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## School Notes.

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**T**ERM will end on Friday, July 29th. Ashton, S., Bray, Marcroft, and Quin have left; and Longbottom, H. L. Mellor, E. E. Mellor, Reed, Rowbotham, and McNeil Smith have joined the School.

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We welcome Mr. R. Ellison, B.A., formerly of Newport (Mon.) Intermediate School, and an old Bradford Grammar School Boy.

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Mr. T. H. Ingham, Mus. Bac., has taken charge of the school music. We hope that full advantage will be taken of his instruction both in vocal and instrumental music.

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Since the appearance of our last issue the School has suffered a loss by the promotion of Mr. J. G. Greenhalgh to the Head Mastership of the Higher Grade Schools, Halifax. While heartily congratulating him on his success, we cannot but pay our tribute of sorrow at the departure of one who, during a six years' tenure, won a large share of our esteem and affection.

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"Speech Day" will be, as usual, on the last day of this term.

## Round the World without Money.

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**I**T was during a lecture on Physiology that I first learnt of the existence of one, Oskar Radvaner, who is to be the hero of this short sketch.

A pale-faced student suddenly entered the Physiology theatre ; he seemed quite excited, in fact, he must have been, else he would not have dared, as he did, to interrupt a lecture, not half over, actually being delivered by the stern Dean of the Medical Faculty. The student muttered something about somebody wanting to see him at once. "Go and tell him to wait," said the Dean, in his usual style. "I cannot neglect ninety ladies and gentlemen for a mere chance visitor." (Applause from the students). "Oh, but he can't speak English," gasped the student, "he speaks French and German, and is walking round the world."

"Well," replied the Dean, getting angry, "go and talk to him in French, German, or whatever you like, and tell him to wait till the end of the lecture." The student, no longer pale-faced, struggled from the room. (More applause).

After the lecture was over, I was informed that the visitor was Oskar Radvaner, a young Roumanian medical student, passing through Manchester on his walk round the world.

It was announced on a notice board in the college that he would narrate, on the following day, his adventures up to date, and also tell his plans for the future.

Accordingly he lectured in German, and a gentleman present kindly acted as interpreter. The Owens students gave him a grand reception, and made a collection for him.

After he had finished speaking, he distributed photos of himself, with autograph, amongst the lucky ones on the front benches.

Amidst almost deafening cheers, he was raised shoulders high by several students, one of whom, being, if I mistake not, a sturdy old Hulmeian.

This happened on the 17th November, 1903. On the 23rd he set out from Manchester in his full travelling garb. He carried a medicine chest, a camera, two revolvers, a tiger skin, and other weighty baggage. After receiving a hearty "send off" by a crowd of students and others, he made for Scotland.

I will now endeavour to describe to you something of his history and strange adventures, such as I remember from his narrative.

In 1900, Oskar Radvaner was a young medical student of 17 years of age, in the University of Bucharest, in Roumania. The Jockey Club of that city, it appears, offered the sum of £30,000 to two students of the University who succeeded in walking round the world within a period of not more than seven years. The route to be taken was fixed by the club, and the adherence to certain conditions was essential; a remarkable one being that the two should start without money, and another being that they must swim all rivers less than 60 metres wide if there were no bridges.

About 40 students came forward, all wishing to compete for the prize, and finally, after severe tests, both mental and physical, two were selected, one of which was Oskar Radvaner.

On 16th July, 1900, the two students left Bucharest, going in different directions, Radvaner heading for the Russian frontier. It was arranged that he should meet his fellow competitor at a certain date in Calcutta.

He proceeded across Western Russia from South to North, this covering a period of five months. At St. Petersburg, he had, so he told us, a personal interview with the Tzar, who kept him at some ten yards distance, thinking he might possibly be an anarchist, as he travelled fully armed. The Tzar gave him a signed passport for Siberia. His itinerary required him to walk through Siberia to Irkutsk, and thence through Manchuria and China. This he succeeded in doing. In Siberia his passport served him well; everybody, on seeing the signature of the Tzar, was ready to help the stranger. He visited some of the prisons of Siberia where several students and others had been sentenced, and isolated from the rest of humanity for life. On hearing that he was a student himself, they begged him to use his influence for their release. Radvaner described all this eloquently, and with dramatic emphasis; the picture, as he painted it, was indeed a pathetic one.

