

Slang and Cant.

THE derivation of the term "Slang" has been the cause of much uncertainty and discussion, also of many guesses. The most acceptable derivation is found in its connection with the gipsies. The gipsies had their own mode of expression—so unique that one might almost call it a language—which had for its chief aim, secrecy. To this mode of expression the gipsies gave the appellation "slang." This meaning is not the meaning attached to the word to-day. Many people have made a great mistake in confusing our modern term "slang" with its fellow "cant," which latter term, I may also mention, likewise shares the distinction of a doubtful derivation. Our modern term "cant" has taken the place of the ancient "slang." Apart from its sense of religious hypocrisy, cant is the vulgar language of secrecy of gipsies, tramps, beggars, and thieves.

"Slang" is the language of street humour, of fast, high and low life. It is to no purpose that protest is made against the weird and often jarring expressions of people carried away by excitement, or under the influence of some peculiar incident. "Slang" in its various forms is as old as language itself. It has, however, a far more extensive application than many people think, if only it be pursued far enough. Apart from its everyday meaning of vulgarity, it brings within its range all classes of familiarity and expression which, to borrow a phrase, are "to the point."

It puts into the statement which contains it a peculiar force that impresses the hearer far more than would be the case if the sentiment expressed were couched in pure English. As an example of this take the vulgar slang term "bosh." This term carries with it a force absolutely lacking in the word "nonsense." Slang is the expression of excitement, a short way of clinching a statement, and no matter how careful a person may be a careful consideration of his conversation will reveal certain slang terms.

The verbs "do" and "go" provide pitfalls for the foreigner, so various are their applications, simple though they may seem in themselves. Many terms that have a purely slang origin eventually come to be recognised as standard English words. No condition or calling in life lacks its slang, the peculiar terms found in connection with the calling in mills, workshops, warehouses, public institutions, schools, universities (not even excluding Oxford and Cambridge, which someone has dared to suggest are hotbeds of slang). The legal and medical professions, and even the laity, all have their slang. It is hardly necessary to give illustrations of this statement. A very little consideration will reveal numerous slang expressions in any of these classes.

As to "cant," there is much interest to be found in a study of the various kinds of cant. It may be news to some people to learn that there are maps of districts specially designed by tramps for tramps, which are kept at a tramps' lodging house. On this map are signs understood by those who are "working" the district, which save much labour. It is also a fact that information is chalked on the pavement near to various houses which is very valuable to beggars. It is said that a certain clergyman obtained immunity from the visits of members of this fraternity by chalking on his doorpost signs which implied that there was a dog to beware of, and that the inmate of the house might call the police.

The Costers of London have also their own secret tongue. In connection with the costers there is also a kind of cant known as rhymed slang. The phrase substituted rhymes with the word for which it is substituted; the difficulty is that the rhyme is left out, only one-half of the phrase being given. This bewilders the uninitiated, although it is perfectly understood by the costers themselves. It requires very close observation, and a certain amount of inside information to understand this "cant." Of course this is only one of many kinds of "cant" which may be met in various parts of the country.

D.W.

The Natural History Society.

THE Season 1913-14 has been one of the most prosperous the Society has ever experienced. It was decided to publish cards containing the names of members of the committee, together with the programmes of the various sections. Generally speaking the meetings have been well attended, though interfered with by Speech Day. The papers read have been very good, and were much appreciated by the audiences. During the season D. Watkinson, the General Secretary of the Society, was compelled, owing to many serious calls upon his time, to tender his resignation, which was regretfully accepted, J. A. Eddy-Jones being elected to fill the vacancy.

THE ANNUAL TEA.

This all-important event was held on March 17th, 1914. The tea itself, kindly presided over by Mrs. Pickford and Mrs. Potter, was up to the usual high pitch of excellence, and was heartily enjoyed by all members. A vote of thanks to the ladies was proposed by Watkinson, seconded by Eddy-Jones, and carried with acclamation.

