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OLD BOYS' NOTES.

The Editor recently met W. Peacock at Barnard Castle, and was very sorry to find him walking with the aid of crutches, and still far from recovered from his wounds.

W. A. Herbert, who was in the H.A.C., has now passed his Minor Pharmaceutical Examination.

C. Grant, recently Lieutenant in the York and Lancs. Regt., has now returned to his work as a teacher.

Two Old Boys have recently joined the Army. Sergeant, who is in training at Winchester, in the R.A.F., and Drinkall, who is at Chatham, as a signalling photographer in the R.E.

Amongst those who have recently visited the School are Sergeant, Bryan L. Spink, who is back at Whitton, C. Walker, who has taken up his old trade as chemist, in Blackpool, and is fast recovering from his serious wounds, C. E. W. Barlow, S. W. Edwards, who is at sea again after his long internment in Germany, Clark, and H. L. Drury.

We heard recently that Capt. Vance has reached Aden on his way from India,

A scheme is to hand for the establishment of some suitable memorial to the Old Boys who have fallen in the war. Circulars are being sent to each Old Boy with particulars, and it is to be hoped that they will make it a huge success.

Several Old Boys, including G. Goodman, E. Hewitt, E. Barlow, W. Bains, H. Naylor and G. Layne, are prominent figures in the Brigg Bank Clerks' Football eleven, and they go a long way to making it a successful team.

We hear that J. W. Butt has gone to school in France for a year. May success be with him !

A new effort is being made to form an 'Old Boys' Association. Will all Old Boys please give their full support to further this end ? Names should be sent (with yearly subscription of 2/6) to secretaries, G. Goodman, Bigby Street, Brigg or E. Brown, 46 Diana Street, Crosby, Scunthorpe.

SCHOOL NOTES.

There are 187 boys on the Register this term, the largest number, we believe, during the 250 years of the School's existence.

The school grounds presented a very remarkable sight when we returned after the Summer holidays. There was a miscellaneous litter of all kinds of building material. In a few days this took the form of two wooden huts. One stands in the playground, and provides class-rooms for Forms II. and I. and Form IIIb, the other, which is considerably longer, is the Assembly Hall. The felt on the roof still retains the somewhat elaborate camouflaging which preserved it from enemy airmen when it was at Immingham.

Another development was the adaptation of the old Carpenter's Shop and the addition of a Dark Room, to make a Physical Laboratory. This is not yet in full use, as owing to labour troubles the Laboratory furnishers have not yet sent us the benches.

We welcome back again on the staff Miss B. D. Love, B.A., Wales, and we welcome Rev. H. Lee, M.A., Durham, as our new Mathematical Master.

We regret to say that Miss E. A. Hinchliffe, M.A., who left us two terms ago, has been very ill, but a letter

from her says that some time in the not distant future she hopes to pay the School a visit.

Most of the potatoes are lifted, but the crop was only about half that of last year. It is expected that when all expenses are paid there will be about £12 to hand over to the Cadet Corps.

A short service was held in the Assembly Hall to celebrate Armistice Day. After the singing of the National Anthem there were special prayers. When the lessons had been read by Mr. Knight and Mr. Gregory, Hill, ma. recited "Ring out, wild bells," from "In Memoriam." Mr. Lamb, in an interesting address, traced the historical growth of the idea of the League of Nations. The Roll of Honour was then read by Gale, the Captain of the School, and the two minutes silence was observed. After the singing of Rudyard Kipling's *Recessional*, the Rev. H. Lee spoke of the lasting principles on which the League of Nations must be founded to ensure its success. In a concluding speech the Headmaster referred to the growing need of co-operation among all members of the community, and emphasised the responsibility of the younger members with regard to the future of the nations.

Miss Couldrey has kindly presided over the Choral Society this term. Miss Love has also given us her help. Though the number of singers has not been so large, the hour has been most enjoyable.

Owing to our going to press before the end of the term, we are obliged to hold over until our next issue the results of the Competition Concert, which is to take place on the last evening of term.

A new form of activity has been introduced for some of us. On Tuesday evenings the sound of rhythmic foot-steps is heard in the Assembly Hall.

THE FOUNDER OF THE SCHOOL.

This year being the 250th anniversary of the founding of the School, in honour of our pious founder, Sir John Nelthorpe, we have included in this number of the *Briggensian* a copy of his epitaph, of which a contributor has sent us a translation for the sake of our readers who are unacquainted with the Latin idiom. The epitaph is to be found in Scawby Church.