On more than one occasion in Siberia he had to swim rivers, which he did by means of swimming bladders, as he always carried a load of 90 lbs. Often on reaching the opposite bank he was obliged, so he said, to scrape the ice from his body with his knife, so intense was the cold. One would think that the river would have been frozen; however, one must live and learn. For four days he was without food fit for human being. Another time he walked for 28 days without seeing anything which could be called a village or town. He described the privations of the few people inhabiting Siberia as pitiful indeed. Peking, Nankin, and Shanghai he visited, and after calling at Canton he struck westwards and crossed the Himalayas to India. In Bombay he contracted the plague, and lay 31 days in Victoria Hospital. He then walked across India to Calcutta to meet his friend, who had been waiting there 39 days. The two journeyed together towards Afghanistan. Unfortunately their career together was a short one. At this part of his narrative he grew excited and again waxed eloquent. He vividly described how, quite unexpectedly, his friend was

attacked by a tiger, which tore him to pieces before he could make use of his weapons ; but not so with Radvaner, he had time to put himself on guard, and shot the tiger just in time to save himself. He went on to describe in mournful tones how he then had the dreadful task of burying his friend (some of the students almost wept on hearing this). He removed the skin from the animal, and went on his long and adventurous journey alone. He then walked through Afghanistan, Persia, and thence into Asiatic Turkey to Smyrna. From Smyrna he took steamer to Constantinople, whence he started his tour of European Turkey and Greece. At Krushevo he was taken prisoner by the Macedonian insurgents, and was liberated after 16 days of disagreeable treatment, and after being stripped of everything on him that had appreciable value. Apparently this is his only experience of definite ill-treatment in the course of his three years wanderings. He would certainly have been shot had he not used his medical knowledge in bandaging the wounded limb of a Macedonian general, who ordered his release.

From Macedonia he passed through Bulgaria and Servia, and was in Belgrade on the very day that the King and Queen were assassinated. He made his way through Hungary, Austria, Bohemia, Bavaria, and Western Germany to Hamburg, and then to Berlin. He proudly informed us that here he was received by three thousand students of the University, and afterwards had a personal interview with the Crown Prince. At Brussels he was again the guest of University students, who made him honorary member of the University in the Medical Faculty. After walking to Rotterdam he embarked for Harwich. From London he walked through Lincoln and Sheffield to Liverpool, and then came to Manchester. He maintains himself by lecturing in large towns in French and German, and appealing to fellow students to help him to carry out his amazing task.



WEST HOUSE v. OUT.—1st Team: Win for West. 15 goals (West 5, Newton 5, Jackson 2, Hutchinson 2, Thompson 1) to none.

2nd Team: Win for West. 6 goals (Lees 2, Quin 1, Viner 1, Young 1, Wolfenden 1) to 3 (Kershaw, Lawton, and 1 off an opponent).

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WEST v. EAST.—1st Team: West won by 6 goals (West 3, Newton 1, Jackson 1, Stott 1) to 3 (Twyerould 1, Hartley 2).

2nd Team: West won by 4 goals (Cullen 1, W. West 1, Quin 1, Lees 1) to none.

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#### 2ND ROUND.

OUT v. EAST.—Win for Out. 3 goals (Buckley 1, Ogden 2) to 1 (Smethurst).

2nd Team.—Win for Out. 1 (H. Schofield) to none.

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WEST v. OUT.—1st Team: Win for West. 6 goals (West 3, Newton 2, Jackson 1) to 1 (Buckley).

2nd Team.—Win for Out. 2 goals (Atkins and H. Schofield) to none.

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EAST v. WEST.—1st Team: Win for West. 11 goals (West J. 3, West T. 3, Saville 2, Hutchinson, Jackson, Thompson 1 each) to none.

2nd Team.—Win for West. 2 goals (West W. and Wolfenden) to 1 goal (Ashton H.)



## FIRST ELEVEN.

v. WARRINGTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL, at Warrington.—As has unfortunately been the case in previous matches, we found a storm of wind and rain awaiting us at Warrington. At half time, helped by the wind, the score was 1—0 in our favour, and playing a better game against the wind than with it, we ultimately ran out winners by 3 goals to 1 goal. Scorers, West 2, Hartley 1.

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v. OLD BOYS, at School.—This match was looked forward to with considerable interest, as our team had hitherto proved itself considerably above the average of the two previous years. Nor were our hopes deceived. The Old Boys brought a heavy team, but the day proved very wet, and we adapted ourselves better to the ground. The result, 6—2 in our favour, elicited from Hirst the remark that it should not occur again. In the first half School had the wind, and scored thrice to our opponents once. The second half saw the score doubled. For the School West played well at centre, and of the other forwards Hartley was the best. Of the halves Ogden was best, and both backs and goal played a sound game. School were weakened by the absence of Mr. Williams and Twyerould. Scorers were West 4, Ormrod 1, 1 off an opponent. For the visitors the most conspicuous were Hirst, Lambert, and Ashton.

