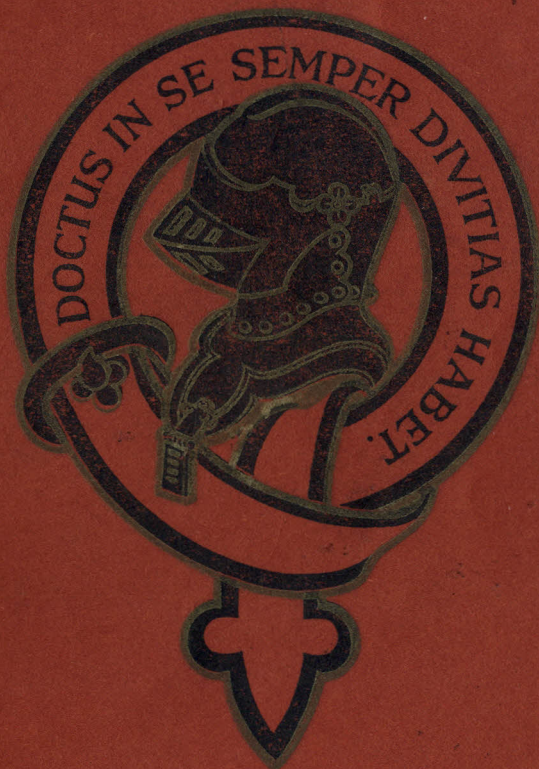
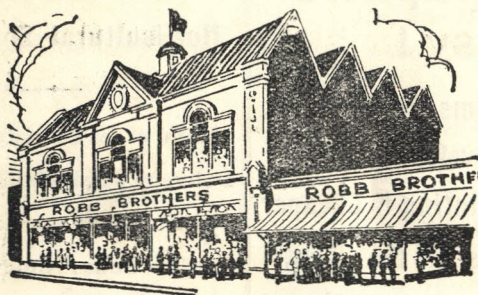


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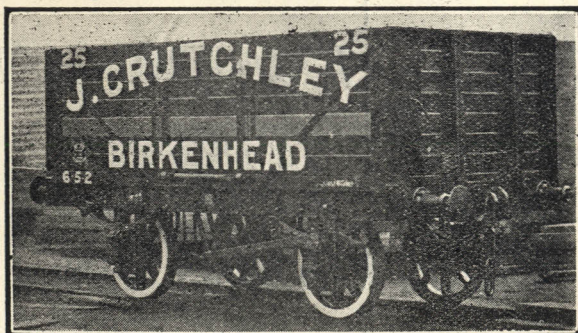
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EDITORIAL.

The summer term has, undoubtedly, been the most successful of the past year, and, although many of the events which have occurred are dealt with more fully elsewhere, several deserve mention here.

The School Sports were held on June 4th, and, for once in a while, were attended by brilliant weather. As usual they were a great success, many parents and friends being present. The prizes were distributed by Mr. Bennett, an old and ever welcome friend of the school. T. J. Andrews proved by his splendid performance—he won the 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, Long Jump, and 120 yards Hurdles—that he fully deserved the Victor Ludorum Cup for the second year in succession. Indeed his display greatly helped Westminster to gain the Championship Shield for their third successive year. The competition at this year's Sports was rendered much more enthusiastic by the addition of several new trophies. A solid silver cup, for the Senior Relay Race, was presented by the Staff, another for the Junior Relay Race, by the Headmaster, while a third for the Junior School Relay Race, a new event, was presented by the Junior School Staff, finally, there was a magnificent solid silver Challenge Shield for the Champion House.

Although the School Cricket teams have not come up to expectation this term, they cannot be said to have done badly. Few phenomenal scores have been made, however, the two innings of note being 92 and 102 not out, both of which were made by Ovens. It is interesting to note that the latter constitutes a record for the highest individual score in a School match. It was owing to the former display that the 1st XI. were granted a half-holiday to see the Australians on the second day of their match with Lancashire. The Prefects' Match, held on June 14th, proved a very interesting game, the Prefects finally losing to the Rest of the School by three wickets.

The School Scout Troop is to be heartily congratulated on winning the Brewster Challenge Shield for Swimming and the

Shield for the best group exhibit at the recent Handicraft Exhibition. The Junior School Pack has also maintained the School's prestige by winning, for the second year in succession, the Challenge Shield at the Inter-Pack Athletic Sports.

We are sorry to announce the departure of Mr. Finn, who will be leaving us at the end of this term to take up a post at Christ's College, Finchley. Mr. Finn, who came to the School in September, 1927, succeeded Mr. Bennett, two years later, as senior French and German master. We are certainly expressing the sentiments of the whole School in wishing Mr. Finn the best of luck at his new School and in hoping that he will always have many pleasant memories of Birkenhead Institute.

We are very pleased this term to be able to include a photograph of the School Chess Club Team, which was successful in winning the Wright Challenge Shield at the end of last term.

The "Matric." and H. S. C. again approach. We wish the candidates good luck and hope that they will continue the good results of previous years.

Those who are leaving school will find order forms enclosed in this issue of the magazine. We hope they will make use of this one method of keeping in touch with the School. Finally we would like to thank all those who have responded so well to our appeal for contributions, and to wish better luck next term to all those whose articles were not accepted.

SALVETE.

Atkin :—Winter, H. (IIa.) ; Muir, L. M. (Lower Prep.)

Stitt :—Ridout, G.P. (Upper Prep.) ; Bibby, P.E. (Lower Prep.) ; Davies, G. (Lower Prep.) ; Hessler, J. C. (Lower Prep.)

Tate :—Watkins, R. V. (IIa.)

Westminster :—Williams, H. J. S. O. (IVc.) ; Jones, H. D. (IIIa.) ; Sampson, J. D. (IIIb.) ; Wilson, W. S. M. (IIIb.) ; Wilson, M. L. (Lower Prep.)

VALETE.

Atkin :—Croft, L. P., Lower VIc. (1925-30) ; Griffiths, S., Lower VIc. (1925-30) ; Clampitt, T.H., Vc. (1925-30).

Stitt :—Richards, G. N., Upper VIb. (1921-30), House Captain, Matric, 1928, Prefect, Football and Cricket Colours ; Goalen, R. H. W., Upper Prep. (1928-30).

Tate :—Mason, J. C., Upper VIc. (1924-30), Member of House Committee, Matric, 1929, Prefect, Captain of Football, 1929-30, Football and Cricket Colours; Peel, W., Upper VIc. (1928-30), Member of House Committee, 1st XI. Football; Jones, W. J., Lower VIa. (1925-30); Thomas, C. D., Lower VIc. (1925-30); Hope, G. S., I. (1927-30).

Westminster :—Blackburn, C. J., Lower VIc. (1924-30); Kennedy, H. A., Vc. (1927-30); McKenzie, R., IVb. (1928-30).

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Annual Athletic Sports were held on the 4th June, at the Port Sunlight Recreation Ground, and, for the second year in succession, were favoured with brilliant weather. Entries were as numerous as ever, and, with a fair number of parents and friends present to look on and applaud, it is no wonder that the sports passed off as successfully as usual.

There was not, perhaps, quite so much enthusiasm shown, either in House or other events, as has been seen in some years, but that, doubtless, may be put down to the fact that Westminster were obviously going to secure the House Championship with great ease, and that Andrews, the Westminster Captain, had no very serious rival for the honour of Victor Ludorum.

Nevertheless, all enjoyed the sports, especially as several records were broken, notably by Andrews in the Hundred Yards Open, Two-Twenty Yards Open and Long Jump, by Horne in the Mile, and by Dunning in the Hundred Yards (under fifteen).

Tate won the Tug-of-War, but Westminster won all three House Relay races, and, with the points gathered by Andrews, E. Walker, Horne, Baxter, and the Barkers, were easy winners of the House Championship (for the third year in succession) with 73 points, Stitt following with 36, Atkin with 34, and Tate with 33. Andrews was Victor Ludorum with 15 points; Ovens being runner-up with 7 points.

The prizes were distributed at the close by Mr. H. Bennett, whose retirement last July has not interfered with his interest in the School. We were glad to welcome, too, Mr. R. Galloway, and Mr. R. J. Griffith, both formerly members of the Staff of this School.

Results.**OPEN.**

Cricket Ball:—

Ovens (A.), McBride (S.), 99 yards 1 foot.

Mile:—

Horne (W.), Braide (S.), Smith G. W., (S.), 5.10 4/5*.

100:—

Andrews (W.), Rigby (T.), Ovens (A.), 10 4/5*.

220:—

Andrews (W.), Rigby (T.), Ovens (A.), 25*.

440:—

Andrews (W.), Baxter (W.), Ovens (A.), 58 2/5.

Hurdles (120 yards):—

Andrews (W.), Walker (W.), Ovens (A.), 20 2/5.

High Jump:—

Horne (W.), Keates (W.), Walker (W.), 4-ft. 10-ins.

Long Jump:—

Andrews (W.), Walker (W.), McBride (S.), 18-ft. 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ -ins.

880 (handicap):—

Horne (W.), Rice (W.), Rigby (T.), 2.23 3/5.

440 (handicap):—

Horne (W.), Smith G. W. (S.), Rice (W.), 59 1/5.

Relay Race:—

Wharton's Team, Currie's Team, 57 2/5.

Tug-of-War:—

Braide's Team.

OVER 15.

220 (handicap):—

Baxter (W.), Watkins (T.), Rigby (T.), 25 2/5.

OVER 14.

Obstacle:—

Shipley, Campbell, Henderson.

UNDER 15.

100:—

Dunning (A.), Shaw C. A. (T.), Lord (W.), 11 3/5*.

