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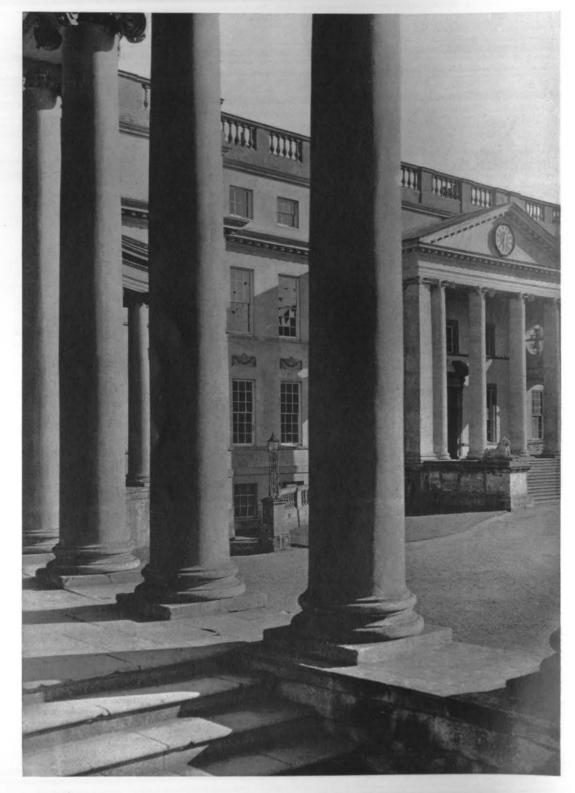


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O FELIX . . . (VERGIL)

LTHOUGH addicted to the animal in moderate quantities, we cannot lay claim to membership of the Cat Fancy. We have kept, in our time, pigeons, goldfish, rabbits, rats, mice, cavies, cagebirds, axolotls, dogs, and water-fleas; but never have we possessed a cat. Not but what an occasional cat may have possessed us. Not a few indeed have pursued between our legs a mouse whose very existence was an hallucination, while we patiently dangled over the bored blue eyes of an axolotl a worm which after being thrice swallowed and thrice regurgitated had developed a fatalistic anaemia. Mad midnight feline rushes have more than once precipitated us upon our nose as we felt our way through the darkness to put the guinea-pig to bed. Other cats have stalked round the nasturtia a diminutive and terrified Pomeranian which was our guest, and scratched the nose of every pup we have bred. Yet we have never pressed a cat to stay. On the contrary we have occasionally placed a couple in a basket and transported them to a neighbouring farm. Vain hope! Following the example of catdom's patron saint, such exiles have kept on walking till one fine day finds the old familiar faces back in the pantry.

Yet how royal is the culture of the cat, as distinct from the mere willynilly upkeep of feline misfits! Our other pets have invented for their wives names which, if not actually distressing, seldom sound beautiful to our ears. The Tomcat, however, who marries into a family of pedigree has the satisfaction of hearing his wife referred to among the Fancy as a "queen." Moreover his domestic affairs are presided over by no less august a body than the Governing Council of the Cat Fancy. Whether he marries a wife, is blessed with a son, or is carried to the grave, the Governing Council, provided that his blood is blue back to a sufficient number of generations-for the Governing Council, like the best of us, is a bit of a snob-will report the fact to a duly rejoicing or sympathetic

world.

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The Fancy won only a brief foothold at Stowe, for the common failings of catdom are apparently not confined to its lower classes. It will be remembered that the Masters' Wing was once haunted by a pair of Siamese cats, a variety whose colour scheme resembled nothing so much as a chocolate mould which has fallen into the flour-bin and has been decorated for its pains with two bits of angelica at one end. The proud possessors of these animals had visions of marble halls and champagne fountains which were to materialize from the profits of selling their cats' valuable posterity. Sad to relate, some dark Othello had a say in the matter, and those golden dreams were shattered by the appearance of unblushingly Ethiopian quintuplets.

It may seem a far cry from Tortoiseshells and Siamese and Blue Persians to the homely bundles of verminous and scanty fur which caress the Stoic's ankles and daily try to force an entry into the Editorial sanctum; yet even our present cats have their pride. With the easy manners of old-time royalty they take their rest upon our sofas. With gracious negligence they choose the legs of our more valuable furniture for the sharpening of their claws. Without permission they make merry among the archmagisterial tulips. It would be superfluous to mention that they do not catch our mice.

Unfortunately for the prospects of the Stowe puss, we are a democratic community. We suffer from the odd delusion that an increase in Feles Domestica ought to be balanced by a corresponding decrease in Mus Ridiculus and from an out-of-date notion that little cats should be seen and not heard. Not even the majesty and royal, though harassed, mien of the local feline population can satisfy our petty functionalist minds in the absence of these qualities. Hence the vague threats we have heard in high places and the grim assurance that we shall be greeted by fewer kittens on our study cushions when we return in September.

For the post of executioner we suggest the Clay Pigeon Club. Whether it would be feasible to catapult tabbies off the Bourbon Tower we cannot tell, but Buster would doubtless cooperate in producing sporting shots if the guns were forced to take their cats running. Not only is the sport of immemorial antiquity—we believe it was first practised by Tutankhamen when he threw a mummy at a Tomcat making melancholy love among the minor pyramids under a round Egyptian moon—but great financial benefit would accrue to the Club; for, once well and truly hit, a clay pigeon can present a mark no more: the nine lives of the cat, on the other hand, present an opportunity which our sportsmen would be foolish to ignore.

B.J.R.M.

House Symbols

Below is a table of the new House Symbols introduced for the first time in our last number. In the 'Olim Alumni' section, we also give the year in which each person left the School. The new symbols are as follows:—

Bruce	В	Gill Sans Type.
Temple	Τ	Gill Sans Type.
Grenville	G	Gill Sans Type.
Chandos	С	Gill Sans Type.
Cobham	Œ	Old English Text Type.
Chatham	\mathbf{Q}	Lombardic Type.
Grafton	€	Old English Text Type.
Walpole	W	Gill Sans Type.
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It will be observed that, taking Houses in their order of foundation, Gill Sans type has been used in the first instance; in the second instance (where more Houses than one have the same initial) Old English Text; and, in the third instance, Lombardic.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS, 1936

The following Scholarships have been awarded at Stowe:-

- H. M. TAYLOR (Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, Winchester House School, Brackley).
- J. R. Ellison (Mr. Shirley Russell, Wellesley House, Broadstairs).
- P. S. Anstey (Mr. I. A. Zair, The Knoll, Woburn Sands, Bletchley).
- J. H. PHILLIPS (Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, Winchester House School, Brackley).
- R. A. D. OLIVER (Mr. A. H. Richardson, Beaudesert Park, Minchinhampton, Glos.).
- G. McC. Corbett (Mr. K. B. Tindall, West Downs, Winchester).
- C. F. Cullis (Mr. R. S. V. Barker-Mill, Stoke House, Seaford).

- J. F. Nye (Mr. W. O'Byrne, Claremont School, St. Michael's Hall, Hove).
- I. J. H. Lewisohn (the Rev. Cyril Williams, Summer Fields, Oxford).
- J. O. Outwater (Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, Winchester House School, Brackley.)
- C. D. Drew (Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, Winchester House School, Brackley).
- R. H. M. Spencer (W) (Mr. C. E. Scott Malden, Windlesham House, Highden, Findon, Worthing).
- G. L. PAGET (C) (Mr. J. G. Barber, St. Michael's School, Uckfield).

ANNUAL COMPETITION PRIZES, 1936

BARBER READING PRIZES—Senior: B. J. R. Moreton (C). Tunior: Not awarded. CHARLES LOUDON PRIZE FOR GREEK: C. D. B. Howell (T). QUENTIN BERTRAM PRIZES FOR LATIN—Prose: P. Spencer-Thomas (W). Essay: B. J. R. Moreton (C). HUMPHREY FOSTER PRIZE FOR NATURAL SCIENCE: R. H. Gethin (C). PETERS BONE ENGLISH PRIZE: D. D. Demarest (C). BURROUGHS ESSAY PRIZE: F. B. Richards (T). ROBERT BARBOUR PRIZE FOR SCRIPTURE: B. J. R. Moreton (C), SYRETT HISTORY ESSAY PRIZE: F. B. Richards (T). PEARMAN SMITH PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS: E. S. Chapman (B). J. G. RIESS PRIZES FOR MODERN LANGUAGES—Senior: P. R. Spencer (6). *Junior*: G. L. Le Bouvier (T). H. M. Evans Prize for Biology (1935): A. B. McGrigor (G). R. M. Emrys-Roberts (C). The H. M. Evans Prize for 1936 will be awarded after the Summer holidays.

"Bene Books" have been awarded to P. R. Spencer (6), B. J. R. Moreton (C), and G. L. Le Bouvier (T).

IN MEMORIAM

A. M. COWELL (C, 1926).

Flight Lieut. A. M. Cowell was killed at Penshurst, Kent, on May 4th, 1936, while testing a "Flying Flea" for the Air League of the British Empire.

Flight Lieut. Cowell had done much flying in recent years and he had handled Flying Fleas and aeroplanes of many other types with Sir Alan Cobham's circus and also as one of the Air League's Test Pilots. On this occasion no reason for the failure of the machine was discovered.

A. M. Cowell joined the School in its first term, being one of the "foundation members" of Stowe. He was a Monitor in Cobham, and left in 1926. Those who were here with him will remember him not only as an exceptionally courageous player of games but also as a spirited and delightful companion. They will not be surprised that he developed into an exceptionally capable flying officer, whose early death has been profoundly regretted by the very many airmen who knew him. His Stowe friends feel his loss not less deeply.

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School Officials—Summer Term, 1936.

Prefects:—P. R. Spencer, ma. (6), Head of the School; J. D. A. Langley (G); A. S. Hooper, ma. (C); N. B. Robinson (T); G. P. Allsebrook, ma. (W); J. M. Mayne (C); H. C. Corbett (B); P. Sherrard (Q); J. R. Hunter (G); J. G. Nicholson (6); P. C. Mitford (C); P. Shaw, ma. (C); M. E. Fletcher (C).

Cricket:—Captain—J. D. A. Langley (G); Secretary—A. C. Lynch-Staunton (T).

Lawn Tennis:—Captain—P. Shaw, ma. (€); Secretary—J. P. Stephens (W).

Swimming:—Captain—L. G. McKean (4); Secretary—H. C. Corbett (B).

The following visitors have preached in the Chapel this term:-

May 24th. The Rev. Canon L. G. Mannering, M.A., Canon of Bristol.

June 21st. His Grace the Archbishop of York.

July 5th. The Rev. C. H. S. Matthews, M.A., Chaplain of Marlborough College.

To our great loss and very real regret, no less than four Masters are leaving Stowe this term; Mr. Wace and Mr. Hankinson to enter business; Mr. White to devote himself to writing; and Mr. Crichton-Miller to become Headmaster of Taunton School.

From the Times :-

CLARKE.—On May 27, 1936, at Walpole House, Stowe School, Buckingham, to Margaret Elphinston, wife of IAN A. CLARKE—a son.

CLIFFORD.—On May 30, 1936, at 20, Devonshire Place, W.1, to Louise (née Rodewald), wife of A. B. CLIFFORD, of Washington House, Brackley, Northants—a son.

CRICHTON-MILLER.—On June 3, 1936, at The Mount, Buckingham, to Monica, wife of Donald Crichton-Miller—a daughter.

Old Stoic Day was Saturday, July 4th, when an extensive programme of matches was held. A large number of Old Stoics came down, of whom a fair proportion stayed for supper.

Performances of "Henry IV, Part II" are to be held outside the Queen's Temple at the end of term. An account will appear in our next number.

On Friday, March 27th, Sir Roger Keyes lectured to the Upper School in the Library on "The British Navy and the European Situation."

On Friday, July 10th, Mr. Shoran Singha addressed the Upper School in the Gymnasium on "The Situation in India."

J. D. A. Langley (G) has performed unparalleled feats in the golfing world. In the English Amateur Championship, held at Deal in April, after much incidental giganticide (his victims included S. Lunt, a previous champion, and C. J. H. Tolley) he was all square with H. G. Bentley at the end of the morning round of the Final and was in the end only beaten by a run of almost superhuman putting on the part of the winner. A few days later he was chosen to go to America as a member of this year's Walker Cup team.

Mr. Bernard Darwin, describing the Final in *The Times* wrote of Langley as follows:

"Langley covered himself with glory. His rhythmic, leisurely, three-quarter swing, with its fine follow-through, so free and yet so well controlled, never varied throughout the day. Nothing could hustle or bustle him. If he faded even in the very least degree towards the end, it was from tiredness and never from lack of heart. His game never became disintegrated. He had to give away a perceptible number of yards in point of length because he was driving with his brassey, and this must have added to the physical strain, but he never let it worry him and it never made him press. T. H. Cotton, had he been there, would have had every cause to rejoice over two pupils who reflected so much credit on his teaching."

Langley, in addition, has again been invited to play at Lord's for the Rest against the Lord's Schools.

P. Sherrard (G), who is eligible for the competition for another two years, played excellently to reach the Final of the Drysdale Cup Squash Rackets Competition, in which he was beaten by C. M. Butler of Lancing.

Inspectors from the Board of Education were at Stowe from June 22nd to June 26th. Mr. R. H. Barrow acted as Chief Inspector.

Is there, we wonder, any connection between the prevalent rain and the plague of cats and dogs from which Stowe has been suffering? Or has the force of the Headmaster's First Lessons brought Pharaoh home to us?

The Mayfly is notorious among anglers for hatching in June. It would seem, however, that unpunctuality in appearing is a family failing of the Ephemeridae.

To point a moral, we presume, to his pupils, a master placed a hive of those traditional hard-workers, bees, where all might mark, learn and digest on their way to work. A more pointed moral, however, was set by one little paragon on his master's nose.

R. A. Riess (W) won a Silver Cup, a first prize and a second prize at the Bicester Hunter Trials in April.

A cup has been presented by L. A. McAfee (B, 1934) for Swimming (200 Yards Race).

At the end of last term, the Inter-House Golf Competition was won by Cobham, who beat Walpole in the Final. The Haig Cup, for Riding, was also won by Cobham.

In April, A. Shaw (€) and C. A. Goldingham (€) won a Public Schools Foursomes Cup (Golf) at a meeting organized by the Wilderness Country Club, Sevenoaks.

The following have been awarded their 1st XI. Colours: P. R. Spencer (6) (re-awarded), P. Sherrard (C), N. B. Robinson (T), I. C. S. Munro (B), A. H. P. Hope (G), M. P. Robinson (6), A. G. Buchanan (W), C. D. Earle (B), P. L. D. Frankenburg (C).

The following have been awarded their 2nd XI. Colours: -- A. G. Buchanan (W), C. D. Earle (B), P. L. D. Frankenburg (C), R. A. Pearson (B), J. S. Simpson-Hunter (T), H. A. Mitchell (C), G. D. Addinsell (G), H. C. Lowcock (W), R. S. Darby (Q), M. W. G. Greenley (W), C. P. J. D. O'Farrell (C).

The following have been awarded Colts Caps:—J. P. Phillips (C), T. P. Walsh (T), J. E. C. Nicholl (B), M. G. T. Webster (W), J. H. Weir (B), L. G. Darling (6), J. Roche (T).

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Lawn Tennis Colours have been awarded to: P. Shaw (C), J. P. Stephens (W), A. S. Hooper (C), M. Jebb (C).

Swimming Colours have been awarded to H. C. Corbett (B) and A. G. Way (B).

Athletic Colours were awarded last term to: J. M. Mayne (C), L. G. McKean (6), W. A. Brown (W), A. H. P. Hope (G), P. Sherrard (Q), B. W. J. D'Arcy-Irvine (C).

The following Representative Colours have been awarded:-

Cross-Country:—L. G. McKean (6), P. C. Benson (6).

Athletics:—L. G. McKean (6), W. A. Brown (W), A. H. P. Hope (G).

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP.

P. J. Orde (6) has been elected to an Open Scholarship of f too in History at Hertford College, Oxford.

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GENERAL.

- MR. S. J. L. TAYLOR (C, 1927) has been awarded a Grocers' Company Medical Research Scholarship: He is also the first Old Stoic to have an article accepted in the Lancet.
- MR. J.: J-F. AIMERS (6, 1935) exhibited a Bronze Head in the Royal Hibernian Academy's Exhibition (1936) and received favourable notice in the *Irish Times*.

ACADEMIC.

Mr. J. Cornford (6, 1932) gained a First Class with Distinction in Part II of the History Tripos, at Cambridge.

MARRIAGES.

Mr. A. G. Bowie (T, 1927) to Miss N. M. MacGregor, on July 25th.

Mr. C. W. Tyrrell (C, 1928) to Miss I. Hughman, on July 25th.

Mr. A. G. HOWLAND JACKSON (T, 1929) to Miss P. M. Wauton, on June 6th.

Mr. J. B. Charles (G, 1929) to Miss E. M. Hawkins, on May 23rd.

MR. L. M. MIALL (C, 1930) to Miss N. C. Bull, on June 13th.

MR. J. D. FIRTH (C, 1931) to Miss E. G. Pearson, on April 18th.

Mr. B. T. AIKMAN (T, 1931) to Miss J. Carter, on July 25th.

BIRTHS.

To the wife of Mr. C. M. Luckock (C, 1926), a son, on May 4th.

To the wife of Mr. G. CORBETT (T, 1926), a son, on November 12th, 1935.

OLD STOIC GOLFING SOCIETY.

The Old Stoic Golfing Society has played the following matches recently:—

At Knole Park, on May 3rd. v. Old Radleian G.S.

The Old Radleians won by 5 matches to 3.

At Bramshot, on May 24th. v. Old Harrovian G.S. The Old Stoics won by 10 matches to 2.

At Fleet, on June 7th. v. Old Westminster G.S.

The Old Stoics won by 5½ matches to 2½.

At Tadmarton, on July 5th. v. A Stowe team.

The Old Stoics won by 6½ matches to 3½.

At Berkhamsted, on July 12th. v. Old Bedfordian G.S.

The Old Stoics won by 8½ matches to 3½.

In the Halford Hewitt Cup, at Deal, the Old Stoics were narrowly beaten in the first round by the Old Watsonians, by 3 matches to 2.

A MORAL TALE

LITTLE HUGH, WHO NEVER KNEW.

Little Hugh Never knew His simple conjugations.

He found romance
In ignorance,
Which worried his relations.

Rod and Gun Were all his fun. "Can Latin make you sturdy?" And "Maths is mad," Proclaimed the lad, Playing with his Purdey.

B.J.R.M.

TO OLD STOIC SUBSCRIBERS

Stowe,

July 25th, 1936.

DEAR SIR

I should like to express gratitude to all who, in answer to my letter of appeal last March, took up or renewed subscriptions to *The Stoic*.

In that letter, I held out hopes of eventually reducing still further (the present long-term rates already constitute a substantial reduction) the subscription rate for Old Stoics. This I certainly hope to do; but it will not, I fear, be possible for some time to come.