After tea came the exhibition of various objects of scientific and general interest lent by the members, which was much enjoyed both by members and visitors. Mr. Pym read a paper on "Unicellular Organisms," and exhibited specimens under the microscope. A musical entertainment, under the direction of Mr. Ingham, followed, and was duly appreciated. Then came the judging of exhibits in the Spring Flower Competition. In the class for Junior Members for flowers from bulbs grown at School, the first prize was won by Singleton, and the second by Hirst. In the open class for flowers grown at home, W. C. Jackson carried off the first prize and R. G. Pym the second, both exhibiting pots of tulips. The Sixth Form requested permission to exhibit a vegetable phenomenon reared (upright) by their own skill, and named *Didiolanthus Acalonius*. Mr. Pym admitted his lack of familiarity with the

specimen in that state of development, and proceeded to describe its (negative) qualities. A specimen of *Daucus carota* was awarded as a suitable prize. The remainder of the evening was pleasantly occupied by games kindly lent by the Headmaster. Much regret was felt and expressed that Mrs. Cockell was unable to be present during the evening. J. A. E.-J.

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FIELD AND MICROSCOPIC SECTIONS.

16th Dec., 1913.—At this meeting H. L. Ogden read a splendid paper on "Butterflies." He sketched the stages of growth of a butterfly, and described some of the more familiar species. The paper throughout was very well written, and much labour must have been spent in its preparation. A vote of thanks was moved by Watkinson, seconded by Eddy-Jones, and carried unanimously.

20th Jan., 1914.—A paper was read by J. L. Bradbury on the subject of "Collecting and Drying Leaves." He commenced by pointing out the suitability of leaf collecting as a hobby, and went on to name the requisites for carrying it on. Bradbury next proceeded to describe some methods of mounting the leaves. A vote of thanks was proposed to Bradbury for a most interesting and exceedingly well composed paper, by Eddy-Jones, and seconded by Chadderton. When this proposition was put to the meeting it was passed with applause.

3rd March, 1914.—At this meeting A. M. Cleverley read an excellent paper entitled "Ravagers of the Forest." He said that the greatest ravagers of the forest are really what one would least expect. They are not of any formidable appearance, but are the tiniest of living things. He concluded by saying that in his ignorance Man often puts to death some inoffensive creatures as "Ravages of the Forest." The attendance at this meeting was poor owing to other attractions. Cleverley was thanked by Mr. Pym for a very interesting paper. J. A. E.-J.

THE METEOROLOGICAL SECTION.

Thanks to the unremitting care of Dr. Potter, the progress of the section during this present year has been very good, although there have not been many meetings held owing to Speech Day and Cricket. The number of readers has diminished to eight, but these eight are very enthusiastic. One member is attempting to make a new weather vane, since the one on the top of the School tower is so stiff that only gales will move it, and the courageous caretaker refused an invitation to ascend in the world and oil it. The record of the temperatures and rainfall is still being kept.

The section regrets the loss of its hardworking and enthusiastic secretary, S. H. Stott, who left early in the year. At a meeting, held on February 2nd, G. E. Wallace was elected secretary, and J. L. Bradbury a member of the committee.

G.E.W.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION.

For the first time in the history of this section we had a full programme of papers for the whole session, but unfortunately the rehearsals for Speech Day upset our arrangements as they did in the other sections.

At the meetings which were held, all of which were well attended, we had some very interesting papers read to us. We were pleased to welcome several new members this year, who took great interest in the work of the section, and particularly in the practical demonstrations under the management of Dr. Potter.

C.E.



Gymnasium Notes.

THE high standard of gymnastics attained last year has been steadily maintained, if not, as in the case of boxing, excelled this year. At the end of the Easter term a very successful gymnastic competition was held. As usual the competitors were the six teams (three senior and three junior teams) representing the three Houses. For weeks

before the captains of the respective Houses were spending all their spare time in putting their teams through their paces. The competition was very keen between Assheton and Platt; it was only at the very end that it could be decided who was the winner. However, Assheton was awarded the gymnastic shield, Platt being a close second. Lees House was third.

