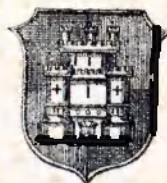


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SCHOOL NOTES.

We record with regret the departure of Mr. E. N. Lovell, but at the same time we wish him all success in his new position at Charterhouse. He was always a hard worker in all branches of School life. Under his Chairmanship the Debating Society flourished, and in him the "Debate" has lost a brilliant speaker. The Cricket Club, too, was much indebted to him for his keenness, evinced on the frequent occasions upon which he acted as umpire. We miss his personality with a sense of loss, and we hope that the future will bring him further successes.

We have also to welcome this Term Mr. L. Smith, of Jesus College, Oxford, and Mr. S. C. Rowles, A.R.C.A.

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The following boys left last Term :—G. A. Aldington, A. C. Beynon, E. J. Bowen, H. A. Crickmer, J. A. Bakewell, T. Bartlett, H. J. George, W. G. T. Pearse, L. St. V. Bray, G. H. Day, R. W. H. Hancock, D. G. Johnson, E. S. Lewis, P. E. Turner, J. C. Walker, P. J. H. Wasley, H. C. Williams, E. Arnold, A. Brooker, S. J. Collett, L. E. J. Fairbairn, A. W. Green, F. O. Maund, G. Perry, P. E. E. Powis, W. H. Price, R. J. Prothero, F. H. Stevenson, R. W. Barlow, P. J. C. Baylis, L. W. Briggs, W. J. Bright, J. W. Gethin, A. E. Hancock, B. Hope, R. F. Vale, D. J. Wall, W. A. Gillett, G. M. Gravelines, A. Lea, J. C. Prothero, L. J. Walker, G. E. S. Parker, J. D. Tipping, S. Carpenter, R. F. H. Crisp, F. M. Day, C. Highet, F. R. Brown, A. H. Flower, V. Hoult.

The following are new boys this Term :—D. W. Tilley, R. H. Chamberlain, G. Freer, C. J. Whitehead, C. F. Howes, J. Baldwyn, N. L. Clapton, S. W. Collier, C. J. Day, R. Kings,

R. W. R. Kersey, S. T. Palmer, H. P. Patrick, R. A. Peck, H. G. Pratt, E. H. D. Routledge, W. L. Saunders, W. V. Starkey, W. Franklin, R. H. Griffiths, J. W. Holliday, A. R. Johnson, G. E. Martin, R. A. Ranford, A. W. Stratton, E. A. Tombs, T. W. J. Walters, R. Williams, H. W. F. Baird, J. Baldwin, C. E. Beale, J. G. Davies, W. R. Kendrick, F. G. C. Phillips, M. Williams, E. S. Edwards, J. N. Perkins, K. W. Allen, R. T. Andrews, C. W. Armstrong, T. W. Baker, P. C. Bomford, A. J. Boulter, R. L. Carpenter, D. S. Collins, J. R. Drury, W. F. Else, H. B. N. Goodwin, E. J. Harper, C. J. L. Hillard, R. A. L. Hillard, L. S. Leeke, F. G. Moy, S. F. Parry, B. M. A. Smith, C. G. D. Smith, R. Wakefield. The following are new boys in the Preparatory :—M. Caethoven, D. Drury, C. H. Elt, J. C. Flay, E. V. Spicer, E. de C. Tillet.

OLD ELIZABETHANS ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

(Fourth List).

The list below contains additions, promotions, transfers etc. :—

**Denotes an ex-member of the O.T.C.*

- *Aldington, G. A. ('08-'15), Coldstream Guards.
- Appleton, E. R. ('02-'10), 2nd Lieut., 5th Batt. City of London Regt.
- *Bannister, S. ('05-'11), 2nd Lieut., Worcestershire Regt.
- *Beynon, A. C. ('09-'15), 2nd Lieut., 14th Batt. Cheshire Regt.
- Bibbs, O. G. ('05-'08), Inns of Court O.T.C.
- Billingham, G. J. ('05-'07), R.A.M.C.
- Blunt, D. ('12-'15), 8th Batt. Worcestershire Regt.
- Bourne, E. J. ('07-'08), Wireless Section R.F.
- Brooke, J. A. ('07-'10), 2nd Lieut., West Riding Regt.
- Brown, G. E. ('09-'12), 28th (P.S.) Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
- Bullock, J. R. ('06-'07), 12th Batt. Sherwood Foresters (wounded in shoulder).
- Cale, E. ('01-'08), 2nd Lieut., A.S.C., Assistant Officer of Supplies, Alexandria.

- Coldicott, C. A. ('02-'05), S. Q.M. Sergt., Warwicks. Yeo.
 Coldicott, J. G. ('12-'13), R.A.M.C., 99th Field Ambulance.
 Coldicott, J. W. ('02-'03), Warwickshire Yeomanry.
- *Craven, R. V. ('11-'14), R.A.M.C.
 Crickmer, H. A. ('09-'15), Royal Naval Division.
- *Day, G. H. ('09-'15), 2nd Lieut., 11th Batt. Wor. Regt.
 Dent, E. I. K. ('11-'12), R.A.M.C.
 Derbyshire, A. V. ('04-'07), 72nd Canadian Highlanders.
 Dowdeswell, W. L. ('07-'11), Sub-Lieut., R.N., H.M.S.
 Ajax, 2nd Battle Squadron.
- Firkins, H. P. ('03-'10), R.E.
 Firkins, W. H. ('97-'01), 72nd Canadian Highlanders.
 Fleming, T. ('99-1900), 2nd Lieut., Northants Yeomanry.
- *Flux, C. J. ('07-'11), 2nd Lieut., 12th Batt. Wor. Regt.
 Freeman, G. H. ('97-'99), A.S.C.
 Gascoyne, B. B. ('07-'10), 2nd Lieut., Wor. Yeomanry.
 Gascoyne, G. ('99-'03), 2nd Lieut., R.F.A.
 Gibbs, G. H. ('02-'07), 2nd Lieut., R.F.A.
- *Gibbs, G. H. ('02-'12), 2nd Lieut., R.G.A.
 Grafton, R. E. ('09-'13), Royal Flying Corps.
 Graves, J. S. ('08-'11), 2nd Lieut., 6th Batt. Wor. Regt.
- *Harrison, A. W. ('08-'14), Inns of Court O.T.C.
 Hardisty, H. S. ('07-'11), Royal Fusiliers.
- *Hayes, W. M. ('09-'12), A.S.C. Motor Transport.
 Heath, B. ('09-'13), 8th Batt. Worcestershire Regt.
 Heath, F. ('05-'07), 2nd Lieut., 8th Batt. War. Regt.
- *Hiscock, E. H. ('02-'11), Lieut., 9th Batt. Wor. Regt.
 (wounded).
- Hobro, F. A. ('04-'08), 2nd Lieut., 3/1st Batt. Herefordshire Regt.
- Holliday, C. A. ('06-'08), A.S.C. Motor Transport.
 Hope, E. S. ('05-'09), R.F.A.
 Howes, W. H. ('08-'14), 2nd Lieut., South Lancashire Rgt.
 Hunt, C. S. ('94-'96), R.E.
- *Jackson, A. G. ('11-'12), Inns of Court O.T.C.
 Joseland, F. O. ('05-'12), Inns of Court O.T.C.
 Lamb, F. A. ('11-'14), 8th Batt. Worcestershire Regt.
 Lees, R. C. ('07-'10), 2nd Lieut., R.F.A.
- *Lisle, C. F. J. ('09-'12), Royal Flying Corps.

