THE LION

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EDITORIAL

LTHOUGH there is nothing startling to record, no landmark in the School's progress, we have continued to advance and our numbers are now greater than they have ever been, and the Examination results which were published at the end of August show that the Oxford examiners rate us well above the average.

At the moment of writing the football pitch is covered with seagulls and the mud is profound, but it has been a fortunate term so far as out-of-door events have been concerned, two matches having been scratched by opponents who had trouble over grounds, but none by us. Once more the Colts call for our congratulations, and the First, too, have a highly satisfactory record. We may refer to one aspect of the matter which might escape record elsewhere; we feel sure that both teams would like to record their appreciation of the assistance given them by Mr. Hollingworth and Mr. Hilton. There is no doubt that the teams have benefitted greatly from their knowledge and skill.

We wish all readers of "The Lion" a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Examinations.

- OXFORD HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE. C. J. Verdon, A. J. M. David, G. A. J. Young.
- LONDON MATRICULATION (Exemption). D. F. Mason, R. J. Carnell, R. L. Edwards, R. D. Hills, W. A. Espley, H. R. Heath.
- OXFORD SCHOOL CERTIFICATE. D. F. Mason, R. J. Carnell, R. L. Edwards, R. D. Hills, W. A. Espley, K. W. Fleming, H. R. Heath, M. A. Reed, G. V. Watts, T. F. Knott, O. W. G. Chant, D. F. Hunt, K. B. Powell, R. R. Tatford, D. Card-Buley, H. P. Dawkins, V. P. Mills, G. N. Dale, A. E. Carr.



Omitted from previous list:-

- J. Beavis (School 1st XI Football and Hockey, 2nd XI Cricket. Blackbrook).
- H. L. Privett (Westbury).
- K. J. Long (School 1st XI Football. Westbury).
- L. W. A. Patten (School 1st XI Football. School House).
- S. L. Harding (School 2nd XI Football and Cricket. Blackbrook).
- W. A. Espley (Blackbrook).
- D. Card-Buley (Westbury).
- G. Amor (Colts' XI Football, Hockey and Cricket. School House).
- I. Gibbs (Cams).
- J. D. Purnell (Colts' XI Hockey. Blackbrook).
- I. H. Lewis (Cams).
- C. Neville (School House).



REMOVE.-G. K. Kerwood, I. A. McLennan.

IIIA.-M. I. Robins.

- HA.—A. J. Bowmaker, D. A. Brown, R. G. Chambers, R. E. Daysh, A. Downes, A. J. A. Hewlett, C. J. F. Hill, J. H. Hunt, E. C. Kemp, R. C. Lacey, G. A. Long, D. H. Maddison, J. Richards, I. Smith, R. G. Stapley, G. R. Mills.
- IIB.—B. P. McCosh, D. A. Brunton, D. R. Carpenter, D. E. G. Hills, A. J. A. Jeffrey, J. B. Kelland, C. R. Neill, R. K. Ockenden, G. W. T. Short, A. J. Simmons, D. Thomas, R. J. Trigg, R. P. Tubbs, J. O. Waters, P. A. Whaley, V. A. J. Willing, C. R. Wright, J. V. Midgeley, L. E. H. Smith.

Pavilion Fund.

The total now stands at £526-10-6, and we hope it will be substantially increased by the profits from the Christmas plays. The Old Boys donated the profits from their Dance, and a collection taken at the concert given by the pupils of the Misses Jewell realised £3-3-8. In addition we acknowledge donations from E. McNeill and Mrs. Earnshaw, also an anonymous donation of £5-0-0. To all the above we extend our grateful thanks. We assure everybody, however, that there is still ample opportunity to help, and that while the total shows the generosity of our friends, we should like to see it even bigger.



On November 30th we welcomed to the School the Bishop of Portsmouth and the new Chairman of the Governors, the Rev. B. C. Daniell. The Headmaster, in his Report, was able to refer to the School's steady progress and the high percentage of candidates who gained School Certificates. He also referred to the developing importance of Form VI by instancing the success of the Higher School Certificate candidates and the wider range of opportunities open to them. Of School activities he especially mentioned the successful re-formation of the Cadet Corps.

The Bishop of Portsmouth presented the prizes and gave a speech which was at once thoughtful and amusing, and which was appreciated as being far above the usual Speech Day address. He particularly stressed the overwhelming influence which examinations had on the curriculum, and deplored it as being antipathetic to true education. The questions which examiners asked usually demanded knowledge from the candidate, but rarely thought or initiative. They did not help a boy to make the best use of his own personality.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. C. E. Pilcher and seconded by Mr. S. R. N. Bradly, and the Choir and Orchestra performed their parts nobly.

The Cadet Corps.

Since the last notes were sent to the "Lion" the Corps has had a busy and profitable time. The Annual Inspection was held in July last. Perfect weather assisted the Cadets in their desire to make the best possible impression. A copy of the report made by the inspecting officer is given below.

On the Monday following the inspection the Corps lined the street opposite Westbury Manor when the Duke of Gloucester paid his brief visit. The cadets played their part with an admirable sang-froid, maintaining under difficulties an excellent discipline.

After the Summer holidays four cadets had left school, but twenty-four recruits enrolled. The present strength of the Corps is thus five officers and 129 cadets. The term's activities have been many and various. The following specialist groups have been formed:—Certificate "A" candidates, Signallers (in charge of the Headmaster, a qualified Instructor of the Army School of Signals), First Aid (under 2nd Lieut. Hilton), and Cyclist Patrol, while the Band has increased in number to eleven.

Through the courtesy of Captain Durrant, of the Fareham Anti-Aircraft battery, a rare opportunity has been given the senior members of the Corps. A complete anti-aircraft organisation, comprising crews for the Predictor, Height-finder and Anti-aircraft gun, has been formed, and is trained as a separate unit by Captain Durrant and his officers on Friday evenings. Our sincere appreciation is tendered.

Thanks to the Fareham Rifle Club, who granted us affiliation and use of their range, every cadet has this term fired a preliminary Musketry course. The second round, for the Inter-platoon shooting cup, is now being fired.

The Corps has held two church parades this term, and attended the Armistice Sunday Service. We were guests at the Tattoo held on the Recreation Ground in Park Lane, and witnessed a skilful demonstration of mechanised warfare. Much dissappointment was felt when, owing to the international crisis, we were unable to obtain Fort Wallington as a standing camp. An attempt was made to organise a weekend training camp, but, again owing to the crisis, this did not materialise as the necessary equipment could not be obtained. It is hoped that this will he held next term.

Carbines for drill purposes were received this term from the War Office, and good progress has been made with elementary rifle drill. Route marches of varying length have been held when weather has permitted, to supplement and vary the field drill. Our "parent" battalion, at the end of November, left the ranks of the Infantry, and has become an anti-tank regiment of the Royal Artillery. It is not yet known just how much this change will affect our own organisation and drill.

It is pleasant to thank Mr. Shaddock for his valuable work as Treasurer; Mr. Lockhart for designing our crest and for lettering our notice-boards and Armoury; Mr. Bitchell for frequent assistance, especially for making and fitting rifle-racks for the Armoury; Mr. L. Hills for the gift of a rifle; Major E. G. Baker for the loan of four bugles; and Corporal Pickwoad for the perfect replicas of Lewis and Bren Guns he has made for the Corps.

The following promotions have been made:-

Corporals Knott, Pickwoad, Powell, Young, Jarman, Pearse. Lance-Corporals David, Dawkins, Durant, Allen, Adams, Blakey, Betteridge, Harding, Hills, Mason, Scott, Verdon.

The following is a copy of the report made on the Inspection:

"The unit was put through the following exercises in my presence:-

March past in line. March past in fours. Platoon Drill under Officers. Platoon Drill under N.C.O's.

I was pleasantly surprised at the high state of efficiency which this Corps, formed only this Summer, has reached.

The turn-out was excellent, movement was smart, and both Officers and N.C.O's drilled their squads well.

The Bugles and Drums were first-class.

The quick and efficient organisation of the Corps reflects great credit on all concerned. It is hoped that the unit will soon be provided with rifles.

I am of the opinion that the unit:--

- (a) is so organised and conducted as to impart elementary instruction and physical training in an efficient manner;
- (b) conforms with the rules and regulations laid down for its government;
- (c) is satisfactorily officered.

(Signed) H. ROWAN-ROBINSON, Lt.-General. Inspecting Officer,

The Orchestra.

The orchestra suffered sadly by the departure from school of some of its best players at the end of the Summer term, but a satisfactory number of new members has kept up the total strength. Very good progress has been made during the term, particularly in the "brass" section, thanks very largely to the regular additional practice which the Cadet Corps affords to the trumpeter-buglers, under Jarman's efficient control. Our trumpeters and drummer now play also for the Fareham Philharmonic Orchestra, and, with gradually increasing confidence, are doing very nicely. Crossland is developing into a sound orchestral drummer. Some of the string players would do well to bear in mind that it is regularity in practice at home which matters most for progress.

The Orchestra played on Speech Day, and gave a very creditable performance. Lack of space made it impossible for all members of the Orchestra to play, and also prevented the Orchestra and Choir from performing together. It is hoped that this will be remedied next year.

There is always room for new members. Any boy who would like to play an orchestral instrument should join at the beginning of term, in order to get the most benefit for himself while causing the least interference with the more established members. I should particularly like to have some more boys taking up the 'cello and the wood-wind instruments.