220 (handicap):—

Shaw G.W. (S.), Jones J.O. (A.), Dunning (A.), 28 2/5.

UNDER 14.

100 :—

Jones J. O. (A.), Kendrick (W.), Colenso (S.), 12 $\frac{2}{5}$.

440 :—

Colenso (S.), Barker J. (W.), Bolton (S.), 67 $\frac{3}{5}$.

Cricket Ball :—

Colenso, Mason A. S. (T.), Smith R. (A.)

High Jump :—

Barker J. (W.), Collinson J. (T.), Robinson J. N. (T.).
4-ft. 2-ins.

Long Jump :—

Barker J. (W.), Hawkes (S.), Hall (A.), 13-ft. 8-ins.

Obstacle :—

Taylor H., Todd G., Rogers H., 1.23 $\frac{2}{5}$.

UNDER 13.

100 yards :—

Winter (A.), Davies A. L. (T.), Tong H. (T.)

220 yards (handicap) :—

King (S.), Barker D. (W.), Williams G. (T.), 30 secs.

Junior School (80 yards) handicap :—

Fenner (T.), King (S.), William W. (A.)

Three-legged (handicap) :—

McIntosh, Williams G.; Hessler, Hely; Jones R. M.,
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OLD BOYS' RACE.

Reid, Carter, 25 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs.

INTER-HOUSE RELAY RACES.

(Senior)—Westminster, Atkin, Stitt, 1.49 secs.

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INTER-HOUSE TUG-OF-WAR.

Tate.

VICTOR LUDORUM.

Andrews T. J. (W.), Runner-up: Owens (A.)

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Westminster 73 points. Runner-up: Stitt 36 points.

*Indicates School Record.

UNIVERSITY LETTER.

The University is still the same in outward appearance—the clock on the Vic still chimes out the quarters—the New Arts building is still where it was put in the year 1913—the approach up Brownlow Hill is still as steep, or a little steeper now that the warm weather has come—but inside, matters are different. No longer do we hear the gay student blithely whistling when he really ought to be in the Tate doing Latin. No longer does he adjourn to the Union to play draughts when Professor ——— would enjoy his company at a lecture. No, —all that is past and gone—for the time being at any rate. The fact, the stark and awful fact remains that exams are dangerously and uncomfortably near, for to-day is May 27th, and they start on June 10th.

However, all that is quite temporary, for in a very short time they will be over, and the afore-mentioned student will once more become merry and bright, and start painting the clouds with sunshine until the lists come out.

However, in October, when he comes back, either to conquer new fields, or to go over the old ones again, he is very pleased to find that a number of new students have arrived, who go by the name of “freshers,” and these he welcomes with gusto, for he has been a fresher himself once, and has vivid recollections of those days. So, prospective freshers, beware, for the motto of the student is: “Do unto others as you have been done unto yourself.” W.H.

SOLILOQUY OF A PHILOSOPHICAL WORM**(Vermis Eruditus).****By Televisor.**

The length of my body I never can know,
 Since Einstein has started the notion
 That measures in space have a strange ebb and flow,
 The result of one's Relative Motion.

Education's becoming the curse of our times,
 And to peace in our homes most upsetting;
 For you'll see, if you read these inadequate rhymes,
 How impossible matters are getting.

I confess that in youth I never could own
 In space such a thing as extension,
 But now we are told there's an “up” and a “down,”—
 A source of much bitter contention.

For how can a worm tell when he goes up,
Without any mark of direction?
Or clearly explain to some silly young "pup,"
What is meant by a "Vertical Section?"

A line *was* a line in the days of my youth,
And of space there was no need to trouble;
But now I am told we were far from the truth,
And that space has been curved nearly double.

We've a new sense of time in this new-fangled world,—
But my knowledge, I own, is quite hazy;
A negative Root means the Cosmos is curled,—
Mathematics is driving me crazy!

Our ancestral worms left such matters alone,
And with life they were frankly contented;
But the worms of to-day have more erudite grown,
And we *think*, till we're well-nigh demented.

And things must get worse,—so our Scientists say,—
And I view their conclusions with sorrow,—
For the worms of to-day are in a bad way,
But alas, for the worms of to-morrow.

A queer sense of giddiness grips me, I find :—
A sensation decidedly rummy ;—
When I try to decide in my vermiform mind,
If I lie on my back or my tummy.

HOMework.

I fasten my bag at a quarter-past four,
Put on my coat and go home.
When I'm having my tea there's a knock at the door,
Which shows that my father's come home.

At a quarter to seven my homework I start—
I scribble away with my pen,
And pages of work to be learned off by heart,
Keep me up from my bed until ten.

Before the exams I sit up a-swotting,
From seven o'clock until nine,
And slowly but surely my brains they are rotting—
All through that homework of mine.

J. S., Form IIa.

THE NEW ARCADIA.

During many years of laborious research and patient contemplation upon the multitudinous woes of my fellow men, I have been forced to various conclusions, all of which have, one by one, been proved utterly ridiculous. I now, however, profess to have discovered a panacea for all human ills. For fear that the scientist may ask the price per bottle, or the art student submit that my originality is as sparkling as that of Socrates, (and in all other respects identically similar), I shall proceed to make my suggestion.

The integral principle involved is the following. All that is to be done to attain political reform, exemption from maladies, work and dissensions is to exterminate the whole human race from off the earth. "But how," I imagine my intelligent readers asking, "is this highly desirable object to be attained?"

My suggestion is that, by Act of Parliament, the Government should offer free destruction—absolutely gratis—to all people who are in any way dissatisfied with their present lot. A small dose of Prussic acid injected into the unhappy would ease them of their difficulties so totally and completely, that they would never wish the Government to pass any law to recreate them.

There is nobody with whom I am acquainted who does not solemnly declare that to be in a more unfortunate position than his own would be impossible; and, were my recommended act in operation, these innumerable persons would immediately make use of the Government's free tender, and be fordone. In this way, I am sure, the entire human race would be eradicated, except for a few uneducated savages who would rather live on in their misery than accept so easy an end.

In closing, let me expressly combat the notion, that, for the explanation of so inestimably excellent and efficient an arcanum, I desire any specific physical comfort. No! I shall shortly be dispatched with due ceremony, that no tactless person may silence me with the gibe, "Physician, heal thyself."

C.D.G.

BALLAD
(Greatly Modernised).

It was a ferrye passenger,
Stepped forth so hastily;
The boat it sayled upon the houre,
God wot he'd have to flee!

He hadna gone a steppe, a steppe,
A steppe but barely three,
But that he saw the lytel shippe
Come ploughing through the sea.

The boat it looked so spic and span,
So spryghtlye for to see,
The funnel was of gude scarlèt,
The maste of simple tree.

"A ticket, a ticket, good sir clerk,
A ticket I thee praye;
For I will catch yon lytel boat
If you doe nat delaye."

"No ticket, no ticket," the clerk, he said,
No ticket I'll thee gie,
Till you have payed the proper fare,
And gi'en it unto me."

And he has got his ticket,
Has payed his gude monnie,
And now is running downe the pier,
Is running hastilye.

And he has but a yarde to goe
A yarde but barely three,
When the bell tolls, the gangways creak,
And left behind is he.

And from this song all passengers
Take hede, attend, and mark;
And when you on a boat must goe,
Be up before the larke!

ANON.

STONE AGE LIFE.

Crash! That is the stone-age postman's gentle tap on the door of the cave. Another crash sounds, as the letter (solid) slides into the cave. Father Wog, (Wog was the equivalent of Smith in those days), Mother Wog, and all the little Wogs rush out and with their united strength manage to carry it to Father's study, which is bed-room, dining-room, and study all in one.

But what work must be done before the letter is received ! First, with the help of a mallet and a chisel, the letter is written. Then the writer, (or sculptor, as the reader might wish to call him), with the help of a few friends, carries the letter to the nearest post office. There, the postmaster, with the aid of a chisel, imprints the postmark upon the letter. Then the postman is called, (he is made to earn his wages, poor fellow). He hoists the letter on to his back and staggers off, keeping control over his bad language until he is out of sight of his employer, when he gives it an airing. When the letter is received, it usually reads like this :—

Mammoth Cave,
Bone Valley,
Swamptown,
1st day of the new moon.

Dear Mr. Wog,

It has recently been announced that Whiskers, my client, has taken a fancy to the site of your cave and would like to fight you for it. Could you please meet him two suns hence ? Choice of weapons lies with you, but axes preferred.

Yours sincerely,
Skinflint,
Solicitor.

Such was Stone Age Life.

L. W., Form IIIc.

WINTER AND SUMMER.

On Mondays to ' footer ' we go,
And pant as we dash to and fro,
Boys flop with a thud
Into nice liquid mud
And feel—and look—objects of woe.

In the summer we go to play cricket,
(Though some say it's so slow they can't stick it),
The batsman hits out,
Then comes a loud shout
As the ball with a click hits the wicket.

J. H. P. Y., Form IIa.

" I REMEMBER."**(With Apologies to T. Hood).**

I remember, I remember,
The ancient apple tree,
Which once I climbed for apples—
But only found a bee!
I hastily alighted,
But to my horror found
An angry bull with wicked horns
Was waiting on the ground.

I remember, I remember,
Being tossed up in the air,
Coming down with such a "crack,"
And being hauled up by my hair!
At this I lost all feeling.
But I remember still
Lying abed with broken arm,
And feeling very ill.

I remember, I remember,
Getting out of bed once more,
I felt so awfully dizzy,
And most of me was sore!
I now am very penitent,
I will climb trees no more
With a bee among the branches,
And a bull upon the floor.

J. G., Form IIb.

MOTTO FOR THE VISOR.

Pace Manium D. Iuni Iuvenalis.