My letter only attracted just over twenty newcomers. We accordingly began a new plan at the end of last term, whereby at leaving (but not subsequently) incipient Old Stoics can take out a five-years subscription for one guinea. This was very successful and the offer will be repeated regularly. If its success is maintained, and if all present subscribers will continue to co-operate, the position in five years' time should be materially better than it is now and should give a sounder, though not an ideal, basis on which to work.

Free distribution of *The Stoic* to all Old Stoics for life (which it would be pleasant and desirable to see realized) could hardly be achieved with less than a raising of the Old Stoic Society subscription to six or seven guineas (including the present two guineas and assuming the willingness of the Old Stoic Society itself) from *all* Old Stoics. I do not know whether this would or would not be welcome.

In the meantime, any suggestions, whether in regard to this or to any other matter concerning *The Stoie*, though they cannot always be accepted, will always be welcome. Yours etc.,

P. G. HUNTER.

STOWE CLUB FOR BOYS

(THE PINEAPPLE)

62, Carlisle Street, Edgware Road, N.W.8., July 1936.

To the Editor of The Stoic. Dear Sir,

It is, I think, reasonably safe to say that since the last time I wrote to you the Stowe Boys' Club has had one of the most successful three months of its existence. This is due to the new Warden, Mr. MacNicol Smith, to Mr. Hone and to Mr. Betts. The two latter have lived at the Club and aided the various Wardens most nobly ever since they first went there in 1930. We have been very fortunate in being able to obtain the services of Mr. MacNicol Smith. He has been interested in Boys' Clubs for many years and has had considerable experience in running the Westminster School Mission before he came here. The successful way in which he has run the Club since he took over control is sufficient testimony of his keenness and efficiency.

As is usual during the summer months, the Club's chief activities have been out of doors or away from the Club. So far we have had a very satisfactory cricket season and out of fourteen matches we have only lost one and drawn one. Unfortunately, owing to a mistake on the part of the former Warden, the Club was not entered for the Federation Cricket League, with the result that our fixture list has not been very full. We are very short of bats and we should be very grateful if some of your readers could send us theirs when they have no further use for them.

Messrs. Pearce and Gammidge have worked very hard training boys for the Westminster and London Federations Sports Meetings. Running at the Club has not, until recently, been very popular, but now that it is being properly organized many more boys are taking it up. One of the Club members, S. Young, won the half mile senior race at the Westminster Federation Sports and was third in the same event at the London Federation Sports.

On Monday evenings, the Club reserves one of the baths at Paddington and between 20 and 30 of the boys go there to swim. Eight boys are competing in the Westminster Federation Swimming Gala in the middle of this month, and we hope to send teams to the London Federation Gala in September.

About forty boys camped at Stowe over the Whitsun week-end and thoroughly enjoyed themselves in spite of the rather bad weather. On Sunday morning Mr. Playford and Mr. Fernihough braved the elements and came up to the Habitation, where they conducted a short open air service. On Sunday afternoon the School produced two cricket teams, both of which were beaten by the Club teams. One or two of the boys bathed but had to be thawed out afterwards! The Summer Camp is to be held at Stowe from the 1st to the 9th of August and already 34 boys have expressed their intention of going. Stoics or Old Stoics, if they would come, would be very welcome.

On April 30th, we had a most successful tea-party at the Club and over 80 boys came to it. We were very pleased to welcome the Headmaster and Mr. Clifford, who came down from Stowe specially for the party. During the course of the evening the Headmaster made a short speech and introduced the new Warden. He also announced that Mr. Hone was to be appointed Sub-Warden. We obtained the services of a comedian through the local Music-hall and then sang community songs interspersed with a few turns by the boys themselves. We are indebted to Mrs. Pearce, Miss Ionides, Mrs. Syrett, Mrs. Lilley, Mrs. Manalt-Lilley, Mrs. Albery and Mrs. McKay for supplying the food, and also to the first five for coming to the Club and undertaking the catering arrangements. We were also very pleased to be able to welcome several Old Stoics, one Stoic and the father of the one Stoic.

During the last few months, Mr. Bronson Albery has sent us several batches of complimentary tickets for various shows in London, and the boys have appreciated going to West-end theatres very much.

We understand that there is to be another Stowe Show this year and we hope that it will receive as much support from the School and friends of the School as it did last year.

Members of the Committee at Stowe now pay regular visits to the Club and we are always very pleased to see them. A new Committee of Old Stoics who live in or near London is being formed, and we hope that they will be able to give the Warden considerable help in running the Club.

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We are very grateful to Mrs. J. A. Webster, who has given us a new piano. We are also indebted to Mrs. Page and Miss Pearce for making it possible for us to buy an excellent stop-watch. This winter we hope to run a wireless class; someone has sent us large quantities of useful components, but we are not sure who it was.

We are always pleased to receive old clothes of any kind. Those that are not of any use to the boys are sold at rummage sales. At a recent sale we made over seven pounds. At the moment the Club is in great need of gym shoes, running vests, shorts and other games kit. We are very grateful for parcels of clothes and books that arrive from time to time.

There have not been many Old Stoic visitors at the Club recently, but we hope that during the winter months they will start to come again. A new policy of the Warden is to try to find jobs for anyone who can come regularly, and one does not necessarily need to be good at anything in particular in order to get a job.

I remain, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
JOHN W. T. LILLEY.

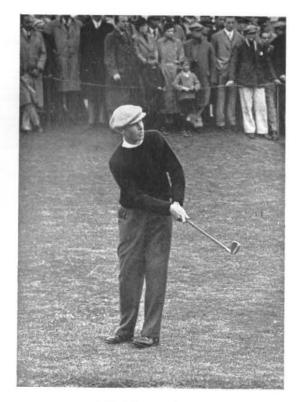
MAINLY FINANCE.

The Stowe Club is not endowed and depends entirely on past and present members of the School, the Staff, and friends of Stowe for its income. A membership of 150 is barely provided for in normal times. At present, in spite of every sound economy, its slender capital is being drawn on to meet current expenses. More donations and annual subscriptions would make the task of those who bear the brunt of its organization and management the less exacting. The Club has no salaried officials, and the boys themselves contribute something towards the cost of every single activity.

Particulars of the subscription list are entirely private to me. Any sum of money, no matter how small it may seem, and especially if it can be sent regularly, will be gratefully received. Bankers' orders may be obtained from me at any time, but cheques and postal orders are most welcome too. Gifts in kind (e.g., cast-off clothing, both men's and women's, and kit for games) should be sent direct to the Warden at 62, Carlisle Street, N.W.8.

The Warden would be glad also if anyone employing labour would remember that the Club can often supply good boys for certain types of work. He naturally asks no more than that employers should give Club boys the opportunity of applying for vacancies.

A. B. CLIFFORD, Hon. Treasurer.



J.D.A.L. IN ACTION



Semi-Final Langley beats Tolley



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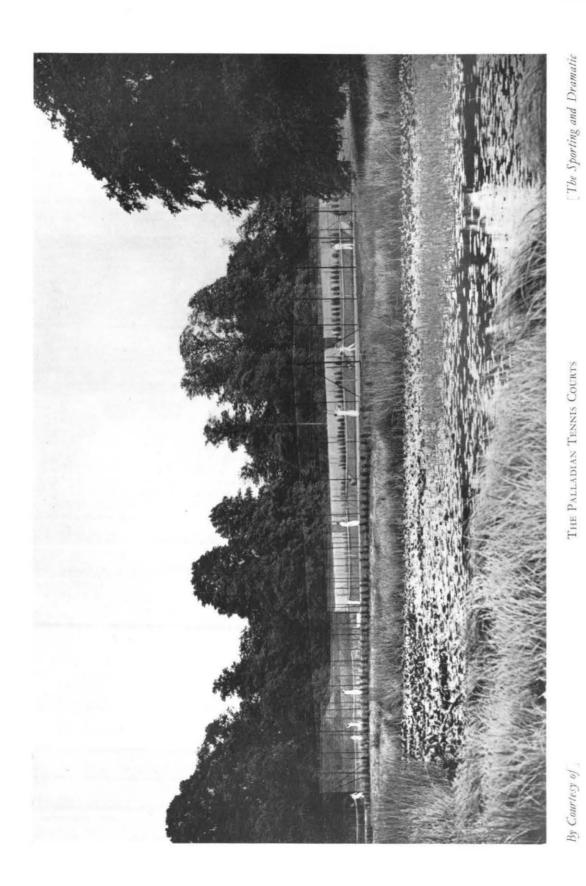
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For the Committee, J. M. Todd, Hon. Treasurer, T. C. P. Brook.



CRICKET

TINNING 5, drawing 3, losing 2 and playing one tie match, the 1st XI. may be said to have had a successful season, and this was due to the fact that the side was essentially a team, with no weak link. Langley proved himself a really keen and capable captain, who seemed able to inspire his team with the will to win, and his value to the side as captain alone was inestimable. Apart from Langley himself, who again batted gloriously and consistently, the rest of the XI. (except the bowlers Robinsons) proved themselves run-getters, and generally they batted most attractively. Sherrard was probably the soundest of them; Hope played some hard-hit innings, particularly in the inter-school matches, and Lynch-Staunton also proved a good opening bat. It was most gratifying to feel that a bad start would generally be redeemed; and the batting averages prove this, particularly when it is remembered that wet wickets were generally encountered. The fielding was again first-class, and there is no reason why it should not be so. The bowling was probably the weakest part: the two Robinsons were a good pair and performed most nobly; the slower bowlers were not really consistent enough, though they were probably called upon too little. Nevertheless, not a single century was scored against the School and on only one occasion—for about a quarter of an hour in the Oundle first innings—did the Stowe bowling appear to be collared, a great tribute to the fighting quality of the side. In the two lost matches, the School had to bowl against the Incogniti the whole time with a saturated ball, and the Free Foresters had a really strong batting side, with G. T. S. Stevens and J. D. Burrough to bowl for them. In neither case was the defeat a bad one. Altogether Langley and his team are to be congratulated on the way in which they have played throughout the season; and, taking the results of the 2nd, 3rd, Colts' and Junior Colts' XI's into consideration, 1936 has been a most successful season, in spite of the appalling weather conditions.

The final XI's were:—

1st XI.-J. D. A. Langley (G), A. C. Lynch-Staunton (T), P. R. Spencer (6), P. Sherrard (0), N. B. Robinson (T), I. C. S. Munro (B), A. H. P. Hope (G), M. P. Robinson (6), A. G. Buchanan (W), C. D. Earle (B), P. L. D. Frankenburg (C).

and XI.—J. R. S. Peploe (C), R. A. Pearson (B), J. S. Simpson-Hunter (T), H. A. Mitchell (C), G. D. Addinsell (G), H. C. Lowcock (W), R. S. Darby (Q), M. W. G. Greenley (W), C. P. J. D. O'Farrell (Q). Also played for the 2nd. XI:—T. C. Eaton (C), J. E. D. Chamier (C), G. P. Allschrook (W), J. V. R. Birchall (T), J. M. Morgan (C), M. de L. Wilson (W), R. V. P. Adams (W), P. C. H. Morris (G).

THE STOIC

Played for the 3rd XI.—P. C. H. Morris (G), J. V. R. Birchall (T), R. G. A. Barclay (B), G. J. McK. Nicholl (B), B. D. Henry (Q), M. de L. Wilson (W), J. O. H. Beamish (T), C. A. Ashcroft (C), T. L. Dewhurst (B), W. P. Lunn-Rockliffe (C).

The following formed the Colts' XI.—P. R-H. Hastings (T), R. B. Booth (W), J. D. W. Stobart (B), J. P. Phillips (C), J. E. C. Nicholl (B), T. P. Walsh (T), M. G. T. Webster (W), J. H. Weir (B), J. Roche (T), A. B. Williamson (G).

The following played for the Junior Colts:—S. R. G. Scott (G), A. V. Farnell-Watson (W), R. H. M. Spencer (W), R. N. Sharpe (C), C. R. T. Cunningham (C), D. K. Murdoch (T), J. M. Henry (O), A. B. Robinson (6), J. C. I. Hooper (C), C. F. A. Baxter (G), J. L. Thomson (C), J. R. L. Gale (C).

STOWE v. THE TRINITY POKERS. Played at Stowe on May 13th. Won by 4 wickets.

THE TRINITY POKERS. R. A. Powell, b Robinson	STOWE. A. H. P. Hope (G), b Krabbé
Total (7 wkts. dec.) 179 O. M. R. W. Lowcock 6 1 28 0	Total (for 6 wkts.) 180 O. M. R. W. Bourne 8 1 22 0
Robinson 14.5 3 43 2 Morgan 8 1 27 0 Munro 8 1 34 1 Lynch-Staunton 6 0 24 2 Simpson-Hunter 2 1 14 1	Krabbé 15 3 44 4 Forster 10.5 1 40 1 Eggar 8 0 39 0 Foxley Norris 3 0 15 1 Addinsell 3 1 7 0

STOWE v. THE MASTERS. Played at Stowe on May 22nd and 23rd. Won by 88 runs.

STOWE.	THE MASTERS.
A. H. P. Hope (G), b Skene	A. G. Archer, Ibw, b Robinson, M.P J. H. G. Leask, c Buchanan, b Robinson, N. B J. T. Hankinson, Ibw (n), b Robinson, N. B W. E. Capel Cure, b Robinson, N. B R. W. Skene, b Pearson J. A. Tallent, c Lowcock b Robinson, N. B D. I. Brown, c and b Robinson, M. P G. D. Addinsell (G), b Robinson, M. P H. V. G. Kinvig, c Buchanan, b Lowcock R. M. Hamer, c Pearson, b Robinson, M.P C. E. Powell, not out
Total (4 wkts. dec.) 277	Total 188
Archer 10 1 55 1 Skene 22 5 66 2 Tallent 13 2 41 1 Kinvig 7 2 25 0 Powell 10 1 59 0 Leask 3 0 18 0	Robinson, N. B. 19 3 62 4 Robinson, M. P. 14 1 58 4 Lynch-Staunton 5 1 20 1 Sherrard 3 0 22 0 Pearson 3 0 10 1 Lowcock 1 0 5 1

STOWE v. CRYPTICS. Played at Stowe on May 27th. Won by 189 runs.

Stowe.		CRYPTICS.	
A. H. P. Hope (G), b Doggart	36 6 34 69 75 40 32 14	T. C. Hunt, c Buchanan, b Robinson, M. P. R. C. Smail, st Spencer, b Robinson, M. P. A. A. Bushell, b Robinson, M. P. A. W. G. Hadingham, b Robinson, N. B. E. W. Hadingham, c Sherrard, b Munro LtCol. E. G. Earle, run out. J. R. C. Yglesias, c Lynch-Staunton, b Robinson, N. B. T. F. Barker, b Munro. T. D. B. Kimpton, b Lynch-Staunton. P. M. Heywood, c Munro, b Robinson, N. B.	13 7 0 13 14 5 21 5
Extras	7	J. H. Doggart, not out	0
Total (7 wkts. dec.)	313	Total	122

	0.	М.	R.	W.		o.	M.	R.	w.
Heywood	28	1	92	3	Robinson, N. B.	13	3	46	3
Barker	. 2	0	8	0	Robinson, M. P.	13	0	37	3
Kimpton	2	0	25	0	Munro	5	0	16	2
Yglesias			68	0	Lynch-Staunton	6	1	23	1
Doggart	11.5	2	40	2	•				
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STOWE v. AUTHENTICS. Played at Stowe on May 30th. Abandoned through

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S	rowe.				AUTHENTICS did not go in.
A. H. P. Hope (G), 1 H. C. Lowcock (W), J. D. A. Langley (G) P. Sherrard (C), not A. G. Buchanan (W A. C. Lynch-Sta Munro (B), M. P. R. Spencer (6 son (T) did not Extras	c Ball, not cout '), C. unton P. I b), and bat.	D. E. (T), Robins B. N. B	b Ead arle (I I. C. on (6 . Robi	on 3 75 15 B), S. \$),	M. D. P. Magill, T. G. L. Ballance, W. A. Hay-Cooper, P. G. Krabbé, R. A. Cooper, D. M. Mathews, W. M. Eadon, D. Ö. Hay, M. H. Boll, A. J. S. Casavetti, A. N. Other,
To	tal (2	wkts	.)	109	
Cooper	3 12	6	R. 34 4 10 17 30	w. 1 0 0 0	

STOWE v. WESTMINSTER. Played at Westminster on June 3rd and 4th. Won by an innings and 85 runs.

The wicket had received a thorough soaking and a start could not be made until 3 o'clock. Westminster began confidently and 40 runs were soon scored: Munro's first ball, however, produced a wicket, and thereafter wickets and runs were collected regularly. The Stowe fielding was good, the field set intelligently, and very little was given away. We were given an hour and a half's batting overnight. Lowcock was quickly out: Hope treated us to some hard hitting, including one over of 17 runs, and Langley, though not seeing the ball so well, hit two beautiful sixes. The score was 117 for 3 at the close. Next morning Spencer, who had been sent in overnight, hit the bowling in a very refreshing fashion; Buchanan was quickly out, and then Sherrard and Earle increased the score by 98 runs to 267. This was good, though a faster rate of scoring during this last hour might have suited the condition of the game better. Sherrard's innings was, however, full of confidence, and he was rarely hurried into a stroke; it was a pity he did not reach the hundred he deserved. Earle made some typical left-hander's shots and batted well for his runs. A well-timed

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declaration saw Westminster lose two wickets before lunch, and afterwards M. P. Robinson and Munro carried all before them, helped by some good catching. It was a good victory, and the team are to be congratulated on their all-round form.

WESTMINSTER.

1st innings.		2nd innings.	
P. J. Sutton, c Langley, b Munro	17	c Buchanan, b Robinson, M. P)
F. F. Richardson, c Munro, b Robinson, N. B. J. D. Stocker, b Robinson, M. P.	33 2		7
P. P. Gawthorne, c Spencer, b Robinson, N. B	19 0 30	c Sherrard, b Munro	
M. P. D. F. M. Balfour, b Robinson, M. P. V. F. Valli, run out E. A. Sinclair, lbw, b Robinson, M. P. R. B. Stock, not out Extras	11 8 24 0 0 3	c Langley, b Munro b Munro not out lbw (n) b Munro	0 1 0 5 1 9
Total	147	Total 4	7
Robinson, N. B. 15 2 59 Robinson, M. P. 18 6 41 Munro 7.4 1 23 Lynch-Staunton 5 0 15 Langley 3 1 6	3 4 2 0	Robinson, N. B. 3 2 4 1 Robinson, M. P. 10 7 7 4 Munro 94 3 14 5 Lynch-Staunton 2 0 4 0 Sherrard 3 0 9 0	
	Stow	VE.	
A. H. P. Hope	(G), c Sto	ocker, b Richard-	
H. C. Lowcock J. D. A. Langl P. Sherrard (C P. R. Spencer A. G. Buchana C. D. Earle (E A. C. Lynch-	(W), c V ey (G), b l), lbw, b (6), b St an (W), c l), b Stoc Staunton	/alli, b Stock 1 Stocker 50 Cunliffe 92 cock 32 c Sutton, b Stock 5 cker 43 a (T), c Valli, b	

Extras Total (8 wkts. dec.).. 279

	o.	М.	R.	w.
Stock	12	2	35	3
Boyle	12	0	36	0
Sinclair	4	0	18	0
Stocker	15	3	64	2
Richardson	20	9	73	1
Cunliffe	12	1	47	2

M. P. Robinson (6) and N. B. Robinson

(T) did not bat.