H. G



The season has been an excellent one for all teams. The 1st XI were beaten by Purbrook and by a Masters' XI, while victories were obtained against Gosport, Farnham, Midhurst, Portsmouth G.S., Bedales, Portsmouth Secondary School, Portsmouth Banks and the Old Boys. This record is excellent, and speaks well for the team which, with the exception of the goalkeeper, has been unchanged throughout. The only defeat, by Purbrook, came immediately following the grand victory obtained over the Portsmouth Grammar School, and the fickledess and uncertainty of football form was never more clearly shown. Not a single member of the team played up to his form, and we were beaten by a side which played strong and aggressive football and whose forwards possessed a particularly able leader.

The fine abilities of the Colts are revealed when it is seen that six players in the present 1st XI were in the Colts' team last year, and many thanks are due to Mr. Hilton for "schooling" them in the correct technique of football, so that they can take and hold their place in 1st XI football. Knott, Tubbs, Durant, Jackson and Fleming were left from last year's team and provided good material upon which to build a side.

A good team deserves a good leader, and in Knott it has been fortunate indeed; his quiet manner and his keenness have helped materially in his team's success. Centres from the wings are usually ineffective owing to the tremendous advantage possessed by the defence, but several times Knott has managed to get in a delightful header which has either produced a goal or passed just over the bar.

Our main difficulty was quickly evident—lack of a centre half. Whilst unwilling to move players from their normal positions, a good centre-half is invaluable, and the choice fell on Tubbs who in his previous seasons had shown that he possessed the qualities required of a centre-half, strength and football ability, both with feet and

head. The choice proved most fortunate, for after the first two or three matches, when he was inclined to advance too far up the field, he settled down to play some excellent games, and his display against Portsmouth Grammar School was of the highest order in all departments of the game.

Jackson, an Old Colour, was expected to fill the position of goalkeeper, but half-way through the season lost his form and gave way to Wolfe who filled this responsible position very satisfactorily.

The form of two last year Colts, Haines and Hills, in the practice matches was worthy of a trial and they fully justified their choosing, and they improved from match to match in their covering and positional play. One of the most improved players is Powell, who last year played in only one or two 1st XI games, chiefly because of his slowness. A feature of his play this year has been his quickness of recovery when beaten in a tackle and his clever dribbling. Newbury, at left-half, distributes the ball well to his forwards, particularly to his winger, but is handicapped by his size. However, in a year's time his physique should improve and he should develop into a very useful left-half.

Half-backs are the foundation of any side, and their attacking policy has helped largely in obtaining a high "goals for" column. Undoubtedly this policy works both ways and many of the "goals against" have quite often been due to the inability of the halves to get back in defence after being too venturesome in attack.

An analysis of the goals scored shows how equally they have been shared among all five forwards, a particularly pleasing feature which has made it impossible for opposing defences to mark any individual player and so prevent goals. Durant and Scott, given any scope, have usually taken full advantage of it, and in their centres have usually kept the ball out of the goalie's reach and so increased the chances of scoring. Durant, last year, spoiled many good chances by shooting when placed at far too narrow an angle, but he has cured himself of this, and the manner in which he and Scott have dribbled the ball to the touchline and then pulled the ball back along the ground for the inside-forward to run on and shoot has led to many goals. This movement is extremely dangerous, and if wingers were to concentrate on a quick ground pass back to his inside forward more goals would result, and the opposing defence would not have such an easy task to perform in blocking the goal and penalty area as they often do at present.

Scott is developing rapidly into a really good outside-left.

The brunt of the work in any side falls on the inside forwards who must carry out the heart-breaking task of helping the defence, starting attacks by good passes and being up for the return pass, and shooting for goal. Patten and Fleming have done this with great credit, and a large measure of the team's success can be attributed to these players of such different types. Patten, thrustful, hardworking and full of energy, always harassing the defence; Fleming, neat dribbler, and at times unobtrusive, yet always getting into position for a pass, receiving the ball and setting his winger or centre forward moving with a clever pass.

In general the matches have been most enjoyable and have contained some good and, at times, brilliant football. In particular those present at the touchline when we beat Portsmouth Grammar School saw an exhibition of football which is rare in any class of football, and hence was far more likeable.

Heartiest congratulations for a grand season.

One of the more pleasing features of the season has been the improved quality of the Second XI.

This year we have had a side containing several players who could easily have been relied upon to fill any gaps occurring in the first side. It has been their misfortune to play in a year when the general standard of play has certainly been higher. Harding in particular may consider himself unlucky in this respect. It is of great help, however, in the formation of a First XI to know that there is this reserve of strength to draw upon, and 2nd XI football has this important function to perform. All of their games have been played with great keenness, and the improved standard is reflected in the results achieved.

It is difficult to mention the players individually, although possibly the more prominent members have been Harding, Mason and David of the forwards, Young at half, and Adams and Edwards at back, and in goal Jackson has been a player whom many Ist XI's would have been glad to have. In addition to these players we have had a number of other older boys much above the standard of many past years, so that a place in the 2nd XI has had considerably more meaning, and it is a healthy sign when a school of our size can produce three XI's, Ist, 2nd and Colts, of the quality of this year, and yet have a reserve available.

COLTS FOOTBALL.

Again the Colts have had a very successful season. Following the brilliant form shown by last year's team I was not very hopeful of a good season this year, but after a shaky start the team has pulled together remarkably. All the matches have been won; the goal record, 38 for, 3 against, is amazing! Unfortunately two matches have been scratched otherwise last year's record of 42 goals must have been broken. The greatest triumph was perhaps the victory at Portsmouth Grammar School of 8-I, after just scraping home 2-I at home early in the season. This result shows the way in which the team has welded together.

As a team it has been splendid, combining big, hard tackling and quick clearing defence with real terrier-like forwards. My only hope is that this team will stay at school for at least two more years, and I think we should have an unbeatable School Ist XI. Unfortunately boys leave just as they are beginning to develop "football brains"; by that I mean the ability to think quickly and perhaps change the course of an attack by a quick pass. Brains and quick-thinking are as essential on the football field as in school, and my work would be simplified if boys would remember not to leave their "wits" behind in the classroom. That is the main criticism I have against the team. Their football has been very good, but very orthodox; a sudden change of direction in a movement will often result in the defence being caught unawares and consequently in a goal.

Another point which I want to stress, not only on the team but on all boys in the School, is to *learn to kick with both feet*. No person can be a good footballer without this qualification. If boys would, in their kicking about, kick the ball alternately with right and left foot they would soon develop their kicking ability.

I offer my congratulations, and I am sure the congratulations of the School, for a second unbeaten season.

Well played!

FIRST XI.

- *T. F. KNOTT (Captain—Centre-forward). The XI has been very fortunate in having such a good captain and player. His heading of the ball has been excellent and has brought several goals, but since his injury last year appears to have lost some of his former thrust and confidence in shooting.
- *W. J. Tubbs (Vice-Captain—Centre-half). After two years in the 1st XI at Right-back, filled this difficult position and made an excellent job of it. Kicks the ball strongly with either foot and headwork first rate—in fact he has all the qualities of a good footballer.

- *G. B. DURANT (Outside-right). His shooting has been very good and has shown much better appreciation of when and when not to shoot from the angles with which a winger is faced. Does not relish tackling or would be a dangerous winger.
- *G. F. Jackson (Goal). Played in the first six games, but could not reproduce his last year's form. Handling of the ball was uncertain and he appeared to have lost confidence.
- K. B. Fleming (Inside-right). His dribbling and clever ball control is a marked feature of his play, which also shows a keen sense of position. Has improved in distributing the ball and has given Durant some grand passes. With Patten has carried out the difficult task of being in contact with both defence and attack.
- W. H. Scott (Outside-left). The most improved ptayer in the side, has provided an ideal partner for Patten. Most unselfish and rarely wastes the ball. His square ground passes from the touchline have brought many goals, and he possesses a good shot in both feet, a quality rare in schoolboy wingers.
- L. W. PATTEN (Inside-left). A very strong player who supplies the thrust in the attack, and does a tremendous amount of work helping in defence and attack. Has had a large share in the goals obtained by the other forwards.
- K. B. POWELL (Right-half). A much improved player, his former weakness, lack of speed, having disappeared. A clever dribbler, but prone to hold on to the ball too long. Is quick on recovery and tackles well, and has had a consistently good season.
- A. F. Newbury (Left-half). At present lacks height and speed, but distributes the ball well, and his timing of a tackle has improved. Throws the ball in to good effect, and with more experience should become a really capable wing-half.
- R. D. Hills (Left-back). Kicks the ball beautifully with good direction and length, and tackles very strongly. His positional play and covering has improved throughout the season. A good full-back.
- E. C. HAINES (Right-back). Tackles strongly and shows confidence in passing the ball back to his goalkeeper when pressed. Apt to leave his winger unmarked, and his left foot, while having improved, is still a weakness.
- B. WOLFE (Goal). A grand goalie who is still a Colt, came into the team in place of Jackson. Kicks a dead ball very well and keeps the ball close to his body, and is not disturbed by heavy charging. A feature of his play is the excellent manner in which he catches the ball from centres and pulls it down quickly in front of his body.

⁶ Denotes Old Colour.

Colours have been awarded this season to Fleming, Scott, Powell, Patten and Hills I.

COLTS NOTES.

- C. J. WHEELER (Captain). An able captain and a class centre-half. Tackles and distributes the ball very well. Inclined to be a little slow and in consequence must hang back more with the defence.
- B. WOLFE. A very good goalkeeper, safe with his hands and a good kick. His ability was shown by the fact that the 1st XI took him half-way through the season.
- W. H. Marshall. He is developing into a really great outside-right. Shoots well, centres well, and is quite fast. One of the few members who can kick equally well with both feet—a colossal advantage.
- V. J. CLANEY. Has played some very good games at right full-back, and if he learns to speed up his game he will be a 1st XI player soon. Positions well, but must learn to use his left foot.