- Martin, A. D. H. ('11-'13), R.F.A., 2nd Sth. Mid. Brig.
- *Maund, R. A. ('11-'14), 2nd Lieut., 10th East Surrey Rgt.
- Morris, F. W. (1900-'08), Canadian Mounted Rifles.
- *Mount, G. N. ('11-'13), 49th Batt. 2nd Canadian Contingt.
- Neems, D. H. ('06-'07), Australian Contingent (wounded).
- *Nicholas, T. G. ('12-'14), 2nd Lieut., 12th Batt. Welsh Regt.
- Page, R. P. ('94-'01), 2nd Lieut., 2/6th Hampshire Regt.
- Phillips, A. H. ('02-'09), 2nd Lieut., 2/1st Bucks. Regt.
- *Pick, A. B. ('12-'14), 2nd Lieut., 3/4th Leicestershire Regt.
- *Pickard, S. J. ('08-'11), 2nd Lieut., R.F.A.
- Portman, L. ('05-'10), R.A.M.C.
- *Riley, W. N. ('03-'11), 2nd Lieut., 4th Batt. Leicestershire Regt. (dangerously wounded).
- *Rogers, E. ('04-'11), 2nd Lieut., 7th Batt. Dorset Regt.
- Royce, D. C. ('08-'09), 2nd Lieut., 2nd Batt. Leic. Regt.
- Sharpe, L. ('02-'05), 2nd Lieut., 13th Batt. Wor. Regt. (wounded in knee).
- *Simes, C. E. W. ('04-'12), 2nd Lieut., 7th Batt. Wor. Regt. (invalided from front with typhoid and appendicitis).
- *Vale, R. F. ('12-'15), 8th Batt. Worcestershire Regt.
- Venner, E. W. ('09-'12), 2nd Lieut., Royal West Kent Reg.
- *Wall, E. ('09-'13), 2nd Lieut., R.E.
- *Wedge, C. N. ('06-'15), 2nd Lieut., 13th Batt. Wor. Regt. (invalided from Gallipoli with dysentery).
- Wetherell, T. A. ('04-'05), Driver, Red Cross Ambulance.
- Williams, D. ('06-'08), 2nd Lieut., 3rd King's Own Yorkshire L.I.
- *Wilson, B. V. C. ('08-'13), Worcestershire Yeomanry.
- Wyatt, A. B. ('08-'09), A.S.C.
- *Wyatt, C. P. ('10-'13), Inns of Court O.T.C.

KILLED IN ACTION.

STONE.—On May 31st, 1915, in France, Private Harold L. Stone (1902-1906), 8th Batt. Worcestershire Regt., aged 24; third son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. R. Stone, Tybridge House, Worcester.

CARLTON.—On August 9th, 1915, in Gallipoli, Private Lawrence B. Carlton (1906-1908), R.A.M.C., aged 23 ; only son of Alderman and Mrs. Carlton, of Ravenscourt, Worcester.

PHILLIPS.—On August 21st, 1915, in Gallipoli, Second-Lieut. Owen Sherwood Phillips (1904-1910), South Wales Borderers, aged 23 ; only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Phillips, of Bredicot, Spetchley.

BALDWIN.—On August 31st, 1915, in France, Sec. Lieut. David A. Baldwin (1905), 8th Batt. Leicestershire Regt., aged 25 ; only son of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Baldwin, of Clarendon Park Road, Leicester.

EXTRACTS FROM OLD BOYS' LETTERS.

J. L. Ranford ('08-'11) in a letter to his brother, W. P. Ranford ('99-'02), written on June 19th from H.M. Transport St. Oswald, at Alexandria, says :—

"Four days ago I heard that the Worcesters', Warwicks', Gloucesters' Yeomanry were encamped here, and went to enquire if Frank Parry or Cyril Darke were there. I found a tent amongst the Warwicks labelled "Tired and Hungry." "Is anyone named Darke here?" "No, gone back." "Where do you come from?" "Worcester." "Come inside." There were five in the tent, one of them asleep. We conversed for five minutes when the weary one awoke, rubbed his eyes, stared, and with a "Why Ranford," was on his feet, Marriott! and two hands met with a bang. He was a boarder in my form at school.

Then I went down to the Worcesters. There I met Browning, a Malvern boy, also out of my form, and Aston, of Stanley Road, too. These three fellows did not know of the others existence in the camp, although within a few yards of each other, and I had the pleasure of linking them up."

J. L. Ranford had then been away from England for 15 months, having been to South America, into the States, to China via Mediterranean, back to the Phillipines, Ceylon, Barcelona, Marseilles and thence to Egypt.

From 2nd Lieut. C. N. Wedge ('06-'15), 13th Worcesters:—

A DAY IN THE TRENCHES, GALLIPOLI.

"Quarter to four, Sir, and 'Stan'-to' just gone." Confound the fellow, I thought, waking me like this after I'd only just got to sleep. Must get rid of him quickly "Very good, S'arnt-Major" I murmur

from under three thicknesses of blanket, "March the men off when you're ready." Not realising I had made rather a "faux pas" in my last remark, I was three parts asleep again when the Sergeant-Major let fall a bombshell, which brought me out of my sleeping valise in what was probably record time. "Beg pardon, Sir, but I think you'd better get up and have a look round this morning. I saw the C.O. dressing as I came along and he seemed a bit irritable like."

That settled it—kicking blankets right and left I buckle on my equipment and hare off up the trenches in the opposite direction from the C.O.'s dug-out. Of course you can't take liberties with a trench at 4 o'clock in the morning, particularly when you're only half awake. I started by cracking the top of my head against a bridge traverse. Then, turning a corner hurriedly, I came across a figure lying along the floor of the trench and snoring fit to bring the parapet down.

