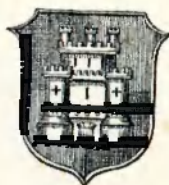


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SCHOOL NOTES.

We have to record the departure since last Term of Messrs. Rebsch, Hobbs and Quarmby. Mr. Quarmby had taken over the Art work of the School for the Summer Term only, but during that time his kindly nature had endeared him to all who came in contact with him. He was eager to help the smaller boys in their cricket, and he took a keen interest in the doings of his House. He carries our best wishes with him to Italy, where he has gone to continue his Art work.

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Mr. Rebsch's departure is much regretted. He had been with us for some years and he had identified himself with every branch of School life. Most of his time here was spent as a House Master, where his ready sympathy made him very popular, but he is equally missed by all. On the field he gave ungrudging assistance and he played regularly for the Club in all games. Both in the School and in the City he was well known as an amateur actor of considerable ability; he was always ready to assist at School concerts and he was a keen supporter of the Debating Society. We wish him all success in his future scholastic career.

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We have to welcome to the School Mr. A. Pullan and Mr. F. Nicholas. Both have taken on the positions of House Presidents and have given much assistance in the games and other affairs of School life. Mr. Nicholas, by his actual play, has contributed in no small degree to the success of the Club XI.

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School Officers for this Term are :—

Captain of Football	B. W. Sadler.
Secretary	W. H. Howes.

Games Committee :—

The Headmaster.	D. G. Hemus.
Mr. Carter.	H. A. Crickmer.
Mr. Chessall.	C. W. Knowles.
C. H. Hemus.	

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Mr. Carter.	V. W. Humpherson.
Mr. Morris.	J. Holmes.
Mr. Lovell.	B. W. Sadler.
Mr. Nicholas.	H. A. Crickmer.
	R. A. Maund.

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The following have left since last Term :—S. Hartley, A. H. M. Brierley, A. H. Crump, G. R. T. Fairbairn, C. H. Law, E. U. Stanton, E. Wall, L. J. Wareham, J. E. T. Wright, P. R. Zealley, D. H. B. Adams, J. W. Chisholm, G. Davis, R. F. Gardner, H. H. Parsons, H. P. T. Phipps, A. E. Rudd, T. H. Taylor, J. G. Coldicott, W. C. Dillworth, B. Heath, H. A. Bengier, J. Chisholm, P. E. Evans, W. A. Highfield, T. Sefton, J. W. Spilsbury, G. A. Carpenter, F. G. Evans, J. W. Huddleston, M. Mandelbom, W. A. Probert, B. V. C. Wilson, J. E. Wheeler, P. D. Johnson, W. Worthington, H. J. Smith.

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S. Hartley, who has gone up to Oxford with the Meeke Scholarship for Classics, took a prominent part in the general life of the School. As Head of the School and Captain of the Games his energies were unflagging. He was a hardworking member of the O.T.C., in which he held the rank of Sergeant, and as an active contributor to the Magazine he set an example all too rarely followed. He has our best wishes for a distinguished Oxford career.

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The Football programme this Term has been heavier even than that last year, and we have been fortunate in having so little interruption by wet weather. The final of the Challenge Shield between Yewle and School House provided one of the best games ever seen on Flagge Meadow. The game was fast and spirited throughout and the issue was in doubt right up to the finish. We want to see many more struggles of the kind.

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The following boys entered Big School this Term :—
 S. G. W. Watson, W. M. Miller, P. E. Turner, F. H. Needham, K. H. Perkins, G. Perry, G. E. Briggs, A. R. Burston, F. J. Chinery, J. E. Davies, A. G. Frost, A. J. Hardman, C. T. Hayes, A. E. Innis, H. B. Lamb, H. P. Park, K. H. Pearson, C. H. D. Phillips, W. D. F. Sinclair, A. Tomlinson, H. T. Wareham, F. Wilding, J. C. Baldwyn, C. R. Everett, A. J. Hobday, E. R. Norman, W. C. Taylor, E. F. Dowty, G. H. Dowty, J. P. Fudger, J. K. Greenway, H. T. Greenway, A. H. F. Murphy, R. T. Prosser, L. J. Adams, N. H. Brooking, F. Glover, G. M. Gravelines, C. V. Hoult, T. G. Smith, V. Wood.
 From Preparatory :—F. R. Brown, R. E. Coomber, E. J. Holder, A. E. Rawson, V. H. B. Richings, B. W. H. Spring.
 Entered Preparatory :—A. W. Davis, H. B. N. Goodwin, J. Hall, F. B. Knowles, L. Whitehouse, A. G. Wood.

OLD BOYS NOTES.

- R. P. Page ('94-'01), F.I.C., late Secretary to the London Branch of the O.E. Association, has been appointed to the important post of Analyst to the Borough of Portsmouth.
- H. E. Wyatt ('05-'12), Student Teacher under the Worcestershire County Council, has gained an Exhibition for Classics of £40 per annum at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, and also a Drapers' Company Scholarship of £25 per annum.
- A. L. Fletcher ('02-'05) has joined the Technical Instruction Branch of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.
- D. A. Baldwin ('05-'07) is now studying Art in Paris.
- D. Williams ('06-'08) has passed the Final Examination of the Incorporated Law Society with Third Class Honours. He has played half back in the Sheffield University Hockey Team for the past three seasons.

- A. H. Crump ('11-'13) is now in the G.W.R. Locomotive Dept. at Wolverhampton.
- A. H. Phillips ('02-'09) is now at Helsingfors, Finland, representing the British American Tobacco Co.
- A. G. Jackson ('11-'12) has entered the pianoforte works of Messrs. Collard and Collard.
- C. E. Hellaby ('07-'11) is now with Messrs. Proffitt and Westwood, Corn Merchants, Birmingham.
- F. W. Morris (1900-'08) has left Toronto and is now in the Bank of Montreal at Winnipeg.
- A. W. Woodhead ('01-'08) has left Sutton Valence School to take up Actuarial work in the Star Insurance Office.
- C. L. Bradley ('03-'06) is in the London and Brazilian Bank at Buenos Aires.
- H. P. T. Phipps ('10-'13) has entered the B.T.H. works at Rugby.
- D. H. C. Smith ('05-'08) has left Gibraltar and is now in the Test Dept. of the B.T.H. works at Rugby.
- P. J. Roberts ('88-'90) was elected for St. John's Ward on the City Council at the recent elections.
- G. E. Downs ('94-'04) has now taken over a practice at Great Marlow, Bucks.

We have to congratulate the Rev. T. G. and Mrs. Ridgewell-Barker on the birth of a daughter, on September 20th, at New Bilton, Rugby. Mr. Barker is shortly leaving Rugby for Clifton, Bristol.

Mr. L. F. Rougeault's name will be remembered by many Old Boys. After being responsible for the foreign correspondence department of Vauxhall Motors, Ltd. for some years, he has returned to his first love, and is now teaching at Victoria College, Jersey.

BIRTH.

COOK.—On November 10th, at Beckett Cottage, Ombersley Road, the wife of Ernest W. Cook ('99-'02), of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

BLEAKMAN—COCKTON.—On November 1st, at St. Pancras, London, Spencer G. Bleakman ('03-'08) to Hia, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cockton, Lessen Hall, Wigton, Cumberland.

EARLY HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL.