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v. LYMM GRAMMAR SCHOOL, at Lymm.—In this match we lacked the services of Hartley, Twyerould, Whitehead, and Ogden, but capable substitutes were found in Hutchinson, Hague, Whitham and Jackson. The home team scored first, but after that they did not penetrate our defence again. At half-time we were leading 4—1, and in the second half added 3 more, thus winning by 7 goals to 1 goal. Scorers, West 5, Ormrod 1, Jackson 1. Considering the number of absentees we did well in winning.

v. OLD OSBORNE, at School.—We hoped to reverse the issue of the previous match, but after a very hard and interesting game we again suffered defeat by 2 goals to 4 goals. We had the assistance of Mr. Pardoe and Mr. Williams to counterbalance the weight of our opponents. Visitors scored in the first few minutes from a free kick, and this rather disheartened us, the more so as they soon scored again. However, West scored after a good bout of passing from Newton's centre. In the second half we had considerably the best of the exchanges, but only managed to score once to our opponents twice. Scorer, West 2. For the School Ogden and West played best, while Newton made a creditable first appearance.

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v. STAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL, at Stand.—We were requested to send an under 16 XI. for this match in the hope of making a better game. Expectations were not realised however, as we won easily by 10 goals to 1 goal. West played as a substitute and scored three goals, the other scorers being Twyerould 3, Hartley 2, Jackson 1, Marcroft 1.

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v. WARRINGTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL, at School.—This match was played in terrible weather, and was a repetition of the above match, the score at the finish reading 10 goals to 0 goals in our favour. The whole team played well, and Twyerould deserves a special word of praise. Scorers, West 5, Hartley 2, Ormrod, Ogden, Twyerould 1 goal each.

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Feb. 20th. v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL 2ND.—Cancelled on account of weather.

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Feb. 24th. v. ECCLES GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Cancelled. Eccles unable to raise a team.

HEATON MOOR COLLEGE, at Heaton Moor.—We were short of Twyerould, Smethurst and Mellor J., and to add to our misfortune Whitehead, Marcroft and Young failed to put in an appearance at the station. Thus we had only 8 men, but our opponents gave us one substitute. As Heaton Moor had a far better team than in the corresponding match last term we did well to make a draw of 2 goals all. West obtained both goals.

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v. HULME GRAMMAR SCHOOL, MANCHESTER.—Home. Our opponents brought a big team which looked decidedly formidable. However the subsequent play disproved this, for the heavy state of the ground seemed to demoralise them completely. They never got going once, and our forwards piled on goals; the result being 11—1 in our favour. The whole team played well, West as usual being brilliant, while Ormrod played a sterling game at centre half. Mallalieu made a creditable first appearance at left half. This is the first occasion on which we have beaten Manchester Hulme G.S. Scorers, West 7, Hartley 2, Twyerould 2.

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v. OLD HULMEIANS.—Home. This return fixture with the Old Boys justified an aforementioned assertion by one of them that the defeat of Nov. 28 "Should not occur again." Our opponents brought a strong team, though Hirst was a notable absentee. For the School Messrs. Pardoe, Williams and Ellison turned out, the latter for the first time. From our point of view the match was a disappointment, as the result 7—4 against us does not quite represent the run of the play. The School won the toss, and the Old Boys pressed from the

kick-off. Owing to the awful condition of the ground the ball was hard to control, but the shooting was good throughout. Mellor scored first for our opponents, and at the other end West and Mr. Williams had hard luck with shots that hit the cross-bar. At half-time the score was 2—nil against us. After the interval West and Twyerould made us level with good shots, and shortly afterwards Mr. Williams put School ahead. We should certainly have won after this, but our opponents immediately replied with 3 more goals one after the other, our defence being sadly at fault. Before the close each side scored again, West with a good shot. For the School the centre and left wing were good, but the halves, backs and goalkeeper all had an "off-day." Our right wing was too well watched by Rothwell, and the visitors halves and backs generally played a good game. Kershaw in goal for them effected some good saves.

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V. LYMM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—School won the toss and played up-hill the first half. At first Lymm pressed, and our combination was ragged. Till half-time our opponents had the better of the game, and scored twice to our once (West). After the interval our combination greatly improved, and with Lymm falling off somewhat, we added 6 more goals without reply. Of these West scored 3, Hartley 2, and Ogden 1. For the School West made some splendid shots, and Hartley and Ogden of the others were perhaps the most conspicuous. The visitors right back played a grand game, and it was largely owing to him that the score in our favour was not greater.

v. DUKINFIELD ASTLEY.—Away. This match, the last of the season, was looked forward to with great interest by the School, as we desired to obtain 3 goals to make the season's total up to 100. Expectations were realised. School lacked the services of Mr. Pardoe, Mr. Bamford, Hartley and Smethurst, but were assisted by Mr. Williams and Mr. Ellison, who both rendered yeoman service. The game was very fast, but gradually the combination of the School forwards began to assert itself, and after much passing West scored. This was all we needed to awaken us, and from this time Dukinfield Astley were completely overplayed. In the second half we still did the pressing, and ultimately ran out winner by 7 goals to 2 goals. Scorers, Twyerould 3, West 3, substitute 1. Twyerould played a splendid game at left outside, and as goal-keeper Whitham gave the pluckiest and best exhibition we have seen this season.