(With acknowledgements to the Shade of Juvenal).

Quicquid agunt pueri, certamina, praemia, ludi,
Laetitia, aerumnae, nostri est farrago libelli.

THE EAGLE AND STAG FIGHT.

The eagle is still found in the Highlands, and is, in fact, said to be on the increase. The king of birds seems to prefer deer to any other kind of food, and may often be seen hovering over a herd, watching for a chance to secure his prey. This fight was witnessed by a friend in Inverness-shire, and took place between a solitary deer, which had strayed from the herd, and an eagle.

He had been watching the eagle for some time, from behind the cover of a large bush, when the bird, having finally perceived his prey, had swooped off in its direction.

The following is a graphic account of the resulting battle from my friend's lips:—

“ At last, reaching striking distance, the eagle suddenly came to a halt in mid-air, and, poising himself on outspread wings, seemed for a few seconds perfectly motionless. Then, like a bullet from a rifle, he swooped down, and in an instant his powerful talons were firmly fixed in the back of the fine large stag. The monarch of the glen, (evidently in great terror and pain), plunged about in the wildest possible manner, the eagle holding on grimly, whilst beating the stag's sides with heavy blows from his wings, and making desperate darts with his beak at the eyes of the frightened deer.

By this time, the poor stag's brown sides were red and gory, and, notwithstanding his frantic efforts, he could not disengage himself from his strong and cruel foe. At last, seeming to discover that his antlers could reach his savage enemy, he commenced a most vigorous attack with them, until he managed to send the eagle sprawling in the heather.

The stag had freed himself; but he had not bounded far when his fierce enemy, recovering, was on the wing again, and in full chase. In a few seconds, down he came again, and firmly fixed his claws in the deer's haunches, so far back as to be out of reach of the antlers. Again the struggle was renewed, the eagle meanwhile tearing at the victim's flesh with his huge bill, and burying his talons still deeper in his haunches.

The poor stag was now very much exhausted, and was evidently getting the worst of it, as he could not touch the eagle with his antlers. At this point, as if in despair, the stag began to tumble about, throwing himself on the ground, and rolling over, downhill; but still the eagle seemed unable

to release his grip. The stag then put his head down between his forelegs, throwing himself clean over, heels over head, several times. It was indeed, a wild, a wonderful, and a most unusual sight.

The stag's efforts were at last successful, and, getting clear of his murderous enemy, he galloped off. The eagle was, however, speedily up again, and in full chase; but the intended victim made his escape sure by rushing into the woods at full speed. The eagle, rather ruffled in his gorgeous plumage, and no doubt much ruffled in his temper, soared aloft to look for his dinner elsewhere.

"Nevertheless," ended my friend, "it was a hard, and well-fought battle."

LOCH LOMOND, Lower Vlb.

THOUGHTS.

Were they watching me? A cold sweat had broken out on my forehead. Slowly I made my way down the road with my back almost glued to the wall. Motor lorries rumbled up and down the busy by-way. Lumbering trams lurched past. Certainly there was nothing wrong? There must be! That callous individual over the way must be able to see me.

What could I do? If I ran I should be noticed all the more, while if, on the other hand, I only walked, they would still be able to see me. There was one alternative—to stand still.

I stopped, unfortunately, outside a jeweller's shop. I shuddered when I realised that I was only arousing suspicion by standing there. Still! . . .

A gentle tap on my shoulder brought me back to my senses. I was confronted by a large and select portion of the police force.

"Come on, young man; better be moving." The climax had come. Again a cold sweat had broken out on my forehead. In standing still watching the traffic I had forgotten my plight. The motors still passed as before, the trams still swayed past. I noticed with increased fear, however, that more people looked at me. Perhaps it was the policeman who attracted their attention, perhaps not; it *might* be . . . ?

I heaved a sigh of relief. I was saved. With a feeling of lightness upon me I remembered that mother *had* mended my trousers.

J. N., Form Vb.

A FISHING EXPEDITION.

As I lay stretched out on the grassy cliff-top, gazing dreamily into the cool, green depths below, the dull regular murmur of each wavelet, as it lapped on the sandy shore, and the occasional cry of a sea-gull, wheeling aloft in the blue, cloudless sky, were the only sounds which broke the stillness of the scene. Below me, with the sun playing on its calm, crystal surface, and revealing here and there clumps of waving sea-weed, the circle of the tiny bay looked exactly like a huge swimming pool.

I turned my gaze seawards, and, shading my eyes with my hand, I could just make out the shape of a small boat rounding the furthestmost headland. It was making steadily towards the shore, for I watched it come nearer and nearer, until, about a quarter of an hour afterwards, I could hear the regular splash-splash of its oars. There was only one person in it—the old fisherman with the homely, rugged countenance, whom I had seen the day before. He looked up, and with a smile hailed me, “Would you like to come for a sail?” he cried, in Welsh, “I am going out immediately.”

Without stopping to answer him, I scrambled helter-skelter down the craggy cliffs, waded to the side of the gently rocking skiff, scrambled in, and sat down by his side. “Are you fishing for mackerel?” I asked, as he slowly pushed off. “Yes,” he replied, “and I’m told there’s a good shoal off the point.”

As soon as we had rounded the headland, there was a cool, salt breeze blowing in our faces, and the boat began dancing to and fro on the swell. Instructing me to hold the rudder, the old salt then proceeded to hoist a small sail. He dragged a short mast from the bottom of the boat, fixed it in an iron socket and slung a piece of dirty old canvas to the top of it, holding the other end fast. The small craft, catching the breeze, immediately shot forward, tossing the white foam from her prow, with a loud hissing noise. While we skimmed merrily along in this way, the old man began to prepare the tackle. He produced a tremendous length of stout twine from his pocket, and attached to its end a large hook, weighted with a heavy lump of lead. Baiting the hook with a piece of raw mackerel flesh, he paid the line out to its full extent, and tied the other end to the side of the boat. The bait, weighted so heavily, sank immediately, and was pulled taut by the force of the boat, as it skimmed along.

The fisherman then beckoned me to go and sit by the line and hold it in my hands. I did so, and, after about a minute's anxious waiting, I suddenly felt a violent tugging at the end of the line. I began excitedly to haul in, as quickly as possible: and sure enough, to my delight, I could see that there was a large mackerel about five feet down, struggling on the hook, its white belly gleaming eerily in the greenish-blue water. Slowly and steadily, I pulled it through the bubbling spray, and grasped it, wriggling, in my hands. How beautiful it looked, there in the sunshine, with the blue, green, and black markings rippling down its glistening back! "What a beauty!" I thought, as it lay struggling in the bottom of the boat, (but I was thinking of my supper!)

At last, after six hours' glorious sport, with the fish rising steadily to the bait, and the damp spray lashing our faces, we decided to put back to shore again. We were fully satisfied with the results of our expedition, for by this time there were at least fifty mackerel to our credit.

A bank of white, fleecy clouds had gathered on the horizon, and the sun, a ball of fire, was just dipping down behind it, casting a shimmer of gold along the waves. Not long after, when the grey shadows were lengthening along the craggy rocks, the old boat grated on the shingle, and I scrambled out, tired but happy. "Good night! and thank you for a glorious sail," I cried to the old man. He nodded his kindly head, and unfurled the tiny sail. Sadly, from the cliff top, I watched him phantom-like guide the grey boat into the dusk.

"And now for supper," I thought, as I turned gaily homewards, with the smell of fresh fish in my nostrils.

V.

HOW THE SCHOOL CRICKET REPORT REACHES THE READER.

Do you know how the reports of our cricket matches reach the readers of the local papers?

Do you realise that there is a £30,000 plant necessary before one of these papers can be published?

Do you know what is behind even a small newspaper?

No? Then lend me your attention for a few minutes.

Our match is played at Ingleborough Road. A score sheet is kept, containing the details upon which the Report is based. Batsmen's performances are noted, and the bowlers have a section to themselves. The tabulated scores are filled in, and the sheet is ready to be taken to the newspaper office.

Then this is what happens.

The Sports Editor glances over the report and gives a short introduction to the tabulated figures. The report is then sent down to the composing department, where the overseer, or chief compositor, hands it out to a linotype operator, who employs a £1,500 machine to put the report into type. There are about half a dozen of these machines in each of our local newspaper offices, and it is interesting to know that the machines set type at the speed of anything from 4,000 to 10,000 letters per hour. The report is now in type, and a print is made of it, so that the proof readers can see if the linotype operators have made any mistakes, typographical or grammatical.

When the proof of the report is marked O.K., the type is placed in a forme or frame to make a page. There are other cricket reports, together with general news, all neatly filled in, column by column, to make the page complete.

The page is then made up on an iron or stone table valued at about £60. This stone is the sacred place of a printing office, for all presentations, speeches, etc., are made over it with the staff gathered round.

The page, with other pages, is fastened up tightly with steel wedges and is then sent down a lift to the machine room, where the chief printer receives it and takes it to the printing press, a fine machine costing something like £7,000.

The paper rolls from which the newspaper is printed are already in position, and in a few minutes the machine is turning out papers at a speed of anything from 4,000 to 10,000 copies per hour.

The rolls from which the paper is printed are 5,000 yards long and each weighs a quarter of a ton. The machine which prints the paper weighs 28 tons; the type pages weigh about 100 lbs. each; there are eight half-ton steel cylinders flying round when the machine is in operation, and yet there is so little vibration that it is possible to stand a penny on its edge on any part of the frame of the machine, and the penny will remain upright throughout the entire run of three or four hours.

So you will see there is something behind our cricket reports as they appear in the local papers.

E. G., Form IVc.

SPEED.

He started with harmless intent,
 On a motor-bike journey through Kent.
 He killed a fat boar,
 And chickens galore
 There was slaughter wherever he went.