Mr. Leach's long awaited history of the Worcester Schools has at last been published and is a formidable tome of 341 quarto pages, half of which are concerned with our early history. Mr. Leach is one of the Charity Commissioners and is the leading authority in England on the history of schools. The present work has been undertaken for a double purpose: to provide the Worcestershire Historical Society with a digest of the important documents relating to the Worcester Schools and to complete the education volume of Victoria County History of Worcestershire. He shows from the documents that ours was the first and only Public School for Worcester by some 300 years: that it has a history extending back earlier than 1291, and the "scholemaster" of that time maintained the dignity of High Master on an income of £12 a year and an Usher at £6 13s. 4d. with certain other perquisites that would hardly be recognised at the present day.

He also shows that even in 1547, i.e., a few years after the establishment of the Cathedral School, our School still had "above the number of a hundred scolars," and that it remained one of the important schools of the country until about the end of the 18th century; after this it diminished in importance and numbers until the middle of last century, when it began to rise again under the stimulating influence of Mr. Eld.

We propose in subsequent numbers to give a series of extracts from the early documents which we think will be of interest.

CRICKET.

W.R.G.S. 1ST CLUB XI. v. OLD ELIZABETHANS.—This match was played at Flagge Meadow, on Saturday, July 26th, and resulted in an easy victory for the School by 202 runs. The School batted first and scored quickly, Sadler, who had been kept out of the team during most of the season through illness, playing very vigorously and thoroughly deserved his 79. The O.E.'s bowling was not strong, and

after Mr. Rebsch had been dismissed for 53, Humpherson and Hemus C., playing with confidence, were still undefeated for 56 and 52 respectively, when the innings was declared. The O.E.'s started disastrously and were finally dismissed for 57. Mr. Baker took 5 wickets for 33, and Humpherson 4 for 15.

W.R.G.S.		OLD ELIZABETHANS.	
R. F. W. Rebsch ct H. Gardner b Hiscock.....	53	H. Williams b Humpherson...	3
B. W. Sadler ct Hawkins b Bannister	79	W. H. N. Shakespeare b Humpherson	1
V. W. Humpherson not out...	56	A. C. W. Hobson b Baker.....	7
C. H. Hemus not out.....	52	R. A. Done b Humpherson...	0
W. A. H. Chessall		W. A. Hiscock b Baker.....	0
W. Baker		S. Bannister ct Chessall b Baker	8
S. Hartley		J. W. Hawkins run out.....	6
R. A. Maund	Did not bat.	H. M. Gardner ct Humpherson b Baker	9
C. W. Knowles		H. R. Creese not out.....	3
J. E. T. Wright		G. F. Stone b Baker.....	3
D. G. Hemus		C. M. Sparshott ct Chessall b Humpherson	8
Extras	19	Extras	9
Total (for 2 wickets)	259	Total	57

CRICKET AVERAGES.

1ST CLUB XI.

Batting.

	No. of Inns.	Times not out.	Total.	High. Score.	Aver- age.
W. A. H. Chessall	8	0	172	43	21.5
R. F. W. Rebsch	10	0	203	59	20.3
V. W. Humpherson	10	2	152	56*	19
C. H. Hemus	10	3	118	52*	16.8
S. Hartley	9	1	118	28*	14.7
R. A. Maund	8	1	92	35	13.1
C. W. Knowles	7	2	73	29*	12.1
W. Downs	6	0	37	19	6.2
W. Baker.....	8	0	47	21	5.87
D. G. Hemus	8	1	18	5	2.57

*Signifies not out.

Bowling.

	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
W. A. H Chessall	82	16	251	26	9·6
W. Baker.....	144	17	502	43	11·7
V. W. Humpherson	47·2	6	123	10	12·3

1ST SCHOOL, XI.

Batting.

	No. of Inns.	Times not out.	Total.	High. Score.	Aver- age.
J. E. T. Wright	7	4	61	16	20·3
V. W. Humpherson	8	0	112	40	14
C. H. Hemus	8	1	80	27	11·42
S. Hartley	7	0	64	36	9·14
W. Downs	8	1	58	28	8·3
R. A. Maund	8	0	57	24	7·12
D. G. Hemus	7	0	25	9	3·57
C. W. Knowles	8	1	17	5	2·42
W. H. Howes	6	2	6	4*	1·5

Bowling.

	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
R. A. Maund	33	8	106	14	7·57
V. W. Humpherson	82·3	3	320	32	10
D. G. Hemus	69	7	245	20	12·25

FOOTBALL.

We have had a more successful season than for some time past. Several of last year's XI. were available, and their experience has given the team as a whole more confidence. The first XI. has won 9 matches, defeating most of the Schools they met.

In the 1st Club XI. Mr. Baker has been of great assistance at outside right, his speed and accurate centres materially adding to our scoring power. The half back line has received much help from Mr. Nicholas, whose untiring energy and fearless tackling has set a good example to the others. Sadler's excellent goal-keeping has been a real asset to the side. Mr. Carter's enforced absence from the team has been a very

serious loss. The forwards in the School XI. have generally combined well, but do not shoot often enough. Howes and Maund R. A. have done well on the wings. Sadler's services as a half-back not being available, we were left with inexperienced players in this department, who worked hard, but were rather too slow. Humpherson has been a resourceful and hard-working back, who has improved continuously through the season.

The 2nd XI. has been very disappointing. With the exception of Wedge and Maund F. O. the team lacked energy. The forwards and halves failed to work together because they refused to part with the ball until it was taken from them, with the natural result that they rarely scored.

The 3rd XI. and "Under 14" teams have, as usual, done well, winning most of their matches. There are several very promising young players among them.

1ST XI. MATCHES.

1ST CLUB XI. v. OLD ELIZABETHANS.—This, the first match of the season, was played on Flagge Meadow, on Saturday, October 4th. During the first half the School failed to combine and only scored 1 goal to their opponents' 4. After half-time, however, the School team showed considerable improvement, and several good runs by the forwards enabled Howes to score twice and Hemus C. once. The Old Boys scored one more goal early in the second half and thus maintained their lead. Cullis was conspicuous for good work at back.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Mr. Nicholas, Hemus D., Roberts W. J. ; Mr. Baker, Johnson, Hemus C., Knowles, Howes.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S.—With rain falling during most of the game, both teams were handicapped by the heavy state of the ground. Our forwards, however, played well together, and Howes opened the score with a

good shot. Just before half-time the home side got the upper hand and shot two goals. On changing ends we displayed great weakness in front of goal. We pressed most of the time and should have scored on two or three occasions. Towards the end Wolverhampton scored twice as the result of good rushes. The final score was 4 to 1 against us. Humpherson and Cullis did well at back, while Howes and Maund worked hard in attack.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Gardner, Hemus D., Roberts W. J. ; Maund R. A., Johnson, Hemus C., Knowles, Howes.

1ST CLUB XI. v. MR. N. H. STONE'S XI.—We met Mr. Stone's XI. on October 15th on our ground. The game was very even, both sides being conspicuous in attack. The visitors scored first, Findon doing good work. The score at half-time was 3 goals to 2 against us. After the interval, our forwards showed up to better advantage and we soon obtained a lead. Sadler's excellent play in goal was a feature of the match. When time was called we had scored 5 goals to our opponents' 3.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Mr. Nicholas, Hemus D., Roberts W. J. ; Mr. Baker, Hemus C., Maund R. A., Johnson, Howes.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—On October 18th, Stourbridge came to play us on Flagge Meadow. We won the toss and the visitors quickly rushed the ball down, forcing a corner. The backs, however, cleared and we pressed for some time, and at length Howes scored. This was soon followed by another goal, Roberts heading in, and Howes scored two more before half-time. After the interval the visitors' inside left broke away and beat Sadler, and this seemed to put new life into our attack, Hemus D. and Knowles each scoring with good shots. Towards the end Stourbridge made a final effort and added two more goals, leaving us winners by 6 goals to 3.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Gardner, Hemus D., Crickmer ; Maund, R. A., Johnson, Roberts W. J., Knowles, Howes.

