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#### SCHOOL NOTES.

We have to record with much regret the death, on October 18th, of Mr. J. H. Hooper, one of the Governors of the School. He was appointed a Governor in 1905 in succession to the late Mr. G. E. Martin. His father and other connections of his family have been associated with the School for a great number of years, having been members of the old Governing Body known as "The Six Masters." Mr. Hooper was very well known in Worcester and the district, having held among other public appointments the offices of Clerk to the Dean and Chapter, Bishop's Secretary, and Registrar of the Diocese. The School is fortunate in having still a representative of the family on its Governing Body in the person of the Rev. George F. Hooper.

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We have to express on behalf of the School deep regret and indignation at the misfortune which has happened to Mr. H. C. Gardner, who was shot in the face at close quarters from a hut, on Sunday, November 23rd. Mr. Gardner is a Governor of the School, and has at all times taken a great and zealous interest in its development.

To him and to Mrs. Gardner and his family we offer sincere sympathy in their time of anxiety, and we hope that the sight of one eye at least will be restored to permit him still to continue his work for the good of the County and the School. His loss to both would be very great.

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This Term Football has been carried on in very strenuous fashion, and the three grounds on Flagge Meadow have been

running double tides on most half holidays during the Term. The School has been represented in one or other teams by no fewer than fifty-five boys. The thanks of the Games Club are due to Mr. Chessall for his untiring work in arranging fixtures and games, and for refereeing, and also to other masters who have helped in stimulating the Football. We have had a better season as the result.

We are happy to state however that ordinary work has continued as usual in the short intervals between game and game. It is stated that some masters have trained their forms to work by a whistle, and detentions, particularly in certain rooms, are a thing of the past, except for offences describable by a certain comprehensive title. Some of the experts, too, have become so proficient that they now referee without even watching the game.

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We have to welcome the arrival among us of Mr. A. G. I.ane, Mr. J. E. I. Payne, and Mr. C. V. Dier. All these gentlemen have already made their mark among us by their presence on the Football field, their coaching and playing having materially contributed to the success of this Term's games.

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We have to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds on the birth of a daughter, on October 11th, and Dr. and Mrs. Saloman on the birth of a son, on October 23rd.

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The O.T.C. spent an enjoyable day on the Cotswolds, especially as regards the last item of the programme. We are informed that many went to the "Pictures" to see if they were caught "in stained glass attitudes." By an extraordinary oversight the white force was snapped and not the brown.

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The following boys left last Term:—C. E. W. Simes, H. E. Wyatt, W. E. Wood, H. G. Watts, H. R. Creese, P. Apple-

yard, H. C. Davis, G. A. Jackson, S. H. Smith, C. W. Coney, F. S. Farmer, G. H. Gibbs, W. M. Hayes, L. B. Heath, C. F. Kimber, J. R. Leeson, H. E. Lewis, R. D. Partridge, L. H. P. Phillips, A. S. Wilcock, G. E. Winterbourne, G. E. Brown, H. R. Cooper, H. M. Day, A. Douglas, E. Langford, A. Y. Lees, W. G. Parsons, T. D. C. Rosser, G. A. Goodwin, H. S. Hardisty, D. Harrison, H. Haynes, C. H. Walters, C. S. Booth, E. Foxwell, P. W. Jeynes, B. Langley, P. J. Lee, T. W. Rallings, J. G. Dunn, F. W. Slader, A. E. R. Summers, G. A. V. Hitches, T. Pritchard, F. W. S. Smith, A. L. Molineux, T. H. I. Molineux, H. Wood, J. P. S. Van Bylevelt.

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The following entered the School this Term:—B. R. Hillard, T. G. Nicholas, J. G. Coldicott, R. H. Aston, A. R. Bowen, A. G. Griffiths, C. R. Heath, G. Heath, L. Hinchliff, F. O. Maund, W. C. L. Pittaway, P. E. E. Powis, W. H. Price, K. G. Rowley, A. Brown, E. R. Harmer, A. W. Franklin, E. Arnold, L. W. Briggs, A. Brooker, J. L. Brown, S. J. Collett, L. E. J. Fairbairn, B. Hope, G. Morrall, R. J. Ranford, R. F. Vale, W. J. Bright, E. T. Dovey, H. G. Gee, W. A. Gibbs, A. W. Green, A. Lea, J. A. M. Parker, G. H. M. Roberts, A. Thomas, T. J. Wall, F. J. Winter, L. J. Walker, J. T. Bomford, G. J. Cullen, G. R. Hulse, R. H. Vale, A. H. Thomas, N. Batty, S. Carpenter, M. G. Creese, J. W. Ellis, R. O. Elt, R. F. Farmer, R. Price.

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With the departure of C. E. W. Simes we lose the oldest member of the School, for as he himself said at the last Old Boys' Dinner, "he was the sole remaining member of Miss Corbett's Preparatory Class." He was Head Boy and Head Boarder, and in these positions he enhaled a cheery optimism which was an excellent tonic against the blase pessimism so much in vogue. He played an active part in the School teams, and he was also one of the most useful members of the O.T.C., attaining the rank of Sergeant. His speeches before the Debating Society showed that he has inherited in no small degree the well known powers of his father. We

have no doubt he will make his mark at the Oxford Union, and he carries with him our best wishes for a successful Oxford career.

The news of S. Hartley's success comes just as we go to press. We heartily congratulate him on winning the Meeke Scholarship for Classics at Hertford College, Oxford.

School Officers for the Term are :--

... S. Hartley. Captain of Football ... ... A. E. Gibbs. Secretary

Games Committee-

The Headmaster. B. W. Sadler.

V. W. Humpherson. Mr. Carter. H. A. Crickmer. Mr. Chessall.

W. H. Howes.

Magazine Committee-

The Headmaster. A. H. M. Brierley. Mr. Carter. V. W. Humpherson. Mr. Rebsch. S. T. Rowley. H. A. Crickmer. Mr. Lovell.

C. N. Wedge. R. A. Maund.

#### OLD BOYS NOTES.

- H. Pace ('97-'1900) is in the Guildford Branch of the Capital and Counties Bank.
- S. E. Flay ('96-'03) is Manager of Waldron's Sauce, Ltd.
- J. C. Forsyth ('99-'06) has sailed for S. America.
  A. C. W. Hobson ('02-'09) has passed the Intermediate Examination of the Law Society.
- I. R. Grisman (1900-'08) has accepted an appointment at Seafield Park
- Engineering College.
  V. A. Derbyshire ('04-'07) is now in the Moose Jaw (Sask.) Branch of the Bank of Hamilton.
- C. E. Hellaby ('07-'11) is now with Messrs. Spillers and Baker, Ltd., Cardiff.
- E. H. Pollard ('03-'05), who sailed for Canada in June, is now located at Macdowall, Saskatchewan.
- A. E. Bibbs ('99-'04) has been appointed Secretary and Treasurer to Messrs. Latta Bros., Ltd., Govan, Sask.