STOWE v. RADLEY. Played at Stowe on June 10th. Drawn.

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Langley once more won the toss and an excellent start was made, Hope and Lynch-Staunton putting on 66 for the first wicket in forty minutes before Hope was caught off a skier. He hit the ball with vigour, though some of his strokes were consequently fortuitous. Langley batted sedately for his 52, but the rest of the batting, apart from Buchanan and Munro, was unimpressive; the former played a most useful innings and was more restrained than usual. 209 did not seem a great score on that wicket; and, though three Radley wickets fell quickly for 24, Nicholson and Macarness pulled the game round and added 50 in as many minutes before tea. Both wickets fell almost immediately after tea and thereafter Radley were struggling. Only a cool innings on the part of Sell and the early departure of Radley for chapel saved them from defeat, though the last two men had to play out two overs full of intense anguish. N. B. Robinson bowled very well and was excellently supported in the field.

STOWE.		RADLEY.
A. H. P. Hope (G), c Willcocks, b Birl A. C. Lynch-Staunton (T), st. Willcock b Falkiner J. D. A. Langley (G), c Macarness, Falkiner P. Sherrard (C), c McIntosh, b Falkine A. G. Buchanan (W), b Birks C. D. Earle (B), lbw, b Birks P. L. D. Frankenburg (C), lbw, b Birl I. C. S. Munro (B), lbw, b McIntosh P. R. Spencer (6), lbw, b Birks M. P. Robinson (6), lbw, b McIntosh N. B. Robinson (T), not out Extras Total	s, 22 b 52 cr 3 cr 46 cr 7 cr 6 cr 1	F. Falkiner, Ibw, b Robinson, N. B
0. M. R. Birks	w. 5 3 2	O. M. R. W. Robinson, N. B. 19 3 46 5 5 6 49 2 2 2 4 5 6 49 2 4 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

STOWE v. INCOGNITI. Played at Sto STOWE. A. H. P. Hope (G), c Gracie, b Gilford 8 A. C. Lynch-Staunton (T), c Gracie, b Gowan 43 J. D. A. Langley (G), st. Nicholson, b Mendl 76 P. Sherrard (C), lbw, b Mendl 3 A. G. Buchanan (W), c Lunnon, b Mendl 13 C. D. Earle (B), st. Nicholson, b Battock 1, C. S. Munro (B), lbw, b Battock 2, S. M. P. Robinson (G), c Nicholson, b Battock 1 P. R. Spencer (G), c Gracie, b Battock 9 N. B. Robinson (T), not out 4 Extras 18	INCOGNITI. Major J. D. K. Lunnon, b Langley
Total 218	Total (7 wkts.) 226
Battock 30 14 50 5 Gilford 6 1 14 1 Mendl 17 1 69 3 Gracie 6 1 25 0 Byass 3 0 17 0 Gowan 5 0 25 1	Robinson, N. B. 13 4 56 2 Robinson, M. P. 19 3 98 1 Lynch-Staunton 4 0 12 0 Frankenburg 6.5 0 28 3 Sherrard 1 0 18 0 Langley 3 0 11 1
STOWE v. I ZINGARI. Played at	Stowe on June 24th. Result, a tie.
STOWE.	I ZINGARI.
A. H. P. Hope (G), b O-Smith	C. W. C. Packe, b Robinson, M. P
Extras	Total 229
Total (6 wkts: dec.) 229	Total
Osborne-Smith . 25.2 5 55 2 Wilson . 19 2 78 2 Kemp . 14 2 37 0 Packe . 4 0 26 1 Remnant . 5 0 20 0	Robinson, N. B. 18 2 63 2 Robinson, M. P. 19 2 73 4 Sherrard 2 0 20 0 Munro 5 1 21 1 Lynch-Staunton 4 1 14 1 Langley 8 1 20 1

STOWE v. FREE FORESTERS. Played at Stowe on June 27th. Lost by 82 runs.

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. Stowe.	FREE FORESTERS.
A. H. P. Hope (G), c Stevens, b Burrough A. C. Lynch-Staunton (T), c Burrough, b	R. Eglington, b Robinson, N. B 17 D. Stewart-Brown, Ibw, b Robinson, M.
Stewart-Brown 9	
J. D. A. Langley (G), c and b Skene 36	G. N. Foster, c Robinson, M. P., b
P. Sherrard (C), lbw, b Stevens 4	
A. G. Buchanan (W), c Brooks, b Stevens 35	
C. D. Earle (B), c Russell, b Stevens 1 P. R. Spencer (6), c and b Stevens 5	
I. C. S. Munro (B), c Russell, b Stevens 26	
P. L. D. Frankenburg (C), c Russell, b	Staunton 35
Stevens 31	
M. P. Robinson (6), c Foster, b Stevens 0	
N. B. Robinson (T), not out 3	
	D. Russell, b Langley
Extras 15	
	
Total 170	Total 252
	
O. M. R. W.	O. M. R. W.
Burrough 16 4 31 1	Robinson, N. B. 15 2 63 5
S-Brown 9 1 34 1	Robinson, M. P. 9 0 48 1
Stevens 20.5 6 55 7 Russell 5 1 21 0	Sherrard 3 0 17 0 Langley 10 2 38 1
Russell 5 1 21 0 Skene 5 1 14 1	Munro 2 0 9 0
Catolic I, III II II I	Lynch-Staunton 5 0 23 1
	Frankenburg 5 0 29 2
	Earle 1 0 12 0

STOWE v. OUNDLE. Played at Kennington Oval on July 1st and 2nd. Drawn.

When Langley again won the toss he was faced with an awkward decision; the wicket was wet, though there seemed no chance of the sun appearing. Taking the safer course, he elected to bat. Two wickets were quickly down for 22, including Langley's. Hope and Sherrard, each in their respective styles, then proceeded to pull the game round, and it was a tragedy when Sherrard ran himself out with the score 101 for 3. Buchanan had a quarter of an hour's batting before lunch and shaped confidently. Hope was out immediately after the interval, having played a very good knock: his punishment of the loose ball was severe and his pulling and driving were excellent. The rest of the batting was deplorable; Buchanan alone showed any enterprise, but he erred too much on the opposite side, and after being missed twice in one over he had another and this time successful attempt to give Oundle some catching practice. His dismissal was all the more disappointing as his innings included some lovely shots; with Munro watching the ball with his usual care, a really large score should have been obtained. The Stowe total was poor, the last five wickets falling for 36 runs. The Oundle start was sensational, Lewis being missed at short leg off the first ball sent down. Three wickets, however, fell for 48, and the tea interval was then taken. Afterwards Nichols batted beautifully and, helped by Cowen, the total was increased by 104 runs in an hour and a quarter. For the first time this term, the Stowe

bowling looked disorganized. Then Nichols suddenly chopped a short ball on to his wickets, Lynch-Staunton found a length, and at the close of play Oundle were 176 for 7—a somewhat startling change in the last twenty minutes, when 4 wickets fell for 24 runs.

Next morning the start was delayed for an hour because of rain: two further wickets fell for an additional 20 runs, and then the last Oundle pair confidently and inevitably passed the Stowe score before Martin fell to a well-judged catch in the deep. Both Robinsons bowled well: N.B. had the worst of fortune, constantly beating both bat and wicket. Stowe had a quarter of an hour's batting before lunch, and Sherrard and Lynch-Staunton played with the utmost confidence, though they had one hair-raising discussion in the middle of the pitch while the Oundle fielders fortunately threw the ball about anywhere but at the wicket. After lunch the score moved slowly to 47, when Sherrard was unexpectedly out and Langley came in to play a typically aggressive innings. He scored his runs with fluency and ease, and it was an enormous piece of luck for Oundle when a ball from Martin suddenly rose at his face and second slip took an easy catch off Langley's glove, though the batsman was the only person who knew it was out. He walked out without any appeal being made. The batting then became far too sedate, though Lynch-Staunton played some beautiful strokes. At 4.15 the score was 181 for 5, and Langley decided to make a game of it by giving Oundle two hours to make 171, a somewhat generous gesture as one of the boundaries was very close and nothing but a miracle could have got any side out on that wicket in two hours.

Oundle at no time accepted the challenge, and after they had lost three wickets in the first hour for 36 runs the game most disappointingly petered out into a draw. The fielding on both sides was magnificent: N. B. Robinson and Lynch-Staunton looked the best of the Stowe bowlers, though M. P. Robinson's persistence and pluck gained him most victims.

STOWE.

1st in	inings	i.			2nd innings.	
A. H. P. Hope (G), c V A. C. Lynch-Staunto					c Ringrose, b Llewellyn	23
Llewellyn J. D. A. Langley (G), c P. Sherrard (C), run c A. G. Buchanan (W), C. D. Earle (B), lbw, b I. C. S. Munro (B), no P. L. D. Frankenburg Butler P. R. Spencer (S), c I M. P. Robinson (G), b N. B. Robinson (T), b Extras	c Lewi c and Butle t out. (C), s wilso Wilso	s, b L b Ll t Rin b Bu	ewelly ewelly grose,	0 7n 11 21 7n 57 5 12 b 5 14 1	c Lewis, b Martinb Butlernot out	44 41 27 1 16 15
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100	a.ı				Total (5 wkts. dec.) 1	.01
Llewellyn Cowen Martin Butler Wilson	0. 24 12 13 9 6.2	M. 7 3 4 0	R. 56 53 39 44 16	w. 4 0 0 3 2	O. M. R. W. Llewellyn 17 4 45 2 Cowen. 12 2 35 0 Martin 11 1 30 2 Butler 7 0 47 1 Wilson 6 2 10 0	2

	Oundle.
1st innings. J. M. H. Lewis, c Spencer, b Robinson,	2nd innings. b Robinson, N. B 6
N. B. C. P. Payne, c and b Robinson, M. P. P. B. Nichols, b Robinson, M. P. L. W. Waters, b Robinson, M. P. P. S. Cowen, b Lynch-Staunton J. S. Curl, b Robinson, M. P. T. S. Ringrose, c Robinson, M. P., b Lynch-Staunton A. Y. Wilson, c Buchanan, b Robinson, M. P.	26 not out
M. F. Llewellyn, not out J. M. B. Butler, st Spencer, b Robinson, M. P. R. H. Martin, c Robinson, M. P., b Langley	20 12 12
Extras	8 Extras 3
Total	226 Total (3 wkts.) 91
Robinson, M. P. 27 6 84 (Lynch-Staunton 12 2 24 1 1 26 Munro	Robinson, N. B. 12 4 18 1 16 Robinson, M. P. 7 2 15 0 17 18 18 1 18 1 18 1 18 1 18 1 18 1 1
_	ed at Stowe on July 4th. Won by 1 wicket.
E. H. D. Low (C), b Robinson, N. B.	Stowe.
Extras	3 Extras 12
Total 1.	Total (9 wkts.) 150
Robinson, N. B. 0. M. R. w. Robinson, N. B. 11 1 41 5 Robinson, M. P. 15 4 35 1 Langley 9 1 27 1 Lynch-Staunton 9 1 38 2 Munro 3 1 5 1	Stephens 0. M. R. W. H. Jackson 18 5 36 5 H. Jackson 22 7 47 2 Bennett 11 2 41 2 Griffin 12 7 14 0

2ND XI.

Misfortune dogged the footsteps of the 2nd XI from the very start of the season. The first two matches, against Haileybury and Harrow, were scratched: this also was the fate of the Rugby and Bradfield matches. However, Lynch-Staunton managed to fill most of the vacancies left by the cancellation of the above with some most enjoyable games against Upper Heyford and Abingdon R.A.F.

Peploe captained the team with refreshing zest and with an eye to playing for a win every time. He was well backed up by the rest of the side, who at times played sparkling cricket. Every batsman made runs at some time or other during the season, and each bowler justified his inclusion in the side. The fielding was not of a high standard, except in the case of Simpson-Hunter, who was magnificent against Bedford. Peploe kept wicket well throughout the season.

Results :---

June 6th. v. Upper Heyford (at Stowe). Stowe won by 6 wickets.

Upper Heyford, 148 for 4 declared.

Stowe, 159 for 4 (Pearson 65 not out).

June 10th. v. RADLEY (at Radley). Draw.
Stowe, 129 for 4 declared (Mitchell 41 not out).
Radley, 104 for 8.

June 17th. v. Abingdon R.A.F. (at Stowe). Abingdon R.A.F. won by 20 runs. Abingdon R.A.F., 119. Stowe, 99.

June 20th. v. Abingdon R.A.F. (at Abingdon). Stowe won by 52 runs.
Stowe, 117 for 7 declared (Addinsell 47 not out).
Abingdon R.A.F., 65 (Frankenburg 5 for 25).

June 24th. v. St. Paul's (at St. Paul's). St. Paul's won by 3 wickets. Stowe, 148 (Frankenburg 35, Darby 34).

St. Paul's, 151 for 7 (Frankenburg 3 for 28).

June 27th. v. Bedford (at Stowe). Stowe won by 60 runs. Stowe, 207 for 8 declared (O'Farrell 35). Bedford, 147 (Greenley 5 for 25).

July 4th. v. OLD STOICS (at Stowe). Old Stoics won by 22 runs. Stowe, 222 (Lowcock 100 not out, O'Farrell 56). Old Stoics, 244 (Wilson 82).

Played, 7. Won, 3; Lost, 3; Drawn, 1.

3RD XI.

The 3rd XI fared well in their two matches under the captaincy of Morris. Against Radley we managed to make a draw of it, even although three of our better batsmen were run out. The team were in sparkling form for their match against Bedford and scored 165 for the loss of five wickets in a very short time. Owing to good bowling by Greenley and Dewhurst, we were able to dismiss the opposition for 83.

Results :--

June 18th. v. RADLEY (at Stowe). Drawn.
Radley, 173 for 7 declared.
Stowe, 144 for 9 (O'Farrell 41).

June 20th. v. Bedford (at Stowe). Stowe won by 82 runs. Stowe, 165 for 5 declared (Beamish 47, Birchall 38). Bedford, 83 (Greenley 4 for 23, Dewhurst 4 for 17).

COLTS.

The Colts have had a very successful season, and have beaten Westminster, Oundle, Radley, Bradfield, and Rugby. They lost to Harrow, and drew with Wellington, the match being abandoned after only half an hour's play owing to rain.

Hastings has been an excellent captain, and a good deal of the credit for the success of the side is due to the intelligent way in which he has placed his field and changed his bowling; he has also kept wicket well, and is top of the batting averages. Booth and Phillips have also batted very well, the former scoring runs very fast all round the wicket. Roche and Darling have played some sound innings, and Nicholl and Weir have also been useful.

Phillips and Walsh have been our opening bowlers, and have both bowled extremely well. Phillips (who is top of the bowling averages) has taken 26 wickets for just over 8 runs each. Darling and Nicholl have been good change bowlers, and have both broken up partnerships.

The fielding of the side has been exceptionally good; a remarkable feature has been the number of times the fielders have hit the stumps when throwing in. Everyone has fielded well, but Webster at extra cover and Nicholl near the wicket have been outstanding.

Results :--

May 16th. At Stowe. Beat 3RD XI. by 103 runs.

Colts, 269 for 9 declared (Hastings 103, Weir 53, Booth 49); 3rd XI., 166 (Darling 4 for 23).

In this match Darling took 4 wickets for 1 run in his last spell of two overs.

May 28th. At Stowe. Beat Westminster by 157 runs.

Colts, 199 for 9 declared (Booth 58, Weir 39); Westminster, 42 (Phillips 6 for 16, Walsh 4 for 16).

Phillips and Walsh bowled unchanged except for one over.

June 4th. At Stowe. Drew with a SCRATCH XI.

Scratch XI, 197 for 6 declared; Colts, 94 for 6 (Hastings 35).

June 6th. At Oundle. Beat Oundle by 57 runs.

Colts, 220 for 7 declared (Phillips 86, Booth 50, Hastings 37); Oundle, 163 (Phillips 7 for 45).

Phillips and Hastings put on 134 for the 3rd wicket.

June 10th.

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At Stowe. Beat RADLEY by 7 wickets.

Radley, 71 (Walsh 6 for 29); Colts, 72 for 3.

Walsh bowled 18 overs unchanged.

June 18th. At Bradfield. Beat Bradfield by 2 wickets.

Bradfield, 95 (Phillips 6 for 18); Colts, 99 for 8.

In a very tense situation, Stobart won the match by hitting a 4 and a 6 off successive

At Harrow. Lost to Harrow by 6 wickets. June 20th.

Colts, 123 (Roche 29); Harrow, 127 for 4.

The one failure. Batting and fielding undistinguished.

July 4th. At Rugby. Beat RUGBY by 3 wickets.

Rugby, 145 (Darling 3 for 28); Colts, 146 for 7 (Booth 39, Nicholl 24 not out, Webster 23).

Booth and Darling made 75 for the first wicket; we lost the 7th at 125. Nicholl and Roche made the runs, and we won with three minutes to spare.

July 11th. At Stowe. Drew with Wellington.

Colts, 37 for 0 (Booth 29 not out).

Rain stopped play after half an hour.

JUNIOR COLTS.

The Junior Colts had a fairly promising season. The Haileybury match was cancelled; Radley were beaten by 5 wickets and the other two matches were drawn, Bedford very much in our favour, while Rugby was a virtual defeat. The batting was powerful but very unreliable, and crashed badly against Rugby. Sharpe and Farnell-Watson were the most dependable; Cunningham, though unsound in defence, batted well against Bedford. Spencer and Scott bore the brunt of the bowling, taking 9 wickets for 93 and 8 for 99 respectively. Robinson bowled his off-breaks well without much luck.

The fielding of the side was rather disappointing. Some good catches were made, notably by Hooper and Murdoch at Rugby, but the out-fielding was often slow. Henry kept wicket consistently well.

Results :-

June 18th. v. RADLEY. Home. Stowe won by 5 wickets.

Radley, 94 (Robinson 3 for 18).

Stowe, 96 for 5 (Farnell-Watson 56 not out).

June 24th. v. Bedford. Home. Drawn.

Stowe, 154 for 4 declared (Cunningham 83 not out, Sharpe 33, Murdoch 21 not out). Bedford, 78 for 8.

July 4th, v. Rugby. Away. Drawn.

Rugby, 174 (Spencer 5 for 44, Scott 4 for 55), Stowe, 99 for 9 (Farnell-Watson 31 not out). 1ST XI. AVERAGES. BATTING.