1ST CLUB XI. v. MALVERN COLLEGE LOWER CLUB.—

On October 22nd our 1st XI. journeyed to Malvern to play the Lower Club. Our opponents were rather heavier and our forwards found their halves very hard to beat. Both goals had narrow escapes, but the defence always proved equal to the occasion. During the second half the game was very even, though we missed two easy chances of scoring during the last five minutes. Mr. Nicholas and Humpherson were conspicuous in defence, but the forwards were weak in front of goal. A well-contested game ended in a draw, neither side scoring.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Mr. Nicholas, Hemus D., Gardner ; Mr. Baker, Hemus C., Maund R. A., Johnson, Howes.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S.—This match was played at Hereford on October 29th, and resulted in a victory for us by 3 goals to 1. At first our opponents had most of the game, their halves doing good work. Sadler was tested on several occasions, but cleared well. Subsequently the forwards put in several combined efforts and a good centre by Johnson enabled Maund to score, Roberts and Hemus C. later increasing our lead with good shots. On changing ends, we constantly attacked, but the shooting was erratic. Towards the end a good run by our opponents resulted in their only goal.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Gardner, Hemus D., Crickmer ; Maund R. A., Johnson, Hemus C., Roberts W. J., Howes.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S.—On Nov. 5th we played the return match against Wolverhampton on Flagge Meadow. The game was commenced in rain and the ground was slippery, but our forwards got to work at once and two goals were scored in quick succession. The visitors, however, made a determined effort and reduced our lead. Just before half-time Lamb scored from a good shot, and Wolverhampton replied with another goal. After the interval

we held the upper hand most of the time, Hemus C. scoring almost at once. Maund and Howes were conspicuous for some clever combination, the former scoring 3 times and the latter once. The final score was 8—2 in our favour.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Gardner, Hemus D., Crickmer ; Maund R. A., Johnson, Hemus C., Lamb, Howes.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. DEAN CLOSE SCHOOL.—This game was played at Cheltenham on November 8th. Our opponents were heavier and faster and were soon pressing, in spite of good work by Sadler and Humpherson scoring 3 goals in rapid succession. Just before half-time some good play by Hemus C. enabled him to score our only goal. On changing ends, our forwards combined well and kept the ball in their opponents' half, but the Dean Close backs were equal to the occasion. After a time the home side wore down our defence and scored three more goals, winning a good game by 6 goals to 1.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Crickmer, Hemus D., Gardner ; Maund R. A., Johnson, Hemus C., Lamb, Howes.

1ST CLUB XI. v. IVESHAM HOCKEY CLUB.—On November 12th we received the first visit this season of the above Club. Rain had fallen all the morning and the ball was hard to control. The home side did well to keep their heavier and faster opponents in check during the first half, and Hemus C. scored before the interval. After half-time our forwards played well together, and Hemus C. and Lamb scored from good centres from Mr. Baker. Sadler in goal and Humpherson at back played very well. When time was called we had won by 4—1.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Hemus D., Mr. Nicholas, Gardner ; Mr. Baker, Maund R. A., Hemus C., Lamb, Howes.

IST CLUB XI. v. WORCESTER ROWING CLUB.—On Nov. 13th we played the Rowing Club for the first time. During the first ten minutes we pressed and a mistake by their goal-keeper enabled Lamb to score what proved to be the only goal of the match. The first half was evenly contested, both goals having narrow escapes. After the interval the visitors pressed most of the time and tried hard to equalise, but Sadler played a fine game in goal. Mr. Nicholas and Humpherson played with vigour and held their heavy opponents in check. We understand that our visitors had not previously met with a reverse this season, so that the team is to be congratulated on a very creditable performance.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Hemus D., Mr. Nicholas, Gardner ; Mr. Baker, Maund R. A., Hemus C. Lamb, Howes.

IST CLUB XI. v. WORCESTER HOCKEY CLUB.—This match, played on Flagge Meadow on November 19th, ended in a draw, each side scoring 4 goals. The visitors had most of the game in the first half, which ended with the score one goal to nil against us. Early in the second half our forwards improved and Maund equalised. Almost immediately the Hockey Club regained the lead, but the School again drew level by means of a successful long shot by Mr. Nicholas. Play was now confined to midfield until Maund crowned a clever dribble by scoring. We failed to hold the advantage, however, and our opponents rapidly scored two goals. In spite of our maintaining a continual pressure it was not until the last minute that Howes and Lamb managed to rush the ball over the line and save us from defeat.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Hemus D., Mr. Nicholas, Gardner ; Mr. Baker, Johnson, Maund R. A., Lamb, Howes.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—This return match was played at Stourbridge on November 22nd. The home side settled down at once and scored twice in the first ten minutes. Our forwards then made a determined effort

and Johnson scored after Howes had hit the cross-bar. Play was then fairly even, but each side managed to score once again before half-time. During the second half our forwards made several attempts to equalise, and after about 20 minutes Maund scored from a good centre by Howes. The home side, however, recovered the lead, but towards the end Maund scored again and Howes enabled Lamb to shoot our sixth goal one minute before time, a well contested game ending in a victory for us by 6—4. Humpherson and Hemus D. were conspicuous for good defensive work, and Sadler's goal-keeping was a feature of the game.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Gardner, Hemus D., Crickmer ; Maund R. A., Johnson, Roberts W. J., Lamb, Howes.

IST CLUB XI. v. MALVERN COLLEGE LOWER CLUB.—We played this home match on November 29th, when our opponents put a stronger side into the field than before. The first half was very even and both goalkeepers were tested. The visitors scored after ten minutes play, but the defence on both sides, together with poor shooting, prevented any further score before the interval. After half-time the superior weight and speed of our opponents told on our defence and a second goal was soon added. Soon afterwards a good run by Mr. Baker and Maund enabled the latter to score our only goal. The game was now in a very interesting state and the School made desperate attempts to equalize. During the last ten minutes the visitors added two more goals, winning a good game by 4 to 1. Humpherson played excellently at back, repeatedly checking the heavier Malvern forwards.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Hemus D., Mr. Nicholas, Gardner ; Mr. Baker, Johnson, Maund R. A., Lamb, Howes.

IST CLUB XI. v. EVESHAM HOCKEY CLUB.—Mr. Hill brought a stronger team against us for this match on December 3rd, but we were able to defeat them by 4 goals to nil. The visitors had the advantage of a strong wind during the first

half and pressed for some time, but Humpherson and Sadler proved too good for them. On changing ends the School forwards combined well and Hemus C. scored, three more goals being added before time was called. The wind rendered the flight of the ball difficult to judge, and this especially affected the half-backs.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Mr. Nicholas ; Roberts W. J., Hemus D., Gardner ; Mr. Baker, Maund R. A., Hemus C., Lamb, Howes.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL.—This match was played on December 10th on Flagge Meadow. The early part of the game went in our favour and Howes scored twice during the first 15 minutes. Hereford made a very determined attack on our goal, but Sadler proved equal to the occasion. Just before half-time an excellent centre by Maund enabled Hemus C. to score our third goal. After the interval we fell off considerably, but a scrum in front of goal resulted in Hemus C. scoring, after much interesting play in midfield. Towards the end our defence broke down and the visitors scored two well-deserved goals. This was mainly due to the untiring energy of their centre half. The final score was 4—2 in our favour.

