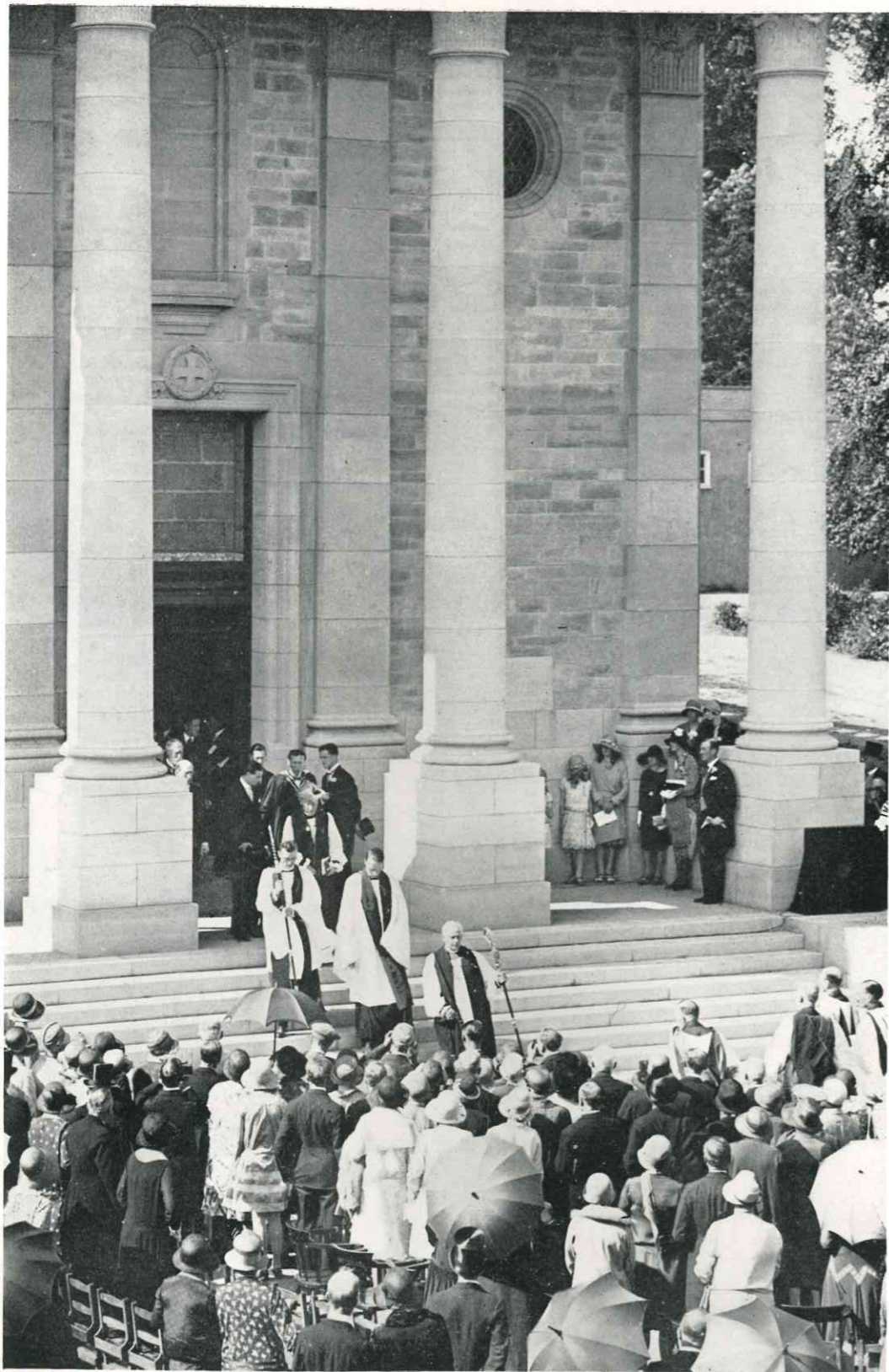


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H.R.H. LEAVING THE CHAPEL.

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THE MAIN DOOR OF THE NEW CHAPEL
WAS OPENED BY
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE GEORGE
AT 3.30 P.M. ON
THURSDAY, JULY 11th, 1929
AND THE
CEREMONY OF DEDICATION
WAS THEREUPON PERFORMED BY
THE RT. REV. THE LORD BISHOP OF RIPON
ASSISTED BY
THE RT. REV. BISHOP KEMPSON
AND
THE RT. REV. THE BISHOP OF BUCKINGHAM.

SOME DATES IN THE HISTORY OF THE
CHAPEL SCHEME.

On MAY 11th, 1923, the School opened.

On JULY 25th, 1925, it was announced that the father of a Member of the School had sent a gift of fifty guineas for the purpose of starting a Chapel Fund.

On FEBRUARY 9th, 1926, a subscription of £5000 was received from the father of two Members of the School.

In FEBRUARY & MARCH 1926, a Committee, consisting of three Governors, three parents and the Headmaster, held meetings to consider the best means of raising further money and selecting an Architect.

On JUNE 4th, 1926, the site to the West of the Orangery Garden, which had been recommended by Sir Reginald Blomfield, was decided upon by the Governors.

On JULY 24th, 1926, after the designs of several Architects had been considered, Sir Robert Lorimer was asked to carry out the work.

On JUNE 13th, 1927, Her Majesty The Queen laid the Foundation Stone of the Building.

On JULY 11th, 1929, the Chapel was opened for use.

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This Chapel is in a particular sense our own possession. It means far more to us—to our feelings, if not to our convenience—than all the other new buildings at Stowe put together. The others—Houses, Studies, Classrooms and Laboratories—were provided for us because they were necessary. But the Chapel was not necessary; our Services went very well in the Gymnasium. We have the Chapel because we wanted the Chapel and because we were prepared to work for it. Without our Governors, particularly our Managing Governor, and the resources which they command, nothing of course could have been done. But the Governors would not, and perhaps could not, have acted if we and

our fathers and our friends had not been ready to help. Of the 457 present Members of the School, every one has made a contribution or persuaded the "Home Authorities" to make one for him. Of the 435 Old Stoics, nearly all have contributed to the Fund, and many have collected for it with a persistence only justified by its success. The rest of the Stowe community has had a hand in the work too—Masters and successive Bursars, the ladies on the Staff, and almost everyone connected with the place. All this was not enough perhaps to build the Chapel, but it was enough to ensure that the Chapel would be built, and enough to ensure that when built it would seem in a special degree to be our own. Even the Architect, though in the nature of things he could not be himself a Stoic, is the next best thing, the father of a Stoic, and the growth of the building itself has been watched by almost every one of us from the laying of the Queen's Stone to the completion of the Queen's Stall. When the Bishop of Ripon—one of our own Bishops and a personal friend of many of us—pronounced the words of Dedication two years and one month after the Foundation Stone was laid, no Member of the School who heard him can have failed to feel that something infinitely worth doing had been done, and that Stowe had expressed itself in an achievement well worthy of the future we expect for it.

J.F.R.

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The Editor has received permission to reprint the account of the Dedication Ceremony which appeared in "The Times" of July 12th and an article on the Chapel which appeared in "Country Life" on July 20th.

STOWE SCHOOL CHAPEL

(From "The Times" of July 12th, 1929.)

THE chapel at Stowe School, of which the Queen laid the foundation stone in June, 1927, was opened yesterday by Prince George. A picture of the Chapel appeared in *The Times* yesterday.

Prince George was received on arrival by the Headmaster (Mr. J. F. Roxburgh), Lord Gisborough (chairman of the Governing Body), Sir Charles King-Harman (vice-chairman), and the Rev. P. E. Warrington

(Founder and Managing Governor), and was conducted to the Chapel, where he was presented with a silver casket, containing the key. After opening the door, Prince George passed up the Chapel and took his place in the Royal stall, which has been presented to the School by Queen Mary. Stalls have been presented by the Headmaster, by the "first hundred Old Stoics," by "ten Buckinghamshire Peers in memory of the Marquess of Lincolnshire," and others, and bear the donors' arms and other heraldic emblems in coloured relief.

The service of dedication was conducted by the Bishop of Ripon (a governor of the school), the Bishop of Buckingham, and the Right Rev. E. H. Kempson, late Bishop of Warrington. The lesson from I. Kings, viii., 22-30, was read by Prince George from a Bible used at the Coronation of King George III., which has been presented to Stowe by Colonel and Mrs. du Plat Taylor.

THE BISHOP OF RIPON'S ADDRESS.

The BISHOP OF RIPON, in his address, said that what this age needed was not reconstruction, but regeneration—a root change in the heart of man. Those who knew Stowe best would be the first to dispute the statement made by the writer of the description of the chapel published in *The Times* that morning, that Stowe had as yet no traditions; the truth was that it had had freedom to make its own traditions, with the minimum of bondage to convention. It might have been expected that a school with so many other needs to fulfil would have left the building of its chapel for another generation; the rapidity with which the building had been achieved might perhaps be taken as an indication of the slow but sure movement Godwards which was visible in other directions in the national life. Friends of the school had joined with amazing promptness and generosity to raise the chapel as a symbol of what the school stood for. The age now ending had been preoccupied with machinery, to the neglect of man. Even education, which ought to be man's chief bulwark against the mechanizing process, had largely allowed itself to be mechanized in its turn. There was grave need now of progress of quite a different sort. The great need of the age was a new moral and spiritual education—the mass production of a new sort of man. It was only in the spirit of Christ that the perfect human society could be built up.

After the service Prince George took tea with the Headmaster and Governors, and inspected some parts of the school buildings.

STOWE SCHOOL CHAPEL

By Sir Lawrence Weaver, K.B.E.

(From "*Country Life*" of Saturday, July 20th).

Less than seven years ago the Rev. P. E. Warrington and his supporters had the vision of a new Public School in the great house that is our most characteristic monument of the Whig aristocracy of the eighteenth century. It is not hard to imagine what misgivings must have troubled some at least of these pioneers at their first sight of the sprawling, half-derelict, Gargantua of a house, when they were trying to form their vision of the Stowe of to-day. But the foundation is now seen to have been an act of singular faith and courage. Beginning in May, 1923, with ninety-nine boys, Mr. J. F. Roxburgh, the Headmaster, can now rejoice in a full school of 450, in a splendid mansion finely equipped for the new life that pulsates throughout its great apartments and in a range of new buildings aptly devised to supplement the old. But one significant feature of the Public School order Stowe lacked—a chapel.

It is difficult to say what is the most abiding impression on the mind of the average Public School boy in after life as he looks back on those full years. Perhaps it may be the catch in the long field at the last moment of a match that made his own the Cock House; perhaps some grim interview in the Headmaster's study. But these are memories of momentary crises, and, as the years go by, they blur into a more general impression of places and atmospheres rather than of incidents. The Public School boy may not be a religious creature, but he is very apt to be a sentimentalist, and there is no picture more likely to recur to him than that of chapel with its serried rows of bent heads or upturned faces. Perhaps I may be pardoned for reciting a poignant recollection of school days which will help to make clear my point. A Housemaster, enjoying his sabbatical year in foreign travel, had died suddenly and the news came to the school. We had suspected no trace of human kindness in the reigning Headmaster, but he preached in chapel a sermon so moving, so obviously touched by a note of personal loss, that one boy at least registered a changed opinion, and will never forget his first heard tribute to the dead. The experience struck deep, establishing an outlook on the elder things. But, suffusing even this sharp incident were the continuing impressions made by the brasses to Old Boys seen from my seat in chapel, and the moving strains of 'Let us now praise famous men and our fathers that begat us.'

It is indeed difficult to imagine the Public School without the Public School chapel, and that is why the event of Thursday the eleventh was a great event in the life of Stowe, and bears further witness to the pertinacity and courage of the men that have made Stowe. When His Royal Highness Prince George honoured the school by opening that chapel, he marked the achievement of a gallant enterprise that is much more than the substantial completion of a group of striking buildings, old and new, with Sir Robert Lorimer's classic chapel as the balancing feature of a notable composition. The Prince's real act was to give recognition to the existence of a new atmosphere. Stowe is a Public School in infancy, but the time will come when the names of statesmen and great soldiers and notabilities in all ranks of life will have written their names on its roll. And those names will doubtless appear on the walls of the chapel, which last week was dedicated as the noblest part of the mechanism for creating that evidence of 'godliness and good learning' which Stowe will present to the world in years to come.

If this is the right view to take of a school chapel, and of Stowe chapel in particular, it is obvious that Sir Robert Lorimer, its architect, had a task of responsibility. He had to create a place for the development of the most intimate side of the life of the school. As a mere architectural problem the chapel was no easy task. Stowe, one of the most majestic English houses of the eighteenth century, a house adorned with the traditions of aristocracy and learning, seemed on a scale difficult to reach in any added structure, save at a cost hard for a new school to encompass. It was plainly to be desired that the new chapel should not create a note entirely new, for its site intimately related it to the main building. In the great park are crystallised many phases of classical thought in a series of famous garden temples. One was the Temple of Victory and Concord, by William Kent, in some parts a very flimsy structure, but it possessed a range of noble stone columns, and of these Sir Robert Lorimer took sixteen for the interior arcades of his chapel. How successfully he has given them a new and convincing life is well seen in the accompanying illustrations. Nowadays the preservation of ancient buildings has been elevated into something like a religion, and the stalwarts are apt to claim that nothing which enshrines an authentic tradition of English building should suffer change or diminution. Had that been the principle of Christian Rome there would be few of the basilicas that adorn the Seven Hills. Sir Robert Lorimer was not afraid to step into the shoes of such an architect as the man to whom we owe (for example) Santa Maria in Trastevere. That artist pillaged a temple of pagan Rome to make a Christian church in honour of Our Lady. Sir Robert Lorimer has stolen the less authentic classical thunder of his eighteenth century predecessor to as good a purpose in the chapel. These pillars established a scale and a proportion which have been followed faithfully throughout the building; and they lead up to the chancel arch, which soars loftily above the altar. Nor are the columns the only memories of a bygone day. In the house there was a private chapel, wholly inadequate, of course, for the requirements of the school, but adorned with panellings and carvings which have been worked ingeniously into the new structure as reredos and organ screen, and they help still further to relate the present to the past. But it must not be thought that Stowe Chapel is a mere regrouping of *disjecta membra* of the eighteenth century; they are valuable and influencing incidents, but no more. It is an original work which claims our admiration in its own right, and would still claim it, were there no links with the past. So far as internal planning is concerned, the arrangement of the seats is congregational rather than collegiate, but with the compromise that under the arcades is a series of stalls for the great ones of the school, facing inwards, after the common manner of college chapels, while the boys sit facing the chancel. At the west end is the organ gallery over the low vestibule which divides the entrance portico from the main chapel. In the spandrels of the arcade is an interesting range of sculptures by Mr. Pilkington Jackson, revealing the canticle *Benedicite Omnia Opera*. These symbols of the Works of the Lord will doubtless make their due impression on the minds of Stoics of this and following generations. Above the altar is a picture of the supper at Emmaus, by Mr. M. Meredith Williams.

But the most notable ornaments are the thirty-two stalls, some of which are in place and the rest in course of making. Her Majesty the Queen has marked her deep interest in the school by giving a double stall, and the rest show the generosity of a string of benefactors, not least attractive in the list being 'The First Hundred Old Stoics.' There is no greater piece of Englishness than an English Public School. Stowe is the youngest of these pieces, but it is not the least. All must wish God-speed to the Stoic spirit. It has no finer witness than the building of a chapel which is worthy of the school, of its founders and boys, and of its architect.

PRIZES

BURROUGHS ESSAY PRIZE.

C. T. CROWE.

WARRINGTON PRIZE FOR HISTORY.

B. R. S. HOUGHTON.

CHARLES LOUDON PRIZE FOR GREEK.

G. L. S. GRIFFITH-JONES.

BERTRAM PRIZES FOR LATIN.

(1) *For an Essay on a Classical Subject*: T. L. JONES.(2) *For Latin Prose*: K. S. TOMS.

PETERS BONE PRIZES FOR ENGLISH.

(1) *Essay*: A. A. H. RADICE. (2) *Verse*: A. C. L. WHISTLER.

PEARMAN SMITH PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS.

P. REID.

BARBER READING PRIZE.

Senior: A. R. W. STANSFELD.*Junior*: N. C. IRVINE.

HEADMASTER'S ART PRIZES.

B. W. GIBBON, *Hors Concours*.

(1) G. J. B. WRIGHT.

(2) J. MELVIN.

HUMPHREY FOSTER PRIZE FOR SCIENCE.

R. MAC D. BARBOUR.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The following have been elected to Scholarships at Stowe:—

O. A. W. DILKE. (Mr. E. L. Bent, Parkfield, Hayward's Heath).

R. H. JAGGER. (Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, Winchester House, Brackley).

D. G. HUTCHISON. (Mr. A. Howard Linford, Peterborough Lodge, Finchley Road, N.W.3).

C. A. RODEWALD. (Mr. R. W. Philpott, Little Appley, Ryde).

M. J. TAYLOR. (Mr. C. H. T. Hayman, Winchester House, Brackley).

- R. J. CORNFORD. (Mr. E. S. Workman, Copthorne School, Sussex).
 D. G. LEA. (Messrs. Earle and Fawcus, Bilton Grange, near Rugby).
 P. E. HUGHESDON. (Mr. R. Tootell, Surrey House, Northdown, Margate).
 E. R. P. JOURDAIN, (Rev. H. W. Waterfield, Temple Grove, Eastbourne).

STOICA

From the Greville Diary:—

August 16th, 1848: Went on Saturday with Lord Landsdowne and Granville to Stowe: it was worth seeing, but a sorry sight; a dull, undesirable place, not without 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 to ruin a great house and wife and children.

Through the generosity of a friend of the School the derelict Conservatory in the Stone-Yard is being converted into two small laboratories.

Mr. W. E. Grant, who has acted as General Foreman to Messrs. Parnell and Sons since January 1924, is leaving Stowe this month. His work on the Chapel is now completed and no further building operations of importance are probable for some time to come. It is inevitable, therefore, that Mr. Grant should leave us, but those of us who have seen most of him and his work in the last five years will most regret his departure.

The Loxton-Evans apparatus in the Physics Laboratory actually produced visible (though vague) Positive Ray Parabolas on Monday, July 22nd.

