

THE
Maham Zulmerien.



·FIDE· ·SED·CUI· ·VIDE·

The Oldham Hulmeian.

Vol. I. (New Series).

JUNE, 1905.

No. 7.

School Notes.

NEW Boys this Term:—G. Nuttall, A. Swales, G. Hilton, A. W. Gartside, E. W. Singleton, G. Fletcher, J. H. O. Jennings, H. Sutcliffe, H. Needham.

* * *

Lowe has been made prefect.

* * *

We understand that rapid progress is being made with the Plans for the New Buildings, and that the Contractors will very shortly commence the Alterations and Extensions. The New Buildings, between the present entrance and Chamber Road, will contain the Physical and Chemical Laboratories, and adjoining rooms for Preparation, &c. The present Chemistry Rooms will be converted into a Boys' Workshop and Boys' Reading Room respectively; Dressing Rooms (for Games) are to be provided in the Basement, and other improvements are to be made.

* * *

Term ends on Thursday, July 27th.

■■■■■■■■■■

Distribution of Prizes.

THE Annual Distribution of Prizes to successful students of the Hulme Grammar Schools, Oldham, took place on Friday, January 27th, 1905, in the presence of a large number of parents and scholars. Prof. M. E. Sadler, LL.D., of Manchester, presented the prizes. Mr. A. Emmott, M.P., presided, and there were also on the platform Mrs. C. E. Lees, Mrs. Emmott, Miss Clark (Headmistress of

the Girls' School), Prof. Sadler, Councillor Middleton, and Mr. A. G. Pickford (Headmaster of the Boys' School).

Mr. PICKFORD read the following report of the work of the Boys' School:—

“Mr. Chairman,—In presenting this report of the session ending July, 1904, it gives me great pleasure to be able to congratulate both boys and masters on a year of increased success in examinations and of great progress in building up the common public-school life. It is also a matter for congratulation that an increasing number of boys take advantage of the preparatory forms in the lower school which receive boys from the age of eight, and that an increasing percentage stay at the School long enough to obtain the full benefit of the whole course. The whole work of the School is inspected by H.M. Inspectors of secondary school, and their report is very satisfactory. The Upper Forms were also presented for the Oxford Local Examinations and the Victoria Matriculation. Three passed Victoria Matriculation. Six out eight passed the Oxford senior local examination, four of them with honours. Twelve passed the junior examination, six of them in honours, and in the preliminary examination, which we took this year for the first time, thirteen out of fifteen passed. The work of the Lower Forms was examined by the staff, and I wish to specially commend the remove Form, also the mathematics of Form III. under Mr. Ellison and the French of the Lower School under Mr. Pardoe.”

“For the Oldham Education Committee's examination for pupil teacher bursaries six of our boys sat, and all were successful, three of them taking the first three places. The Assheton scholarships have been awarded to W. Claughton (Freehold Council School), W. Tonge (Eustace Street School), W. R. Wilde and W. Young (Waterloo School), also to Doyne, Underwood, Dickinson, Burton, Taylor, Wilkinson, Bagot, Fletcher, Horsfall, Viner, and J. West in the School. The Hulme scholars are S. Dawson (Eustace Street School), J. Hughes (Werneth School); also Jones, Faulkner, Robertson,

and W. Smith. This year the Oldham Education Authority have made a grant establishing four scholarships, which have been awarded to C. R. Phillips, T. G. Taylor, F. Rennie, and A. M. Clark, all of Waterloo School.

The School Leaving Exhibitions were awarded as follow:—£30 a year for three years to W. Hibbert; £30 a year for three years to J. West; £40 a year (increased from £25) for three years to J. E. Whitehead. Two of these have gone to Victoria University, but West remains at the School this year.

The Cricket and Football teams, under our energetic captain, J. West, have both had very successful seasons. The School is now divided into three "houses," and the inter-house matches have been keenly contested, and have aroused great enthusiasm throughout the School. The winning house at cricket holds a handsome silver challenge shield, which has been presented to the School by Mrs. Prodgers. At the Athletic Sports Meeting the championship cup was won again by J. West. The increased interest in and enthusiasm for School games, which is so healthy a sign of our School progress, is due in no small measure to the exertions of all the masters, and especially of Mr. Ellison, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Pardoe. The Natural History Society has had a very profitable session. An exhibition of natural history collections, an annual tea and meetings for discussion in the winter, and several expeditions in the summer were admirably organised by Mr. Pimm. We have also commenced a Debating Society for the Upper Forms.

In all these developments of the full and complete School life most useful assistance has been rendered by the School prefects, who have devoted themselves to the service of the School, and proved themselves excellent leaders in the life of our community. To their excellent example, also, we owe the easy and steady order and discipline of the whole School. But indeed I may congratulate the whole School on the diligence which has marked the year's work. I wish to thank

the Assistant Masters for their energetic and devoted labours during the past session. To the Governors the School owes a deep debt of gratitude, not least to Mr. Hesketh Booth for his constant and kindly work for the School, and to you as Chairman of our governing body."