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## TABLE OF FIRST XI MATCHES.

Matches Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals.	
				For	Against.
19	13	5	1	103	42

N.B.—The second Stand match is not included in the above table as we sent an under 16 XI, not the 1st XI. However we won it by 10 goals to 1 goal.

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## TABLE OF SCORERS IN FIRST XI. MATCHES.

West J. ...	...	...	...	...	59
Hartley ...	...	...	...	...	14
Twyerould	...	...	...	...	12
Mellor J....	...	...	...	...	4
Ormrod ...	...	...	...	...	4
Ogden ...	...	...	...	...	4
Smethurst	...	...	...	...	2
Mr. Williams	...	...	...	...	1
Jackson ...	...	...	...	...	1
Opponents	...	...	...	...	2

The "under 15" eleven played 7 matches, of which they won 3 and lost 4, scoring 35 goals to 29. The defeated teams were Chetham's Hospital (twice) and Waterloo Science School, the former team being far weaker than last year, and under 14. The home and away matches with Hulme G.S., Manchester, were both lost, after good games, by the odd goal. The team also lost to Manchester G.S. "under 15" by 1 goal to 4. The most promising recruits for next year's 1st team would appear to be Thompson, Littler, Hague, T. West, and Harvey.

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REMARKS.—The past season has been the most encouraging of recent years. The team has had the advantage of a very capable and enthusiastic captain, whose play, it will be generally admitted, has proved the feature of this year's football. Not only did J. West score the remarkable total of 59 goals—considerably more than half those scored altogether—but by his example and precept kindled the right spirit in the team. His future career should be carefully followed if he maintains his present rate of improvement.

Let it not, however, for a moment be deduced that West was—like Eclipse—"first, the rest nowhere!" indeed, the team was sound in every department, and though, perhaps, the forwards were its strongest feature, the half-backs and backs were in every way adequate. Of the halves, Ormrod at centre was very good, and Ogden on the right always plays a determined game. The position of left half has been variously filled by Whitehead, Whitham, and Mallalieu. The former has not come on as he should have done. Of the backs Hibbert has improved greatly. Smethurst in goal was fair, but back is probably his place.

- W. Smethurst, Goal, trusts too little to his hands, but has often played well.
- J. Hibbert, Right Back, a determined tackler and hard worker. Cannot yet kick with both feet.
- J. E. Whitehead, Left Back, not as good as last year.
- J. Ogden, Right Half, works very hard and feeds his forwards well. A good corner kick.
- G. Crmrod, Centre Half, knows the game well, and is always in his place. Has proved a very effective pivot for the team.
- J. Whitham, Left Half, too slow as yet to be really good, but a thorough trier.
- C. Mallalieu, played towards the end of the season, and shows considerable promise.
- J. Mellor, Outside Right, played with great success till Xmas, but was obliged to stop playing afterwards. Is fast, centres well, and a good shot.
- L. F. Newton, took Mellor's place after Xmas. Has a good idea of dribbling and promises well.
- J. West, Centre, has kept the forwards together splendidly. A good dribbler and splendid shot. Has proved a thoroughly efficient captain.
- E. L. Hartley, Inside Right, combines well with West, and is a fair shot, but inclined to slacken his efforts at times.
- J. Twyerould, Outside Left, has done very well this season. Is quite fast and a good shot, which fact unfortunately leads him to shoot when he might, with more advantage, centre the ball.

*The Editor, "Oldham Hulmeian."*

**D**EAR SIR,—As a spectator of many Football Matches played by the School eleven this season, I should like to offer my congratulations to the team on their splendid achievements.

I believe that the goal average is a record one for the School, and in my very humble opinion I venture to think it is the best team that has donned the School colours.

The games I have witnessed have been played in a sportsmanlike spirit, and the combination has been excellent, no player being more brilliant than his fellows, but all playing together with one object in view, that is to win. They have all been triers and workers.

I cannot criticise individuals as their names are not familiar to me, but I cannot pass over the centre-forward, West, the captain, to whom, without disparagement to the other members, I attribute the success of the team, as he has kept them well in hand and given encouragement, while his shooting has been good.

His absence from the team next season will be a serious loss, though it is hoped a capable substitute will be found.

I should like to see more boys present at these matches (also cricket) to encourage their School team, of which they ought to feel proud, and thus show an interest in the School.