							Highest	
ID A Innalas (C)				Innings	Runs	Not Out	Score	Average
J. D. A. Langley (G) P. Sherrard (C)		•••	• • •	11	628	2	122*	69.7
A C B 1	•••	•••	• • •	ΥŢ	292	2	92	32-4
A. G. Buchanan (W)	• • •	•••	• • •	10	287	ĭ	75	31.8
A. H. P. Hope (G)				11	335	0	82	30.4
I. C. S. Munro (B)				7	112	2	35	28.0
C. D. Earle (B)				9	186	2		26.5
A. C. Lynch-Staunton	(T)			9	201	0	43	
P. L. D. Frankenburg	(C)			6	65	ī	44	22.3
N. B. Robinson (T)	•••			•	11		3 I	13.0
P. R. Spencer (6)				ć	,	4	4*	11.0
M. P. Robinson (6)			•••		56	0	32	9.3
	···	•••	•••	5	22	0	14	4.4
Also batted:—H.	C. Lo	wcock	(W),	14, 5, 6, 1	; I. S.	Simpson-H	lunter (T), 14*;
I. R. S. Peploe (C)	4 . D	Λ D		(D)	- 0	1	~ ~~~~~~ (• / , • 4

J. R. S. Peploe (C), 14; R. A. Pearson (B), 5.

BOWLING.

T C C 21		Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
I. C. S. Munro (B)		48.8	18	124	I 2	10.33
P. L. D. Frankenburg (C)	• • • •	13.5	0	6 2	6	12.4
N. B. Robinson (T) M. P. Robinson (6)	• • •	165	37	516	32	16.12
A. C. Lynch-Staunton (T)		172	37	545	30	18.16
D. A. Langley (C)	• • • •	68	9	231	10	23.1
J. 2. It. Langley (G)	***	44	8	I2I	٢	2.4.2

Also bowled:—R. A. Pearson (B), 3--o-1o-1; J. S. Simpson-Hunter (T), 2-1-14-1; H. C. Lowcock (W), 7-1-33-1; P. Sherrard (C), 18-0-117-1; J. M. Morgan (C), 8—1—27—0; C. D. Earle (B), 1—0—12—0.

2ND XI. AVERAGES. BATTING.

H C I 1 040			In	nings	Runs N	lot Out	Highest Score	Average
H. C. Lowcock (W)		•••		5	179	2	100*	59.66
C. P. J. D. O'Farrell R. A. Pearson (B)	(C)	4	•••	2	91	0	56	45.50
H. A. Mitchell (C)	•••	•••	• • •	4	84	I	65*	28.00
G. D. Addinsell (G)	•••	• • •	•••	5	92	1	4í*	23.00
J. R. S. Peploe (C)	•••	•••	•••	6	82	1	47*	16.40
J. S. Simpson-Hunter	· (T)	•••	•••	4	60	0	24	15.00
R. S. Darby (C)		•••	•••	4	37	1	19*	12.33
T. C. Eaton (C)	•••	•••	• • •	6	74	٥,	3 Î	12.33
		•••	•••	4	43	0	19	T 0 7 2
Also batted:—P.	L. D.	Franko	enburg	(C), 2	3, 23 : P.	C. H.	Morris (G)	1 72 7 .

J. V. R. Birchall (T), 6, 4*; M. deL. Wilson (W), 7; M. W. G. Greenley (W), 4; R. V. P. Adams (W), 4; G. P. Allsebrook (W), o*; J. M. Morgan (C), o.

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BOWLING.

			Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
P. L. D. Frankenburg (C)			37	8	90	12	7.50
J. S. Simpson-Hunter (T)			52	12	183	15	12.20
R. A. Pearson (B)		• • •	T 2	0	43	3	14.33
M. W. G. Greenley (W)			27	6	106	7	15.14
		,,,	29	3	112	7	16.00
R. S. Darby (C)			13	ī	53	3	17.66
P. C. H. Morris (G)	• • •		29	3	102	Ś	20.40
G. D. Addinsell (G)		•••	- 4	8	76	3	25.33
H. C. Lowcock (W)			24		70		11 /00

Also bowled: H. A. Mitchell (C), 3.4-1-11-1; C. P. J. D. O'Farrell (C), 2-0-12-1; J. V. R. Birchall (T), 7-1-26-1; R. V. P. Adams (W), 3-1-3-1; G. P. Allsebrook (W), 3-0-13-0; J. E. D. Chamier (C), 3-0-24-0; J. M. Morgan (€), 14--2--56--0.

Catches: Peploe, 6 (st. 5, c. 1); Darby, 6; Lowcock, 3; Eaton, 2; Pearson, 2; Allsebrook, 2; Adams, 2; Simpson-Hunter, 1; Addinsell, 1; Mitchell, 1; Greenley, 1; Morris, 1; Wilson, st. 1.

Matches: -Won, 3; Lost, 3; Drawn, 1.

COLTS' AVERAGES. BATTING

			DГ	/	١,	Highest			
•				Runs	Innings	Not Out			
P. R-H. Hastings (T)				222	8	1	103	31.71	
R. B. Booth (W)				246	9	1	58	30.75	
J. P. Phillips (C)				196	. 8	I	86	28.00	
J. Roche (T)				116	8.	2	29	19.66	
J. E. C. Nicholl (B)				97	7	2	24* 16	19.40 18.33	
L. G. Darling (6)	• • •	•••	• • •	55.	6	3	53	16.85	
J. H. Weir (B)		• • • •	• • • •	118	7 8	2)) 23	8.16	
M. G. T. Webster (V	V)	•••	•••	57	7	ī	20	7.81	
J. D. W. Stobart (B)			•••	47	/			0.00.176	

Also batted:—C. R. Milne (T), 2; J. L. Rolleston (C), 0, 0; J. F. Stafford (G), 5; T. P. Walsh (T), 0*, 5, 0*; A. B. Williamson (G), 0*, 4.

BOWLING.

			Overs I	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
J. P. Phillips (C)			117.5	41	219	26	8.42
T. P. Walsh (T)	•••		87.5	23	274	17	16.11
L. G. Darling (6)		•••	44.5	6	167	10	16.70
J. H. Weir (B)	,		2.2	3	90	4	22.50
J. E. C. Nicholl (B)		•••	29.5	3	151	6	25.16
J. E. C. MICHOII (D)			, ,	. Ã 10	W/:11ia-m	con (G) o-	2 T S T .

Also bowled: R. B. Booth (W), 3-0-9-0; A. B. Williamson (G), 9-3-15-1. Fielding:—Hastings, stumped 5, catches 3; Booth, catches, 3; Roche, 3; Nicholl, 2;

Phillips, 2; Stobart, 1; Walsh, 1; Weir, 1.

Matches: -- Won, 6; Lost, 1; Drawn, 2.

LAWN TENNIS

On results, the Tennis Six would appear to have had a very lean season. Admittedly, much very poor tennis was played, but, especially against some of the stronger teams, the fight made was better than the figures indicate.

Most of the players possessed commendable strokes, but showed poor judgment in making the most of them. Very little use was made of the lob or the angled shot, whereby the opposition could be drawn out of position, so providing an easy kill. Far too often wild smashes and ill chosen drives lost points which restraint would have won. Double faults were too frequent.

Shaw and Stephens played throughout as first pair. Shaw has a good touch and sound knowledge of courtcraft, but in many matches Stephens's occasional outright winner did not compensate for a number of wild shots.

After many trials, Jebb and Hooper quite rightly established themselves as second pair. Their record was very creditable, and they made considerable advance.

The third pair was never settled. In the earlier matches Dawson's steadiness made up for his lack of force, but he had a disastrous spell. Wheeler has good shots, but was never reliable.

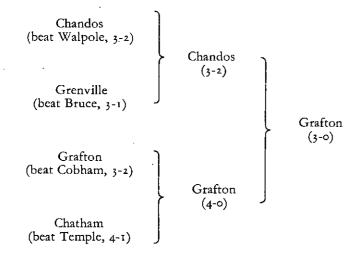
HOUSE TENNIS LEAGUES.

House Tennis Leagues, in which all may take part who are not at the moment playing for the Tennis VI, were played off on the appointed days with little interruption from rain, and Bruce and Chandos reached the Final, each winning their respective pools with a total of 29 points out of a possible 39. A new system of marking was used, giving points for each tie played, with a maximum of 13 for each match. In the Final, Chandos beat Bruce by 8 points to 5 out of a possible 13, and the game reached a high standard. Viewing the competition as a whole, however, the play might be described as safe rather than enterprising.

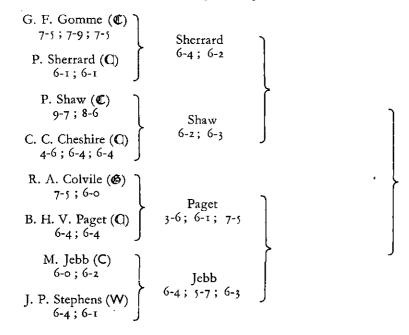
TENNIS HOUSE MATCHES.

In the Tennis House Matches the play proved to be of a fairly high standard, the most marked feature being the good form shown by members of Oligoi and the Cricket League teams. Chandos and Grafton had well balanced sides. Cobham proved to be disappointing, some of their players being obviously stale. Chatham had bad luck to be without their best player for their match against Grafton.

The draw for the House Matches was as follows:—



The last eight in the Mornington Singles were :-



RESULTS OF TENNIS MATCHES.

- IST VI. v. TRINITY COLLEGE, OXFORD. Played on Saturday, May 16th. Lost, 0-9.
- P. Shaw (**C**) and J. P. Stephens (**W**) lost to 1st pair (5—7, 6—4, 5—7); lost to 2nd pair (3—6, 4—6); lost to 3rd pair (6—4, 4—6, 3—6).
- J. P. G. Benson (6) and J. P. T. Dawson (6) lost to 1st pair (1-6, 0-6); lost to 2nd pair (2-6, 1-6); lost to 3rd pair (1-6, 3-6).
- M. Jebb (C) and J. F. Wheeler (C) lost to 1st pair (0-6, 1-6); lost to 2nd pair (2-6, 3-6); lost to 3rd pair (4-6, 4-6).
- 2ND VI. v. TRINITY COLLEGE, OXFORD. Played on Saturday, May 16th. Lost, 0-4.
- G. F. Gethin (C) and A. S. Hooper (C) lost to 1st pair (1-6, 2-6); lost to 2nd pair (3-6, 4-6).
- J. B. Andrews (G) and C. D. B. Howell (T) lost to 1st pair (2-6, 1-6); lost to 2nd pair (3-6, 3-6).
- 1ST VI. v. MASTERS' VI. Played on Wednesday, May 20th. Lost, 2-7.
- P. Shaw (©) and J. P. Stephens (W) beat 1st pair (Mr. I. A. Clarke and Mr. J. T. Hankinson) (3—6, 6—4, 7—5); lost to 2nd pair (Mr. P. A. D. MacCarthy and Mr. C. E. Powell) (5—7, 4—6); beat 3rd pair (Mr. R. Walker and The Rev. T. C. P. Brook) (6—3, 6—3).
- J. P. T. Dawson (€) and J. P. G. Benson (€) lost to 1st pair (3—6, 4—6); lost to 2nd pair (2—6, 2—6); lost to 3rd pair (7—5, 4—6, 5—7).
- M. Jebb (C) and J. F. Wheeler (C) lost to 1st pair (4—6, 6—4, 3—6); lost to 2nd pair (1—6, 2—6); lost to 3rd pair (6—3, 3—6, 3—6).
- 1ST VI. v. P.S.O.B.L.T.A. Played on Saturday, May 23rd. Lost, 1—8.
- P. Shaw (C) and J. P. Stephens (W) lost to 1st pair (4-6, 6-3, 4-6); lost to 2nd pair (4-6, 3-6); beat 3rd pair (6-3, 8-6).
- J. P. T. Dawson (©) and J. B. Andrews (G) lost to 1st pair (0—6, 2—6); lost to 2nd pair (1—6, 2—6); lost to 3rd pair (0—6, 1—6).
- J. F. Wheeler (C) and A. S. Hooper (C) lost to 1st pair (3—6, 2—6); lost to 2nd pair (1—6, 2—6); lost to 3rd pair (0—6, 4—6).
- 1ST VI. v. Worcester College, Oxford. Played on Wednesday, May 27th. Lost, 0—9.
- P. Shaw (£) and J. P. Stephens (W) lost to 1st pair (3—6, 4—6); lost to 2nd pair (3—6, 3—6); lost to 3rd pair (3—6, 7—5, 4—6).
- J. P. T. Dawson (C) and J. F. Wheeler (C) lost to 1st pair (1-6, 2-6); lost to 2nd pair (1-6, 1-6); lost to 3rd pair (2-6, 3-6).
- A. S. Hooper (C) and J. B. Andrews (G) lost to 1st pair (2—6, 2—6); lost to 2nd pair (3—6, 3—6); lost to 3rd pair (4—6, 5—7).

1ST VI. v. St. Paul's. Played in London on Wednesday, June 3rd. Lost, 2-7.

- P. Shaw (C) and J. P. Stephens (W) lost to 1st pair (4-6, 2-6); lost to 2nd pair (9-7, 0-6, 5-7); beat 3rd pair (6-4, 6-4).
- I. F. Wheeler (C) and J. P. T. Dawson (C) lost to 1st pair (2-6, 2-6); lost to 2nd pair (1-6, 2-6); lost to 3rd pair (4-6, 3-6).
- A. S. Hooper (C) and M. Jebb (C) lost to 1st pair (4-6, 5-7); lost to 2nd pair (6-2, 3-6, 1-6); beat 3rd pair (9-7, 6-2).
- 1ST VI. v. Mr. LILLEY'S VI. Played on Saturday, June 6th. Lost, 3-6.
- P. Shaw (C) and J. P. Stephens (W) beat 1st pair (6-2, 4-6, 6-3); lost to 2nd pair (4-6, 4-6); beat 3rd pair (6-2, 5-7, 6-1).
- A. S. Hooper (C) and M. Jebb (C) lost to 1st pair (4-6, 6-1, 0-6); lost to 2nd pair (0-6, 2-6); beat 3rd pair (6-2, 6-3).
- 1. F. Wheeler (C) and J. P. T. Dawson (C) lost to 1st pair (6-3, 3-6, 2-6); lost to 2nd pair (3-6, 2-6); lost to 3rd pair (6-1, 5-7, 2-6).
- 1ST VI. v. Mr. Ellis' VI. Played on Wednesday, June 10th. Lost, 0-9.
- P. Shaw (C) and J. P. Stephens (W) lost to 1st pair (3-6, 6-8): lost to 2nd pair (5-7, 4-6); lost to 3rd pair (3-6, 4-6).
- A. S. Hooper (C) and M. Jebb (C) lost to 1st pair (2-6, 3-6); lost to 2nd pair (4-6, 3-6); lost to 3rd pair (4-6, 5-7).
- J. P. T. Dawson (C) and G. F. Gomme (C) lost to 1st pair (1-6, 3-6); lost to 2nd pair (3—6, 4—6); lost to 3rd pair (4—6, 4—6).
- IST VI. v. WESTMINSTER. Played in London on Thursday, June 18th. Lost, 4-5.
- P. Shaw (C) and J. P. Stephens (W) lost to 1st pair (4-6, 4-6); lost to 2nd pair (6-8, 2-6); beat 3rd pair (7-5, 3-6, 6-2).
- A. S. Hooper (C) and M. Jebb (C) lost to 1st pair (5-7, 5-7); beat 2nd pair (5-7, 6-4, 6-2); beat 3rd pair (6-3, 6-1).
- J. F. Wheeler (C) and G. F. Gomme (C) lost to 1st pair (2-6, 3-6); lost to 2nd pair (4-6, 4-6); beat 3rd pair (6-4, 5-7, 6-3).
- 2ND VI. v. WESTMINSTER 2ND VI. Played in London on Thursday, June 18th. Lost, I--5.
- J. P. T. Dawson (C) and J. P. G. Benson (6) lost to 1st pair (6-4, 4-6, 5-7); lost to 2nd pair (6-3, 3-6, 4-6); 3rd pair not played.
- J. B. Andrews (G) and I. O'D. Preston (C) lost to 1st pair (5-7, 4-6); beat 2nd pair (6-4, 6-4); 3rd pair not finished.
- G. F. Gethin (C) and C. D. B. Howell (T) v. 1st pair not finished; lost to 2nd pair (3-6, 7-5, 3-6); lost to 3rd pair (2-6, 10-8, 4-6).

IST VI. v. OLD STOICS. Played Saturday, July 4th. Lost, 4-5.

P. Shaw (C) and J. P. Stephens (W) lost to 1st pair (7-5, 2-6, 4-6); lost to 2nd pair (6-4, 4-6, 4-6); beat 3rd pair (6-1, 6-4).

A. S. Hooper (C) and M. Jebb (C) beat 1st pair (6-4, 7-5); lost to 2nd pair (4-6, 3-6); beat 3rd pair (6-3, 6-2).

D. A. G. Kaye (6) and B. J. G. Kaye (6) lost to 1st pair (4-6, 7-5, 4-6); lost to 2nd pair (4-6, 6-4, 4-6); beat 3rd pair (6-0, 6-3).

SWIMMING

The season has on the whole been very successful. The new coach, Mr. Gunn, has greatly improved the team and developed many young swimmers. The prospects for the future are therefore particularly bright. Mr. White's unflagging enthusiasm has done much to keep the standard high. The team's success is, however, largely due to the fine performances of L. G. McKean, the captain, who has won every race (save one, not usually included) in which he has competed this season.

H.C.C.

RESULTS OF THE MATCHES.

v. WESTMINSTER. Home, June 18th. Result:—Stowe, 26; Westminster, 9.

100 Yards Free Style. -- 1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, H. C. Corbett (B); 3, J. L. Bengough (Westminster); 4, J. V. Worthington (Westminster). Time: 66\frac{2}{5} secs.

Diving. __1, L. C. la T. Jolivet (B); equal 2, P. H. Hiscox and J. Hadfield (Westminster); 4, J. D. F. Penrose (W).

50 Yards Free Style.—I. L. G. McKean (6); 2, P. H. Koclsch (B); 3, A. L. Green (Westminster); 4, K. Nordon (Westminster). Time: 27\frac{1}{5} secs.

Plunge.—1, E. B. Christie (Westminster); 2, D. P. Cooper (ℂ).

Relay (4 × 50 yards).—1, Stowe (R. D. Jay (W), P. Spencer-Thomas (W), R. Backus (B), H. C. Corbett (B); 2, Westminster. Time: 2 mins. 14 secs.

v. Bedford Modern. Away, June 20th. Result: -Bedford Modern, 19; Stowe, 15.

100 Yards Free Style.—1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, H. C. Corbett (B); 3, Lewis (Bedford Modern); 4, Shears (Bedford Modern). Time: 65% secs.

50 Yards Free Style.—1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, Liddle (Bedford Modern); 3, P. H. Koelsch (B); 4, Mayes (Bedford Modern).

Plunge.—1, Lovell (Bedford Modern); 2, D. P. Cooper (€).

Diving.—1, West (Bedford Modern), 66 points; 2, Mayes (Bedford Modern), 61; 3, L. ClaT. Jolivet (B), 59; 4, G. H. Turner (C), 48.

Relay.—1, Bedford Modern; 2, Stowe (P. H. Koelsch (B), P. Spencer-Thomas (W), R. Backus (B), H. C. Corbett (B)).

THE BATH CLUB MEETING. In London, June 25th. Stowe gained fifth place.

v. Harrow. Home, July 2nd. Result:—Stowe, 18; Harrow, 14.
50 Yards.—1, L. G. McKean (6); equal 2, H. C. Corbett (B) and Harrow.
100 Yards.—1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, Harrow.

