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EDITORIAL.

In spite of our appeal, no original matter has reached us—"Man never is, but always to be blest." The sudden blaze of activity in the way of societies has minimised our disappointment, for we doubt very much whether or not we could find room to publish anything original, in view of the demands made by the reports of the various bodies now in existence in the School. We wish to congratulate the officers of the Dramatic Society on the manner in which they have succeeded in placing that body on its feet, and we hope that the present respect for the Dramatic muse will prove a steady tradition. The pre-war custom of publishing a photo of the 1st School XI. has been revived, and we note elsewhere the formation of a Scientific Society. Rumours have reached us of an embryonic Historical Society—such vigorous pursuit of learning on the part of the Upper School is very pleasing, but we fear that ere long we shall have to spend all our time in attending the meetings of these various bodies. The "Oxford Letter" has again reached us and we express the fervent hope that there will soon be a sufficiently large number of O.E.'s at the sister University to justify a similar epistle from Cambridge.

THE EDITOR.

SCHOOL NOTES.

To Mr. F. B. Clemo and Mr. H. C. Hudson we extend a cordial welcome, both joining the Staff this Term.

Mr. Clemo, M.A. (Cantab.), is responsible for the History subject, and took his share in Modern History in three

countries—France, Greece and Roumania. He was Adjutant of the 8th D.C.I., Staff Captain on 79th Inf. Brigade, and was awarded the Military Cross.

Mr. Hudson (Dublin Univ., Geneva and Hanover), who has taken such a prominent part in Hockey this Term, served in France with the Mechanical Transport attached to the Canadian Corps.

To Mr. Telfer and Mr. Wakinshaw who left us last Term we wish every success.

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The Boxing has started this Term, but too late to enter an account into this Term's Magazine. There have been several good bouts and two knockouts—to the joy of the junior School.

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'The Fives' Competition is still in progress at the moment of going to press. An account will be published next Term.

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The following boys left last Term :—K. H. D. Routledge, J. W. Marsh, F. S. Parker, G. C. Watkins, R. G. Chadwick, F. G. C. Phillips, A. G. H. Winwood, J. R. Drury, A. G. Harris, F. W. Keymer, R. G. Pullen, L. J. Ridley, R. Wakefield, H. P. G. Hodgkinson, S. Kavanagh, F. A. Woodall, H. I. F. B. Thomson.

The following are new boys this Term :—P. Parker, R. T. T. Heath, T. G. Rimington, C. J. Jakeman, L. D. Lloyd, L. A. M. Rushton, N. B. Wigglesworth, C. F. Smith, L. Cousins, P. R. Daniel, D. F. Phelps, W. Smith, B. H. Bedingfield, R. Collier, L. M. L. Glover, R. A. Neems, T. F. Nugent, F. G. Rimington, G. D. Haines, J. A. Nugent, N. J. Stroyan.

PRIZE GIVING.

The postponed Prize Giving was held on Thursday, March 4th, when the prizes were distributed by the Mayor of Worcester (J. Stallard, Esq.). The Chairman of the Governors (C. W. Dyson Perrins, Esq.) took the chair, and expressed his deep regret at the Headmaster's inability to attend owing to a severe cold. The Headmaster had given him certain points which it was desirable to mention, but he (the Chairman) felt that he could not undertake the explanation of scholastic technicalities. However, he wished particularly to draw attention to the scholarship list for the year. There it was to be seen that scholarships had been gained in all branches of study undertaken in the Advanced Courses. Nothing could demonstrate in a better fashion the efficiency of the School.

The Mayor, after distributing the prizes, expressed his pleasure at being asked to address the School. He wished to impress upon the parents the necessity of sending their boys early and keeping them here as long as possible. A year at the Grammar School was better than no secondary education at all, but it was a terrible waste of private and public money not to allow their boys to take a complete course of study. Turning to the School, the Mayor wished to impress upon the boys the necessity of daily seeking intercourse with their Maker. Whether they were brilliant or not, whether or not their efforts on the playing fields or elsewhere met with success, they would find that a habit of regular prayer would carry them over all their difficulties.

The Rev. Geo. Hooper, Chaplain to the Mayor and a Governor of the School, moved a vote of thanks. As Mayoral Chaplain it would not be presumptuous if he made one or two remarks which he feared the Mayor had forgotten. Inter alia, he wished to express his desire to discover at which of the Worcester schools the author of "Hudibras" had been educated. The Dean claimed Butler as an alumnus of the King's School, but he (the speaker) felt that there was considerable doubt in the matter.

The vote of thanks was heartily supported and the National Anthem was followed by the usual School cheers. The visitors were invited by the Governors of the School to take tea in the Old Hall.

HONOURS LIST.

SCHOOL, YEAR 1918-19.

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE.—In Group II. : C. G. Attwell (distinguished in History and English). In Group III. : N. L. Clapton, R. J. Ranford, J. A. Sinclair. In Group IV. : G. Edwards, T. J. Wall.

LONDON UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION EXAMINATION—J. E. Davies, E. C. Simson, G. Freer, G. Whitaker, T. J. Wall.