Their presence would create more enthusiasm and the individual members of the team would also be criticised on the days' play, and thus make every player keen to get his colours and keep his position when once in the team. It would also strengthen the second team, and therefore, when the older boys leave, school there will be good players to fill their positions with credit.

AN OLD PLAYER.



## Old Boys' Notes.

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**T**HE Old Boys' Association has come to stay, and it is with pleasure we note an increase this year in the membership; and it only needs a little more enthusiasm brought into its work by the individual members, as well as the members of the committee, to make it a "going concern."

It created some little surprise to learn that the old-established Manchester Grammar School had not an Old Boys' Association, but such is the fact.

Their Headmaster (Mr. Paton) is about to form one, and I do not think it will be out of place here to quote Mr. Paton's remarks in connection with the matter. He said that unless boys leaving school promised to join the Old Boys' Association he should refuse to give them a good character.

We in Oldham should feel proud in taking the lead, considering that our School is so young.

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During the winter two Football Matches have been played by the Old Boys v. The School; the first ended in a win for the School, and no one was more eager to congratulate them on their good play and splendid victory than the members of the Old Boys' Team.

The second match ended in a win for the Old Boys. No doubt an account of these games will be found on another page.

These meetings—that is, football and cricket matches, as well as the sports—are most enjoyable to the Old Boys, and are entered into with as much interest, if not more, than by the present boys, as they bring back many very pleasant memories of past victories and happy days spent in the field of sport.

It is hoped that the present boys, on leaving School, will avail themselves of the advantages of the Association by becoming members. By so doing they are brought together on many occasions with their School colleagues, and not, as is often the case when there is no Association, losing sight of one another for years after leaving School.

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A General Meeting was held on the 11th ult., when the advisability of forming a Choral Society, Dramatic Society, and Gymnasium Class was discussed. It was decided to form all the above societies, and it is hoped they will have assumed a practical shape before the coming winter.

The Association is doubly grateful to Mr. Ingham, who not only proposed a Choral Society, but consented to act as its conductor. With such a gentleman at the head, whose musical abilities are fully recognised, there ought to be a large membership, and success should be assured,

The first meeting of the above will have been held before this goes to press ; therefore, intending members should notify the Hon. Sec. without delay.

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A Picnic has been arranged to enable the members to meet during the summer months.

It is proposed to take train to Alderley, and thence proceed on foot to Prestbury, calling at Redesmere, Siddington, for tea. The date fixed is June 4th.

The Sub-Committee appointed have already been and made all necessary arrangements, and predict that this outing will prove most enjoyable.

Mr. Ingham and Mr. Ellison, new members of the School Staff, have been elected Hon. Members of the Association.

The Old Boys' Cricket Matches will take place on the following dates :—25th June and 9th July.

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NOTICE.—Members of the Association not yet having paid their subscriptions for 1904 will greatly oblige by remitting same to the Hon. Sec. as soon as possible.

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## Athletic Sports.

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**O**WING to the earliness of Whitsuntide, the Annual Sports were held this year on the 18th of May, ten days earlier than last year. The course was in very good condition, thanks to the efforts of Messrs. Pardoe and Ellison.

The actual racing was well up to the average, but unfortunately the weather was bitterly cold, and a strong east wind bothered the competitors, notably in the 100yds. races.

The programme of events was the same as last year, with the exception of an Obstacle Race for the Jockey Race.

For the Old Boy's Race also great efforts had been made to ensure a good field, and we were much gratified to see so large a number of "patriotic" spirits turn out and prevent a repetition of the fiasco of last year.

A large number of spectators were present, and the toilettes of the ladies, who so courageously braved the inclemency of the weather, lent an added charm to an always pretty sight.

As usual, the Mile (open), Half-Mile (under 14), and several heats of the Jumps and Quarter-Mile were run off on the Monday previous.

For the Mile, seven runners started, and after the first two laps the issue seemed to rest between Ormrod, Whitehead, Hoyle, and Lowe. The first named, however, could not make up the start he was giving the others, and Hoyle looked a good winner if he held out. This, however, he failed to do, and Lowe (100yds. start) coming along well won fairly easily from Whitehead (30yds.) who ran a fine race, and Hoyle (140yds.), who, with a liberal handicap, stuck to his work gamely all through.

The Half-Mile Handicap (under 14) was won by F. Wild, who beat H. L. Mellor by 3yds. The latter ran very well for his age.

J. West made a fine throw in the Open Cricket Ball, and a good jump in the Open High Jump.

The 100yds. (open) provided a splendid contest between Hutchinson and J. West, the former winning by inches on the tape.

The Quarter-Mile Handicap (open), for which there were 41 entrants, was won well by Hoyle (30yds.), with Ormrod (10yds.) a good second.