Team :—Sadler ; Humpherson, Cullis ; Gardner, Hemus D., Roberts W. J. ; Maund R. A., Johnson, Hemus C., Lamb, Howes.

CRITICISM OF THE XI.

Sadler.—Has captained the XI. with considerable success and sound judgment. Illness prevented his playing in his usual place, but he has kept goal with marked success ; gathers and kicks the ball very well.

Howes.—Plays with plenty of dash on the left wing ; centres well and is a good shot ; an untiring worker.

Humpherson.—Has developed into a really good back ; tackles and kicks with judgment.

Maund R. A.—Dribbles well ; an outside right with speed and considerable control of the ball, but still disinclined to pass until too late.

Hemus D.—As centre-half works hard, but is too slow to be really effective ; tackles well, but must learn to judge a bouncing ball. Should learn to direct his passes with more care.

Hemus C.—Plays a strenuous game at centre forward, but must avoid taking the ball back ; a good shot and heads well ; weak in receiving passes.

Gardner.—A hard-working half-back, who tackles well ; but has little control of the ball.

Johnson.—Has fair control of the ball ; too fond of taking it back and losing it ; passes with judgment.

Lamb.—A much-improved inside left ; has fair control of the ball and feeds his wing well ; useful shot.

Cullis.—Has not fulfilled his early promise ; good kick, but is too slow to be effective.

Roberts W. J.—Has played half-back and forward ; inconsistent ; passes well and can shoot, but is too often out of his place.

Crickmer.—Half-back ; fair tackler, but has little control of the ball.

2ND XI. MATCHES.

2ND CLUB XI. v. WOLVERLEY G.S.—Played at Wolverley on October 4th, resulting in an easy victory for the home side by 6 goals to nil. Our opponents kept the ball in our half most of the game. Maund played fairly well in goal.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Nicholas, Wedge C. N. ; Thomas C. G., Wyatt, Somer ; Banks, Downs, Knight W. H., Vale R. F., Pembridge.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S. 2ND XI.—This game on Flagge Meadow, on October 11th, proved very interesting, both sides making desperate efforts to win. Wolverhampton scored first, but by half-time we had scored twice. After the interval Wolverhampton drew level, but Pembridge put us ahead again. Just before time the visitors equalized, the score being 3 all when time was called, Downs and Wedge played very well and Maund was safe in goal.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Nicholas, Wedge C. N. ; Somer, Aston, Westwood ; Banks, Downs, Knight W. H., Lamb, Pembridge.

2ND CLUB XI. v. HARTLEBURY G.S.—Played on Flagge Meadow on October 22nd. The visitors combined well and proved too good for our defence. The score at half-time was 3—1 against us. During the second half we missed several chances in front of goal, while Hartlebury added two more goals.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Smith A. A., Wedge C. N. ; Somer, Crickmer, Westwood ; Banks, Knowles, Downs, Roberts W. J., Pembridge.

2ND CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S.—On October 25th we visited Kidderminster. The homeside were too strong and heavy for us, their defence being sound. By half-time they had scored 4 times. After the interval play was more even. Kidderminster scored once, and Baines and Knowles made good runs, just failing in front of goal. The score at the close was 5—1 against us.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Nicholas, Gardner ; Crickmer, Roberts W., Westwood ; Baines, Downs, Knowles, Lamb, Vale R. F.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S. 2ND XI.—This remarkable game was played on Flagge Meadow on October 29th. Almost all the first half of the game was spent near the opponents' goal. Many excellent opportunities of scoring were offered to our forwards. The score at half-time was 1—0 (in our favour). On changing ends our XI. played football and combined really well. Owing to greater attention paid to direction in shooting, we scored no less than 9 goals, winning comfortably by 10 goals to nil.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Nicholas, Wedge C. N. ; Westwood, Dunn, Thomas C. G. ; Baines, Knowles, Downs, Lamb, Pembridge.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S. 2ND XI.—Played on November 5th at Wolverhampton, resulting in a win for the homeside by 4 goals to 2. During the first half Wolverhampton held the upper hand and scored 3 times ; some good work on our left wing was noticeable, but no goals resulted. After half-time, the game was very even, Knowles being conspicuous among our forwards. Each side had scored once when a penalty was awarded to us, which enabled Knowles to put us ahead.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Nicholas, Wedge C. N. ; Westwood, Dunn, Thomas C. G. ; Baines, Knowles, Downs, Knight W. H., Pembridge.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. DEAN CLOSE 2ND XI.—In this match, played at home on November 8th, the visitors were bigger and heavier, winning easily by 7 goals to 1. Our team gave a very feeble exhibition, being content for the most part to watch their opponents instead of tackling them. The forwards failed to work together and generally succeeded in passing the ball to one of the other side. Maund kept goal well under the circumstances.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Nicholas, Wedge C. N. ; Thomas C. G., Dunn, Westwood ; Baines, Knowles, Downs, Roberts W. J., Pembridge.

2ND CLUB XI. v. WOLVERLEY G.S.—On November 12th this return match was played on our ground, resulting, after an interesting game, in our defeat by 4 goals to 5. During the first half Wolverley scored twice, after which a good run by the forwards resulted in Baines scoring for us. On changing ends, Downs equalized very soon, and then Johnson shot well, giving us the lead. For some time the score

was 4 goals each, but eventually hesitation by the backs enabled our opponents to get ahead and win as stated.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Roberts W. J., Wedge C. N. ; Crickmer, Dunn, Westwood ; Baines, Knowles, Downs, Johnson, Pembridge.

2ND CLUB XI. v. HARTLEBURY G.S.—Played at Hartlebury on November 29th, resulting in our defeat by 8 goals to 2. The first half was fairly even, each side scoring twice. On changing ends the home-side, aided by the considerable slope of the ground, had matters pretty much their own way.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Wedge C. N., Nicholas ; Crickmer, Dunn, Thomas C. G. ; Baines, Downs, Knowles, Roberts W. J., Pembridge.

2ND CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S.—Played at home on December 3rd. We scored first, but weak play by the halves allowed our opponents to equalize very soon. We took the lead again from a good shot by Johnson, but after this the defence broke down and before half-time Kidderminster were leading. During the second half our opponents scored four times, chiefly owing to the feeble efforts of our half-backs.

Team :—Miller ; Nicholas, Cullis ; Harrison, Dunn, Westwood ; Baines, Johnson, Knowles, Downs, Pembridge.

Three of the 2nd XI. discovered on the morning of the match that they were unfit to play.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S. 2ND XI.—On December 10th we went to Hereford to play the return match. The game was at first even ; each side struggled to obtain the first goal, but the defence held its ground. Eventually a good pass by Vale enabled Downs to open the score for us. During the second half the forwards worked well together and Baines and Vale scored. Crickmer played a good game at centre half. We won by 4 goals to nil.

Team :—Maund F. O. ; Sanday, Nicholas ; Westwood, Crickmer, Thomas C. G. ; Baines, Downs, Knowles, Vale R. F., Pembridge.

OTHER MATCHES.

3RD CLUB XI. v. HARTLEBURY G.S. 2ND XI.—On October 22nd we played at Hartlebury. Though at the start the team did not work together, in the second half the game was more even, and we won the match by 5 goals to 1. Lamb and Dunn played well.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Nicholas, Sanday ; Thomas C. G., Dunn, Aston ; Baines, Price E. H., Knight W. H., Lamb, Howfield.