W. G. Day (87-90) has been appointed Auditor to the Governors of the School.

A. G. Dowty ('08-'10) has entered the Royal Army Medical Corps and

is now stationed at Devonport.

Rev. J. H. Darby ('90-'94) is a member of the Clergy College, Hartlebury Castle.

C. J. Flux ('07-'11) is now in the Ludlow Branch of the Capital and

Counties Bank.

S. G. Dean ('04-'08) was in Constantinople, as an Assistant Master at

the English School. D. A. Baldwin ('05-'07) is shortly leaving for Bordeaux, where he will continue his art studies.

F. J. Phillips ('02-'04) has been appointed Secretary and Legal Adviser to the Newspaper Illustration Co., Ltd.

S. Phillips ('02-'04) has returned from Canada and is now farming in Somerset.

H. Felton ('97-'06) has been appointed Consulting Engineer at the Hanwell Motor Works.

I. Petrie ('03-'04) is reading medicine at Bristol University.

H. J. Dodds ('04-'06) has been appointed a travelling engineer to Messrs.

Alfred Herberts, Ltd., Coventry.

F. G. Gibbs ('02-'04) has been transferred to Chipping Campden, and his brother H.T. ('97-'03) to Earlstown, Lancs.; both are in the Excise Department.

G. V. Hobson ('03-'11) is now at the Royal School of Mines, and has obtained four "firsts" and two "seconds" in his first year's

work.

F. C. Gibbs ('01-'07) is farming in Alberta, Canada.

P. E. Noake ('97-'99) is now at the Royal Masonic School, Bushey, Herts.

W. B. Daniels ('03-'07) has obtained an appointment at Exeter Cathedral School.

A. P. Williams (1900-'03) has joined his brother T.H. ('02-'04) at Winnipeg, Man.

A. H. Griffiths ('06-'09), who left in April last for Toronto, has entered the Northern Crown Bank.

I. T. Pritchard ('01-'08) has accepted an appointment at Strand School, London.

L. Curtis ('03-'05) has been appointed to a position in the Liverpool Customs.

B. H. Goold-Joseland ('02-'04) is now in Grahamstown, South Africa. Baron C. Smith ('97-'99) has been appointed Lieutenant Commanding the Kidderminster Troop of the Legion of Frontiersmen.

A. W. Woodhead ('01-'08) has accepted an appointment at Newton Abbot College, and his brother F. C. T. Woodhead (01-'08) has accepted a post at Sutton Valence School, Kent.

W. Fincher ('08-'11) has entered the Derby Engineering Works of the Midland Railway.

H. M. Day ('09-'12) is now in the Tenbury Branch of Lloyds Bank, Ltd. J. Skinner ('03-'05) is in the Bank of Montreal; he was stationed at Regina, Sask.

J. V. Gibbs (Jan.-Dec. '04) is now in Sydney, N.S.W.

E. J. Wall ('85-'87), who has been attached to the Land Valuation Office in the city since its establishment, has been appointed as Professional Assistant to the Superintendent Valuer for the Division.

G. W. Cox ('07-'11) has entered St. Mark's College, Chelsea.

#### BIRTH.

Flay.—On October 21st, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Flay ('95-'97), a son.

#### MARRIAGES.

- Bibbs—McArthur.—July 24th, at Govan, Saskatchewan, Canada, Albert E. Bibbs ('99-'04) to Charlotte J. McArthur, of Alsask, Sask.
- FLEMING—BARCROFT.—On September 3rd, 1912, Tom Fleming ('99-'00) to Marjorie Barcroft.
- SADLER—BRIDGE.—On July 31st, at St. Peter's, Droitwich, by the Rev. E. H. Blackwood-Price, Leslie Sadler ('96-'04) to Elsie Bridge, both of Droitwich.
- NOAKE—BAUER.—On September 12th, at St. John's, Worcester, by the Rev. V. C. Blyth, James Edward Noake ('97-'99), of Worcester, to Marie Christine Olivia Bauer, only daughter of the late Hermann Bauer, Nuremberg, Germany.

#### DEATHS.

- POUNTNEY.—On May 6th, 1912, at Thorpe, Norwich, J. B. Pountney ('72-'75).
- HARLOW.—On September 4th, 1912, at the Shakespeare Hotel, Worcester, J. M. Harlow ('73-'76).

#### VALETE.

Last Term was one of farewells, not only to boys, but also to masters, and we have regretfully to record the departure of four members of the staff. All in their particular spheres made a lasting impression on the life of the School, and, though we welcome their successors, we cannot but deplore their loss.

Mr. Booth has left a place which must be hard to fill, for his personality and enthusiasm permeated all our School activities. To him we owe the efficient reorganisation of the English syllabus, and in particular the development of the geographical work on more humane and ambitious lines, while his teaching and the high standard he set of strenuous personal endeavour will bear lasting fruit. In the games he will be sadly missed, not only for his personal participation, but also for the enthusiastic lead which he set Tudor House. The O.T.C. has lost an able officer who was always ready to sacrifice himself to promote its efficiency, and all the School societies are the weaker for his departure. We wish him all success in his new work at Christ's Hospital.

Mr. Barker, too will long be remembered among us, for he made his presence felt in many and various ways. Many future scholars will recognise in his teaching the foundation of their subsequent success, while the influence of his personality cannot fail to have an equally lasting effect. To his energy and counsel the success of the Sports and Crosscountry Runs has been very largely due. May he win even greater success in the higher sphere of service to which he has devoted himself.

Mr. Francis and Mr. Oakley had not been so long with us. The former, a keen cricketer, had been responsible for many large scores on Flagge Meadow, while Mr. Oakley by his genial nature was held in high regard by all who came in contact with him. In Hockey and the other School games his presence will be much missed. He has our best wishes for success in giving himself up entirely to artistic work.

#### CRICKET.

W.R.G.S. IST CLUB XI. v. OLD ELIZABETHANS.—This match was played at Flagge Meadow, on Wednesday, July 24th, and resulted in a defeat for the School by 46 runs. We

won the toss and went in first, but could do nothing with the O.E.'s bowling, only Sadler and Humpherson reaching double figures. For the visitors Williams, Shakespeare and Hiscock batted well. For the School Mr. Francis took 3 wickets for 12 runs, and Maund 3 wickets for 21. Hiscock bowled well for the visitors, taking 7 wickets for 22. Halfway through the match we had a perfect deluge of rain, the wicket being completely inundated, but after about an hour we were able to resume the game on another wicket.