SENIOR OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATION.—2nd Class Honours : G. W. Foss, D. G. Ward, J. Baldwin. 3rd Class Honours : C. E. Beale, H. G. Durston, R. M. Mackay (distinguished in Botany). Pass : A. P. Belman, S. W. Collier, D. S. Collins, E. C. Coney, J. R. Y. Evans, J. T. Griffiths, W. E. Hook, C. M. Morgan, W. B. Norris, W. T. Parker, H. P. Patrick, I. G. Slater, F. W. Smaldon, L. W. Whiteman ; C. G. Attwell, Douglas Jerrold Scholarship for English Literature of £60 for four years, Christ Church, Oxford ; T. J. Wall, Open Natural Science Exhibition of £85 for four years, Christ Church, Oxford ; R. J. Ranford, Open Mathematical Scholarship of £80 for four years, Christ Church, Oxford ; S. R. B. Smith, Modern Languages Scholarship, St. John's College, Oxford ; C. G. Attwell, "Kitchener" Scholarship of £70 a year ; E. C. Simson, the "Tate" Scholarship of £20 for three years, Battersea Polytechnic ; C. S. Attwell, Worcester City Council Council University Scholarship ; T. J. Wall, Worcestershire County University Scholarship ; R. J. Ranford, Worcestershire County Council University Scholarship ; W. A. Young, B.Sc., London University, War Degree ; A. A. Bryant, B.Sc., London University, War Degree ; F. E. Somer, First Class Honours, Professional Examination ; Royal (Dick) Veterinary College, Edinburgh, and Second Professional Examination ; G. L. Watkinson, Class I., Clerkship, Civil Service, I. T. Pritchard, Inspector Board of Education.

PRIZE LIST, 1919.

FORM PRIZES.—Upper V. : 1, C. E. Beale ; 2, J. Baldwin ; 3, G. W. Foss. Lower V. : 1, H. G. Durston ; 2, W. E. Hook. Upper IV. : 1, E. G. Brown ; 2, R. G. D. Allen. Shell : 1, G. W. Braithwaite ; 2, A. G. H. Winwood. Lower IV. : 1, M. E. Chidley ; 2, C. H. Perks. Upper III. : 1, G. T. Whiteman ; 2, A. E. Payton. Lower III. : 1, R.

G. Taylor ; 2, G. Inett. Upper II. : 1, B. M. Jenkins ; 2, E. C. M. Baker. Lower II. : 1, W. G. Hooper ; 2, C. E. Willmott. Upper I. : 1, T. B. Duckworth ; 2, D. L. Drury. Lower I. : Upper Division—1, A. R. Evans ; 2, D. F. P. Dornhurst ; Lower Division—K. G. Mapp ; Third Division—J. F. M. Cassidy. Public Spirit : The Chairman's Prize—C. G. Attwell ; Mr. M. Tomkinson's Prize—G. Edwards. The Mayor's Prize for Mathematics : R. J. Ranford. Goulsborough Mathematical Prizes : J. A. Sinclair, N. L. Clapton. Mathematical Prizes : Upper School—C. E. Beale ; Middle School—E. G. Brown. Lower School Arithmetic Prize : G. G. Corbyn. Science Prizes : Senior—T. J. Wall, G. Edwards ; Upper School—G. Freer, W. E. Hook ; Middle School—M. E. Chidley. Latin Prizes : Senior—H. G. Durston ; Junior—A. E. Payton. Divinity Prizes : Senior (given by Rev. G. F. Hooper)—C. E. Beale ; Middle School—R. G. D. Allen ; Lower School—W. J. R. Bowen. English Essay Prize : C. G. Attwell. English Literature : Senior (given by Miss H. A. Day)—C. G. Attwell ; Upper School—S. T. Palmer ; Middle School—F. C. Blake ; Lower School—R. G. Taylor. History Prizes : Senior—C. G. Attwell ; Upper School—L. W. Whiteman ; Middle School—R. G. D. Allen, G. T. Whiteman ; Lower School—W. G. Buchanan. Geography : Middle School—J. T. Griffiths, R. G. D. Allen ; Lower School—E. T. Yarnold. Modern Language Prize : Senior—J. C. Baldwyn, C. H. D. Phillips. French Prizes : Senior—S. T. Palmer ; Junior—W. E. Hook, R. L. Carpenter ; Lower School Oral Work—W. J. R. Bowen. German Prize : H. P. Patrick. Prizes for Art : Middle School—R. G. D. Allen ; Lower School—P. B. Whittles, W. A. Phelps. Writing Prizes : Upper School—F. W. Smaldon ; Middle School—F. A. J. Price ; Lower School—C. E. Willmott. General Knowledge Prizes : Senior (given by F. A. W. Simes, Esq.)—G. Edwards ; Middle—J. T. Griffiths ; Junior—F. C. Blake, T. B. Duckworth.

PROFICIENCY PRIZES.—House Captains : School House—L. G. P. Moore ; Tudor House—C. G. Attwell ; Woolfe House—J. A. Sinclair. Debating Society Officers : G. Edwards. Form Monitors' Prizes : D. J. Burchell, L. S. Blandford. Officers' Training Corps : Cup for General Proficiency (given by F. J. Hemming, Esq., in memory of the late Captain Francis W. Hemming, Worcestershire Regt.)—C.S.M. W. B. Collier. Shooting Prizes : Full Range—Sergt. J. A. Sinclair ; Miniature—Cadet Officer C. G. Attwell ; Recruits—Cadet F. S. Parker. Band Prizes : Band N.C.O.—Sergt. J. C. Baldwyn.

FOOTBALL.

1ST XI.

W.R.G.S. 1ST CLUB XI. v. OLD CAROLIANS.—On Saturday, December 6th, we were opposed by a strong side and had to acknowledge defeat by 8 goals to 1. At first the game was even and both goals were attacked. The visitors found the net after 20 minutes' play with a good shot from the left wing. A determined effort was now made by our forwards, who played well together, but the opposing defence was equal to the pressure. Shortly after this the ball was sent out to Marsh, who ran up the left wing and scored with a fine shot. Just before the interval another goal was registered against us. On changing ends our opponents held the upperhand and attacked our goal continuously. Chadwick made several good saves and Parker worked hard, but the visitors were too fast and scored several times.