3RD CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S. 2ND XI.—This match was played at home on October 25th, resulting in a victory for us by 6 goals to 2. Knight played well in the centre, scoring 4 goals. The team combined well and was faster than the visitors.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Thomas C. G., Sanday ; Harrison, Dunn, Aston ; Banks, Price E. H., Knight W. H., Howfield, Pembridge.

3RD CLUB XI. v. HARTLEBURY G.S. 2ND XI.—The return match proved more uneven than the first match. Our forwards were faster and found no difficulty in breaking through the opponents' defence. Vale, Price, Knight and Roberts all contributed freely to the score, and we won by 15 goals to nil.

Team :—Miller ; Smith A. A., Sanday ; Harrison, Pasco, Westwood ; Price E. H., Roberts G. H., Knight W. H., Vale R. F., Howfield.

3RD CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S. 2ND XI.—Played at Kidderminster on December 3rd, resulting in our defeat by 8 goals to 3. Our forwards were weak and failed to combine. Vale R. F. and Price E. H. scored.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Smith A. A., Wasley P. J. ; Roberts G. H., Pasco, Somer ; Church, Price E. H., Knight W. H., Vale R. F., Howfield.

A TEAM (UNDER 13½) v. DOWNS SCHOOL.—Played at Colwall and resulted in our defeat by 6 goals to 3. Our forwards were unable to force home several good centres. Hope at back played well, Innis, Briggs and Price scoring.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Hope, Thomas A. H. ; Parker, Sinclair, Hartin ; Price E. H., Arnold, Innis, Gibbs A. W., Briggs L. W.

A TEAM (UNDER 13) v. DOWNS SCHOOL 2ND XI.—Played on Flagge Meadow on October 15th, and proved to be an easy victory for us by 15 goals to 2. We were much too fast for our opponents. Powis, Armstrong and Thomas A. were the chief scorers.

Team :—Davies H. J. ; Bray, Parry ; Baylis P. J., Thomas A., Taylor W. C. ; Walker L. J., Ellis, Collett, Armstrong, Powis.

A TEAM (UNDER 14) v. SOUTHLEA SCHOOL.—We met this team for the first time at Malvern on November 1st, and won easily by 9 goals to 2. Rain fell throughout the match and the ground was slippery. Gibbs, Price and Vale scored.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Somer, Fudger ; Parker, Morrall, Winwood ; Price E. H., Arnold, Roberts G. H., Gibbs, Vale R. F.

A TEAM (UNDER 13½) v. DOWNS SCHOOL.—This return match was played on Flagge Meadow and resulted in an easy win for us by 9 goals to 2. Our forwards proved much faster than their opponents, Innis, Briggs, Price and Gibbs were responsible for the goals.

Team :—Price W. H. ; Hope, Armstrong ; Parker, Roberts G. H., Collett ; Price E. H., Arnold, Innis, Gibbs, Briggs L. W.

A TEAM (UNDER 13) v. DOWNS SCHOOL 2ND XI.—Played at Colwall on November 5th, and won easily by us by 12 goals to 1. Most of the goals were scored in the second half, Powis, Armstrong and Taylor being conspicuous.

Team :—Davies H. J. ; Thomas H., Bray ; Baylis, Vale R. H., Taylor W. C. ; Walker L. J., Ellis, Greenway J. K., Thomas A. H. Powis.

THE CHALLENGE SHIELD.

In the first round the games were evenly contested. Yewle beat Tudor by 4 goals to nil, Lamb playing well for the winners. A most interesting game was played between Temple and Wolfe. Some strenuous play by Knowles and the forwards placed his side well ahead by half-time ; Maund R. A. and Howes made great efforts to equalize in the last few minutes, but Temple won by 4—3.

In the second round the games were uneven, the heavy School House XI. beating Temple by 12—0, while Yewle had no difficulty in accounting for Wylde by 6—0. The final between Yewle and School House promises to be a good game.

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION.

There has been considerable keenness in these competitions and many close and interesting games were witnessed. In the Senior Competition the result was an open question until the last game was played, when Tudor beat School House and won the Cup from Yewle by 1 point. The final result was : Tudor 18 points, Yewle 17, Wylde 10, School House 7, Temple 4, and Woolfe 4.

For the Junior Cup the struggle was very keen ; Wylde, School House and Woolfe had equal chances of winning up to the last two or three games. In the end the School House, by a victory in their last match, took the lead from Wylde and won the Cup. The final scores were : School House 14 points, Wylde 13, Woolfe 11, Yewle 11, Tudor 7, Temple 4.

FOOTBALL IN UTOPIA.

TAYME HOUSE 1ST XI. v. STUART HOUSE 1ST. XI.

Hope springs eternal in the breasts of our footballers when they take the field against Stuart House. On paper our chances were good, but, sad to relate, history only repeated

itself ; for, in spite of the fact that we employed all our usual methods of attack and defence, and totally ignored the no doubt well-meaning advice of those who usually appear on the touch line, we lost.

Having won the toss, our captain wisely elected to play with the sun and wind in our faces, and after some discussion as to who should be the forwards and the halves, we lined out. Soon after the kick-off our opponents rushed the ball down to our goal, where our backs stood one at each post ready to fetch it should it go wide. Following our usual plan of attack, one or two of our halves remained with the forwards in our opponents' half waiting for the ball to be returned up field ; there was no chance of their being off-side, for the Stuart backs—while watching the School 2nd XI.—have evidently seen the wisdom of remaining in whispering distance of their goalkeeper. The Stuart centre-forward showed great restraint, for when the ball rolled out from under the miskicking feet and left him with an open goal at two yards range, he essayed a pass to his outside left. Fortunately for us, his aim was a little wide and the ball reached our forwards, who, to while away the weary waiting, were watching the game on the next ground. Nut, our outside left, received the ball and dribbling very cleverly for quite a yard passed it to the opposing right back. Instead, however, of meeting it with the toe of his boot, as is usual, he met it with his instep, and thus accidentally returned it to our half. Munkiebran, the Stuart outside left, attempted to centre and the ball swung towards goal, where Savied stood, as usual, in blissful somnolence. The ball met his head and rebounded into play. (To become a good goalkeeper one must use one's head). It was unfortunate, however, that Muddy, our right back, in endeavouring to concede a corner should score a goal for our opponents with a beautiful first time drive. Our forwards now adopted the style of play set by the School 2nd XI., and became like unto top-heavy sacks of wheat, and hence the Stuart players did not have all the game, for we obtained a corner. The kick was well taken by Passnot and, the Nodder in goal missing his punch, the ball was caught by Rosser at back, who dropped it over the line. The whistle blew for a goal, but after listening

to our clamorous appeals, the referee, who for once was just, reversed his decision and allowed us a penalty kick. Bunn took it and to *his* astonishment missed the goal. After this we seemed to lose heart and our opponents quickly increased their lead. Late in the second half, however, we scored. In taking a kick, Rosser touched the ball back to Nodder, who fumbled and dropped it in his goal. We finally lost by 21 goals to 1.

Reviewing the game as a whole, we realize that our team never played *very* badly. The forwards remained close to our opponents' goal all the time and our halves did not make the mistake of keeping them within passing distance, while our backs ably supported Savied, the goalkeeper. We had many opportunities of scoring, and often our opponents goal was missed by *feet* only. True, we might have done a little better if our backs had kicked harder and miskicked less frequently; and perhaps, too, if our forwards had kept their places and had not robbed each other of the ball, we might have scored more than once. The game was more keenly contested, however, than the result seems to show. Three times our goalkeeper missed his kick, and the ball only *just* rolled over the line, while on four other occasions our backs kicked into their own goal, and two goals were obtained from penalties. Our defence was not seriously extended, and Savied seemed to have little to do, for though 21 goals were scored against us, worse things have befallen us in other encounters.