W.R.G.S.		OLD ELIZABETHANS.	
B. W. Sadler c Jones b His-		H. Williams ct Humpherson	
cock	15	b Francis	22
Mr. Rebsch b. Williams	I	W. H. N. Shakespeare lbw	
Mr. Francis b Williams	4	Humpherson	25
V. W. Humpherson ct and b		E. H. Hiscock b Humpherson	25
Hiscock	16	A. C. W. Hobson et Gibbs b	
H. R. Creese b Hiscock	O	Maund	6
Mr. Chessall et and b Hiscock	3	A. J. Parry not out	13
G. H. Gibbs b Williams	6	T. H. Jones et Booth b	
Mr. Booth b Hiscock	1	Francis	O
C. E. W. Simes b Hiscock	O	H. M. Gardner b Francis	2
R. A. Maund not out	2	G. V. Hobson b Maund	3
G. E. Winterbourne ct and b		A. Woodhead b Maund	3
Hiscock	O	I. T. Pritchard   Did not	
Extras	15	G. F. Gibbs bat.	
		Extras	10
	Married		_
Total	63	Total (for 8 wickets)	109
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W.R.G.S. IST CLUB XI. v. MR. A.T. CLIFF'S XI.—The IST Club met Mr. A. T. Cliff'S XI. at Flagge Meadow, on Thursday, July 25th. The match resulted in a draw. The visitors won the toss and batted first, making 217 for 8. The School started disastrously, but thanks to a very useful partnership between Mr. Francis and Mr. Chessall, the score was brought up to 73. Creese batted extremely well for his runs. Mr. Francis and Creese played out time, the score finally rising to 101 for 5. Mr. Chessall and Humpherson each took 4 wickets.

W.R.G.S.		MR. CLIFF'S XI.	
Mr. Rebsch b Righton	0	E. G. Righton ct Simes b	
B. W. Sadler c Wagstaff b		Chessall	70
Righton	0	P. J. Morris ct Simes b	
G. H. Gibbs b V. Cliff	3	Humpherson	8
Mr. Francis not out	39	R. S. Lindsell lbw b Hump-	
V. W. Humpherson c Morris	0,	herson	25
b V. Cliff	0	A. Cliff ct Gibbs b Humpher-	
	32	son	9
TT X 0	17	A. T. Cliff b Chessall	44
Mr. Booth	•	V. Cliff b Chessall	14
S. Hartley Did not		T. C. Hiatt not out	2
C. E. W. Simes ( bat.		R. Wagstaff ct Rebsch b	
R. A. Maund		Chessall	0
Extras	II	H. Phillips b Humpherson	30
· ·		M. Warner   Did not	•
		H. Richardson bat.	
		Extras	15
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Total 1	OI	Total (for 8 wickets)	217
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## CRICKET AVERAGES.

## IST CLUB XI.

## Batting.

	No. of Inns.	Times not out.		High. Score.	Aver- age.
W. A. H. Chessall	8	I	175	48	25
P. T. Francis	8	I	157	65	22.4
H. R. Creese	6	I	48	21	9.6
R. F. W. Rebsch	8	0	74	29	9.2
B. W. Sadler	8	I	58	19	8.28
R. A. Maund	6	I	29	15	5.8
V. W. Humpherson	8	О	42	16	5.2
G. H. Gibbs	6	I	25	12	5
T. K. M. Booth	5	0	12	4	2.4

## Bowling.

	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
R. A. Maund	25	6	104	8	13
R. F. W. Rebsch	13.3	O	58	4	14.5
P. T. Francis	30.3	3	155	9	17.2
W. A. H. Chessall	106.3	22	329	18	17.7
V. W. Humpherson	94.5	11	319	17	18.5
T. K. M. Booth	40.2	O	188	4	47

#### IST SCHOOL XI.

#### Batting.

	No. of Inns.	Times	Total.	High. Score.	Aver-
C. W. Knowles	5	I	58	18	17
B. W. Sadler	5	О	72	32	14.4
H. R. Creese	3	0	33	24	II
V. W. Humpherson	4	1	32	31	10.0
G. H. Gibbs	5	I	31	11	7.7
J. Holmes	2	О	14	8	7
H. E. Lewis	3	I	13	6*	6.5
S. Hartley	4	O	21	II	5.2
R. A. Maund	4	O	12	12	3
C. E. W. Simes	3	0	8	4	2.6

#### Bowling.

	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
B. W. Sadler	14.4	2	44	7	6.3
A. Douglas	8	О	33	4	8.2
D. G. Hemus	17	5	46	5	9.2
H. E. Lewis	16.3	2	61	6	10.1
V. W. Humpherson	88	28	223	19	12.2
R. A. Maund		16	186	15	12.4
C. W. Knowles	12	I	47	2	23.5

#### FOOTBALL.

This season has been in many respects a more successful one than last, and the results show a great improvement, which gives considerable hope for the future. Our first team has won six matches, and the School XI. did well to beat Hereford Cathedral School twice, on each occasion by a narrow margin after a hard tussle.

Two additions have been made to the Club XI.: Mr. Lane, who has been a great asset to the forward line, and Mr. Dier, who, with Mr. Carter, has made our last line of defence very hard to beat. The half-back line has been much strengthened by the inclusion of Mr. Rebsch, and Sadler, in the centre, has played very well; his accurate passing and shooting have been quite a feature of our matches. He is probably the best boy half-back the School has ever had. The forwards and their disposition (in more senses than one) have been a great problem. Repeated alterations have been made during the season, but without effecting any real improvement

The difficulty was how to place them so as to lessen their faults. They had little control of the ball and generally failed to combine. They seemed to forget that their aim was to score goals, and this can only be attained by pushing the ball well forward, instead of running and passing back. A lack of dash rendered the line most ineffective in front of goal.

The 2nd XI. has met with fair success. Its forward line was constantly being changed, and consequently there was not much cohesion between its units. The outside men were inclined to centre too late, thus giving the opposing defence time to get back. The halves, though energetic, were not good; they, with the backs, must learn to kick with the left foot.

As last year, the 3rd XI. and under 13 teams present the brightest spot in our Football records for this term. They have won all their matches. There are some keen and promising young players among the new boys, and if this keenness is kept up it augurs well for the future.

#### IST XI. MATCHES.

IST CLUB XI. v. MR. STONE'S XI.—The season commenced on Wednesday, September 25th, when we beat our opponents by 3 goals to 2. The visitors had the best of the game in the first half, scoring two goals. The latter half of the game was very interesting. Mr. Lane scored two goals, and then just before time Howes gave us the lead from a good centre by Hartley.

Team:—Humpherson; Mr. Carter, Mr. Dier; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Hartley, Maund R.A., Mr. Lane, Howes, Stanton.

IST CLUB XI. v. OLD ELIZABETHANS.—This match was played on Saturday, September 28th, and resulted in a win for us by 4 goals to 2. At half-time we were one goal behind our opponents, but some good work by Sadler and the forwards

enabled us to put on three more goals. Mr. Carter and Mr, Dier were conspicuous at back.

Team:—Humpherson; Mr. Carter, Mr. Dier; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Hartley, Maund, Mr. Lane, Ward, Stanton.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S.—The first School match was played at Wolverhampton, on Saturday, October 5th, and resulted in our defeat by 6 goals to I. Our opponents displayed much greater skill in front of goal and scored 3 goals before half-time. In the second half we were unlucky; as the result of a heavy charge, Maund injured his shoulder. Sadler scored our only goal from a penalty.