Juxta hunc lapidem situs est Johannes Nelthorp (e Scawby in agro Lincolnensi) Richardi Nelthorp et Ursulae Grosvenor filius natus minimus qui postquam modicas opes aequabili vitae tenore et concinna frugalitate auxerat, in familiam Nelthorpiam amplam et honestam baronetti honorem primus intulit.

Maximam vitae partem in hospitii grayensis amœnitate inter divini humanique iuris studia et christianae religionis exercitia, caelebs semper et sine domestico impedimento exegit.

Inter bonos potius quam inter plures numerandus notior sibi quam omnibus.

Solidae virtutis sine hostentatione sectator.

Adeo qui quum jam omnes vivendi numeros et officia obiisset, condito testamento (ne angustus et solis hæredibus natus videretur) multa insuper debitoribus egenis condonavit, multa pauperibus et bonis reliquit, educationi puerorum in vicinia Scawbiensi scholam dotavit et præceptorem ei praebuit, et amicos insperantes benefactis cumulavit.

Nec ultra de humanis sollicitus, æternitatis satagens et deo maturus se exiit.

Anno domini MDCLXIX ; Ætatis, LV.

Dignum laude virum amicus vetuit mori.

Near this stone lies John Nelthorp (of Scawby in Lincoln county), the youngest son of Richard and Ursula Grosvenor Nelthorp, who, after he had increased a modest fortune by the even tenor and charming frugality of his life, was the first to introduce the great and honourable dignity of a baronetcy into the family of the Nelthorps.

Always a bachelor and without domestic ties he passed the greater part of his life in the pleasant retreat of Gray's Inn in the study of divine and human law and in the exercises of the Christian religion.

Better known to himself than to all, he is to be numbered amongst the good rather than amongst the many.

He pursued sound virtue without ostentation; moreover, when he had now fulfilled all the various duties of life, in his will (lest he should seem to be narrow-minded and born only to benefit his heirs) he remitted many debts to needy debtors, left much for the honest poor, endowed a school in the neighbourhood of Scawby and provided it with a master, and unexpectedly heaped benefactions on his friends.

Not too anxious about this world's affairs, his mind occupied with eternity and prepared to meet his God, he died A.D. 1669, aged 55.

His friend would not allow the memory of a man worthy of praise to die.

DRESS AS AN INDICATION OF CHARACTER.

How far is dress an indication of character? Everyone will admit that some idea of the character of the wearer may be gained from his dress. At least, this holds true in the majority of cases. It often depends, however, on the temperament of the wearer, whether he is neat in his

dress or untidy, whether he wears extravagantly coloured garments or dull scholastic black. In this way, character must not be confused with temperament. A man of upright and blameless character may wear brilliant fancy waistcoats and dazzling ties, owing to some trait which bids him bedeck his person while keeping his mind and thoughts clothed in sober and subdued material. On the other hand, a man of coarsest nature and brutish habits may present the appearance of a judge and the deportment of a cleric.

Thus it would appear that dress, as an indication of character, is apt to be deceiving. Yet in some well-defined cases, a person's dress may be taken as an indication of his or her true character. For instance, when one sees a man, unshaved, unwashed, ill-kempt, wearing nondescript ragged garments, and a servile smile, one can safely say that that man is lazy, since if he were not, he would wash himself; he is coarse, since no self-respecting man would wear filthy rags, and he is weak-willed and unpersevering, since any able-bodied man can, if he tries, earn sufficient to keep himself respectable.

Again, when one sees a young fop, dressed in the height of fashion, wearing a vacant look, doing nothing all day save parade himself along fashionable thoroughfares, one says to oneself that here is a weak, effeminate youth, whom circumstances have placed in a class whose only work is the pursuit of pleasure.

Most women are very prone to judge a person by his dress. We know many instances of our womenfolk taking hasty likes or dislikes to someone to whom they have not spoken, having judged his character by his clothes and his way of wearing his clothes. It must be admitted that women can often form sound opinions of character in this way, but, on the other hand, such opinions often prove erroneous, since they are only prompted by instinct.

On the whole, dress cannot be taken as a real indication of character, since it is the custom of many villains to cloak their nefarious designs by assuming the dress of a sober member of the community.

H. A. G. HEPWORTH.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

President :—THE HEADMASTER.