After the reading of these reports the Chairman re-echoed what had been said by Mr. Pickford regarding the great work of the School done by Mr. Hesketh Booth, much of it in a very unobtrusive manner. He said also that he had been very glad to hear mentioned in Miss Clark's report the success of Miss Nellie Nield in her final examination at Oxford. She had written an essay on "Land Tenure" which was the best sent in that year by either man or woman. (Applause). Referring to things which had happened during the past year, Mr. Emmott said that a committee of the Governors of the School had more than once met a sub-committee of the Oldham Education Committee. They had told that authority that the governing body of the School was extremely anxious to do all that could be done in conjunction with them for the benefit of the secondary education of the town. So far no arrangement had been come to. The matter rested in the hands of the education authority. The Governors were desirous, as the members of that body were desirous, of avoiding overlapping so far as possible and also of saving any waste. Unfortunately the present building was not large enough to accommodate both the number who already came and the large additional number who would come if any considerable proportion of the probationers under the new system were to be added to the number. That really was the question. All he could say was that the Governors were anxious to do whatever they could.

Professor SADLER, after distributing the prizes, said that he rejoiced to have the opportunity of offering a tribute of honour to the work going forward in these Schools. Oldham might well be proud to have them in its midst. The Schools were sowing good seed, and Oldham would reap a goodly

harvest. He commented upon the very favourable report from the Educational Department which followed the "severe visitation" of seven inspectors and their exacting test. The record was a most excellent one. The School seemed to be combining two things which must be combined in all good education—intellectual stimulus and intellectual discipline. There was, however, need for strengthening the staff of the School.

He came back to Lancashire every year as a resident, and what struck him more and more each time was the purposeful look of things. But were we as clear about the aims of education as we were clear about the aims of the factories, or did we put up a building and leave the result to tradition or good fortune? Von Humboldt had said that what was wanted to be found in a nation must first be put into the schools, but did not that exaggerate the real power of schools over the nation's character? It seemed to him much truer to say that what we wanted to develop through the schools must first have its roots in the character of the nation. What struck the stranger about Oldham was that there was no town in England which had such independence of character and of thought, and secondly, he always admired Oldham's power for making things, not simply material things, but, what mattered far more, creating human organisations. He held that whatever we did in English education we should maintain local differences and deepen, strengthen, purify, and refine those wonderful native characteristics which in their manifold variety made the greatness and the interest of England. He asked if we were really making children in elementary schools think enough for themselves. Steps ought to be taken to gradually and surely reduce the size of the classes in elementary schools in order that the children might have more individual teaching. In concluding, he asked his hearers not to forget that the great things in education were not necessarily the things which enabled them to earn more money. There was no greater curse or blight on an educational system than the money-making

aim settling down to it. Nor should they think that the aim of being at School was simply to pass examinations. (Hear, hear.)

A vote of thanks was passed to Prof. Sadler on the motion of Councillor **MIDDLETON**, seconded by Dr. **PLATT**, J.P.



Athletic Sports.

THE Annual Sports were held on Friday, June 9th. More than usual trouble had been taken by masters and boys to make them a success. Mr. Wight, by personally running with the boys, induced a considerable number to train systematically, and their labours were not expended in vain. Mr. Pardoe was, as usual, untiring in his efforts and was ably seconded by Mr. Ellison. Special mention must be made of the Obstacle Race over which more trouble than usual had been spent.

The few days previous to the Sports were bitterly cold, and we feared the wintry weather of last year. We were, however, pleasantly disappointed, because, despite a coldish wind, the sun shone brilliantly. The course was rather hard owing to the continued dry weather.

Despite the fine weather the spectators were not as numerous as last year. Those that were present saw some remarkably good racing, and the Obstacle Race created great amusement.

The heats of the Jumps, Quarter-Mile, and Throwing the Cricket Ball, were taken on the Monday previous. In the High Jump (open) Newton had the misfortune to slip and fall on his arm, sustaining a broken wrist. This of course precluded his taking further part in the Sports. We extend to him our sympathy, and wish him a speedy recovery.

The Half-Mile (under 14) was run on the Tuesday, when T. G. Taylor proved the winner. He runs in good style, and the time (2min. 32sec.) was very fair considering the day.

For the Mile Race the same day only 4 turned out, and the result came as a great surprise, Bevis Platt with 90yds. start winning somewhat easily from Lowe, who was expected to win, but unluckily had an off day. Platt led at the end of the first lap, with Lowe (scratch) and J. West (scratch) in close attendance. The second lap saw Platt still leading, but in the third he was passed by Lowe, who looked a winner. However Platt overtook him in the last lap and won as stated. J. West came with a fine sprint at the finish, and might possibly have won if he had sprinted earlier. J. Fletcher, who ran pluckily throughout, was placed fourth. Platt is to be congratulated on his plucky running.

J. West made a fine throw in the Open Cricket Ball and also jumped well.

In the under 14 events T. G. Taylor carried all before him. W. West made a good throw in the Cricket Ball (under 14).