Team:—Highfield; Grant, Burton; Gibbs A.E., Sadler, Watkinson; Hartley, Maund R. A., Hemus C., Ward, Hemus D.

IST SCHOOL XI. V. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—Played on Flagge Meadow, on Wednesday, October 9th. The visitors were much heavier and experienced little difficulty in outpacing our defence. Sadler played well, but the skilful passing of his opponents gave him little chance. The score on the call of time was 8 goals to 3 against us.

Team:—Highfield; Grant, Phipps; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Watkinson; Hartley, Johnson, Howes, Ward, Hemus D.

at Cheltenham, on October 19th, we were easily beaten by 7 goals to nil. Our opponents were heavier and faster, and most of the play took place in our half of the ground.

Team:—Highfield; Grant, Phipps; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Watkinson; Hartley, Hemus C., Howes, Ward, Hemus D.

IST CLUB XI. v. MALVERN COLLEGE LOWER CLUB.— Heavy rain, which continued throughout the game, had rendered the ground almost unfit for play. The Malvern forwards displayed great skill in passing and were very effective in front of goal. Mr. Dier played very well under trying conditions and repeatedly drove the play back from our goal. Mr. Rebsch, Sadler and Ward were all conspicuous; the last named scored our only goal. The home side scor. d 7 times.

Team:—Humpherson; Phipps, Mr. Dier; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Hartley, Howes, Mr. Lane, Ward, Hemus D.

IST SCHOOL, XI. v. HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL.—On October 30th we met Hereford Cathedral School and won by 4 goals to 3. The game was very interesting and keenly contested. In the first half the visitors scored two goals. After changing ends our forwards played with more dash and scored four times, Howes and Ward being conspicuous Sadler, as usual, played well and gave his forwards many openings.

Team:—Humpherson; Grant, Phipps; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Watkinson; Hemus C., Johnson, Howes, Ward, Hemus D.

IST CLUB XI. v. MR. STONE'S XI.—For this match, played on November 6th, Mr. Stone brought a strong team. Play was very even throughout and half-time was reached without score. Our backs played a magnificent game and the halves did their work well, but the forwards were quite ineffective in spite of many opportunities. In the second half each side scored twice, Howes and Sadler scoring for us.

Team:—Humpherson; Mr. Carter, Mr. Dier; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Hartley, Johnson, Mr. Lane, Howes, Hemus D.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S.—Played on Flagge Meadow on November 9th, and resulted in an easy victory for the visitors by 9 goals to 1. In the first half the play was fairly even, Hartley and Sadler showing good form, and Lisle scored for us. In the second half the superior pace and weight of our opponents enabled them to get 6 more goals.

Team:—Humpherson; Grant, Phipps; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Watkinson; Hartley, Johnson, Howes, Lisle, Hemus D.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—This match was played at Stourbridge on November 13th, and resulted in a win for our opponents by II goals to nil. After the first twenty minutes, the home side settled down and pressed our goal for most of the game. Our backs kicked wildly, and their poor defence gave Humpherson very little chance in goal.

Team:—Humpherson; Grant, Phipps; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Watkinson; Hartley, Johnson, Howes, Lisle, Hemus D.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S.—We met at Hereford in this match on November 16th, and, after a most interesting game, we won by 3 goals to 2. The first half produced one goal to each side and play was very even. On changing ends we had most of the game, and only the strong defence of the opposing backs prevented our scoring several times. Sadler and Howes did good work, the latter scoring the winning goa just on time.

Team:—Humpherson; Grant, Phipps; Gibbs A. E.. Sadler, Watkinson; Lisle, Johnson, Hartley, Hillard, Howes,

IST CLUB XI. V. WORCESTER HOCKEY CLUB.—This match was played on Flagge Meadow on November 27th. We had little difficulty in beating our opponents owing to the fine defence of our backs. Maund and Lisle were conspicuous in the first half, each scoring two goals. The visitors' goalkeeper was injured shortly after half-time, and a substitute was provided. The final score was 7—1.

Team:—Humpherson; Mr. Carter, Mr. Dier; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Hartley, Johnson, Maund, Lisle, Howes.

IST CLUB XI. v. MALVERN COLLEGE LOWER CLUB.—The return match against Malvern was played on our ground on November 30th. During the first half we had the best of the game, but the weakness of our forwards in front of goal prevented any score. In the second half our opponents pressed for a time and scored three goals in quick succession.

As in the first half, we had our chances, but failed to use them, and a most interesting game ended in a win for the visitors.

Team :—Humpherson; Mr. Carter, Mr. Dier; Gibbs A. E., Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Hartley, Johnson, Maund, Ward, Howes.

IST CLUB XI. v. EVESHAM HOCKEY CLUB.—On December 4th we met the Evesham Hockey Club and won by 4 goals to I. Our opponents played with considerable dash during the first half hour and scored a goal. Mr. Dier, Mr. Rebsch and Sadler (who scored twice) were conspicuous throughout the game and put in several good shots. The forwards, as too often during the season, failed to combine and displayed weakness in front of goal.

Team: -Humpherson; Mr. Carter, Mr. Dier; Watkinson, Sadler, Mr. Rebsch; Lisle, Johnson, Maund, Ward, Howes.

#### 2ND XI. MATCHES.

2ND CLUB XI. v. HARTLEBURY G.S.—Played on September 25th on our ground. The game was very even in the first half, but afterwards the visitors secured a good lead. Watkinson, Highfield and Grant played well for the School. Score 4—1.

Team:—Hghfield; Grant, Burton; Watkinson, Cawsey, Ward;

Holmes, Hemus C., Hillard, Johnson, Hemus D.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S. 2ND XI.-A very even game was played on our ground on October 5th, and resulted in a win for us by I goal to nil. Davis and Phipps played well at back.

Team:—Humpherson; Phipps, Davis G.; Wright, Cawsey, Wyatt; Holmes, Knowles, Johnson, Roberts W. J., Stanton.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. DEAN CLOSE 2ND XI.—An even game resulted in a win for the visitors by three goals to one, on October 19th. scored for us.

Team:—Humpherson; Davis G., Burton; Wyatt, Cawsey, Wright; Holmes, Knowles, Johnson, Roberts W. J., Lisle.

2ND CIUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S.—In this match, at Kidderminster, on October 23rd, we met a much heavier and faster team. The halves and backs were outpaced, and we lost by 10 goals to nil.

Team:—Humpherson; Phipps, Grant; Wyatt, Watkinson, Ralston; Holmes, Hemus C., Howes, Johnson, Hemus D.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. EVESHAM C.S.—Rain fell throughout the game, rendering the ground very treacherous. We won by 5 goals to 1, after an even first half. Maund F. O., played well in goal, and the forwards combined well.