Vice-President :—MR. GREGORY.

Chairman :—HEPWORTH.

Secretary :—WALKER.

Other members of Committee :—Gale, Richardson, Cross, Smith iii., Marshall, Bryant i., Spilman and Bates.

The School "Debating Society" started off the first meeting of the session with Sharp Practice. About nineteen members were present, and most of them spoke. Many important questions of the day were discussed and settled.

Some of the boys who stayed away at the first meeting turned up in better numbers to hear the debate on "Should our Navy be reduced?" In spite of an able speech by Mr. Taylor warning us of impending bankruptcy, Mr. Gale's motion was carried, on the ground that at this juncture, with the peace treaty not ratified by the United States, any reduction of our Navy would be prejudicial to national interests.

The first lecture by Mr. Meff will long be remembered by those privileged to hear it. All the boarders were present and a goodly number of day boys. We had peeps into Indian homes and Indian temples, and learnt

the difference between the lordly Parsee and the humble Pariah. Some small boys thought this the best way of learning Geography.

Our second lecture was by Mr. Hepworth on the "Iron and Steel Manufacture of Lincolnshire." We had the story of an iron bar from the ore to the rolling mills, and incidentally learnt the cause of the red glare in the skies at nights.

To take a photo is not difficult, but to make photography pay, that is a problem for those with a shilling a week pocket money. Mr. Taylor, in his lecture, told us the happy art of making ends meet. What was the secret? Here it is, "Take groups and grown-ups because little boys wriggle!"

THE FIELD CLUB.

Except in the case of the first meeting of the term, which took the form of a ramble, the activities of the society have been necessarily confined to indoor meetings.

Interesting papers, followed by general discussions, have been given on various subjects including "Animals I know and their habits," "Insect life," "The kinship of plants and animals," "Birds of Lincolnshire," "Nature's Camouflage." Some members have given us very valuable information from personal observations, and very few have failed to contribute something.

Dr. Felton has very kindly presented to the Society four books on Biological subjects including a very useful Flora.

B.D.L.

Officials for the year. President :—MISS LOVE.

Secretary :—T. C. CLARK.

Treasurer :—W. J. SMITH.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

Owing to the restoration of normal conditions, we have been able to renew our acquaintance on the football field with representatives from the surrounding schools. The results of the 1st XI. matches have been somewhat disappointing, but on the other hand the 2nd XI. have nobly upheld the traditions of the School. Of the seven 1st XI. matches only two have been won, but there are still two fixtures in both of which we hope to prove victorious.

The 2nd XI. has won all its four matches.

It is to be hoped that next term both teams will be successful.

B.G.S. 1st XI. v. OLD BOYS' XI. Home.

Considering that this was the opening match of the season, the play, on the whole, was creditable; but it was rather disjointed owing to the majority of the players not being in suitable positions. We were also handicapped by lack of weight. The match was lost by 7 goals to 5.

Team :—Richardson, Steggles, Cross, Smith iii, Gale, Baxter, Jeffery i, Marshall, Walker, Hall i.

B.G.S. 1st XI. v. DE ASTON 1st XI. Home.

This was one of Brigg's off-days. Our opponents were superior in all departments. It was in this match that, from their play, we learned the value of co-operation. Lost by 7 goals to 2.

Team :—Richardson, Steggles, Cross, Smith iii, Gale, Procter, Jeffery i. Bryant i, Marshall, Walker, Hall i.

B.G.S. 1st XI. v. BRIGG BANKS' XI. Home.

With the aid of Mr. Knight, the School team atoned for its previous defeats. It was a hard-contested game, in which the forwards showed great improvement. Won by 7 goals to 3.

Team :—Hepworth, Cross, Smith iii, Mr. Knight, Smith v, Jeffery i, Bryant, Marshall, Walker, Hall i.

B.G.S. v. GAINSBOROUGH G.S. Away.

The match was lost 1—6. The School team was for some time nonplussed by the more vigorous and bustling style of the Gainsborough XI. Till half-time the game was evenly shared, but in the second half Gainsborough proved themselves much superior. Our chief weakness was in our inability to take opportunities in front of goal.

Team :—Hepworth, Steggles, Cross, Smith iii, Gale, Procter, Jeffery i, Bryant, Marshall, Walker, Hall i.

B.G.S. v. CLEE GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Home.