The 100yds. (open) and Quarter-Mile (open) were, as expected, splendid races. In the former Hutchinson led throughout, and won by a yard from West. For the Quarter Hutchinson did not turn out, and a close struggle was expected between Lowe and West. The former ran very strongly, and overtook the field at the end of 300yds., eventually winning easily.

The Senior Championship Cup was won for the third year in succession by J. West with 21 points (1st in Throwing Cricket Ball, High Jump, Long Jump, Spring Board Jump, 2nd in 100yds., 2nd in Quarter, and 3rd in the Mile.

The Junior Championship Cup fell to T. G. Taylor, who was 1st in the Half-Mile Handicap, High Jump, Long Jump, Spring Board Jump, and 100yds. (all under 14), thus totalling 20 points.

List of successful competitors :—

Half-Mile Handicap (under 14). 1 T. G. Taylor; 2 L. Stott; 3 A. S. Jennings. Time 2 mins. 32 secs.

One Mile Handicap (over 14). 1 B. Platt; 2 J. Lowe;

3 J. West. Time 5 mins. 33 secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball (under 14). 1 W. West; 2 Faulkner. Distance 66 yds.

Throwing Cricket Ball (open). 1 J. West; 2 Birch; 3 J. Fletcher. Distance 90 yds.

Long Jump (under 14). 1 T. G. Taylor; 2 Dickinson. Distance 14 ft. 8 ins.

Long Jump (open). 1 J. West; 2 Birch; 3 Hutchinson. Distance 16 ft. 10 ins.

High Jump (under 14). 1 T. G. Taylor; 2 Faulkner. Height 3 ft. 11 ins.

High Jump (open). 1 J. West; 2 Birch; 3 Lowe. Height 4 ft. 9 ins.

80 yds. (under 11). 1 Martland.

80 yds. (under 12). 1 Lawton; 2 Hartley.

100 yds. Handicap (under 14). 1 T. G. Taylor; 2 Rye; 3 Dickinson.

100 yds. (under 14). 1 T. G. Taylor; 2 Faulkner. Time $13\frac{1}{2}$ secs.

100 yds. Handicap (under 15). 1 Barratt; 2 Bancroft; 3 Faulkner. Time 13 secs.

100 yds. Handicap (over 15). 1 Hutchinson; 2 Lowe; 3 J. Fletcher.

100 yds. (open). 1 Hutchinson; 2 J. West. Time $11\frac{1}{2}$ secs.

Spring-Board Jump (under 14). 1 T. G. Taylor. Height 4 ft. 1 in.

Spring-Board Jump (open). 1 J. West; 2 Birch and Horsfall (equal). Height 5 ft. 9 ins.

Quarter-Mile Handicap (open). 1 J. Lowe; 2 J. West; 3 Birch; 4 J. Fletcher. Time $61\frac{2}{3}$ secs.

Old Boys' Race. G. Stoddard.

Obstacle Race. 1 W. Schofield; 2 G. Wilde; 3 H. Kempsey.

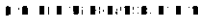
Tug-of-War. North House (captain, Hutchinson) beat Out House (captain, J. G. Mellor).

Old Boys' Tug-of-War. Stoddard's Team beat Robinson's Team.

Consolation Race. 1 G. G. Needham.

The prizes were afterwards distributed in the Hall. Mrs. C. E. Lees was to have been the donor, but was unfortunately prevented by illness, and her place was taken by Miss M. Lees, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was proposed on the motion of the Head Master, seconded by Mr. Pardoe. A most enjoyable day concluded with three cheers for the holidays.

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



Cricket.

UP to date we have played five 1st XI matches, of which we have won 4 and lost 1, namely that v. Bury G.S. In the latter instance we were short of four regular players, and especially missed the bowling of Birch, who has done very well so far. Hutchinson and West have also been successful with the ball. The batting, however, with few exceptions, has not been good, West, from whom we hope much, being quite out of last season's form. Lowe and Birch have done best.

The 2nd XI has beaten Waterloo Science School by 48 runs to 35; lost to Hulme G.S. (Manchester) 2nd by 45 runs to 97; and tied with Stand G.S. 1st 55 runs each.

Appended are the scores of the 1st XI matches:—

SCHOOL v. WARRINGTON, at School, May 6th, 1905.

WARRINGTON.—Corney c West J. b Hutchinson 1, Bamforth b Hutchinson 0, Burgess b Hutchinson 6, Henshall c Newton b Birch 5, Woods c West J. b Hutchinson 14, Whitehouse c Buckley b Hutchinson 8, Carnson c Mellor b Birch 6,

Hands b West J. 0, Lowe not out 4, Haddock b Birch 0, Monks c Newton b Birch 0, Extras 8. Total 52.