On April 11th, 1929, at St. Barnabas' Church, Addison Road, Kensington, by the Rev. R. T. Howard, EDWARD FRANCIS HABERSHON of Stowe School, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Neston Habershon of Kingwood, Thames Ditton, to NORAH MAY FAIRLIE, elder daughter of Colonel and Mrs. C. F. Dobbs, of Barnikin, Wellington Road, Bournemouth.

Mr. Ivatts has left us to be Bursar of the new school, Kinnel. He has been the Headmaster's Private Secretary here since the school started. We wish him the best of luck in his new post.

The annual inspection of the O.T.C. had hardly the audience that it merited—a certain Form, complete with Form Master, and approximately three million flies. The *pièce de résistance* was, undoubtedly, the A.D.C.—or was he only an Orderly?

The season has been remarkable for the abundance of tree seed produced. In the early part of the term the ground round every beech was thickly strewn with millions of fallen male flowers. The mast is now on the trees, every one of which is copiously laden.

Other trees too have produced very abundantly—the elm with its masses of sterile seeds, each enclosed in a papery wing, the sycamore, which sees its offspring each year devoured by rabbits, the hornbeam with its winged fruit hanging in graceful clusters, and many others.

In the final of the Golf House Matches last term Grenville beat Chandos. After four singles and two foursomes had been played, the match was level at three points all. In the replay of one foursome Grenville won by 2 and 1.

The following visitors have preached in Chapel this term:—

- May 12. The Rev. J. R. Walkey, Chaplain, R.A.F., Wendover.
 May 19. The Bishop of Oxford.
 May 26. Canon C. S. Woodward, Westminster.
 June 9. Canon A. B. Lillingstone, Durham.
 June 16. The Bishop of Ripon.
 July 14. The Rev. G. H. Harris, Church Missionary Society.
 July 21. The Rev. W. L. Anderson, Birmingham.
 July 28. The Rev. C. M. Chavasse, St. Peter's House, Oxford.

“Bruce Spiders,” “Temple Gadflies” and “Chatham Young Pretenders” are among the cricket teams that have toured the County this term. Some difficulty has been found in moving the “Cobham Monumentals.”

N. H. Bennett, H. V. Kemp, J. W. Maude, T. R. Williams, and E. Sheppard have been given 1st XI Colours.

P. P. L. Dillon, E. J. Spurrier, H. P. Ryland, T. P. Charlton, J. E. Linnell, T. A. G. Pritchard, P. J. de Havilland, R. C. R. Clarke, and H. W. Blyth have been given 2nd XI Colours.

P. J. de Havilland, J. S. Durlacher, B. Tweedy, J. A. Hotham, and M. L. Gilbert have been given Colts' Caps.

OLIM ALUMNI

On the June 19th, 1929, at St. John's Church, Barbados, by the Rt. Rev. The Lord Bishop of Barbados, HAROLD ERNEST ROBINSON, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Robinson of the Manor House, Wendover, to CLARICE YEARWOOD, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yearwood of Bradfield, Barbados.

Mr. Robinson, who is the second Stoic to be married, was in Temple House from the opening of the School till July 1924. *The Stoic* warmly wishes him good fortune.

Mr. E. D. O'BRIEN has been elected Secretary of the Oxford University Conservative Club.

Mr. J. A. BOYD-CARPENTER has been elected Junior Librarian of the Oxford Union.

Mr. A. F. KERR swam for Oxford against Cambridge in the Relay Race.

Mr. E. R. AVORY has been touring America with the Oxford and Cambridge Tennis Team.

Mr. F. J. WALTER has been elected Secretary of the Oxford University Fencing Club.

TO OLD STOICS:—Old Stoics are always welcome at Stowe—but, accomodation being limited, it is not always possible to put them up, particularly if notice is short. An Old Stoic is entitled to have dinner and breakfast in the Quadrant once in a term as the guest of the School; on subsequent occasions it will only be possible for him to do so as the invited guest of an individual Master. An Old Stoic may have lunch in Hall on any day on the invitation of his Housemaster.

J.F.R.

THE THIRTIETH PILGRIM

OR 'SCOLER OF STOWE'

(The italic 'e' signifies that it is sounded.)

A youthe ther was from Stowe by Bockinhamc,
 A scoler from that scole of newe fame :
 A stoute carl, to been a prefect able,
 Or carf for his house-maister at the table.
 A thikke knarre, and thik of braun was he,
 But thikker still his heed, as semed to me.
 For sothe his leste nas nat philosophye :
 He lovede criketyns and ruggerye.
 The style of Livy was to him unknowe :
 He wrote his Latyn in the style of Stowe.
 A fewe termes hadde he, two or three,
 Thanne hadde he spent all his Latynitye.
 Of bokes reader, and a greet, was he,
 But lever those of Edgar Wallacye.
 No-wher so bisy a youthe as he ther nas,
 And yet he semed bisier then we was.
 He coude seem to swink ful fetisly,
 Yet slepen at his swink with open ye :
 And ever keep a bright solempne face
 In hope to stonden in his maister grace.
 He helde afré the esy paas, perchaunce :
 For he coude of that art the olde daunce.
 Ech hond he bar him in his trouser pouch
 Souninge what menne clepe the 'Stowe slouch.'
 Of gold he hadde but litel in his purs :
 For gold, quoth he, is erchedeknes curs.
 Yet al that he mighte of his freendes hente
 On galingale he at the shoppe spente.
 And for to telle yow of his array,
 He was y-clad in coat and bagges greye :
 But al bismotered from his mete in halle,
 That he upon his brest had lette falle :
 A coller souple, and beneath his chin,
 Y-wroght of shamme gold, a penny pin.
 But greet harm was it, as it thoughte me,
 That on his face the scrumme-pock had he.
 A saxy-fone he bar in his walét.
 For he must al be of the newe let.
 He rode upon a rouncy as he couthe,
 But I nat tell the name of thilke youthe.

'HAMLET' AT STRATFORD-ON-AVON

On Tuesday, May 8th, a party numbering more than seventy Stoics went to Stratford to witness an evening performance of 'Hamlet.' Two Midland 'buses, a fine night, a good dinner ordered beforehand at a local restaurant, and the best seats at the temporary theatre, all contributed to the success of this 'enterprise of great pitch and moment.' After arrival in Stratford, an hour was spent by the higher-brows in visiting the church and Shakespeare's house, by the lower-brows in boating on his Avon.

The shadow of the approaching Certificate Examination (with 'Hamlet' as one of the subjects) was less substantial than the silvery ghost on the battlements—too remote to detract from our enjoyment, but real enough to make us give 'more heedful note' to the performance. The Stratford Festival Company, with Mr. George Hayes in the protagonist part, gave us a 'taste of its quality.' Acting, dresses and scenery were alike good, all being 'set down with as much modesty as cunning': 'the action suited to the word and the word to the action': nothing 'to split the ears of the groundlings' or 'make the judicious grieve' (among whom we reckoned ourselves). In fact, if anyone liked not the play, 'why, then, belike—he liked it not, perdy'—but he was hard to please.

Time came about 10.45 to 'give o'er the play' (it had been shortened by several scenes) and the two red 'buses, avoiding Sunrise Hill in the dark, brought us home, 'by windlasses and assays of bias,' to a cold colation in Hall about the time that 'extravagant and erring spirits hie to their confines.'

THE STOWE CLUB

(From our Pineapple Correspondent.)

Sir,

Summer being with us, our activities this term have been in the open rather than in the Club.

The chief event, of course, was the Whitsun visit to Stowe. We were dealt with very roughly in the Swimming, but managed to do better in the Boxing. The Sunday teas in the Studies were greatly appreciated and even the member who had three different nightmares at midnight, two and four-thirty, confided that 'it was worth it.'

With great sorrow I have to record the loss of Messrs. Dixon and Patmore. We said little at parting, because it is difficult to say thank-you to those to whom we owe our success as a Club. That we are not perfect only proves what difficult material they had to work on. Mr. Crosher is carrying on the good work.

We have played several cricket matches and, though we are not yet all Stowe First Colours, we have managed to give a good account of ourselves. Who knows, but that there may come a time when Stowe *v.* The Pineapple will be one of the events of the London Season?

We have not been able to welcome any Stoics this term and gathered that this was due to 'Exams.' In the words of Claudie Douglas: 'What's that got to do with it?' However, we are looking forward to these Wednesday visits being continued next term.

We are still short of Old Stoic visitors. Once the Summer holidays are over, we shall need all the help we can get. May I appeal once more to those Old Stoics who have not paid us a visit for some time, to do so? If they come once I do not think they

will need any pressing to come again. In the hope that we shall see many of them in the near future.

I remain, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

C. B. JONES.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT (JUNE 30TH)

The Balance Sheet and Revenue Account of the Club are in the course of preparation. They will be complete and audited by next term and will then be published in *The Stoic*. The following notes give a summary of the year's working in round figures.

CAPITAL FUND ACCOUNT.

This account had £826 at the Bank on June 30th, 1928. Donations for the current year amount to £325.

Expenditure stands at £714. Details are:—

	£
Final repayment of loan and interest	417
Building camping-hut	153
Camping equipment	74
Additions and alterations to Club premises	51
Club equipment	19

There is still, therefore, over £400 in reserve, and the loan of £800, made to the Club two years ago, is repaid. The camping-hut is practically complete and paid for. A camp kitchen is being built, but the cost will not be heavy. Another £15-£20 has to be spent on camp equipment.

ANNUAL EXPENSES ACCOUNT.

On June 30th, 1928, this account had £99 in hand. The income of the Club during the past year has been £626, drawn mainly from the following sources:—

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Pineapple Weeks	169	0	0	Offertory Fund surplus	55	0	0
Stowe Show	165	0	0	Chapel Collections	42	0	0
Dance	88	0	0	End-of-Term Concerts	10	0	0
Annual Subscriptions	73	0	0				

The principal items of expenditure, which totals £468, have been:—

Warden's Account (Housekeeper's and Houseboy's Wages, Hostel Upkeep, Lighting, Heating, Minor Equipment and Repairs, less Club Boys' Subscriptions)	320	0	0
Rent, Rates, Taxes and Insurance	81	0	0
Printing (Committee's Report, etc.)	26	0	0
Major repairs	16	0	0
Whitsun Camp catering	9	0	0

In future years only one Pineapple Week will be held, and the normal sum thus subscribed should be about £100.

The Offertory Fund will not contribute to the same extent next year, as at least part of its surplus is being devoted to new Chapel equipment.

The dance, organised privately this year, will probably become an official enterprise henceforward.

Additional expenditure will be incurred in making a grant towards the cost of a week's camp in the summer holidays.

A. B. CLIFFORD, *Hon. Treasurer.*

CHAPEL OFFERTORIES

COLLECTIONS.

Dr. Barnardo's Homes (March 24th)	£	s.	d.
Buckingham Hospital (March 31st)	12	2	10
Early Services (May 12th to July 7th)	12	5	0
Church Missionary Society (June 9th)	14	2	0
Chapel Building Fund (June 30th)	10	15	3
	11	4	0

EXPENSES.

Wages	£	s.	d.
Flowers	4	10	0
Wine at Early Services	2	15	9
	1	4	0

A portion of the balance in this account is being used to provide some of the minor equipment for the New Chapel. The remainder will be paid into Stowe Club Expenses.

A. B. CLIFFORD, *Hon. Treasurer.*

OLYMPIA

A very military party left Stowe for Olympia on May 28th to see what the army was coming to. These tournaments seem to get better and better every year, and though we missed some old friends, new ones very amply compensated us. Weedon was not performing, but we saw a pool of the King's Cup Jumping Competition, and those interested in horses were therefore not disappointed.

The R.A.F. gave their physical display in fine style—possibly we should do our P.T. better to music. The boys of the Royal Hospital School, Greenhithe, could have given us points, too, though they had the advantage of cutlasses and hornpipe interims in their drill.

Contrasts are always amusing, and we enjoyed the 17/21st Lancer's musical ride, followed by the Sword, Bayonet and Quarter-staff display. The artillery was as well represented as ever by 'M' Battery, which gave its wonderful exhibition of judging space and distance.

The 1st Middlesex Regiment gave us a most interesting historical display, including most of the Battle of Albuera, in which they won their title of 'Diehards.'

As for the Navy, well—not many people would have enjoyed wriggling round a lattice, 40 ft. from the ground. The timing was perfect. The gun-teams also get full marks. The weight moved is about twenty-five hundredweight and this weight is taken (in pieces) twice over a wall and twice over a river in four minutes odd.

The novelty of this year's tournament was the Tank Corps show. Six 'Whippets' showed us their paces and finally had a chariot race. Then we had some comic stuff, in which a dragon was defeated by Sir Chance-a-lot in the emblem of the 'Dawn of Mechanisation'—a stone tank. Finally, Old Father Time, or Tom Cobleigh, showed us what happens if you try to ill-treat a 'Whippet'—the tank always wins.

P.N.

STOWE ROVERS

What is now 'Stowe 1st' had its beginning one wet Tuesday afternoon, when three prefects, one monitor and three other senior men crossed the Oxford water by way of a wire fence and disappeared into the young fir trees beyond.

Once in that wood, the party split up into two patrols and started to build two typical cooking fires. Each man thought he could light a fire better than the other, with the result that at the end of about half-an-hour we had a sufficient quantity of used matches to light a good log fire—which we did, in spite of the rain. On this occasion we really did some cooking. Each man cooked his own stew.

At the end of our second week's existence, we went over and camped for a training camp in Tile House grounds, which we were allowed to do by the kindness of Mr. Robarts. We had the most admirable camp site in beautiful surroundings, while there was water to be had from the keeper's lodge not a hundred yards away. Stowe Rovers did all the camp work and on the second day, Saturday, welcomed to the camp about fifteen other scoutmasters from the countryside, who camped for the night. On Sunday the H.M. came over, and, after being shown round the camp, spoke at the 'Scouts Own' service in the afternoon. Altogether, it was a most enjoyable first camp.

Our first visitor to the School was the Rev. E. Scott, the Bedfordshire Deputy Camp Chief, who talked to us about the Scout Law.

On June 7th and 8th we all went down by car for a week-end camp at Gillwell Park, the Scout Training centre in Epping Forest. Some went on Friday, some on Saturday. Those who went on Friday were allowed to go to the Bridging Session on at the time and afterwards to build four bridges with the 'Course'—a thing no Rovers have ever been allowed to do before.

Our next activity was to make that curious piece of apparatus, known as a 'ground-sheet craft,' during the building of which we learnt about the importance of Patrol leadership and co-operation between patrols. When completed the craft looked quite 'lakeworthy' and, after a successful maiden voyage, the senior P.L. thought fit to venture forth into mid-ocean, only to give an excellent rendering of 'Captain Sinking with his ship.' We were shortly afterwards honoured by a visit from the inventor of this abomination—the Camp Chief from Gillwell, better known as 'Gilcraft.' He gave us an interesting and very instructive talk on observation, with special reference to cooking. We afterwards did some practice in a sand-pit at which R.H.H. was judge.

On July 25th we had a great day. The project was: 'To bridge the octagon lake by way of two islands.' We started at about 11 o'clock, one patrol on the north side, one on the south. The patrol on the north side worked well together and soon had their first short portion of bridge in position. The southerners had to build a raft to take soundings for their bridge, which was to be some forty yards long; but even they, in spite of their slight lack of team work, had a few spars in position before lunch.

Nearly every Thursday evening we have had 'Theory' lectures from R.H.H. dealing with the work in hand, semaphore, etc. The latest lecture was by Mr. Snow, of Eton College, on the subject of 'Camp Expedients,' otherwise known as 'gadgets.' We all agreed that never had we met a man who seemed to exude gadgets from every pore so fast or so skilfully.

Thanks to R.H.H., we have been given this term an excellent insight into some of the aspects of a Scoutmaster's job, and the keenness which the 'Course' has displayed promises well for the future of Scouting at Stowe.

J.W.E.

CRICKET

THE 1st XI has had a good season. It has played 14 matches, won 6, lost 2, and drawn 6. Of the four school matches, those against Radley and Bradfield were won, and those against Westminster and St. Paul's were drawn.

The batting of the side has been remarkably good, as will be seen from the averages which are printed elsewhere. Against the Old Stoics, our 1st wicket partnership produced 143 runs; against Trinity our 8th wicket partnership produced 120 runs and was unbroken at the close of play. Twice has it been left to the last wicket to win the match for us. The first time against Oriel when the 9th wicket fell with the scores equal; the second time against the I.Z. This was one of the best finishes we have had. With 10 minutes to go and 15 runs wanted, we had our last two batsmen in. Spurrier and de Havilland rose to the occasion and we won by a wicket. In a season when all our batsmen have at times done very well, it would be invidious to single out too many individual performances. But mention must be made of our performance against the Cryptics. Howland-Jackson and Kemp put on 244 for the 1st wicket, and we were able to declare without further loss with 336 for 1, of which Howland-Jackson made 204 not out.