Diving.—1, A. G. Way (B); 2, Harrow.

Relay.—1, Harrow: 2, Stowe (R. Backus (B), P. Spencer Thomas (AC), P.

Relay.—1, Harrow; 2, Stowe (R. Backus (B), P. Spencer-Thomas (W), R. D. Jay (W), P. H. Koelsch (B)).

v. OLD STOICS. Home, July 4th. Result:—Stowe, 17; Old Stoics, 15. 50 Yards.—1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, A. D. Copley (C), O.S.; 3, H. C. Corbett (B). 100 Yards.—1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, L. A. McAfee (B), O.S.; 3, J. C. Breese (C), O.S.

Diving.—1, K. Firth (C), O.S.; 2, L. A. McAfee (B), O.S.; equal 3, L. C. LaT. Jolivet (B) and A. G. Way (B).

Relay.—1, Stowe; 2, Old Stoics (P. H. Koelsch (B), H. C. Corbett (B), R. Backus (B), L. G. McKean (6)).

v. Rugby. Away, July 9th. Result:—Rugby, 23; Stowe, 12.

100 Yards Free Style.—1, L. G. McKean (6); 2, Rugby; 3, Rugby; 4, H. C. Corbett (B). Time: 63 secs.

50 Yards Free Style.—1, Rugby; 2, Rugby; 3, D. W. Calder (B); 4, P. H. Koelsch (B). 200 Yards Free Style.—1, Rugby; 2, L. G. McKean (6); 3, Rugby; 4, H. C. Corbett (B).

Relay.—1, Rugby; 2, Stowe (P. H. Koelsch (B), R. Backus (B), R. D. Jay (W), D. W. Calder (B)).

FENCING

ENCING this term has been more popular than for some time, and the new-comers show encouraging enthusiasm. The team has remained the same, except that Bassett Wilson, who was manifestly stale and in need of a rest, was dropped from the sabre team and Orde came in to fill his place, fighting all three weapons. Tracy has always been a real stand-by in the sabre, and can generally be relied upon to win all his fights. His épée has improved but is a little slow. Falconer's foil has become stronger and less unorthodox, but his sabre is still rather rough and ready. Rutherford, though he takes a good lesson, has been a great disappointment in his matches. Perhaps if he practised a little more control over all his movements the results would be different. Blundell with a little more speed should be a clever épéeist. The juniors just lost to Westminster, who had a more experienced team. Cheyne emerged as a really promising fencer, who should be useful to the team before very long.

MATCHES.

On Saturday, 16th May, against Mr. McClinrock's team at Stowe. Lost, 16-11.

This was a most enjoyable match. Mr. McClintock brought down a strong team against whom we put up a good fight. Tracy did well to win four fights and Falconer came next with three wins.

Scores :-

Foil.—Mr. McClintock's Team:—N. C. McClintock (G) and T. W. Nash, one defeat each; T. S. Barnes, two defeats. Total, four defeats.

Stowe: —R. A. Rutherford (6) and J. R. Falconer (W), one defeat each; P. J. Orde (6), three defeats. Total, five defeats.

Epée.—Mr. McClintock's Team:—N. C. McClintock (G), no defeat; M. L. Bernachi, one defeat; T. W. Nash, two defeats. Total, three defeats.

Stowe.—C. F. Tracy (W), one defeat; P. J. Orde (6), two defeats; R. A. Rutherford (6), three defeats. Total, six defeats.

Sabre —Mr. McClintock's Team: —M. L. Bernachi and T. W. Nash, one defeat each; T. S. Barnes, two defeats. Total, four defeats.

Stowe: —C. F. Tracy (W), one defeat; J. R. Falconer (W) and R. A. Rutherford (6), two defeats each. Total, five defeats.

On Saturday, 6th June, against Westminster, at Stowe. Lost, 19-8.

Westminster always seem to find us at our worst, but all the same we thoroughly deserved our defeat. An easy win for them in the foil was a demoralising beginning, and as they went on it became obvious that, though they were no more stylish than us, we had a lot to learn in the way of actual fighting.

Scores :-

Foil.—Westminster:—M. A. Pears, no defeat; E. B. Christie and A. M. Boswell, one defeat each. Total, two defeats.

Stowe:—P. J. Orde (6) and R. A. Rutherford (6), two defeats each; J. R. Falconer (W), three defeats. Total, seven defeats.

Epée.—Westminster:—E. B. Christie, G. B. H. Fletcher and J. M. Archibald, one defeat each. Total, three defeats.

Stowe: —P. J. Orde (6), C. F. Tracy (W) and R. A. Rutherford (6), two defeats each. Total, six defeats.

Sabre.—Westminster:—M. A. Pears, no defeat; A. M. Doswell, one defeat; J. H. Stutterford, two defeats. Total, three defeats.

Stowe: --C. F. Tracy (W), J. R. Falconer (W) and P. F. Basset Wilson (C), two defeats each. Total, six defeats.

On Saturday, 13th June, against Ashley Green, at Stowe. Won, 16-15.

This match gave us our first win this term. We were rather handicapped by fighting four a side in foil and épée only. Orde distinguished himself by winning six fights.

Scores :-

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Foil.—Stowe:—P. J. Orde (6) and J. R. Falconer (W), one defeat each; R. A. Rutherford (6), three defeats; C. F. Tracy (W), four defeats. Total, nine defeats.

Ashley Green :- Seven defeats.

Epée.—Slowe:—P. J. Orde (6), no defeat; C. F. Tracy (W), one defeat; R. A. Rutherford (6), two defeats; J. R. Falconer (W), three defeats. Total, six defeats.

Ashley Green :- Nine defeats (1 double hit).

On Saturday, 20th June, against WINCHESTER, at Winchester. Lost, 18-8.

This was an unpleasant reverse, but it taught us a lesson. Winchester knew how to fence and had really strong parry ripostes which made attack impracticable; the contrast with our rather wavering movements was too strong to be mistakeable for lack of form.

Scores :---

Foil.—Winchester:—M. G. Ham, no defeat; A. N. Woir and A. J. Weir, one defeat each: Total, two defeats.

Stowe:—P. J. Orde (6) and J. R. Falconer (W), two defeats each; R. A. Rutherford (6), three defeats. Total, seven defeats.

Epée.—Winchester:—A. N. Weir, no defeat; E. G. B. Scourfield, one defeat; M. G. Ham, two defeats. Total, three defeats.

Stowe:—P. J. Orde (\mathfrak{G}), one defeat; R. A. Rutherford (\mathfrak{G}), two defeats; C. F. Tracy (W), three defeats. Total, six defeats.

Sabre.—Winchester:—A. N. Weir, no defeat; Λ . J. Weir, one defeat; J. T. Blair, two defeats. Total, three defeats.

Stowe:—P. J. Orde ($oldsymbol{\mathfrak{G}}$), C. F. Tracy ($oldsymbol{W}$) and J. R. Falconer ($oldsymbol{W}$), two defeats each. Total, six defeats.

On Saturday, 27th June, against HARROW, at Harrow. Won, 11-7.

This also was a most enjoyable match, which was fought at foil and épée only. Orde and Falconer distinguished themselves in épée and foil respectively.

Scores :--

Foil.—Harrow:—F. W. Tallents, one defeat; A. W. Garthwaite and I. N. Bonard, two defeats each. Total, five defeats.

Stowe:—J. R. Falconer (W), no defeat; P. J. Orde (\mathfrak{G}) and R. A. Rutherford (\mathfrak{G}), two defeats each. Total, four defeats.

 $\label{eq:energy} \textbf{Epée.-}\textit{Harrow}: \textbf{--}\textbf{F.} \ W. \ \textbf{Tallents, one defeat ; I. N. Bonard, two defeats ; A. W. Garthwaite, three defeats.} \ \ \textbf{Total, six defeats.}$

Stowe:—P. J. Orde (6), no defeat; C. F. Tracy (W), one defeat; M. H. Blundell (6), two defeats. Total, three defeats.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES, 1936

The following fixtures have been arranged for next term :— IST XV. Sat., Oct. 3-Rosslyn Park A Home. Sat., Oct. 10-Halton Aviation Camp Home. Wed., Oct. 14-Magdalene College, Cambridge Home. Sat., Oct. 17—Oundle Home. Sat., Oct. 24—Oriel College, Oxford Home. Wed., Oct. 28—Trinity College, Oxford Home. Sat., Oct. 31—Richmond A Home. Sat., Nov. 7-Harrow Away. Sat., Nov. 14—Old Stoics Home. Wed., Nov. 18-Radley Home. Sat., Nov. 21—Blackheath A Home. Nov. 28—LX Club Home. Sat., Dec. 5—Bedford Away. Sat., Dec. 12—Veterans' XV. Home. 2ND XV. Sat., Oct. 3—Brackley R.F.C. Home. Wed., Oct. 14-Radley Away. Sat., Oct. 17—Oundle Home. Sat., Oct. 24—Rugby Away. Oct. 31—Haileybury Away. Sat., Sat., Nov. 7-Harrow Home. Sat., Nov. 14—Wellington Away. Sat., Nov. 21—Blackheath Extra A Home. Dec. 5-Bedford Home. Sat., 3RD XV. Wed., Oct. 21-Magdalen College School, Brackley Home. Sat., Oct. 31-Maiden Erleigh Home. Sat., Nov. 7-Harrow Home. Sat., Nov. 14-Radley Away. Nov. 28—Oundle Away. Sat.. Dec. 5—Bedford Away. Sat., Dec. 12—Buckingham R.F.C. Home. Sat., COLTS XV. Sat., Oct. 10-Radley Home. Oct. 17—Rugby Away. Sat., Sat., Oct. 24-Oundle Home. Sat., Nov. 7-Harrow Away. Away. Sat., Nov. 14—Wellington JUNIOR COLTS XV. Wed., Oct. 21-Radley Home. Sat., Nov. 7—Harrow Home. Sat., Nov. 21—Oundle Away. Sat., Dec. 5—Bedford Home.

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RELAY RACES, 1936

The Relay Races were run on March 31st in good conditions. Cobham, who had a strong, well-balanced team, started off in irresistible fashion by winning the first three races, and thus practically assured themselves of victory. They eventually won, for the third successive year, by a margin of eight points from Chandos.

The following were the results:-

	Time.	Bru.	Tem.	Gren.	Chan.	Cob.	Chat.	Graf.	Wal.
4100'S	46 1 secs.	2	5	6	4	7	I	3	0
4220'S	1 min. 42 3 secs.	2	1	4	3	7	0	5	6
4—440's	4 mins. of secs.	6	2	I	5	7	o	3	4
4-880's	9 mins. 17% secs.	7	3	4	5	6	0	I	2
Composite Mile	, 4 mins. 6½ secs.	5	3	I	6	4	О	7	2
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	Total Points	22	14	16	23	3 I	1	19	14
	Place	3	6 ec	— q. 5	2	<u> </u>	. 8	4	— 6 eq.

The time for the 100's beat the record by \$\frac{4}{6}\$ sec., and that for the 220's equalled the record.

SAILING CLUB

The following matches have been sailed this term:

May 20th, at Stowe, v. CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY CRUISING CLUB.

Result.		<i>C.U.C.C.</i>	S.S.S.C.
First Race .		2nd and 4th	1st-and 3rd
Second Race		1st and 2nd	3rd and 4th
Third Race .		2nd and 4th	1st and 3rd
Fourth Race .		1st and 3rd	2nd 2nd 4th
Points	•••	21	19

The School was represented by B. W. J. D'Arcy-Irvine (C), J. N. Carleton-Stiff (C) A. F. Tresfon (C), P. A. L. Wright (T).

June 27th, at Blatherwycke, v. Blatherwycke Sailing Club.

Result.		B.S.C.	S.S.S.C. `
First Race		2nd and 4th	1st and 3rd
Second Race		3rd and 4th	1st and 2nd
		-	
Points	•••	7	13

The School was represented by B. W. J. D'Arcy-Irvine (C), J. N. Carleton-Stiff (C), P. A. L. Wright (B), I. N. Craig (€).

Winners of the Average Prizes :-

Class 'A.' B. W. J. D'Arcy-Irvine (C).

R.H.

PHYSICAL TRAINING

The annual P.T. Competition was held on Monday, July 13th, when Mr. G. W. Murray, of Mill Hill, acted as judge. The results were as follows:—

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		-	Comp.	C. Total.	Year,	Total.				
		Sen.	Jun.							
• • • •		64	67	131	88	219				
	•••	65	67	132	75	207				
		66	63	129	75	204				
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		64	48	I I 2	88	200				
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WORKSHOPS

We have a record number of members in the Woodshop for a Summer term: this is mainly due to the fact that there has been a huge demand for canoes, some thirty having been finished this term. The Metal Shop has increased its membership and is a permanent hive of industry.

The whole-day expedition to Spalding's Factory set out at 8.30 a.m. and got back to Stowe at 5.30 p.m. Many interesting things were seen, including the making of golf balls, tennis balls, golf clubs and tennis racquets. The whole expedition was a great success, thoroughly enjoyed by all.

D.I.B.

O.T.C. Notes

The following promotions have been made this term:-

To Under-Officer: Sergcants P. R. Spencer (6), M. E. Fletcher (C), P. C. Mitford (C). To Sergeant: Corporals H. E. Vickers (C), P. Shaw (C), M. Jebb (C), J. V. R. Birchall (T), B. W. J. D'Arcy-Irvine (C).

To Corporal: Lance-Corporals J. R. S. Peploe (C), W. P. Lunn-Rockliffe (C), J. E. D. Chamier (C), J. G. Nicholson (6), J. M. Mayne (C), M. C. Watson (T).

Appointed Lance-Corporals: Cadets H. C. Corbett (B), K. F. E. Woods (G), I. O'D. Preston (C), D. P. Cooper (W), V. G. B. Mansell (C), H. R. Davis (B), K. G. Rice (C), I. R. Robertson (B), J. A. Forbes (C), J. M. S. Knott (C), P. L. D. Frankenburg (C), J. F. G. Fletcher (T), R. V. P. Adams (W), P. E. R. English (B), G. P. Allsebrook (W), M. L. Graeme (T), P. C. H. Morris (G), N. A. Ussher (C), C. P. J. D. O'Farrell (O), J. F. Wheeler (C).

The following obtained Certificate "A" at the examination held in March, 1936:—
R. V. P. Adams (W), G. P. Allsebrook (W), W. B. Banister (C), R. N. Barclay (C),
J. O. H. Beamish (T), E. S. Chapman (B), O. Cheape (6), J. P. T. Dawson (C), T. C.
Eaton (C), P. E. R. English (B), J. F. G. Fletcher (T), J. A. Forbes (C), P. L. D. Frankenburg (C), Prince Y. Galitzine (C), G. F. Gethin (C), D. R. Le P. Gethin (C), R. H. Gethin
(C), M. L. Graeme (T), J. M. Icke (C), P. L. Ingham (W), J. M. S. Knott (C), P. F. Low
(C), G. C. Maxwell (G), R. B. McGrigor (W), P. C. H. Morris (G), C. P. J. D. O'Farrell
(C), W. S. Oliver (C), C. M. O'Rorke (C), E. L. Shannon (C), N. A. Ussher (C),
J. F. Wheeler (C).

ANNUAL INSPECTION.

Colonel Sir J. L. Cheyne, Bart., M.C., Assistant Adjutant General, Southern Command, inspected the Contingent on June 30th.

HOUSE DRILL COMPETITION.

The annual competition for the "Coldstream" Cup was held on July 7th. Judges from the 2nd Bn. Coldstream Guards were Lieut. and Adjt. R. F. S. Gooch and the Regimental Sergeant-Major.

Result:

I.	Chandos			Chatham Grafton.
	Temple).<	Grafton.
	Cobham.		7.	Bruce.
4.	Grenville.	•	8.	Walpole.

NULLI SECUNDUS CUP.

J. R. Hunter (G) having been adjudged to be the most efficient Cadet for the training year 1935-36, this Cup will be held by Grenville until July 1937.

SHOOTING

THE RIFLE CLUB.

.303 matches have made it impossible to hold spoon shoots on every Saturday of the term, but such competitions as there have been have received good attendance. The following have won spoons:—

M. H. Franklin (C) (3), F. N. H. Widdrington (G), W. Mc D. Morrison (W), C. C. R. Boulton (B), M. J. Conran (B), G. R. L. Barron (6), G. W. Pirie (G), R. A. West (G), T. L. Martin (6), T. R. Gaskell (W).

P.C.M.

.22 SHOOTING.

The results of the Country Life Competition were published on May 9th in the Country Life.

		G	rouping	Rapid	Shooting	Landscape	Total
Ι.	Rossall	 	80	395	200	192	867
2.	I.S.C	 	80	392	195	169	836
3.	Denstone	 	75	388	190	180	833
4.	Charterhouse	 	70	393	200	163	826
5.	Stowe	 	80	380	180	183	823

59 Schools competed.

The Empire test was fired off at the beginning of the term. The placings for the House Shooting Cup were:—

				1	4verage
I.	Walpole		 		86.4
2.	Chandos	,	 •••		82.6
3.	Grenville		 		79.1
4.	Grafton		 		77.8
5-	Chatham	•••	 		69.1
6.	Bruce	•••	 		63.7
	Temple		 • • •		61.3
8.	Cobĥam		 		58.3

The Individual Championship was won by M. H. Franklin (C). The top scores, out of a possible 130, were:—

ī.	M. H. Franklin (C)	•••		118
2.	J. G. Drew (C)	•••		116
3.	J. R. S. Peploe (C)	•••	•••	115

.303 SHOOTING.

THE MIDLAND RIFLE MEETING, KINGSBURY.

The Kingsbury Shield.—The Stowe Eight was 4th, the winners being Denstone with a score of 479. Fourteen competed. Individual scores:—

			1	Ag grega
J. R. Hunter (G)	•••			64
J. G. Drew (C)				63
R. B. McGrigor (W)		•••		62
M. H. Franklin (C)		• • •		59
F. N. H. Widdrington (G)	•••		59
P. C. Mitford (C)		•••		56
W. McD. Morison (W)		•••		56
T. L. Martin (6)	•••	•••		53
				472

The Stowe Cup.—The Stowe Pair was 3rd, the Cup being won by Malvern with a score of 120. Sixteen schools competed. Stowe's score was:—

		H.P.S.	70
A. K. Frazer (T)	• • •	•••	59
R. N. C. Knight-Bruce (C)	•••	•••	57
			116

THE OXFORD RIFLE MEETING, BICESTER.

The Oxford T.A. Cup.—Won by Stowe from Magdalen College School and Bloxham. Individual scores:—

			H.P.S	. 70
W. McD. Morison (W)	•••	•••		65
M. H. Franklin (C)				64
J. R. Hunter (G)				61
R. B. McGrigor (W)				61
F. N. H. Widdrington (G)		•••	61
P. C. Mitford (C)				58
J. G. Drew (C)			•••	58
A. K. Frazer (T)			•••	56
				484

J. R. Hunter (G) won 2nd and P. C. Mitford (C) 3rd place in the Individual Junior County Championship.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY RIFLE MEETING, BISLEY.