Expecting everyone to have been "standing-to" now for at least a quarter of an hour, I naturally wasn't prepared for such a meeting, and, as a result, I pitched forward with a thud on to the sleeper's chest. All he did was to grunt and enquire in a muffled voice, "'Oo the 'ell's chuckin' our blooming parapet about!" Leaving him to the tender mercies of an N.C.O. I moved on up the trench, arriving safely at the other end after a slight mishap at "Steeplechase Corner."

As I expected, my other two officers were nowhere to be seen—they never are at times like these. A very emphatic noise further down the trench however warns me that the C.O. is close on my trail, so I dive down a filthy communication-trench and start to wake up the reserve troops in the nullah.

By the time I've finished it's pretty well daylight, so telling the Sergeant-Major to post snipers and carry on, I return to my dug-out.

After filling up the wretched "daily requisitions" and "night work reports" I'm free for a bit and settle down to my first real sleep. This lasts till about 8.30, when H., one of my officers, hauls me out of the blankets and sends me off for brekker. Not much of a meal. Porridge made from ration biscuits, pounded up with condensed milk and hot water. Then some vile salt bacon, with bread and ration jam (plum and apple for a cert) to finish up with.

By this time the Turks are well awake and sniping is going on briskly, so that care is required in negotiating several dangerous corners along the trench.

After settling with the prisoners for the day and telling the Sergt.-Major what digging has to be done during the morning, I find there is nothing much to do till lunch time. One of the three of us has to be on duty in the trench, but we fix this up in three hour shifts, and the two off duty generally turn in for another sleep, or write letters home. Lunch at 1 p.m. is about as uninteresting as breakfast. If it's a "fresh meat day" you get steak and fried bread served up in a big Mackintosh's Toffee tin. This is about half full of flies by the time it reaches the sugar box which does duty for table. Your choice of drinks is limited—either hot and strong tea with the temperature over 100 degrees in the shade, or ration lime juice like vinegar and Epsom salts. On a Sunday, or such like feast days, we would celebrate the occasion by opening a tin of sardines or a jar of potted bloater paste, but these luxuries had to be hoarded up very carefully. Boiled rice and jam (and flies ad infinitum) used to end the ordinary mid-day repast.

The afternoon was generally observed as a necessary period for rest by both armies. The Turks would sometimes shell our barbed wire from 2 till 4 instead of from 4 till 6, but such a case was very exceptional; also one Sunday afternoon the "Grampus"—the destroyer which cruised up and down the Gulf guarding our left flank—

steamed close in and plunked H.E. all down the Turkish trenches for half-an-hour. However, as a general rule both armies took forty winks during the hottest part of the day, and I know I always slept to tea time, when I got the chance. Tea was scrappy meal brought to your dug-out by your servant. He generally upset half the tea down his tunic, and sat on the thick slice of bread and jam he was bringing you, "Cos I was sure I'd bin' 'it that time, Sir. I sort 'er 'eard the whistle of the bullet go right thro' me." Some men are always imagining they're killed outright three times a day.

From tea-time till about 6.30 you were generally pretty busy. There were your four Platoon Commanders to see, in order to explain to them all the new brain waves that had hit yourself and others during the last twenty-four hours. Then you would get long lists of work to be done during the night, number of men wanted for rations, number of patrols to find, and it would take a good hour to portion out your Company to its several occupations. All this time the Turks would be having their evening "Strafe"—shrapnel, H.E., machine guns, snipers, and "whizz-bangs" (the most infernal of them all), all used to combine together for a solid hour to make life really unpleasant in the front line trench—and just at *the* one time in the day that you have a bit of hard thinking to do. "Annoying coincidence" some people would call it—I called it, well, something else.

Dinner came on about seven, just as it was getting dark. This was a comparatively decent meal for the flies had all gone to bed. We'd have a fairly good vegetable soup followed by some more of the half-raw steak in the toffee tin. Then there'd be some rice again, or if the cook was in a good temper some chupatties—ripping little pancakes with currants in—top-hole they were too! We used to finish up with a lot of cocoa apiece.

After dinner it was time to don great coat and muffler, for the cold at night here is like a knife. Work on the trenches generally began about 7.30. Some men would be working in three-hour relays all night digging a new communication trench, others would work up till twelve o'clock deepening the fire trench at nasty corners, half-a-dozen might be wanted to fix up a piece of the parapet that has fallen in, while one whole platoon would start off on a succession of weary journeys fetching water and rations from the Brigade Dump. The men would work well under their sergeants, and we three officers would divide the night up into three watches. Then two of us could sleep while one walked round the trenches watching the work.

Lucky the man who was on the 8 to 10.30 turn—he used to get five hours clear sleep. When I got this watch I know I used to crawl into my valise without a care in the world. The Turks might make a night attack, the General might come round, it looked like pouring with rain in half-an-hour—still what did it matter—I'd got five solid hours of sleep in front of me and till that never-to-be-forgotten Sergt.-Major should attempt to rouse me up with his snore, and snore, and snore.

The crawling over, one more day in the trenches was ended.

Extracts from a private letter dated September 4th, 1915, from Lieut. A. W. Woodhead ('01-'08). 1/4th Gurkha Rifles:—

Where did you spend your summer holidays? I went for a cruise in the Mediterranean, among the beautiful islands of the Ægean Sea and am now having a turn at camping out on the sea-shore. Spend your holidays at lovely Lemnos—beautiful harbour, fine bathing, lots of sand and sun, fine balmy breezes, &c.

The balmy breezes here can develop into miniature gales, and then they take the sand in their gentle embraces and hurl it into your eyes, nose, and all things pertaining to you—as I know from experience. There is also much winged life on the island, and they come not as single spies but in battalions; and despite the most determined onslaughts of the combined mess, we cannot extirpate the vipers. Fortunately, they do not seem inclined to bite, and mosquitos have not made their appearance up to date.

The first day after we landed we tried bathing at the nearest spot to the camp. The water was lovely and warm, but the bottom contained many traps for the unwary in the nature of sea-urchins, who object to being trodden on, and stick thorny spikes into you by way of protest. The doctor spent the remainder of the day picking them out of our feet. I haven't seen a sea-urchin, but I am told he is a sort of miniature hedgehog, and I can quite believe it, having been in touch with them on that occasion. Since then we have discovered a lovely spot a little further away, which is absolutely top-hole, with a small pier from which one can dive into beautifully clear water.

Yesterday morning we went for a bit of kluid climbing before breakfast, and when at the summit of our climb espied a lovely little cove, which we visited in the evening, and found a nice sandy beach, and refreshed ourselves with a bathe ere we returned.