T. E. S., Form IIb.

THE TYPICAL SCHOOLBOY.

"Good Lor," said the schoolboy, sitting down to his homework, "What a day! I got an impot just because a drawing pin of mine happened to be on the master's seat. Accidents will happen. Then the Geography master! He said, "Point out the Black Sea and the Red Sea on that map." When I answered that I was colour-blind, he nearly had a fit. Then another pure accident happened. A drop of ink somehow slipped down my pen on to the next boy's paper. I got another impot for that. Soon I felt the pangs of hunger, so I took out an apple and began to eat it. Nothing to shout about! The master saw me and deprived me of a perfectly good apple. I'll bet he'd have been sorry if I'd died of starvation. I think he ate my apple himself. I hope it gave him the stomach-ache. After all it was a bit ancient. Then I got another impot for playing noughts-and-crosses with the next boy. Three impots in one day. "Good Lor." Then he sighed.

L. W., Form IIIc.

THE CORPSE.

A Russian Melodrama (recently escaped from Siberia).

SCENE I.

The Bar-room of the "Bomb and Whistle."

Imshky Umshky: Come, Peter Petrovitch Petrovovitch, away to the Morgue.

P.P.P.: No, Imshky Umshky, I must work; I must slave. I have my vodka to finish.

I.U.: I will also work. (They work steadily at vodka for half-an-hour. Curtain falls to indicate lapse of time).

SCENE II.

The same, half-an-hour later, curtain rises to indicate end of lapse of time.

I.U.: (In a syrupy snarl) :I killed her this morning before breakfast.

P.P.P.: Did you? Who?

I.U.: Catherine Feodora Popilpulski.

P.P.P.: What! the whole family?

I.U.: Alas! No. (He sheds a tear, which crashes to the ground, he looks at it reflecting and proceeds to wipe it up. Proceeds in an oscillatory undertone). It could not be otherwise; she was doomed to die. Only yesterday I had a premonition. As I was walking along the Avenue Babinky, I saw a molecule of Hydrogen dissociating wildly round the corner.

P.P.P.: An evil omen. (They both look morbid for a couple of minutes, but, brightening up, they become glum). But why did you kill her? And before breakfast, too?

I.U.: Menshevist! She was doomed beforehand. What else could I do?

P.P.P.: Of course, of course, how foolish of me!

I.U.: (Struck by a double twinge of remorse): Never again shall I see the beautiful Catherine Feodora Popilpulski. Those eyes, one on each side, how they haunt me, I see them now.

P.P.P.: Oh! yes.

I.U.: Two bright spherical orbs enclosed in the capsule of Tenon. See! there they are. One in the Benedictine and one in the Martell. (With a sigh of regret). Oh death! where is thy squint?

P.P.P.: It should be a case of "Drink to me only with thine eyes." But who was the beautiful Catherine Feodora Popilpulski?

I.U.: Ah! never again shall I beat her! Never again shall I shut my door in her face! Never again shall I leave her out all night! Gone are all my pleasures! Gone! Gone! Gone! (He throws himself on the couch and weeps dramatically).

P.P.P.: Yes! but who was she?

I.U.: The beautiful Catherine Feodora Popilpulski, sir, was our cat.

— L. D., Form IVb.

SPRING CLEANING (By a Victim).

When materfamilias announces that spring cleaning is about to begin, everyone groans and hastily beats a retreat, knowing the plan of campaign.

Ruin rapidly spreads, priceless pictures fall, dust rises in clouds, and loud sneezes are heard. The family is put on short rations and misery is everywhere. Old chests of twenty years ago are opened and pictures of grand parents and other ancestors tumble out. Conspicuous among old documents are unpaid bills, which are soon thrown in the fire.

In the kitchen ruin stares one in the face. Whitewash reigns supreme; even the food tasting of it.

After a struggle, to which the battles of Ypres are insignificant, spring cleaning is eventually finished amid rejoicing.

Father declares that spring cleaning is a "wash-out;" his helpmate, that it is useful; but she is over-ruled by the others, who declare that father is right. J. G., Form IIb.

THE SWISS TOUR.

It is probably well-known that a party, composed of members of the upper forms of our School, will visit Switzerland early in September. The expedition is to be organised under the able guidance of Mr. Allison and Mr. Davies.

Here is a brief account of the proposed itinerary for the tour, which will, I hope, interest not only those who are going to Switzerland, but also those who are not fortunate enough to be able to go. Starting on Monday, September 1st, we leave Lime Street Station, Liverpool, about 10 p.m., and arrive at Euston at half-past-five the next morning (all merry and bright, we hope!) At 10-0 a.m., we leave London (Victoria), for Dover, whence we sail at noon by steamer for Ostend, (Oh, may it be calm!) We have only a few minutes at Ostend, as we are due to leave there by the 4-20 p.m. train, which departs from Brussels at 6-33 p.m. and arrives at Metz six hours later, thus giving us ample time to enjoy the dinner which will be provided on the train. We are due at Basle at 7-20 a.m. Here we stay for two hours, during which time we are to have breakfast. I think there will be some customs formalities here, as it is a frontier town. At 8-48 a.m., we arrive at Lucerne and journey by Lake steamer to Stans, where we disembark and enter upon the last part of our journey, by rail up the Engelberg Valley, to our destination at Wolfenschiessen.

Wolfenschiessen, which is to be our headquarters during our stay in Switzerland, is situated about ten miles S.S.E. of Lucerne. The town is in the Engelberg Valley, which leads from the peaks of the Bernese Oberland into Lake Lucerne. The hotel at which we are staying has private tennis courts, swimming bath, and its own cinema.

Mr. Allison informs me that the intended excursions are as follows. The first one is to the top of the Stanserhorn, which is 6,233 feet high. We are going by mountain railway, which has a gradient of 1 in $2\frac{1}{2}$, and the summit commands a

magnificent view of the Bernese Oberland, Swiss Plateau, and the Jura. The second is by rail to Engelberg, a popular winter and summer resort, 3,300 feet above sea level. From this town a fine view of the surrounding snow-capped mountains is obtained, and, while here, we shall visit a Benedictine Monastery Church, one of the most beautifully decorated Churches in Europe. A further excursion is to be arranged, if possible, to various other resorts situated on Lake Lucerne. The Lake of the four cantons recalls memories of the early days of the Swiss Confederation—stories of Mediæval heroes struggling for freedom against the tyranny of Austria.

On September 9th, however, after breakfast, we leave Wolfenschiessen for Lucerne, where we have lunch. Thus an opportunity is provided for exploring the town, which is a perfect example of the welding of the ancient Mediæval city and the modern pleasure resort. The Kapellbrücke and the Spreuerbrücke, ("brücke" is the German for "bridge"), which span the River Reuss, the streets of the old town, the famous Lion monument, are well worth a visit. We depart from Lucerne at 6-45 p.m. for Basle, where we have dinner. At 8-50, we leave Basle, travelling via Strasburg, Metz, and Brussels, and having breakfast en route. It is hoped to make a short stay at Bruges, (the "Venice of the North"), during the morning of September 10th, and any stop here will be extremely interesting. If this can be arranged, we shall take the afternoon (instead of the morning) boat from Ostend to Dover and arrive home early on the morning of September 11th.

I am sure that all those who are going on this Swiss Tour will desire to join with me, in expressing their thanks to Mr. Allison for the excellent arrangements which he has made.

W.D.C.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Visor."

Dear Sir,

I do not see why our School should not have a Tennis Club. We have, among other societies, a Football Club, a Cricket Club, a Harriers' Club, and even a Badminton Club, so why not a Tennis Club?

If we should take up Tennis, there would be many boys willing to join. Besides, the equipment is not very expensive, while several who are willing to join already possess it.

Yours faithfully,

S. AMES, (Form IVc.)

VARIA.

It was omitted, in last term's "Visor," to mention the fact that two new scholarships had been awarded to the School. The thanks of the whole School are due to Mr. Peter W. Atkin and Mr. William Jackson, who so kindly presented these gifts, which are to be known as the Atkin Scholarships.

This year's Sports, held at Port Sunlight, on Wednesday, June 4th, were, for the second year in succession, attended by brilliant weather, and it is to be hoped that everybody enjoyed themselves. Some very handsome medals were given, instead of prizes, for certain events this year, and we hope that the boy who won the effectively decorated cake, for a prize, shared the joy and pain of his gift with many friends.

Our School Scout Group has presented to the School a very interesting set of Jamboree photographs, which were collected from Scouts and Cubs of the Group, and which the Headmaster kindly had framed.

We are sure that everyone has by now noticed the alteration to the trophy cupboard. It has been so altered as to facilitate the display of the new trophies which have been so kindly presented to the School.

An event to be entered in the School records is the fact that, on Monday, May 29th, the School's precious relic, the German mortar, had been pushed over by person or persons unknown, and it could not get up again. The Prefects and other members of the Upper VIth at once rescued it from its ignominious plight, and, after a great effort, restored it to its original position. In order to ensure that its dignity will not again suffer in this manner, the Janitor has secured, from an unknown source, a section of an "ancestral oak," which provides support for our war trophy.

It is pleasing to note that the collection made in the School, in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes, realised the sum of £1 12s. 5½d.

Much sorrow is felt at the approaching departure of Mr. Finn, and we trust that, wherever he goes, he will carry with him loving memories of the B.I. (such as the "Visor.")

The School is to have two new masters next term, one in place of Mr. Finn, for French and German, and another for History and Geography.

Some of our Third formers' ideas of Geometry are very enlightening. One boy says that "Two lines are said to be parallel when they meet each other and are always the same distances apart," and another talks about a "horizontal angle upwards."