Team :—Chadwick ; Mr. Wakinshaw, Sinclair J. A. ; Parker F. S., Mr. Coxwell, Hackett B. C. G. ; Mr. Meere, Maund, Wells S., Collier J. B., Marsh J. W.

W.R.G.S. 1ST XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S.—This return match was played at Stourbridge on December 10th and ended in our defeat by 4 goals to 2. Rain fell throughout and the conditions were such that control of the ball was very difficult. After some even play in midfield the home side ran down and opened the score. Our forwards combined fairly well, but did not play with enough dash, so that it was easy for the opposing backs to keep their goal out of danger. After a time Hackett took a long shot from the right wing and scored a good goal. Our opponents now scored twice in quick succession, their forwards being altogether too good for our defence and, but for some good saves by Chadwick, they would have scored several times. On changing ends play was much more even, each side scoring once, and we did well to keep them out after Day had to leave the field through injury.

Team :—Chadwick ; Day, Sinclair J. A. ; Chinery, Parker F. S., Jennings ; Hackett B. C., Maund, Wells S., Collier J. B., Marsh J. W.

W.R.G.S. 1ST CLUB XI. v. MR. R. A. MAUND'S XI.—

This return match on Flagge Meadow, on Thursday, Dec. 11th, proved as interesting and evenly contested a game as the earlier one. We attacked heavily at the start but without success. After a short time the visitors broke through and scored. This spurred us on and a good run by the forwards ended in Mr. Hill beating the goalkeeper with a hard low shot. We kept up the pressure and another shot from Mr. Hill hitting the cross bar, Marsh scored from the rebound. Just before half-time Maund ran through and scored for the visitors. On changing ends the visitors attacked and were awarded a penalty. Chadwick stopped the shot, but the ball was soon after driven into the net. This was followed by a good run by Wells, who equalized. Play was now even for a time, until Maund ran through by himself and scored twice, putting our opponents 2 goals ahead. We now made desperate efforts to avoid defeat and several good runs were made, and 10 minutes before time Mr. Hill scored again. Just before time amidst great enthusiasm we drew level from a well placed corner kick by Mr. Meere.

Team :—Chadwick ; Mr. Wakinshaw, Sinclair J. A. ; Parker F. S., Mr. Coxwell, Hackett B. C. ; Mr. Meere, Maund, Wells S., Mr. Hill, Marsh J. W.

W.R.G.S. 1ST CLUB XI. v. OLD ELIZABETHANS —Played on Flagge Meadow on December 13th and ended in a victory for the Old Boys by 3 goals to 1 after a very even game. We opened the score in the first few minutes with a good shot from Mr. Coxwell. After this play was very even, several attacks being made on both sides, but the defence always proved too strong. Howes for the O.E.'s was conspicuous, his kicking and tackling being very effective. On changing ends the visitors had the advantage of the wind and attacked our goal vigorously. After a time they equalized from a penalty. Soon after this our defence gave way and our opponents took the lead. We made great efforts to draw level, the left wing being very conspicuous in attack. But Howes at back and Phipps and W. Wells at half-back were

equal to the occasion and prevented our forwards from shooting. Towards the end they scored again.

Team :—Chadwick ; Hackett B. C., Sinclair J. A. ; Parker F. S., Mr. Coxwell, Jennings ; Mr. Meere, Mr. Hill, Wells S., Collier J. B., Marsh J. W.

O.F. Team :—D. G. Johnson ; R. H. Aston, W. H. Howes ; W. H. V. Davis, W. Wells, H. P. T. Phipps ; C. K. Lee, J. Woodward, A. W. Gibbs, G. H. Roberts, O. A. Creese.

2ND XI.

W.R.G.S. 2ND XI. v. STOURBRIDGE G.S. 2ND XI.—Played on December 10th under miserable conditions, rain falling heavily all the time. Play was very even in the first half, neither side scoring. After the interval, we attacked at the start and a good shot from Bylevelt gave us the lead. But soon after this our defence gave way and our opponents drew level. We pressed for the last 10 minutes, but poor shooting destroyed our chances of getting the lead again.

Team :—Phillips F. G. ; Davies A. E., Smaldon ; Braithwaite, Barnes, Higgs ; Kings, Adams, Hall J., Bylevelt, Taylor P. R.

W.R.G.S. AN XI. v. LYTTLETON G.S.—In this match we proved altogether too fast for our opponents. After scoring 7 goals in the first half, our players took things very easily, so that after changing ends the game was more even, each side scoring twice. Result 9—2. Wells E. (5), Fortey (3), Bennett (1) scored for us.

Team :—Smith C. G. ; Mills, Doody ; Martin C., Preece R. J., Armstrong C. W., Carstairs, Bennett, Wilks, Fortey, Wells E.

HOCKEY.

SCHOOL v. HEREFORD H.C.—This match took place at home on Saturday, January 31st, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 3 goals to 2. Considering that it was the first match of the season and post bellum too, and several of the

team were unfamiliar with the Hockey stick, this match was creditable to the School. Hereford attacked strongly the whole time and the defence for which Sinclair played a good game was greatly tested. Our forwards never got going, and the goals scored by Wells S. and Maund were the results of individual efforts.

Team :—Mr. Hill ; Day, Sinclair (Capt) ; Higgs, Mr. Coxwell, Mr. Hudson ; Maund, Wheal, Wells S., Adams, Mr. Barker.

SCHOOL v. WORCESTER CITY 2ND XI.—This game was played at Boughton on Thursday, February 19th, in ideal weather and on a good springy ground. The result of a hot, fast game was a draw of 2 goals each. On the whole, the School had the better of the game, and with a little more finish on the part of the centre forwards and more hard passes by the two outsides we should have won comfortably. The opposing centre-half was a big obstacle to overcome and seemed a magnet for passes from the outsides. Wheal and Mr. Hudson scored our two goals.