The Senior Championship Cup was won for the second year in succession by J. West with 18 points (1st in Open Cricket Ball, High Jump, Long Jump, Spring Board Jump, and 2nd in 100yds.), while the Junior Cup was secured by Booth with 15 points (1st in the High Jump (under 14), Spring Board Jump (under 14), and 100yds. (under 14), 2nd in the Cricket Ball, and 3rd in the Long Jump (under 14).

The following is a list of the successful competitors:—

Half-Mile Handicap (under 14). 1 Wild F; 2 Mellor H. L. Time 2'50 $\frac{1}{5}$ .

One Mile Handicap (over 14). 1 Lowe; 2 Whitehead J. E.; 3 Hoyle. Time 5'26 $\frac{3}{4}$ .

Throwing Cricket Ball (under 14). 1 Hague; 2 Booth. Distance 60yds. 2ft. 10in.

Throwing Cricket Ball (open). 1 West J.; 2 Birch. Distance 91yds. 2ft. (a record for the School).

Long Jump (under 14). 1 Hague; 2 Wild F. Distance 13ft. 9in.

Long Jump (open). 1 West J.; 2 Hutchinson. Distance 15ft. 8in.

High Jump (under 14). 1 Booth; 2 Wild F. Height 4ft. 1in.

High Jump (open). 1 West J.; 2 Whitehead J. E. Height 5ft.

80yds. (under 11). 1 Needham G.

80yds. (under 12). 1 Jennings. Time 12 $\frac{2}{5}$  sec.

100yds. Handicap (under 14). 1 Booth; 2 Bancroft; 3 Jennings. Time 14 $\frac{1}{5}$  sec.

100yds. (under 14). 1 Booth; 2 Wild F. and Hague dead heat. Time 14 sec.

100yds. Handicap (under 15). 1 Mellor J. G.; 2 Birch; 3 Needham K. Time 13 $\frac{3}{5}$  sec.

100yds. (open). 1 Hutchinson; 2 West J. Time 12 $\frac{1}{5}$  sec.

Spring-Board Jump (open). 1 West J.; 2 Birch. Height 5ft. 7in.

Spring-Board Jump (under 14). 1 Booth; 2 Wild F. Height 4ft. 1in.

Quarter-Mile Handicap (open). 1 Hoyle; 2 Ormrod;  
3 Lowe. Time 61 secs.

Old Boys' Race. 1 Broomhead A.

Obstacle Race. 1 Schofield F. W.; 2 Hutchinson;  
3 Young.

Tug-of-War. Out v. West Houses 1 Out; Captain  
J. E. Whitehead.

Old Boys' Tug-of-War. R. Barlow's Team v. Hy. Hirst's  
Team. 1 Hirst's.

Consolation Race. 1 Stott I. H.

The Prizes were distributed in the School Hall. The Head Master's Wife (Mrs. A. G. Pickford) had kindly consented to present them, but at the last moment graciously resigned the privilege to Mrs. Proegers whom, with Mrs. Lees, we were all glad to welcome again and thank for her kindly interest in all that concerns the Grammar School.

OFFICIALS.—Referee: R. Pimm, Esq. Judges: R. Ellison, Esq., and J. A. Harrison, Esq. Starters: R. H. Pardoe, Esq., and B. Dinsmore, Esq. Timekeeper: C. A. Williams, Esq. Bell-Ringer: T. West.

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## Old Boys' Dinner.

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THE Third Annual Dinner of the Association was held on 15th December last, at the Reform Club, and was presided over by our new President (Mr. Pickford, Headmaster of the School). The company included (besides Old Boys) Messrs. Pimm, Pardoe, Greenhalgh, and Williams, Assistant Masters of the School.

It was very pleasing to note that the number present on this occasion was the largest we have had.

After dinner the first toast was, of course, that of "The King," and then Mr. H. C. Widdows, an Old Hulmeian, who is now carrying on the good tradition of the School at Oxford, proposed the toast of "The School." He spoke eloquently of the days which he had spent at the Oldham School, and welcomed the new Headmaster, for whom he wished the success which Mr. Andrew, the first Headmaster, had achieved.—Mr. Pickford, replying, spoke hopefully of the prospect which the School had before it. He believed, he said, that almost the most important institution in connection with the School was the Old Boys' Association, which must maintain the unity amongst Hulmeians and honour for the School. He was sorry to announce that Mr. Greenhalgh was on the point of leaving his work amongst Oldham boys. Mr. Greenhalgh had been appointed to take charge of a secondary school at Halifax.