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The new School blazer has proved a great success in the School generally, (whether the cause is the new badge or the gold colour is not known), and it looks as if we are well on the way to having all the pupils wearing one.

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Owing to the standardisation of the colour of the blazer badge, Atkin has adopted black and magenta, instead of the School black and gold.

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The new School cap is to be introduced next September, so that we would remind all those who wish to add an old one to the family museum, to buy one now, before it is too late—(they may be bought cheap at one of Birkenhead's leading firms).

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The new Colour caps are certainly most striking in appearance, and those who have had them presented to them are to be congratulated.

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McBride also is to be sincerely congratulated on his being made House Captain of Stitt, in place of Richards, who has left.

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What connection is there between a rainbow and the feelings of a man about to be hanged?

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Both are produced by internal reflections on the drop.

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Mr. Allison is arranging to take a party of thirty, from the Fifts and Sixths, to Switzerland this year. We wish this party a good and enjoyable time. A short account of this tour will be found on another page.

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We were very sorry to hear that Mrs. Clague has been hurt in a motor accident. Fortunately she received no serious injury, and is now well on the way to recovery.

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It is rumoured that the School labs. are actually to be brought more up to date. With an assembly hall, new classrooms, and modern labs., the School will soon be a place fit for heroes (at work) to live in.

Great excitement was caused, in the School, by the visit of the airship, R100, to this neighbourhood. In fact, the Swiss tourists are wondering whether it would not be better to travel by airship rather than by train and boat.

The introduction of the occasional singing of the "Creation Hymn" at Prayers is certainly an improvement, as the hymn is a most striking one, when sung by a large assembly.

While mending the blind in one of the form rooms, "Janny" had the misfortune to miss his footing and fall among the desks. Luckily no bones were broken, and after a day or two, during which Coughtrie gallantly rang the bell, he was able to resume his duties.

To celebrate Owens's remarkable score of 92, the 1st XI. were allowed to go and watch the Lancashire v. Australians Match at Aigburth, and it is to be hoped that their future displays will show some improvement in consequence of this visit. The recent "century," not out, scored by Owens seems to show that he, at least, has reaped some benefit.

A boy in a General Knowledge Paper said that Rotten Row was the inside of a bad bloater.

The School has this term lost two of its most popular members in Mason and Richards, and we would take this opportunity of wishing them farewell and every success in their future careers.

One of the worst features of the countryside, at present, is the amount of litter that is left lying about, so that we would urge all boys to do their bit towards tidiness by keeping the School premises and grounds as free from waste paper as possible and carry on the good work.

"In England's green and pleasant land."

The "Visor" Committee would like to thank the advertisers in the magazine for their kind support and asks all members of the School to support them.

The Committee also begs to acknowledge the receipt of the following magazines:—"Oulton," "The Inkwell," and "Higher Tranmere High School Magazine."

ATKIN HOUSE NOTES.

House Master—Mr. F. BLOOR.

House Captain—G. V. OVENS.

The House has had, on the whole, a quite successful term, and has improved in both sport and school-work.

At cricket, our Senior eleven won a decisive victory over Stitt. Our opponents were all out for 66, while we made 87 for two wickets, Ovens scoring 50 and Walker 22. Our Intermediate and Junior teams lost to both Stitt and Tate. The House is represented in the 1st XI. by Ovens and Robinson, and in the 2nd XI. by Johnson, Powl, Shipley, Smith, and Walker. Ovens has made two record scores this season; he made 92 against Rock Ferry High School and 102 (not out) against Holt Secondary School.

At the Sports, although individual members ran well, the House as a whole did badly, gaining only third position. Ovens, our most successful member, was runner-up for the Victor Ludorum. We had first man home in all hundred yards races except the Open, the winners being Dunning, J. O. Jones, and Winter. Our Senior and Intermediate Relay teams both finished second:—Wharton, Walker, Dunning, and Ovens running in the Senior Relay, and Parry, Barker, Ramsden, and J. O. Jones in the Intermediate.

We beat Stitt in the first round of the Tug-of-War, thanks to Ovens's coaching and constant practice during the previous week, but we were beaten on Sports Day by a heavy Tate team which won the odd pull.

The results in the Cross Country Run, at the end of last term, were disappointing, as both Seniors and Juniors ran badly. In the Senior run, points were awarded for the first ten in each house to arrive home; only five Atkins boys finished. Todd, who ran in the Junior pack, was third.

At the beginning of the term, for the first time this year, we succeeded in securing first place in the fortnightly mark lists, but since then we have dropped to third.

Ovens, who has now been House Captain for four years, has shown himself a very able captain, and we shall be sorry to lose him at the end of this term.

Our House colour has now been changed from gold to magenta. Let us hope this change has given satisfaction.

G. R.

STITT HOUSE NOTES.

House Master—Mr. WATTS.

House Captain—T. N. McBRIDE.

A very pleasing feature this year is the enthusiasm shown by the Junior boys in the interests of the House.

In football, Stitt have maintained the high position of former years. Our final table for the season was:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Seniors	3	...	2	...	0	...	1 ... 6 ... 4 ... 5
Inters	6	...	4	...	1	...	1 ... 23 ... 7 ... 9
Juniors	6	...	5	...	1	...	0 ... 32 ... 17 ... 10
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	15	...	11	...	2	...	2 ... 61 ... 28 ... 24
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In the Cross-Country Run, Stitt won both the Junior and Senior events. In each we had the 2nd and 3rd men home; Braide and Smith, G. W., in the Senior, and Cumming and Pott in the Junior.

Stitt House finished 2nd in the House Championship at the School Sports, with the creditable aggregate of 36 points. This was a decided improvement on last year's result. As there are many very promising junior runners in the house, we expect better results in the future. Our Senior Relay Team, which finished 3rd, was Anderson S. E., McBride T. N., Shaw G. W., and Smith G. W.

Our Junior Relay Team was Simms R. L., Boggie D., Taylor H., and Colenso R. They also finished third.

In the Junior School Relay we again finished third.

Our team was King R., Blair G., Bell V., and Gallagher J.

Although Stitt had the heaviest tug-of-war team, we were beaten by Atkin in the first round, by 2 pulls to 0.

So far this season Stitt have fared quite well in Cricket. In the Seniors we were defeated by Atkin by 87 for 2 against 66. Our score was due mainly to McBride (28), Richards (12), and Currie (7). McBride took the only two Atkin wickets which fell.

In the Intermediate we defeated Atkin by 64 runs to 40. Smith G. W., took 5 Atkin wickets for 11 runs. We also met with success against Westminster, defeating them by 71—3 against 46. In this match both Smith G. W., and Taylor secured "hat-tricks."

In the Junior section we defeated Atkin by 28 runs to 16. Taylor had the very fine analysis of 7 wickets for 5 runs.

Westminster just managed to defeat us by 1 run in a very exciting match. The score was Stitt 36 Westminster 37.

We are all very sorry to lose our House Captain, G. N. Richards, who left School this term to take up a post in the Cunard Offices, Liverpool. He has done valiant service for the House, and had its reputation very much at heart. Richards was one of the few boys who obtained double colours. The House wish him every success in his career.

We congratulate McBride on winning his colours cap, and being elected Captain of his House.

House Representatives in School Elevens:—1st XI. Richards, McBride, Currie; 2nd XI. Neil, Glaister, Pott, Silcock, Smith G. W.

TATE.

House Master—Mr. HARRIS.

House Captain—A. W. BURNET.

So far, this year has not been a very successful one for Tate. But, although we did not do well in Football, the Cricket results are much more hopeful.

In the positions given for fortnightly marks, Tate has not done as well this term as last. We have not yet been top, but there is still time, if every member will exert himself for the sake of the House.

In Football, the House did not fare very well. It is pleasing to note, however, that the players turned up at last season's matches much better than they did the season before. Here is the final table:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Seniors	3	...	1	...	2	...	0 ... 15 ... 9 ... 2
Inters.	5	...	1	...	3	...	1 ... 13 ... 23 ... 3
Juniors	6	...	1	...	4	...	1 ... 16 ... 26 ... 3

In the cross country run, held at the end of last term, Tate was fairly well represented, but finished only third in both runs. The House total for the Senior run was 212 points, and, for the Junior, 156 points.

In the Athletic Sports Competition, Tate fell back again to last place, with 33 points, and Westminster are to be congratulated on their easy win. Our relay teams were:—Rigby, Watkins, Pugh and Minns, in the Senior: Harrahill, Davies, L., Jones, A., and Brame, in the Junior: Fenner, Williams, G., Mayo and Tong, in the Junior School. These teams made a gallant effort, but were not fortunate enough to carry off the premier honours.

We were much more successful in the Tug-of-War, winning this fairly easily. We pulled against Westminster in the semi-final and Atkin in the final, our team being:—Burnet, Barton, Dutton, Elliott, Parry, Rigby, Symons and Wallace.

The results of the cricket matches that have been played so far this term are very hopeful. In the Senior House Matches, we have won our only match, against Westminster, by 6 wickets. In the Inters, we won against Westminster by 61 runs to 28, and against Atkin by 52 runs to 11. Only in the Juniors have we lost, against Westminster, by 3 wickets. Thus, if every member of the House puts all his efforts and support into the success of these matches, there is no reason at all why we should not win the House Championship.

1st XI. Representatives:—Burnet (Capt.), Minns, Parry, Allsopp and Dutton.

2nd XI. Representatives:—Wallace, Cross and Fryer.

Of these representatives, Burnet has his colours, and all these members of Tate are to be congratulated on their success.

This term is the last of the School year, so that, to our House Captain, A. W. Burnet, and all other members of the House who are leaving at the end of the term, the House says a regretful “Farewell,” and wishes them every success in their future careers.