Team :—Mr. Hill ; Day, Sinclair (Capt.) ; Higgs, Mr. Coxwell, Mr. Hudson ; Maund, Wheal, Hall J., Wells S., Johnson A. R.

SCHOOL v. OLD ELIZABETHANS.—At home this match was decided on February 21st, and resulted in a win for the Old Boys. After the preceding match on Thursday against Worcester our team was a great disappointment. The forwards lacked dash and the backs were apathetic. Again the opposing centre-half seemed to attract the passes of our forwards and halves. Altogether it was a bad game and ended in a defeat by 4 goals to 1. Mr. Hudson scored for us.

Team :—Mr. Hill ; Day, Sinclair (Capt.) ; Higgs, Mr. Coxwell, Hutchinson ; Maund, Wheal, Hall J., Mr. Hudson, Wells S.

SCHOOL v. NORTON BARRACKS.—This game resulted in a win for us on February 25th by 6 goals to 3 on our own ground. The visitors produced a good strong team, but the School

team won owing to being more fit. (At half-time we heard raucous prayers for a "couple of pints" or something like that, and came to the conclusion that the Sergeants' mess really was helping us to win). At the commencement the soldiers rushed us and tried to break our moral by scoring 2 goals in the first ten minutes, but as the game went on Wells S. scored 4 goals, Mr. Hudson and Wheal 1 each.

Team :—Mr. Hill ; Day, Sinclair (Capt.) ; Higgs, Mr. Coxwell, Hutchinson ; Maund, Wheal, Wells S., Mr. Hudson, Johnson.

SCHOOL, v. PERSHORE A.—Played at home on Saturday, 28th February, and resulted in a win for the home team by 5 goals to 1. This game was rather marred by the visiting team questioning the referee's right to deliver decisions, but as no "direct action" ensued we won rather comfortably. Wells S. played a good game and scored twice, while Hackett, who was being tried for the first time in the forward line, scored a wonderful goal with a back-handed stroke, as well as making good use of his lightning jabs. Wheal and Maund gained the other points for us.

Team :—Taylor P. R. ; Day, Sinclair (Capt.) ; Higgs, Hutchinson, Slater ; Maund, Wheal, Wells S., Mr. Hudson, Hackett.

SCHOOL, v. WORCESTER CITY 2ND XI.—This return match took place on Flagge Meadow, March 6th, in the pouring rain, which was cold as well as wet. Mr. Barker and Mr. Godwyn turned out for the Worcester team as two members apparently did not relish an extra bath. We won very easily by 4 goals to nil, but there was not much play about the game. Mr. Hudson was the best man in the field, shooting all our goals with much precision and earnestness. In addition to the slippiness of the ground, ball and sticks, we had to contend against the offside tactics of our opposing backs, so no doubt we deserved the victory.

Team :—Mr. Hill ; Day, Sinclair (Capt.) ; Hills, Mr. Coxwell, Hutchinson ; Maund, Wheal, Wells S., Mr. Hudson, Hackett.

SCHOOL v. PERSHORE A.—The return match was played at Pershore on March 13th and, as in the match before, so was this played in driving rain, but the inclement weather was not bad enough to prevent a few sportsmen coming with us to support the School on a strange ground. Pershore got away early and scored, but as Mr. Hudson scored soon after with a very fine shot from a difficult angle half-time arrived with the score 1—1. In the second half Pershore pressed hard, but thanks to Mr. Hill's fine goalkeeping and Sinclair's good efforts we managed to end the game in a draw.

Team :—Mr. Hill ; Day, Sinclair (Capt.) ; Higgs, Mr. Coxwell, Hutchinson ; Maund, Wheal, Wells S., Mr. Hudson, Hackett.

SCHOOL v. HEREFORD.—The last match of the season took place at Hereford on March 20th in glorious weather. Mr. Hill, Mr. Hudson and Sinclair were unable to turn out owing to injuries, so it was with mixed feelings we lined up on the perfect field to face a strong team. From the commencement Hereford pressed us, and but for Taylor's fine goalkeeping, which drew forth the cheers of the spectators and admiration of the opposing team, we should have lost by more than 3 goals to 1. Our forwards never looked dangerous but once, and then Wells S. scored, so for the rest of the game it was movement after movement upon our goal, frustrated we are glad to say chiefly by Taylor.

Team :—Taylor P. R. ; Day (Capt.), Mr. Coxwell ; Higgs, Hutchinson, Slater ; Maund, Wheal, Wells S., Hall J., Hackett.

HOUSE HOCKEY.

CHALLENGE SHIELD.

In the first round Tudor defeated Woolfe after a very close game. During the first half Woolfe scored one goal and had the best of the game. On changing ends, some good work by Maund and Wheal enabled Tudor to gain the lead a few minutes before time was called. Sinclair's defence for the losers was excellent.

In the second round Tudor had to play School House and another good game was witnessed. At first the School House forwards led by Wells S. got the upperhand and scored twice. After this Tudor recovered and no further score was made. Temple had little difficulty in overcoming Wylde by 4 goals to nil.

In the final Temple met School House and provided the best game of the competition. Most of the game took place in mid-field, but during the first half two excellent runs by Wells S. resulted in goals. After the interval Temple made several splendid rushes and were at last rewarded with a goal. The whistle blew leaving School House winners of the Shield by 2 goals to 1.

THE LEAGUE.