- A. CROCKFORD. His positioning, kicking and tackling at left full-back have been admirable. Might improve his left foot kicking and his timing in a tackle.
- A. T. H. WITT. A very strong right-half. Has improved tremendously this term. Tackles very strongly, but his kicking is poor. Plays hard the whole game.
- D. GODDEN. Kicks, positions and tackles well. Must learn to swing the ball across the field to his opposite inside forward. Has been a very useful left-half.
- Works very hard, indeed too hard, and often finds himself out of A. Lamport. position. Must get out of the old habit of following the ball wherever it goes. Very small, and his lack of size affects his kicking.
- K. FORD. Has scored many goals, and is a real find as a centre-forward. Must learn to kick with his left foot if he is to be a complete centre-forward. Very terrierlike in his attack and never gives up trying.
- The "brains" of the forward line. Passes and shoots very well with both feet. Is a little lazy on the field, and should get back a little quicker to pick up the stray pass.
- P. A. EMBLEY. A very much improved player. Not a complete outside-left yet, but is developing on the right lines. Is fast, but must learn to use his right foot in centring. Wastes rather too many balls by not getting behind before centring.
- A. KIDDLE. Has not developed as I hoped. But took part in the triumph at Portsmouth and played a good game. Is very young, and I am still hopeful of a useful inside forward developing here.

SCHOOL FIRST XI.

Sept. 28th v B. R. Shaw's XI Home Lost 2-3 (Durant, Patten)

Oct. 5th v Gosport County School Home Won 7-0 (Knott 4, Durant, Scott, Fleming)

8th v Farnham G. School Away Won 4-3 (Knott, Patten, Durant, Fleming)

15th v Bedales Home Won 4-2 (Knott 2, Fleming 2)

19th v Portsmouth G. School Home Won 4-3 (Durant 3, Fleming)

22nd v Purbrook Park County School Home Lost 2-5 (Durant, Powell—pen.)

29th v Midhurst G. School Home Won 4-I (Scott 2, Knott, Powell—pen.)

Nov. 12th v Portsmouth Sec. School Home Won 5-4 (Patter 3, Fleming, Scott)

,, 19th v Old Boys Home Won 5-2 (Scott 2, Patten, Knott, Tubbs)

" 26th v Portsmouth Banks Home Won 10-2 (Durant 3, Scott 3, Patten 2,

Fleming, Mr. Hollingworth)

Dec. 3rd v Purbrook Park County School Away Drawn 4-4

(Knott, Tubbs, Scott, Durant)

,, 7th v Gosport County School Away Won 10-0

(Fleming 3, Knott 2, Powell 2, Tubbs, Scott, David)

SCHOOL SECOND XI.

Oct. 5th v Gosport County School II Home Won 13-0

(Harding 6, Adams 2, Hills, Sabin, Young, Mason 2)

" 19th v Portsmouth Grammar School III Home Lost 1-4 (Harding)

Nov. 12th v Portsmouth Sec. School II Home Won 5-0 (David 3, Adams 2)

Dec. 3rd v Purbrook Park County School Away Won 5-1 (Harding 3, Mason 2) COLTS XI.

Oct. Ist v Portsmouth Grammar School Home Won 2-I (Lamport, Holmes)

- "8th v Farnham Grammar School Away Won 3-1 (Holmes 2, Jeffery)
- " 15th v Bedales Home Won 14-0 (Ford 5, Marshall 3, Holmes 3,

Lamport 2, Embley)

" 22nd v Purbrook Park County School Home Won 7-0

(Marshall 4, Ford, Embley, Holmes)

., 29th v Midhurst Grammar School Home Won 4-0 (Ford 2, Marshall, Wheeler) Away Won 8-1 Nov. 16th v Portsmouth Grammar School

(Marshall 3, Ford, Wheeler, Holmes, o.g. 2)

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Oct. 12th v Taunton's School	Home	Lost 2-5	(Keane, Knight)				
	HOUSE MATCHES						

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School House	3		Westbury		1			
School House	0		Blackbrook		5			
Cams	I		Westbury		I			
Cams	0		Blackbrook		6			
Westbury	I		Blackbrook		4			
FINAL POSITIONS: SENIOR				COLTS				
1 Blackbrook	4	points	I	Blackbrook	6 p	oints		
2 School House	4	,,	2	Cams	3	,,		
3 Cams	2	,,	3	School House	2	,,		
4 Westbury	2	,,	4	Westbury	I	,,		
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SCHOOL FIRST XI MATCHES.

V. B. R. Shaw's XI. Home. Lost 2-3.

In the first game of the season the School were opposed by a team consisting of seven masters and Sabin, Mason, Edwards and Harding. The greater part of the game was quite even, the School doing very well to hold their stronger and more experienced opponents. In the second half the School defence rather tired, and more goals would have been scored against them but for inaccurate shooting. For the School Knott and Patten were the best of the forwards, Durant and Scott being well held by Mr. Foster and Mr. Brown. In defence Powell and Tubbs were the most prominent, and the backs and Jackson in goal defended well. For the opponents Mr. Hollingworth was a tower of strength both in defence and attack. Mr. Garton, as usual, kept goal very well, and Mr. Hilton and Mr. Thacker made the School defence work very hard. Harding at centre-forward scored two good goals with well-placed shots, and Mason played well at outside-right. Goals were scored for the School by Patten and Durant, and for the opponents, Harding 2 and Mr. Hilton. The game showed that the School side, which included five of last year's Colts XI, might look forward to the season with every confidence.

V. Gosport. Home. Won 7-0.

The School, playing against the slope of the field in the first half, had rather more of the play than the visitors, but on several occasions the forwards failed to finish off some good approach work. When Gosport attacked the School defence tackled and kicked well, and it was good to see the full-backs, particularly Haines, passing the ball back to the goalkeeper when hard pressed or when an attempt to turn round and clear might have resulted in losing the ball to the opposing forwards. Jackson in goal dealt confidently with several long range shots from the visitors, at half-time the score was no goals.

About ten minutes after half-time Knott opened the scoring for the School, and quickly followed it with another. The School continued to attack the whole time, and forced several corners on the left from which Scott put in some excellent centres. From one of these corners Knott hit the cross-bar with a delightful header. Fleming dribbled through to obtain the third goal, and Knott obtained two more goals with good shots. The lead was further increased by goals from Durant and Scott. Throughout

the second half the School were attacking strongly and only on rare occasions did the visitors' forwards get into the School half. Patten worked very hard and was unlucky in being the only forward not to score, but his forceful and persistent play will in many games be rewarded with goals.

Without a recognised centre-half-back, Tubbs, after playing for three seasons at full-back, has taken this position, and his play in this match indicates that with a little more experience he will develop into one of the best schoolboy centre-halves, The wing-halves tackled quite well, but with Tubbs playing rather more of a defensive centre-half they must cover more of the centre of the field and stop a gap being left between forwards and halves.

V. Farnham Grammar School. Away. Won 4-3.

The game was played at a fast pace throughout, but unfortunately rain started half-way through the first half, and the ball became very slippery. This fact caused the defences of both sides some uneasy moments and accounted for two goals.

Soon after the start a pass up the middle through a very open defence was chased by Knott who beat the goalkeeper for possession and scored. Farnham put on pressure, and a strong attack resulted in their equalising after two minutes. The game continued fast; an attack by the School resulted in Patten putting the School ahead, but again Farnham equalised very quickly. End to end football was still in evidence, and Knott was put right through an open defence, but shot straight at the advancing goalkeeper. The Farnham centre-forward also got clear and shot for the top corner. It was labelled goal all the way, but Jackson sprung like a cat and pushed it round for a corner which was cleared.

Half-time came with the score 2 each. The rain was now falling steadily and the ground was very fast and the ball greasy. Each defence was harassed at times, but the School defence was playing admirably—tackling soundly and kicking well. Tubbs at centre-half was a tower of strength at this crucial period. He played a wonderful game throughout.

About half-way through this half Durant was put through, centred and the ball came back to him; he shot this time from a narrow angle, but succeeded in placing his shot past a badly-positioned goalkeeper. This made us 3-2. Again Farnham scored almost immediately, a rather half-hearted shot from the outside-left beat Jackson, the wet ball slipping through his fingers and over his shoulder. The School were not dismayed and were soon on the attack, and some feeble kicking by the Farnham defence and some equally feeble shooting by the School forwards resulted in a mêlée in the Farnham penalty area. Fleming hung back a little, very wisely, and the ball came to him and he calmly placed it in the net. Again Farnham attacked, and they seemed certain to score and actually did get the ball into the net but it had gone round the outside of the post and underneath the net. A most extraordinary incident.

The School defence were not rattled, and Hills was tackling and kicking very well in support of the noble Tubbs, and Farnham never got a chance to equalise.

My opinion was that the School were slightly the better-balanced side and just deserved their victory. Of the School team I shall single out Tubbs, who was really brilliant, Hills, who in his second match was as sound as he was in the Colts last year, and Powell, who tackled very well and, more important, took the ball through to his forwards and seldom wasted a pass.

A thoroughly enjoyable and well-fought game.

V. Bedales. Home. Won 4-2.

The School won the toss and elected to play down the slope. Almost from the start it seemed that the School would establish a winning lead, their football being very much superior to that of Bedales. However, the forwards failed to improve on their good approach work, and consistently preferred to try to walk the ball into the net instead of shooting. Obviously this method could not pay against the hard tackling Bedales full-backs.

In the first ten minutes at least three goals could have been scored by quick running and shooting. Instead, a mistake by Hills and Haines at full-back let the Bedales centre-forward through, who gave no chance to Jackson.