W.D.C.

WESTMINSTER HOUSE NOTES.

House Master—Mr. F. W. JONES.

House Captain—T. J. ANDREWS.

This term is outstanding in the records of the House, due to the fact that we hold the Sports Championship for the third year in succession, and that our House Captain is Victor Ludorum for the second consecutive year. We have also upheld our reputation in other ways.

At the end of the Football Season Stitt were Champions in this department, Westminster being runners-up, having equal points in the Seniors. The tabulated results were as follows:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Seniors	3	2*	0	1	8	4	5
Inters	4	1	2	1	9	6	3
Juniors	5	3	1	1	21	2	7

Representatives of the House gained first places in both Senior and Junior Cross-Country Runs at the end of last term, but the House gained second position in total points for each of these runs.

The first place in the Senior run was gained by Horne, and in the Junior run by Marsh A. J.

The Junior Cricket team has done well this season, having played and won two matches, one against Tate by 8 wickets, and the other against Stitt by one run.

The Intermediate team have also played two, both of which were lost, one to Tate and one to Stitt. The Seniors have played only one match, which we lost to Tate; we hope for better luck in our forthcoming matches.

Andrews is the only Westminster cricket "colours," and he and Lea represent the House in the 1st XI.; 2nd XI. representatives are Rice, Roberts, Hough and Sarginson.

As already noted, we did extremely well in the Sports. The House carried off the three Relay Race Cups, and won the Championship Shield. As we are the first House to hold this shield, we have the distinction of having the name of our House engraved first upon it. Our total was 73 points, Stitt, the runners-up, having 38.

Although we are very pleased to have been so far ahead of the rest, we feel that the tussle would have been more exciting had there been closer competition.

Andrews, our Captain, is to be congratulated on his total of 15 points, for which he won the Victor Ludorum Cup. He was winner of the 100 yds., 220 yds., 440 yds., long-jump, and hurdles. Others who distinguished themselves were Horne, Baxter, and Walker.

To turn from sport to work, we can say that here we have been equally successful. Only once have we failed to head the mark sheets this term.

It is with regret that we bid farewell to Mr. Finn, and to our Captain and Vice-Captain, who will have left us next term. We thank them heartily for all they have done for the House, and give them every good wish for the future.

LIBRARY NOTES.

Once more originality has been the keynote of our activities and, as a result, we have disproved the ancient saying that a prophet is without honour in his own land, for one of our most famous inhabitants has had his talent recognised and appreciated. With patient care and concentration, with loving precision and accuracy, with solemn ceremony and ritual, with careful enquiry, and research, with microscope and telescope, spectroscope and electroscope—yea even with megascope and tienoscope have we sought, tracked and searched for relics, souvenirs and mementos of our famous Person (Alas! Fear and the censor prevent me mentioning his name). Each exhibit was then carefully labelled and locked safely behind the glass of the cupboard, where they lay in state for two days, the circumstances then necessitating their speedy removal. But it was a great event, the memory of which will be handed down unto the third and fourth generations of Librarians.

I should mention that this same person is Master of the music and arranges those morning promenade concerts given by a selection of the school's persevering if somewhat painful pianists.

In spite of the fact that six members of this abode of genius are dwelling in the valley of the shadow of the H.S.C., we have contrived to remain cheerful—in fact, it has been suggested that the reason for the looks of joy so apparent on our countenances is the sweet thought that Up. VIa. will be leaving us at the end of this term. But let me pass on to mention one who has already left us—G. N. Richards. He is now in the Cunard Offices, Liverpool, where we hope he is starting a successful career. His departure is mourned by all who knew him. Friends please accept this the only intimation. No flowers by request.

I have one other item of news. Owing to the spell of warm weather which we recently experienced, our horticultural inclinations, viz., a waste-paper box rockery, recorded in last terms notes, have been superseded by rather closer and more personal desires, e.g., a pipe to the kitchen, the source of the Janitor's "mystery drinks," by which the afore-said refreshment might be "relayed" to the library on hot afternoons. I might mention that this latter suggestion has received the unanimous support of the Library. D.M.

CUBBY HOLE NOTES.

The form is now reduced to eight loyal members, the others having departed to take up situations; we wish them the best of luck.

Now that there are only four double desks needed, the remaining six could easily be removed. The space left suggests that the remaining four be also ejected, eight cosy arm-chairs substituted and arranged in a crescent shape, focussing on a silk eastern divan for the masters; why not?

Tapestries could also be hung around the prison-like walls, each having on it the picture of some early martyr, (e.g. Carter), who has fought for the ancient rights of the Cubby Hole. A carved oak mantelpiece, (supporting a cuckoo clock and a pair of Egyptian vases), and a draught screen before the fire would complete the drawing-room.

At present, we are studying food values. Thus we are pleased to say that we can recommend two eggs, one orange, and a tablespoonful of cod liver oil as a square meal; the last item especially seems very appetising. We have also discovered that cows fed on grass give better milk than cows fed on such winter foods as turnips and root crops. As milk is an excellent food, we are preaching that human beings should start eating grass so as to save the cows all the trouble, while one will not have to wait for milk "viâ la vache."

Daisy II., (the form mascot), continues to lead an uneventful life, but unfortunately, (at the time of going to press), some cruel boy has extracted one of her pearly eyes. We wish her better success than her predecessor, Daisy I., who departed this life on June 2nd, with a broken neck. Her burial lingers in the minds of all. As every dog has his day, so Daisy I. had her day, but now Daisy II. has risen to fame.

We desire to state that if the canteen at the pavilion is to be kept on its feet, more buns and lemonade must be bought by spectators and players at the ground.

R.D.T.

FORM NOTES.**Lower Via.****SPECIAL ATTRACTION.**

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The form is well represented in both cricket teams. Burnet, our "crack-shot," is a persevering little boy at his practice—but not at cricket. However, we are greatly inspired by his new colours cap.

We should also like to take this opportunity to impart a little advice to our friend, Minns. It would be of more advantage if he were able to catch the ball with his hands, instead of his eye. Perhaps a milk diet would steady his nerves.

Dutton must be congratulated upon his promotion, and also upon his untiring concentration on blackboard work. He has been watching it for so long, that we are momentarily waiting for its disappearance.

Little Leslie is still trying hard to prove that "music hath charms," while A. Hyatt Williams finds the climate very suitable for hatching his eggs.

It has been suggested that the intense heat of the form-room might be utilised to force our "matrices," but the regular supply of H₂S. from next door has proved fatal, preventing the budding plants from blooming (or the blooming plants from budding). Neither is the sunshine derived wholly from without, as one of our members has adopted a perpetual "charming smile." Most probably he is practising for a "grinning match,"—and he ought to win.

The envy of many forms has been roused by the introduction of a new French "text" book, with which our studies go on apace. The widely spreading epidemic of "likely questions" is gradually undermining our health. Truly, "the impending woe sits heavy on our chests."

Lower Vlb.

The Form can certainly claim to have had a hand in all the School activities of this year. In Cricket we are represented by Robinson, McBride, Currie, Lea, in the 1st XI., and in the 2nd XI. by Smith G. W. and Neil. Since several members of the 1st XI. and representatives of the form watched the Australian cricketers at Aigburth and beheld the wonderful catches of Richard Tyldesley, one member has claimed to have mastered the "Dick" Tyldesley catch.

In the cross-country race the first three home were members of Vlb. It is a coincidence that Horne, Braide, and Smith G. W., were the first three in the Mile at the School Sports.

In Form cricket we have lost only one of the four matches played, and that one was against Vlc., when our first eleven players were too tired to play owing to the strenuous practice put in at nets.

One lively person seems destined to become a commercial traveller. He has already tried to sell an old free wheel. Anybody wanting this article should apply to H*r*e.

Masters beware—we have a great critic in the form. If McL*n**an is not careful, he will be obtaining a pass in the Matric. in Mathematics. C.R.C.

Lower Vlc.

Out of a total number of twenty-eight only four members are in the School cricket teams, of whom two are in the 1st XI., one in the 2nd, and one in the 3rd XI. Although the form is very keen on cricket, only one match has been won out of the three matches played. In this match, against Lower Vlb., we managed to win quite easily, by 46 runs to 32, but in the other two matches we were beaten by a fairly wide margin.

Besides being very keen on cricket the form is also very keen on the Tuesday morning swimming lessons, and this was proved not very long ago, when one boy dived in with his singlet on, in his hurry to get into the water. S.P.

Va.

We were surprised at the beginning of this term by the reappearance of Christian, our budding gymnast, who, we thought, had departed this life last term in order to win great fame in public spheres—not an unpleasant surprise, Chrissy.

We are pleased to congratulate G. W. Shaw (S.), on his success at the Sports. He carried off first prize in the 220 yards (under 15), and second prize in the 100 yards (under 15), a feat which he should easily surpass next year. Keep it up, Gordon!

Cricket is now all important. Out of 3 matches, we have won 1 and lost 2. First Vb. defeated us, 77—15, Richards hitting 6 of our 15 runs. We atoned somewhat for that horrible downfall by beating Vc. with 50 runs for 3 against 46. Again, however, Vb. brought us to the dust with a score of 71 for 6—43, "Trib" Seville making 13 for us. Barker is our crack bowler, with the blood of 17 wickets on his hands, while Bird hath slain 10, and I must not forget Seville's 1 wicket. By the way, that worthy saith that anthracite is a disease, but his pal interposeth, spouting thus, "Nay laddie, that is the new insect that Professor Greaves discovered." Also, friend L**s informs Mr. Wood that $4 \times 2 = 6$ (Sh-h! Va.'s Revised Maths 2/- net). Tragedy of tragedies, a fierce monster, known unto the form mythology as the "Gobe," stalks daily through our ranks, striking terror into the hearts of the small fry. Cl*rks*n will show you a photo of t he "Gobe" if you ask him nicely.