SCHOOL.—Lowe b Hands 0, Newton by Bamforth 0, West J. c Henshall b Bamforth 16, Birch lbw b Bamforth 3, Hutchinson c and b Bamforth 0, Mellor J. G. c Whitehouse b Woods 6, Buckley b Bamforth 1, Grime run out 25, West T. b Henshall 28, Young b Whitehouse 0, Hall E. not out 10, Extras 6. Total 95.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wides	No Balls	Wkts.
Birch	8	3	12	0	0	4
Hutchinson	10	2	25	0	0	5
West J.....	3	0	7	0	0	1

School won by 43 runs.

* * *

SCHOOL v. MANCHESTER G.S. 2nd XI, at Manchester, May 13th.

SCHOOL.—Newton c Ashton b Howard 4, Birch lbw b Howard 4, West J. c Ashton b Howard 18, Lowe b Howard 5, Hutchinson b Mackay 3, Mellor J. b Mackay 11, Buckley b Howard 2, Grime b Howard 0, Hall not out 14, Young b Howard 0, Lees b Howard 0, Extras 4. Total 65.

MANCHESTER G.S.—Kay b Birch 1, Bloomer b Birch 4, Sandbach b West J. 0, Sutherland b Birch 3, Booth lbw b West J. 8, Mackay b West J. 5, Howard c Newton b Birch 4, Young b Hutchinson 4, Porter not out 6, Ashton c Buckley b Hutchinson 0, Royle c Newton b Hutchinson 2, Extras 24. Total 61.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wides	No Balls	Wkts.
West J.	7	2	15	0	0	3
Birch	15	9	16	0	0	4
Hutchinson	8.4	6	6	1	0	3

School won by 4 runs.

* * *

SCHOOL v. HULME G.S., Manchester, at School, May 27th.

SCHOOL.—Newton b Bradbury 3, Hall run out 0, West J. b Bradbury 5, Lowe c Turner F. b Lindley 25, Birch c and b Howard 25, Hutchinson b Bradbury 2, Buckley run out 4, Grime c and b Howard 2, Young c Turner S. b Howard 4, Smith b Bradbury 0, Dickinson not out 1, Extras 7. Total 78.

MANCHESTER G.S.—Lindley b Birch 7, Turner F. b Birch 16, Dearnaley b Birch 0, Howard b West J. 5, Bradbury

b Birch 1, McAdam not out 15, Turner S. b Birch 0, Jones (capt.) b Birch 3, Whiteley run out 0, Williamson b Lowe 0, Breurs b Hutchinson 3, Extras 11. Total 61.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wides	No Balls	Wkts.
Birch	13	3	24	0	0	6
Hutchinson	4.5	0	16	0	0	1
West J.....	6	1	5	0	0	1
Lowe.....	2	1	5	0	0	1

School won by 17 runs.

* * *

SCHOOL v. WARRINGTON G.S., at Warrington,
May 31st, 1905.

WARRINGTON.—Cornez b Lowe 13, Burgess c Lowe b Hutchinson 7, Whitehouse c Smith b Lowe 0, Bamforth b Hutchinson 0, Adams b Hutchinson 0, Henshall b Birch 7, Haddock b Hutchinson 0, Hands c West T. b Birch 7, Carnson c West J. b Hutchinson 0, Lowe b Hutchinson 8, Ferguson not out 0, Extras 12. Total 54.

SCHOOL.—Newton c Ferguson b Hands 15, Lowe c and b Bamforth 8, West J. b Hands 3, Birch not out 23, Hutchinson b Hands 4, Mellor b Hands 0, Hall E. b Adams 1, Buckley b Hands 5, West T. not out 4, Grime—, Smith—, Extras 4. Total (for 7 wickets) 67.

BOWLING.

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wides	No Balls	Wkts.
Birch	11	5	16	0	0	2
West J.	6	3	4	0	0	0
Hutchinson	11.3	4	12	1	0	6
Lowe	7	4	10	0	0	2

School won by 3 wickets.

* * *

SCHOOL v. BURY G.S., at Bury, June 7th, 1905.

BURY G.S.—Stanhope lbw b Hutchinson 0, Peacock b West J. 0, Hodgson b Hutchinson 17, Nuttall lbw b Hutchinson 1, Ashworth b West J. 2, Ainsworth c Hutchinson b West T. 38, Brookes c Young b Hutchinson 2, Taylor run out 27, Hardman b West J. 1, Douglas b West J. 4, Beardsley not out 2, Extras 21. Total 115.

SCHOOL.—Lowe b Nuttall 19, Young c Peacock b Hodgson 1, West J. b Nuttall 7, Hutchinson c Douglas b Nuttall 3, Buckley not out 10, Hall lbw b Nuttall 2, Grime c Hodgson b Nuttall 0, West T. b Hodgson 1, Lees b Hodgson 1, Viner b Hodgson 0, Bardsley b Hodgson 0, Extras 1. Total 45.

BOWLING.

	Overs		Maidens		Runs		Wides		No Balls		Wkts.
Hutchinson	9	...	4	...	20	...	0	...	0	...	4
West J.....	10	...	0	...	48	...	0	...	0	...	4
Lowe	2	...	0	...	17	...	0	...	0	...	0
West T. ...	4	...	0	...	9	...	0	...	0	...	1



Football.