The island is very hilly, with bare rocky slopes, and every conceivable kind of thistle and thorn that was planted in the garden of Eden for Adam's benefit, which seem to resent being trodden on and hit you on the knees in order to show it. At this time of the year there seems very little vegetation, but evidently corn is grown here, for there are many small windmills dotted about and stubble is to be found in places. There are small vineyards here and there which we pillage indiscriminately when feeling thirsty—which is always. The grapes here are small ones, which the cultivators allow to dry, and from the taste of them when dry it seems they are the originals of the currants and raisins one buys in paper bags at home. Hedges don't exist here, and, except when going through a vineyard, it is hard to tell whether one is going through a patch of supposed cultivated ground or not. Tomatoes and marrows straggle about, but the chief crops seem to be very prickly thistles and stones. I used to picture a vineyard as being like a hop-field, but it isn't in the least. It is the same as a field planted with currant bushes, and after all there is a certain resemblance between a bunch of red currants and a bunch of grapes.

There are several villages round about, mainly composed of white-washed stone buildings clustering round a church. The inhabitants seem to spend most of their time riding about on very small ponies or donkeys. The menfolk wear most extraordinary breeks. It is as though they had sneaked one of their womenfolk's skirts and sewn it up at the bottom, except for two holes at either side, which they shove their legs through as far as their knees. The rest of their legs are covered with puttees, many of which look as though they once adorned the legs of a French or British Tommy. When their ponies are turned out to graze, they hobble them by tying their forelegs together, so that when they try to run their gait is very comical, reminding one of the competitors in a sack race. All the animals here—horses, donkeys, cows and sheep—are very shy, and make off as soon as anybody approaches. When out yesterday morning we started a hare, which caused great excitement, and stones and small rocks flew around—needless to say did no damage to the quarry. Johnny Gurkha is not a good shot with a stone at a fleeing hare.

The biggest villages here are the hospital camps, of which there are many—both French and English. We have three E.P. tents for the officers, but I prefer the bivvy under a fig-tree which my orderly made for me. There are less flies, but more dust; and if your orderly dries your towel on a "burr" bush it is as well to examine it before applying vigorously to any part of one's anatomy.

The harbour is very interesting and contains all sorts of boats from an Isle of Man paddle steamer to a submarine. The former are the sort of herring boxes one is packed in for the last stage of the journey. Apparently the Hun submarine which is knocking about made an unsuccessful attempt to send another transport to the bottom of the sea the other day, but fortunately did not succeed. She had Australians on board, who behaved splendidly. Everyone got into the boats, but afterwards all returned to the ship. It was then found that twenty of the men were missing, and they were ultimately found down in the stokehold stoking for all they were worth. The stokers had cleared off in the first boat, and these heroes must have seen what happened and voluntarily descended to take their places. When one realises that at that time they could not have known whether the ship was going down the next minute or not, then one knows what real fine fellows they are, and I am jolly glad the Indian Brigade is fighting next door to them.

Everything here seems very casual. Letters are collected every day, but when they leave nobody knows, and nobody seems to care. As newspapers do not arrive in time for one's breakfast table, will someone please send me the "Times Weekly Edition" regularly? Having no news we live on rumours, which are one day highly optimistic and the next equally pessimistic. Our latest is that the French have taken lots of German generals and 2,000 prisoners in the Vosges, and there has been a big battle in the Channel—when a dozen German ships were sunk and two of ours. As the news came from a doctor I discount it. Doctors get hold of the most wonderful tales. The yarns one hears about K's army would make you blush. But there is evidently one thing they have to learn, and that is that the phrase "doing one's bit" has to be altered to "doing one's all." Certain folk seem to think that having been slightly wounded the first time they went into action, they should then be sent home in order to parade as heroes who had done their bit, although it was very little bit indeed. We learn things slowly in England, but doubtless we shall in time realise that just as we started off with "Business as usual" as our motto and had to alter that very soon and put "No" in front of it, so "Everyone doing his *bit*" has got to be changed to "Everyone doing his *all*!"

EARLY HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL. IV.

3. Appointment to Mastership of Worcester Grammar School by Bishop; date 1312:—

"COLLATION TO SCHOOL OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER.

"Walter, by divine permission Bishop of Worcester, to his beloved son Master Hugh of Northampton clerk, health, grace, and blessing.

"Considering the merits of your probity, with which by God's gift you are known to be distinguished, we confer on you by way of charity the Grammar School of our city of Worcester, whether the collation of it belongs to us by episcopal or archidiaconal right, to teach in accustomed fashion according to the knowledge given you by God, saving always the right and dignity of our church of Worcester in all things.

"In testimony whereof, etc. Dated at London 28 August 1312."

4. Extract from the "Priory Register" of the Cathedral Priory (date, according to Leach, 1425-1450), referring to the maintenance of poor scholars by the Prior in return for instruction given at the Priory by the Schoolmaster :—

"THE PRIOR'S MAUNDY.

"The Prior shall maintain in Lent 13 poor, of whom 3 shall be clerks provided by the schoolmaster. Note that the schoolmaster shall have this favour, and that every week when he is lecturing he shall have a Maundy from the Almoner for whichever of his clerks he may choose to assign it to, in return for teaching the relations of the monks and others maintained by charity.

"Each of those mentioned shall receive at the beginning of Lent from the Hostilar's servant a loaf of bread for each day till the middle of Lent, and the same number of gallons of beer of the 2nd and 3rd quality, distributed each week. After mid Lent they shall have the same again till Maundy Thursday. The said servant shall have three loaves from the surplus. Four quarters of wheat are enough for the delivery of these loaves."



CRICKET XI., 1915.

C. K. Lee.
P. J. H. Wasley. E. A. Wood. D. G. Johnson. F. O. Maund. S. G. W. Watson. F. E. Somer.
H. J. George. C. H. Hemus (Capt). H. A. Crickmer.
T. P. Ashwell. H. P. Park. A. C. Beynon.

CRICKET AVERAGES, 1915.

1ST CLUB XI.

Batting.

	No. of Inns.	Times not out.	Total.	High. Score.	Aver- age.
C. H. Hemus	7	2	376	*117	75.2
Mr. Abbott	6	1	150	*68	30
Mr. Chessall	7	0	100	40	14.3
Mr. Baker	7	0	82	40	11.7
F. O. Maund	6	2	45	*28	11.25
H. A. Crickmer	4	0	41	30	10.25
Mr. Allen	6	1	40	*13	8
Mr. Sinclair	6	0	47	20	7.8
D. G. Johnson	6	2	30	10	7.5
H. J. George	7	0	52	17	7.4
Mr. Nicholas	4	1	12	10	4

Bowling.