Team :- Maund F. O.; Jackson, Davis G.; Wyatt, Wright, Dunn

A.; Holmes, Hemus C., Lisle, Roberts W. J., Knowles.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD G.S. 2ND XI.—This match was played in rain on October 30th, at Hereford. The first half was even, Lisle and Blunt scoring for us. After changing ends, we pressed most of the time, and Lisle scored three times, leaving us winners by 6 goals

Team :- Maund F. O.; Rowley, Burton; Wyatt, Wright, Jackson; Holmes, Blunt, Lisle, Roberts W. J., Knowles.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. EVESHAM G.S.—Recent rain had rendered the ground at Evesham almost unfit for play, and the players found it very difficult to get a foothold. The home side had the best of the first half and scored twice. A re-arrangement of our team proved effective after changing ends, and we won by 3 goals to 2. Jackson, Blunt and Maund F. O. played well for us.

Team:—Maund F. O.; Jackson, Burton; Wyatt, Wright, Blunt; Holmes, Hemus C., Lisle, Roberts W. J., Knowles.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S. 2ND XI.—This match was played on November 9th, and resulted in our defeat by 2 goals to nil. The teams were evenly matched, and, if our forwards had not passed back so much, we should not have lost.

Team:—Ralston; Rowley, Burton; Wyatt, Wright, Jackson; Holmes, Hemus C., Blunt, Ward, Stanton.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERLEY G.S.—Played on Flagge Meadow on November 13th, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 9 goals to 3. The first half was very even, each side scoring three goals. On changing ends the visitors gave an excellent display of combination and good shooting and scored six more goals. Highfield played well in goal, but had no chance.

Team :- Highfield; Rowley, Burton; Jackson, Wright, Wyatt;

Holmes, Hemus C., Blunt, Ward, Stanton.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S. 2ND XI.—The return match against Hereford was played on November 16th, and ended in a victory for us by 4 goals to 2. At first the visitors had the best of the game and scored twice. In the second half the team played better together and we scored 4 goals. Jackson and Hemus C. were conspicuous in the second halt.

Team:—Highfield; Rowley, Burton; Jackson, Wright, Wyatt;

Holmes, Hemus C., Ward, Stanton, Knowles.

2ND CLUB XI. v. WOLVERLEY G.S.-Played at Wolverley on November 27th, and resulted in a win for us by 6 goals to 2. Hemus scored twice in the first half. We were much the better team in the second half, Wright and Ward being noticeable.

Team:—Highfield; Burton, Phipps; Wright, Watkinson, Wyatt: Knowles, Hemus C., Ward, Jackson, Stanton.

2ND CLUB XI. v. HARTLEBURY G.S.—The ground was very hard, owing to frost, and the players found it difficult to turn. Play in the first half was of an even character, each side scoring one goal. After the interval, however, several mistakes on our part allowed the home side to take the lead and they won by 4 goals to 2.

Team:—Highfield; Burton, Phipps; Wright, Watkinson, Jackson; Knowles, Hemus C., Lisle, Roberts W. J., Stanton.

### 3RD XI. AND OTHER MATCHES.

3RD SCHOOL XI. v. LYTTELTON G.S.—Played on October 12th on our ground and resulted in an easy victory by 20 goals to nil. We were much heavier and faster than our opponents and had little difficulty in holding them.

Team :- Bradley ; Ralston, Crickmer ; Thomas C. G., Jones,

Blunt; Banks, Maund F. O., Knight, Vale R. F., Tyler.

3RD CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S. 2ND XI.—This match was played on October 23rd on our ground. The team played well together and proved too good for the visitors, winning by 7 goals to 2. Blunt and Davis did good work.

Team:—Bradley; Davis G., Burton; Thomas C. G., Jones, Blunt; Knowles, Knight, Lisle Roberts W. J., Tyler

AN XI. (UNDER 131) v. Downs School, —Played at Colwall on October 30th, and ended in a victory for us by 7 goals to 2. The game was very interesting and well-contested, but the superior combination of our forwards proved too much for our opponents, Knight and Vale R. F. in particular doing good work.

Team:—Bradley; Wasley P. J., Price E. H.; Ferguson, Thomas C. G., Somer; Gibbs A. W., Arnold, Knight, Powis, Vale R. F.

AN XI. v. LYTTELTON G.S.—The team for this return match was considerably weakened, but proved much too good for the home side,

and won by 15 goals to 2.

Team —Maund F. O.; Wasley P. J., Adams; Ferguson, Roberts G. H., Price E. H.; Baines, Thomas A., Briggs, Rowley K., Howfield.

3RD SCHOOL XI. v. BROMVARD G.S.—Played at Bromyard on November 13th. The game was remarkable for heavy scoring, the forwards on each side being too fast for the defence. We won by II goals to 6.

Team :—Bradley; Ralston, Crickmer; Thomas C. G., Jones, Cullis S.; Banks, Vale R. F., Knight, Roberts W. J., Knowles.

AN XI. (UNDER 13) v. DOWNS SCHOOL.—In the return match, played on our ground on November 23rd, we proved much too fast for our opponents. The forwards played well and scored 11 goals to the visitors' 1.

Team .- Bradley; Price W. H., Price E. H.; Ferguson, Thomas C. G., Somer; Gibbs A. W., Arnold, Roberts G. H., Powis, Vale R. F.

3RD SCHOOL XI. v. BROMYARD G.S .- Played on Flagge Meadow 3RD SCHOOL AT. V. BROMYARD U.S.—I layed on Plagge Meadow on December 4th. The game was fairly even, though we were more dangerous in front of goal, and eventually won by 8 goals to 3.

Team —Maund F. O.; Ralston, Cullis S.; Thomas C. G., Wyatt, Somer; Banks, Vale R. F., Hillard, Roberts W. J., Hemus D.

#### INTER HOUSE FOOTBALL.

The matches for the Shield have shown very unequal goal returns. Yewle beat Wylde 10—1, owing to the efforts of Sadler, who scored seven goals, and School House beat

Tudor 10—0, for whom Gibbs A. E. played well. In the second round School House beat Yewle 7—0, who were handicapped by the absence of several of their first team men, and Temple beat Woolfe 3—1 after playing extra time. Maund R. A., made a welcome reappearance in this match, and Howes played an effective game at back, but Temple lasted better.

For such a heavy and experienced line of forwards, however, the School House showed deplorable lack of combination and finish, and Temple should give them a shaking in the final.

In the Senior Competition, School House won easily, though again their play was poor considering the individual players. The final results were:—School House 20, Wylde 11, Yewle 10, Tudor 8, Temple 6, Woolfe 1.

In the Junior Competition the day boys have at last managed to win something, Tudor winning with 13 points, followed by School House with 11 points, Wylde and Temple 10, Yewle and Woolfe 6.

The new boys are showing up well, many of them being 2nd XI. captains. We hope they will keep up their enthusiasm. The great need of the School at present is good bustling forwards, who will receive the ball properly and take it on to attack their opponents goal.

#### "RHYMES OF THE TIMES."

A stands for Art with a capital P, scythes, bottles, beetles, curves compass'd and free.