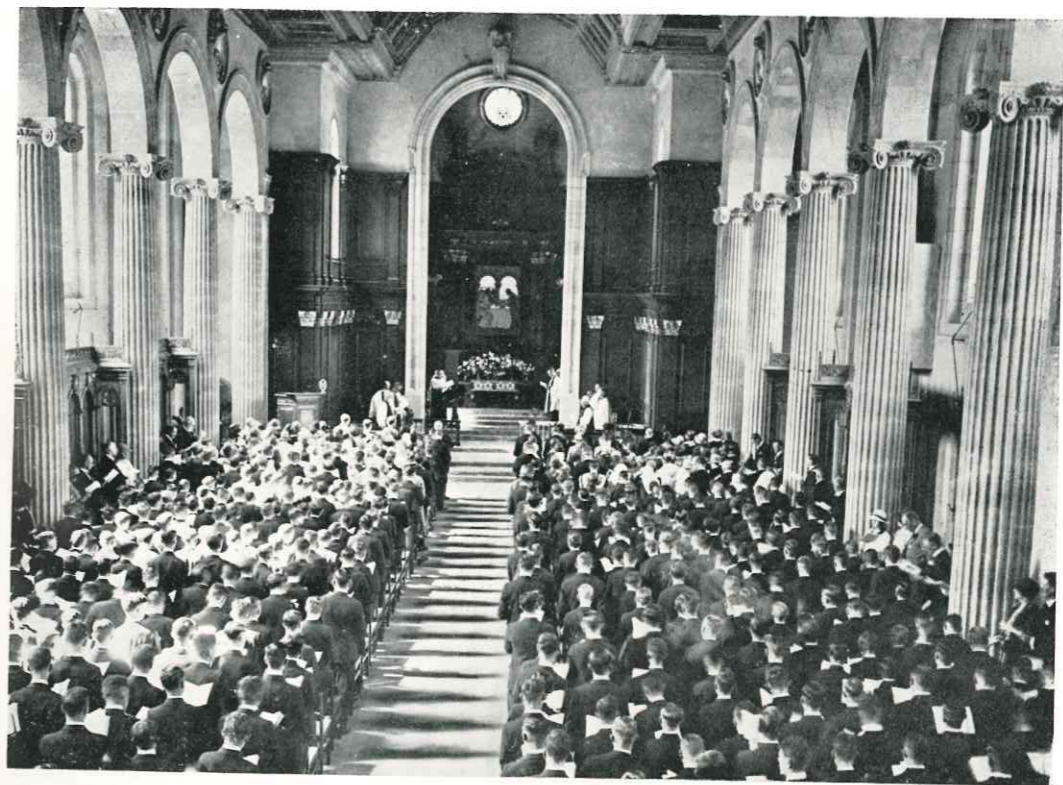
Our bowling, as will also be seen from the averages, has not been up to the same standard. Howland-Jackson and Bennett have taken most wickets, but mention must also be made of Maude, who, before he unluckily put his shoulder out again, always bowled very steadily, and was of great use to the side. It is when a side has, as our side has had, a good many bowlers, none of whom are of outstanding merit, that good captaincy is essential. Ling has done really well. He has changed the bowling with judgment, placed the field intelligently, and has done his best to keep up the morale of the side when our bowlers were having no success. Added to this, he has fielded tirelessly himself in all positions—he has caught good catches at slip and in the deep. Carr has kept wicket with all his accustomed *sang-froid* and precision. Bennett and Howland-Jackson have proved themselves to be good slip fielders, and Jackson has been very reliable at cover. Kemp's ground-fielding has enormously improved since last year, and he has done excellent work at mid-off. Williams and Sheppard have been two of our regular out-fielders, and have both saved many runs and caught good catches.

The following are the full scores, with a short account of the School matches.



AN HOUR BEFORE THE SERVICE.

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THE SERVICE.

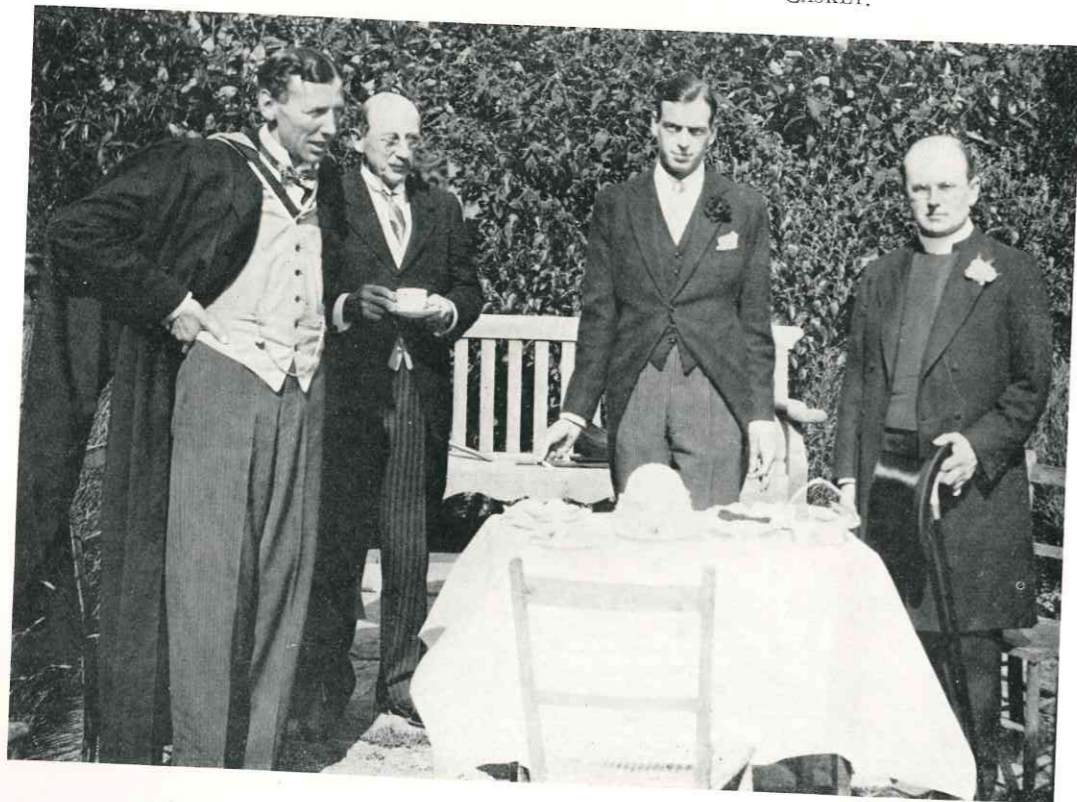
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H.R.H. AND THE H.M.



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THE HEAD OF THE SCHOOL PRESENTING THE
CASSET.



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H.R.H., LORD GISBOROUGH, MR. WARRINGTON AND THE H.M. AFTER THE CEREMONY.

STOWE v. OLD STOICS. Played at Stowe on May 18th, 1920.

Result: WON BY 10 WICKETS.

OLD STOICS.	
G. A. Griffin, c Carr, b Bennett.....	45
B. C. Gadney, b Sheppard.....	16
B. Brind, c Sheppard, b Kemp.....	19
A. C. Dawson, c Jackson, b H. Jackson..	9
D. F. Wilson, c & b H. Jackson.....	2
O. H. J. Bertram, lbw, b Bennett.....	3
F. J. Walter, c Jackson, b H. Jackson....	1
G. G. Harrison, b H. Jackson.....	4
N. A. C. Croft, b Bennett.....	11
A. G. A. Cook, not out.....	3
E. H. D. Low, c & b H. Jackson.....	2
Extras	10
Total.....	125

STOWE.	
G. E. G. Jackson, c Croft, b G. G. Harrison	63
A. G. Howland Jackson, not out	101
A. J. P. Ling, not out.....	45
Extras	19
Total (for 1 wkt.).....	228

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Pritchard ..	6	1	14	0	—
Bennett ..	11	2	31	3	10.3
Sheppard ..	7	1	22	1	22
Maude	7	0	22	0	—
Kemp	4	0	14	1	14
H. Jackson	11	2	12	5	2.4

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Griffin....	8	2	15	0	—
Low	15	3	47	0	—
Harrison ..	14	2	50	1	56
Dawson ..	9	1	45	0	—
Wilson ..	6	1	23	0	—
Gadney ..	5	0	25	0	—

STOWE v. TRINITY COLLEGE, OXFORD. Played at Stowe on May 22nd, 1920.

Result: DRAW.

TRINITY.	
J. M. Monkhouse, b Kemp.....	56
J. A. de H. Lyle, run out.....	21
V. A. Titlestad, not out.....	126
H. J. Linnell, c Maude, b H. Jackson.....	14
P. J. Brett, c Ling, b Bennett.....	107
D. P. Williams, run out.....	1
R. S. L. Bowker, run out.....	0
C. J. Fletcher, st Carr, b Bennett.....	13
R. White, M. J. H. Turner, J. Attenborough did not bat.	—
Extras	4
Total (for 7 wks.)	342

STOWE.	
A. G. Howland Jackson, b Lyle.....	14
G. E. G. Jackson, c Linnell, b Monkhouse..	41
R. H. G. Carr, not out.....	52
A. J. P. Ling, b Linnell.....	0
D. F. N. Rowlatt, c Williams, b Linnell....	0
H. V. Kemp, lbw, b Brett.....	3
J. D. Firth, b Brett.....	0
E. Sheppard, b Linnell.....	2
N. H. Bennett, not out.....	77
T. A. G. Pritchard, J. W. Maude did not bat.	—
Extras	26
Total (for 7 wks.)	215

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Pritchard ..	7	2	30	0	—
Maude	17	5	53	0	—
Bennett ..	13	1	68	2	34
Kemp	15	0	106	1	106
H. Jackson	12	0	53	1	53
Ling	2	0	20	0	—

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Brett	24	5	48	2	24
Linnell ..	21	4	59	3	19.7
Lyle	6	0	21	1	21
Titlestad ..	5	0	27	0	—
Monkhouse	4	0	34	1	34

THE STOIC

STOWE v. CRUSADERS. Played at Stowe on May 25th, 1929.

Result: LOST BY 6 WICKETS.

STOWE.						CRUSADERS.					
G. E. G. Jackson, c Wallace, b Macmillan	20					Block, b Maude	116				
A. G. Howland Jackson, b Morgan	10					Valentine, c Ling, b Kemp	61				
R. H. G. Carr, b Morgan	13					Oscroft, lbw, b Bennett	55				
A. J. P. Ling, not out	114					Human, not out	0				
D. F. N. Rowlatt, not out	61					Shankland, b Maude	0				
H. V. Kemp, J. D. Firth, N. H. Bennett,						Morgan, not out	3				
E. J. Spurrier, E. Sheppard, J. W. Maude						Andreae, Wallace, Cook, Macmillan, Frank-					
did not bat.						lin did not bat.					
Extras	36					Extras	14				
Total (for 3 declared)	254					Total (for 4 wkts.)	255				

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Andreae	7	3	13	0	—
Human	15	2	63	0	—
Macmillan	12	5	19	1	19
Morgan	15	6	52	2	26
Franklin	5	1	22	0	—
Valentine	4	1	15	0	—
Oscroft	2	0	14	0	—
Block	3	0	21	0	—

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Spurrier	5	0	43	0	—
Maude	11	0	67	2	33.5
Bennett	5	0	42	1	42
Kemp	4	0	48	1	48
Sheppard	3	0	21	0	—
H. Jackson	2	0	18	0	—

STOWE v. FREE FORESTERS. Played at Stowe on May 29th, 1929.

Result: DRAW.

STOWE.						FREE FORESTERS.					
G. E. G. Jackson, b Robinson	17					E. King, c Bennett, b Maude	62				
A. G. Howland Jackson, c Caslon, b Awdry	65					G. W. Norriss, b Maude	9				
R. H. G. Carr, not out	108					Col. R. Awdry, b Maude	13				
A. J. P. Ling, c Master, b Awdry	8					A. J. L. Hill, c Watson, b Kemp	36				
D. F. N. Rowlatt, b Caslon	0					Maj. H. A. Parsons, not out	24				
H. V. Kemp, c Master, b Caslon	0					C. E. Awdry, c Kemp, b Bennett	26				
P. P. L. Dillon, c Norris, b Robinson	13					C. A. Caslon, not out	16				
N. H. Bennett, not out	27					T. K. Dunning, J. Robinson, A. M. Millar,					
E. Sheppard, A. R. C. Watson, J. W.						Col. G. Master did not bat.					
Maude did not bat.						Extras	7				
Extras	23					Total (for 5 wkts.)	103				
Total (for 6 declared)	261										

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Dunning	10	3	20	0	—
Awdry	21	5	57	2	28.5
Norriss	13	2	38	0	—
Robinson	13	1	57	2	28.5
Hill	8	1	29	0	—
Caslon	15	1	37	2	18.5

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude	16	4	48	3	16
Bennett	14	0	65	1	65
Kemp	9	1	22	1	22
Sheppard	4	0	37	0	—
Dillon	3	0	11	0	—
H. Jackson	2	1	2	0	—

THE STOIC

STOWE v. ORIEL COLLEGE, OXFORD. Played at Stowe on May 30th, 1929.

Result: WON BY 1 WICKET.

ORIEL.						STOWE.					
B. Tassell, b Bennett	20					R. H. G. Carr, b Miller	8				
J. E. C. Mitchell, c Kemp, b Bennett	20					A. G. Howland Jackson, b Wilkinson	33				
A. C. Fleury, b de Havilland	14					G. E. G. Jackson, c Miller	2				
W. W. Inge, c H. Jackson, b Bennett	52					A. J. P. Ling, lbw, b Druitt	61				
P. T. Miller, b Bennett	8					D. F. N. Rowlatt, b Druitt	32				
J. R. Robertson, c de Havilland, b						H. V. Kemp, b Druitt	0				
Bennett	17					P. P. L. Dillon, lbw, b Druitt	9				
W. H. Druitt, c Dillon, b Bennett	29					W. H. Bennett, b Miller	24				
W. H. Hale, c Watson, b Bennett	5					A. R. C. Watson, c Druitt	6				
A. Wilkinson, lbw, b Bennett	7					J. W. Maude, not out	6				
P. Law, not out	20					P. J. de Havilland, c Miller	8				
J. E. Mackerell, st Carr, b Bennett	0					Extras	29				
Extras	7					Total	218				
Total	199										

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude	11	0	38	0	—
H. Jackson	3	1	7	0	—
Bennett	21.2	3	116	9	12.8
de Havilland	14	7	31	1	31

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Druitt	17	4	59	5	11.8
Miller	25	3	77	4	19.2
Wilkinson	9	1	40	1	40
Tassell	3	0	13	0	—

STOWE v. M.C.C. Played at Stowe on June 1st, 1929.

Result: DRAW.

STOWE.						M.C.C.					
H. V. Kemp, run out	90					Major C. Van der Byl, b Maude	41				
G. E. G. Jackson, c Ward, b Norman	12					Lieut.-Col. C. G. Maude, b Kemp	6				
R. H. G. Carr, b Falkner	79					Lieut.-Col. E. C. Packe, c de Havilland, b					
A. J. P. Ling, lbw, b Norman	18					Maude	8				
D. F. N. Rowlatt, c & b Ward	0					M. de S. C. Ward, not out	61				
N. H. Bennett, c Ward, b Falkner	32					R. A. Boddington, c Sheppard, b Bennett	39				
P. P. L. Dillon, not out	14					F. S. Buckley, b Dillon	2				
E. Sheppard, c Maude, b Van der Byl	7					P. Coleridge, not out	13				
A. R. C. Watson, J. W. Maude, P. J. de						K. Falkner, J. H. Carlton Levick, E. A.					
Havilland, A. G. Howland Jackson did						Bennett, T. G. A. Miles, R. E. Norman					
not bat.						did not bat.					
Extras	6					Extras	3				
Total (for 7 declared)	258					Total (for 5 wkts.)	173				

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Norman	19	2	68	2	34
Ward	26	1	96	1	96
Falkner	11	0	62	2	31
Maude	5	0	16	0	—
Van der Byl	1.5	0	10	1	10

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude	15	2	44	2	22
Kemp	11	2	31	1	31
Bennett	12	0	53	1	53
de Havilland	4	0	27	0	—
Dillon	3	0	15	1	15

STOWE SCHOOL v. AUTHENTICS. Played at Stowe on June 6th, 1929.

Result: DRAW.

STOWE.	
A. G. Howland Jackson, not out.....	59
H. V. Kemp, run out.....	41
R. H. G. Carr, not out.....	9
G. E. G. Jackson, A. J. P. Ling, D. F. N. Rowlatt, T. R. Williams, N. H. Bennett, E. J. Spurrier, J. R. Maude, P. J. de Havilland did not bat.	
Extra	1
Total (for 1 wkt.)	109

AUTHENTICS.

J. C. Masterman
J. K. Waydelin
F. R. Wylei
G. M. Crossmann
C. E. Awdry
D. J. Hill-Wood
R. S. G. Scott
R. C. Dobson
C. R. Spencer
E. J. G. Tucker
J. S. M. Paul

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Scott	16	4	18	0	—
Awdry ..	8	0	30	0	—
Tucker ..	7	0	22	0	—
Masterman	13	3	33	0	—
Hill-Wood	3	1	5	0	—
Paul	1	1	0	0	—

STOWE v. WESTMINSTER. Played at Stowe on June 12th and 13th, 1929.

Result: DRAW

Westminster won the toss and batted first. With a little luck we might have got an early wicket, for Maude twice beat Evetts in his first over, and Bompas sent two catches wide of Bennett at slip off Howland Jackson. After the first few overs, however, they settled down to steady batting, and the score was 82 before the first wicket fell. After this, the wickets fell regularly, but at rather long intervals, and they were all out for 279. Rain had considerably delayed play during the afternoon, and it was 5.40 before we started our innings. The light was not too good, and we were rather tired, and we started disastrously by losing two wickets for 10. Howland Jackson and Jackson stayed together till the last over, and Jackson was unlucky to be bowled by the last ball of the day. This partnership was of enormous value, as, had another wicket fallen, we might easily have been all out that evening. Next day we fought hard to save the follow on, and Ling, Williams and Bennett all did well. With the rather remote hope of getting a definite result we declared at 187 for 8. Westminster, however, quite rightly took no risks and batted steadily for about an hour and a half, and then left us an hour and a half to get over 200 runs.

We started to see if we could possibly get these runs, and Ling hit magnificently; but after we had lost two or three wickets, we played out time.

WESTMINSTER (1st Innings).

D. A. Bompas, run out.....	47
J. A. Evetts, c H. Jackson, b Kemp.....	64
J. K. Luard, c Ling, b H. Jackson.....	4
H. B. Graham, b H. Jackson.....	74
P. R. Aitken, c Bennett, b H. Jackson.....	6
W. H. D. Wakely, lbw b Maude.....	4
C. E. Lonsdale, not out.....	48
K. H. L. Cooper, st Carr, b H. Jackson.....	0
D. E. Ryland, b H. Jackson.....	15
J. J. Milne, lbw Kemp.....	2
A. C. Johnson, run out.....	2
Extras	13
Total.....	279

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude ..	26	6	65	1	65
H. Jackson	28	4	87	5	17.4
Bennett ..	13	1	39	0	—
Spurrier	9	1	27	0	—
Kemp ..	16	4	45	2	22.5
Sheppard	2	0	3	0	—

STOWE (1st Innings).