Although School House again won the Cup, the competition was much more evenly contested than usual. The winners did not lose a match, but on four occasions out of ten games had to fight very hard to overcome their opponents; in one match with Temple they had to be content with a draw. Their team, as in former years, was well balanced and showed greater powers of combining than others. The mainstays were Durston, Collier J. B., Greenwood, Wooding and Flower. Temple finished a good second, only losing one match. The team always played keenly and came very near beating the winners. Braithwaite and Kersey were conspicuous for good work.

Wylde, though a small team, did very well to win half their matches, and only lost to School House by 1 goal. Parker P. and Collins D. S. were their most prominent players. Woolfe and Tudor had weak teams and lost most of their games, though the latter should have done better with Cooke C. and Brooking playing well. Best did well for Woolfe, and Blandford's defence was good, but they met with poor support. Baskervills possessed three or four players of promise, but with so many small boys in the team they had to be content with one victory.

CROSS COUNTRY RACES.

These events took place on Wednesday, March 10th, over the usual course. In spite of the inclement weather there was a fair number of runners. The "going" was heavy in places and competitors had to face a strong wind on the homeward journey, which adversely affected the times. In the Seniors' Race Adams led for the first three miles, closely followed by Cooke, Higgs and Wells S. After crossing the brook near Warndon Church Wells and Higgs drew ahead and taking the water jump together ran a fine race for the last half mile. It was not until the last 50 yards that Wells was able to take the lead, winning in 28 mins. 24 secs. by 5 yards. Hutchinson, who ran well, finished third some distance behind.

The Junior Race was won by Armstrong C. W., who led all the way and was never seriously challenged. Brown E. G. was second, about 50 yards behind the winner. Boulter A. J. just managed to obtain third place, beating Bodenham in the last few yards. The winner finished in 19 mins. 5 secs.

Most of the marks were gained by Temple House and School House, the former leading with 58, while the latter obtained 43.



OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

The work of the Corps during this Term is usually handicapped by dark evenings and bad weather, and this year has been no exception to the rule.

We have advanced one more step towards pre-war conditions and have at last obtained the services of a Sergt.-Instructor—Sergt. Allen of the Worcestershire Regt. Sergt. Allen has already given proof of his value to the Corps, and being in close touch with matters military, he should be a great help in keeping us up to date.

Parades this Term have consisted mainly of Squad and Arm Drill and Lectures on various subjects. Signalling has been going strong, and the Signalling Squads of last Term have been sorted out and a definite Signalling section formed.

Musketry has been greatly handicapped by our inability to renew our miniature rifles, which are thoroughly worn out after several years' constant use. However, arrangements have now been made to re-tube these, and next Term we should be well equipped with a thoroughly accurate set of miniature rifles.

Another resuscitation this Term has been the Certificate "A" Examination. This was held in abeyance during the war, but has now been revived, and six candidates were entered from the Corps. The Examination consists of Part I. Practical and Part II. Written Examination. On Wednesday, Feb. 18th, Major Kerans carried out a searching Practical Examination on Flagge Meadow, and it is pleasing to record that all six candidates passed satisfactorily. On March 10th they endured a lengthy Written Examination of 4 hours, the result of which we are now anxiously awaiting.

We experienced a severe disappointment on March 9th. Complete arrangements had been made for the Corps to take part in the Public Schools' Field Day on Salisbury Plain, but at the last moment the Railway authorities were unable to provide the necessary conveyance, so that we had to withdraw.

Wednesday, March 17th, was enjoyably spent in a scheme of work on Gorse Hill. C.S.M. Sinclair with half of No. 1 Platoon and the recruits took up a strong position on Gorse Hill, which the remainder of the Corps attempted to capture. All would have been well for the aggressors had certain over-zealous individuals restrained their eagerness and waited for the general assault "en masse" instead of attempting to capture the hill single-handed.

The Annual Camp this year has been fixed for 27th July to 5th August. It is expected that as many as possible will attend to make this a complete success.

Certificate "A" Part I. (Practical).

Passed :

Cpl. L. J. Adams.

Sergt. C. J. Day.

Cpl. G. Edwards.

Lc-Cpl B. C. Hackett.

Pte. I. G. Slater.

Cpl. S. Wells.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Annual Concert was held on December 16th under the direction of the Chairman, Mr. R. W. Hill. By kind permission of the Deputy Mayor (Alderman A. Carlton) scenery was borrowed from the Theatre Royal, and the unusual appearance of the stage was the cause of great excitement in the lower school. The second half of the programme was taken up by a one-act farce entitled "My Lord in Livery," which was given by members of School House: we were vastly intrigued at the sight of Durston H. G., Chadwick R. G. and Hillard C. as members of the fair sex. Kennagh J. E. gave a striking representation of Shylock in the Trial scene, and was admirably opposed by Holder E. J. as Portia.

PROGRAMME.

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| 1. | G. Edwards | ... | ... | ... | ... | Pianoforte Solo. |
| 2. | Miss Allpress | ... | ... | ... | ... | Violin Solo. |
| 3. | Mr. Robertshaw | ... | ... | ... | ... | Song. |
| | "The Bulls won't Bellow" | ... | ... | ... | ... | Solo and Chorus. |
| 4. | J. F. Greenwood | ... | ... | ... | ... | Song. |
| 5. | Mr. Williams | ... | ... | ... | ... | Musical Monologue. |
| 6. | R. Buckley | ... | ... | ... | ... | Violin Solo. |
| 7. | The Trial Scene from "The Merchant of Venice" | ... | ... | ... | ... | V. Upper. |
| 8. | Mr. Barker }
Mr. Hill { | ... | ... | ... | ... | Topical Ditty. |
| 9. | Omnes | "D'ye ken John Peel." | | | | |

II.

Play by Members of School House.

"MY LORD IN LIVERY."