The School seemed to slacken in their efforts after this, and an attack resulted in Jackson misfielding the ball and another goal resulted. These were two bad mistakes in successive matches resulting in goals. Half-time came with the School 2-0 down. One felt that the score was a poor representation of the play, but the forwards had to shoot more if they were to equalise.

They proceeded to do this with a vengeance in the second half, and in ten minutes the scores were level, goals being scored by Fleming and Knott. Knott's was a particularly fine individual run through, and Fleming's was a very cooly taken snap goal at a vital period. Play was level for a time after this with the School pressing most of the time. Eventually Knott scored again with a cleverly placed cross shot from the left. At this period there were about 25 supporters on the line and it made a tremendous difference to the spirit of the team. It is a great pity that there cannot be a few dozen spectators for every 1st XI home match; it only means that the rest of the School has little interest in the doings of the 1st XI, a very unfortunate position.

Cheered by the spectators, Durant went away and passed inside, and Fleming made no mistake with his very neat scoring effort. There was no further score, although there was an exciting moment in the School goalmouth when Jackson again misfielded the ball, but Hills, reminiscent of Hapgood, had dropped back and cleared from off the line

The game was fast and often clever, but Bedales were little more than hard-working heavy kickers. They had little or no science, but they did play hard all the time, and it is to their credit that they made the School fight all the way. A little more of the Bedales spirit in the School XI would make them into a very good team.

My impressions of the individual players were that Tubbs, again his name crops up, was brilliant. He completely subdued the Bedales inside forwards once he settled down, and then found time to go on the attack. Powell again was very good, and Durant was the most piercing part of the attack and was responsible for many good raids. The forwards must learn to shoot quickly and one inside man to hang back on each attack and collect that loose ball.

V. Portsmouth Grammar School. Home. Won 4-3.

An excellent game was played under ideal conditions, the ground just giving a good foothold so that a fast pace was maintained throughout.

Portsmouth attacked in the early stages, and from a breakaway on the right the winger centred a low ball which the centre-forward managed to deflect into the net with his head. In this period the School defence was out of position on several occasions, and had the opponents' forwards taken the ball nearer to goal instead of sending in shots from well outside the penalty area they might have scored two or three goals.

A goal down, the School tried hard for the equaliser, but good approach work was wasted through not following up quickly, and there was a decided lack of punch among the forwards with the exception of Patten who worked very hard to get the line going. From a well placed corner by Scott, Knott narrowly missed with a header,

whilst Fleming was too hurried with his shot when he had only the goalkeeper to beat. Tubbs, after an uneasy beginning, was playing a fine game and once put in a good ground shot which went just wide of the post. The visitors' inside-right on several occasions ran past the School defence but finished very badly, either running the ball over the touch line or shooting well over the bar. A long kick up the field found the Portsmouth centre-forward unmarked and he tried to lob the ball over Jackson's head who, however, got his hands to it but did not hold it, and after a short scramble the centre-forward got the ball into the net for Portsmouth to lead 2-0 at half-time.

Encouraged by the supporters on the touch-line the School attacked strongly, and were on top throughout the second half. The whole team were tackling hard and playing open constructive football, and the forwards had plenty of dash which was lacking in the first half.

After ten minutes Patten put over a neat cross pass which the visitors' full-back and Knott tried to gather, but the ball came out to Durant who scored with a good low shot.

Soon after, from a centre by Scott, there was a scramble in the goalmouth and Durant hit the post the ball re-bounding to Fleming, who quickly shot and beat the goalkeeper to make the score two-all.

From a pass by Fleming, Durant ran in to score with a grand shot into the top far corner of the goal to give the School the lead, and a few minutes later Durant obtained his third goal to make the score 4-2.

The visitors, however, tried very hard to reduce the lead, and from a good run on the wing the inside-right put in a hard shot which passed above Jackson's head into the net.

I should like to congratulate the School team on a very fine performance, and in particular Tubbs, who gave one of the finest displays I have seen and appeared confident of beating the opposition on his own. He was ably backed up by Powell who again played excellently and showed good judgement in tackling, and if beaten recovered quickly to cover up in defence. Of the forwards Patten impressed most with his forceful efforts which harassed the opponents, whilst Durant, especially in the second half, seldom wasted a ball and shot well.

V. Purbrook Park County School. Home. Lost 2-5.

The result of this game was a disappointment as after the excellent win against Portsmouth Grammar School on the previous Wednesday we might have been forgiven for expecting another victory. But the form of the team was as disappointing as the result, and hardly a single player managed to reach the high standard of the previous match.

Purbrook were a good side it is to be admitted. In headwork and kicking they were generally superior, but they were not so balanced a team as the School had on previous occasions shown themselves to be. They had a very good—and big—left back who completely dominated Durant and Fleming, the former hardly having any chance at all after the first few minutes; the Purbrook centre-forward was fast and strong, and most of the damage was due to the fact that the School defence signally failed to close the middle of the field against his raids. The right winger, too, was allowed far too much scope, and his frequent centres were a constant menace. Even in goal our defence was not above reproach; at least one of the five goals should have been saved.

The School scored first in a few minutes, Durant succeeding with a somewhat lucky shot after a muddle in the Purbrook goal. This success was short-lived as a long pass found the centre-forward unmarked, and he had an easy run in to score. The second goal followed quickly, a hard shot hitting the bar and rebounding off the goal-

keeper into the net. The next goal was the result of one of several quick raids by the right winger, and for most of this half Purbrook were easily on top. Tubbs, who was not playing in his best form, missed with a penalty for the School.

The second half was rather more even, in fact the School had the better of the game territorially, but Purbrook scored twice through the centre-forward to the School's once, Powell from a penalty.

The forwards all tried hard, Scott and Patten being the most successful, although Knott had very bad luck with two excellent headers. The defence was badly outplayed, and only Powell seemed to realise the necessity for close marking and quick tackling. The result might have been very different if the defence had closed the middle of the field.

V. Midhurst Grammar School. Home. Won 4-1.

In this game the School were the better side throughout, and but for some really good goalkeeping and, it must be admitted, some poor shooting by the inside forwards the score could easily have been much heavier.

Both sides played some good football in midfield, some of the passing and positional play being really first-class. The School's first goal was the result of as good a movement as one could wish to see. A clearance by Tubbs found Fleming who, neatly beating his man, sent a perfect pass inside the back to Durant, giving him a clear run down the wing. The forwards were backing up well, and a good square centre was kicked very accurately into the net by Scott, none of the Midhurst players touching the ball on its journey from our own penalty area. There were many other good movements of this kind, but not all were equally effectively completed. The School continued to have much the better of the game, and Knott had bad luck on three occasions with headers from Scott's well-placed corners. Scott and Knott eventually scored with well-placed shots, and the School's last goal came from a penalty taken by Powell, who was brought down when about to shoot after a fine dribble from the half-way line. Knott and Patten seemed rather to get in one another's way in front of goal, so that several good chances were missed.

Throughout the game the School defence had little difficulty in dealing with the Midhurst forwards who were on the slow side, particularly on the wings. Tubbs played a good game in the centre of the field, but was too much inclined to take shots from long range which never looked like beating a really good goalkeeper.

The backs were quite steady, except during the last Midhurst attack which resulted in a good goal from their inside-right.

The best of the School forwards were Scott and Fleming, the latter of whom got through a tremendous amount of work in defence as well as attack.

This was a really good win for the School.

V. Portsmouth Secondary School. Home. Won 5-4.

The School kicked off uphill against the wind, and within a few minutes had scored through Fleming. In spite of the fact that the Secondary School equalised soon afterwards, the School continued to have most of the game, and by half-time Patten had scored three goals—one of them being an excellent effort with his head.

At the beginning of the second half the School pressed continuously for a while, but largely owing to the temporary absence of Patten were unable to add to the score. Subsequently rather slack marking by the defence enabled the visitors to reduce their arrears by two goals. Towards the end of the game the School succeeded in scoring their fifth goal, but before long the Secondary School scored again to make the score 5-4.

In spite of the evenness of the final score the School victory should have been more decisive. The shooting of the inside forwards lacked power, although their work in midfield was often excellent. Powell at right-half tackled well but was inclined to hang on to the ball too long and to work it across the field. Both backs kicked a rather heavy ball very well; their marking when the ball was being thrown in, however, was often not sufficiently close—a remark which also applies to the halves and inside forwards. In goal Wolfe at times appeared rather slow; the sticky state of the goalmouths probably caused this, and he made at least two excellent saves from close range.

V. Old Boys. Home. Won 5-2.

The School defeated the Old Boys fairly easily, but had a good deal of difficulty in translating their superiority into terms of goals. After a quick dribble and a fierce low shot by Tubbs had given the School the lead, the Old Boys' goalkeeper was bombarded with high shots which he dealt with very competently.

A defensive error allowed Daventry to score a good goal, but the School led by 3-1 at half-time.

One of the several totally unnecessary handling offences enabled Moore to score from a penalty, but then came two more goals to give the school a comfortable victory. One or two players appeared to take the game in far too light-hearted a spirit; a scrappy display was chiefly memorable for some lovely through passes by Moore.

V. Portsmouth Banks. Home. Won 10-2.

For this game the School side was strengthened by the addition of Mr. Hollingworth, Mr. Hilton and Mr. Foster. The ground, after heavy rain, was very wet and heavy, and it was the team's first experience of a muddy pitch. The whole side rose to the occasion very well and adapted their game admirably to the conditions.