A. G. Howland Jackson, c Bompas, b Cooper	9
H. V. Kemp, b Cooper.....	2
R. H. G. Carr, b Cooper.....	2
G. E. G. Jackson, c Wakely, b Graham..	40
A. J. P. Ling, c Aitken, b Jackson.....	47
D. F. N. Rowlatt, c Cooper, b Lonsdale. . . .	8
T. R. Williams, st Bompas, b Aitken	29
N. H. Bennett, not out.....	31
E. J. Spurrier, run out.....	3
E. Sheppard, not out.....	4
J. W. Maude did not bat	
Extras	12
Total.....	187

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Graham	18	7	19	1	19.1
Cooper ..	20	5	50	3	18.6
Johnson	17	2	43	1	43
Lonsdale	6	0	20	1	20
Aitken ..	14	5	31	1	31
Milne ..	3	1	5	0	—

WESTMINSTER (2nd Innings).

D. H. Bompas, c Spurrier, b Bennett	18
J. H. Evetts, run out.....	49
J. K. Luard, not out.....	58
H. B. Graham, P. R. Aitken, W. H. D. Wakely, C. E. Lonsdale, K. H. L. Cooper, D. E. Ryland, J. J. Milne, A. C. Johnson did not bat.	
Extras	6
Total (for 2 declared)	131

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
H. Jackson	10	0	44	0	—
Spurrier ..	3	0	8	0	—
Bennett ..	10	0	52	1	52
Kemp ..	6	1	15	0	—
Sheppard	3	0	12	0	—

STOWE (2nd Innings).

A. J. P. Ling, c Luard, b Cooper.....	37
G. E. G. Jackson, c Bompas	9
N. H. Bennett, b Cooper.....	2
E. J. Spurrier, c & b Luard.....	22
A. G. Howland Jackson, not out.....	10
R. H. G. Carr, H. V. Kemp, D. F. N. Rowlatt, T. R. Williams, E. Sheppard, J. W. Maude did not bat.	
Extras	3
Total (for 4 wkts.)	83

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Cooper ..	10	2	31	3	10.3
Graham	9	2	29	0	—
Johnson	3	0	3	0	—
Milne ..	4	1	11	0	—
Aitken ..	2	0	3	0	—
Lonsdale	1	0	1	0	—
Luard ..	1	0	1	1	1

STOWE v. CRYPTICS. Played at Stowe on June 15th, 1929.

Result: WON BY 47 RUNS.

STOWE.					CRYPTICS.				
A. G. Howland Jackson, not out.....	204				D. G. Headley, c Sheppard, b Kemp.....	113			
H. V. Kemp, run out.....	81				D. A. R. Young, b Maude.....	0			
A. J. P. Ling, not out.....	37				J. A. S. Butt, c Bennett, b H. Jackson.....	15			
G. E. G. Jackson, R. H. G. Carr, D. F. N. Rowlatt, T. R. Williams, N. H. Bennett, E. J. Spurrier, E. Sheppard, J. W. Maude did not bat.					A. G. Saunders, b Bennett.....	8			
					B. H. Stevens-Davis, lbw Kemp.....	17			
					G. W. Shaw, b Maude.....	35			
					Hon. A. Shirley, b Kemp.....	0			
					Capt. F. C. Simpson, c Ling, b Maude.....	2			
					D. A. Rigby, b Kemp.....	6			
					R. Frost, b H. Jackson.....	84			
					F. V. Van der Byl, not out.....	0			
Extras	14				Extras	9			
Total (for 1 declared)	336				Total.....	289			

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Van der Byl	15	2	81	0	—
Frost	11	3	39	0	—
Saunders	10	0	46	0	—
Butt	8	0	65	0	—
Stevens-Davis	8	0	51	0	—
Simpson	3	0	17	0	—
Young	3	0	15	0	—
Headley	2	0	8	0	—

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude	20	1	70	3	23.3
Spurrier	6	1	25	0	—
Bennett	12	0	78	1	78
H. Jackson	6	0	37	2	18.5
Kemp	12	2	65	4	16.2
Sheppard	1	0	5	0	—

STOWE v. CHRISTCHURCH, OXFORD. Played at Stowe on June 17th, 1929.

Result: LOST BY 7 WICKETS.

STOWE.					CHRIST CHURCH.				
A. G. Howland Jackson, c Robinson, b Berens	52				J. F. Robinson, b Maude	0			
H. V. Kemp, lbw Berens.....	0				R. G. Dyson, st Carr, b Bennett	83			
R. H. G. Carr, b Wakely.....	4				I. Akers-Douglas, lbw Bennett.....	10			
G. E. G. Jackson, c Dobson, b Page.....	4				M. Wolfe-Murray, c Carr, b Bennett.....	110			
A. J. P. Ling, c Dobson, b Levison.....	41				R. C. Dobson, not out.....	4			
D. F. N. Rowlatt, b Wakely.....	11				A. E. Levison, J. G. Watkin, L. Wakely, R. Salmon, H. C. B. Berens, D. Page did not bat.				
T. R. Williams, not out.....	23								
N. H. Bennett, c Page, b Levison.....	4								
J. E. Linnell, c Page, b Levison.....	4								
E. Sheppard, c Dobson, b Wakely.....	2								
J. W. Maude, c Dobson, b Wakely.....	6								
Extras	17				Extras	3			
Total.....	168				Total (for 4 wickets)	210			

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Berens	12	2	37	2	18.5
Wakely	16	4	46	4	11.5
Page	5	3	10	1	10
Robinson	8	1	30	0	—
Akers-Douglas	4	0	11	0	—
Levison	10	4	12	3	4

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude	17	2	42	1	42
H. Jackson	10	0	26	0	—
Bennett	11	0	78	3	26
Kemp	7	0	30	0	—
Sheppard	5	0	31	0	—

STOWE v. RADLEY. Played at Stowe on June 19th, 1929.

Result: WON BY 66 RUNS.

Winning the toss and batting first, everything went well for us. Kemp and Howland Jackson gave us a good start, and put on 47 for the 1st wicket. At the fall of the 2nd wicket at 75, Carr was joined by Jackson. Up till 1.0 o'clock, although we never looked like getting out, our rate of scoring was very slow. Then suddenly both batsmen seemed to realise that the fielders were getting rather tired, and over 50 runs were added in about 20 minutes. This high rate of scoring was well maintained after lunch, and the 3rd wicket did not fall till 1.96. Then Ling came in and proceeded to score even faster, and his innings included ten 4's and a 6. We were able to declare with the excellent score of 307 for 3, at 3.30. Before tea, we made our position secure by getting their four first batsmen out for 31 runs. We got another wicket directly after tea—5 for 53—and then we were made to feel that our bowling was not really very strong after all. Their last six batsmen added nearly 200 runs, and we did not win until within 20 minutes of time.

STOWE.					RADLEY.				
A. G. Howland Jackson, st Van der Gucht, b Dinwiddy	33				P. J. Van der Gucht, b H. Jackson	1			
H. V. Kemp, lbw Gibbs.....	20				H. P. Dinwiddy, c Williams, b H. Jackson	14			
R. H. G. Carr, not out.....	112				W. H. Vestey, c H. Jackson, b Maude	0			
G. E. G. Jackson, b Gibbs.....	57				C. M. Blunt, b H. Jackson	13			
A. J. P. Ling, not out.....	66				G. L. Millar, c Carr, b H. Jackson	81			
D. F. N. Rowlatt, T. R. Williams, N. H. Bennett, E. Sheppard, J. W. Maude, P. J. de Havilland did not bat.					A. W. Kershaw, b H. Jackson	16			
					C. A. Preston, st Carr, b Bennett.....	20			
					R. M. Williams, lbw H. Jackson	34			
					H. B. V. Bruton, st Carr, b Bennett.....	10			
					P. G. Gibbs, b Maude.....	15			
					P. D. La Touche, not out.....	27			
Extras	19				Extras	10			
Total (for 3 declared)	307				Total.....	241			

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Blunt	17	5	64	0	—
La Touche	17	5	37	0	—
Kershaw	17	4	48	0	—
Dinwiddy	16	3	71	1	71
Gibbs	13	1	49	2	24.5
Bruton	2	0	11	0	—

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Maude	16	4	42	2	21
H. Jackson	24	3	105	6	17.5
de Havilland	2	0	8	0	—
Bennett	10	0	52	2	26
Kemp	3	0	24	0	—

STOWE v. ST. PAUL'S. Played at Ealing on June 22nd, 1929.

Not very often this term have we had to call on our last batsmen to make runs for us, but in this match we lost 8 wickets for 153, and Sheppard's spirited 29 was invaluable. Most of our previous batsmen had batted quite well, but they had all got out just when they seemed to be settling down. With our bowling weakened by the absence of Maude, our score of 208 did not look hopeful. It looked less hopeful when they had 100 up for the loss of only 2 wickets; there was about one and a half hours left for play. Then came one of those dramatic changes—their numbers 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 added only 4 runs between them—and the score was 133 for 6. The question now was whether we could get them out in time. With two overs to go, their last batsmen were in; but they succeeded in playing out time, so the match was drawn.

STOWE.

H. V. Kemp, c Hadinghan, b Felton	6
A. G. Howland Jackson, c Maclean, b Felton	15
R. H. G. Carr, b Richards	34
G. E. G. Jackson, b Felton	32
A. J. P. Ling, c Jobson Scott, b Felton	36
E. J. Spurrier, b Felton	3
N. H. Bennett, c R. Cocq, b Felton	16
J. R. Williams, run out	24
D. F. N. Rowlatt, b Shneerson	1
E. Sheppard, not out	29
P. J. de Havilland, c Felton, b Jobson-Scott	0
Extras	12
Total	208

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Spurrier	7	2	30	2	15
H. Jackson	25	5	51	3	17
Bennett	5	0	20	0	—
Kemp	9	0	40	0	—
de Havilland	17	4	55	4	13.7

ST. PAULS.

R. H. P. Shneerson, c H. Jackson, b Spurrier	4
A. W. Hadinghan, c Williams, b Spurrier	111
J. B. Maclean, c Spurrier, b de Havilland	38
R. Felton, c Sheppard, b de Havilland	3
G. Roosmale-cocq, c Bennett, b H. Jackson	1
J. G. Richards, c Carr, b de Havilland	0
H. S. C. Killick, c Bennett, b de Havilland	0
H. Jobson-Scott, b H. Jackson	0
V. E. Ounjian, lbw, H. Jackson	15
S. M. Mishler, not out	13
V. Sturton, not out	1
Extras	2
Total (for 9 wks.)	188

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Felton	24	8	59	6	9.8
Richards	8	0	23	1	23
Jobson-Scott	7.1	1	23	1	23
Sturton	9	1	40	0	—
Shneerson	13	2	39	1	39
Ounjian	5	0	12	0	—

STOWE v. I. ZINGARI. Played at Stowe on June 26th, 1929.

Result: WON BY 1 WICKET.

I. ZINGARI.

Major E. W. Turner, c de Havilland, b Spurrier	2
Capt. W. Jolliffe, b H. Jackson	1
Sir Richard Gull, not out	191
Charles Crawley, b Spurrier	0
F. Stephens, c Dillon, b Bennett	48
K. Lister Kaye, b de Havilland	0
W. L. Everard, c Bennett, b H. Jackson	23
T. Chaloner, b H. Jackson	5
C. M. Head, c Bennett, b H. Jackson	0
Substitute 2, b Spurrier	1
Substitute 1, st Carr, b Bennett	15
Extras	3
Total	289

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
H. Jackson	17	4	82	4	20.5
Spurrier	13	1	73	3	24.3
de Havilland	5	0	44	1	44
Kemp	3	0	27	0	—
Bennett	8.1	0	59	2	29.5
Dillon	1	0	2	0	—

STOWE.

H. V. Kemp, b Lister-Kaye	43
A. G. Howland Jackson, c Crawley, b Jolliffe	97
R. H. G. Carr, b Jolliffe	26
G. E. G. Jackson, c Lister-Kaye, b Crawley	19
A. J. P. Ling, c Gull, b Crawley	19
P. P. L. Dillon, b Lister-Kaye	17
T. R. Williams, b Lister-Kaye	13
N. H. Bennett, c Gull, b Crawley	18
E. J. Spurrier, not out	10
E. Sheppard, lbw, b Lister-Kaye	0
P. J. de Havilland, not out	3
Extras	25
Total (for 9 wks.)	290

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Crawley	12	0	76	3	25.3
Lister-Kaye	25	2	82	4	20.5
Stephens	9	0	53	0	—
Substitute 2	5	0	30	0	—
Jolliffe	6	1	24	2	12

STOWE v. BRADFIELD. Played at Stowe on June 29th, 1929.

We started sensationally by losing Kemp, Howland Jackson and Carr with only 33 runs scored. An invaluable stand by Jackson and Ling, which added 111 runs, seemed to pull the game round. Apart from these two, however, no one could stay in, and we were all out for the small score of 225. Their innings started even more sensationally. Two good slip catches, a hard cover catch, and a fine c and b, and four of their wickets were down for 13 runs. A missed catch prevented us from having half the side out for 16, but this start was very exciting. We then seemed content for a time to rest on our laurels, and when we got going again, we had rather a struggle against time. The struggle never became acute, and, although they took their score to 155, we won with 20 minutes to spare.

STOWE.

H. V. Kemp, c Marshal, b F. de L. Evans	5
A. G. Howland Jackson, b T. H. G. Gilbert	8
R. H. G. Carr, c Evans, b Gilbert	6
G. E. G. Jackson, b Stephan	69
A. J. P. Ling, b Evans	87
T. R. Williams, c Castley, b Evans	2
E. J. Spurrier, b Evans	4
N. H. Bennett, b Evans	3
P. P. L. Dillon, lbw, b Mason	5
E. Sheppard, b Gilbert	5
P. S. de Havilland, not out	7
Extras	24
Total	225

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Jackson	22	7	39	4	9.7
Spurrier	13	7	12	3	4
Bennett	12.4	1	53	2	26.5
de Havilland	10	3	17	1	17
Kemp	3	2	2	0	—
Dillon	3	1	5	0	—

BRADFIELD.

J. G. Mason, c Bennett, b H. Jackson	0
P. L. Bathurst, c Ling, b H. Jackson	2
F. de L. Evans, c & b Spurrier	1
F. E. W. Parry, c Bennett, b H. Jackson	35
T. H. G. Gilbert, c Jackson, b H. Jackson	5
B. S. Stephan, b de Havilland	29
R. S. Gray, c Carr, b Spurrier	18
C. F. Mackwood, b Spurrier	0
W. T. Marshall, not out	24
R. S. Castley, c Carr, b Bennett	4
J. A. Gatehouse, c Williams, b Bennett	0
Extras	28
Total	155

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AV.
Gilbert	14	3	62	3	30.6
Evans	23	6	54	5	10.8
Stephan	11	4	30	1	30
Parry	6	0	28	0	—
Marshall	2	0	17	0	—
Gray	3	1	11	0	—
Mason	2	0	4	1	4

STOWE 1ST XI. AVERAGES (1929).

BATTING.

	Innings	Not out	Runs	Highest	Average.
A. G. Howland Jackson	...	4	709	204*	70.90
A. J. P. Ling	...	4	616	114*	61.60
R. H. G. Carr	...	4	453	112*	56.62
N. H. Bennett	...	3	232	77*	38.66
G. E. G. Jackson	...	0	385	69	29.61
H. V. Kemp	...	0	291	90	24.25
T. R. Williams	...	1	91	29	22.75
D. F. N. Rowlatt	...	1	113	61*	16.14
P. P. L. Dillon	...	1	58	17	14.50
E. J. Spurrier	...	1	42	22	10.50
E. Sheppard	...	2	51	29*	8.50

Also batted:—P. J. de Havilland, 8, 0, 3*, 7*; J. W. Maude, 6*, 6; A. R. C. Watson, 6; J. E. Linnell, 4; J. D. Firth, 0.

T. A. G. Pritchard played in two matches, but did not bat.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Average.
A. G. Howland Jackson	181	30	584	34	17.17
P. J. de Havilland	52	14	182	7	26.00
N. H. Bennett	164.4	9	813	29	28.03
E. J. Spurrier	56	12	218	8	29.25
J. W. Maude	160	24	507	14	36.21
H. V. Kemp	113	15	493	13	37.96

Also bowled:—P. P. L. Dillon, 10-1-31-1; E. Sheppard, 26-2-131-1; A. J. P. Ling 2-0-20-0; T. A. G. Pritchard, 16-2-55-0.

FIELDING.

Catches: 15 R. H. G. Carr (10 stumped; 5 caught).
 9 N. H. Bennett.
 7 E. Sheppard.
 6 A. G. Howland Jackson.
 5 A. J. P. Ling.
 3 P. J. de Havilland. G. E. G. Jackson.
 E. J. Spurrier. T. R. Williams.
 2 P. P. L. Dillon, H. V. Kemp, A. R. C. Watson.
 1 J. W. Maude.

The 2nd XI has played 7 matches, of which it has won 2, lost 3, and drawn 2. A. R. C. Watson has captained the side, and comes out second in the batting averages with an average of just under 23. Charlton, Linnell, Ryland, and Salamon ma. have all batted well at times, and R. C. R. Clarke's hitting has been very successful. Spurrier played three innings for the 2nd, in which he made 108, 19, and 101 not out. Dillon ma. and Pritchard have borne the brunt of the bowling, though towards the end of the season, Blyth did very well.

The Colts have played 7 matches, won 2, lost 4, drawn 1. While this record may not compare favourably with that of previous years, it must be remembered that the games against Harrow and Wellington were very close, and the result was in doubt right to the end. Packe, Blandford, Durlacher and Firth have all batted well, and de Havilland, Durlacher, Tweedy and Packe have been the most successful bowlers.

Levis mi. has been captain, and his wicket-keeping has reached a very high standard.

The following is a summary of scores:—

May 22nd.	COLTS v. RADLEY COLTS, at Radley. Result: Lost by 33 runs. Scores: Radley 124 (de Havilland 5 for 21); Stowe 91 (Packe 20, Blandford 20).
May 25th.	2ND XI v. CHARTERHOUSE II., at Charterhouse. Result: Lost by 150 runs. Scores: Charterhouse 242 (Salamon ma. 3 for 37); Stowe 92.
May 29th.	COLTS v. ST. EDWARD'S COLTS at Stowe. Result: Won by 92 runs. Scores: Stowe 171 (Firth 45, Legg 36*, Hotham 32, Durlacher 29); St. Edward's 79 (de Havilland 4 for 19).