Cast.

Lord Thirlmere (H.M.S. Phlegethan)	...	F. C. Jennings.
Spriggot (an old Family Butler)	... ..	J. F. Greenwood.
Hopkins, a Footman	... ..	A. P. Belman.
Robert, a Page	... ..	J. Flower.
Sybil Amberley, daughter of Sir George	...	H. G. Durston.
Laura	{ her friends...	C. J. L. Hillard.
Rose		R. G. Chadwick.

Scenery and costumes kindly lent by Alderman A. Carlton, Deputy Mayor.

On January 24th, Hutchinson H. D. proposed that "The time is ripe for a Labour Government" and was opposed by Johnson A. R. Neither of these speakers made any interesting remarks, and indeed their speeches consisted mainly of not very apt platitudes. Edwards G. then rose with the air of being bored with the whole proceedings, but as if he felt that it was incumbent upon him to rescue the debate from futility. He proceeded to speak without notes, and the inevitable flaws in his logic were masked by his calm determination to suppress the ire which, visibly invisible, was seething within him. Durston H. G. next spoke in the support of vested interests: he made no secret of the fact that his sympathies lay not with any party, as a party, but with that party which if in power would do most for the manufacturer and business man. Hackett B. C. and Day C. J. spoke against the motion, as did the Chairman, who temporarily vacated the chair. The last speaker had great hopes in the resurrection of the erstwhile Liberal Party. The whole debate was characterised by illogical and fallacious reasoning and we strongly suspect that not a single vote was swayed by the arguments of the speakers. The motion was lost by 29 votes to 9.

An open meeting was held on Saturday, February 7th. Edwards G. proposed that "The present influence of the Cinema is detrimental to the best interests of the Country."

He was seconded by Durston H. G., and the opposition was undertaken by Mackay R. M. and Kennagh J. E. As no one could claim ignorance of the subject more speakers than usual were found in the body of the House. It is needless to say that the whole discussion was painfully obvious and that nothing of any moment was said on either side. The motion was lost by 41 votes to 30.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY.

At the beginning of the Term, after much discussion, it was decided that there should be a sessional subscription for all members of the Society. A Treasurer (Adams L. J.) was elected, and we were enabled to buy several farces. Rehearsals were held on alternate Saturday nights, it being arranged that every member of the Society took a part in one or other of the plays.

This system has, up to now, met with great success, all the more because the views of many leading lights of the Society are decidedly anti-Shakespearian. They seem distinctly of the opinion that not only is Shakespeare better read than acted, but also that he is better left alone.

We have to announce that Mr. Williams, through pressure of work was forced to resign his chairmanship of the Society, and we welcome Mr. Clemo who was elected to fill that vacancy.

There have been many tragic incidents connected with rehearsals. For instance one gentleman, while on the stage, fixing a Pelmanistic eye on an innocent dancing-slipper was forced to demand whether or not the said slipper was a tea-cosy? Again great consternation was caused when a travelling bag having to be rifled in full view of the audience the pseudo-crook was heard to declare in a tragic stage-whisper that "it wouldn't come open." The pronunciation of a certain French word also caused some discussion.

On Saturday, 13th of March, the Society held an open evening. Three plays were given: "A Collection Will Be

Made," "The Bathroom Door" and "Elegant Edward." The evening was a great success in spite of the indignation of a certain section of the audience on their discovery that refreshments were not provided. The audience was extremely appreciative however and certainly realised that the plays were intended to provoke laughter. Their glee at the performance of "The Bathroom Door" can only be described as unholy !

Here must end then, the account of a very enjoyable session, the success of which, we hope, may only be rivalled by that of the next. Though the Society has not, up to the present, as was hoped last Term, produced a Henry Irving, it has turned out some very presentable "men," young and old, a curate (a species of its own), and some delightfully ingenuous young ladies !

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Advanced Courses was held on Saturday, February 21st, and a Scientific Society was formed. The following officers were elected :—

President...	...	The Headmaster.
Vice-President	...	Mr. Carter.
Chairman	...	Mr. Barker.
Secretary	...	Edwards G.

On Tuesday, March 2nd, Edwards G. read a paper on "Some Aspects of the Periodic Table," and on March 9th the Chairman gave an illustrated lecture on "Colour Photography." The Society intends to carry on its work during the Summer Term.

SPEECH DAY.

A FEW CANDID OPINIONS OF BOYS IN I. UPPER.

"... After the prizes had been given there was two more speeches made and after that we had a verse of God save the king then the people only went across to the hall and had tea but the school boys had to go home."

" . . . Duckworth had two or three prizes, Mr. Perrins sounded as if he had got a soar throat or cold."

" . . . There was a big number of visoters, and when the Mayor finished his speach the boys clapted their hands."

" . . . The prize distruction was held in the Perrins Hall yesterday."

" . . . I did not have a prize. The Mayor gave the prizes. The Chairman was Mr. Prinners, I cannot tell you much about him because I could not hear him."

" . . . He said also that he had many apolgies from distinguished persons among others there were severe regrets from Lord and Lady Coventry . . . after a few other subjects he sat down amid loud aplause. . . . Then the chairman closed the procedings with a verse of ' God save the King.' A leg of my chair fell off."

" . . . some of the boy's parents came in and sat right in front of us and we could not see anything at all. The Mayor made a speech that we could not hear atall and There was a great noise going nearly all the time."

" . . . I went to the prize-giving yesterday and couldnt hear or see what was happening so I had to stand up and the boy behind said sit down then I couldnt se at all Then I went home ! And did my homework and read the paper."

" . . . The Chairman also made a speech on the importance of the occasion, during which the clapping was so loud and prolonged that he could hardly proceed . . ."