We were represented at the annual Chess "feed" by eight of our members, of whom Marsh gained first prize in Division II., while Ashton was runner-up in Division III.

In conclusion, I am sure we all wish the greatest success in the future to Mr. Finn, our form master, of whose impending departure we regret to hear. "Adieu, Monsieur!"

W.H.M.

Vb.

At cricket we have, so far, been even more successful than we were at football. Up to the present we have played three matches and have won them all. The scores against Va. were 17 to 15, both extremely low, and 71 for 6 to 43. The game against Vc. was equally successful, the score being 81 to 25.

We are well represented in the School teams, having L. Cross, A. Fryer, K. Rice, N. Shipley, and J. A. Smith, in the 2nd XI., and T. A. Jones and C. A. Shaw in the 3rd XI. T. A. Jones, D. May, C. A. Shaw, and K. Rice, moreover, are in the Colts. Hence we may say that cricket is one of our strong points.

The form was just as successful in the Sports as it has been in cricket. E. Walker obtained three prizes, being second in the hurdles, second in the long-jump, and a member of Westminster House Relay team. N. Shipley won the Obstacle race, while O. A. Shaw was in the second team in the Open Relay. By a stroke of ill luck J. G. Keates just missed the first place in the Senior High Jump and had to be content with second place.

In the exams, last Easter, L. Ince was first, and E. Brewster, N. Shipley, and E. Ambler, second, third, and fourth, respectively. In Chess J. Green was head of the third Division.
J.N.

Vc.

We have not done well at cricket this term, having lost the only two matches we have played, the one against Vb., the other against Va. However, as we are to meet both these forms again before the end of June, we are hoping to have our revenge.

At the Sports four of our members succeeded in gaining prizes or medals. E. Dunning won the 100 yards, and took third place in the 220 yards, under fifteen, Watkins came home third in the open 220 yards, and Elliot and Barton were both in the winning team of the House tug-of-war. Two of the boys of this form have recently left, namely Clampitt and Kennedy; we wish them the best of luck.

We are represented in the 1st XI. by Allsopp, and in the 3rd by Laird, Morrell, and Watkins.

But for the frequent disappearances of board-dusters, and the occasional slips of the master's chair, life in Vc. would be very dull.

L.A.

IVa.

Things have calmed down a bit this term, I think it is because this is the most important term. A new feature is that on a hot day we are allowed to take our jackets off, to keep us cool and in working order.

One day, in the middle of a geography lesson, a boy was asked if a certain river was straight; he answered that it was, but that it had a bend in it.

The Sports were welcomed by competitors and non-competitors alike, and the form was quite successful, Barker winning a prize and two medals, Kendrick a prize and one medal, Taylor a football, and Collinson a medal.

Evans is to be congratulated on obtaining eight stars in one fortnight.

At the Chess Social all our members were present, and all agreed later that it was O.K.

We have been very successful in our cricket matches, having lost only one match; we have beaten IVb. twice, IIIc. once and lost to IVc.

C.M.

IVb.

In a recent exam, one "fount of knowledge" wrote that the Elizabethan gentlemen wore "doubloons" and hose. It would be funny to see him walking about with a plus-four suit of Spanish coins. He'd make the Pearly kings jealous.

Lately, M**sh's pet white mouse was seized with convulsions, but, after an agony of suspense, we learnt that it had recovered and it is now quite its normal self.

H*****, our strong man, is to be congratulated on opening the supposed closed, middle window. The inrush of fresh air thus does our nervous(?) systems the world of good, besides improving our sapped-up energy.

We haven't won one cricket match yet, but we are still hopeful!

G.M.

IV.

We are now looking forward to a successful cricket season. So far we have played two matches, one against IVb. and the other against IVa. Needless to say we won them both. Nevertheless we have to play these forms again. However, we are confident of victory, so we may be recognised as "cock" Form of the Fourths.

Pott and Roberts are our sole representatives in the second eleven. In the third eleven, we have Silcock, who has played for the second eleven two or three times this season. In the Colts Silcock, Pott and Roberts.

In the first Form match, Silcock (captain) bowled the last two men out in the same over for no runs. This performance was repeated in the second match.

Our form carried off five prizes in the Sports. Colenso won a Cricket Bat, a Cricket Ball, and a Fountain pen. Pott and Edwards each won a medal.

The following is a little joke that took place in our Form-room just before going to Press:—

Mr. Williams: "Now V-n-b-e- what did I say?"

V-n-b-e: (just waking up) "I don't know, Sir."

Mr. Williams: "You will not work, you know. What is your head for?"

B-a-e: (from front of class) "To keep his ears apart."

D.R.W.

IIIa.

Considering that we have won three Inter-form matches out of three and have also beaten the Juniors, we are surely justified in congratulating ourselves on a highly successful cricket season.

We are glad to see that one of the rows which formed part of the "Flying Squad" held the first five boys in the last fortnightly exam. We give a hearty welcome to H. D. Jones who came into our form this term.

A certain youth, in translating his French, said that the bull broke one of his cornes against a tree, while another unfortunate, when asked the shape of the base of an oblong prism, answered that it was a square.

Our famous motoring engineer made an unsuccessful attempt to bring back his model racing motors, but, after a few days the idea collapsed.

M****t and some friends have the babyish idea of making paper boats, which they sail on the desks.

IIIb.

At the beginning of the term, Iveson was voted captain of cricket and Hughes was retained as vice-captain. At cricket, as at football, the form is poor, the main reasons for this being that the matches are badly organised, and the best men available are not chosen. We have played three matches and have won 1 and lost 2.

Hulton is to be congratulated upon making the only decent stand in the first match, making 6 out of the total 8. Shone is an easy first in the batting averages with an average of 7.33, Boggie coming second with 4.75. These, it might be said, are not exactly averages to be proud of, but I trust that we shall buck up in the future.

The form now goes to swimming, but we are sorry to say that not many of us can swim.

Percy and G. G. are still amusing us, and it seems as though some more have joined the congregation of asses, one person telling us that "gamin" was the French for "left handed boy," while another mildly said that an "Earless" was an earl's wife.

Only once has Boggie failed to top the mark sheets, so we are waiting for the day to dawn when he will be pulled from his high perch. At present most of us are, in fact, trying to avoid "underlines" and to break Evans's record of eight stars.

C.G.

IIIc.

The report that Ma**h**s recently cleared out his warehouse, beg pardon, his desk, and held an auction sale of the contents is unfounded. However, if this did happen, the proceeds of the sale would be quite high, for at least three-quarters of the contents could be used to make paper aeroplanes.

Our friend Pe**h*m recently had four stars on the mark-sheet. He now thinks that these are worth a planet.

Master Tr**g has caused a commotion! During science the subject was that, although a cork buoyed up a piece of lead, the lead, nevertheless, caused the cork to sink somewhat. Tr**g doubted this. He was then asked, "When you go fishing the float must be partly submerged; what do you put on the end of your line?" Master Tr**g innocently replied, "Please, sir, a worm."

Sh**no*, our professor of music, has been let loose again. I prophecy that the School piano will soon give up the unequal struggle.

The form does quite well in Swimming, possessing many swimmers, and having two champions in Pringle and Peckham.

Up to the time of going to print we have played four cricket matches, losing against IVa. and IIIa., and losing one and winning one against IIIb. We have still two matches to play.

L.W.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NOTES.

During the early part of the term most of the energy of the Juniors has been devoted to training for the School Sports. House rivalry is very keen, and the entries for races reached a very high total this year. The obstacle race in particular seems to have a popular appeal, in spite of the fact that some of the more substantial of us find great difficulty in surmounting some of the obstacles.

A new event was included this year, a cup being presented by the Staff for a Junior School Relay race. It was won by Westminster, with Tate as runners-up.

The Cub pack again has successes to report. In the recent Handwork Exhibition it was largely instrumental in winning the group shield, and our large display of work was particularly commended.

At the Cub Sports held on May 31st, the School pack again carried off the shield, winning it very easily. During the recent fine weather we have been holding our meetings in the garden, and we hope to picnic at Hilbre before the end of the term.

The field at Prenton, which the Junior School uses on Wednesday afternoons, has, unfortunately, been sold, so that only one match has been played this term. This was against IIIa. The Juniors, captained by Tong, were all out for 35 runs, the IIIa. team being all out for 58. Form IIb. beat IIa. last Monday, and it is hoped that the second forms will be able to play—and beat—a combined team from the third forms sometime this term.

We congratulate Blair and Coughtrie (IIa.) on their success in the recent scholarship examination, each having won a scholarship to the Senior School. H.M.D.

CHess NOTES.

The Chess season was brought to a finish on Thursday, June 19th, when the annual general meeting and tea took place. In his report for the season, Mr. Moat, after giving the tournament results (published in our last notes), referred to the fact that the first five boards of the school team would be leaving in July, and appealed to members of the lower divisions to come forward and help the club to maintain its prominent position on Merseyside.

Mr. Bryson, the captain of the Liverpool Chess Team, after distributing the prizes among the Green and the Marsh families, gave a very entertaining speech, and congratulated the club on its enthusiasm and success.

Afterwards Mr. Bryson gave a simultaneous display in which he took on 21 boards, being opposed on several by boys in consultation. Mr. Bryson won 12 of these games, drew 4, and lost 5.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Finn is leaving us, and should like to thank him for his encouragement to the club, and to wish him every success in his new post. L.B.W.

DEBATING SOCIETY NOTES.

A meeting of the Society was held on June 19th, for the purpose of electing officers for the approaching Session.