	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Mr. Abbott	48	5	102	23	4.4
Mr. Baker	86	19	138	32	4.9
Mr. Sinclair	14	2	28	4	7

1ST SCHOOL XI.

Batting.

	No. of Inns.	Times not out.	Total.	High. Score.	Aver- age.
C. H. Hemus	4	0	140	80	35
F. E. Somer	4	2	35	*30	17.5
F. O. Maund	4	0	47	26	11.7
H. J. George	4	0	44	15	11
H. A. Crickmer	4	0	34	17	8.5
S. G. W. Watson	4	0	26	23	6.5
H. P. Park	3	0	18	13	6
D. G. Johnson	4	0	13	6	3.25

Bowling.

	Overs.	Maid.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
D. G. Johnson	21	5	49	5	9.8
F. O. Maund	14	0	60	5	12
H. J. George	42	9	122	10	12.2

FOOTBALL.

1st XI. MATCHES.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S.—The School team played its first match this season at Wolverhampton, on Saturday, October 16th. From the kick off the home side pressed, and in five minutes took the lead. Even play followed, and then Church broke away on the right, centring to Thomas A., who equalized with a good shot. After the interval we pressed, but failed to accept good chances, and soon our opponents got the upper hand, scoring twice in rapid succession. These reverses spurred us on to more vigorous effort, and Thomas scored again. Just before time our opponents scored again, and the game finished 4—2 against us. On the whole, the team, which was almost entirely a new one, did well against heavier opponents.

Team :—Park ; Watson, Wilks ; Somer, Wood E. A., Wells W. ; Church, Gibbs, Hemus, Thomas A., Wells C.

IST CLUB XI. v. MALVERN COLLEGE LOWER CLUB.—A heavy rain, a greasy ball, a day for water polo or angling. While we were standing in amazement at the skill with which our opponents controlled a ball that eluded our grasp every time, they scored a goal. After this our forwards seemed to realize that the ball was not hypnotised by our opponents and even play ensued. A good run and centre by Mr. Baker was turned into goal by Hemus, and both sides scored again before half-time. In the second half our defence broke down after we had taken the lead, and our opponents reasserted their initial superiority by scoring three goals, despite the fine work of Park in handling and clearing a sodden ball. Result 5—3 against.

Team :—Park ; Mr. Nicholas, Wilks ; Somer, Wood E. A., Wells W. ; Mr. Baker, Mr. Smith, Hemus, Thomas A., Wells C.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S.—Played at Hereford, on Wednesday, Nov. 3rd. We commenced to bombard our opponents' goal immediately, and Hemus scored. A spirited reply by our opponents brought an equalizing goal, but, for the most part, the game was played in our opponents' half. After the interval we were unable to get going, and Hereford took the lead. Eventually Hemus added two more goals and Roberts scored with a good shot. Despite desperate efforts to reduce our lead the defence prevailed and we won by 4 goals to 2.

Team :—Park ; Watson, Wilks ; Somer, Wood E. A., Wells W. ; Church, Roberts, Hemus, Thomas A., Wells C.

IST SCHOOL XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—The first half of this game, played on Flagge Meadow on Saturday, Nov. 6th, was like a practice game in which the defence is played against attack. We supplied the defence and our opponents the attack. Superior weight and speed enabled Stourbridge to break through our defence six times in the first half and three times in the second, to which we replied by a solitary goal by Hemus after a good run by Thomas. Doughty deeds

were wrought in defence of the School goal against great odds, Wilks and Park performing valiantly.

Team :—Park ; Watson, Wilks ; Somer, Wood E. A., Wells W. ; Church, Gibbs, Hemus, Thomas A., Wells W.

1ST CLUB XI. v. MALVERN COLLEGE LOWER CLUB.—This return match was played at Malvern on Saturday, Nov. 13th, and was a tragedy of missed opportunities. In the first half our wayward twelfth player—a wild wind—spoiled many promising movements by driving the ball too far forward. When he played reasonably we failed to press the advantage home, and in one rush the ball rolled along the goal line and none had the heart to kick it through. Such chances come but once. Our opponents scored three times in the first half, and assisted by the wind enjoyed splendid shooting practice in our half of the ground during the second period of the game, the final score being 7 goals to nil.

Team :—Park ; Mr. Nicholas, Watson ; Somer, Wood E. A., Wells W. ; Mr. Baker, Mr. Smith, Hemus, Thomas A., Roberts.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S.—In this match, on Flagge Meadow, on Saturday, Nov. 20th, we quite outplayed our opponents, although the two School backs were absent through injuries. Our forwards combined well, and after ten minutes even play Hemus opened the score. Just before half-time Wood added another with a fine long shot. On changing ends we had much the best of matters and added five more goals. The forwards were well together, Gibbs being conspicuous.

Team ;—Park, Fudger, Somer ; Innis, Wood E. A., Wells W. ; Church, Gibbs, Hemus, Thomas A., Roberts.

1ST SCHOOL XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—Played at Stourbridge on December 1st, this match ended in a victory for the homeside by 7 goals to nil. Although we had a weakened team we were able to give our opponents, who were much heavier, a better game than earlier in the Term. After some

even play the home-side opened their score, and in spite of several good saves by Park the score was 4—0 at half-time. In the second half play was much more even and several times we should have scored if our forwards had been as big as their opponents. Hemus played half-back in place of Wood.

Team :—Park ; Fudger, Somer ; Dovey, Hemus, Wells W. ; Church, Gibbs, Thomas A., Roberts, Wells C.

2ND XI. MATCHES.

2ND CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S.—Played at Kidderminster on October 9th, and resulted in a severe defeat by 12 goals to nil. Our opponents were bigger and much faster than our team and had little difficulty in getting through. Wilks played well at back, but received little support. The second half was more even and Church made some good runs on the right wing.

Team :—Ashwell T. P. ; Wilks, Watson ; Morrall, Wells W., Wyatt E. J. ; Church, Gibbs, Ashwell P. E., Thomas A., Howfield.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. WOLVERHAMPTON G.S. 2ND XI.—On Saturday, October 16th, we played an even game, which ended in our defeat by one goal to nil, the visitors scoring after 10 minutes play. Good work by Dovey and Roberts was neutralized by a fatal hesitancy in front of goal. Forwards should remember that shooting is permissible and should allow no feeling of chivalry or consideration of expense to deter them from trying to break the net with fierce shots. Fudger played well at back.

Team :—Ashwell T. P. ; Fudger, Wyatt E. J. ; Morrall, Dovey, Heath ; Lee C. K., Innis, Ashwell P. E., Roberts, Howfield.