" . . . I was down stairs but not in the gallery, I was glad to because you cannot see up there, it was very packed three of us had to sit on two seats the middle one in crack that was Thomas"

" . . . Mr. Hillard was not there to read out the names, so Mr. Carter (the second head master) had to . . ."

HOUSE LETTERS.

BASKERVILLE.

At the beginning of the Term we were undecided as to whether we should enter for the 1st XI. Hockey Cup, since we are only seventeen in numbers. We at length decided to chance our luck and did well under the circumstances, being beaten severely only twice. We had several hard tussles, but unfortunately came through with only one victory to our credit. Mackay, Southey, Pullen W., Doody and Marsh G. L. were our best players. Since most of us were new to the game, we did but little in the Fives Competition. The House Chess Competition would have fallen to us had not the other Houses retired early from the contest.

We have had to say good-bye to J. W. Marsh, our House Captain and representative in the XXII., and we wish him the best of success.

BASKERVILLE.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

Prize Giving was the outstanding event of the Term, and we had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Baker, Perkins, Collier W. B., Church, Moore, Wells W. and Simson E. C. on that occasion. We congratulate Collier W. B. on gaining the Hemming Cup for proficiency in the Corps, and on passing London Matric. in January last.

School House has again obtained the Challenge Shield and the 1st XI. Cup. As is usual in the Spring Term hard and keen play was required to achieve these successes, for in neither case could we claim a walk-over. House Colours have been awarded to Hackett B. C., Wells S., Adams L. J., Evans J. R. Y., Barnes E. A., Greenwood J. F., and Collier J. B. The Senior Cross-Country Race was won by Wells S., whom we hasten to congratulate. The last time that a boarder came in first was when Wood E. A. won in 1916. The Fives and Boxing Competitions are in active progress and we hope for distinction in both. More particularly, we hope that Hackett B. C., our House Captain, will be successful in the Public Schools' Boxing for which he is entered and which is to be held during the holidays. The Dramatic Society has been well supported by School House, and we enjoyed greatly the performance of "The Bathroom Door," which was entirely a boarder's production.

The following boys left last Term :—Routledge E. H. D., Chadwick R. G., Phillips F. G. C., Keymer E. W., Wakefield R., and we welcome as new boys Heath R. T., Rimington E. G., Rimington T. G., Smith E. F., and Bedingfield B. H.

SCHOOL.

TEMPLE HOUSE.

Temple House is slowly regaining its old supremacy, and we feel confident that it will shortly be the "crack" House of the School. In the Inter-House Hockey Competitions we only lost one match, and that against School House, and finished second. Braithwaite and Kersey as halves, Morgan as right back, and Hyett as centre forward, have played well throughout the Term. Though the team, on the whole, worked together well, really good combination was lacking. Temple was first in the Cross-Country Races, obtaining 58 points. We congratulate Higgs F. J. upon finishing second in the Senior Race, and Armstrong C. W., Brown F. G. and Buchanan W. G. upon finishing first, second and fifth respectively in the Junior event.

We are well represented in the Fives and Boxing Competitions this Term. Among the middleweights we have Chinery, Johnson and Aldridge, while in the lightweights we have the brothers Buchanan and Taylor P. R. Owing no doubt to the scarcity of food this winter, we have not succeeded in producing a heavyweight, though a few have come perilously near nine stone. We expect great things in both the Fives and the Boxing.

In the Challenge Shield we were drawn against Wylde in the first round and won 4—0. In the final we played School, and after a hard game, with the sun against us in the first half, were beaten 2—1.

House Colours have been awarded to Kersey, Braithwaite, Morgan, and Hyett. In the 1st XVIII. we were represented by Higgs, Johnson, Chinery and Taylor, Higgs playing for the 1st Club XI.

Temple has done well this Term, but must do better next Term. Temple-ites, do not forget that the Sports will come off early next Term, and having already made a good start, let us see if we cannot get the Sports' Cup. Temple-ites, be prepared!

TEMPLE.

TUDOR HOUSE.

This Term we have not met with much success. We furnished five members for the 1st XVIII.—Maund, Wheal, Day, Kings and Smaldon—the first three playing regularly for the 1st Club XI. This weakened the 1st XI., who only managed to win two matches—a poor performance considering the weight of the team. Cooke C. has been our mainstay; but there has been a lack of keenness and combination in the team.

In the first round of the Challenge Shield, after a close game, in which our forwards played well, we defeated Woolfe by the odd goal

in three after losing 1—0 at half-time. In the semi-final we were defeated by School House after another close game by 2—0. The defence played well, while Maund and Wheal were conspicuous among the forwards.

In the Cross-Country Races we did not meet with as much success as in previous years; but Cooke C. is to be congratulated on obtaining fourth place in the Senior run. At present we are looking forward to the Boxing Competitions, and as we are fairly well represented, we hope to meet with some success. In the Senior Fives Competition we have only one competitor left, but we have several in the Junior who should obtain points for the House.

House Hockey Colours have been awarded to those in the 1st XVIII., and Cooke C. and Tilley L. A.

TUDOR.

WOOLFE HOUSE.

In the dim and distant past House letters generally contained the accounts of the Term's successes; lately, however, the reverse has been the case. This Term proves no exception to the latest rule: Woolfe House has not proved successful in anything it has undertaken.

The 1st XI. started the season with three wins; but finding this monotonous, managed to complete the rest of the matches without doing anything but draw with Tudor. O! for that Utopia where everyone in a team puts in an appearance. Smith C. G., Webb A. J. and Blandford played well during the season.