Jan. 28th. v. DUKINFIELD ASTLEY.—Home. Having been defeated at Dukinfield we looked forward to this match very keenly. We were assisted by Messrs. Pardoe, Ellison, and Wight, and by all round superiority and good shooting by the forwards, won easily by 11 goals to 2 goals. Scorers: West 9, Hutchinson and Mellor 1 each.

Feb. 11th. v. LYMM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Home. This match ended in an easy win for the School by 15 goals to nil. Our opponents were very small, and though playing a plucky game, were quite outmatched in all departments. Scorers: West 13, Newton and Hutchinson 1 each.

Feb. 18th. v. GLOSSOP TECHNICAL SCHOOL—Away. For this match our opponents had raised a stronger team than that defeated by us in October. There was a high wind and after half-time the rain was so heavy that the game was stopped 5 minutes before time. The score 6—2 in our favour, was not quite representative of the game, as we were pressing most of the time. For the School Lowe and Mellor played well. Scorers: West 4, Mellor and Hutchinson 1 each.

Feb. 25th. HULME GRAMMAR SCHOOL, MANCHESTER.—Home. We were very keen to avenge our defeat of the previous term. The ground was in a shocking condition, which rendered good play impossible, and added to this, luck was against us. Lowe misjudged the first goal, and besides missing a penalty, one goal was disallowed. The forwards were weak, the right wing being too well watched, and the backs were very erratic in their kicking. Our opponents were lucky to get 4 goals, 2 would have better represented the run of the play. West scored our only goal.

March 11th. **WARRINGTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**—Away. Bad weather has come to be associated with our visits to Warrington, and this day proved no exception, as the wind and rain as usual spoiled the game. We had the fortune to play with wind first and were leading 2—0 at half-time. Playing against the wind seemed to steady us, for we added 3 more goals without response. West was well watched and left the scoring to the other forwards. The whole team played well, notably Mellor and Newton. Scorers: Stott 2, West, Smith, Mellor 1 each.

March 25th. “**OLD BOYS.**”—Home. As usual in this fixture we were assisted by Messrs. Pardoe, Ellison, and Wight. The Old Boys brought an exceptionally strong team, and their weight somewhat neutralised the better combination of the School. From the kick-off School went down in a body and Birch scored, but the referee unfortunately disallowed the goal. This somewhat disheartened us and soon after the Old Boys scored twice in quick succession. Half-time was called with the score 2—1 against us. In the second half we played much better and were at one time leading. However a close game ended in a win for the Old Boys by 4 goals to 3. We played very hard for an equalising goal, but weight kept us out. For the School Newton was the best of the halves, West of the forwards, the left wing, however, was very weak. The Old Boys all played well, the two Middletons and Lambert being perhaps the pick. Scorers: West 2, Birch 1.

April 1st. **BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**—Home. After an interval of some years we renewed fixtures with Bury. The teams were evenly matched, though the result was hardly satisfactory to us, who were leading right up to time and had a goal disallowed through an unfortunate mistake on the referee's part. The game was very fast from start to finish, Bury just equalising as time was called. The School team played very well, but our backs were inferior in kicking. The result was a draw of 3 goals each. Scorers: Mellor 2, West 1.

April 5th. BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Away. We went to Bury with a weakened team, Birch, Mellor, and Hall being absent. The game was brought to a premature termination by a sudden thunderstorm, which made play out of the question. After half an hour's play against a terrific wind we were leading by 1 goal to nil, scored by a substitute who was playing for Birch. We were greatly disappointed as with the wind we expected making a score.

April 8th. C. H. BROOMHEAD'S TEAM.—Home. Owing to the 2nd XI being sent to Lymm, Broomhead kindly got together a scratch team to oppose the School. We were assisted by Messrs. Pardoe, Ellison, Wight, and Williams, the latter turning out for the first time since November. Buckley, a new recruit, was tried at left inside and proved a huge success. The School team were at times brilliant, but the forwards missed many chances in the second half. However, we won well by 5 goals to 1, the combination of the team quite spoiling the individual excellencies of our opponents. Mr. Ellison, Mellor, and West were conspicuous for School, the former holding C. H. Broomhead well. For the scratch team the goal-keeper, of first league fame, Ogden and C. H. Broomhead, were the best. Scorers: West 4, Mr. Williams 1.

RESULTS OF SECOND XI MATCHES.

Beat Waterloo Science School—Twice.

Bury High School.

Lost to Hulme Grammar School, Manchester, Second XI—Twice

Bury High School.

Drew with Stand Grammar School First XI—Twice.

Lymm Grammar School First XI.

RESULTS OF "UNDER 14" IX MATCHES.

Beat Stand Grammar School "Under 14."

Nicholl's Hospital.

Chetham's "

Manchester Grammar School "Under 14."