		WINNER		SECOND	
DRILL:	Junior	.....	Lees 4	.....	Platt 2
	Senior	.....	Assheton 8	.....	Platt 4
LADDER:	Junior	.....	Assheton 4	.....	Platt 2
	Senior	.....	Assheton 8	.....	Platt 2
BARS:	Junior	.....	Assheton 4	.....	Platt 2
	Senior	Platt 8	Assheton 4

Totals: Assheton 28 points, Platt 22 points, Lees 4 points.

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After the Competition a handball contest took place. The results of these were as follows:—

	SENIOR		JUNIOR		TOTAL
Assheton	8	.....	4	.....	12
Platt	—	.....	6	.....	6
Lees	16	.....	2	.....	18

Lees House thus winning the handball competition. The teams were very evenly matched and all the encounters were very exciting.

Several handball matches were held during the Easter term, and great interest was shown in them. Of the senior forms Form V. proved itself to be the strongest side, whilst Form IIIb. was almost invincible among the juniors.

The great interest taken in boxing during the Christmas term gradually waned as the cricket season drew nearer, until, at length, the number of enthusiasts was reduced to one. This is rather disheartening and the committee hope that interest in boxing will be renewed next term.

A.G., A.M.C.

The Library.

THIS term's work has been quite satisfactory. Not so many boys have availed themselves of the use of the lending library, but those who did so read the best of our classics. Of course during the summer months, boys cannot be expected to read as much as during the Christmas and Easter terms, but the attendance on library days was quite as good as might be expected. Since the library has been opened to all, more boys have availed themselves of the use of the reference library; the books most frequently read being those on natural history, thus showing the stimulus that the Natural History Society is giving to the study of nature.

We are sorry to have to state that only one library book has been received this last term from Old Boys. However, we have much pleasure in thanking J. A. Bunting for the valuable book, "With the Airmen," by Grahame-White and H. Harper, which he has given to the library. Perhaps Old Boys are puzzled as to the style of book they ought to choose; if so, the librarians would be pleased to advise them. However, we hope that in our next issue we shall be able to report many more additions.

Two new pictures grace the walls of the library. The one is an enlarged photograph of the late Captain Scott, with Mount Erebus in the background, which was presented to the School by Commander Evans, whose late leader had left instructions that some interesting photograph of the expedition should be sent to the schools which were the principal subscribers. Though it was not in Captain Scott's mind that the portrait should be one of himself, Commander Evans was of opinion that the schools would appreciate such a portrait.

The other is an enlarged portrait of the dog, "Oldham," which accompanied the expedition, and which was provided by means of the School subscription. The photograph was presented to the library by Form IV. A.M.C., C.E.

Debating Society Notes.

THE late session has been remarkable for the number of able and eloquent speeches which have been delivered to the society. Every member has had something to say, and has said it well. If this standard continues the School will soon be providing orators of the first quality. In the first half of the session Mr. Hall, and in the second half of the session Mr. Rust, helped to foster the aspirations of budding speakers, doing much to banish the enervating embarrassment which is apt to ruin many a maiden speech. Soon all nervousness had fled, and our anxiety lay not in the obtaining of speeches, but rather in giving an opportunity to everyone to expound his views. We are therefore pleased to report a highly successful session.

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REPORTS OF MEETINGS OF SOCIETY (January—April).

January 26th, 1914.—On this date S. R. Chaloner proposed that "Aviation is Beneficial to Mankind," J. Stott opposing. The proposer in a plain but lucid speech dealt with the subject from three distinct points of view: (1) the scientific; (2) the national; and (3) the general. The opposer attempted briefly to controvert the proposer's arguments, after which he advanced aviation's many disadvantages. The motion was affirmed by 23 votes to 4.

February 2nd, 1914.—An impromptu debate was held on this date. Several measures, some humorous and some of great moment, were discussed with exceptional keenness, and all members present, except two, delivered speeches.

February 9th, 1914.—On this date Noble proposed and A. L. Hardie opposed the motion that "The Railways of England ought to be Nationalised." The proposer pointed out that the railways, if nationalised, would be run for the convenience of the public and not the pockets of the shareholders; that railway servants would receive better treatment;

and finally that such profits as might appear would serve to relieve the public exchequer. The opposer, in a fairly eloquent speech, attempted to show the falsity of the proposer's delusive benefits by instancing the foreign state railways. He concluded his speech with a diatribe against officialism. The motion was defeated by 16 votes to 9.