The Cusack-Smith Bowl.—Won by King's College School with 501. Stowe came 20th out of an entry of 34. Individual scores:—

					H.P.S.	70
F. N. H.	Widdrin	gton (G)			63
R. B. Mc	Grigor (W)	• • •		• • •	62
A. K. Fr	azer (T)	•••	•••			60
W. McD	Morison	(W)		•••		59
P. C. Mit	ford (C)		•••			58
M. H. Fr	anklin ((Q)	•••	• • •	***	58
J. R. Hu	nter (G)	•••	•••		•••	57
J. G. Dro	ew (C)					50
					-	
					4	467

MATCH v. OUNDLE, at Oundle.

Under Ashburton conditions. The Stowe Eight and the Cadet Pair both won their matches with scores of 473 and 114 against Oundle's 468 and 111.

N.R.A. MEETING, BISLEY.

Public Schools Rapid and Snapshooting Competition.—Stowe were 4th out of an entry of 28. Lancing won the competition with 455 points, and Stowe's score was 438.

Sunday Times Gold Medal and Financial Times Cup.—J. G. Drew (C), after a tie for first place with J. A. Payne (St. Lawrence College), was counted out and placed second. There were 28 competitors. Originally, Drew was announced as winner; but subsequently a mistake was discovered and the result was reversed. He was, however, awarded a Gold Medal.

The Ashburton Shield.—Won by Brighton College with 477 points. Stowe were 17th out of 79 teams competing, with a score of 453. Individual scores:—

			H.P.S.	70
P. C. Mitford (C)	•••		•••	61
J. G. Drew (C) .		• • •	• • •	57
A. K. Frazer (T) .			•••	57
R. B. McGrigor (W	/)		•••	56
R. N. C. Knight-Br	uce (C)			56
J. R. Hunter (G) .			•••	54
M. H. Franklin (C)	•••		•••	54
F. N. H. Widdringt	on (G)		•••	54
			-	
				453

The Spencer Mellish Competition .- P. C. Mitford (C) won a Bronze Medal.

Cadet Pairs Competition.-Won by Marlborough with a score of 119. The Stowe Pair's scores were :-

				H.P.S.	70
R. C.	Roxburgh (W)		***		59
T. L.	Martin (6)	*(*.*)	***	***	5 1
					110
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The Cottesloe Cup for the best average during the season has been won by P. C. Mitford (C) with an average of 59.2.

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SCOUTS

In the Easter holidays, Mr. Gilling-Lax and Mr. Leask took seven members of the troop to Austria. They were away ten days and the cost of the trip was £9. It is hoped that similar trips may be run in the future. An account appears below.

This term has been mainly devoted, in the Senior Troop, to the passing of tests, and it is hoped that, by the end of camp, about eight boys may have won their firstclass badges. On Tuesday afternoons the time was mostly given to Ambulance in the earlier part of the term, and to Signalling in the latter part, these being two troublesome parts of the first-class test which are specially suitable for collective action.

The work of the Junior Troop has included the repair of the bridge connecting the boating islands; gardening for Dr. Zettl; second class tests, particularly ambulance; swimming badge; construction of rafts and a monkey bridge.

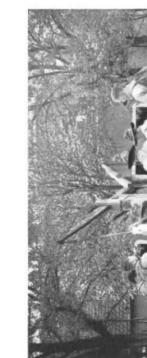
The persistence of wet weather at week-ends has somewhat interfered with camping this term, but we sent small parties to the two Public School Camps at Youlbury, and we attended the District Camp at Tile House, which was most successful. Besides this, most Patrols have held a Patrol Camp, and a fair number of pairs have been out hiking.

Camp is being held from July 28th to August 5th at Haynham Farm, Dulverton, on the edge of Exmoor.











STOWE BALL, 1824



QUEEN VICTORIA AND THE PRINCE CONSORT (The Queen visited Stowe in 1845)

THE AUSTRIAN HIKE

The Wachau, a district on the Danube in Lower Austria, provides a charming combination of forest-clad mountains and meadows white with apple-blossom. It was this corner of Europe that a party of seven scouts, led by Mr. Gilling-Lax and Mr. Leask, visited towards the end of last holidays. After a long and interesting railway journey we stayed our first night in Melk, a picturesque old town dominated by its famous Baroque monastery. With this as our base, we spent an enjoyable week walking in the surrounding country. The excellent Austrian coffee and 'wienerschnitzel' proved a welcome change from English food, though the frequent presence of garlic and aniseed in our meals was a doubtful pleasure to some of us. Our last day we occupied in seeing the sights of Vienna, undoubtedly one of the finest capitals in Europe. We were very fortunate in securing the invaluable and voluntary services of Herr Maier as our guide throughout the trip.

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THE LIBRARY

We desire to acknowledge the following presentations to the Library :-

From Mr. R. Fielding Dodd:

The Works of Sir Robert Lorimer, by Christopher Hussey.

From the Author:

Topographical Poetry in XVIII Century England, by Robert Arnold Aubin.

From the Buckinghamshire County Council:

Calendar to the Bucks Session Records. Vol. II, 1694-1705.

From Dr. Adrian Brunel:

Prelude to Peace, by Esme Wynne-Tyson.

From Prince Yuri Galitzine:

Vol. CLVI of The Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News.

The following books have been bought this term:

'Dictionary of Applied Physics,' vols I and II (edited by Sir Richard Glazebrook); 'Introduction to Modern Physics' (F. K. Richtmyer); 'The General Properties of Matter' (F. H. Newman and V. H. L. Searle); 'Proceedings of the Royal Society of Great Britain: Sound' (E. G. Richardson); 'Grand Prix' (Barry Lyndon); 'A New Commentary on Holy Scripture' (edited by Charles Gore, Henry Leighton Goude, Alfred Guillaume); Peake's Commentary on the Bible; The Cambridge Medieval History, vol. VIII; 'The Letters of Sir Walter Scott, 1826-1828' (edited by H. J. C. Grierson); 'The Life of John Bright' (G. M. Trevelyan).

On a division being taken, there voted:

Upper House. Lower House. For the Motion For the Motion - 13 Against - - 12 Against

The Motion was therefore carried in the Upper House by 1 vote, and in the Lower House by 44 votes.

The 103rd Meeting of the Society was held in the Library on Friday, June 5th, the Motion being "That this House is in sympathy with the

. Old Man of Thermopylae Who never did anything properly.' "

P. J. Orde (6) (Hon. Proposer) did not propose to defend the inefficiency of the Old Man, but to sympathise with him. The inhabitants of Thermopylae had driven him forth; surely the House would not be so intolerant.

P. R. Spencer (6) (Hon. Opposer) warned the House against the grave hypocrisy of the Hon. Proposer, who had gone to Oxford to fail in an examination, and had teturned a Senior Scholar of Hertford College. After reading at length A. A. Milne's "The Old Sailor," he elaborated his contention that efficiency was the true means to idleness.

P. L. D. Frankenburg (C) found that the voice which coached a thousand scrums was singularly unsuited for polished debating. Mistakes and inefficiency were the spice of life: had Hamlet murdered his uncle without further ado, Shakespeare would never have written his masterpicce.

R. KEE (6) remembered, way back in '04, a very disappointing attempt of his to make a pukka wallah out of a Thermopylean. Who could sympathise with the inefficient Jabberwock, which had come "whiffling through the tulgey wood, and burbled as it came."? If only it had come burbling through the wood, and whiffled as it came!

There also spoke: For the Motion, N. S. Brown (6), C. B. Cash (6), S. J. Whitwell (C), the Librarian (B. J. R. Moreton) (C), T. L. Dewhurst (B), P. M. Syrett (C), J. B. Frankenburg (C), the ex-Secretary (R. I. K. Moncreiffe) (C), R. H. M. Spencer (W), D. Gardiner (O), H. S. L. Dundas (W), R. E. W. Harland (O), J. D. Fay (G), A. Shaw (C).

Against the Motion, M. G. T. Webster (W), the Vice-President, B. H. V. Paget (C), H. C. Corbett (B), A. M. Carr-Gomm (C), the President, J. E. B. Naumann (C), A. Allan (W).

P. L. D. Frankenburg summed up.

On a division being taken there voted:

Lower House. Upper House. For the Motion - 20 For the Motion - 16 Against Against - - 4

The Motion was therefore carried in the Upper House by 12 votes, and lost in the Lower House by 3 votes.

DEBATING SOCIETY

THE Society has suffered somewhat from the continued dearth of speakers, but we feel that it is already on the way to recovery. As usual, however, we pin our hopes on the coming term.

The Officers of the Society this term are:—President, Mr. W. L. McElwee; Vice-President, Mr. J. M. Todd; Secretary, P. R. Spencer (6); ex-Secretary, R. I. K. Moncreiffe (C); Treasurer, P. L. D. Frankenburg (C); Librarian, B. J. R. Moreton (C).

The following have been elected members of the Society:—R. H. M. Spencer (W), P. C. Benson (6), M. L. B. Williams (W), P. S. Fowler (C), T. L. Dewhurst (B), J. B. Frankenburg (C), N. S. Brown (6), C. B. Cash (6), N. B. Robinson (T).

The 102nd Meeting of the Society was held in the Library on Wednesday, March 5th, the Motion being "That this House would rather fight with than against Germany."

P. M. SYRETT (C) (Hon. Proposer) was not there to defend Hitler, but to denounce France. On the one side France was allied to Fascism, and on the other to Bolshevism; while the much maligned Hitler strove solely in the interests of German international

A. M. CARR-GOMM ((Hon. Opposer) compared the Hon. Proposer to a rodomantading fish out of water. British support, now already pledged, was essential to protect the frail but invaluable civilization of the French from the hectoring Kultur of the Germans.

R. KEE (6) adored snails. But, he complained, his snails were going to the dogs-While lamenting the downgrade of French culture, he exhorted the House to join with Germany in saving it from internal destruction.

J. D. H. O'RORKE (C) surveyed the post-war European situation with a comprehensive clearness and coherency which gained the entranced attention of the House. All France's allies were failing her in her hour of need; should we not stand by her

There also spoke: For the Motion, J. N. Carleton-Stiff (O), B. J. R. Moreton (C), R. H. M. Spencer (W), K. M. Jacobs (C), the Librarian (B. H. V. Paget) (C), the ex-Secretary (J. W. Stoye) (C), J. M. Lyon (C), P. C. Benson (6), R. S. Darby (C), J. J. O. Hutchison (C), P. I. R. Maclaren (C), M. L. B. Williams (W), the Vice-President, W. R. I. Turner (B), R. C. Carr-Gomm (C).

Against the Motion, S. J. Whitwell (C), H. S. L. Dundas (W), J. R. C. Elmslie (C), M. H. Bullock (C), the Secretary (R. I. K. Moncreiffe) (C), St. G. V. R. Grant (C), A. D. Herbert (C), P. S. Fowler (C), T. L. Dewhurst (B), A. Shaw (C), P. J. Diggle (C), P. R. Briant (B). The Hon. Proposer summed up.

The 104th Meeting of the Society was held in the Library on Wednesday, June 27th.

Before the Debate, F. B. Richards (T), seconded by P. J. Orde (6), moved a vote of censure on the Secretary or the ex-Secretary for having failed to provide the customary jug of water for speakers' use. The ex-Secretary at once moved an amendment apparently directed against himself. The Secretary's ire was seen to be rising and the President tactfully ruled both the motion and the amendment out of order.

The House then proceeded to debate the Motion "that the True Peril is not Yellow but Red."

- S. J. Whitwell (C) (Hon. Proposer) spoke only under compulsion from his colleague. Japanese development could not be restrained save by a resort to arms, leading ultimately and inevitably to the downfall of Britain, worn out in continual warfare. Japan affected only our Far-Eastern trade; but Communism was restrictionism, a curtailment of all that British freedom stood for, a blight striking at the very roots of our complex civilization.
- B. J. R. Moreton (C) (Hon. Opposer) deprecated the importance of Communism. The Communists had but one representative in Parliament, he declared. The fanatical Shintoism of the Japanese could achieve anything, even the safe arrival of a naval torpedo. Communism would result from a World War, but the war would result from the Yellow Peril.
- R. I. K. Moncreiffe (C) quoted in its original tongue a Japanese poem by Toyotomi Hideyoshi. Rumours that the alleged Japanese was really Gaelic may be dismissed as groundless. After a long period of periphrasis and circumlocution about Bushido and the Secret Society of the Black Dragon, he turned and rent the Opposition. The unfortunate coincidence of red-hair, shared equally between the two Opposers and a member who had heckled him, was sufficient foundation for a brilliant but terrifying peroration.
- H. S. L. Dundas (W) wittily spoke of the Russian pig being stung by the Japanese wasp. A Japanese invasion of Russia could not but be effective, and might affect the European situation very gravely. The expanding population of Japan must inevitably drive her to Australasia, where the British fleet could well be out-manoeuvred and an invincible army landed. Communism, he assured the House, was vastly overrated.

There also spoke: For the Motion, the Vice-President, T. L. Dewhurst (B), M. L. B. Williams (W), A. M. Carr-Gomm (C), R. Kee (6).

Against the Motion, F. B. Richards (T), N. B. Robinson (T), P. J. Orde (4), P. M. Syrett (C), P. Johnstone (Q), J. B. Frankenburg (C), R. H. M. Spencer (W).

On a division being taken, there voted:

Upper House.

For the Motion - 6
Against - - 9

Lower House.

For the Motion - 18
Against - - 21

The Motion was therefore lost in both Houses by 3 votes.

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Music

There have been no notable musical events this term, compared with the activities of the two previous terms. All the concerts given have been done by the various music organizations, and there have been no visiting artists.

The Orchestra and Choral Society have had an all-English programme. Vaughan

Williams' "Windsor Forest" has proved very attractive.

Warlock's Capriol Suite and Holst's Marching Song, together with a Folk-song Suite by Vaughan Williams, have occupied most of the orchestra's time. In spite of the attractiveness of this music, it was with something of a relief that Wagner's Meistersinger Overture was welcomed by the orchestra. Here was something for every player in the orchestra to work at, and this particular work is by no means easy.

The Junior Orchestra have continued last term's programme and have concentrated on Handel's March from the Occasional Overture, Lillibulero by Purcell, and some

Gavottes by Bach.

The Hobbies Orchestra has improved greatly during the term, and has been working

at all sorts of music, mostly folk-tunes.

A concert will be given on Speech Day by the Choral and Madrigal Societies and the Orchestra.

THE MUSIC SOCIETY.

It was decided at the beginning of the term no longer to limit the numbers of the Society, but to throw membership open to the whole school.

This term there have been three meetings of the Society, both held in the Queen's

Temple

The first, held on Wednesday, May 27th, consisted of works for pianos, clarinet and solo voice. There was a fairly large and highly appreciative audience. Saint-Saens' "Beethoven Variations," played by Dr. Huggins and Mr. Snowdon, in particular received a tremendous ovation.

Miss Parkinson and Mr. Geoghegan also played some very delightful pieces, while

Mr. Hands sang some excellent songs in German, Swedish and English.

The second concert, held on Wednesday, June 17th, consisted of an all-English programme played by the Orchestra. Music by Grainger, Holst, Purcell and Warlock suited all tastes. Grainger's "Handel in the Strand" was well played and received the appreciation it deserved.

A report of the third concert, given on July 15th, will appear in the next number

of The Stoic.

M.J.

THE MADRIGAL SOCIETY.

Last term the Society, with some trepidation, entered for the Buckingham Festival. However, it acquitted itself well and came first in one section and second in another. A number of English madrigals and part-songs are being done for the Music Society concert on July 15th and for a concert on Speech Day. The Society is especially fortunate this term in having some very good trebles.

K.J.S.R.

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DER FREISCHÜTZ

Last term Dr. Huggins and Mr. Saunders again co-operated in producing an opera at Stowe. Their highly ambitious production of "Boris Godounov," in the Summer Term 1934, was such a great success that it would be unfair to expect a second quite like it. This time, to avoid having to employ an outside performer again for the leading part, they chose Weber's "Der Freischütz" (the Freeshooter), a very charming light opera, which also has the merit of being easily within the grasp of even the lowest-browed.

The libretto was not merely translated, but completely re-written by Mr. Saunders, with a great many alterations to suit the conditions; apart from a few slightly strained combinations of old English and modern colloquialism, it was very successful. The plot is a charming story in the most sentimental German vein of hunting, love, and witch-craft, not to be taken too seriously; it was obviously intended only as a background to the music. The great defect of the performance was that it was rather under-rehearsed; insufficient attention had been paid to the acting, with the result that it was for the most part rather stiff.

The best part of the whole opera was the scene between J. A. Lake (Q) as the heroine and S. P. E. C. W. Worsthorne (Q) as her friend—a very delightful duet, beautifully sung. J. F. G. Fletcher (T) was an adequate hero, though his acting was a little stiff; and Mr. Saunders made a very sinister villain. It was a pity that Mr. Hands did not appear till the last scene, as he always carried his part with a great swing, and some of the carlier scenes would have profited by his help. The minor parts were all competently filled, but the choruses were, in places, rather clumsy. The orchestra was well up to scratch, and, on the whole, the performance was very enjoyable and quite according to the producers' high standard.

Finally, the art of Mrs. Saunders and of Mrs. Snowdon in costume-designing and the skill in scene-designing of C. B. Cash (6) contributed in no small degree to what was an entirely local production.

P.E.R.E.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

At a meeting held in the Library on Wednesday, June 10th, a discussion took place on the subject "Collective Security or the Alternative."

The Secretary opened the proceedings with an account of the various forms which "The Alternative" took. Describing the various possibilities, from the Rothermere policy of isolation to the suggestion of an alliance with Germany, the speaker probed the drawbacks of each in turn. B. J. R. Moreton then read a short paper on "Collective Security," in which he stressed the marked advance upon her treatment of the Manchurian problem apparent in the League's handling of the recent Italian aggression, in spite of her failure to foil Mussolini. He suggested that, in the event of another

aggression, it was reasonable to hope that the League would be found to have profited no less from her Abyssinian experience.

There followed a general discussion in which the question whether the League might not be better employed if her activities were confined to those of a clearing-house of international opinion and the present position of Hitler in Germany were the most prominent topics.

A second meeting was held in the Gymnasium on Friday, July 10th. A report

appears on page 168.

P.M.S.

Lorelei

(A translation from Heine).

I know not why there rages
Such sorrow in my breast;
A tale of former ages,
Which gives my heart no rest.

Chill evening shades are creeping, And easy sleeps the Rhine. Behind the cliff-crest leaping The fires of day decline.

Lo! Fair beyond the dreaming, A maiden seated there. Her golden gems a-gleaming, She combs her golden hair.

With gold she combs those tresses, And sings the while a song, A strain of wondrous stresses And magically strong.

The shipman his frail ship steering
Is spell-bound—doom of dread!—
He scans not the rock-reef nearing:
He scans but the hill o'er his head.

Now 'neath the waters winging Skiff and shipman I descry— And all this through the singing Of the Siren Lorclei.

B.J.R.M.

LECTURES

On Friday, March 27th, the Upper School listened to an address from Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, G.C.B., K.C.V.O., etc. Taking as his subject "The Navy and the Present European Crisis," Admiral Keyes gave us a short history of the Naval Treaties which have been made since the great war. He hated them all he said, because it was always England alone who made sacrifices.