Our Challenge Shield venture proved another failure. Drawn against Tudor in the 1st round, we played a good game and managed to pen them in their own half for most of the time. Weak forward play let us down, however, and we lost 2—1. Slater, Webb A. J. and Davies put up a great defence.

Three members of the House have played in the XVIII.—Sinclair, Davies and Slater. In the Fives Competitions we have two representatives in the Senior and one in the Junior. The Cross-Country did not bring out any runner of merit from Woolfe and we did not secure a single point. We hope to make good this deficiency in the Boxing contests and the Sports.

Hockey Colours have been awarded to the following:—All in the 1st XVIII., and Webb A. J., Smith C. G., Blandford.

WOOLFE.

WYLDE HOUSE.

This Term we have not won the 1st XI. Hockey Cup, but all things considered we have done rather well to finish third in the competition. Parker P. played remarkably well at centre-half and was the main support of the team. Payton A. E. was quite good as right-back.

In the second round of the Challenge Shield we were drawn against Temple House and were beaten 4—0. Hall J., who was unable to play, would undoubtedly have made a considerable difference to our team, which needed someone in the forward line to set it going. In the XVIII. we were represented by Hall J. and Hutchinson.

We were third in the Cross-Country Races. Boulter A. J. finished third in the Junior event, while Hutchinson was third in the Senior race. Up to the time of writing we are still doing well in the Junior Fives Competition, though we have now no representative left in the Senior Competition.

The Boxing Competition has still to take place and we entertain great hopes. The Sports will take place next Term, so we have still much hard work before us.

WYLDE.

 OXFORD LETTER.

Just when the bright sunshine of an unusually early Spring has inspired in the breasts of humanity thoughts of the laggard Summer and its attendant joys there comes a blast cold as the "Janwar wind" and from our dreams of the pleasures to come we turn to write of things past. There seems an opinion current that the Hilary or Lent Term at the 'Varsities is incomparably dull. Perhaps this year Fortune has looked on us with lenient eye and circumstances and the weather have combined to refute the time-honoured convention. We fail to see however how the term in which the Torpids, the Varsity Sports, the competitions for the Rugger, Soccer and Hockey Cups, the Inter-Varsity Hockey Match and Boxing take place, while the air is rife with rumours of the 'Varsity Eight and the 'Varsity Athletic Team, can be called dull.

If, however, one turns from the general to the particular and endeavours to report on the doings of the Oxford O.E.'s one may perhaps feel disappointed that they have played so

small a part in the stirring events of the past term. Beynon, who rowed in the Jesus boat, is the only one who has attained any success in the world of sport. The others have as a rule been content merely to watch the struggles of the mighty ones.

Of the new comers this Term, Shilton, Ranford and Wall we have seen but little. It is true that the two latter have been seen wandering through the country round about studying the flora thereof. Shilton, however, like the scientists seems to have acquired the art of completely effacing himself save when he appears at some social function.

Meanwhile the inimitable Smith is still to be seen on fine afternoons or Sunday mornings wending his way in the direction of Shotover or Boar's Hill ; Ingleson still attends the meetings of the Junior Scientific Club, and occasionally plays Hockey ; and if you are fortunate you may find Attwell some evening sitting over the fire recounting experiences of Rugby football, or listening resignedly to the distant clamour of the barbaric bacchanalian revels consequent upon the success of the House upon the river or of Jesus at Rugger or any of the other excuses however slight which serve to allow the self-conscious dignity of Oxford to relax.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Spring Term ends	Tuesday, March 30th.
Summer Term begins	Friday, April 30th.
New Boys	...	...	Thursday, April 29th.
School Sports	...	...	Thursday, May 20th.
Merit Holiday	...	...	Saturday, May 22nd.
Whit Monday	...	...	May 24th.
O.T.C. Annual Inspection	...	...	Thursday, July 8th.
Oxford Local Exams. begin	...	...	Tuesday, July 13th.
" " " " " end	...	...	Saturday, July 24th.
O.T.C. goes to Camp	...	...	Tuesday, July 27th.
Summer Term ends	...	...	Wednesday, July 28th.

OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS.

BALANCE SHEET, 1919.

CREDIT.			DEBIT.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Jan., 1919—Balance at Bank ...	90	18 6	Hazel & Co. (Badges, &c.) ...	1	11 9
Spring Term—Subscriptions ...	40	15 0	C. G. Southcott (Uniforms) ...	24	0 7
Summer Term—Subscriptions ...	34	0 6	Bandmaster Mackie	22	2 8
Winter Term—Subscriptions ...	32	0 6	S. James (Armoury)	11	0 0
Government Grant for 1920 ...	37	0 0	Petty Cash, &c. ...	1	0 6
			Attwell ...	5	5 0
			Waterlow & Sons (Targets) ...	3	9 0
			Balance at Bank...	166	5 0
	<u>£234</u>	<u>14 6</u>		<u>£234</u>	<u>14 6</u>

Examined and found correct.

R. J. CARTER.

March 16th, 1920.

RAYMOND J. BARKER, Capt.

O.C. W.R.G.S. O.T.C.

GAMES' CLUB ACCOUNT.

WINTER TERM, 1919.

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Balance—			Wages ...	7	12 6
At Bank ...	55	6 8	Match Expenses ...	4	17 3
War Sav. Certs... ..	39	7 6	Bills paid ...	15	15 11
Subscriptions ...	63	16 8	Sundries ...	2	9 11
Football Shirts ...	18	11 6	Balance—		
Fixture Cards ...	1	13 8	At Bank ...	108	12 11
			War Sav. Certs...	39	7 6
	<u>£178</u>	<u>16 0</u>		<u>£178</u>	<u>16 0</u>

W. A. H. CHESSALL,
Hon. Treas.

Examined and found correct.

R. J. CARTER.