TAYME.

THE DEBATING SOCIETY.

There is a certain vegetable known as a green baytree, which seems to have excited the interest of this Society. We are told very little about it, save that it flourisheth in a truly wonderful and enterprising manner, and it is on account of this property that our coming politicians have humbly endeavoured to profit by its example and set up a healthy and pleasing rivalry. And the causes of the rivalry are many.

Two new Secretaries must bear some of the burden, and the Lower Fifth, always considered to have distinct debating power, have dashed into the breach keenly if not always with discretion.

The first meeting was held on September 30th to choose fit and just persons to fill the void caused by the loss of Mr. Rebsch, who has sought pastures new, and C. N. Wedge, a victim to the siren-call of "work."

We are informed by the minutes that Humpherson proposed the re-election of the Vice-President, who accepted the position in a short but graceful speech. If we recollect rightly his exact words were, "Oh, can't you find someone else?" Wedge seconded and there was only one dissentient—the Vice-President. The unanimous wish was expressed that Mr. Baker should be asked to be Secretary, and Wedge kindly offered to break the news. Young and Downs were proposed for the other vacant secretaryship, but with that charming grace for which he is famous, Downs withdrew his candidature and Young was elected unopposed.

A vote of thanks was passed to the retiring Secretaries, and Wedge was instructed to convey to Mr. Rebsch the thanks of the Society for his past work and to express its regret at the loss of his services.

In due course much hard work by the Secretaries resulted in a meeting being announced for Saturday, October 4th, to decide whether the capabilities of women are inferior to those of men. Rather a striking comment was supplied by the discovery before the meeting that owing to the incompetence of mere man as represented by that delightful type, the plumber, the gas in the hall had been cut off. Still, with the firm determination that never quite deserts them, the members decided on holding the debate in E room, to the huge delight of the smaller members of "Prep." In the absence of Wedge, the proposer, the Vice-President very unkindly offered to take his place and, carefully avoiding the motion, told stories and conversed on things of general interest. Gardner led the opposition and related pathetic incidents of accidents on the playing field. Wedge, having returned from football, then followed, and Young spoke fourth, while Downs, Hump-

herson and Crickmer gave the meeting the benefit of their experiences in favour of the motion. Wyatt opposed in a very definite manner and Mr. Baker and Nicholas gracefully adorned an otherwise barren fence. Mr. Baker tried to speak twice and also to change the motion, but was prevented by the conscious rectitude of the Society from carrying out these revolutionary ideas. The motion was carried by 20 votes to 19.

An excellent meeting in K Room followed on October 18th to decide whether airships were necessary in a system of national defence. Humpherson opened in a speech of extraordinary beauty and high souled rhetoric, and everyone immediately decided in favour of the motion. Unfortunately, Wyatt, for the opposition was equally impassioned and a lot of voters changed their minds. Pick followed and afterwards Day, and when the motion was thrown open the question was found to be rather more difficult to solve than had at first appeared. Mr. Lovell, Mr. Dippie, Maund, Tarrant and Hartin supported the proposer. Hartin, new to the Society, made a very good impression. Speaking clearly, and without undue nervousness, his speech was received with applause; his pronunciation of Blériot bore the stamp of a Parisian. Wedge, Howfield, Knight, Ingleson, Young, Wasley, Owen, Bakewell, Turner and Cowley opposed, and Turner, speaking for the first time, was very well received. The Society decided by 25 votes to 19 that airships were necessary, and such small things as carrying field artillery on an aeroplane were settled clearly and easily. A motion to send a deputation to stop the trams during the debate was defeated.

On November 8th, Lee proposed "That total abstinence from alcoholic drinks should be enforced by law," and supplied us with some dazzling statistics. Ingleson opposed and took the line that a little drink is usually good for a man. Tarrant dashed into the fray, to be quickly followed by Nicholas. Much food for thought was supplied during the debate and two points of Harris' were worthy of cogitation: First, that ginger beer is a child's drink and that men do not like children's drinks; and secondly, that a law on these lines would throw many men out of work, both brewers and draymen.

We had pathetic visions of men clad in revolutionary bonnets looking round for labour and finding it not. Bartlett developed a novel line also and said that it had been justly stated that the Indians of Canada were won over with English rum, and therefore, if we want Colonies, let us supply the natives with alcoholic drinks.

The House we fear has not profited by Lee's strenuous attempts to improve them for only Wasley spoke for the opposition, while Mr. Lovell, Thomas, Young, Hartin, Knight, Currell, Howfield, Harris, Turner, Wedge, Miller and Bartlett spoke against the motion, which was lost by 23 votes to 6.

Owing to Mr. Kearton's and Mr. Norman Angell's lectures, the full School debate had twice to be postponed, but a successful meeting was finally held on December 6th in the Hall. Humpherson opened the motion "That in the opinion of this House there will be an attempted invasion by Germany sometime in the near future." He had taken great pains in the preparation of his speech and spoke at some length. Gardner led the opposition and proceeded to quote "The Great Illusion" at great length, developing wonderful theories on interdependence of nations and systems of credit. Pick spoke third and quoted most of what Gardner had missed in his speech. Crickmer then held forth on the theory that if the invasion came the Germans would not take our wealth, but would confiscate our buildings, special facilities being made for removing them. We thought at this stage that "The Great Illusion" was finished, but, Oh, no! for Wedge found a portion hitherto unquoted and proceeded to give it. Sadler and Maund supported the motion, while Wedge and Mr. Baker spoke against it, and it was finally lost by 34 votes to 26. The Minutes tell us that Mr. Lovell and Mr. Nicholas were neutral. Who shall say? Certainly we are not in a position to judge.

OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

We came back this Term to find that, as usual after the Summer Term, we had sustained severe losses. We especially

missed Sergeant Hartley, who has been a strenuous and valuable member of the contingent since its beginning in December, 1910. He will, we hope, prove an equally useful and energetic member of the Oxford University Contingent. The result of the recruiting season is that we have enrolled eighteen new members, just making up our losses. We ought to do better. With the opening of the new range in sight, we should greatly improve our numbers, and it is much to be desired that those ardent supporters, in debate, of universal military service should come forward and give practical proof of their convictions. We are glad to note that a good number of senior boys have been enrolled this Term, but there are still many who on the flimsiest pretexts seek to escape from a necessary part of School life. In this matter House Captains do not set a good example and this deprives the Corps of very desirable support. It is a very regrettable state of affairs that four of the six House Captains should find it inconvenient to be members of the Corps.

The chief event in our activities this Term was a Field Day at Malvern. We were told off as right flank guard to the white force, and this duty fulfilled, took part in the general retirement, being in the neighbourhood of Madresfield Hall when the cease fire sounded.

A proficiency class meets weekly, but has not yet begun really serious work. This must be faced next Term, and it must be borne in mind that the candidates this year have not had the experience of their predecessors, and they must therefore realise that a strenuous time lies before them. Still, with the help of Backsight Forethought, we hope to defeat the enemy in Room A on March 9th and 10th next.

OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS CAMP, 1913.