After an interval, during which there was singing, Mr. Pimm was called upon to propose the toast of "The Association." Beginning by a reference, half humorous, half serious, to the temporary illness of the infant association, as shown by the disappearance of the Debating Society, Mr. Pimm went on to point out that the Association had, or ought to have, three objects in view, namely—good to the school, good to the town, and good to the Association. While the Association, still young, was acting in a limited area, it must be prepared soon to turn its attention to the more serious work which lay before it in respect of improving the life and condition of its native town.

Mr. W. L. Middleton, replying on behalf of the Association, thanked Mr. Pimm for his good advice, which he tried to emphasise.







SCHOOL v. WARRINGTON G.S.—School Ground,  
May 21st.

WARRINGTON.

Cornez b Lowe.....	8
Adams b West J. ....	4
Alderson st Hartley b Lowe .....	6
Nield b Hutchinson .....	5
Dutton c Ogden b West J. ....	12
Burgess b Hutchinson ... ..	2
Henshall b Hutchinson .....	3
Lowe c Ogden b West J. ....	0
Whithouse not out .....	4
Haddock b Hutchinson .....	1
Grice st Hartley b Hutchinson .....	0
Extras ... ..	15
Total ... ..	60

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
West J. ....	12	6	22	3
Lowe.....	13	6	14	2
West T.....	2	1	6	0
Hutchinson .....	8.3	6	3	5

SCHOOL.

Newton lbw b Alderson .....	6
Whitehead c Adams b Cornez .....	16
West J. b Alderson .....	101
Ogden run out .....	1

Hartley b Cornez.....	8
Lowe b Alderson.....	5
Whitham b Nield ..	2
Hutchinson lbw b Alderson .....	13
J. G. Mellor b Cornez.....	13
Birch c Alderson b Nield .....	0
West T. not out .....	15
Extras .....	19
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Total.....	199

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SCHOOL v. MANCHESTER HULME G.S.—at Manchester,  
June 8th, 1904.

SCHOOL.

Newton b Lindley .....	6
Whitham lbw b Lindley .....	10
West J. b Walker.....	17
Ogden b Lindley .....	7
Lowe lbw b Lindley.....	0
Hartley b Lister .....	10
Hutchinson b Lindley.....	1
Barber not out .....	39
Wilkinson lbw b Lister .....	2
Mellor b Cooper .....	2
Twyerould not out .....	2
Extras .....	7
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Total for 9 wickets .....	103

## MANCHESTER.

Buckland b West J. . . . .	4
Lindley not out . . . . .	39
Cooper b West J. . . . .	0
Birdsall run out . . . . .	2
Lister b West J. . . . .	0
Walker b Twyerould . . . . .	6
Turner S. lbw b West J. . . . .	1
Howard not out . . . . .	8
Turner F. . . . .	
Stocks . . . . .	
Bauerkellar . . . . .	
Extras . . . . .	5
Total for 6 wickets . . . . .	65

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
West J. . . . .	8	0	34	4
Twyerould . . . . .	8	0	26	1

Time called.—A draw.

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FIRST XI v. MASTERS.—June 11th.

## FIRST XI.

Newton b Mr. Pardoe. . . . .	0
Lowe b Waterhouse . . . . .	2
West J. c and b Mr. Pardoe . . . . .	17
Barber P. b Waterhouse . . . . .	0
Hutchinson b Mr. Pardoe . . . . .	1
Hartley b Mr. Pardoe . . . . .	0
Birch b Waterhouse . . . . .	1
Wilkinson b Mr. Pardoe . . . . .	0
Ormrod not out . . . . .	2
West T. b Mr. Ellison . . . . .	10
Young c Barlow b Mr. Ellison . . . . .	7
Extras . . . . .	6
Total . . . . .	46

## MASTERS.

R. Ellison b West J. ....	15
R. H. Pardoe b West J. ....	0
C. E. Garfitt b West J. ....	11
H. C. Waterhouse b West J. ....	22
J. A. Harrison c Hartley b Lowe .....	3
R. Barlow c West J. b Lowe .....	3
J. K. Whitehead not out . . . . .	4
A. J. Bamford b West J. ....	0
F. N. G. Griffiths b Birch .....	7
Extras .....	11

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Total..... 76

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets
West J.....	10	2	24	5
Hutchinson .....	7	0	19	0
Lowe .....	5	0	17	2
Birch .....	2·3	0	5	1

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## SECOND XI v. BURY HIGH SCHOOL.—Home.

H.G.S. 101 for 6 wickets—Innings declared closed.  
P. Barber 29, C. Hutchinson 21.

BURY H.S. 16. Hutchinson 6 wickets for 7 runs; T.  
West 4 wickets for 8 runs.

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## SECOND XI v. HULME G.S. (Manchester) "UNDER 15."

H.G.S., OLDHAM, 40. Barber 22 not out.

H.G.S., MANCHESTER, 32. T. West 6 wickets for 18;  
Thompson 2 for 0.