June 1st.	2ND XI v. RUGBY II., at Stowe. Result: Won by 3 wickets. Scores: Rugby 237 (Spurrier 4 for 45, Pritchard 3 for 63); Stowe 247 for 7 (Spurrier 108, Ryland 53, Williams, T. R. 37*).
June 1st.	COLTS v. ST. PAUL'S COLTS at Ealing. Result: Match Drawn. Scores: 189 for 6 declared (Packe 63, Blandford 43); St. Paul's 113 for 3.
June 6th.	COLTS v. ETON COLTS at Eton. Result: Lost by 92 runs. Scores: Eton 123 for 7 declared; Stowe 31.
June 8th.	2ND XI v. ST. PAUL'S II. at Stowe. Result: Match Drawn. Scores: Stowe 244 for 8 declared (Clarke, R. C. R. 49*, Salamon ma. 39, Charlton 38); St. Paul's 126 for 9 (Spurrier 4 for 17).
June 8th.	COLTS v. HARROW COLTS at Stowe. Result: Lost by 1 wicket. Scores: Stowe 158 for 8 declared (Packe 78, Firth 39); Harrow 165 for 9 (Tweedy 3 for 34).
June 13th.	2ND XI v. HEYTHROP HUNT at Stowe. Result: Lost by 5 wickets. Scores: Stowe 197 for 6 declared (Linnell 61, Charlton 38, Manser 30); Heythrop 216 (Pritchard 5 for 64, Dillon ma. 4 for 59).
June 15th.	COLTS v. RADLEY COLTS at Stowe. Result: Won by 8 wickets. Scores: Radley 52 (Tweedy 3 for 3, Packe 3 for 16); Stowe 188 for 8 (Firth 60, Durlacher 30).
June 19th.	2ND XI v. RADLEY II., at Radley. Scores: Stowe 203 (Spurrier 101, Charlton 43); Radley 91 (Spurrier 5 for 29, including hat trick). Result: Won by 112 runs.
June 27th.	2ND XI v. ETON II., at Eton. Result: Match Drawn. Scores: Eton 263 for 5 declared; Stowe 109 for 6 (Salamon ma. 39).
June 29th.	2ND XI v. BRADFIELD II., at Bradfield. Result: Lost by 2 wickets. Scores: Stowe 205 (Watson, A. R. C. 56, Clarke, R. C. R. 53); Bradfield 208 for 8 (Blyth 4 for 65).
June 29th.	COLTS v. WELLINGTON COLTS, at Wellington. Result: Lost by 1 wicket. Scores: Stowe 205 (Hotham 66*, Packe 42); Wellington 208 (Durlacher 6 for 48).

THE LEAGUES.

The Leagues produced a closer struggle this year than they ever have before. No house was outstandingly good, and right up to the last day's play, it was doubtful whether Grenville, Chatham or Grafton would win. These three Houses were all playing in the last round, and were none of them playing each other, so that all nine games on the Bourbon might have had an effect on the final results.

The final placings were:—

1.	Grafton	...	...	...	...	47
2.	Grenville	...	...	...	...	46
3.	Chatham	...	...	...	...	43
4.	Bruce	...	...	...	...	34
5.	Cobham	...	...	...	...	32
6.	Chandos	...	...	...	...	31
7.	Temple	...	...	...	...	27

The draw was as follows :—

Bruce	Chandos)} Bruce (164 runs)	}	Bruce (152 runs)	}	Grenville (143 runs)
Cobham	Grafton	)} Grafton (145 runs)			
Temple	Chatham)} Temple (7 wickets)	}	Grenville (83 runs)		
	Grenville	)} Grenville			

HOUSE MATCHES.

In the 1st round, Temple played Chatham, Bruce played Chandos, and Cobham played Grafton.

The Temple-Chatham match started sensationally by Chatham losing 4 wickets for 17. They recovered quite well, however, and reached 240 (Firth 91 not out, T. R. Williams 76, E. Sheppard 30). Temple started very well and had 247 on the board before the 2nd wicket fell. Then a good spell of bowling by de Havilland completely changed the outlook and Temple were all out for 277 (G. E. G. Jackson 121, Manser 74, Howland Jackson ma. 49). In the second innings Chatham again had 4 wickets down cheaply, and this time their score only reached 160 (Firth 57 not out, T. R. Williams 31). Howland Jackson (40) and Manser (45) again gave Temple an excellent start and they won by 7 wickets.

Bruce by scoring 203 (Ling ma. 65) and 224 (Ling ma. 82, Russell-Roberts 54, Bennett 46) beat Chandos—187 (A. R. C. Watson 82) and 76—by 164 runs.

Grafton beat Cobham by 145 runs. Grafton 188 (Beech 114 not out) and 172; Cobham 105 (Durlacher 36) and 110.

In the second round Bruce beat Grafton by 152 runs. In the 1st innings the match was fairly equal; Bruce scoring 150 (Ling mi. 56, Bennett 37) and Grafton 136 (Spurrier 43, Head 32).

In the 2nd innings Bruce had things much more their own way. They made 276 (Ling ma. 108, Stewart 42, Bennett 38, Sherwood 26), and dismissed Grafton for 138, of which Spurrier, by good cricket, made 75 and Linnell 33.

The real surprise was produced by Grenville, who beat Temple by 83 runs.

Temple batted first and made 301 for 8 declared, (Hotham 76, Manser 64, Howland Jackson 49). When Grenville went in they lost 5 wickets for 23 (Howland Jackson doing the hat-trick with the score at 3). They went on, however, to make 181, of which Ryland made 35, J. M. Napier 36 and Allen 59. Following on, they scored the really very good total of 329, Ryland scoring a fine century, R. C. R. Clarke 64, and Kennedy 44.

Temple faced with 209 to make, started dourly and scored 47 before the 1st wicket fell; and then, Dillon ma., making use of the worn wicket, took 7 wickets for 49 runs—a notable performance.

Grenville won the Final Cricket House Matches by 143 runs (against Bruce).

LAWN TENNIS

Only one of last year's tennis VI remained for the season. All the players available were rather young and inexperienced. A side was formed of Masters and boys. As far as results go, the season has not been very successful. But some valuable experience has been gained by playing against strong teams.

Sat.	A STOWE VI. v. KEBLE COLLEGE, Oxford.
May 18th	The School VI won by 6 Matches to 3.
	Mr. Spagnoletti } won 3 Mr. Hankinson } won 1 J. G. Lilley }
	A. W. Myers } won 2 Mr. Clarke }
Wed.	A STOWE VI. v. CHRIST CHURCH, Oxford.
May 22nd	Christchurch won by 8 matches to 1.
	Mr. Clarke } won 1 Mr. Hankinson } lost 3 J. G. Lilley }
	Mr. Wace } lost 3 A. W. Myers }
Wed.	A STOWE VI. v. TRINITY COLLEGE, Oxford.
May 29th	Trinity Won by 7 Matches to 2.
	Mr. Clarke } won 2 Mr. Wace } lost 3 Mr. Wragg }
	A. W. Myers } lost 3 F. W. Kennedy }
Sat.	A STOWE VI. v. GUY'S HOSPITAL
June 8th	Guy's Hospital Won by 7 Matches to 2.
	Mr. Clarke } won 2 Mr. Wace } lost 3 Mr. Wragg }
	J. W. Evans } lost 3 A. W. Myers }
Sat.	A STOWE VI. v. WORCESTER COLLEGE, Oxford.
June 15th	Worcester Won by 7 Matches to 2.
	Mr. Clarke } won 2 J. G. Lilley } lost 3 Mr. Hankinson }
	Mr. Wace } lost 3 A. W. Myers }

Wed. A STOWE VI. v. C. M. J. ELLIS' VI.
 June 26th C.M.J.Ellis' VI won by 6 Matches to 2.

Mr. Spagnoletti	} won 1 lost 1 drew 1	J. G. Lilley	} won 1
Mr. Hankinson		A. W. Myers	
The Earl of Mornington		} lost 3	
F. W. Kennedy			

The House matches are now being played. The draw is as follows :

Grafton	}	Grafton	}	The result of the Final will be published next term.
Bruce		Chandos		
Chandos	}	Chandos	}	
Chatham		Grenville		
Cobham	}	Temple	}	
Temple		Grenville		

SWIMMING

The swimming team this year has made more progress than ever before. Mr. Spagnoletti, who has had great experience in coaching and can himself swim very fast, very kindly undertook last term to take entire charge of the fast swimming. He and the Captain and Secretary of swimming last term decided

- (1) That a swimming eight was to be maintained,
- (2) That the Captain should be given his colours,
- (3) That as many matches as possible should be arranged for this term.

Owing to the illness and subsequent non-return of A. Dunsford, J. W. Evans was appointed Captain and M. E. I. Searle, Hon. Sec., at the beginning of the summer term.

Although at the time of writing the Stowe Swimming Eight have no absolute victories to their credit, the progress made by the team has been very considerable. The real reason for the team's success undoubtedly lies in the fact that it has been extremely well coached. Mr. Spagnoletti has coached promising people in the regular practice time in the Tank daily, and his interest in us and his patience have been well rewarded.

H.S.

Our first really serious match—that against St. Paul's II last year excepted—was swum on June 13th, against Harrow. It resulted in a win by a very small margin for Harrow. The score was 10 points all before the last race, having been equal after each preceding event. In the last race, the team race, Stowe took the lead on the 5th string, only to lose it again on the 6th and last string. Team :—50 yds., G.V. Rouse,

J. W. Evans ; 100 yds. R. C. R. Clarke, M. E. I. Searle ; team race, G. V. Rouse, J. H. Brooker, E. R. Allen, M. L. Dillon, H. K. D. Shepherd, H. J. Miall ; diving, E. R. Allen, P. H. Heygate ; plunging, E. R. Allen. G. V. Rouse won the 50 yds. in 33 seconds. E. R. Allen dead heated with about 45 feet in the plunging.

We received encouragement in the form of an invitation to swim in the Public Schools Championship at the Bath Club on July 4th.

The team that finally went to the Bath Club was seconds faster than anything we could have produced on June 13th. It was as follows :—

50 yds., G. V. Rouse, H. K. D. Shepherd ; reserve, J. H. Brooker.
 100 yds., R. C. R. Clarke, M. L. Dillon ; reserve, M. E. I. Searle.

Rouse did his fifty in 30 seconds, a considerable improvement on his Harrow time. Dillon did his hundred in 76-2/5 seconds, which, although not good, was 2 seconds better than the winner's time in the Harrow match. H. K. D. Shepherd's time for the 50 yards was about 34 seconds. The school were ninth out of eleven competitors. The fastest time for the 300 yards was 3 minutes 4-1/5 seconds (Bishop's Stortford), Stowe's was 3 minutes 42-2/5 seconds, while the slowest time was 3 minutes 57-3/5 seconds. The visit was most enjoyable from all points of view, not the least important being that it gave us a chance of seeing some good swimming. G. V. Rouse was awarded his swimming colours.

The next match was a little disappointing. After nearly beating Harrow and then improving the team considerably, we thought the match against St. Paul's II on July 6th, would be fairly easy work. But we were not beaten badly ; the margin was small enough to be explained by the fact that we were swimming in an abnormally long bath over distances to which we were not accustomed. Rouse and Shepherd were not at their best over 33 yards, nor were Clarke and Dillon over 66 yards. The team race—6 strings of 33 yards—was more even : at one time we looked as though we could win, but in the end we lost by about a yard. We took first two places in the diving with K. D. Miall and E. R. Allen, the latter also taking first place in the plunging with 45 feet. The final score was 24 to 16. After the match we had an informal game of water-polo, in which we learnt a great deal about the rules of the game !

The team was as follows :— 33 yards, G. V. Rouse, H. K. D. Shepherd ; 100 yds. M. E. I. Searle ; 66 2/3 yds. R. C. R. Clarke, M. L. Dillon. Team race, J. W. Evans, G. V. Rouse, H. K. D. Shepherd, J. H. Brooker, E. R. Allen, H. J. Miall.

We now have but two more matches to look forward to, one against Westminster, on July 20th, and one against the Otters S.C. Now the life-saving is over we have greater facilities for training and our efforts against Westminster should be fairly successful.

Water-polo has been introduced into the school this term, again through the activity of Mr. Spagnoletti. The final of the water-polo House Matches is to take place on the last Monday of the term—the same day as the Final of the Sports—Dr. G. H. Day, having very kindly presented a challenge shield for the winning team. The Elkington relay races are to be on the last Saturday of the term.

Looking back on the term, the status and standard of swimming as a sport can definitely be said to have improved. People are at last beginning to realise that swimming is a valuable form of exercise and sport, and not just another way of saying bathing.

J.W.E.

LIFE-SAVING.

Although interfered with at the beginning of the term by vaccination, Life-Saving has run smoothly on the whole and an all-round improvement has been noted. The date of the examination was altered at very short notice from Sunday July 14th to Sunday July 7th. Yet the land-drill was probably the best we have seen here and the water-drill in many cases showed real efficiency.

The awards were as follows:—

Award of Merit: E. R. Allen, M. E. I. Searle, J. H. Brooker, I. R. Græme (Number entered, 4).

Honorary Instructor's Certificate: J. H. Brooker, T. G. W. Ferrier, C. E. Salamon, M. E. I. Searle, M. F. Villiers-Stuart. (Number entered, 5).

Bronze Medallion: I. R. Græme, H. E. Josselyn, U. B. Walmsley, H. W. Norman, F. O. S. Dobell, W. E. D. Moore. (Number entered, 6.)

Bronze Medallion and Proficiency Certificate: E. R. Allen, B. M. Napier, J. McK. Binney, A. J. A. Hanhart, R. S. Steavenson, D. A. R. Tate, J. R. Sadoine, D. A. Pemberton, J. R. McDowell, J. W. Gooddy, H. M. Balfour, J. L. Nelson. (Number entered, 14.)

Proficiency Certificate: A. G. Marr, H. M. Evans, J. N. Woodbridge, P. D. Ward, E. J. Boyle, N. Forbes, S. Kilpatrick, C. E. Lovegrove, G. V. Seymour. (Number entered, 10).

J.W.E.

FENCING

This term has seen a most successful finish to the year's fencing. The team, during the season 1928-9, has won all its school matches, all its foil matches but one, and all its matches save two. The junior team won comfortably against Westminster. Among the younger fencers there are several who show promise, in particular J. A. Hunter and J. L. W. Cheyne at sabre.

The *épée* cup was won easily by B. R. S. Houghton (Cobham), who, except for a bad patch in the middle of term, has done consistently well. He is probably the cleverest *épéeist* we have had.

Play with the *épée* and at sabre has improved considerably under the tuition of M. Faubert, of the Automobile Club de France, who has joined Captain Gravé's staff.

H. D. H. Bartlett tied for first place in the Public Schools Championship, and only lost by the odd hit in a barrage to his old rival, F. S. Hoppé, of Westminster. M. F. Villiers-Stuart, who beat Hoppé last term, was unfortunately unable to compete. G. A. L. Cheatle came in 3rd. He has improved tremendously this year, and has received his colours.

THE OXFORD—STOWE EPÉE COMPETITION.

Fought at Stowe on 13th May, this competition showed our *épéeists* to have improved considerably on their performance of last term, when they were badly beaten at Oxford.

Duncombe-Anderson, the Oxford Captain, did indeed finish at the head of the pool, but he lost to Lloyd and McCallin. Houghton and Walter were the best stylists, the former repeating his victory in February after a fine fight.

Result:—(1) A. J. Duncombe-Anderson (*O.U.F.C.*) 7 wins; (2) B. R. S. Houghton (*Stowe*) and F. J. Walter (*O.U.F.C.*) 6 wins; (4) M. A. Lloyd and C. S. McCallin (*Stowe*) 5 wins; (6) D. Scott-Fox (*O.U.F.C.*) 4 wins, 1 undecided fight; (7) H. D. H. Bartlett (*Stowe*) 4 wins; (8) J. d'A. Cartwright (*O.U.F.C.*) 3 wins; (9) S. Gerrard (*O.U.F.C.*) 2 wins, 1 undecided fight; (10) R. MacD. Barbour (*Stowe*) 2 wins.

THE SCHOOL v. GROSVENOR FENCING CLUB.

On May 25th, a capital match fought between the School and the Grosvenor team, who have won the Savage Shield for the past two years, resulted in a narrow and honourable defeat for us, by the margin of 14-11.

The improvement in our *épéeists*, marked in the Oxford competition of the previous week, was maintained. Indeed, had we not nervously lost the first four bouts, we might have come even nearer to defeating our powerful opponents. Once again B. R. S. Houghton gave a magnificent display of clever work, in which head, wrist and foot all contributed. He beat, in Pelling, a former *épée* champion of Great Britain and only just failed to defeat the reigning champion, B. Childs. Lloyd did very well; he has a sure parry-riposte and has discarded his unfortunate half-lunge attack.

Score:—*Grosvenor F.C.*—B. Childs, 5 wins; A. E. Pelling, 4 wins; H. Francis, 3 wins; J. Hodgson and P. Ellis, 1 win each. Total, 14 wins.

Stowe.—B. R. S. Houghton, 4 wins; M. A. Lloyd, 3 wins; G. A. L. Cheatle, 2 wins; C. S. McCallin and M. F. Villiers-Stuart, 1 win each. Total 11 wins.

THE SAVAGE SHIELD.

After reaching the semi-finals for two years in succession, we were defeated, on this occasion, in the first round, though at the hands of the Lensbury Fencing Club, the ultimate winners of the trophy. Fights were extremely close and the final score of 9-7 scarcely indicates the run of the play, which might have given us victory by a similar margin, had luck been a little more kind. However, Houghton was out of form and Bartlett, though a rapidly improving *épéeist*, had not yet reached his form of the end of term. Lloyd fought very well; both in style and execution he showed up in a most creditable way.

Our team was:—B. R. S. Houghton, M. A. Lloyd, G. A. L. Cheatle and H. D. H. Bartlett. Reserves:—M. F. Villiers-Stuart and C. S. McCallin.

THE SCHOOL v. THE EPÉE CLUB.