The Banks' XI, not as strong as that of previous years, were quickly on the defensive, and were to remain so throughout the game. The greasy nature of the pitch made accurate defensive play difficult, and the School forwards made the most of the fact by holding the ball closely and using the wings, where conditions were better for the finishing touches, Durant and Scott making some capital runs and centres. half three goals were scored by the School, and for a little while in the second half play was more even, and the Banks scored two goals from movements on their left wing. After this period, however, it was a continuous duel between the School forwards and the Banks' defence, which under pressure became very wild and uncertain. Scott scored two more goals with excellent shots from the wing; Durant had two more also, one a grand goal after some pretty football on the left wing, and a perfect centre from Scott: Patten obtained his second from close in; Mr. Hollingworth scored with a terrific shot after an even more powerful effort had crashed against the bar, and finally Fleming dribbled clean through the whole defence to score the School's last goal - a really good effort.

The whole team played really well, the halves never permitted the opposing forwards really to get going, the backs and goalkeeper were more than adequate to deal with spasmodic raids, and, as has been said, all the forwards played at the top of their form. The Banks' XI must have been a very tired team at the end of the game.

Boxing.

Owing to the fact that only a small number of boys had attended boxing classes throughout the year, the House Boxing Competition was not held at the end of the Summer term as in previous years. It seems that certain boys are quite willing to enter for their House in competition when they have not attended any classes and cannot know even the fundamentals of boxing stance and movements. Whilst admiring

the spirit of such boys, it is to be regretted that they cannot show the same spirit and attended classes regularly, when I think they will see that Boxing is a game which calls for the use of mental and physical faculties, and a game which is most enjoyed by the contestants.

About eight boys have attended regularly this term and their boxing is definitely improving, now that they have mastered elementary footwork and the defences for straight left leads to jaw and solar plexus.

Any boys who wish to join the classes will be welcome any Friday afternoon from 4 to 5 p.m. and, to those who have never boxed, why not come along and try it, for how do you know whether you like a thing if you have never tried it?

HOUSE NOTES.

Blackbrook.

Last term, there was no Boxing Contest and our hope to gain yet another cup was not realised. However, I expect certain other Houses share our disappointment; but I would like to point out, the suspension is due in part to members themselves.

Blackbrook has upheld her reputation once more this term in the way of football, and the Junior XI deserve special mention. They have played extremely well and won each match decisively. Adams 2 has great expectations, while Lamport, Ford and Keane used the power with which they are gifted to great effect.

The Senior XI, in almost similar manner, played good football and only failed against School House. As this House and we gained most points, we have decided to play a return match on a winner-take-all basis. The match ought to be worth watching.

The Steeplechase, as ever, has its spice of uncertainty, but it is with confidence that I think of our chances both in Junior and Senior runs.

Owing to your efforts, Blackbrook won the Tarbat Cup last term, and I hope the Cup has come to stay. Simply make up your minds to keep it on our shelf. It is the only cup of its kind and I think the House that holds it may well feel extremely proud.

I wish to congratulate, on behalf of the House, Heath and Espley for matriculating, and I hope that success in this sphere will be continued.

Before settling down to a riotous existence at the end of this term, remember with sobriety, that there is a very good Hockey Cup to be competed for next term (and perhaps the Tarbat Cup).

All that remains is to wish you all a very happy 'Xmas, and to hope that you all will continue to keep the reputation of the House on high.

G. F. I.

This seems a suitable place to record the sorrow which must have been felt by many connected with the House when they heard this term of the death of L. V. Wilton in a flying accident near Aden. The House never had a more valuable member, and his spirit, courage and skill were an inspiration to us all. We tender to his parents our sincere sympathy.

Cams

This term has not, at the time of writing, been overwhelmingly successful for us, but I hope that by the time you read these notes we may have ended the term not without honour.

The Football Competition was rather surprising to us. Our senior team seemed to be quite strong, but proved, in practice, to be unbalanced. Our inside forwards were good, but weak wings and a defence that was liable to exhibit alarming The whole work of attack therefore gaps, deprived them of the support they needed. fell on Knott, Holmes and Fleming, and we must congratulate them on doing as well as they did with the few opportunities given them. The match against Blackbrook was a hard-fought and enjoyable game, but we deserved to be beaten. marking of the Blackbrook wing men gave them many opportunities of being dangerous, and Priddle in goal was always over-anxious to get rid of the ball. Against Westbury we were unlucky to lose a 6-2 lead, but must congratulate our opponents on the The match against School House was way they fought to reach the final score of 6-6. unsatisfactory in every way. Our team was superior to that of School House, Fleming in particular causing their defence much trouble. The forwards, however, seemed loath to score and many promising movements came to nothing. The marking by the defence was not up to its best standard and we have therefore only ourselves to blame that we ended the season without a win to our credit. In addition to those mentioned above, we should congratulate Dawkins, who played confidently in goal in the last two matches

Our junior XI won the last of its matches and thus did slightly better than the senior team. It contains some promising young players, notably Daysh, Long and Robins, who will be of great value to the House in future years. Marshall played extremely well and did much towards keeping his side working as a team, a task the importance of which is not always realised in junior XI's.

In a very short time now the Steeplechase will be run. By the time you have read this, it will have been run, and I hope that the Junior Steeplechase Cup will have joined the other two Steeplechase Cups on our shelf. A strong effort by all those running will indicate that this is by no means an impossible aim.

It is distressing, too, to see the Tarbat Cup grace the Blackbrook shelf for so long. A little more devotion to work on the part of some of the lighter-minded members of our House would do a great deal towards bringing the Cup back to us.

That is all the comment that is necessary on House Competitions for this term, but it would be remiss to close without extending the congratulations of the House to those who were successful in the School Certificate Examinations. We must also thank our former captain, G. A. J. Young for his work for Exams., and wish him a successful career, a wish we extend to all those who left last term.

There is a pleasing note on which we can finish. We can congratulate Young and Blakey on their appointment as School Monitors, and note that it is surely an indication of some moral superiority of the House that, at the time of writing, all the Monitors are members of Cams.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and trust that you will come back fit and well for next term's activities.

School House.

The Boxing Tournament did not take place last term, so the Cup still rests on our shelf.

This term, so far, has been one of success for School House; although we had the teams which, for Football, were considered the worst.

 \cdot . We have three School 1st XI players and we tied with Blackbrook for the Senior Cup.

In the first House Match, the Seniors were lucky to hold Westbury to a draw (1-1), but the Juniors raised our hopes by winning 3-1.

The second match, against Blackbrook, was a success for the Seniors, but a failure for the Juniors. By beating Blackbrook Seniors 2-1, and losing to their Juniors 1-5, our expectations were reversed.

The third and last, against Cams, was the best match of the term, and the results of a draw of 2-2 for the Seniors, and a loss for the Juniors of o-1, were the fairest possible,

Our chief weakness was in the forward line, and although Patten played exceedingly well, he had no one of any great ability to co-operate with. On the other hand, our defence was strong, owing mainly to Burt at right-half, Crockford's clearances at left full-back, and Wolfe's brilliant performances in goal.

The results of the School Certificate Examination now being known, we must congratulate those members of the House who were successful in passing.

Congratulations also to Patten on getting his First Eleven Colours.

At the time of writing these notes, the Steeplechase has yet to be run. At present, we do not hold a Steeplechase Cup, but if each one has put his back into his training, we ought to improve on last year's result and win at least one Cup.

Next term, there are the Hockey Cups for which to compete; so we must get some practice in Holidays, and win one of the much-needed Cups for the School House shelf.

We take this opportunity to wish those members of the House who are leaving us this term, the best of luck, and every success in their future careers.

W. H. S.

Westbury.

Are our many critics right when they say that Westbury's day is over? It certainly looks as if it is; three years ago we had ten trophies, now we have only two, but there is no reason why in our time there should not be a splendid "come-back."

We had, we thought, a strong football team, but we did not do too well, drawing with Cams and School House, and losing to Blackbrook. I think our main weaknesses were: (a) we had no confident goalkeeper, and (b) our forward line lacked combination. Our defence was on the whole, sound, and the half-backs, especially against Cams, were brilliant. They attacked with the forwards to score three goals in ten minutes, making a fine game end at six goals all, The Colts eleven drew against Cams, but lost their other two games, though not by big margins. Tubbs II and Timcke were the best forwards, and Carter II and Hills II were outstanding in defence.

I should like to congratulate Tubbs I on his appointment as vice-captain of School Football, and Hills I on receiving first eleven colours. Congratulations too, to all successful Oxford candidates, and especially to Edwards I on his matriculation.

Let us begin the process of recovery by taking the spoils on Steeplechase day. We have two promising teams, and if we are not successful, I sincerely hope it will not be because we have not trained as efficiently as we should have done.

Long left us this term and we wish him all success in his future career.

Finally, a happy 'Xmas to all who deserve it, not too happy though, for we have the Hockey Cup to compete for next term, and the school-boy's idea of a happy Christmas often leads to his returning hopelessly out of training.

K. B. P.

Book I, Ode IV.

And now cruel winter has relaxed her grip With welcome change to spring and its west wind. Now, too, the mighty windlasses drag down

The drying hulks;

No longer can the ox enjoy his stall, Or ploughman take his pleasure by his fire; Now that the frost from fields its mantle takes Dione dances;

And 'neath the moon the comely Graces join
The Nymphs to shake the earth with tripping foot;
While glowing Vulcan makes the flames leap high
In Cyclop's forge.

Now it were proper to adorn the head With flowers gather'd or the myrtle green, Which earth in new-found fruitfulness brings forth For us her sons.

In shady groves we should to Faunus make A pleasing sacrifice of lamb or kid, Whichever in his goodness he would like Best to receive.

Pale death with its impartial tread doth fall Alike on pauper's hut and royal home; The span of our short life forbids our hope, O Sestius.

In any future time as yet unborn, Now night and rumour, shades of men long dead, The unsubstantial house of Pluto's realm Press on thy soul.