B's the abode of the lictors and rods, of poets, philosophers, devils and gods.

C stands for chemistry, C-rt-r and Cong, (Printer, be careful, and don't spell it wrong!)

D stands for L and Cos Theta Plus Phi and other such stuff which you'll learn by and by.

E, strange to say, stands for many a thing, for O and for France and for bells that won't ring.

- F deals with earthquakes, with fire and flood, wars past and present, and oceans of blood.
- G is much gentler, through glass you may see the gambolling kid and the coy referee.
- H stands for—well, we would rather not say, we'll change it however and spell it with A, and there you may see mighty Jupiter stalk if only his leg will permit him to walk.
- K is where Kriminals daily contrive to pass the long hours till a quarter to five, (4.50 won't rhyme well) and talking of crimes I'm glad to announce this the last of my rhymes.

#### THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

The first meeting of the Term was held on September 23rd, when Mr. Morris resigned his position of President. He had governed the Society in a way at once suave and masterful, and had occupied the chair as long as most of the present generation can remember, so that his resignation came as a blow to all. Mr. Lovell was elected in his place, after a vain attempt had been made to persuade Mr. Morris to reconsider his decision. A general sense of relief was experienced, as most considered this would prevent the ex-Secretary from joining in debate on subjects he knew nothing about. This hope was found later to be a little premature.

Mr. Dippie and Wedge were elected Joint Secretaries, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Morris, proposed by Mr. Lovell and seconded by Mr. Rebsch, was carried "nemine contradicente coram socsii."

At the first meeting held for debate, on September 28th, the Society experienced yet a second blow, as Mr. Dippie was compelled by the claims of *work* to decline the position of Joint Secretary. On the proposal of Wedge, seconded by Watkinson, Mr. Rebsch was elected to fill the coveted position "nemine contradicente coram sociis"

Wedge opened the debate: "That this House regards

with approval the attitude taken by Ulster against Home Rule for Ireland," in a speech brimful of pathos and sparkling with historical data. Young opposed in one of his characteristic speeches, clear and concise, yet not dull. He is probably the most interesting speaker the House has got. Watkinson, Mr. Rebsch, Gibbs, Downs, Humpherson, Wyatt, Lisle, Wright, Hartley, Ingleson and Adams supported. The latter's first appearance was greeted with strenuous applause. Gardner M., Mr. Dippie and Fairbairn opposed. Mr. Dippie was—(Yes, we know all about it.—Ed.) On the motion being put to the House there voted:—For the motion 22, against 16.

The Society gathered together on October 12th to discuss the motion, "That as a nation we are too fond of sport." Crickmer opened and was to have been supported by Beynon, but as the latter's train was delayed by fog, the Chairman took the opportunity to speak in his place. He also was handicapped by being in a fog. Humpherson prepared a careful speech in opposition, and was ably supported by Downs, Wedge, Burton, Wyatt, Pick, Lee C. K, Stanton, Ingleson, Day, Howfield, Pearse, Jackson and Nicholas.

Ingleson, Lee, Howfield, Burton and Nicholas spoke for the first time, and Lee strongly emphasised the fact that he was not a supporter of gambling, to the great astonishment of the House. His speech was certainly most encouraging as a first effort. Howfield very pithily remarked that if you paid twopence for a glass of beer your enjoyment lasted only a few seconds, whilst sixpence expended on a football match gave an hour and a half's entertainment. Beynon, having arrived only just too late to speak third, spoke later in support of the motion, and was followed by Bakewell, Cowley and Tarrant, the last named appearing for the first time. There voted:—For 6, against 21.

On August 26th (according to the Minute Book), October 26th modern reckoning, the House carried the motion that "The Balkan States are justified in making war on Turkey," by 28 votes to II. Paine opened with a distinctly good speech, and was supported by Tarrant, Wedge, Downs, Wareham, Bartlett, Pearse, Stanton, Cowley, Howes, Lisle, Crick-

mer and Nicholas, while Lee, Young, Grant, Hillard, Mr. Dippie, Bakewell and Crump spoke against. Those members of the Lower Vth appearing for the first time started their debating career under auspicious circumstances.

On November 9th a large number of the Lower School were the guests of the Society, those present numbering over 100. So great was the enthusiasm that Mr. Dippie gave a special lesson at 12.30 on the Saturday, putting forward his views on the question, and the Lower IVth were only allowed to come on the understanding that they voted for him to a man. In spite of these extraordinary precautions the House decided that "the advantages of war outweigh its disadvantages" by 59 votes to 29 votes.

Mr. Rebsch opened in masterly fashion, and having obtained the attention of the House by telling them a fairy tale about a certain "Sheik," cunningly introduced the subject for debate. As is generally known, Mr. Rebsch is a master of Oriental imagery and was much appreciated.

Mr. Dippie was at once light and didactic, and we were informed by Batty and Walker afterwards that they considered his speech one of the finest of the evening, and had decided to buy a book by Norman Angell on the subject, which the speaker recommended.

Hartley, who spoke third, was most invigorating, and gave one the sensation experienced when about three quarters of the way down a water chute. A short period of "largo" might perhaps be introduced into his "presto" rendering without deteriorating the effect. Wedge was in great form and had a very formidable collection of statistics. Hillard, Mr. Lovell and Watkinson supported, and Humpherson, Downs, Gardner M., Paine and Young opposed.

By special request from the Boarders, the House, on November 23rd, discussed the motion that "In the opinion of this House life is not worth living." Grant opened in his usual flippant style, leaving Lisle to treat the subject in a calm and thoughtful way. Burton also supported.

On the other side, Young, Humpherson, Jackson, Crump, Wyatt, Mr. Lovell, Pick, Stanton, Day, Crickmer, Adams,

Paine, Hemus C. and Gardner dealt with the problem in drastic manner.

The boarders were exceedingly misanthropic and revealed sundry things in their lives which we regard as too pathetic to mention here. The sympathy of the House went out to them, but its intellect recorded 27 votes against the motion and 4 for.

We should still like to see a more spontaneous desire to speak and just a little less reading of speeches. A dissertation read directly from a sheet of foolscap will not have the effect of a personal appeal, and although helpful in the early stages it can soon decrease to a few notes, judiciously referred to in times of stress. For the rest, the Society supplies a long-felt want, namely, the excusing of half-anhour's homework on Saturday night, and while it continues to do so will always be regarded with veneration and affection by its members.

#### OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS.

We have this Term to record the loss of Lieut. T. K. M. Booth. The Corps always had a warm friend in him, and we feel sure that our loss will result in much gain to the Christ's Hospital Contingent, in which he has taken a commission. We are sorry also to have lost Simes, always a vigorous N.C.O., and we hope he too will continue his usefulness in the Oxford University Contingent.

