of roses. Hill is combining History with Dentistry, and we understand he will entertain his clients with both at the same time. Of Otty we cannot say much, except that he has been crocked for most of the term. However, he has been using gentle persuasion with those who were still able to row.

We are pleased to hear that the O.E's here are to be strengthened next year, and we tend our congratulations to Riley and Robinson, and also to Hiscock.

Yours sincerely,

CANTAB.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

B.D.R.I.—No, it is not an early cuckoo, but a new boarder. It sings best after nightfall and early in the morning.

Jacker.—No, it is not needful to be a good boxer to enter. Provided you are full-blooded and your opponent is skilful you are certain of showing some result.

C.C.—“A stitch in time saves nine.” Do not place too much reliance on this when entering for the Race. Refuse the second helping of pudding and you will not want or get the stitch.

Ph. Soc.—Sandow's Developer is not for gaslight papers.

To many others. Think before you speak, and then don't. This follows of necessity.

N.C.O.—It is exclusively for the rifles and not for the hair.

J.R.L.—The Section Commanders have been promoted, but not to *Lance-Colonels*.

Sh.—When about to construe, use butter and sugar, or pot. chlor., or Formamint, or Peps.

Q.S.—The best people begin to use “brekker” in October, not in the New Year.

Jet.—What is the present price of the brogues? Reply to our Retail Bootseller.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Spring Term ends - -	Tuesday, April 4th.
Summer Term begins -	Wednesday, May 3rd.
New Boys - - -	Tuesday, May 2nd.
Eld Scholarship Examination	
begins - -	Thursday, May 4th.
O.E. Match - - -	Thursday, May 11th.
Sports - - - -	Thursday, May 25th.
The Coronation - -	Thursday, June 22nd.
O.T.C. Inspection - -	Thursday or Friday, June 29th or 30th.
O.T.C. Review by H.M.	
the King, at Windsor	Monday, July 3rd.
Oxford Locals begin -	Monday, July 17th.
O.E. Match - - -	Wednesday, July 26th.
Summer Term ends -	Friday, July 28th.
O.T.C. go into Camp -	Friday, July 28th.