Fought at Stowe on June 24th, this match resulted in a repetition of last year's win for the School, the score being 13-11 in our favour. Actually, the margin might have been far more considerable had Houghton been up to form, but the lack of decision and ill-luck which hindered him this year in the Savage Shield continued to

keep him back. Besides Lloyd, Bartlett did very well. For the visitors, Greenwood and Hay fought most cleverly; the latter lost an amusing bout with Cheatle, to whom he must have conceded a foot in height and almost as much in reach.

Score :—*Stowe*.—M. A. Lloyd and H. D. H. Bartlett, 4 wins each; G. A. L. Cheatle and M. F. Villiers-Stuart, 2 wins each; B. R. S. Houghton, 1 win. Total 13.

Epée Club.—J. Greenwood, 4 wins; A. N. Other, 3 wins; Captain R. A. Hay, R. E. and A. Nugent, 2 wins each; H. Riant, 0 wins. Total 11.

THE SCHOOL v. LONDON FENCING CLUB.

At Stowe, on July 6th, the season was wound up with a decisive win over the L.F.C., who were beaten by 13 victories to 8. Undoubtedly, the visitors were weakened by the absence of Major Wand-Tetley and Dr. Ryves, who had promised to come. However, they had with them Col. Ridley-Martin, an ex-sabre champion and competent all-round swordsman. The School team accomplished a fine performance in winning the foils at 7—2. Houghton's recovery at épée helped to win that event, and had Barbour been more confident against Pugh we ought to have avoided defeat with the arm in which Ridley-Martin's strength told.

Score :—

FOILS.

Stowe.—H. D. H. Bartlett, 3 wins; M. F. Villiers-Stuart and G. A. L. Cheatle, 2 wins each. Total, 7.

L.F.C.—A. Nugent and O. S. H. Pugh, 1 win each; Col. A. R. Ridley-Martin, 0 wins. Total, 2.

ÉPÉE.

Stowe.—B. R. S. Houghton and M. A. Lloyd, 2 wins each; C. S. McCallin, 1 win. Total, 5.

L.F.C.—Col. A. R. Ridley-Martin, 2 wins; A. Nugent, 1 win; O. S. H. Pugh, 0 wins. Total, 3.

SABRE.

L.F.C.—Col. A. R. Ridley-Martin, 2 wins; O. S. H. Pugh, 1 win. Total, 3.

Stowe.—H. D. H. Bartlett, 1 win; R. MacD. Barbour, 0 win. Total, 1.

JUNIOR MATCH.

THE SCHOOL v. WESTMINSTER.

The return match for boys under 16½ was fought at Stowe on June 18th, and produced a win for the School by 11 victories to 5. As an augury for the future it was most happy. McCallin's reputation was justified; he went through the match undefeated and gained a fine 4—1 win against M. W. H. Davies, a clever young fencer from Westminster. Stansfeld showed a commendable versatility and Rea the value of a straight point. Greenwood made plenty of openings, but failed to profit by them; however, he too did some good work.

Score :—*Stowe*.—C. S. McCallin, 4 wins; A. R. W. Stansfeld and P. A. Rea, 3 wins each; J. M. Greenwood, 1 win. Total, 11.

Westminster.—M. W. H. Davies, 3 wins; P. P. W. Young and J. R. Bailey, 1 win each; H. P. Low, 0 win. Total, 5.

STOWE v. ACHILLES A.C.

A match under handicap conditions was held with the Achilles Club on March 27th. The result was a win for the Achilles Club by 6½ events to 2½.

The following were the results :—

100 Yards.—(School receives 3 yards.)

1, R. Leigh-Wood (A); 2, E. J. Oliver, Time, 10½ secs.

Half-Mile.—(Achilles owes 44 yards.)

1, H. E. Hope; 2, F. L. Firebrace (A). Time, 2 min. 11½ secs.

High Jump.—(School receives 6 ins.)

1, A. R. R. Le Fleming (A) and A. R. C. Watson. Height, 5 ft. 8½ ins.

220 Yards.—(School receives 8 yards.)

1, H. K. Bagnell-Oakley (A); 2, R. Leigh-Wood (A). Time, 22½ secs.

120 Yards Hurdles.—(School receives 10 yards, one flight and 2 ins.)

1, H. P. Bowler (A); 2, R. St. G. Harper (A). Time, 16½ secs.

One Mile.—(Achilles owes 88 yards.)

1, H. G. Morison; 2, D. E. C. Trench. Time, 4 min. 47½ secs.

Long Jump.—(School receives 3 ft.)

1, H. K. Bagnell-Oakley (A), 21 ft. 5½ ins.; 2, C. E. Salamon, 20 ft. 4 ins.

Quarter-Mile.—(Achilles owes 22 yards.)

1, R. Leigh-Wood (A); 2, E. J. Oliver. Time, 54½ secs.

Medley Relay.—(Two 120 yards Hurdles, two 220 yards, 880 yards.—School receives handicap as above on each Hurdles stage and Achilles owes 66 yards on remainder.)

1, Achilles (W. G. Kalaugher, I. R. Mann, H. K. Bagnell-Oakley, R. L. Howland, C. E. G. Green.)

During the afternoon R. L. Howland (A) gave an interesting exhibition of Putting the Weight. His best putt was 41 ft. 11 ins.

RELAY RACES 1929

The Relay Races were run on April 2nd, and again proved to be one of the most exciting and popular events of the year. The result was a win for Grenville with 25 points, Chandos and Chatham being equal second with 17 points. The attached table shows the full results :—

	Bruce.	Temple.	Grenville.	Chandos.	Cobham.	Chatham.	Grafton.
4—100's ...	4	5	2	3	0	1	6
4—220's ...	2	5	6	3	0	4	1
4—440's ...	0	2	5	3	6	4	1
4—880's ...	2	1	6	4	0	3	5
Composite Mile	1	3	6	4	0	5	2
Total points	9	16	25	17	6	17	15
Place ...	6	4	1	2 eq.	7	2 eq.	5

SPORTS 1929

The Sports were held on March 30th. The weather was magnificent—still and warm, with brilliant sunshine. With a track as hard as a grass track can ever be in March, conditions for racing were ideal, and the runners, taking full advantage of them, made no fewer than eleven new records.

The House Cup was won by Chandos with a score of 103½ points; Grenville followed with 67½; then came Cobham, 38; Grafton, 27; Temple, 21; Chatham, 20; Bruce, 3.

The prizes were presented by The Rt. Hon. Lady Greville.

The results were as follows:—

100 Yards (Junior).—1, W. H. H. Wilberforce; 2, N. Forbes; 3, J. A. Hotham. Time, 11 secs. *Record.*

100 Yards (Open).—1, J. B. Charles; 2, E. J. Oliver; 3, P. L. Sherwood. Time, 10½ secs. *Record.*

Half-Mile (Junior).—1, J. M. Dennis; 2, C. T. Crowe; 3, N. A. Marjoribanks. Time, 2 min. 15½ secs. *Record.*

Half-Mile (Open).—1, H. E. Hope; 2, D. E. C. Trench; 3, C. E. J. Weston. Time, 2 min. 9 secs. *Record.*

120 Yards Hurdles (Junior).—1, W. H. H. Wilberforce; 2, H. E. Josselyn; 3, A. R. P. Ellis. Time, 17½ secs. *Record.*

120 Yards Hurdles (Open).—1, J. W. P. Ellis; 2, A. R. C. Watson; 3, D. F. N. Rowlatt. Time, 18½ secs.

High Jump (Junior).—1, W. H. H. Wilberforce; 2, L. E. de Neufville; 3, W. D. Capjon. Height, 4 ft. 11½ ins. *Record.*

High Jump (Open).—1, C. E. Salamon; 2, J. W. P. Ellis; 3, P. P. L. Dillon and A. R. C. Watson. Height, 5 ft. 1½ ins.

220 Yards (Junior).—1, W. H. H. Wilberforce; 2, W. D. Capjon; 3, N. Forbes. Time, 25½ secs. *Equals record.*

220 Yards (Open).—1, J. B. Charles; 2, E. J. Oliver; 3, C. E. Salamon. Time, 23½ secs. *Record.*

One Mile (Junior).—1, R. T. Basset; 2, C. A. Gilkison; 3, C. T. Crowe. Time, 5 min. 13½ secs. *Record.*

One Mile (Open).—1, H. G. Morison; 2, D. E. C. Trench; 3, H. E. Hope. Time, 4 min. 48½ secs. *Record.*

Long Jump (Junior).—1, W. H. H. Wilberforce; 2, L. E. de Neufville; 3, H. Wrohan. Distance, 16 ft. 7¾ ins. *Record.*

Long Jump (Open).—1, C. E. Salamon; 2, A. R. Samuel; 3, J. S. P. C. Cooper. Distance, 17 ft. 8¼ ins.

Quarter-Mile (Junior).—1, I. W. Macpherson; 2, W. H. H. Wilberforce; 3, J. M. Dennis. Time, 57½ secs.

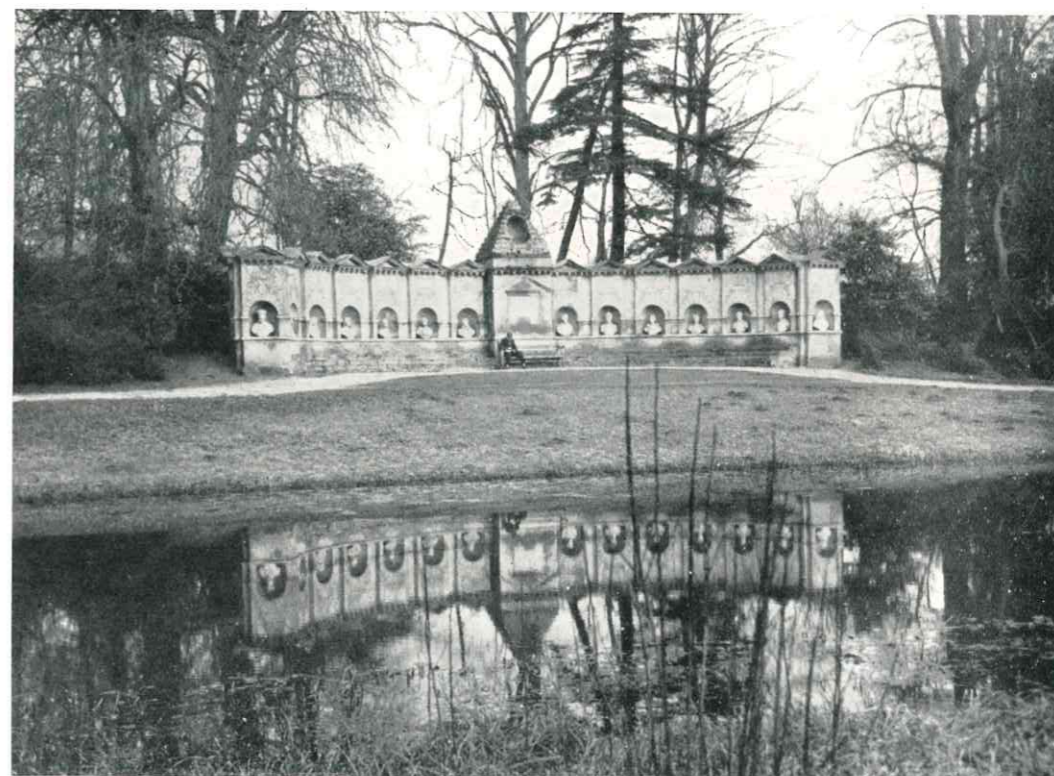
Quarter-Mile (Open).—1, E. J. Oliver; 2, J. B. Charles; 3, J. S. P. C. Cooper. Time, 54 secs. *Record.*

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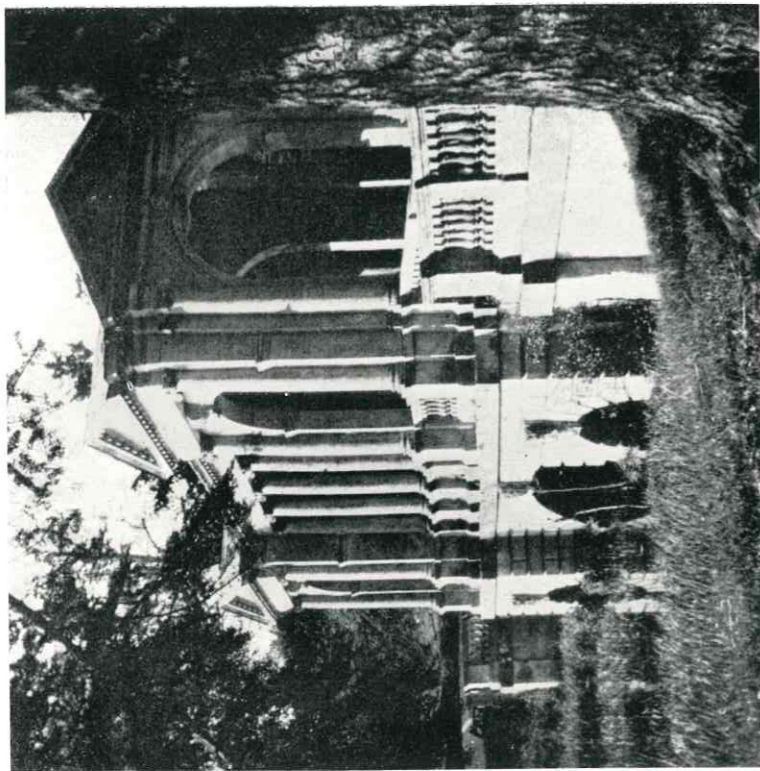
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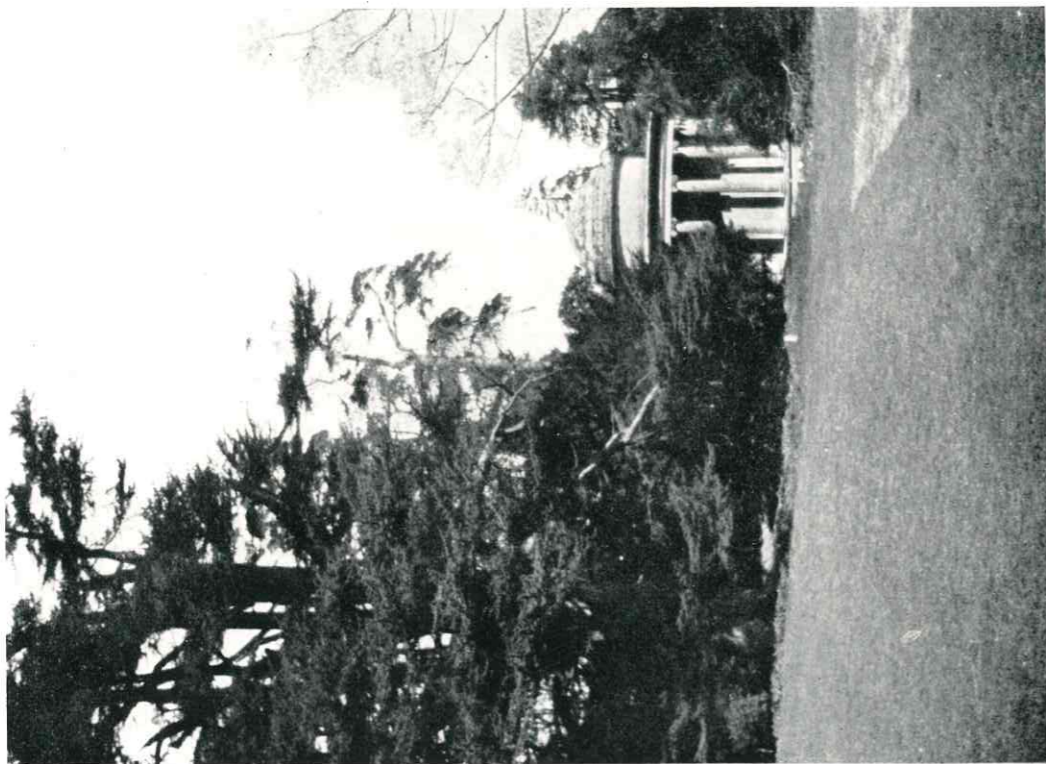
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THE PALLADIAN BRIDGE.

[by N. Forbes]

Prize winners in The Stoic Photographic Competition.



THE TEMPLE OF ANCIENT VIRTUE

[by M. A. Pryor]

FOOTBALL FIXTURES 1929

The following fixtures have been arranged for next term :—

1st XV.

Sat. Oct. 5	—Old Stoics	Home.
” ” 12	—Rosslyn Park, A	Home.
” ” 19	—London Scottish, A	Home.
” ” 26	—Radley College	Away.
” Nov. 2	—St. Paul’s School	Away.
” ” 9	—Oriel College, Oxford	Home.
” ” 16	—Trinity College, Oxford	Home.
” ” 23	—Christ Church, Oxford	Away.
” ” 30	—Richmond, Extra A	Home.
” Dec. 7	—Middlesex Hospital	Home.

2nd XV.

Sat. Oct. 5	—Old Stoics	Home.
” ” 12	—Blackheath, B	Home.
” ” 19	—Wellington College, 2nd XV.	Away.
” ” 26	—Radley College, 2nd XV.	Home.
” Nov. 2	—St. Paul’s School	Home.
” ” 9	—Harrow School, 2nd XV.	Away.
” ” 16	—London Scottish, B	Home.
” ” 23	—Radley College, 2nd XV.	Away.
” ” 30	—Richmond, B	Home.

COLTS XV.

Wed. Oct. 23	—Radley College, Colts XV.	Home.
Sat. Nov. 9	—Harrow School, Colts XV.	Away.
Wed. ” 20	—Radley College, Colts XV.	Away.
Sat. ” 23	—St. Edwards’ School, Colts XV.	Home.

O.T.C. NOTES

THE following promotions have been made (May 7th, 1929) :—

To *Sergeant* : Corporals P. L. Sherwood, T. G. W. Ferrier, R. C. R. Clarke, R. de Z. Manser.

To *Corporal* : Lance-Corporals G. F. L. Gilbert, C. C. Cameron, M. G. Sills, D. E. C. Trench, J. W. Evans, E. Sheppard.