The Term has seen steady progress made. The number of recruits is somewhat disappointing, but this we hope will be remedied next Term. The Contingent took part in the Western Public Schools Field Day, at Cheltenham, on October 29th. The detachment, 42 strong, entrained at 8.40 a.m. and reached the rendezvous about 10.45, after a trying uphill march. We were part of a brown raiding force told off to attack a white convoy moving south. Its advance was, however, protected by a large brown force, and this we had to attack and defeat before we could reach the convoy. In the fight we, with Bromsgrove, were told off as escort for

brown guns. In this capacity we had to deal with an attack which was successfully repulsed by a detached section under Sergeant Humpherson, supported by the main body.

A Signalling Class meets regularly and very encouraging progress has been made with the Morse Code.

The Certificate "A" Examination will take place on March 3rd and 4th next. Much work remains to be done, and the task before us is a really formidable one.

## OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS. CAMP 1912.

The number of the detachment who went into Camp this year showed a slight falling off; but this can to some extent be accounted for by the extraordinary circumstances of 1911. We paraded 42 strong, on Saturday, July 27th, and reached Oxney Farm Camping Ground about seven o'clock, to find ourselves in sole occupation of the great camp. Oxney Farm is about two miles from Bordon Camp and about eleven from Aldershot, in fine open country; but it is perhaps not such an ideal camping ground as Salisbury Plain. The weather, too, throughout the camp was most unpleasant; but in spite of this the fortnight proved beneficial in every way.

Sunday and Monday, in the intervals of fine weather, were spent in putting up fallen tents and in generally making ourselves useful to the authorities. On Tuesday the bulk of the contingents arrived, and on Wednesday we started the serious work of training. Together with Warwick and Wolverhampton contingents we formed a company of the battalion under Major Pereira of the Guards Brigade. Battalion training occupied us till Saturday, when the competitions were held and the Brigade marched past Field Marshall Lord Roberts. Church Parade on Sunday morning was followed by the usual inspection of the lines by the Brigadier, Lt.-Col. Sutton.

In the second week, inter-Battalion and Brigade Field Days called forth much energy, though to reach far distant points we had the use of a fine train of Pullman cars on a



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model railway. The most interesting day we had was Tuesday, when our battalion was attacked by the other three. We occupied a wooded ridge in front of a railway station, our left resting on a large shallow lake. The ground in front was open, but towards the lake apparently marshy. The main attack was therefore expected on our right flank, and as we were posted on the extreme left, overlooking the lake, we had orders that, if no attack developed against us, we were to retire via the railway and form a counter attack against the enemy's left flank. However, we were attacked, and in force. The retirement had already begun, and soon our company alone was holding the ridge against a battalion. As they threatened to outflank us we were ultimately compelled to retire and carry out the original project of a counter attack. This we did, and after a trying march at the double we were soon in the thick of the fight again. Some records were made, it is said, in the expenditure of blank ammunition.

#### REPLIES.

- Euss.—To prevent somnolence, keep a Winchester quart of .880 ammonia on your desk, and avoid visits to the pastrycook. Your waking up in the middle of a lesson, or at prayers, is most disconcerting.
- I.O.E.—The absence of a London letter is probably accounted for by the inability of our London correspondent to recover from the record answer of the term. "What is Tamesis?" "I haven't got a watch, sir!"
- K.S. wants to know if it is true that the "advt." has been omitted from certain paragraphs in the local papers.
- Charlie.—When your hair is of the Pomeranian type brush it well back and use glycerine, or better, some quick drying oil.
- P.H.H.—There have been many enquiries about that bell, though perhaps they were not quite so startling as yours.

C.G.G.C.—The suggestion that there should be a prize competition might be practicable if more members of the School would buy the Magazine and so create a balance on the right side. Meantime, to show what we can do, we print the following. No prizes are offered, as it is unlikely that anyone will be able to supply the missing words.

A very young fellow called ——Said "My object in life I suppose is To be very quaint,
Because if I ain't
My fame upon nothing reposes."

A strenuous player called ——
Remarked as his stockings he girt on:
"These garters I've got
Will certainly not
Stay fastened for long, I am certain."

A Lower Vth member named
Said "With betting I do not agree,
It's really appalling
To see how enthralling,
The backing of horses can be."

BOARDER.—You need have no fear as to the supply of winter vegetables. Experiments in A.R. have now solved the problem.

SPECTATOR.—We have been permitted to publish the following from the diary you mention:—"The men lay about the field like dying geraniums and even the presence of the ball at their very feet could not inspire them to more than a perfunctory amble forward (?), and a half-hearted pass directed nowhere in particular." More extracts can be given if you like this one.

- J.W.—We have made enquiries of several motor experts in the School and we are informed that your statement "That if Cavendish were living now, he would make oxygen in a carburetter" is wrong. Nor is it true that some of the experts asked "What is a carburetter?"
- ENTHUSIAST.—You will be able to begin cheaply, as a sale of photographic stock will be held in the Physics Lab. to pay for storage.
- To Many Others.—It is true that no member of the Chess Club has lost a game or match, this Term.

## HOUSE LETTERS.

#### TUDOR HOUSE.

It was with great regret that we heard at the close of the Summer Term that Mr. Booth was leaving us. As President, since the formation of the House, he had done much by his interest and encouragement to foster the spirit of keenness, which is one of our chief characteristics. Gibbs, on behalf of the House, presented him with an engraved pocket flask, and also expressed regret at his departure and our best wishes for his future success. At the same meeting Johnson and Baines, who respectively headed the batting and bowling averages in the House Cricket, received from him a bat and ball. We welcome Mr. Payne as our new head, and appreciate the part he has already taken in the guidance of the House.

Our last letter was written too early to record our success in winning the Shooting Cup. The team who gained this handsome victory consisted of Gibbs A. E., and Davis H. C., Gardner R. E. and Moule, with Wedge C. N. as landscape leader. We hope to retain this trophy for some time.

Our 2nd XI. has carried off the Junior Cup with the loss of only one match. Our 1st XI. has not been so successful.

The following have gained football colours:—Wedge C. N., Day, Martin, Baines, Somer, and Harrison, the Captain

of the victorious 2nd XI. In the Challenge Shield we were unfortunately drawn against School House in the 1st round, and, owing to inferior size, were rather easily defeated.

We close with a hope that all members will take a prominent part in the Hockey and Cross-country Runs next Term.

Tudor.

#### TEMPLE HOUSE.

Last Term with many regrets we said goodbye to our President, Mr. Barker, and endeavoured to show him by our thanks and the presentation of a barometer how we appreciated his work. In his place we welcome Mr. Lane, who has done much for the good of the House this Term.

In House Football we have not done very well, owing to several of our best men being in the twenty-two, and also to the lack of keenness shown by the rest of the members. In the first round of the Shield we received a bye, and in the second we defeated Woolfe House after a hard game. Thus once again School House is our opponent in the final, and we look forward to the match with hopes of success. Next Term, with more support from the junior members of the House, we hope to do better in Hockey and the Cross-country Race.

TEMPLE.