The Annual Training took place this year at Tidworth Pennings, where, under a staff of riflemen, some three thousand cadets laboured strenuously for eight days. We entrained 39 strong on the morning of Tuesday, July 29th, with Captain

Dippie in command, assisted by Lieut. Morris. The bustle of arrival over, we soon showed our great aptitude for one branch of camp life, in a way to please the most exacting inspecting officer—we fed.

When the real business of camp began, it was found that we were to form a composite Company with Monkton Combe under the command of Captain Hoare of that contingent. We drilled and we fed; we trained and we fed; we slept and we fed; but there was a little something which seemed to ruffle the good temper of our officers—we were generally washing up when the parade bugle went.

On Sunday morning the usual service was held, after which we prepared for the annual ordeal—the inspection of lines by the Commandant. This year we turned out really well—so well indeed that somebody observed the O.C. actually smile and look satisfied. Last year it may be remembered some waste paper had mysteriously hidden itself under a bucket; no such crime was perpetrated this year, but we might have done it with impunity. Alas for the vanity of human wishes for official commendation—the Commandant walked round our lines and appeared very interested—in something else.

The last day or two were devoted to Brigade work, which, given moderate luck, is the most enjoyable part of the training. The luck consists in not always being told off as the reserve. Reserves may be very necessary in war, but when one's pockets are bursting with blank, faithfully carried for perhaps five miles, the really important thing is to let it off, and in this important particular reserves have proved themselves to be very inferior.

During the camp we furnished a Battalion guard, which turned out very smartly under Colour-Sergeant Humpherson, and a Post Office guard under Sergeant Downs. We also attended a lecture on the Empire and Cake.

The weather throughout was very good, and this enabled us thoroughly to enjoy the splendid exhibitions of flying which were daily provided for us by the officers of the Flying School at Upavon. As many as six aeroplanes were seen at a time, and indeed we became so accustomed to them that we grew

bored and almost refused to cast an upward glance when its loud roar announced the approach of a machine.

We returned to Worcester on August 7th, well content with a most enjoyable holiday and with a new insight into the soldier's calling.

SOME QUERIES AND REPLIES.

M.M.—All gifts of wild animals should be delivered at the side door.

TOURIST.—Apply at the Orderly Room for permits to view the tombs of our Norman ancestors.

LEN.—Why foist upon us your opinion that the ceiling requires sealing, or vice versa?

Q.—Why Venice? Sunset effects are on view daily in G Room.

F.R.G.S.—No penalty will be imposed if you *do* discover that finely wooded mountain. It was last seen in eruption.

WEC.—There is a way in and a way out. Demonstrations are given periodically in E Room.

D.U.H.F.—After several partly successful trials, the idea that no work should be *done* at centre-half was completely demonstrated on B ground on December 3rd.

TO MANY OTHERS.—We are sorry you missed the pyrotechnic display on the escalade. Perhaps the next one will be duly announced beforehand.

HOUSE LETTERS.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

This Term we welcome Beynon, Watson, Miller, Needham, Perkins, Perry, Briggs, Pearson, Adams and Gravelines; while we chronicle with regret the departure of Crump, Stanton, Wright, D. H. Adams and Coldicott.

We have maintained our numbers in the Football XXII., and Humpherson has gained his School colours. Our 1st House XI. found, but too late, that it could be energetic; the 2nd XI., however, have once more gained the Junior Cup. In the 1st round for the Shield we drew a bye, in the 2nd round Hemus C. led us to victory against Temple, whom we defeated by 12—0, and in the Final against Yewle, after a very hard game, we won by 4—3.

All our eligible members have now joined the O.T.C. and five are in the Certificate A Class. We congratulate Pick, Nicholas, Howfield, and Pembroke on their promotion to the rank of Lance-Corporal.

During the long evenings some of the more spirited among us have found their primitive instincts so uncontrollable that they have sought to make the November of 1913 as famous as that of 1605; while others, with more success, have turned their talents into literary

channels. We congratulate one of our senior members, who shall be nameless, on his excellent French. We hear that, though his opportunities were limited, he made himself perfectly understood.

House colours have been awarded to Humpherson, Downs, Nicholas, Pembridge, Westwood, and Pick.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

YEWLE HOUSE.

Last Term Mr. Rebsch left us, and his departure was regretted by all. The enthusiasm shown while he was our President and our fine fights in the Challenge Competitions were all due to his untiring work for the House. In his place we extend a hearty welcome to Mr. Pullan. We have had a most successful season, missing the Inter-House Cup by only one point and reaching the final round for the Challenge Shield. In the Second House Competition we were third.

In our 1st House XI., Lamb was the principal scorer until he secured his position in the 1st School XI. Pasco has captained the team very well and at centre half has been the mainstay of the team. He was well supported by Sanday, Gibbs and Price E., and we might have won the Competition if other members of the eleven had shown some of his energy. In the 2nd House XI. we have several players who should do well in the future. Hayden at centre half uses his weight and has the right idea of half back play. Baylis P. J. is a determined tackler, and Plowman and Briggs L. W. have shown dash and at times combined well together. In the first round of the Challenge Shield we beat Tudor easily by 2 goals to none, Price E. and Lamb did well among the forwards and the defence was good when pressed. In the second round we played Wylde and defeated them by 8—0. In the final we met School House, but in spite of the good work of Cullis, Gardner and Lamb, after a splendidly fought game we lost by 4—3. We are glad to say that our numbers in the O.T.C. have increased and that keenness in the games has been well maintained. House colours have been awarded to Gardner, Cullis, Lamb, Pasco and Sanday.

YEWLE.

WOOLFE HOUSE.

Although the first team has not been at all successful this Term, the second eleven has shown good and promising form. In goal, Wyatt A. B. has played excellently, while Rowley and Ganderton have also rendered good service in the junior team. In the Shield Competition we were expected by many to reach the final, but Temple beat us 4—3 in the first round, to our disgrace.

On Prize Day we shall make a better show, for we have gained a good share of the prizes, chiefly through Highfield and the brothers Bowen.

Colours have been awarded to R. A. Maund, H. J. George, A. A. Smith, Probert, H. C. Williams and Winwood.

WOOLFE.

WYLDE HOUSE.

We are glad to say that greater keenness has been shown by the members of the House teams in the Inter-House Competition this Term, especially in the second eleven, than there has been for some time. With the same enthusiasm next Term we ought to do well in Hockey and the Cross-Country. We still look, however, for more support from non-players.

In the competition for the Challenge Shield we gave but a poor display in comparison with our expectations. The forwards did not combine together enough to be dangerous, and the few shots put in were very weak. The backs played a good game, but were rather too slow. Roberts played very well and Vale worked hard on his wing, but his efforts were not followed up in the centre, and Yewle won by a large margin. In the first eleven, Hall, Thomas and Vale have worked hard, but owing to a constant changing of positions during the games, there has been a lack of combination in the team. Dovey and Winter have been the mainstay of the second eleven and have played consistently well while Hartin and Dudge have given useful support. It was only owing to lack of players in the early part of the Term that we failed to win the Junior Cup.

Our numbers in the O.T.C., although diminished from last Term, can compare favourably with those of the other Houses. Hartin has been winning fame in the Debating Society, and we congratulate Fairbairn G. R. T. on his success in the Senior Local.

House colours have been awarded to Roberts, Knight, Hall, and Vale.

WYLDE.

TUDOR HOUSE.

1913 seems to be a particularly fortunate year for Tudor. Last Term we won both the 1st XI. Cup for Cricket and the Shooting Shield. This Term our 1st Football XI. has carried off the Cup again, losing only one match out of ten played.