Now thou art dead, thou canst not rule the feast, Nor dost thou wonder at frail Lycidas For whom our youth all fiery is with love And maidens' ire.

Schoolboy Explorers.

Amid the hustle and bustle of that great London terminus, an Old Pricean bade farewell to one of his old school and left him to make new friends among a party of Public Schoolboys who were to be his only companions for the next six weeks.

I tumbled into a carriage which was adorned with a familiar green and black label, and "bagged" a seat as politely as is possible for a party of schoolboys, all madly excited, and was then hauled out to face a legion of press photographers, who with their cameras were taking steady aim at anyone who looked liked a schoolboy explorer.

From a huge pile of grey, green and brown, I hauled my belongings, and into the luggage van I hurled a rucksack, a kitbag and my suitcase. After a farewell handshake from Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, we dived higglety-pigglety into a most luxurious train, bound for Liverpool. Such was the departure of the 1938 Expedition to Newfoundland of the Public Schools Exploring Society.

A few hours soon brought us into that gloomy looking town of Liverpool, enveloped that day in the gloom of an English drizzle. But the weather did not damp out our spirits; we were off exploring.

We were not many days at sea before land was sighted. For me this was exploring. We all felt like veritable Columbuses as we stood in the bows that afternoon (August 4th), gazing eagerly towards the land forms, every minute moulding into clearer shapes. And so we arrived at St. John's, which presented the strangest assortment of dwellings on the rocky slopes surrounding the harbour. That night was spent on board the s.s. Newfoundland in St. John's harbour, and the next morning, dressed in our exploring kit, we dashed through the cobbled streets of St. Johns, in lorries, to the railway station

After twenty hours on the most fantastic of express trains we arrived at Deer Lake, having come through the most interesting scenery. The scientists had plenty of opportunity of collecting specimens, as, when the train stopped in the jungle to get up steam or do repairs, we got out and just went for a stroll till the clanging of the old loco's bell told us that it was time to move on.

The railway journey over, we took to our feet and walked down to the Humber river from Deer Lake, passing several houses bedecked with mosquito proof blinds, a gruesome reminder of what we were to expect in the interior. After a trip of about four miles in a old motor boat, we arrived at the head of a lumber railway, which was to give us a good shaking up for eleven miles, and then leave us to enjoy our feet again. This railway was the most home made affair, and provided, I think, one of the crudest modes of transport we met in Newfoundland.

Leaving the lumber railway behind, we spent the next hour in wondering just how heavy a thirty-five pound pack really is, and, when we arrived at Addis Pond, a beautiful shallow lake, skirted with red sand shores, never did we so appreciate a bathe and some lunch. Our after-lunch rest was to paddle four miles round the lake to its northern shore, where we saddled up, and disappeared into the forest along the trail to Base Camp. It took well over three hours to conquer the five miles to Base Camp, for the going was stiff, and we were untrained. The mosquitoes and little black flies were—well, just part of the game. By the end of the day we had certainly acquired the appetite necessary to enjoy "hoosh," which is a stew of reindeer pemmican and lentils.

Base Camp was situated on the banks of the White River, some five miles upstream from Addis Pond. The whole district of course showed signs of heavy glaciation, and the White River, like many others we were to meet, was strewn with boulders of all sizes. The country was heavily forested too. although the trees were comparatively stunted. The forest contained practically solely balsam fir and spruce, with an occasional silver birch.

The next two weeks I spent in and around Base Camp. We could not go off for walks except with a leader, as it was so easy to get lost, or fall over one of the many precipices in the neighbourhood. In the first few days, two reconnaissance parties went out in search of high barren. It would be well to state here that Base Camp was to have been situated on the Barrens. Our idea of barren, however, did not coincide with that of the lumberman, for the latter's idea of barren is country just not fit for lumbering. However, no high barren was reached, which was a disappointment from the surveyors' point of view, but on the other hand it made it all the more exciting an experience for us young explorers.

On August 12th, the first survey party left in two sections, one under the leadership of Major Carkeet-James, R.A., and the other under Captain Paterson, R.C.S., to map country north-east of Silver Mountain. They did much valuable work.

While this party was away, those at Base Camp had learned the value of Newfoundland rivers for fishing. The fish at Base Camp were small, but what was lacked in size was made up by quantity. Later on, some of the fishermen and scientists went down the White River to Addis Pond and established the White River Camp, bang in the middle of an excellent hunting ground. The fishing also, down there, was wonderful, and everyone had plenty of fresh salmon and char. The record was a twenty-five pounds salmon caught by Sir Charles Gordon-Watson, the Surgeon, who was with us.

On the morning of 13th August, the Long March Party left Base Camp. It was led by Lieut. Oates, nephew of Captain Oates, who died so heroically on Scott's expedition to the South Pole. It was the first time in the history of the P.S.E.S. that the leader, Surgeon Commander G. Murray-Levick, was unable to lead the Long March Party. He had pulled a muscle a few days before, but he kept in touch with the party by means of short-wave radio, which, by the way, was a great success, and kept all parties in touch with Base Camp.

The weather on the whole was not good, and we had a considerable amount of rain. When we had a sunny day, the temperature was quite as warm as at home. The nights, however, were quite cold as a rule, and it was on one of these clear cool nights that the aurora borealis was seen.

The second survey party left on August 19th, when the river at Base Camp had just begun to swell with the recent heavy rain. The day was warm and sunny, and although we got wet through crossing the river, we soon got dry again, except for our feet, which were continually wet owing to innumerable patches of bog and marshy ground. We also encountered plenty of tuckamore, a breast-high resistant spruce undergrowth, and a fair amount of forest.

We went outwards for five days and returned in two, keeping on a north—south trail. The only suitable camping sites were forest clearings which were quite wet, and often our bedding was quite damp in the mornings, but this had no effect on our health. The mosquitoes were fairly plentiful, and several of the party appeared with swollen faces after the first day. On the higher land which we reached on the second day, there were numerous mountain tarns, and the hanging mountain mist interfered a great deal with our work.

On the fourth day we struck Lake of Islands as we called it, out of which flowed the Humber River before continuing its great sweeping curve round to where we had left it weeks before. This lake presented the loveliest scenery of the whole expedition. It was on this lake-side that we pitched the Humber River Camp, the most northerly camp of the second survey party. The next day we went westwards, skirting the southern shores of the lake, in the hope of a new route home and the chance of extending our map. That night it rained heavily, but little did we heed it. We were too busy thinking how welcome home-made cake and the like would be to notice it. It was on this survey march that we experienced the grand feeling of leaving a meal hungry.

Having found no new route home, we followed our trail back. We made good going in spite of getting wet through after the first few yards. It was on the return home that we got lost. We got on the wrong side of a low ridge, which gradually heightened into Silver Mountain. Our leader, Capt. Paterson, however was a great inspiration to his party when, realising our mistake, we admitted we were lost. We had a good rest and worked out our probable position. There was nothing to do but retrace our steps and hope to find our trail again. We were fortunate, as comparatively soon we struck south and picked up our position just west of the second day's camp, and in open country. And so we carried on, having enjoyed our experience and being none the worse for it.

On Saturday, August 27th, we arrived back at Base Camp after a grand struggle across the now torrential White River. We all returned fighting fit and in excellent health, only to overeat ourselves thoroughly for the next few days.

E. J. Y. (6).

Quebec.

Where happiness may be, there misery waits, And thus it was on this eventful day, When England's power, defying all the fates, Meted destruction to the French, who lay Unwitting, 'neath the Heights of Abraham.

The battle raged upon that lofty hill,

Till England's victory they loudly cheered—

Then, of a sudden, all their voices still,

For he whom they cared for, respected, feared,

Lay dying, on the Heights of Abraham.

What of his rival? He had also perished,
Much sadder was his parting; no sweet dream
Of victory was his. The land he cherished
Recalls him not as we brave Wolfe. The Stream
Ran red, beneath the Heights of Abraham.



The Old Pricean.

NOTE.

The Old Priceans' Association is a body formed to enable Old Boys to keep in touch with each other and with the School. All boys are urged to join immediately on leaving School, in order to preserve an unbroken association with the School.

Boys, on leaving School, will be asked to pay a subscription varying in relation to the number of terms remaining in the School year in question, i.e., boys leaving in July, 3/6, December, 2/4, and March, 1/2. The Life Subscription is still f.2-2-0.

Members will receive the "Lion" on publication (providing subscriptions are paid) and will be entitled to play in Past v. Present matches and to take part in the various functions organised by the Association.

The Hon. Secretary is D.C.T. Humphries, 186, Tulse Hill, S.W.2, and the Hon. Treasurer, M. W. Gardner, "Skirr Cottage," Bulstrode Park, Gerrards Cross, Bucks (to whom all subscriptions should be addressed).

Old Boys living in and around London should join the London Section run by D. R. Masterman, 35, Hillside Gardens, Wallington, Surrey, and those living in and around Fareham, the Fareham Section, in charge of F. Troke, 17, Palmerston Avenue, Fareham, Hants.

Past v Present Matches will be held on the following dates:-

HOCKEY ... 1st Saturday in March.
CRICKET ... 2nd Saturday in July.
FOOTBALL ... 3rd Saturday in November.

Secretarial Notes.

These notes must commence with a note of apology. I am afraid that the magazines were very late indeed this last time, and it was due to the fact that through a misunderstanding, we did not order enough magazines, and rather than send some to Old Boys and leave some out, I waited until more were obtained from School to complete the issue.

While on the subject of the magazines, I have a further suggestion to offer with regard to their distribution. It would save the Association a lot of money if distribution of magazines was done locally by a member who would be willing to deliver the "Lion" by hand to members living in his locality. An Old Boy with a car or bicycle could easily deliver them in one evening. I suggest that a volunteer come forward in Portsmouth, Gosport, Titchfield, Netley, Southampton, Meon Valley and any other centre. The Fareham Section will undertake the distribution in Fareham.