Lost to Hulme Grammar School, Manchester, "Under 14."

Manchester Grammar School "Under 14."

Chetham's Hospital.

Nicholl's "

Stand Grammar School "Under 14."

TABLE OF FIRST XI MATCHES.

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Goals Against
18	12	5	1	103	52

TABLE OF SECOND XI MATCHES.

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Goals Against
9	3	3	3	28	27

TABLE OF "UNDER 14" XI MATCHES.

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Goals Against
9	4	5	0	32	40

HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

South 44 points. Out 28 points. North 12 points

HOUSE MATCH RESULTS.

FIRST ROUND. FIRST XI'S.

South beat Out by 14 goals to 3.
 Out beat North by 4 goals to 2.
 South beat North by 4 goals to 2.

SECOND XI'S.

Out beat South by 11 goals to 1.
 North beat Out by 5 goals to 2.
 North beat South by 5 goals to 4.

SECOND ROUND. FIRST XI'S

South beat Out by 12 goals to 2.
 Out beat North by 5 goals to 3.
 South beat North by 14 goals to 1.

SECOND XI'S.

Out beat South by 5 goals to 4.
 North beat Out by 4 goals to 3.
 South beat North by 5 goals to 4.

TABLE OF FIRST XI SCORERS.

West J.	72	Mr. Williams.....	2
Mellor J. G.	6	Fletcher	1
Hutchinson	5	Birch	1
Hall	5	Smith	1
Jackson	4	Wilkinson	1
Newton	2	Substitute	1
Stott	2		

Grand Total 103

TABLE OF SECOND XI SCORERS.

Stott	6	West T.	2
Dickinson	6	Taylor T. G.	2
Smith	4	Littler	2
Lees	3	Hall	1
Hutchinson	2		

Total 28

TABLES OF "UNDER 14" XI SCORERS.

Dickinson	12	Mellor H. L.	4
Taylor T. G.	5	Ashton J.	4
Broughton	5	West W.	2
			Total 32

REMARKS.

The results of the 1904-5 Football season bear a striking similarity to those of the previous season. Then, we won 13 out of 19 matches, lost 5, and drew 1; this season, out of 18 played, we won 12, lost 5, and drew 1.

Exactly the same number of goals—103—have been scored both years by us, and 10 more by our opponents this year than last.

These statistics shew that the high standard of our play a season ago has been well sustained. After Xmas we only suffered two defeats.

As last year the success of the team is largely due to the captain, J. West, who improved on his previous total of 59 goals by actually scoring 72!

This must be a record for a school boy. After Xmas his form was generally brilliant. Of the other forwards, J. Mellor at outside right was consistently good; and his partner, Hutchinson, only needs to learn to shoot to become a good player.

The left wing was frequently changed; H. Stott, at outside, centreing well and proving a reliable corner kick.

Of the halves, Newton at centre has made a great advance and his untiring play was often the mainstay of the team.

At back, Whitham and Birch were sound without being brilliant, and Lowe in goal was on the whole reliable and often good. Full colours were awarded during the season to Newton, Lowe, Mellor J., Whitham, and Hutchinson.

CRITIQUE.

J. Lowe (Goal). Has a safe pair of hands and kicks well, but is liable to be caught napping by a long ground shot.

J. Whitham (Right Back). A sturdy back who tackles well, but somewhat inclined to lose his head.

P. Birch (Left Back). A promising player, with a good kick. At present too fond of dribbling.

W. Smith (Right Half). Played after Xmas. A plucky player who should do better next season.

F. L. Newton (Centre Half). Very hard working, and a splendid tackler—not quite so good in the attack. A worthy successor to Ormrod.

J. Fletcher (Left Half). Played after Xmas, and did fairly well. Works hard.

were examined under the microscope. Perhaps the paper which attracted most attention was that given by Mr. Wight on Radium. This was illustrated by practical experiments with some Radium which he had managed to obtain. Mr. Wight also shewed us several specimens of Radium-bearing substances. Several radiographs have been printed, and can now be obtained for 4d. each, or 1/- the set, consisting of four radiographs. An interesting paper was given on April 13th, by H. Kempsey, who is one of the keenest members of the society, on the Eggs of British Birds. A fine collection of eggs was exhibited, which served to strengthen the interest in the lecture.

On Tuesday, December 20th, 1904, the society held its second annual tea. About seventy members sat down to an excellent repast which had been kindly provided by Mrs. Pickford and Miss Hyde. After tea a series of electrical experiments were performed by the members of the Sixth Form. After this several songs were sung by the masters, who were ably accompanied by Mr. Ingham, as was Mr. Woodhouse, who gave two excellent flute solos. The evening terminated with a short lantern lecture, which illustrated the various ways in which different insects mimic nature to provide protection for themselves.