Appointed *Lance-Corporals* : Cadets A. C. Brodie, M. A. Pryor, M. E. I. Searle, M. F. Villiers-Stuart, R. W. B. Newton, H. D. H. Bartlett, P. F. Hornsby, J. W. Maude, W. H. H. Wilberforce, M. W. German, G. C. Grundy, R. A. Gardiner, P. H. Heygate, H. E. Raphael, C. I. B. Wells, D. N. Deakin.

The following obtained Certificate 'A' at the examination held in March, 1929 :—

A. C. C. Brodie, C. D. Dulley, Hon. D. P. T. Grant, D. A. Pemberton, P. L. Sherwood, H. P. Croom-Johnson, J. W. Evans, G. L. S. Griffith-Jones, H. E. Raphael, M. G. Sills, A. R. de Salis, T. G. W. Ferrier, H. W. Norman, E. R. G. Ripley, D. E. C. Trench.

The contingent (less recruits) fired the Annual Musketry Course (Empire Test) in May. The House Shooting Cup, which is awarded for the highest average obtained in this test, plus 50 per cent. of the average obtained by the recruits in their test, has been won by Chandos, the holders.

The individual Miniature Rifle Championship was won by M. A. Lloyd after a tie with D. C. Powell.

The Annual Inspection of the contingent was made on July 2nd by Colonel H. D. Goldsmith, D.S.O., General Staff, The War Office. The Inspecting Officer, in his address to the contingent at the end of the inspection, expressed entire satisfaction with what he had seen.

HOUSE DRILL COMPETITION.

The House Drill Competition for the Coldstream Cup took place on July 9th, the judges being Lieut. J. A. Theobalds and R.S.M. H. Lay, D.C.M., M.M., from the Depot, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry. Chatham (Sergt. M. A. R. Sutherland) were adjudged to be the winners with 80 points out of a possible 100, Grafton (Sergt. T. G. W. Ferrier) being second with 79.5 points. Great credit is due to all concerned for the infinite trouble that had been taken both over the 'turn-out,' which was practically faultless, and in working up the drill, which was generally of a high character.

THE NULLI SECUNDUS CUP.

Under-Officer T. A. G. Pritchard has been adjudged to be the most efficient Non-commissioned Officer of the training year. The Nulli Secundus Cup will therefore be held by Temple House until July 1930.

EXTRACTS FROM THE INSPECTION REPORT, 1929.

DRILL. The March Past was extremely creditable and the presence of a Drum and Fife Band was a great asset. There was very little to choose between the four Companies. Handling of arms was satisfactory and done in correct time. Cane and saluting drill by the recruits was particularly good and crisp.

DISCIPLINE. Very Good. The Cadets were very steady in the ranks.

TURN-OUT. Very Good. Great pains had been taken with uniform and equipment. The web equipment was spotlessly clean and in excellent order. Clothing was clean, well fitted, and trousers were creased, the result being a very good appearance on parade.

GENERAL REMARKS. A first rate O.T.C., with *esprit de corps*.

(sd). H. D. GOLDSMITH, Colonel.
General Staff.

War Office,
June 27th, 1929.

THE RIFLE CLUB

There have been no matches this term.

A team was entered for the 'Liberty' Challenge Cup (Bucks County Rifle Association). Although the result has not yet been published, it is to be hoped that we have done fairly well, as our score was better by seven points than that of last year's winners of the Cup.

The team was as follows :—

Major R. Haworth, D. C. Powell, T. F. Cooke, M. A. Lloyd, E. P. W. Stebbing, E. A. F. Widdrington.

M.E.I.S.

THE SAILING CLUB

Three matches have been sailed this season, two against the Oxford University Sailing Club and one against the Cambridge University Cruising Club. The following are the details :—

On May 18th at Stowe v. O.U.S.C. (Teams of four) :—

		O.U.S.C.	S.S.S.C.
First Race	3rd and 4th—3 points	1st and 2nd—8 points
Second Race	2nd and 4th—4 points	1st and 3rd—7 points
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Total points	7	15

The School was represented by R. N. Warrington Smyth, D. N. Deakin, R. MacD. Barbour and D. E. C. Trench.

On June 1st at Stowe *v.* C.U.C.C. (Teams of six) :—

	C.U.C.C.	S.S.S.C.
First Race	2nd and 3rd—5 points	1st and 4th—6 points
Second Race	1st and 3rd—7 points	2nd and 4th—4 points
Third Race	1st and 3rd—7 points	2nd and 4th—4 points
Total Points	19	14

The School was represented by R. N. Warrington Smyth, D. N. Deakin, R. MacD. Barbour, D. E. C. Trench, P. L. Wood, and M. F. Villiers-Stuart.

On June 8th at Abingdon *v.* O.U.S.C. (Teams of four) :—

	O.U.S.C.	S.S.S.C.
First Race	1st and 3rd—7 points	2nd and 4th—4 points
Second Race	1st and 3rd—7 points	2nd and 4th—4 points
Total Points	14	8

The School was represented by R. N. Warrington Smyth, D. N. Deakin, D. E. C. Trench, and P. L. Wood.

Sailing for the Average Prizes is still in progress and will not be concluded until the end of the term.

HENDON

A party from Stowe was again invited to see the R.A.F. display, and they must have been very grateful for the opportunity to go to such an excellent show.

The day was perfect for flying, with very little wind and a bright sun—almost too perfect for the spectators, who were more than a trifle hot. We were still in the act of arriving when the newest game of the R.A.F. began. This game is played by two men in aeroplanes against hydrogen-filled balloons. The idea is to burst the balloons by flying into them—a feat requiring no little skill. Then, to show us that there really is some discipline in the Force, twenty-seven single-seater fighters did some ‘evolutions,’ which means that they got as close to each other as they dared and played a game of follow-my-leader all over the sky. After this exhibition of discipline, licence held sway for a while. Two gentlemen, not content with rolling, flying upside down and looping, drove their machines deliberately at each other—just to see how near they could get without killing themselves. Next came the much milder sport of descending by parachute—this is just a amusement apparently, not serious sport at all.

The amazing versatility of the Air Force was then shown. Five huge flying boats, like those which flew to Singapore, went over; a fighter squadron destroyed an encampment with machine-gun fire and bombs, and a two-engined bomber successfully freed itself from the hostile attentions of two fighters. We were also shown the system by which airman communicate with troops without wireless (the picking-up and dropping of written messages). All this in twenty minutes!

Next three aeroplanes manœuvred together, one of them being upside down for most of the time. Then day-bombers attacked the aerodrome at a speed of about 200 m.p.h. Then came the best thing of all—crazy flying. Two aeroplanes of an old type used for training purposes just did things they should not do. They ‘pancaked’ up and down and waltzed from side to side across the aerodrome, in an incredible way—to demonstrate ‘the liberties that can be taken with a lightly loaded aeroplane in the hands of a skilled pilot.’

We had to go without our parade of experimental types this year, but the set piece was as good as ever. This time we saw the main part of a hostile power, with a British reconnaissance aeroplane being fired on by anti-aircraft guns. This reports an expeditionary force embarking and bombers are called up. The enemy sends up a balloon and warns his air force. The balloon is shot down and a fight ensues. A bombing squadron appears and drops its bombs unmolested on the port and destroys it, the British force quelling the enemy.

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THE LIBRARY

WE desire to acknowledge the following presentations to the Library :—

From Mrs. R. W. Mossman :

‘The Historical Works of M. Adolphe Thiers,’ 2 vols.

‘The British Colonies’ (R. Montgomery Martin), 5 vols.

From Mrs. Alec-Tweedie :

‘An Adventurous Journey’ (The Donor).

From Mr. J. C. Saunders :

‘Cowley’s Poetical Works,’ 8th edition.

The following books have been bought for the Library :—

‘On the Edge of Diplomacy’ (J. D. Gregory); ‘Italy’ (Luigi Villari); ‘The Re-birth of Poland’ (Dr. W. K. Korostowetz); ‘Belgium’ (The Blue Guides, edited by F. Muirhead); ‘Paris in Eight Days’ (Arthur Milton); ‘Southern Germany’ (Baedeker’s Guides); ‘Rhine’ (Baedeker’s Guides); ‘Histoire Politique de la Révolution Française’ (A. Aulard); ‘Histoire Générale’ (E. Lavisse et A. Rambaud) vol. viii; ‘Histoire de la Russie’ (Platonov); ‘Cavour’ (Countess Martinengo Cesaresco); ‘Mazarin’ (Arthur Hassall); ‘Richlieu’ (Richard Lodge); ‘William the Silent’ (Frederic Harrison); ‘Wolsey’ (G. F. Pollard); ‘John Wesley’ (Arnold Lunn); ‘Greek and Roman Architecture’ (D. S. Robertson); ‘Greek Lexicon’ (Liddell and Scott); ‘Greek Art’ (Kaine’s Smith); ‘The Death of Turnus’ (Ward Fowler); ‘Solon and Cræsus’ (A. E. Zimmern); ‘Greek Philosophy’ (J. Burnet); ‘History of English Poetry’ (W. S. Courthope) 6 vols.; ‘The English Poets’ (ed. by T. H. Ward) 5 vols.; ‘Modern English Usage’ (H. W. Fowler); ‘A History of Criticisms’ (G. Saintsbury); ‘Appreciations’ (Walter Pater); ‘History of English

Literature' (Taine); 4 vols.; 'Literary Studies' (Bagehot) vol. ii; 'Life and Times of Goldsmith' (Foster); 'Webster and Tourneur' (ed. by J. A. Symonds); 'Men of Letters' series:—'Bacon' (R. W. Church); 'Browning' (G. K. Chesterton); 'Coleridge' (H. D. Trail); 'Tennyson' (Alfred Lyall); 'Shelley' (J. A. Symonds); 'Wordsworth' (F. W. H. Myers); 'Gray' (E. Gosse); 'Keats' (S. Colvin); 'Byron' (John Nicol); 'Shakespeare and his Predecessors' (F. S. Boas); 'Handbook to Shakespeare's Works' (Morton Luce); 'Shakespeare Commentaries' (Gerwinus); 'Shakespeare's Workmanship' (A. Quiller-Couch); 'Shakespeare: His Mind and Art' (E. Dowden); 'Shakespeare's Fight with The Pirates' (A. W. Pollard); 'Essays and Lectures on Shakespeare and Some other Old Poets and Dramatists' (S. Coleridge); 'The Tempest' (Shakespeare, Cambridge Edition); 'Creation by Evolution' (ed. by Mason); 'Encyclopædia of Furniture' (Hermann Schmitz); 'Euterpe' (L. R. McColvin).

MUSIC

THE CHORAL SOCIETY.

The Choral Society has been rehearsing some of the 'Prince Igor' Dances by Borodin, and also three choruses from Bach's 'Peasant Cantata.' These will be performed with Orchestral accompaniment at the end-of-term Concert.

Several new members have joined this term, the basses being particularly strong in numbers. There is still a shortage of altos, however.

The Madrigal Society has met twice during the term.

THE ORCHESTRA.

Many new members have joined this term and the Wind Department is almost complete. The Brass instruments have been particularly strong. Mozart's 'Magic Flute' Overture has been the principal work rehearsed, together with the accompaniments to the 'Prince Igor' Dances. Two Gavottes for three trumpets and strings, and the 'Air' from Bach's Suite No. 3 in D, a 'Cebell' by Purcell, and a Septett by Saint-Saens have also been rehearsed. Thirty boys are now learning wind instruments, but the shortage of strings has not yet been made up, only five new players having begun this term.

THE MUSIC SOCIETY.

The Music Society met for the first time in the Library on Saturday, June 15th, to hear a Violin and Piano recital by Mr. Blofeld and Mr. Watson. It was a very enjoyable evening and the performance was much appreciated by the audience.

The chief item was the Brahms 'Sonata in G' for Violin and Piano, which was beautifully played. A work by an early composer, Nardini, was uncommonly interesting and full of rhythm and vitality. A modern work by Symanofsky was also played.

At the close of the meeting the Hon. Secretary, J. B. Charles, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Blofeld and Mr. Watson, and also to Dr. Huggins for starting the Society.

The second meeting of the term took place on Saturday, July, 20th in the Library, and consisted of a recital of early music, chiefly that of J. S. Bach, by Arnold Dolmetsch and family.

Probably the most interesting item was the 'Italian Concerto' brilliantly played on the harpsichord by Mr. Rudolf Dolmetsch. The singularly beautiful tone of the recorders was a revelation.

Mr. Arnold Dolmetsch delighted everyone with his Clavichord Solos, and his witticisms (often unintentional). Mr. Dolmetsch proved how much finer the music of that period sounds when played on the instruments for which it was written.

CHAPEL SERVICES.

The last service in the Gymnasium was held on Monday, July 8th. The change from piano to organ accompaniment proved easier than was anticipated, especially in the Psalms. The resonance of the Chapel, though making it more difficult to keep together, makes the singing sound very fine, with regard to both tone and volume.

Mr. Tatton has rendered valuable support with his accompanying at Congregational practices and at some of the services throughout the term.

THE ORGAN.

The organ has been built by Messrs. Rushworth & Dreaper, of Liverpool. The first pipe was placed in position on April 20th, and the organ was completed, except for the casing, on June 21st. The instrument has fulfilled all expectations and is singularly beautiful in tone. The chief characteristics are the brilliance of the reeds and the large range of flute stops (there are nine flute stops on the organ, each one varying slightly from the others in tone). The 32 ft. open diapason is particularly fine, and the diapason tone of the organ is very rich, and is helped by the resonance of the building. The organ casing tends to muffle the Great organ and gives it a slightly woolly tone. This is probably the only defect in the instrument.

A noteworthy feature is the small detached organ on the East wall, placed there to give support to the singing at that end of the Chapel.

The organ has three manuals, 45 speaking stops and 16 couplers, the pedal organ alone accounting for 12 stops. There are 28 combination pistons and pedals, 24 of which are adjustable at the console.

The Swell and Choir organs are both enclosed in separate boxes. The action is electric throughout.

Messrs. Rushworth & Dreaper are to be congratulated on building an instrument which is absolutely first-rate.

ORGAN RECITAL.

Dr. Huggins gave the first Organ Recital on Sunday, June 23rd, and has given Recitals every Sunday since that date.

THE SCHOOL CONCERT,

Saturday, March 30th.

The above took place in the Gymnasium and went without a hitch from beginning to end. The most popular items were the chorus 'Come if you dare,' in which the tenor solo was taken by Mr. Clarke, and the male-voice quartet, just before the end.

The orchestra acquitted themselves well in the Mozart Symphony and were called upon to play the Irish Jig a second time.

Bach's Concerto for three pianos and strings was well played by G. J. B. Wright, F. H. F. Banbury and M. V. Kitchin. The Madrigal Society made its first appearance and sang four Nursery Rhymes by Walford Davies.

The Concert ended with Beethoven's 'Hallelujah Chorus,' which was sung by the Choral Society with orchestral accompaniment.

A programme of the Concert is given below :—

1. Symphony No. 40 in G minor *Allegro Molto* *Mozart*
(1756-1791)
The Orchestra.
2. 'Come if you dare'—For Tenor Solo, Chorus, and Orchestra *Purcell*
From the Opera 'King Arthur' (1658-1695)
Tenor Solo—Mr. Clarke. Bach Trumpets—M. A. R. Sutherland, P. Nicholson.
3. Concerto for three Pianos and Strings, in C major *J. S. Bach*
First movement only (1685-1750)
G. J. B. Wright, F. H. F. Banbury, M. V. Kitchin.
4. Madrigals—(a) Early one morning *Early English arr. T. F. Dumbill*
(b) Now is the month of Maying *Morley* (1557-1602)
The Choral Society.
5. (a) Two Miniatures *Frank Bridge*
M. V. Kitchin, P. L. Wood, F. H. F. Banbury. (1879-)
(b) Rondeau in B minor *J. S. Bach*
S. Ward, M. V. Kitchin, Mr. Saunders, P. L. Wood, G. J. B. Wright
6. Carol—'This joyful Eastertide' *Old Dutch Carol, arr. Charles Wood*
The Choral Society and The School.
- 7a. Nursery Rhymes—(a) The Apology *Walford Davies* (1860-)
(b) Old Woman.
(c) A Tragedy.
(d) A little old man.
The Madrigal Society.
- 7b. 'Now let us to the bagpipe's sound' from the 'Peasant Cantata' *J. S. Bach*
The Madrigal Society.
8. Dance Suite for Orchestra—(a) Gavotte *Lully*
(b) Hornpipe *Lully*
(c) Cibel *Lully*
(1633-1687)
(d) The Irish Washerwoman *Traditional*
The Orchestra.
9. Quartet for Male Voices—"It's oh! to be a wild wind" *Elgar* (1857-)
Mr. Clarke, Dr. Huggins, Mr. Cross, Mr. Tatton.
10. 'Hallelujah Chorus,' from 'The Mount of Olives' *Beethoven* (1770-1827)
The Choral Society and The Orchestra.
11. 'Sto, Persto, Præsto' *A. Brent Smith*

GOD SAVE THE KING.

THE ARTS CLUB

The exhibition of work of the Arts Club, was opened on Sports Day, last term, too late for notice in *The Stoic*, so we propose to give a brief account of it here.

The work, on the whole, was rather above the average, but too much of it is by a select few of the Members. It would be very much better if a larger variety of work was submitted for exhibition, or, in other words, if more people did work for this occasion.

The landscape work of B. W. Gibbon, the costume and theatrical designs by G. J. B. Wright, were really excellent. H. D. H. Bartlett had some very good pages of illumination and J. Melvin's architectural work deserves notice. All these gained prizes. M. J. Gibbon showed some work of considerable charm, and R. H. D. Kitchin's water-colour sketches are full of promise. These remarks apply to the Arts Club display only, and not to the Art Exhibition as a whole.

On June 20th the Art Club visited the Royal Academy Exhibition, having decided that some study of modern Art would benefit them. Several members went also to 'one man' shows, to the National Portrait Gallery and to the South Kensington Museums.

The Royal Academy Exhibition always receives very severe criticism, but there is much good work to be seen there, and this year, if there is no really great work the average is distinctly good. The black and white section is particularly good, and the water-colours are above the average.

The Arts Club Room, through the kindness of the Bursar, has been very much improved. The windows have been enlarged and the light is now sufficiently good to work by, so we may express the hope that the Room will be used more often by Members than it has been in the past.

Through the generous help of a friend we have been able to make some valuable additions to our collection of casts and to the Library of Art Books.