“UNDER 14” XI v. CHETHAM’S HOSPITAL.

OLDHAM G.S. 53. Bancroft 15.

CHETHAM’S 105 for 5 wickets. W. West 4 for 49.

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“UNDER 14” XI v. MANCHESTER G.S. “UNDER 14.”

OLDHAM G.S. 41. Booth 11.

MANCHESTER G.S. 52. W. West 5 for 17; Bardsley 3 for 15.

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### Across the Channel.

**M**R. Pardoe last August gave several old and present School boys the chance of visiting France with him. They started one Friday morning from Oldham with their cycles and travelled to London by the Great Central, and spent the afternoon in London, then they went to Newhaven by the evening boat-train, and crossed the Channel in the night, landing at Dieppe at 2 30 a.m. After passing their luggage through la Douane, they then proceeded to see as much of the town as possible before going on to Rouen in the afternoon. At Dieppe the landing stage is on the right hand as you enter, with the railway immediately behind the Customs Office, and on landing this is the place where you first see French porters and douaniers. The front facing the sea has lodging-houses, and is a about a mile in length. Beyond the houses are chalk cliffs in which are some cave dwellings. These have poles across the arched entrances, and rugs or canvas screens which serve as doors; whilst as they have no chimneys, all the smoke escapes through the spaces over the screens, blackening the chalk cliff just above like the mouth of a railway tunnel.

There are old and interesting churches at Dieppe; the principal one, "Saint Jacques," which was founded in the 13th century, and had a new main entrance built in the 14th century, is an interesting building.

On the cliffs above the caves stands a modern castle on the sight of an older one. The first was built by Henry II. of England in 1188.

The town contains a large tobacco factory, and does a busy trade in shipbuilding, rope spinning, and watch making, and has also a small and curious industry in the carving of bone and ivory, which dates back to the 15th century. Behind the town is a large basin connected with the sea, and containing oyster tanks, or "Retenue des Chasses," in which large numbers of oysters are fattened for the Parisian and other markets.

In the afternoon the party left Dieppe for Rouen by the Dieppe and Paris express, and arrived in a dark station, at each end of which there are tunnels that pass under a portion of the town, very like one of the London underground stations.

Rouen was the ancient capital of Normandy and is called the Manchester of France, though the population is less than that of Oldham. Rouen is divided into two parts by the river Seine, and is surrounded on three sides by hills, and has on the fourth side the "Forêt du Rouvray." The country and forests round about are magnificent. The roads through the "Forêt de Roumare" remind one of the aisles of a grand cathedral, because the upper boughs of the pine trees form a perfect arch in places, the straight leafless brown trunks rising like pillars to the roof of green foliage.

In the town are many beautiful buildings, the principal one being Nôtre Dame, erected in the 13th century in the place of one destroyed by fire in 1200. On the right hand of the entrance stands the "Tour de Beurre," so called because it was paid for out of the receipts of the priests who sold permission to people to eat butter in Lent. It was built 1485-1507, and has a slender iron spire higher than any other in Europe except that of Cologne cathedral. In the building is an enormous clock, which, together with its ball, weighs 7,500 kilos., or nearly 17,000 lbs.

On the left of the cathedral is the "Tour de Saint Romain," a piece of the old cathedral destroyed by fire in 1200.

At a village called Jumièges, several miles down the river, are the interesting ruins of an abbey built about 660.

Just outside Rouen there is a village called Bon Secours, to reach which there is a tramway and a cable railway or "funiculaire." From the top of the cliff there is a fine view of Rouen and its surroundings, and of the Seine Valley.

There are several bridges across the Seine at Rouen, one of which is called the Pont Transbordeur. It is built of such a height as to allow the masts of vessels to pass beneath. There is a travelling platform allowing carts and passengers to pass to it from the level of the road; this stage is suspended by steel ropes from the lofty bridge itself, and is propelled by an electric engine on the platform. This bridge is the last on the Seine, just as the Tower Bridge of London is the last on the Thames.



The party also visited Amiens and saw its cathedral, which is often thought to be the finest in France from an architectural point of view. In the interior, opposite the entrance, there is about a half cubic inch of bone, said to be part of the remains of John the Baptist, mounted with gold wire and set in silver on white metal. In the lower parts of the town there are eleven waterways, which make that part resemble pictures of Venice, but instead of having gondolas they have only goods barges carrying fruit and vegetables, &c., from the country by way of the Somme, on which the town stands. It is said that Louis XI. called Amiens "Little Venice" because of the waterways.

In spite of the rather bad weather (which at that time seems to have been universal) the party spent a most enjoyable time, and ultimately returned home.

B.H.



The Editor regrets that lack of space prevents his printing an anonymous contribution, entitled "A Sea Song."

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