On Friday afternoon, March 10th, an exhibition of bulbs grown by Lower School boys was held. These, along with an excellent show of bulbs, which were kindly lent by Mr. Pickford, made a brilliant show of colour. P. N. Stott was awarded a special prize for being the possessor of the first bulb to appear above ground. For the bulbs having the best flowers, Gill was awarded the first prize for a display of daffodils and purple hyacinths, and Greenall the second prize for a purple hyacinth, whilst Dearnaley's exhibit was highly commended. These prizes, together with the garden prizes won by J. Lawton and K. Wilde, were presented by Mr. Pimm at the breaking-up party at the end of the Christmas term.

Owing to the sad death of P. H. Broadbent, a vacancy

was caused in the general committee. This has been filled up by C. Lawton, whilst Lowe and Kempsey have also been added to the above committee. The Society is again greatly indebted to Mrs. C. E. Lees for her great kindness in inviting the members to see the splendid display of flowers in Werneth Park.

We have now several specimens of fish, &c., including 3 newts, 2 gold fish, 2 carp, and innumerable tadpoles. H.B.

Debating Society Notes.

THE Debating Society, established in November, 1904, has had a most successful session, and promises to be very popular. All the meetings have been well attended, and have greatly improved in character. Papers have been given on various subjects by Mr. Wight, Mr. Pardoe, and Mr. Ellison; but perhaps most successful of all was a mock trial, which practically concluded the meetings for the term. Before the trial all the members enjoyed a pleasant tea, kindly prepared by Mrs. Pickford, and after tea, games of several kinds in the gymnasium. Mr. Pickford took the office of judge, to hear a charge brought by Smith against Hassall, in which Smith (as Mrs. Fitzgerald), claimed heavy damages for the murder of a favourite cat. After a long and amusing trial, the case was decided in favour of the defendant.

GARDEN CITY MOVEMENT.—Paper by Mr. Wight. January 23rd. Mr. Wight introduced his paper with a reference to the fact that Englishmen are descended from a good stock. The old English yeomen formed the backbone of the nation, and placed England in a good position among continental nations. We are now in danger of decay. Country life is diminishing, and all flock to our great over-crowded industrial centres. London, years ago, was described as a wen, but the term tumour now more fully expresses its condition.

A remedy for this state of things must be found. Lofty tenements near the workshops, or houses far from them, do

not solve the difficulty. Neither of them provides fresh air, or the active exercise so necessary to human life. The best proposed remedy is to drain away population from the great towns by building "Garden Cities." These model cities will consist chiefly of parks and gardens, and round these will be built the mills and houses. Other evils of our great towns would also be diminished. Intemperance would be held in check, food would be cheap, and rents and taxes at a minimum.

The experiments tried by Lever Bros. at Port Sunlight, and Cadbury Bros. at Bournville have been extremely successful. A further experiment is being tried by the committee of the "Garden City" movement at Bedford to draw off the surplus population from London. If this proves successful, the movement will receive a great impetus.

FRENCH LITERATURE.—Mr. Pardoe, February 6th. After a brief reference to the origin of the French language, Mr. Pardoe went on to speak of the chief names and periods of French literature. The songs of the language date back to the IXth century, and increase considerably in classical value in the Xth and XIth. These were followed by the "Chansons de geste," of which the chief was the "Chanson de Roland," narrating the heroic deeds of the paladins of Charlemagne. The Church soon made its influence felt in the rise of the drama and the "mystery" plays, in which the lives of saints were dramatised. The period of the Middle Ages concludes with several lyric poems, which however, are not of a high standard, as the French character does not lend itself to this form of literature. Then come in quick succession the literary cycles known as the "Follies," "Moralities," and "Farce," and after them the great Renaissance period. This period is marked by the influence of Italian ideas, and leads to the age of Louis XIV, the great age of French literature.

In summing up, Mr. Pardoe said that France could not boast a Shakespeare, but it could look back on a thousand years of literature and on writings that had influenced not only the French nation but the whole civilised world.

GROWTH OF THE NOVEL.—Mr. Ellison, April 3rd. The difficulty of this subject lies in the fact that the novel has followed no distinct line in its development. Its first traces are to be found in the old alliterative stories about the great heroes of romance. Passing through Chaucer and the moral stories of the XIVth century, it takes a more definite form in Malory's "Morte D'Arthur" in Edward IV's reign, and receives a great impetus from the work of Caxton. The Renaissance brings English literature to the front, and the Elizabethan period is marked by the great names of Lyly, Sydney, Green, and Nash. After this period attention is devoted to the drama, and the modern form of the novel first clearly appears in the great writers of Anne's reign. Defoe with his incomparable "Robinson" and Swift with his "Gulliver's Travels" introduce the novel in forms which will last as long as the English language. These are followed at a later period by Richardson, Fielding and Smollet, and the novel finally reaches its height in Dickens, Thackeray, and Scott. Extracts from several of the writers served to show the character of their work, and created great interest in the subject of our literature.

* * *

The subjects of debate during the second session have been:—

Jan. 16.—"Wellington was a greater soldier than Napoleon."
Proposer: B. Platt. Opposer: W. Smith. Carried 11 votes to 7.