The attendance of Old Boys at the Reunion was very poor indeed. I sincerely hope that our lowest record attendance has been reached for all time. It is proposed to run a Dance in March and there will be a Garden Fête and Dance in July. I hope to see large gatherings of Old Boys at these functions.

The London and Fareham Sections are still flourishing and seem to be very active. The London Section hold their Reunion Dinner on 6th December. It is hoped that a party from School and Fareham will be present. Details of their various activities appear elsewhere.

I would like to hear from Old Boys who have any interesting news items for publication in the "Lion," and am willing to answer any questions about other Old Boys. Suggestions and criticism will be welcomed.

Old Boys Ties are still available, but the present stock is almost sold out. The new stock will be slightly cheaper and still obtainable from Chas. Dunn.

I hope that after the trying time we have all been through, the Festive Season will be a very happy one for all, and would like to wish the School Staff (past and present) and Old Boys a very happy 'Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

D. C. T. HUMPHRIES,

186, Tulse Hill, S.W. 2.

Note-Next Old Boys Day will be on March 4th, 1939. Book this date NOW!

Old Boys' Day, November 19th, 1938.

We were lucky in the matter of weather this year, and although the football pitch was rather sticky, there was no rain until the very end of the match.

The Old Boys were only able to raise one team this year, but an exciting match resulted, and by winning 5-2, the School team lived up to its reputation of being one of the best in the history of the School.

The Old Boys were fortunate in having P.S. Moore playing the fine game we expect of him, while Bob Ross gave a brilliant display in goal. Old Boys' goals were scored by N. C. Daventry and P. S. Moore (penalty).

TEAM: B R. Ross, C. Ross, E L. G. Ross, B. G. Buckley, P. S. Moore (Capt.), R. A. Tilbury, W. H. Cook, N. C. Daventry, J. Ross, W. Alderton, C. W. Barter.

Tea followed the match, and we were pleased to see Mrs. Ashton fit enough to act in the capacity of hostess.

We were also delighted that Miss Bourchier was able to be with us once more, looking quite her old self after her long and trying illness. Of the staff, we were pleased to see Messrs. Johnston, Shaddock, Shaw, Garrett, Foster, Garton, Thacker and Hilton.

Mr. Bradly and Mr. Gale were both present and looked extremely fit. Unfortunately. Mrs. Bradly is recuperating from a motoring accident and was unable to be present.

The party broke up at about six o'clock and began to drift by divers ways in the direction of Messrs. Pyle's Restaurant, where the Annual Dinner was held

Among the Old Boys present were:—Miss Bouchier, S. R. N. Bradly, A. S. Gale, K. G. Akers, W. Alderton, C. W. Barter, R. Bennett, A. E. Blanch, H. Bone, N. P. Boyes, R. Bridger, R. C. Brookes, B. G. Buckley, R. F. Buckley, A. G. Coles, W. H. Cook, A. K. Darking, N. C. Daventry, A. J. M. David, H. E. Dean-Cooper, E. R. Hinxman, J. Hoad, L. V. Martin, A. V. Mercer, S. G. H. Miller, P. S. Moore, R. A. G. Powell, H. L. Privett, C. Ross, E. L. G. Ross, B. R. Ross, J. Ross, R. A. Tilbury, G. Young.

Ninth Annual Dinner.

Held at Messrs. Pyles Restaurant, West Street, Fareham, at 8.30 p.m., on November 19th, 1938.

The attendance at the dinner was very poor in the circumstances, and a number of Old Boys who had promised to be present did not arrive, this causing great inconvenience to the organisers and to the caterers. Those present, however, made the most of the evening and a very enjoyable time was experienced. Messrs. Pyles are to be congratulated on the excellent repast offered to us.

After the loyal toast, proposed by the Chairman, the usual speeches were made. The Chairman read out a telegram received from Sir Thomas Inskip wishing everyone a pleasant evening and expressing his regret at being unable to be present. This was greatly appreciated as a sporting gesture.

H. V. Bone proposed the health of the School in one of the shortest speeches on record, and the Headmaster replied, laying particular stress on the good work done by the Staff, the sporting and scholastic record for the year.

The toast of the Old Boys was most ably given by Mr. Garrett, and Mr. Bradly, in his reply, gave a lot of interesting news of Old Boys and also told some very amusing stories.

At 9.30 p.m. the toast of Absent Friends was observed, and amusing sing-song followed. Bob Ross sang us "Old Father Thames" in his usual immaculate style and Dimmer gave a very funny turn as a padre. Our thanks are due to the pianist who so nobly gave his services and so helped in the enjoyment of all. Brian Buckley, Frank Troke and other helpers are to be congratulated on the success of the evening. It is only to be hoped that there will be a larger attendance next year.

Those present at the Dinner were Messrs. Ashton, Johnston, Shaddock, Shaw, Garton, Garrett and Hilton of the Staff, and S. R. N. Bradly, A. G. Coles, A. Jones, R. Bridger, A. V. Mercer, A. E. Blanch, J. Hoad, B. R. Ross, C. Ross, E. L. G. Ross, J. Ross, N. Hyde, H. Gibson, M. Sheppard, E. R. Hinxman, L. V. Martin, R. A. G. Powell, G. Young, H. L. Privett, E. G. Dimmer, F. Troke, A. C. Troke, G. Hawkins, H. Bone, D. R. Masterman, B. G. Buckley, H. E. Dean Cooper and D. C. T. Humphries.

News of Old Boys.

- J. SINCLAIR, writing from P.O. Box 186, Luansleya. N. Rhodesia, says that on returning to his copper mine from leave, he was promoted to be a mine captain, which entails less strenuous work but more responsibility than his former post of shift Boss. He has had to give evidence before Lord Bledisloe's Commission, which is enquiring into the question of the amalgamation of the Rhodesians. He hopes that any Old Boys in his part of the world will get into touch with him.
- H. B. N. HYNES, having gained 1st Class Honours in Zoology in the London B.Sc., and also a First Class Diploma of the Royal College of Science, has been granted a research scholarship for two years at Wray Castle, Ambleside, a damp spot which has had 80 inches of rain since March, raising the level of the lake several feet and making it very difficult to collect the specimens into whose habits he is enquiring.

S. HOATHER, 36, High Street, Hoddesdon, Herts, has been very busy in arranging the A.R.P. black-out, which was one of the biggest yet attempted and proved very instructive. He has qualified as a Home Office Anti-Gas Instructor. and has had a busy time giving lectures. Previously, he spent several months at Pembroke Dock, a very depressing spot, during which he married and shortly afterwards was given a job on the staff of the London District, at Horse Guards. Quite interesting work in the office responsible for the ceremonial in London at the time of the Coronation.

Finding that if he re-engaged in the Army, he would have five years in Egypt, he took his discharge, and is now chief clerk in the Herts C.C. A.R.P. Department, and hopes before long to get into touch again with the School.

- V. J. BARNES was married in August and has settled down at No. I, Beaminster Gardens, Barkingside, Ilford. We wish them both every happiness. He is unfortunately still off the active list owing to a groggy knee.
- MISS E. BOUCHIER drove herself over in her car to Old Boys Reunion on 19th November, and seems to have made a marvellous recovery from her long illness. Every Old Boy wishes her a long period of good health.
- B. COLLINS sent along a most interesting letter, telling of his experiences in Palestine when H.M.S. Repulse was sent to Haifa to help the land forces against the Arabs. He certainly seems to have an eventful life, spending ten hectic days ashore with the Royal Ulster Rifles.
- F. O. DYER was also married at the end of August and has moved to "Lynton," Heath-field Road, Sholing, Southampton. We wish them every happiness and hope to see him at Reunions.
- E. J. GILBERT is still teaching French and English at Ongar School and has become a Life Member. He has just taken up hockey again and plays for Ongar.
- A. D. HAYWARD has become another recruit into the ranks of the married (the poor Secretary will soon be the only single member) and is living at 17 Malvern Drive, Ilford, Essex, is skipper of Ilford H.C. 2nd XI and still a loyal member of the London Section. All his friends wish him a long and happy married life.
- M. J. HYNES has joined the Ecclesiastical Commission as a Solicitor and is a regular member of the London Section, and a very popular one too.
- A. JONES seems to have made a very quick recovery from his serious illness and is now back at work. He came along to the Dinner during the course of the evening.
- W. L. JONES is swotting hard for examinations in April next and also playing soccer for Carshalton.
- H. L. MARRIOTT has been married for some considerable time. The London Section wish their "invisible" President all happiness. This address is 10, Shaftesbury Avenue, South Harrow, Middlesex.
- D. R. MASTERMAN has succeeded in landing a good job in the Bespoke Tailoring Department at Messrs. Peter Robinsons of Oxford Street, and all his friends wish him every success. Owing to pressure of work, we hear that he will have to give up running the London Section, which has grown up round him. In BRIAN BUCKLEY he will have a worthy and popular successor. We hope to have him among us for many years to come.