2ND CLUB XI. v. WOLVERLEY G.S.—On Saturday, October 23rd, we won easily by 7 goals to 1. Good combination among Church, Roberts, Innis, and Ashwell P. E., brought three early goals, and our defence, especially Fudge, coped effectively with all attacks. In the second half play was mostly in our opponents territory, and three more goals were added. Ashwell T. P., played well in goal.

Team :—Ashwell T. P. ; Fudger, Wyatt E. J. ; Morrall, Dovey, Heath ; Church, Ashwell P. E., Innis, Roberts, Howfield.

2ND SCHOOL XI. v. HEREFORD C.S. 2ND XI.—On Saturday, November 20th. Only the stubborn defence of Ashwell T. P., in goal saved us from heavier defeat, though the game was even throughout. Hereford scored once in each half. Our forwards played well in midfield, but were lamentably weak near goal.

Team :—Ashwell T. P. ; Whitehead, Wyatt E. J. ; Morrall, Dovey, Heath ; Perkins, Armstrong G. W., Ashwell P. E., Howfield, Wells C.

2ND CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S.—This match was played on Flagge Meadow on Wednesday, November 23rd. From the start the visitors attacked vigorously, but our backs and halves put up a stout defence and did well to prevent their bigger and speedier opponents scoring more than three times. In the second half Kidderminster bombarded our goal almost all the time and added six more goals. The backs would have met with more success if they had assisted one another instead of being content to stand still and look on while their partners were in difficulties. The final score was 9—1 against us.

Team :—Ashwell T. P. ; Fudger, Wyatt ; Morrall, Dovey, Armstrong G. ; Church, Gibbs, Innis, Howfield, Wells C.

OTHER MATCHES.

3RD CLUB XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S. 2ND XI.—On Saturday, October 9th. We won this match very easily by 15 goals to nil. Our team was too fast for the visitors and the ball rarely found its way into our half. The scorers were Roberts (5), Wedge (3), Wells S. (2), Dovey (2), Armstrong G. (1), and Fudger (1), from a mighty kick on the halfway line.

Team :—Johnson G. E. ; Fudger and Whitehead ; Armstrong G. N., Dovey, Heath ; Innis, Wedge, Wells S., Roberts, Lee C. K.

3RD SCHOOL XI. v. KIDDERMINSTER G.S. 2ND XI.—Played at Kidderminster on Wednesday, November 24th, and ended in a victory for us by 6 goals to 2. The first half was very even, each side scoring twice. In the second half superior weight and speed began to tell and we easily increased our score. Perkins, Heath and Wedge played well.

Team :—Johnson G. E. ; Baldwyn J. C., Whitehead ; Jackson C. W., Heath, Sinclair J. A. ; Perkins, Wedge, Wells S., Ashwell P. E., Sinclair W. D. F.

A TEAM (UNDER 12-9) v. DOWNS SCHOOL 1ST XI.—This proved an even and interesting game at Colwall, on Wednesday, October 27th. We began badly and our opponents scored the first 2 goals, but after this our forwards combined well and half-time arrived with the scores even. On changing ends play was keen, both goals had narrow escapes, but neither side managed to score.

Team :—Kings ; Stocker, Baldwyn J. C. ; Johnson A. R., Richings, Collier ; Verhoeven, Brooking, Barwell, Hutchinson, Rothschild.

A TEAM (UNDER 11-6) v. DOWNS SCHOOL 2ND XI.—Played at home on the same day. Our forwards gave a splendid exhibition of Rugby football. Admirably led by Goodwin, they packed, dribbled and rushed in the most approved style and frequently succeeded in carrying the ball over the line, only to find the referee awarding goalkicks instead of tries. Playing good Association football, our visitors scored four times in the first half, but only once in the second, owing to good play by C. G. Smith, who had been put into goal at half-time ; to which we replied with one goal.

Team :—Smith C. G. ; Wheal J. H., Palmer S. T. ; Smith B. M., Davies J. G., Watt ; Wakefield, Parry S. F., Goodwin, Allen, Armstrong C. W.

A TEAM (UNDER 12-9) v. DOWNS SCHOOL 1ST XI.—Played on Flagge Meadow on Saturday, November 20th. The superior combination of the visitors soon gave them the upper hand and they ran out winners by 4 goals to nil. Stocker played well for us, and Lansbury repeatedly saved our goal, but he does not seem to know that a goal-keeper may handle the ball.

Team :—Lansbury ; Stocker, Baldwin ; Johnson A. R., Richings V., Collier ; Kings, Brooking, Barwell, Hutchinson, Rothschild.

A TEAM (UNDER 11½) v. DOWNS SCHOOL 2ND XI.—On Saturday November 20th, at Colwall. This was a very close game in which our forwards played with spirit, but without combination. We lost by 1 goal to nil. Bomford at back and Smith in goal played well.

Team :—Smith C. G. ; Wheal J. H., Bomford P. C. ; Smith B. M., Davies J. G., Watt ; Palmer S. T., Moy, Goodwin, Wakefield, Armstrong C. W.

INTER-HOUSE FOOTBALL.

The Senior Competition was won by the School House, who possessed a heavy team. For the first half of the season Temple made a good second, but one or two unexpected failures later on destroyed all their hopes. There were several keen and interesting games between the weaker elevens and several promising players were noticed. The most conspicuous members of these teams were Perkins and Wells S. (School House), Armstrong G. N., Taylor and Turner V. W. (Temple), Rose and Wheal C. W. (Tudor), Sinclair J. A., and Frape (Woolfe).

The Junior Competition proved a neck-and-neck race between Temple and School House. Towards the end of the season School House was beaten by Tudor after a very hard game. This placed the Cup practically in the hands of Temple. However, in their last match Temple allowed themselves to be defeated by Woolfe, whom they had easily beaten twice before ; thus the Cup went to School House. Most of these matches were evenly contested and scores were low.

The most prominent players were : Rothschild, Phipps and Adams (School House) ; Hall E. S. and Hobday (Temple) ;

Davies J. E. and Goodwin (Tudor) ; Evans A. D. and Phillips E. P. (Woolfe).

The result in both Competitions was :—

School House	...	1
Temple House	...	2
Woolfe House	...	3
Tudor House	...	4

OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

As was expected, our losses at the end of last Term were rather heavy, especially in the N.C.O's. We have, however, had a good influx of recruits and our numbers are still well above the 100.

We welcome this Term the appointment of Mr. W. Baker to a commission with the Contingent.