Feb. 2.—"Our National Games are Degenerating."
Proposer: J. West. Opposer: F. L. Newton. Carried 9 votes to 4.

Feb. 13.—"Charles I. was a Martyr."
Proposer: Fletcher. Opposer: Viner. Carried 10 votes to 7.

Feb. 27.—"England was justified in accepting the Russian Apology."
Proposer: Wolfenden. Opposer: Young. Lost 7 votes to 8.

Mar. 27.—"Poverty produces more Crime than Wealth."
Proposer: Booth. Opposer: Grime. Carried 7 votes to 6.

Short Sketch of University Life.

UNIVERSITY life presents a complete contrast to the life at school, and offers great attractions to all who have a chance of passing through it. In school life there are limitations on all sides, and freedom is curtailed, but at the 'Varsity everything is changed, and the undergraduate can follow his own wishes. Both the College and University exercise a little control but not much. The College may punish all infringement of its rules by fines or by "rustication" for a certain period. All disturbances in the streets are attended to by the "Proctor." This person is always a "don" of some college, and patrols the streets with two men who are known as "bull-dogs." These "bull-dogs" have to catch all offenders against 'Varsity rules, as for example walking about the streets after dusk without cap and gown, and bring them to the "Proctor." The "Proctor" then appoints an interview for the next morning, and inflicts a fine proportioned to the offence.

The social life of the 'Varsity is its chief feature, and woe to the unfortunate freshman who "sports his oak" to keep out visitors. Such a man is looked on as a lawful prey, and he may expect to find a good deal of his furniture broken at times of extra excitement. In spite of this, however, the quiet man may, as a rule, follow his studies in peace, and work up for his examinations as much as he likes. He is practically his own master, and the college authorities think they have done their duty by him when they have appointed for him a moral tutor who sees him about twice a term.

The time at the 'Varsity is divided, at the will of the student, between work and play. The day always begins with morning chapel, and each undergraduate must attend so many services. The chief characteristic of these services is the speed with which they are conducted. The ordinary

service, without hymns or sermon, generally lasts from eight to ten minutes, and most college chaplains have reached the maximum speed. Many men get into the habit of going to these roll calls in very light apparel, all deficiencies being covered by means of a collar and a scholar's gown. The chaplains adopted drastic means to put a stop to this, and one had the curiosity to lift up the gown of one man, and remarked that he scarcely was in "academic dress." Another chaplain invited a man to breakfast, and insisted on his immediate acceptance, much to the distress of the poor undergraduate who suffered much from the cold.

After chapel the undergraduate finds breakfast ready in his rooms—only dinner is eaten in the college hall—the other meals being prepared by the "scouts," or college servants in the private sitting rooms. In some colleges the second year men provide breakfasts in turn for all the freshmen. These breakfasts are frequently very serious affairs because of the number of courses to be got through, and are always followed by cigarettes. Each freshman is provided with one, and then the host fixes a certain number of matches in a piece of toast. These are then lit and passed round the table quickly, as it is ill-omened for the matches to go out before each has lighted his cigarette.

After breakfast the work of the day begins. In the morning this consists of lectures and private studies. Some of these lectures are very sleepy affairs, and every opportunity is taken by the students of enlivening matters by vigorously cheering the weak jokes of the lecturer. In some of them undergraduates either go to sleep or read novels, and it is often a relief to all when the lecture is over. The rest of the day's work consists of private study.

Space is not sufficient to deal fully with games, and it is only possible to touch lightly on the sport most typical of our great universities: rowing. Every member of a good rowing college is expected to go down to the river and be

“tubbed,” *i.e.* row in a two-oared boat. In this stage all the weaker men are weeded out and the better men pass to the four-oared, and finally to the eight-oared boats. The river throughout the year presents a very pretty scene. Each college has its own barge moored to the bank and painted with the college colours. In the Easter term the “torpid” races are rowed in boats with fixed seats, and in summer the “eights” with sliding seats. At this season Oxford loses its old and venerable appearance, and is one of the gayest places imaginable.

Other periods have also their share of excitement, November 5th. A college quadrangle at this time presents a very lively scene. In the centre is a huge fire fed with faggots, not infrequently with furniture, and round it some eighty or a hundred men. In one corner some pursue all passers by with syphons to prevent their catching fire, while others diligently aim rockets at the windows of all rooms within reach. The evening is generally concluded with a grand march headed by a drum, which consists of a footbath taken from one of the ground-floor rooms. These footbaths serve several useful purposes, and many men seated in state in someone else's bath have tobogganed down flights of stairs.

In spite of these periods, however, Oxford is becoming quieter than of old. The fierce fights between town and gown recorded by the chronicles of Edward III's reign no longer take place, and only on occasions of extra excitement is any attempt made to sweep the streets.



Library Notes.

The librarian wishes to thank the following who have kindly presented books to the library:—R. Barlow for “With the Flag to Pretoria,” R. Bardsley for “The Penny Magazine,” G. Wilde for “Young England” and “Boys of our Empire.”