The School XI. profited considerably by its experience a fortnight previously, and a more resolute style of play was noticeable. A heavy downpour of rain served merely as a stimulus to further efforts, and after being two goals down quite early in the game, we won eventually by the handsome margin of 6—3.

Team :—Hepworth, Procter, Cross, Steggles, Gale, Jeffery ii, Jeffery i, Bryant, Marshall, Walker, Hall.

B.G.S. v. DE ASTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Away.

After being twice postponed, once because of the snow, and once because of the breakdown of our motor bus, the game was eventually played under ideal conditions. The memory of the previous game with De Aston still rankled, and efforts to be avenged for the loss of that match were not wanting. Though we lost 1—3, our standard of play

was much higher than in any previous match. The defence was especially good, and had one or two easy chances of scoring been taken, we might at least have forced a draw.

Team :—Hepworth, Jarman, Eccles, Jeffery ii, Gale, Cross, Jeffery i, Bryant, Marshall, Drury, Hall.

B.G.S. 1st XI. v. OLD HUMBERSTONIANS. Away.

In this match we were opposed by a team greatly superior in experience and weight, consequently our defence proved ineffective. Lost 1—6.

Team :—Hepworth, Gale, Procter, Jeffery, Eccles, Cross, Mr. Lamb, Bryant, Mr. Lee, Marshall, Hall.

1st XI. SCORERS.

Hall 9, Marshall 7, Bryant i. 3, Walker 1.

SECOND ELEVEN.

Date	Opponent	Result	Goals	
			For	Against
Oct. 8	De Aston	Away Won	4	3
„ 18	Gainsborough	Home Won	11	0
Nov. 1	Clee	Away Won	1	0
„ 19	De Aston	Home Won	2	0

2nd XI. SCORERS.

Drury 4, Jeffery ii. 4, Kirkland 3, Walker 2, Alexander i. 2, Tyson i. 1, Ellis 1, Smith iii. 1.

The following have played in 2nd XI. matches : Hepworth, Richardson, Deebank, Eccles, Baxter, Jarman, Steggles, Smith v, Smith iii, Jeffery ii, Lee, Pickup, Wright, Kirkland, Tyson ii, Alexander i, Alexander ii, Ellis, Drury, Walker.

F. E. GALE, Captain.

W. CROSS, Vice-Captain.

BOARDERS' NOTES.

This term our notes are perforce brief owing to lack of events.

Our numbers, which for many terms have been steadily increasing, now total 63. Last term we said good-bye to Armour, our head-prefect, who has gone to Glasgow University. The newcomers this term are Cottingham, Watkinson, Brown, Clark, Wallace, Stamp, Drifill, Cross ii.

After a wet Wednesday afternoon, Messrs. Knight and Lee kindly consented to organise a boxing tournament for the evening. Entrants were handicapped by height, and in the four classes, Felton was champion of the fly-weights, Lawrence of the light-weights, Kirkland of the middle-weights, and H. H. Smith of the heavies. Our thanks are due to Wright for the loan of his gloves.

One table-match has been played this term, in which the big-table were victorious by 7 goals to 5.

The boarders are greatly indebted to Mr. Moss for his generosity in sending us the "Daily Mirror" every day during the term.

The Headmaster provided us with draughts and chess outfits at half-term, and much amusement has been derived from them.

THINGS WE SHOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Who is *late* with the milk?

Who gets a *pain* he can't *bear* through eating bread and butter?

Who tells the "Three Bears" as a very exciting story?

SCHOOL LISTS.

PREFECTS :—Gale, Hepworth. Procter, Walker, Cross.

CRICKET AND FOOTBALL COLOURS :—Gale, Marshall, Bryant, Walker, Cross.

SELECTION COMMITTEE :—The Headmaster, Staff and Colourmen.

LIBRARY. LIBRARIAN :—Miss Wragg.

SECRETARY :—Procter.

TREASURER :—Cross.

SUB-LIBRARIANS :—Walker, Hall, Pickup, Procter, Richardson, Cross, Jeffery i, Eccles.

COMMITTEE :—The Headmaster, Librarian, Sub-Librarians, Baxter, Wiles, McIntosh, Hardy, Felton, Jones, Hodgson ii.

SPORTS COMMITTEE :—The Headmaster, Staff, Colourmen, Hepworth, Drury, Alexander ii, Baldwin, Cottingham, Goodman, Clark iv.