The Washington Treaty was an effort to stop an incipient arms race. The British Navy, supreme even in pre-war days, had grown at such a pace during the war that it was finally superior to the combined fleets of the rest of the world. Such supremacy was too expensive to maintain, and fifteen capital ships were scrapped. A challenge by the U.S.A., quelled by the British threat to build four capital ships better than any the U.S.A. possessed, led up to the Treaty of 1922, in which England made great concessions in order to secure an agreement.

If we had sacrificed much at Washington, the London Treaty, Admiral Keyes asserted, was no more than an agreement for the unilateral disarmament of Britain. He had gone into Parliament, he said, solely to smash this treaty.

Admiral Keyes then pointed out that the Naval Treaty with Germany was more disadvantageous to Britain than appeared on a cursory examination, because the modernity of the German Navy had to be set against the antiquity of a great number of our ships.

Finally, two fallacies were refuted for our benefit. First we were told that it was idle to speak of "collective" security in the Mediterranean. When it came to the point, the onus of putting Geneva's resolutions into force fell solely on the British fleet. Then Admiral Keyes attacked in convincing style the theory that battleships were helpless in the face of air attack.

On Friday, July 10th, the Upper School listened to a most interesting address given by Mr. Shoran Singha, who came down, under the auspices of the Stowe branch of the L.N.U., to lecture on the present situation in India. Sketching the history of the Indian Constitution since 1919 and the growth of Nationalism in the country, Mr. Singha led up to the new India Act. He explained the broad lines on which the new system would work, incidentally clarifying in the minds of his audience the position of the native princes and showing the need for the Federal Government for which the Act provided. Until Federalism is established, he explained, none of the social legislation enacted at Geneva, a most successful side of the League's activities and (he considered) sadly under-appreciated, can be made binding upon these native princes. As examples of such social legislation he cited child labour, the marriage age, and, in particular, the sale of opium. The Government of India, which possessed a monopoly of the manufacture of opium in the country, had agreed, under a Geneva convention, to prohibit the sale of the drug after a certain date. The native princes had taken advantage of this to encourage the growth of opium in their own states with a view to superseding the Government in the trade, thus invalidating the British action. Under the new Act, however, these anomalies would pass away.

Referring to the opposition the India Bill had met in its passage through Parliament, Mr. Singha said that although some had criticized the Bill for its caution and some for its progressive attitude he himself considered it to be the best possible in the circumstances. One illuminating fact he had discovered. When the split occurred in the Conservative Party over the India Bill, both Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Churchill had backed their convictions with the beliefs of men who had personal knowledge of India. Wondering how these warring sentiments, apparently equally sincere on both sides, might be reconciled, he had made investigations, the results of which had convinced him that one simple consideration explained these differences of opinion. The apostles of caution, he found, were those who had returned from India fifteen years ago or more, while progressive action was advocated by those whose retirement was of a more recent date. This, he believed, was the keynote to the Indian problem. The last fifteen years had seen a social revolution in the country. Western civilization was doing away with the ancient ignorance of the peasantry, was breaking down the barriers of caste and was awaking a national spirit. At the same time there had taken place an industrial revolution, in connection with which Mr. Singha supplied us with some remarkable facts concerning the growing self-sufficiency in cotton which the Indian mills were effecting. Finally the lecturer appealed to those who intended to go out to India in any official capacity. They had before them, he said, a career full of interest, for the coming years would prove a new era in India's history; but they must go out in the full realization that the India to which they were setting their faces was not the India of their fathers. They must be prepared not to rule an inferior race but to cooperate with a people who were their equals in intelligence and culture. Ninety per cent. of the troubles of India were due, he asserted, to the superciliousness of Britain.

Several questions were then put to Mr. Singha, which he answered very fully. First he was asked whether the position of Viceroy would remain as before, and, in assuring his questioner that it would, he mentioned that there was a strong body of opinion in India which would welcome the appointment of a non-political Viceroy, especially a member of the Royal Family. He then gave us his estimate of Mahatma Ghandi. He regretted that such scant respect was paid to this great figure in England. That Ghandi was sometimes tiresome he agreed, but so were all pioneers. Ghandi's importance, he considered, was due to his working along spiritual rather than political lines.

In reply to a question: "Does India really want independence?", Mr. Singha replied that in his opinion the ideal of the great majority of Indians was no more than Dominion status. He welcomed, however, the minority who pressed for complete independence, because he believed that a Left Wing was indispensable to any country's survival

In answer to another question, the lecturer explained how the language difficulty was being overcome. In the internal affairs of the provinces the language prevalent in each province would be its official tongue, whilst in inter-provincial relationships English would be used. No greater boon, he said, had been brought to India by the English than their language, without which Indian would be unable to converse with Indian.

Mr. Singha's mention of the breaking down of the caste system raised the inevitable query whether Hinduism regarded the new order with favour. The mass of the Hindus, we learnt, were willing to let caste go because the system was only a measure intended to preserve health and racial purity. These ends could now be realized

without caste, and the only opposition came from the priests, whom a large proportion of the Indian youth wished to abolish. Finally, in answer to a question put by the Headmaster, Mr. Singha showed that the rivalry between Moslems and Hindus, a rivalry which he considered greatly exaggerated by the newspapers of this country, was in fact more of an economic than a religious struggle. In the villages, members of both religions lived together in amity, but feelings were inflamed in the cities by the realization that Moslem debts to Hindu landlords and money-lenders totalled no less than f.150,000,000. The leaders of both sects, he said, were sincere in their desire for reconciliation and cooperation.

The school showed their agreement with the Headmaster's praise of a "lucid and inspiring" address by prolonged and repeated applause. Without doubt this was one of the best lectures we have been privileged to hear at Stowe.

B, J.R.M.

Clubs and Societies

THE TWELVE CLUB.

Two meetings have been held this term.

On May 22nd, F. B. Richards (T) read a paper on "Yachts."

On June 19th, J. D. A. Langley (G) read a paper on "Golf."

N. B. Robinson (T), J. D. A. Langley (G), M. Jebb (C) and J. G. Drew (C) have been elected members of the Club.

P.R.S.

THE ANTIQUARIANS.

At a meeting held in the rooms of the Vice-President (Mr. Gilling-Lax) on Friday, 15th May, the following Committee was elected:—Secretary, R. I. K. Moncreiffe (Q); Treasurer, F. B. Richards (T); Recorder, B. J. R. Moreton (C): Committee-men, Prince Yuri Galitzine (C), K. J. S. Ritchie (T), M. Jebb (C), M. L. B. Williams (W). It was decided to run the Society on the same lines as before, i.e., it was to consist of twenty-five members, elected by the Committee from the Upper School and the Twenty, under the Presidency of the Headmaster.

One meeting has been held this term. On Thursday, June 18th, Mr. J. M. Todd read a paper on "Gnosticism."

It is possible that the Secretary may read a paper later in the term.

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THE CLASSICAL SOCIETY.

The Society has so far met once this term, to see an extremely entertaining film of a Mediterranean Tour, presented by Prince Y. Galitzine (C). Members of the Antiquarian Society were also invited to this meeting. Late in July, Mr. C. F. Angus will read a paper, probably on "Alexander the Great."

B.J.R.M.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

It was hoped that a party would go to see a film being made in a Studio this term, at the kind invitation of Mr. Adrian Brunel, but, owing to various inconveniences, it was found necessary to postpone the visit until next term. Judging by the number of prints drying in the dark-room this term, we may look forward to an interesting exhibition next year.

K.G.R.

THE AERO CLUB.

The Aero Club has had a busy term. In addition to the usual excursions to Halton, there have been two all-day excursions, one to Rochester and Chatham and the other to the Hendon Air Pageant.

The expedition to Rochester and Chatham on June 18th, was, so we are assured by those who patronize excursions extensively, one of the best that have ever set out from Stowe. We went in four cars and first visited Short Bros.' factory at Rochester. We were shown round various departments and saw flying boats in different stages of manufacture, the most interesting being the huge machines for use by Imperial Airways on the Empire Air routes, and the Mayo Composite machine. We then went along to Chatham Dockyards, where Admiral Sir E. R. G. R. Evans gave us a vast tea-including strawberries and cream and ices !--and were then shown round the dockyard, ending up with a conducted tour of the cruiser "Orion." We finally arrived back at Stowe after 10 o'clock.

The visit to the Hendon Air Pageant on June 27th was also a most interesting excursion. The experts among us were most thrilled by the new high-speed planes, but there was excitement also for the non-technically minded; in particular, a display of flight aerobatics by three fast fighters roped together was extremely spectacular, and nearly gave at least one member of the party heart-failure!

In addition, four visits have been paid to Halton camp, and it is hoped that by the time these lines appear in print every member of the Aero Club will have had an opportunity to fly this term.

J.R.H.

THE CLAY PIGEON CLUB.

Inaugurated during the last half of the Easter term, when we were fortunate enough to be given two Skeet Towers by the I.C.I., the club did not reach its present standard of activity till this term. Apart from the practice shoots held at least once a week, we

have had several matches, our opponents including the Bicester Farmers, the Oxford Ospreys and another Oxford team brought down by Mr. R. A. Simpson (Q). Latterly we have installed a further trap, on the top of the Bourbon Tower, which has provided a different type of shot very popular with members of the Club.

Our sincere thanks are due to Lady Buller for most kindly presenting a shootingstick for competition, and to those Masters, Major Russell in particular, whose supervision has, up to our going to press, prevented the occurrence of corpses.

J.R.H.

THE MODEL RAILWAY CLUB.

The many other summer activities of various types have tended to take away interest from the club this term, but in spite of this a single circuit of track is complete, and some rolling stock has been bought.

A party went to Banbury on June 27th and spent a most interesting afternoon going over the G.W.R. "Hump" marshalling yard, terminating in a footplate ride from one end of the yard to the other. Everyone agreed that the visit was worth repeating in the future.

H.E.V.

THE STOWE DANCE

The Dance was held, this year, in the Library on Saturday, June 13th, from 8.45 until 1.30. Unlike the two previous dances, it was not favoured with fine weather. The rain poured unremittingly from early in the morning till about midnight; but our enjoyment of the dancing was not lessened. Harry Saville and his Orchestra provided the music. As last year, there were three sit-down suppers, and a breakfast of beer and sausages later on in the evening.

Once again Mr. John Tallent was Chairman of the Committee. With his genius for organization he gathered together his lieutenants within a few days of the beginning of the term, and worked with indefatigable energy to make the dance a success. Mr. Capel Cure still continues to be the Treasurer and earns our gratitude. We would like to thank all the ladies who gave us flowers for the Library; also Miss Butler, Miss Parrish, Miss Slater, Miss Johnston and Miss Quennell for arranging the decorations. Our chief gratitude is due to the Headmaster, whose active support of the dance is always indispensable.

P.R.S.

THE BRITISH WORTHIES

SIR WALTER RALEIGH.

The career of Sir Walter Raleigh is a strange chiaroscuro. In his Petition to the Queen, Anne of Denmark, he describes his own decline and fall:

"For what we sometime were, we are no more: Fortune hath changed our shape and destiny, Defaced the very form we had before."

How exactly applicable to Raleigh's fortune is Ophelia's lament :

"O what a noble mind is here o'erthrown!
The courtier's, soldier's, scholar's, eye, tongue, sword:
The expectancy and rose of the fair state,
The glass of fashion and the mould of form,
The observed of all observers, quite, quite down!"

—for if Raleigh's fall was sudden and tragic, his rise to fame had been contrastingly sudden and glorious. He was born in Devon in 1552, and after a short sojourn at Oxford and some service on the Continent he sailed in 1579 with his half-brother Sir Humphrey Gilbert on an unsuccessful attempt to found a North American colony; but in 1580 his distinguished service in Ireland attracted the attention of Elizabeth, and the occasion of his immediate introduction to her is deliciously recounted in Scott's "Kenilworth." He quickly rose in favour at Court, from which environment he was unable to break free until in 1584 he organized the expeditions responsible for the founding of the colony of Virginia, the home of the tobacco-plant. He was knighted, and further rewarded for his service against the Armada of 1588, but his secret marriage to a maid-of-honour caused him to fall into disrepute at Court, from which he absented himself to sail westwards again in 1595 to discover the fabled El Dorado in Guiana: although the sole fruit of this voyage was his narrative of the journey, his prowess in the Cadiz action of 1596 was sufficient to reinstate him in the royal favour, and he stood again at the height of his fame and glory.

The turning-point of Raleigh's fortunes was the accession of James I in 1603: unjustifiably suspected of complicity in a plot against the King, he was sent to the Tower as a "spider of Hell," a "viperous traitor" and a "damnable atheist." Expecting to die, he wrote the beautiful letter to his wife which reveals his character at its noblest and purest; but James dared not put him to death; instead he kept him imprisoned for eleven long years, which Raleigh spent in scientific experiment and literary adventure—the latter resulting in the "History of the World." In 1615 however he was released in answer to his frequent requests that he might be given a chance of discovering the gold-mines which he firmly believed to exist in Guiana. The failure of the expedition, his own sickness, and the death of his son are simply and tragically told in the letters to Sir Ralph Winwood and to his wife: "What shall become of me I know not; I am unpardoned in England and my poor estate consumed, and whether any Prince will give me bread or no, I know not." Trusting to find some

spark of generosity in James he returned home, but only to meet his death: he was executed on 29th October, 1618, nominally on the charge of treason produced in 1603, but in reality at the insistence of the King of Spain, his inveterate foc. So died another of the Stowe Worthics, "a valiant soldier, and an able statesman, who, endeavouring to rouse the spirit of his royal master for the honour of his country against the ambition of Spain, fell a sacrifice to the influence of that court whose arms he had vanquished, and whose designs he opposed."

As a poet Raleigh stands out from the crowd of "courtly makers" of Elizabethan England: to write poetry was as much part of a gentleman's education as to be able to take part at sight in a madrigal, and so Raleigh penned his courtly lyrics compounded of the traditional ingredients of love, chivalry and pastoralism, inscribed to Cynthia, Diana or any other pseudonym in which the Virgin Queen delighted. He was, furthermore, the friend of poets: he saw "The Faerie Queene" before publication; the explanatory epistle was dedicated to him; and he himself contributed one of the introductory Sonnets. But it is the undercurrent of bitterness, the reflection of his own cruel fate, that makes his poetry different from that of his fellow-rimers. The Answer to Marlowe's "Come live with me and be my love" is the utterance of a disillusioned man—one who had seen "Fancy's spring, but Sorrow's fall." Bitterest of all is the poem usually called "The Lie," which pierced to the root of all hypocrisy and vanity: he sends his soul upon a thankless errand:

"Fear not to touch the best:
The truth shall be thy warrant.
Go, since I needs must die,
And give the world the lie."

"Tell Zeal it wants devotion; Tell Love it is but Lust; Tell Time it meets but motion; Tell Flesh it is but dust; And wish them not reply, For thou must give the lie."

Those are bitter words indeed from an Elizabethan who had drunk deeply of Fortune's cup, and on whom the sun of royal favour had smiled with the full strength of its rays. But when death drew near he lifted up his eyes to the hills, and his thoughts are full of heaven: "His Pilgrimage" might have come from Herbert's pen, and in the lines written on the night before his death he looks steadfastly and fearlessly upon his Maker.

It is however as a prose-writer that Raleigh is pre-eminent even in an age of great prose-writers; his style varies with the occasion; the story of *The Revenge*, on which Tennyson drew so liberally, is often ponderous and involved, but curiously rhythmic and musical, with touches of rough humour—as when the great *San Philip* (drawing back with her dead and her shame) "shifted herself with all diligence from our sides, utterly misliking her first entertainment": the story itself is an adequate commentary on the spirit of Elizabethan seamen. The Cadiz action, in which Raleigh himself took the leading part, is more directly and personally described: "what the generals have gotten, I know least; they protest it is little: for mine own part I have gotten a lame leg, and a deformed." Simplicity too is the keynote of his letters where his inner

heart is laid bare; but these must be read in toto; there is simplicity in the description of Guiana, which reads like a diary, clear and limpid as a mountain stream with its careless beauty: there are passages where the air is fresher than anywhere in Arcadia. "I never saw a more beautiful country, nor more lovely prospects, hills so raised here and there over the valleys, the river unwinding into divers branches, the plains adjoining without bush or stubble, all fair green grass, the ground of hard sand, easy to march on, either for horse or foot, the deer crossing in every path, the birds toward evening singing on every tree, with a thousand several tunes, cranes and herons of white, crimson and carnation perching in the river's side; the air fresh with a gentle Easterly wind, and every stone that we stooped to take up either gold or silver by its complexion."

But it is in the great History that Raleigh's prose swells to its full paean of nobility, stately as one of his own great galleons charged with its curious freight pillaged from the argosies of Spain, and sonorous as the sea itself. Witness his conception of history: "it hath triumphed over time, which besides it nothing but eternity hath triumphed over, for it hath carried our knowledge over the vast and devouring space of so many thousands of years, and given so fair and piercing eyes to our mind, that we plainly behold living now as we had lived then, that great World, 'Magni Dei sapiens opus', the wise work (saith Hermes) of a great God, as it was then, when but new to itself'': witness too the conclusion, which may justly serve as Raleigh's own epitaph: "O eloquent, just, and mighty Death! whom none could advise, thou hast persuaded; what none hath dared, thou hast done; and whom all the world hath flattered, thou only hast cast out of the world and despised. Thou hast drawn together all the farstretched greatness, all the pride, cruelty, and ambition of man, and covered it all over with these two narrow words, 'Hic jacet.'"

A DEDICATION TO APHRODITE

(A Translation from the Greek Anthology.)

Now reft of luve and laughter gay,

Old Lais gi'es her glass to thee.

What Lais is she'd liefer nae,

What Lais was she canna see.

B. J.R.M.

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A SCRAP-BOOK

There is little to-day in the town of Buckingham to suggest that it was ever very different from any other country town or indeed from its present self. It is, of course, only ninety-one years since the railway came; but in that time the Station has mellowed into the landscape till it seems a scarcely less ancient glory of the Borough than the Twisted Chimney or the Town Gaol. A casual visitor might doubt that the tide of life ever pulsed very strongly down Castle Street into the Market Square. His fault would be pardonable; for the inhabitants make holiday at Margate rather than in the Market. But it was not always so. A scrap-book of carefully collected handbills and circulars which came recently to light in a London sale room testifies that, in 1844 and 1845 at least, Buckingham did not have to seek its amusements so far afield. The book's closely pasted pages are an interesting sidelight on the almost feudal state which some few Whig magnates managed to carry with them far into the 19th Century. Today, the colour which they lent the English countryside is almost gone. Their palaces house school-boys or lunatics; their arms lapse from the garter stalls in St. George's Chapel; their name begins to fade from the countryside they once adorned and personified. For two or three generations some few will doubtless linger in the shadow of their greatness while Harcourt's hounds close in. But their glory is gone with their prosperity, and in its passing we have lost something implicit in the English landscape. To-day a whole ox is not even roasted to mark a Royal Jubilee: the scrap-book is all that remains of Buckingham's more liberal days.