While the evenings were light, Friday evening was usually spent in necessary squad and platoon drill. Later on, Tuesday and Friday evenings have been occupied with a musketry course and with lectures. Cadet-Officer J. A. Howfield and C. S. M. Hemus have proved very useful instructors, and Sergt. Shilton has worked hard with a Signalling class.

The first half-holiday was devoted to a route march, which was variously declared to be very strenuous. One small member said that the distance covered was quite fifteen miles. But as the time taken was only three hours and regulation halts were faithfully observed, we really feel unjustified in claiming a world's record. Perhaps the march was most felt by those who *would* indulge in rations of green apples. A second march on the next half-day developed into yet another spirited attack on Gorse Hill. The rush was quite realistic and so was the cheer. The case of an irresistible force meeting an immovable obstacle was illustrated on our third O.T.C. day. A defensive position on Gorse Hill was held by Cadet-Officer Howfield against an attacking force under Sec.-Lieut. Abbott and C. S. M. Hemus. The attackers

failed to follow out their orders, and led by the recruits, who decided to attack en masse, they lined the hedge behind which were the defenders. Each side claimed the victory—and each is still in doubt. Our last day was quite a happy one. The intense cold precluded any slow movements, hence after a short march a small manœuvre involving a rearguard action by half of our force, and an attack by the other half, was followed out. Unfortunately the attackers considered that they had won their battle when it was only half begun and retired cheerful conquerors, while the greater part of the enemy were lining a strong yet chilly position in eager anticipation. However, the evolutions of Cadets S—h and P—s on the ice at the close of hostilities compensated for all disappointments, and it was a cheerful “army” which marched home through the fog.

The firm which had arranged to supply us with band instruments have stolen a term from us, and now are polite enough to say that work for the Government will prevent our order being attended to. Negotiations with another firm are on foot and we hope for immediate and better success on this front.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

The “new brooms”: *Chairman*, Mr. A. E. Orange; *Hon. Secretary*, H. Ingleson; *Master's Secretary*, Mr. H. H. Abbott; *Hon. Librarian*, S. W. Watson, swept up the rules and the constitution and formed a Committee, along with Mr. Baker, Mr. Smith, and T. W. Crimp (who succeeded H. Ingleson as *Hon. Secretary* on November 27th): a very busy and successful time ensued.

On October 2nd the motion was “That this House considers the attitude of Trades Unions towards conscription justifiable.” Ingleson valiantly supported Trades Unions as the mainstay of the Britons’ liberties and warned us of the looming evils and inequalities of conscription; he was ably supported by Galloway. Lee opposed, but his newspaper

cuttings were torn to tatters later on ; he was seconded by Watson with a witty denunciation of his opponents ; it was lucky that the table was in between. Mr. Smith quietly but effectively demolished his opponents. G. P. Hoyle, Park, F. R. Burston and Hartin also spoke, and the motion was lost by 30 votes to 7.

On October 16th the motion was "That happiness is largely an accident, and luck is the chief thing in life." C. G. Thomas opened and demonstrated his knowledge of the sayings and deeds of Jehus and Jarveys and dealt feelingly of black cats and re-arranged time-tables. F. R. Burston gave a few useful hints to rising Yukon prospectors and stockbrokers and spoke feelingly of German inroads on junior pockets. D. P. Hoyle in opposing roused the honest indignation of junior members by declaring work and happiness to be synonymous ; his henchman, Hartin, denied that success was due to luck. K. H. Perkins told a tale of a dictionary ; G. P. Hoyle paradoxically maintained that Macbeth was happy ; Mr. Smith stayed on the fence with staid philosophy ; there also spoke Galloway, Attwell and P. E. Ashwell. The voting was 26 for, 10 against ; 18 remained neutral.

On November 6th the motion was "That this House deems it false patriotism to discontinue the study of the language and literature of the Germans." Lee opened the debate well and gave many instances of benefits missed by ignorance of the German tongue. He was supported by Crimp, who referred to scientific and naval matters. Watson and Attwell quite missed their opportunities. The idea of boycotting Germany hardly seemed to have occurred to them ; one guaranteed that Germany would have no trade left after the War, and the other offered his sympathies to the victims of German phonetics. Mr. Smith, in acknowledging his debt to the Germany of the past, especially condemned those who would deprive us of the privilege of listening to the music of Handel and Beethoven. G. P. Hoyle and K. H. Perkins also spoke. There voted 27 for and 8 against.

Saturday, November 27th, was the occasion of a Masters' debate on the question of the ideality of the tramp's life. The debate was open to members of the Lower School, which brought the attendance up to 78. The various definitions of a tramp showed what a formidable weapon an *Encyclopædia Britannica* becomes in the hands of an expert. Mr. Baker, proposing the motion, struck a hard blow at conventionality and made the House sigh for the delights of the open road. He gave a thrilling account of the rush of tramps to enlist. Mr. Smith, opposing, gave a terribly dismal picture of the poor, harried tramp's life—fierce dogs in the morning, uncompassionate housewives that slam the door in the afternoon, and turbulent pigs at night. He contended that only if one seems to infinity the geometric progression tramp, appreciative tramp, artistic tramp, and æsthetic tramp, can one approach an ideal life. Mr. Nicholas, seconding the proposition, presented an enticing picture of eating, drinking and sleeping, and made a great point of the fact that a tramp can disregard all consideration of time. Mr. Allen, seconding the opposition, carried the House away to Athens, and showed what an out-at-elbows, down-at-heels, beery-eyed object a tramp is. When the debate was thrown open, D. Hoyle caused a commotion by affirming that "He didn't think a tramp's life not an ideal one," and Galloway gave the House a lesson in elementary logic by explaining that Mr. Baker was a successful tramp; all successful tramps were born tramps; therefore Mr. Baker was a born tramp. K. H. Perkins, Innis, Ryder, Park spoke for, and G. Hoyle, Briggs, F. R. Burston, P. E. Ashwell, D. Hoyle, Galloway and Frape against the motion. The House divided: 39 for and 36 against.

CHESS CLUB.

After a temporary flight to a loftier abode *Caïssa* has descended once again to her wonted hearth. W. J. K. Wedge now announces the goddess' presence, enlivening the corridor with *variae lectiones* that do not always alack! become the

goddess. A. G. Griffiths marshals her troops and provides the neophytes with copies of her rites.

Besides the usual friendly battles, the "two-er" is much in vogue this Term. Keenness of competition once misled an Olympian to an unladylike mate, and the first successful discovery of a key was effected by a notorious member of the upper third.

JOTTINGS FROM THE CLASS ROOMS.