- ROSS BROTHERS were very welcome on Old Boys Dav after a very long absence. They all looked very fit and I hope this will mean that they will again be regular attenders.
- F. TROKE has also got himself married since our last number and we wish him and the Fareham Section all success.
- F. W. G. TAULBUT, H.M.S. Grenville, c/o G.P.O., has recently been appointed as Senior Engineer of this ship and is with the Mediterranean Fleet. He represented his ship in the Portsmouth Port Athletic Championships and was placed second in the high jump. He has been very busy getting the hang of his new ship, whose machinery incorporates the latest developments in Naval engineering. He has succeeded in getting promotion after only two and a half years, as Warrant Engineer—no mean feat. At the time of writing, he was off Malta, where the boat was doing exercises and practices preparatory to going for a month's patrol off the Spanish coast. We hope he will keep his promise and send along an article on the Spanish problem.
- T. J. WILLIAMS is now in London in a Solicitor's office and to be found at 2, Neven Road, S.W.5.
- G. W. WINSOR has also recently been married and is living at 84, Walsingham Gardens, Stoneleigh, Epsom, Surrey. We wish them both every happiness and hope to see him along at Old Boys Meetings.
- R. L. WINSOR is in the City Architects Department at Portsmouth and is living at home, 15, King's Road, Fareham. He has qualified as an Associate R.I.B.A. and has at last finished with examinations.

Obituary.

Old Boys will be grieved to hear that our oldest member, H. V. Bone, who proposed the toast of the School at the Dinner, died suddenly on November 25th.

Earlier this term L. V. WILTON was killed in a flying accident near Aden. He will be remembered by many as a grand hurdler and member of many School teams, including that which defeated Portsmouth Grammar School at Football.

Changes of Address.

BARNES, V. J., I, Beaminster Gardens, Barkingside, Ilford, Essex.

CROUCH, A. G., 82, Charing Cross Road, W.C.2.

DYER, F. O., "Lynton," Heathfield Road, Scholing, Southampton, Hants.

HAYWARD, A. D., 17, Malvern Drive, Ilford, Essex.

SAINT, D. E. J., 31, Salcombe Road, Newbury, Berks.

WATTS, F. J. R., "Suva," London Road, Widley, Hants.

WILLIAMS, T. J., 2, Neven Road, S.W.5.

WINSOR, G. W., 84, Walsingham Gardens, Stoneleigh, Epsom, Surrey.

WINSOR, R. L., 15, Kings Road, Fareham, Hants.

PEEL, R. S., Lodge Farm, Forest Side, Rowlands Castle, Hants.

STRUGNELL, D., 41, Kenilworth Gardens, Hornchurch, Essex.

TAULBUT, F. W. G., H.M.S. Grenville, c/o G.P.O., London.

New or Rejoined Members.

TAPPER, M. O., "Fairleigh," Winchester Street, Botley, Southampton.

BOYES, N. P., "Greenwood," Warsash, Southampton.

CUMMINS, E. G., 242, Elson Road, Gosport, Hants.

YOUNG, G. A. J., "Osborne View," Pound Road, Bursledon, Hants.

PRIVETT, H. L., 9, Beehive Cottages, Wickham Road, Fareham.

ALLEN, D. H. M., 80, Old Turnpike, Fareham, Hants.

Fareham and District Section News.

As Secretary of the above I am in the enviable position of being able to report its foundation, and our thanks are due in this respect to Mr. G. A. Ashton. Mr. Ashton for some time past has been hankering after the formation of such a section, and I for one am glad his ambition has been realised.

The Section came into being on the 12th April last, since when regular monthly social evenings have been held at the School and the Parish Hall, West Street, Fareham. We have now made the latter our Headquarters.

I do not intend to go into details with regard to the past and current activities of this Section, but would just like to give a brief resumé of what has happened in the short period of our existence as a separate body, distinct from that of the parent body.

At the initial meeting Mr. G. A. Ashton was unanimously elected President, and Mr. S. R. N. Bradly has kindly consented to serve as a Vice-President. A General Committee of seven was appointed and they were Messrs. P. S. Moore, R. Powell, F. C. J. Dixon, A. C. Troke, D. King, N. Hyde and H. V. Bone. Mr. J. Shaddock was co-opted a member of this Committe as it was felt there should be some link between boys leaving the School and the older members of this section. Mr. E. G. Dunniver was elected Hon. Treasurer and myself Hon. Secretary.

The Annual Subscription is 2/6, and only members of the parent body are eligible for membership. Social meetings are held on the first Thursday in every month at the Parish Hall, West Street, Fareham, from 7.30 p.m. to 10 p.m. The Section has at its disposal two Table Tennis Tables, Dart Boards, Shove-half-penny, and many other various forms of indoor amusement, and members certainly enjoy themselves.

Two Carnival Dances have been held in the town, and there is no doubt the Section is becoming popular and making a name for itself. The finances too are good. There is one fly, however, in the ointment. The attendances have been dwindling somewhat of late, and although we have 30 members (i.e., members who have paid their 2/6) I'm afraid less than half of these turn up at the monthly shows. It is very disheartening at times to find such poor attendances, and I really do beg of members to make a special effort on the first Thursday in every month to come along to our social evenings at the Parish Hall. They can be assured of a good time as attending members will vouch.

We hope in the near future to meet the London Section at some convenient spot between the two centres and have a "bit of a do." They are very anxious to attend our next Carnival Dance. They have apparently heard of the good times we have! In the meantime we send them our best wishes and the hope that they will spend a very happy Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

It is with deep regret that I have to report the death of Mr. H. V. Bone on the 25th November. He was the first Price's School Boy, way back in '08. He was always regarded as the G.O.M. of the Association in general. His moral, if not active, support will be greatly missed. A wreath was sent on behalf of the members of the Association.

In closing may I stress the need for greater membership. There are sufficient Old Boys in the district to warrant a membership of at least 100, and we should welcome with open arms any Old Boy who would like to join and come along on the first Thursday in January, 1939, to the Parish Hall, West Street. Why not make this your New Year Resolution? Our aim is to keep alive that spirit of fellowship enjoyed at School, and it is up to all Old Boys to do their bit, so come along and join this Section and feel you are doing something yourself to attain this end.

In conclusion I extend to the members of the staff a very hearty invitation to come along to our monthly meetings, and I wish them all, on behalf of this Section, a very happy Xmas and a bright and prosperous New Year, coupled with an enjoyable Xmas Holiday.

F. T. TROKE,

"Ravenswood," Osborn Road, Fareham.



These note are rather in the nature of a swan song, and from force of circumstances will be very brief. As we have not yet attained perfection in car manufacture one's car sometimes fails at the most awkward moment. I am the victim of such a happening and have practically no time left in which to write the London Section report for the "Lion" in time for publication. Having changed my job in life I have much less leisure than heretofore and, feeling London Section is being very neglected, I have reluctantly had to cast around for a more worthy secretary, though by convention the change cannot take place officially until our A.G.M. on the first Tuesday in January.

We are lucky in having B. G. Buckley among our members, and he has most sportingly agreed to relieve me of the responsibility as secretary, and is, indeed, doing all the donkey work for our Xmas Dinner on Tuesday next, December 6th. I feel quite sincerely that he will make a much better secretary than I have ever been and take this opportunity of thanking him for so nobly helping me out, and to wish him every success in his efforts to keep the L.S.O.P. much alive. Needless to say I shall remain an enthusiastic member of the Section. Now, if I do not hurriedly finish these notes they will miss the post and never appear in print. One great comfort my patient readers have is that from henceforth they will not be offended by my musings under the heading of the L.S.O.P. Notes. Undoubtedly the regrets will all be on my side!

L.S.O.P. Hockey Club.

This season the fixtures have been limited to one or two a month, the weaker fixtures being eliminated, and every remaining match is certainly worth the playing. Very few Old Boys have been available and we have been lucky in securing the services of members of the Tulse Hill Hockey Club and friends who have helped to make the games real successes. Here I must lay emphasis on the importance of getting to know our opponents off the field as well as during the game. So many of our side seem to have urgent appointments in the evening and in departing after tea leave a bad taste in the mouths of our opponents and hosts, and make the task of the usual handful who stay a lot harder. Personally I have continually to apologise for their departure. Surely when we have one or two games a month some effort in this direction might be made.

Three matches have been played to date and we have seven more fixtures to to carry out. The team has been selected from the following Old Boys:—D. R. Masterman, C. P. Aps, B. G. Buckley, A. G. Crouch, M. A. J. Hynes, A. D. Hayward, D. C. T. Humphries and G. J. Rogers, A. S. French (Tulse Hill H.C.), E. A. H. Thompson (Southgate H.C.), J. A. Rasch and T. Withers.

Results to date are best told as reported in the "Hockey World" by our opponents.

October 10th, v. Arcadians.

"Played at Osterly under ideal conditions. Play was fast and open from the beginning with plenty of hard hitting, but not a great deal of constructive play. After seven minutes Old Priceans scored through Aps. This started a good rally by Arcadians who scored three times before the interval without reply. At the beginning of the second half Old Priceans resorted to offside tactics with some success, several promising Arcadian moves being defeated in this manner. Arcadians scored two further goals but a rousing rally by the Old Boys reduced the lead through Withers (2)."

October 30th, v. Indian Gymkhana.

"A continuous drizzle militated against good hockey and the game was more or less a scramble from start to finish. Playing one man short in the first half the Gymkhana constantly attacked, but it was the visitors who scored, the Old Pricean's centre-forward collecting a loose ball and netting from close quarters. The Gymkhana were in their opponents' "25" almost throughout the second half, but their three inside forwards were unable to escape the close marking of Oliver and Horwood (full-backs) and Hynes, Humphries and Tull. It was not until the end of the game that R. M. Khan crashed the equaliser home off a short corner."

November 27th v. G.W.R.

Played at Ealing. "G.W.R. were in the attack most of the time and Davis (2) and Tripp scored in the first half. With the slight slope in their favour in the second half, G.W.R. dominated the play but only scored twice through Danes and Hall—Porter in the G.W.R. goal not having a shot to save. Aps, in goal, Thompson and Humphries all played well for the Old Priceans, whilst the G.W.R. halves, Wilkins outstanding, and the forwards played excellent hockey.