The Headmaster and Mr. Allison were unanimously re-elected President and Chairman respectively, and Matthews was elected Secretary in succession to A. V. Humphreys.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring Secretary for his splendid organisation and untiring help in making the debates a success.

A programme of interesting debates is being prepared for next term, and it is hoped many boys, especially from the fifth and sixth forms, will attend. E.J.M.

THE HARRIERS CLUB.

Although there have been no meetings of the Harriers Club this term, there are two important meetings of last term which have not been reported.

At the end of March the Harriers had their first Inter-School Match. It was against Liverpool Institute who brought over a veteran team, including Rodgers, the Liverpool and District Youths' Champion. L. I. by their fast start, rather demoralised our team, who nevertheless kept gamely to their men. When the teams reached the snow-covered fields, however, B. I., finding they could hold the Liverpool Harriers place, began to pick up. Finally, after a hard fight, Horne beat Rodgers, and the two teams drew.

The positions of the B. I. team were Horne, 1st; C. D. Thomas, 4th; Ward, 6th; Rigby, 7th; Gibson, 10th; and Shaw, 11th.

On April 3rd, about 180 Seniors and Juniors turned out for the first annual Inter-house run. The Senior run, over the School course, and the Junior run, over the Golf links, both resulted in a win for Stitt. Horne led for the first mile or so in the Senior run, but was then challenged by Braide, who forced the pace till the finish. The running throughout was most consistent.

Horne (W.), Braide (S.), and Smith (S.), were the first three home in the Senior run, while Marsh (W.), Cumming (S.), and Todd (A.), were the first three in the Junior run. The final order of the houses was decided by the positions of the first seven of each house in the Junior run, and of the first ten of each house in the Senior run. In the Juniors Stitt was first with 71 points, Westminster second with 79 points, Tate third with 156 points and Atkin last with 181 points. In the Seniors, Stitt was first with 152 points, Westminster second with 168 points and Tate third with 212 points, while Atkin had only five men running.

As with all other clubs in the school, many members of the Harriers will be leaving at the end of this term. Hence it is to be hoped that there will be a great number of recruits next year.

D.R.

NATIONAL SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

This Society is in a thriving condition. Numerically and financially it is easily the strongest in the School, members' subscriptions this term totalling £103 17s. od. up to July 4th.

Sometimes we have a windfall, as when a member decides to withdraw his savings-bank balance and buy certificates, which are twice as profitable. This is worth thinking about.

We now publish a statement of the amount collected each week, so that members may go to the notice board and watch their savings grow.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

No formal meetings have been held this term, the general decision of the previous session being that the time should be devoted to visiting places of interest.

Accordingly, through the good offices of Mr. Watts, we succeeded in obtaining permission for a small party to visit the Liverpool Post and Mercury printing works on Wednesday, the 25th June.

Upon our arrival we made the acquaintance of Mr. Hawthorne, who, after a short but interesting introductory talk on the production of the newspapers, personally conducted us around the works, commenting on the various processes and answering our manifold questions.

We were greatly interested in the "linotype," viewed it from all positions, and succeeded in coaxing the operator to show us the inside cauldron where the molten metal produced was forced into 'matrices' or brass moulds to form type, the empty moulds being returned by an ingenious device to the 'magazine.' The lines of type were assembled to form pages, which were passed to the 'flog' department, where composition sheets received the impress of the type. These sheets passed to the foundry, where metal casts were made, smoothed, trimmed, and transferred to the printing machines, which printed and folded papers at the rate of 30,000 copies per hour.

Afterwards we visited the photographic department, came away bewildered with details, and then descended to watch the 'Echo' being supplied with stop-press additions.

On the whole we spent a very enjoyable afternoon and left with a rather hazy impression of everything, since in so short a time we had seen such great detail, and, as Mr. Watts remarked, we students of pure science derived considerable benefit from such a marvellous example of applied science.

In conclusion, we must thank Mr. Hawthorne, in particular, and the Liverpool Post and Echo Staff, in general, for a highly interesting afternoon. G.W.

SCOUT NOTES.

The end of this term brings to a close a very successful year's scouting. Although the numbers of the troop have not increased by any considerable amount, the number of badges won by the troop is much larger than that of previous years. As the number of badges gained is one measure of the keenness and enthusiasm of the members of the troop, we can safely say that a great deal of progress is being made.

During this term we have become the holders of two Challenge Shields—one for swimming and the other for handicrafts. These shields, however, were presented to the Group and would not have been won but for some very excellent work on the part of the cubs in the Junior School Pack. The cubs must also be congratulated on winning, for the second year in succession, the Challenge Shield at the Inter-Pack Athletic Sports.

A very enjoyable Competitive evening was held in the School Gymnasium early in the term. The School troop did well in all the competitions; Bird won the 'knotting race' very easily. His time for six different knots was slightly less than half a minute.

One of our exhibits in the Handicrafts Exhibition was a collection of photographs of the World Jamboree, taken by scouts and cubs in the School group. This collection of very interesting "snaps" was artistically arranged by Coughtrie and Timlinson and, after exhibition, was presented to the School.

Since Easter several very enjoyable week-end camps have been held at Burton, the one at Whitsun being particularly well attended. These form excellent training for the summer camp, which, this year, is to be held at Red Wharf Bay, Anglesey, where we are looking forward to spending a very enjoyable fortnight.

SCOUTER.

CRICKET.

The School team has had a fairly successful season up to date, having won six games and lost four. This record is quite good, but better results were expected, for at the beginning of the season we had no fewer than five old "colours." Perhaps too much reliance has been placed on them, although there are several promising young players in the two elevens.

The School batting has generally been very steady, and several good scores have been made. Outstanding among these are two fine innings by Ovens. Against Rock Ferry, Ovens created a record by making 92, only to break it by a hard-hit innings of 102 not out against Holt Secondary School. On this occasion Ovens gave a great display of forcing cricket, scoring his runs out of 144 in an hour and a half.

Burnet, Andrews, Mason and McBride have also batted very well on occasion.

In bowling, Burnet, Lea and Ovens have been our mainstay, although Robinson and Currie have also done well. The most notable performance was that against Bootle, who were dismissed for 19 runs.

The School fielding has been a feature of every game, and to it much of our success is to be attributed.

1st XI. RESULTS.

School v. Wallasey Grammar School. School 88 (Mason 30, Ovens 17, Robinson 14); Wallasey 90 for 9 wickets (Burnet 3 for 17).

School v. Quarry Bank. School 43 (Andrews 20, Ovens 11); Quarry Bank 54 (Burnet 5 for 19).

School v. Rock Ferry High School. School 174 for 8 wickets, declared (Ovens 91, Burnet 19, Richards 13, Mason 13); Rock Ferry 53 (Lea 3 for 10, Currie 2 for 9, Burnet 2 for 16).

School v. St. Edward's College. School 57 (McBride 21, Burnet 19); St. Edward's 45 (Burnet 5 for 10, Lea 4 for 17).

School v. Waterloo Secondary School. School 30 for 7 (Ovens 12); Waterloo 28 (Ovens 8 for 13).

School v. Liverpool Collegiate. School 37 (Ovens 22); Collegiate 40 (Ovens 5 for 17, Burnet 3 for 16).

School v. Bootle Secondary School. School 83 (Ovens 27, Lea 13, Andrews 11) ; Bootle 49 (Burnet 5 for 20, Lea 2 for 3).

School v. School Ship "Conway." School 78 (Burnet 21, Minns 14) ; "Conway" 98 (Robinson 4 for 14, Burnet 3 for 29).

School v. Prefects. School 85 for 7 (Dutton 22, McBride 20, Currie 16 ; Burnet 3 for 21 ; Prefects 82 (Mason 25, Ovens 19, Burnet 19 not out ; Robinson 3 for 15).

School v. Holt Secondary School. School 144 (Ovens 102 not out, Andrews 13, Burnet 11) ; Holt Secondary School 60 (Burnet 5 for 37).

School v. Oulton Secondary School. School 84 (Burnet 25, McBride 22, Andrews 13) ; Oulton 46 (Currie 7 for 5, Lea 2 for 17).

School v. Bootle Secondary School. School 121 (Ovens 32, McBride 30) ; Bootle 19 (Burnet 6 for 10, Lea 4 for 7).

2nd XI. RESULTS

School v. Wallasey Grammar School. School 54 for 7 (Allsopp 23, Dutton 20 not out) ; Wallasey 128 for 7 (Allsopp 2 for 3).

School v. Quarry Bank. School 27 for 3 (Dutton 10 not out) ; Quarry Bank 23 (Dutton 4 for 6, Hough 2 for 6, Cross 3 for 8).

School v. Rock Ferry High School. School 90 (Allsopp 35, Smith 23) ; Rock Ferry 30 (Cross 4 for 8).

School v. St. Edward's College. School 52 (Roberts 14 not out) ; St. Edward's 31 (Shipley 2 for 0, Dutton 6 for 14).

School v. Waterloo Secondary School. School 76 for 7 (Dutton 16, Rice 14, Pott 13) ; Waterloo 74 (Cross 7 for 15).

School v. Liverpool Collegiate. School 78 (Wallace 15, Dutton 14) ; Collegiate 78 (Dutton 5 for 22, Wallace 1 for 0).

School v. School Ship "Conway." School 44 (Rice 12) ; "Conway" 138 (Wallace 5 for 28).

School v. Holt Secondary School. School 63 for 8 (Hough 19) ; Holt 46 (Wallace 6 for 18, Cross 1 for 2).

School v. Oulton Secondary School. School 42 (Hough 12 not out) ; Oulton 29 (Shipley 5 for 6, Cross 3 for 13).

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