#### SCHOOL HOUSE.

We sincerely regret losing Simes, Jackson G. A., Gibbs and Leeson since last Term. Simes has very ably filled the position of Head of the House for the last three years, and Gibbs has been our successful Captain of Hockey and Cricket. In place of Mr. Rebsch we have Mr. Dier, whose all-round ability at games has made him most popular. As new boys we have this term Hillard, Wyatt, Ingleson, Nicholas, Coldicott, Brown, Heath, Parker, Vale and Walker. We must

congratulate Watkinson on being made Head of the House, and Downs and Wright on being made prefects of the top dormitory.

We have had quite a successful Football season. The number of boarders in the School XI.'s has been up to if not in excess of that of previous years, there being no fewer than eleven members in the twenty-two. In the Inter-House matches our 1st XI. have again won the cup, scoring 101 goals as against 10, and winning every match. Our 2nd XI. lost the Junior Cup by two points only. In the Challenge Shield we have succeeded in getting into the final with Temple House and hope to win this also. We won our first two matches fairly easily, beating Tudor and Yewle.

House colours have been awarded to the following:—Watkinson, Grant, Lisle, and Ward.

We still have a large proportion of our members in the O.T.C., and boarders seem to predominate in the Certificate "A" Class. We congratulate Watkinson on being promoted to Corporal, and Downs and Wright on becoming Lance-Corporals.

Fashion is still being exploited in the House. A certain member, of Star fame, has procured some remarkable footgear of Scottish origin, which he affirms are intended to keep his feet warm.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

#### YEWLE HOUSE.

Mr. Oakley, who left us at the end of last Term, has been succeeded by Mr. Rebsch, who has taken the greatest interest in all our House affairs. We regret to report the loss of Creese, who worked untiringly for the House. He has our best wishes for his success at Oxford.

The new boys this Term have turned out very energetically to football, and have set an example to a number of the older members. In the Senior House Competition we only won three matches, but two of our matches had to be scratched.

In the Junior House Competition we did better, winning four matches and drawing one. Our 1st XI. should develop great strength in time. In the first round of the Challenge Shield we beat Wylde 10—1, but against School House, when four of our men were absent, we were beaten 7—0. Gardner M. and Price E. have played well throughout the Term, and have received their colours. At present the House is composed of very young members, and it to them that we look for success.

YEWLE.

#### WOOLFE HOUSE.

We have suffered much this Term from the slackness of some of the bigger and older members. The younger boys have put into the games far more keenness than these, some of whom seem to pride themselves on evading their duty to the House. Of course they suffer most by their attitude, and they will come to be looked upon as mere outsiders. Bradley, Roberts F. W., and Smith A. A. have played up well, and Rowley and Burston have kept the 2nd XI. going.

We put up a good fight against Temple in the semi-final of the Shield, and only after half-an-hour's extra play had we to acknowledge defeat by 3—1. Four members have been included in the twenty-two.

Next Term we hope for better results, as we have some promising youngsters and boxers. We call upon the House to shame out of their idleness and lack of public spirit those members who ought to carry the House to the front.

WOOLFE.

#### WYLDE HOUSE.

There has been a little satisfaction this Term at our performances. We lost one match only, to School House, but some others were only drawn, through lack of dash. Banks, Vale R. F. and Knight W. H. have played well, and

several of the younger boys are improving rapidly. A lack of players provides the same old complaint, however, leaving a few to bear the brunt of the work.

We were knocked out in the first round of the Shield by Yewle, but we ought to have put up a better fight than we did. A pleasing fact to record is the increase of our membership of the O.T.C.

WYLDE HOUSE.

#### OXFORD LETTER.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.

Once more we find ourselves faced with the usual difficulty of composing a glowing account of very unremarkable performances.

The river has claimed four O.E.'s this Term. Phillips may be seen on certain afternoons shouting encouragement (and other things!) to the Keble 1st togger, which he is coaching. He is also reading for the Medical Schools. Hiscock, having recovered from his Bohemian experiences, plays for Jesus at soccer when he is not rowing in their togger. Creese has played soccer occasionally for B.N.C., and has obtained a place in their 2nd togger. Simes has been a regular attendant at the river. He is a leading light in the college debates at St. John's, and we trust that at the Union it will not be long before he catches the President's eye. Appleton and Watts are often to be seen on their way to explore ground never before trodden by undergraduate.

As to matters of general interest not much can be said. In spite of the critics, we are confident of the capability of our "Rugger" XV., and have great expectation of success in the Varsity Match.

Good luck to those coming up for Schols.

Yours sincerely,

OXON.

### CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

DEAR SIR.

I hope that any inharmonious periods in this epistle will be accounted for by the grotesque caricature of a Christmas carol which is being performed outside my window by a small but noisy band.

This Term—always a busy one (of course!—Ed.)—seemed more strenuous than ever (Quite so.—Ed.). Our rowing and rugger prospects are brighter than usual. The South African match caused great excitement and much disappointment, and brought forth much subsequent comment. The trial eights resulted in a magnificent race, the standard being universally admitted to be higher than for some years.

To descend to personalities, Riley played in the Seniors soccer match and plays for the Varsity "A" team. He has also played several times for the Varsity at Hockey, and has also played rugger for "Cats" and, it is rumoured, scored a try in his first game. Robinson has played soccer for Corpus and has put in some hockey, but he complains bitterly of afternoon "labs." The versatile Jackson is in great form at Queen's. Having got into—and out of—a crock eight, he is now very blase in the afternoons. He babbles of rags, and no amount of gentle coaxing or moral suasion will cause him to desist. He finds Cambridge suits him very well and he also likes law.

We wish Brierley success, and we also wish success to those misguided youths who have gone astray elsewhere for Schols

Yours sincerely,

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## SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Speech Day	 Wednesday, December 18th.
House Supper	 Thursday, December 19th.
Winter Term ends	 Friday, December 20th.
Spring Term begins	 Friday, January 17th.
New Boys enter	 Thursday, January 16th.
O.E. Match	 Saturday, January 25th.
Good Friday	 March 21st.
O.E. Match	 Saturday, March 22nd.
Spring Term ends	 Friday, April 4th.

GAMES CLUB ACCOUNT.					
WINTER TERM, 1912. RECEIPTS.   PAYMENTS.					
£ s. o	f. s. d.				
Cash in hand from Summer Term 12 2	Match Expenses I 17 4  8 Debating Society				
Subscriptions 44 I	o (Voting Papers) o 5 o				
Sale of Goods o 19	Wages (Aug. and Sept.) 10 11 8				
	Accounts paid 36 8 II				
	Sundries and Re-				
	pairs 0 19 9				
	Balance at Bank 7 0 2				
£57 2 I	£57 2 10				
BALAN	CE SHEET.				
£ s. c	1. £ s. d.				
Accounts Payable 32 12					
	Balance 25 12 1				
£32 12	£32 12 3				

Examined and found correct. W. A. H. CHESSALL,

R. J. CARTER.

Treasurer.