In the main this success has been due to the fine play of Baines, Dunn and Harrison; Somer played a splendid game in our final match with School House.

Our 2nd XI. has not done so well. After winning their first three games the team seemed to lose further interest, and only gained one more point during the season. The younger members of the House must learn that they will never be successful while only seven or eight players turn up for a House match on a fine half-holiday. Fudger, Innis and Vale have played well.

In the Challenge Shield Competition we were drawn against Yewle House. We had all the better of the first half, but our forwards were very weak in front of goal. Yewle improved in the second half, and although our men continued to press till the very end, we were finally beaten by two goals to nil.

There has been little chance for the House to distinguish itself in the O.T.C. this Term. We have five members in the Proficiency Class, but the fact that only 10 out of our 40 members are in the Corps shown that as a House we are not doing our duty.

We close with a wish to see the House continuing its successful career in the Hockey season, and hope that the 1st XI. will be able to carry off the Cup for the third time in succession.

We have always done well in past years in the Cross-Country Run and in the Fives Competition, and we must live up to our reputation by doing well in these events next Term.

Football colours have been awarded to Wedge C. N., Johnson D. G., Dunn, Somer, Day G. H., and Harrison A. W.

TUDOR.

TEMPLE HOUSE.

We were never more at variance with Shakespere's remark that "a sad tale's the best for winter" than in the present instance, for our doings during the Term have been most dispiriting, and the recording of them pleaseth us not at all.

Owing to the loss of Hartley's services, both as an all-round athlete and as a capable captain of several years experience, we were in a position of disadvantage, for his place at present has not been adequately filled. We wish him all success in his 'Varisty career.

Last Term probably marked a high water mark in our fortunes, and naturally we had to expect a sudden drop owing to many of our older and more skilful players leaving together, and we are sorry to lose Phipps, Davis and Zealley, while missing Holmes' services through an injury to his arm. New boys, too, have been rather slow in coming forward to replace them and we were at one time in the position of not being able to supply two teams. Consequently in the House Competitions our results are poor, both teams occupying the last place.

Wasley, as captain, has tried extremely hard, and Woodward, Roberts and Morrall fully deserved the colours awarded to them.

In the Challenge Shield we defeated Woolfe by 4 goals to 3, Knowles playing particularly well and showing much resource as Captain; Maund, our other member from the first 22, also played up well. School House defeated us badly in the second round.

The second XI. are very weak, but Taylor W. C., Creese, Turner and Norman show signs of developing into players.

Turning to work, we find ourselves in much better trim, for Hartley was awarded the Chairman's Prize for Public Spirit, and we have gained the form prizes of the Lower 5th, Upper 4th and Lower 4th, through Rudd, Owen and Thomas G. J., while Morrall gained the second prize in the 2nd Upper. Of the other prizes, Hartley gains the Recorder's Prize, Thomas G. a Lower School Mathematics Prize, and Morrall a Junior Geography Prize.

In matters military Hartley has won the full-range shooting cup and Wasley has joined the O.T.C.

TEMPLE.

OXFORD LETTER.

DEAR SIR,

Oxford has indeed given us of her best this Term, and for once, Mr. Editor, I can satisfy your insatiable pleading for news.

Mr. Norman Angell came to speak at the Union, and after a very interesting speech persuaded the intelligence of the house to decide in favour of peace.

After this, of course, it was necessary to try an antidote, and we received Mr. Lloyd George. Yes, at Oxford.

The reports were naturally exaggerated and he was neither received with the demoniac fury of a justly outraged plutocracy, nor did the 'Varsity and the town stroll down The High arm in arm. You saw he gained our hearts to the extent of winning the motion.

Then Mr. F. E. Smith, President in '92 I believe—before my time—enlightened us on the Ulster question and naturally we voted for him.

But, I hear you say, what of the doings of the O.E.'s? Well, Phillips is Captain of Boats at Keble and both he and Hiscock rowed for a time in the trial eights.

Hartley, after stroking the winning Hertford Togger IV. has since been stroking their Togger and applies as much energy to rowing as he formerly applied to Soccer.

Creese and Watts have silently effaced themselves and Appleton has taken up Physics.

There is a rumour that Hiscock only just succeeded in rescuing a much prized oar from his rooms at the great fire, the only one recently not caused by Suffragettes, and that the Prince of Wales and Brierley were seen gazing at the ruins of the "Hall" with emotion strongly depicted on their faces on the following morning.

Simes plies a lusty stick for St. John's on the Hockey field.

Yours sincerely,
OXON.

CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

DEAR SIR,

Do you know a Cambridge November, a mélange of fog, rain and acute depression? Truly you cannot if you write to me in a gay and festive tone and blandly ask me to compose

something cheery and interesting to make a good Xmas number.

Now, frankly, I am not able to do so, but will try to console you by merely recording our doings during the Term—if a total absence of exertion can be dignified by such an essentially active word.

Riley has, of course, been exceedingly prominent and seems to have every chance of gaining his Hockey blue.

Perhaps I should have omitted him from those in a condition known in Statics as “a state of rest, not changing position with regard to surrounding objects,” for if playing for Cambridge A at Soccer, and at all and sundry games for St. Catharine’s (including Rugger) is not activity, please give me the W.R.G.S. definition.

Robinson, who is deeply engrossed in metallurgy, relieves the monotony by searching for Hockey enthusiasts in the morning and playing that august game in the afternoon for Corpus.

Peter, still the beau of Queen’s, has, forsooth, taken to acting and having adopted “a harmless necessary cat,” which by great patience and kindness on his part has been tamed, he nightly recites stirring passages to his humble retainer. Such at any rate is the rumour.

Mr. Oakley appeared this Term for a short time and was as genial as of yore.

Lastly, to those who are enduring tortures in the halls of the colleges we offer our sympathy and wish them the best of luck in their various “Schols.”

Yours sincerely,

CANTABRIGIENSIS.

P.S.—I have just heard the result of the Rugger match and my depression has vanished.

LONDON LETTER.

DEAR SIR,

Our first note this Term is necessarily one of sadness, in expressing deep sympathy with R. P. Page upon the sudden death of his wife in August. He was the founder and late Secretary of the London Branch of the O.E.'s Association, and London and other Old Boys and present boys owe him a debt of gratitude for his initiative and energy. While we have to extend our congratulations and good wishes to him on his taking up the important post of Analyst to the Borough of Portsmouth, it is with regret that we part with him.

Arrangements are being made to hold the Annual Dinner in London early in the New Year—probably February. All O.E.'s will be heartily welcomed, and as the dinner will take place on a Saturday, it is hoped that many will arrange to be present.

TAMESIS.

 SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Prize Day ...	...	...	Friday, December 19th.
House Supper ...	...	...	Friday, December 19th.
Winter Term ends ...	...	...	Tuesday, December 23rd.
Spring Term begins	...	...	Tuesday, January 20th.
New Boys enter ...	...	...	Monday, January 19th.
O.E. Match ...	...	...	Saturday, February 14th.
O.E. Match ...	...	...	Saturday, February 28th.
Spring Term ends ...	...	...	Wednesday, April 8th.

GAMES CLUB ACCOUNT.

WINTER TERM, 1913.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Cash in hand ...	21	16	1	Match Expenses	4	4	0
Subscriptions ...	41	8	6	Wages ...	8	15	9
Sale of Fixture				Sundries ...	0	12	1
Cards ...	0	9	9	Accounts paid ...	41	14	6
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Examined and found correct.

R. J. CARTER.

W. A. H. CHESSALL,

Treasurer.