The scale on which the Marquis of Chandos' majority was celebrated is foreign to our days of large scale production. There was an almost patriarchal provision for every age and class; bread and meat for the poor; a Public Dinner for the gentry and clergy; a ball for tradesmen and mechanics and their wives and daughters; "rustic amusements" for the men and boys; a Public Tea Drinking for the women and children. The details of the celebrations are amusing. The police had strict injunctions to inform against unauthorized persons letting off either Fireworks or Fire Arms, and the Gentlemen of the Amusement Committee advertised for "Three clever, intelligent and ready-witted Fellows, of any Trade or Profession-one to act as MASTER OF THE REVELS, and the other two to personate PUNCH AND JUDY; for whom proper Dresses will be provided, and liberal pay be given."

The "rustic amusements" involved contests of two kinds—the athletic and the rather more so. Amongst the former may be counted climbing the soaped pole, don-key racing and "foot steeple-chasing." The latter and more strenuous sports were largely of a capacitative nature; eating more treacle buns or hot hasty pudding in a given time than any other comer; or, in the case of the men, smoking half an ounce of tobacco in the shortest time with a pint of beer after the third pipe. "The celebrated Squire Hornsby and other Professors of Fun and Frolic" were engaged to superintend the proceedings. The day appears to have been a complete success; at least twenty-two drunks answered summonses on the following Saturday—a higher number than had been ever recorded before.

But within six months Buckingham had eclipsed its own efforts. Late in November 1844, Queen Victoria graciously signified to His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos her intention of visiting Stowe on the 15th day of January next, and on Christmas Eve a public meeting was held at the Town Hall "to take into consideration LIST OF THE

SPORTS & PASTIMES,

Prizes to be awarded to the Successful Competitors,

On TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 10th and 11th of SEPTEMBER, 1844,

To Celebrate the Birthday of the Marquis of Chandos.

Climbing a Soaped Pole.

Let Prize,—The Ox's Heart, and Five Shillings, 2nd ditto,—A Leg of Mutton. 3rd ditto,—A Shoulder of Mutton. 4th ditto,—Ditto.

Treacled Buns.

Boys coting one in shartest rise.

1st Price, -One Shilling and Sixpense. Brd ditto, -Sixpence.

Jingling Match,-by Men. Two Matches,-Two Shilling each Match. Jingler, 2s.

Diving for Silver in Flour.

Hands to be tied behind -the Silver to be taken out with the Month -One Shilling or Sixpence each time

Jingling Match, -by Boys. I we Matchest, One Stalling each Match. Jingler, 1s. Hot Hasty-Pudding.

Ross Eating a Baron fol in shurtest time with a Scener 1st Princ.—One Shilling and Skapenec. 2nd ditto.—One Shilling. 3rd ditto.—Sixpenec.

Foot Racing,-by Men.

1st Race, "Two Shillings. 2nd ditto, "One Shilling and Sixpence. 3rd ditto," One Shilling.

Bobbing for Apples in Water. 1st Prins,—One Shilling and Sixpence, 2nd ditto,—One Shilling. 3rd ditto.—Sixpence.

Foot Race.-by Boys. 1st Race,—One Shilling and Sixpence, 2nd ditto,—One Shilling

Boys Eating Cakes.

1st Prior,—One Shilling and Sixpence, 2nd ditte,—One Shilling, Sed ditte,—Sixpence,

On WEDNESDAY, the 11th of September, in a Field on the London Road, to commence at

Foot Hurdle Race (Two Races).

1st Buce.—Two Stillings. 2nd data.—One Stilling and Stypence.

Wheelbarrow Races, Blindfolded, Let Rice,—Two Shillings, 2nd dittn,—One Shilling and Suspense,

Donkey Racing (Heats). 2 Ruces. (Fa. 5 Competitur to Ride on Opponent's), Donkey lost in to som,

Let Race, -A Bindle, Second Price, 2s. 2nd date, -A Pair of Spara. Second Price, 2s.

Football Playing.

STA MLN, three of a ride, to play a Gone at Football with their Arms confined, and without Shoes. The Winness, One Shilling and Stepothe each.

SIN BOXS, data, One Stelling each.

Smoking by Men.

Built on Dance each in Sharlest Time. Pint of Bere after Third Pipe. 1st Prose,-One Pound of Tobarca,

Set data, -Quarter of a Pougal ditta.

Donkey Tournament, Best of Three Tilts.

Laures will be provided.

1st Prion, Three Shillings. 2nd ditte, Two Shillings and Sispence.

Foot Steeple Chase, by Men. Lit Prize,—Ten Shillings, 2nd ditto,—Six Shillings, 3rd ditto,—Foor Shillings

Foot Steeple Chase, by Boys.

1st Price,—Five Shillings, 2nd data,—Three Shillings, 3rd data,—Two Shillings,

Four Men Blind-folded to whip a Ball out of a Hole with Cart Whips.

Let Princ —A Whip, and One Shiffing and Singener 2nd dates —A Whip, and One Shiffing. 3nd dates —A Whip

The Celebrated SQUIRE HORNSBY, and other Professors of Fun and Frolic, are engaged to superintend the above.

\$7. It is expected that all Business will be suspended on Tuesday, after Twelve o'Clock, CICROSE CHATTER PRINTER, SUCCINGUAN

the best mode of testifying the inhabitants' Loyalty to their Sovereign, on her passing

through the Town."

Everybody had his own method, and the next three weeks were filled with ceaseless activity. The Bucks Hussars held an inspection of their horses and issued a new table of Carbine Manual Exercises. The aid of the local gentry was solicited. The clergy decided to wear academical dress for the occasion and began to badger the Town Clerk for a Robing Room. Messrs. Freeman and Son, Builders, etc., erected a commodious and substantial grand stand for the accommodation of 'Ladies and Gentlemen desirous of seeing the Procession comfortably and without danger'. The Mayor earnestly hoped and confidently expected that the inhabitants of Buckingham, by the decoration and illumination of their houses and by other demonstrations, would testify their lovalty and attachment to their Sovereign. The Hussars decided, in view of the weather, to wear their caps with oilskin covers and plumes. The Committee issued twopennyhalfpenny tickets, realisable in either beer or groceries, and printed thousands of copies of "God save the Queen." The procession presented an elaborate question of precedence; but the inhabitants of Buckingham were tactfully segregated from the Clergy and Gentry before and from the Town Council behind; the four Policemen were given due prominence, so everybody was satisfied. The town cheered itself hoarse as the Yeomanry escorted the Queen away to Stowe and then fell to celebration.

The new theatre opened for the occasion and Buckingham trooped to hear the celebrated vocalist, Miss E. Land, of the Theatre Royal, Covent Garden. Mr. Gyngell, having prepared a display of fireworks to double the extent contracted for by the Committee, respectfully solicited the assistance of those persons who witnessed his Exhibition, and even the Independent Order of Rechabites celebrated the event by a Public Dinner. Next morning the Distin family, the original performers on their silver sax-horns, who had the honour of appearing before Her Majesty at Stowe on the previous night (also at Windsor Castle on two occasions) gave a grand morning concert and performed a

selection of their most admired pieces.

The Queen's sojourn at Stowe is a story in itself and one which is only represented in the scrap-book by three menu-cards. But there can be no doubt that an event which called forth twelve entrées and sixteen entremets would repay investigation. On the seventeenth the Queen intimated her intention to return through Buckingham on the next morning. Messrs. Freeman's grandstand was filled again, the Procession re-formed and the Schoolchildren again sang "God save the Queen." Her Majesty passed down the road to Wolverton and fresh triumphs. The Duke of Buckingham feit his pockets and sold his statuary. Buckingham involved itself in the equally prosaic task of building a railway.

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EXTRACT FROM THE "GREVILLE DIARY"

"August 16, 1848: Went on Saturday with Lord Lansdowne and Granville to "Stowe: it was worth seeing, but a sorry sight: a dull, undesirable place, not with-"out magnificence. The garden front is very stately and palatial; the house full of "trash mixed with some fine things; altogether a painful monument of human vanity, "folly, and, it may be added, wickedness, for wickedness it is thus recklessly to "ruin a great house and wife and children."

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Two Poems

"Yonder see the morning blink:
The sun is up, and up must I,
To wash and dress and eat and drink
And look at things and talk and think
And work, and God knows why.

Oh often have I washed and dressed And what's to show for all my pain? Let me lie abed and rest: Ten thousand times I've done my best And all's to do again."

-A, E, HOUSMAN.

I had woken up early that morning, earlier than I ever remember waking before. It was yet dark. Everything was still and silent. Outside all was dim, as though far beneath the sca. At the foot of the sky it was pale green, tinged with orange. The orange fringe grew broader and brighter and became an ugly red. The green sky paled and drifted first into blue, then through slate to grey. The gash of red gaped wider. Rain started to fall, slantingly. A new day had begun.

Tiredly I heave back the sheets. The shaving water is cold. In tying up my shoes, the lace snaps.

After supper I excused myself. The rain had stopped, and now, at the end of the day, the leaden clouds had rolled away. The air was sweet and fresh after the long day's rain. I went to the top of the forest to watch the sunset. At the zenith of its dome the sky was light blue, so blue, so infinite, the cyclorama of the heavens. A star winked. Down the dome the sky melted to green, then gradually to yellow and the palest daffodil. The ball of the sun was sinking into depths of amethyst. Suddenly I realized that over every hill-top peace was mantling. No breath of wind ruffled the trees. The birds were growing silent in the woods.

As the sun dipped below the horizon's rim, my heart leaped towards that winking star. I saw that though I pass others will go on, that though I die no man will suffer. I too was at rest.

"And down the distance they
With dying note and swelling
Walk the resounding way
To the still dwelling."

—A. E. Housman.

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ADDRESS IN CHAPEL

By DR. MAXWELL GARNETT, C.B.E.

The other day my neighbour bought a field, pulled down its high fence, and made it once more what it used to be: an open space where children play. But only one person came to say thank-you. The others, whose comments reached my ears, complained that they had hoped to get bits of it for their own private use—some of them, I fancy, wanted to build garages upon it—and now, they grumbled, the public had the use of it instead.

Why is it that the public good counts with most of us for so little? Why does it seem so much less wicked to defraud the revenue than to cheat at cards or any other game? It is, I suspect, because we can damage public property and harm the public interest without feeling that any human being is hurt by what we do. A moment's thought will put our feelings right; and we shall be as angry when we see plants uprooted or trees injured in a public place as if these things were done in our own garden. To feel like that—and, in general, to feel that the public interest is every bit as much our interest as any private concern of our own—is to be a Good Citizen.

We shall never be good citizens of England, of the United Kingdom, of the British Empire, or of the World, until we have that feeling. And, as I said, it will not come without a bit of thinking. When a new boy arrives at this school, he soon learns to feel not only that be is part of it, but also that it is (in some sense) part of him; so that, when it is praised, he feels proud, and when it is harmed, he resents the injury as if it were done to his own person. To feel like that is to be loyal to the school. Unless most of us learn to care like that for the principal groups to which we belong, and especially for our country and our world, they are bound to suffer and may even be destroyed. They are beset just now by very grave dangers.

If you really care for the part, you must also care for the whole to which it belongs. He is a poor Protestant or a poor Catholic, who is not, first of all, a good Christian. An English boy at this School can hardly be a good Stoic unless he is also a good Englishman. And the world is now so small that it is no longer possible to be a good Englishman or a good Briton unless one is also a good citizen of the world. Loyalty to the part demands loyalty to the whole. Patriotism is not enough.

You cannot begin too soon to think of your world, and particularly of your country, as you already think of your school: you belong to it, and it (in a sense) to you. When you consider what your school has done for you, you want to make it some return. When Robert Browning, on a voyage to the Mediterranean, passed Cape St. Vincent and then Cadiz and then Trafalgar and then Gibraltar, he exclaimed:

"Here and here has England helped me: how can I help England?"

Look then at what you owe your world. Human life, long ago, was "nasty, brutish and short." Medical science, surgical skill, law and order have made life longer; neither is it so nasty nor so brutish since men have learned to control some of the forces of nature and have begun to discover the secrets of the marvellous universe around us. You are the heirs of all this. And in order that you may get as much

from it as possible, and give as much as possible in return, you are now receiving the best education that this or any other country can provide. Most of you are to go on with your "getting" and are not to begin your serious "giving" until you are over twenty-one years old. You will then have received at least seven years' more of whole time education than falls to the lot of most boys and girls in the civilised world to-day. Moreover, this education of yours will cost, in round figures, more than £2,000 apiece; and that is the meanest measure of the debt you owe your world.

How are you going to repay that debt?

Some day you will set about repaying it; and in many different kinds of ways: by discovery and invention, by teaching, by business that adds to the world's material wealth, by helping to rule the world or to keep order in it or by ministering in some other way to the health and happiness of mankind. But how much are you going to repay? That mainly depends on what use you make of your time at school and college and in continuing your education after you have taken your degree.

The younger boys among you imagine, I dare say, that if you waste your time at school you can somehow make up for it afterwards. You fancy, or I did at your age, that when once you are grown up, you will be able to do pretty much as you please, so long as you don't break the law. It isn't true. Most of the things you might do will not occur to you at the moment. What you will in fact do will depend on two things only: first, on what is happening to you from outside; and, second, on what sort of person you then are. And the sort of person you are will depend on everything you have done or thought up to that moment. It is a sure saying (as St. Paul would say) that whatever passes through your mind leaves its mark upon you. You yourself are altered by your thoughts, even when you do not act upon them—and much more so when you do. Your thoughts tend to go the same way again, and your actions tend to follow upon your thoughts. If you think evil, it will be harder for you afterwards to think good; if you make a mistake and do not quickly discover it and try to correct it, you will be likely to make the same mistake over and over again, and every time you repeat it, the harder will it be to avoid on the next occasion.

Our thoughts—and our actions to which they lead—resemble parties of climbers ascending a steep ice slope. When the first party has cut steps up the slope, the next will generally follow and deepen the steps, even though it might have chosen a different route if the steps had not been there. The third party, seeing how deep and casy the steps have now become, is almost bound to use them and so to make them easier still. In just that way do we acquire memories, habits, and even what is called our character. That is why St. Paul advised the Philippians to "think about whatever is true, whatever is worthy, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is attractive, whatever is high-toned, all excellence and all merit; and to practise what they had learned from him." (Phil. iv, 8).

Now you see the vast importance of your time at school. Your thoughts and acts are moulding you into the person you will some day be. How much you will repay of your debt to the world therefore depends, as I said, on what you think and learn and do at school and afterwards.

For the present your masters decide what you are to learn and have some say in what you do. Later on, at the University, you will have to choose for yourselves. But even now you may be able to put more energy into your work, and to devote yourselves more thoroughly to it, if you consider a little about how it is chosen and ought to be chosen.

First of all then, it is worse than useless to learn what isn't true, or nearly true. Almost every morning I walk westwards along the south side of Piccadilly, and when I arrive at the top of Constitution Hill I cross Hyde Park Corner to my office next door to St. George's Hospital—one hundred yards of roadway as exciting as any in London. If, before setting out to make the crossing, I were to think of the traffic as it used to be when I was at school instead of as it is to-day, if I were to imagine that the fastest thing on the road is still the push bicycle, how far do you think I would get? Perhaps no further than St. George's Hospital. We always run a serious risk if we take to be true what is really false. But it is also dangerous to suppose that any fact is absolutely true. When I was a boy, Newton's law of gravitation was a scientific fact as certain as anything in the universe: to-day it is a fact no longer. Men cannot know the whole truth. We have to be content with what are called 'facts,' most if not all* of which are no more than statements that fit our experience, statements that don't clash with the bits of truth we think we know. There is no sharp line, for example, between the facts of Science and those of Religion.

In the second place, your work must be *strenuous*: your learning should require really hard work. Most schoolmasters can get boys to think harder over Latin or Greek or Mathematics than over any other subject; and much practice in hard thinking is needed to make able men, men fit to serve the world of their own day, men whose names will descend to posterity. . . . A great mathematician (C. G. J. Jacobi) is reported to have said: "It must not be supposed that it is to a gift of nature that I owe such mathematical power as I possess. No, it has come by hard work, hard work. Not mere industry, but brain-splitting thinking, hard work." And an eminent Civil Servant, who used to be a History don at Cambridge, wrote: "What is valuable in historical education is not the acquisition of a set of facts but the *effort* to master and understand the books."

Now it happens that disconnected facts—the batting averages, shall we say, of county cricketers—are easily grasped. In the same way, it is easy to acquire a superficial knowledge of several separate subjects. But below the surface are other facts, more general and more abstract, that are harder to understand and much more worth learning. They are more valuable, not only for being difficult, but also because they can be used so often, like regular conjugations that cover many individual verbs. It is far more useful to know that two and two are always four—a general and a very abstract fact—than only to know that two arms and two legs make four limbs. It is far more useful to know things that are true of any and every circle, than merely to know a few odd facts about a dinner plate, or a motor tyre, or the earth's equator. It is better to know, in general, how every motor engine works than to be able to recognize the special features of many different makes of car. It is better to know God than to be acquainted with every science and every language under the sun.

I have said that what you learn ought, first of all, to be true; that it should be learned by really hard work; and that it ought to be of the greatest possible use and value. Last, and very important, it ought to hang together: it must not remain in

watertight compartments. You remember the story of Dido, who built Carthage on as much land as an ox-hide would cover. In order to make it enclose the greatest possible area of land, she cut it into exceedingly fine strips and stitched them end to end, so as to form a single leather thong, a mile or more in length. To make this giant boot-lace enclose as much land as possible, it would have to be laid on the ground in the form of a circle; and Dido did it nearly enough. If, however, she had cut her boot-lace into two equal pieces and enclosed two separate circles with them she would only have got half as much land for her city. In much the same way, the man whose knowledge and interests are equally divided between six or seven separate subjects is, in many respects, only one-sixth or one-seventh as well prepared for his life's work as he who enters upon it with most of his knowledge linked together so as to give him—apart from a hobby or two—a single interest, wide and very deep.

The more single-minded a man is, the stronger is his character. He is apt to be more truthful and more trusted. He may not be so quick; but he will be more purposeful, consistent, reliable and effective.

This one-ness of mind is hardly to be attained without religion. Of all that I have said this morning remember at least this: that nothing to do with you, nothing that can ever happen to you, matters so much as your religion. And "the only religion worth having is one that governs the whole of life and thought."

If you will pray God to help you, and press on for the prize of God's high call in Christ Jesus, your lives will be governed by a master-purpose, your share in the purpose of God. Sharing God's purpose, each of you will seek first the interests of all, this adding to the single-mindedness of each of you, the like-mindedness of all of you; and this like-mindedness (ὁμόνοια) that makes you want to do what others wish you to do in the interests of all and so sets you *free* to do it, is the very root of Liberty, as Christian love for one another is the ultimate source of Justice. Sharing God's purpose, you will best repay and serve both Him and His world: God's Commonwealth in which all nations are provinces. You will share in the high adventure of building the Kingdom of God on earth.

^{*}But, as Professor William McDougall reminds us, "we can, of course, formulate propositions which are true because tautological and conditional or true by definition In this class fall the truths of arithmetic and mathematics." (The Frontiers of Psychology, 1934).



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