April 2nd, 1914.—The chief event of the School debating Society—its annual tea—was held on the above date. Mrs. Pickford, assisted by Mrs. Cockell and Mrs. Potter, provided a tea as good as those of former years. We can pay it no higher compliment than that. In the evening a mock trial was held which caused much merriment amongst the spectators. The judge (the headmaster) ably upheld the dignity of the bench, and gave a typical example of the methods of law by suspending the action *sine die*. The cause is still pending, so we are prohibited from making any comment, adverse or otherwise, upon it. After the sitting of the court a concert was held in the hall, and this suitably brought to its close what was voted one of the best debating society teas known.

G.T.L.

Athletic Sports.

THE Sports were held on Tuesday, April 30th, in fine but cold weather, before a good number of spectators, who saw some capital racing and many exciting finishes, in particular a dead heat between Lees and Watkinson in the Senior 220 in the excellent time of 23 seconds. The Senior Championship, again won by S. Marlor, was again decided on the last event—The Hurdles. The Junior Championship was won easily by N. Lees. The best performance of the afternoon was G. T. Lees' quarter mile in 58½secs. A splendid effort on a grass track with so many difficult corners. Good form was also shown by S. Shaw, Taylor N., Brooks W. and P., Nuttall, and Bradley F. Swales won the Old Boys' Race in taking style, and received a great ovation for his masterly manipulation of the egg and spoon.

After the Sports the Prizes were presented in Big School by the Mayoress of Oldham (Mrs. Herbert Wilde).

The thanks of all are due to S. Marlor for much hard work in connection with the Sports, and to all others who helped to make them the success they were—to Mrs. Pickford in particular. The efforts of the Oldham Postal Band too, should not be passed by unnoticed.

RESULTS.

Throwing Cricket Ball (under 14).—1 Lees N., 2 Taylor N., 3 Garstang. Distance 68yds. 2ft.

One Mile Scratch (Open).—1 Watkinson, 2 Carrington, 3 Chaloner. Time 5mins. 22secs.

Long Jump (under 14).—1 Taylor N., 2 Lees N., 3 Holden G. F. Distance 13ft. 2in.

Long Jump (Open).—1 Shaw S., 2 Marlor, 3 Carrington
Distance 15ft. 5in.

220 yds. Handicap (under 12).—1 Brooks W., 2 Winterbottom H. Time 33½secs.

220 yds. Handicap (12-14).—1 Lees N., 2 Bradley F.
Time 27¾secs.

220 yds. Handicap (14-16).—1 Shaw S., 2 Hodgkinson.
Time 27¾secs.

220 yds. Handicap (over 16).—1 Lees G. T. and
Watkinson (dead heat). Time 23secs.

Quarter-Mile Scratch (under 14).—1 Lees N., 2 Taylor N., 3 Holt F. Time 73½secs.

Quarter-Mile Scratch (Open).—1 Lees G. T., 2
Watkinson, 3 Marlor. Time 58½secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball (Open).—1 Barlow, 2 Fitton N.,
3 Shaw S. Distance 86yds.

100 yds. Scratch (under 14).—1 Lees N., 2 Taylor N.
Time 14¾secs.

100 yds. Scratch (Open).—1 Marlor, 2 Watkinson.
Time 11½secs.

100 yds. Handicap (under 12).—1 Brooks P., 2 Beaumont. Time 14¾secs.

100 yds. Handicap (12-14).—1 Bradley F., 2 Walton. Time 12¾secs.

100 yds. Handicap (14-16).—1 Shaw S., 2 Hodgkinson. Time 11¾secs.

100 yds. Handicap (over 16).—1 Watkinson, 2 Spencer. Time 11¾secs.

Half-Mile (under 14).—1 Lees N., 2 Taylor N.

Half-Mile (Open).—1 Watkinson, 2 Carrington.

High Jump (under 14).—1 Nuttall, 2 Garstang.
Distance 3ft. 10ins.