What is your "cognizance?" Ask the Upper Third, also see the bedecked walls of C Room

The Upper Vth are reported to be searching vigorously for a certain proof reader. Perhaps it was a genuine attempt at simplified spelling.

"Things are seldom what they seem." Modern science confirms these old proverbs, "Anania-cal" compounds having been reported by an analyst in the Upper Vth.

Do the rumours of deep consultations and eager whisperings by the members of the Lower IIIrd, in the basement of the Museum Buildings, herald another Gunpowder Plot?

"The Revival of Learning was known as the Reconnaissance." Thus is history brought up to date.

"The chief aim of Henry VIII. was to depress the power of the nobility. He depressed the Earl of Oxford by fining him £50,000." They were optimists in those days!

"The Court of Star Chamber was set up to put down feudal exhortations." Why, oh why, was it abolished?

"Cromwell suggested to Henry that Anne of Cleves should become his wife. She was brought over, and when Henry saw her, he at once gave her a pension and sent her away."

HOUSE LETTERS.

WOOLFE HOUSE.

At the beginning of the season our first XI. did not quite come up to our expectations, but picked up well towards the end of the season, and finished third. We beat Tudor twice, and Temple once in a very evenly contested game. Our second XI. did not come up to our expectations at all, but managed to finish third. The Shield match was lost perhaps owing to the fact that we have only two members in the XXII., while Tudor have six.

House colours have been awarded to Gibbs A. D., Burston F. R., Wedge W. F., Sinclair W. D., and Sinclair J. A., who is a very promising back.

We are well represented in the O.T.C. We congratulate Sergeant Shilton on his rapid promotion this Term.

To keep up the record of the House we hope to be able to carry off the Cross-country next Term.

WOOLFE.

TEMPLE HOUSE.

This Term we welcome as House President Mr. Smith, and as Vice-President Mr. Allen, who have taken a vigorous interest in the affairs of the House.

Our first XI. has too often collapsed badly in important matches. This was in a large measure due to lack of weight in the team. One sighed for the tonnage of Perkins combined with the skill of Stocker. Any success attained was largely due to Armstrong G. N., the captain, who is now in the XXII., and Baldwyn J. C., Turner, Stocker and Jackson, who have been awarded their colours. Gregory has played well; being so small he has contracted a propensity for using the legs of some of the lankier boys as bridges on his way to the opposing goal. The lack of weight, which was such a drawback to the first XI., was especially noticeable in the first round for the Shield, in which we were drawn against School House. Losing 3-0 at half-time, we played up vigorously in the second half, and the final score was 4-3 against us. Roberts, Heath and Dovey played well, especially towards the end. It is rumoured in official circles that for the next round the space for spectators is to be enlarged, as so many of the House came down to cheer that there was not comfortable standing room. An extract (slightly modified) from Shakespeare seems to suit the first round admirably :—

There is an opportunity comes once,
In every game, to those who seek the goal,
Accepted, Shield and present fame are ours
Omitted, nought but loss, and school, and work.

The second XI. has done well, but it unaccountably failed in the last game and lost the cup by one point. The addition of Perkins greatly helped a not very heavy team.

TEMPLE.

TUDOR HOUSE.

We welcome Mr. Abbott as President, and Mr. Nicholas as Vice-President. Somer F. E., was elected Captain, and Lee C. K., Vice-captain. We were well represented in the XXII., and consequently our House first XI. failed to distinguish themselves. Thomas W. J., Wheal C. W., Rose E. T. and Griffiths A. G. have played well and have gained their House colours.

The second XI. played rather inconsistently and like the first XI. gained an unchallengeable position. The most exciting match was against School House at the end of the season, when we won 1—0, amidst vociferous cheering. Goodwin H. B., Baylis and Davies J. E. were most prominent, and should prove useful in the future.

In the first round of the Challenge Shield we beat Woolfe 5—1. If we are to repeat our victory in the final, the team will have to work together much better. Thus we have up to the present no outstanding victory to record, but there is time yet to close a not very successful season with a brilliant achievement.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

The beginning of this Term saw us again more numerous than ever, owing to the advent of Whitehead, Freer, Chamberlain, Howes, Pratt, Routledge, Smith, Edwards and Phillips. We regret the departure of Perry, Gravelines, Walker and Flower.

This Term we have again been successful in winning both House Cups. Barwell and Phipps have played well for the second XI., whilst Wells S., Perkins, Whitehead and Parker have been conspicuous in first XI. matches. In the final of the Challenge Shield Competition we have to meet Tudor House, having beaten Temple after a very even game in the first round. Finally, with regard to Football, we congratulate Wells S. and Perkins on being awarded their House colours.

The O.T.C. has not been in the background this Term, and we have to congratulate Cadet-Officer Howfield, Company Sergeant-Major Hemus, Corporal Ingleson, and Lance-Corpls. Watson and Galloway on their promotions.

We are pleased to record that Ingleson and Watson were appointed to offices in the Debating Society. The traditional genius of the House has been strongly upheld this Term. Evidence of this has been shown by witty dissertations in the "Common Room Fortnightly." Again by highly enlightening expositions on "Luck" and "Happiness" by one of our members to an admiring audience at a meeting of the Debating Society.

Just after half Term some musicians appeared amongst us (possibly candidates for the band). But over-enthusiasm led to the chief instrument being "interned" and the consequent disbandment of the orchestra.

In conclusion, we compliment Howfield and Watson on passing the Matric. We hope that in the near future we shall see Howfield's name in the "London Gazette," and that Watson will attain to every success at the Bar.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

(As at present arranged).

Winter Term ends	Wednesday, Dec. 22nd.
School re-opens, for New Boys			Wednesday, Jan. 19th.
Whole School re-assembles	...		Thursday, Jan. 20th.
Spring Term ends	Wednesday, April 12th.

GAMES' CLUB ACCOUNT.

SUMMER TERM, 1915.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Cash in hand	...	31	3 7	Match Expenses...	5	18	9½
Subscriptions	...	38	1 6	Wages	...	37	1 1
Subscriptions				Sports' Prizes	...	12	6 2
(arrears)	...	3	7 8	Insurance (2 years)	1	10	0
Sale of Fixture				Bills Paid	...	20	5 5
Cards	...	0	9 2	Sundries	...	1	13 0½
Sports' Subscrip-				Balance (at Bank)	2	18	5
tions	...	8	11 0				
	£81	12	11		£81	12	11

BALANCE SHEET.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Accounts unpaid	5	14	7½	Cash at Bank	...	2	18 5
				Balance	...	2	16 2½
	£5	14	7½		£5	14	7½

Examined and found correct,

W. A. H. CHESSALL,
R. J. CARTER. Treasurer.