THE TWELVE CLUB

The Club met twice during the term. At the first meeting, A. C. L. Whistler read his interesting paper on "Landscape Gardening." At the second meeting, R. W. Bate read his paper on "New Zealand." He unfolded to the Club the "most wonderful scenic wonders of the world" with their "variable scenery." He led the Club through New Zealand's educational system, the sheep prairies, the geysers, to Mount Egmont and the Hermitage Hotel. He pronounced names that were quite unpronounceable, and finally he danced the most rhythmic, the most delightful of all Maori dances—the Harka.

Mr. A. B. Clifford has been appointed a Vice-President of the Club, T. H. Clarke and R. W. Bate have been elected members. R. A. Atthill has been elected Secretary for the Winter Term, 1929.

B.R.S.H.

THE MODERN LANGUAGE SOCIETY

At a business meeting held on May 12th, B. R. S. Houghton was elected Secretary and W. W. Grey Committee-man. E. R. Allen, F. H. F. Banbury, J. M. Wedderspoon and G. J. B. Wright were elected members.

The activities of the Society in the Summer term are of necessity at an ebb, if for no other reason than that meetings begin later in the evening and consequently allow less time for reading.

Several Sunday evenings were spent on two plays, one German and one French. The first was Ludwig Fulda's 'Unter vier Augen' and the other, Edouard Pailleron's 'Le monde ou l'on s'ennuie.'

THE MODERN PLAY READING SOCIETY

The Society has held two meetings this term, and both were very successful. P. Nicholson has been elected to the Committee, but no new members have been elected.

The First meeting of the term was held on May 31st, when 'Journey's End' was read. The Vice-President was not present, owing to his unfortunate motoring accident, but the stage directions were read by R. H. G. Carr in quite the traditional manner. One of the best character presentations in this play was given by A. R. W. Stansfeld, in the part of the Cockney batman.

At the twelfth meeting the Society read Flecker's "Hassan." This exotic and very moving Oriental tragedy was greatly appreciated, the more so since everyone had several different parts to take. One or two members tried to absent themselves on the grounds of pending examinations, but only one succeeded. All the reading was of a good standard, and nearly everyone distinguished himself in one part or another. Particularly good were the Vice-President as Hassan; P. M. Beech as the Executioner, Masrur; D. R. English as a Chinese Philosopher; and K. S. Toms as the 'vamp' Yasmin. The play abounds in worthy sayings, and perhaps one of the best is that gospel of snobbishness, 'his intentions may be pure, but his coat is greasy.'

R. MACD. B.

THE PHYSICAL SOCIETY

The Physical Society has had (to date) only two meetings this term.

The first, on May 28th, was a business meeting, at which H. V. Kemp was elected President and J. W. Evans Secretary. Both officials were appointed in their (involuntary) absence. M. A. Lloyd became a member of the Society.

At the second meeting, on May 30th, the consulting mathematician, Mr. A. G. Archer, read an interesting paper on Probability. It was refreshing to hear a paper that really had been prepared.

It is much to be regretted that there appears at present to be no one in the Society who is actively interested in Pure Theoretical Physics. Members of the Society as a whole use and improve their knowledge merely for the purpose of passing examinations. At the present rate of meeting it is quite possible for a pseudo-scientist to become a member and never to have to read a paper before the Society.

Looking back over last year's proceedings, it will be seen that only seven papers have been read. Moreover, of these, only four have been read by members of the Society. Such a low average of papers *per* term hardly indicates sufficient talent (whether members are engaged with examinations or not) to warrant the Society's existence.

J.W.E.

REWARD

(Awarded 1st prize in The Stoic Short Story Competition.)

Sixty years before, over his father's dead body, the little German doctor had taken a solemn vow to find a cure for the monster that had devoured his father's life—cancer.

And now he had succeeded. After sixty years of unremitting toil, frequent setbacks and unwearied perseverance, he had fulfilled the oath sworn in the heat of his youthful sorrow. Visions of lasting fame crowded in upon him as he sat in his laboratory surrounded by his flasks and testubes; he saw his name renowned in the scientific circles of Europe and America; he tasted in advance the delights of recognition and success. He would be able to go back to his native Germany, to his beloved Munich, and leave this cold, damp England, where the people mocked his nationality and his speech. They would not mock him now; they would *fete* him, the little provincial German, as the saviour of men.

His mind still wandering blissfully in the future, he picked up his absurd hat and went down the stairs into the street. It was raining, and the streets were crowded with hurrying men and women who jostled the little German as he stood there, peering short-sightedly around him. They did not see the great scientist who stood on the pavement; all they saw was a little man with weak eyes and a straggling moustache, dressed in a threadbare suit and a preposterous hat, a little man, moreover, who spoke, when he did speak, with a marked German accent—a perfect butt, in fact, for the humour of anyone who had a moment to spare. The German, although reserved, was a familiar sight to many, and several people went out of their way to tread on his toes in order to enjoy the exquisite pleasure of seeing him blink, raise his hat nervously, and apologise in ludicrously bad English.

Thus roused, he brought his mind forcibly back to the present, and examined, as if for the first time, the people around him. He felt a kind of protective interest in them. Had he not done as much as any to bring happiness into their lives? But simultaneously with this reflection came a feeling of disappointment. Seen against the background of the leaden sky and the persistent rain, these scurrying forms, with their white faces and their sordid efforts to get the better of someone else, hardly appeared worth the price of a life spent in selfless research.

Filled with such disquieting thoughts, he made his way to a cheap café, and, sitting down, gave his order. As he ate he surrendered more and more to the feeling that his life's work had been no more than a waste of time, and that men, whose only motive was desire for gain, would use his discovery merely for their own selfish ends. He remembered the people who had pushed and hustled him as he stood on the pavement. What was there amusing, he wondered, in tormenting an old man who was weak and defenceless and a foreigner?

In a state of pathetic bewilderment the little German paid his bill and went out, overhearing, as was intended, the waitress who had served him mimicking his accent before an appreciative audience. His eyes filled with angry tears, and thus it was that he pushed blindly into a tramp who was standing on the kerb. The man turned on him with an oath, struck him, and then, catching sight of the watch that had been the little doctor's only legacy from his father, snatched it and was lost in the crowd.

The German did not pursue him. He was still standing on the pavement, his mind numb under the assaults of a great hatred and an even greater resolve. Suddenly he started running down the street, through the door, and up the stairs into his laboratory. There was his finished experiment, a beautiful thing of opalescent glass and scintillating points of light. Remorselessly he picked up a chair, remorselessly he poised it, and then with a convulsive shudder he brought it down. Not until the floor was thick with powdered glass did he cease from destruction, and then, to make quite sure that mankind should never benefit by his discovery, he relentlessly burned his notes, one by one. This done, he stumbled from the room.

They never found his body.

K. S. TOMS.

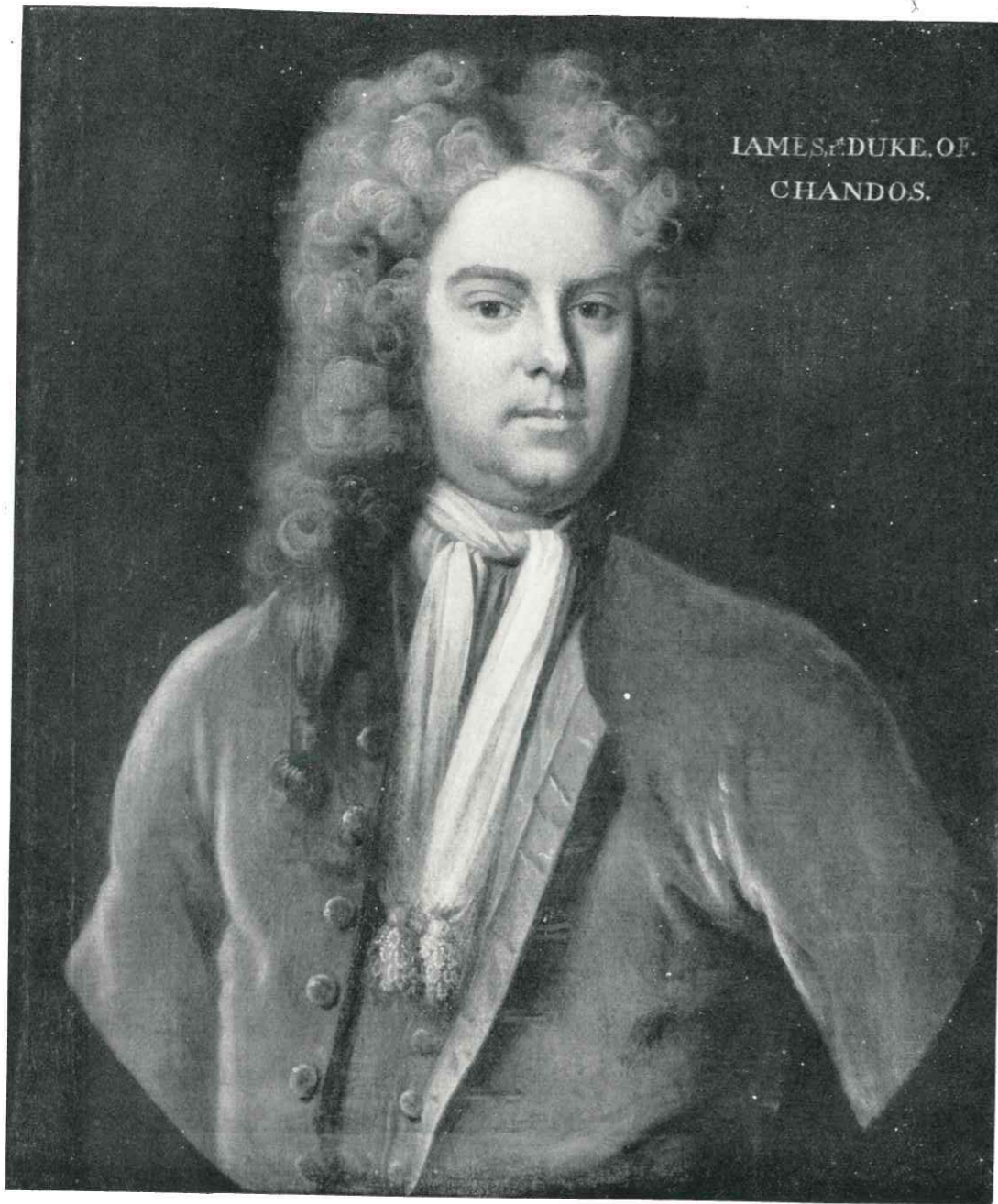
JAMES THE MAGNIFICENT

Few names have been more honoured in the history of our country than that of Chandos. One of these days I should like to tell you about the great deeds of some early members of this proud family—of Sir Robert de Chandos, who landed at Hastings beside his friend, William the Conqueror,—of Sir John Chandos, who saved the life of the Black Prince at Poitiers and was made one of the first Knights of the Garter by the grateful father, Edward III,—of another Sir John, who was a famous general to Henry VIII, and the true and trusted friend of his daughter, Queen Mary. She made him the first Baron Chandos and Governor of the Tower of London, entrusting to his care two lovely prisoners in the Lady Jane Grey, the nine-days' Queen of England, and the little Princess Elizabeth. Gallant soldiers and fighters were they, and you may still see their great castle of Sudeley, near Winchcomb in Gloucestershire, much hammered and battered and patched, yet even now a sumptuous English home. Today I will tell you how the family fortunes culminated in the magnificent figure of James Brydges, first Duke of Chandos, and then fell in a colossal crash around him.

James was the eldest son of the eighth Baron Chandos, and began life in a fairly humble way as M.P. for Hereford, in the reign of Queen Anne. But a great war was in progress, the war of the Spanish Succession, in which Marlborough won his great victories and England added Gibraltar as a jewel to her crown, and James had the good



VIEW OF CHATHAM FROM ELEVEN ACRE.



JAMES BRYDGES, FIRST DUKE OF CHANDOS.

fortune to be made Paymaster-general to the forces. In the short space of five years he amassed a huge fortune, and although Swift in after years had some nasty things to say about the way in which this money was acquired, I do not suppose that James was any worse than other public men of his day. People went into politics for what they could get out of it, and every great war has shown us the depressing spectacle of men filling their pockets at the expense of the State, while their fellows are giving their lives and their fortunes for the country. In 1713 the war came to an end, and James sat down to think how best he could have a splash with his million. He became successively Viscount Wilton, Marquess and Earl of Carnarvon and Duke of Chandos, and each step in the scale of honour no doubt cost him a pretty penny, for peerages were openly bought and sold in those days. His head seems to have been constantly swelling and requiring a larger size in coronets.

Finally, he found the little old castle at Sudeley too small for him, and decided to build an enormous palace at Canons, near Edgware, nine miles out of London. He engaged three architects and the finest accountant in England, besides the very best sculptors of the day who carved for the gardens a "grove of statues." He pulled down the parish church of St. Lawrence, Whitchurch, and rebuilt it as a magnificent chapel in his park, and in it he maintained a full choir. Handel came from Germany to be his organist and to conduct his concerts, and here the great musician composed twenty *Chandos Anthems* for the services in the chapel. Here also he composed his oratorio *Esther*, for which he received £1,000. The fashionable world flocked from London to the chapel to hear Handel's music, and to see the Duke, who dined in public with a flourish of trumpets to announce each change of dish. There were 120 people in the household, and the choir sang to them every night at dinner. James next began to build himself a vast London house in Cavendish Square, but after only "two pavilions" had been finished he grew tired of it, and bought a town house from the Duke of Ormonde.

The poet Pope was a frequent visitor at Canons, and wrote a poem in compliment to the Duke, which included the line "Thus gracious Chandos is beloved at sight." He also wrote a long description of Canons under the guise of "Timon's Villa." The Duke was now getting short of cash and gambling heavily, and foreseeing the crash which must inevitably come, Pope penned these prophetic lines:—

Another age shall see the golden ear
 Imbrown the slope and nod on the parterre;
 Deep harvest bury all his pride has planned
 And laughing Ceres reassume the land.

Dean Swift was another guest at Canons, and wrote of the Duke that he was "a very worthy gentleman, but a great complier with every court." Later the two quarrelled and the Dean accused his old friend of neglecting him on becoming "beduked," and wrote some spiteful verses called "the Duke and the Dean," in which he says of him "all he got by fraud is lost by stocks."

And now came the unfortunate idea which was finally to ruin his lordship. James thought it would be very nice to have a new road over the nine miles which lay between his country seat and his town house. Up to this time he had travelled by the old Roman Watling Street, which we call the Edgware Road, and he found it dusty and rough. Although there were no trams or 'buses, there were coaches and pack-horses, and they got in the way of the army of footmen and retainers in livery which accompanied his state carriage. There was an awkward corner, too, with nasty corpses hanging, at the Tyburn cross-roads, where now is the Marble Arch. He thought a new straight road

would be much nicer, and he set to work to buy up the whole of the land which lay between. If you look at a map of London, you will find "Chandos Street" to the north of Cavendish Square, and I think this must have been the beginning of his lordship's road, and was probably as far as he got. He died a ruined man in 1744, and all his properties, pictures and furniture were put up to auction in a sale that lasted many days. Canons was pulled down for its vast store of building materials, and of all that mighty palace not one stone was left upon another. Some of the materials were bought by a Mr. Hallet, who built a new house upon the old site, and a beautiful house it is, of a peculiar white stone which looks very fine amid the green of the Duke's trees. All round it lie the ruined foundations and cellars, which have been converted into terraces and sunk gardens. These show that in general shape the palace must have been like Stowe, but the lake is much nearer and the trees hem it in more closely. It is surprising to find so much beauty in the North of London, and, although the ring of bricks and mortar presses hard upon it, a great expanse of park remains, some of which is a golf-course. The house and park are still called "Canons" and are now used as the North London Collegiate School, which is a day-school, so that one Saturday afternoon I found it deserted by all but the caretaker.

Except for this rebuilding, the only remnants of Canons are the great staircase, which was inserted in Chesterfield House, and a marble fireplace which was transferred to the old village inn at Edgware, the "Chandos Arms," now used as a booking-office for motor-coaches. Dick Turpin, the bold highwayman, lived at the "Chandos Arms" in the days of the stage coach, and, when he revisits his ancient haunts, surely a smile must lurk round his ghostly features as he watches the trippers booking their tickets for the thirty-seater monsters of the road. Zounds! What a gorgeous hold-up they would make! Handel went every evening to this inn to drink his mug of beer, and it was here, singing in the little village taproom, that he first met the harmonious blacksmith, over whose classic melody so many weary fingers have stumbled on the piano.

The grove of statues went with the rest. That of George II was by the great Roubiliac, and is still preserved for us, though much defaced, in Golden Square, off Regent Street. It is of Portland stone and may have looked well enough in its stately formal setting, before its surface was ruined by time and weather. But it is out of place in a London square and seems to need a background of garden glade, such as you have at Stowe. The figure of George I has now disappeared but we are told that it "helped to make Leicester Square hideous till 1873." The statue of the Duke has also vanished. The auctioneer was a famous man named Cock, and I suppose that he crowed, like chanticleer, upon the merits of these wonderful figures, for a poet has drawn a picture of the scene,—

When, invoked by Cock's enchanting tone,
As at Amphion's call, each sculptured stone
Obsequious trembled at his hammer's sound,
And fled, so summoned, that unhappy ground.

(To be continued).

COLLES.

My best thanks are due to Sir Gomer Berry, Bart., High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire, for kind permission to reproduce the Duke's portrait, which is now in his collection at "Chandos House," London, W., and to the Editor of *The Connoisseur* for the generous loan of the process block which was published in the May number of that well-known journal.

CORRESPONDENCE

17 Argyll Mansions,
W. 14. 8.7.29.

The Editor,
"The Stoic"

Dear Sir,

The annual Old Stoic Rugger match will be played at Stowe on Saturday, October 5th. It is hoped to raise two teams and invitations have already been sent out to some twenty-five people, a few of whom have replied. I should be most grateful if the remainder would send me their answers.

Any O.S. wishing to play, who has not received an invitation, should write to me at the above address, giving details about his present football and stating whether he wishes to stay the night and whether he can take anyone down to Stowe in his car.

Yours faithfully,

C. B. JONES.



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