High Jump (Open).—1 Marlor, 2 Shaw S. Height 4ft. 6ins.

Obstacle Race (under 14).—1 Bradbury C. F., 2 Page.

Obstacle Race (14-16).—1 Stott J., 2 Chaloner.

120 yds. Hurdle Race (under 14).—1 Lees N., 2 Burnett.

120 yds. Hurdle Race (Open).—1 Marlor, 2 Shaw S.

Egg and Spoon Race (under 12).—1 Rodgers, 2 Mellor.

600 yds. School Handicap.—1 Watkinson, 2 Hayes.

Old Boys' Race.—1 Swales, 2 Schofield J. A.

Old Boys' Tug-of-War.—Stopford's Team.

Tug-of-War (Inter-House).—Platt House.

Senior Championship Cup (presented by Mrs. C. E. Lees).—Marlor.

Junior Championship Cup (presented by the Right Hon. Lord Emmott).—Lees N.

House Challenge Shield (presented by Dr. H. T. Gill).—Platt House.

Football.

THE season 1913-14 cannot be said to have been one of the most successful on record. The team, however, was better than the results would indicate, generally showing good combination and clever work in mid-field. Two causes contributed to its non-success—lack of dash and too much “cleverness” when it would have been far more profitable to make straight for goal, and the fact that the side was a very small one. In fact the Sixth Form supplied only three members of the 1st XI, no less than 6 being members of Form V.

One pleasing result of the season was the discovery of many promising juniors who, if only they will continue to take their football as a vital part of their School career, should in future seasons regain for the School that reputation which it has somewhat lost during the past few seasons. The attendance at practice games was well up to the average, and towards the end of the season keenness was marked. The House Competition was keen, though in the end Lees House won rather easily. Lees G. T., Lees N., Garstang, Latham, Holt, and Brooks P. made up the winning “six.”

A little more self-sacrifice—if sacrifice it can be called in such a cause, a little more thoughtfulness, a little more esprit de corps, and there is no reason why the season 1914-15 should not be a great success. F.H.C. and G.T.L.

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CRITIQUE OF 1ST XI.

GRAY A. (Goal). On the whole brilliant, but on a few occasions has given disappointing displays. Must be more uniform. Has a weak kick and is a little shaky with high shots.

LEES G. T., Captain (Left Back). A sound left back with plenty of pace, kicks well and accurately, and nearly always places the ball to the best advantage. Never tires. A good captain on and off the field.

SHAW S. (Right Back). Has acquitted himself well in a position strange to him. A fairly strong kick, but not quick enough in recovery. Has been handicapped by lack of weight. Must keep going all through the game.

SPENCER C. H. (Left Half). A half who tries. Is inclined to place the ball too far in front of his forwards; is rather slow but tackles well. Should be very useful next season.

CARRINGTON N. (Centre Half). A bustling half, erratic and inclined to neglect opposing inside forwards. Wanders too much, often usurping the centre forward's position.

WEBSTER T. (Right Half). A plucky player but too small. Is very slow.

HODGKINSON G. (Left Outside). A clever dribbler who should practise square centres. Has played many useful games. Lacks dash.

MARLOR S. (Left Inside). A speedy forward but lacks necessary weight. Should shoot more often.

ROSEBLADE H. (Centre Forward). One of the best forwards the School has known for some years. Excels alike in dribbling, heading, and opening out the game. An extremely tricky and accurate shot.

HYNES F. (Right Inside). A small player who dribbles well but often too long. Lacks dash and speed. Shoots well.

LEES N. (Outside Right). The discovery of the year. A fearless and swift player. Is however inclined to wander and hinder the inside man. Must practice square centres and placing corners.

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By the time these lines appear in print a new season will be well on its way, and it may not be out of place to appeal for a more ready regard to the best interests of the School to which all owe so much. Without whole-hearted enthusiasm for

companions and decide which are most worthy of imitation, but their own conduct tends to fix the purpose and form the principles of their lives. Let a young man seek, where possible, the society of men better than himself, for their example is always inspiring. If they are stronger in will or character than he is, he becomes a participator in their strength. The example of a great and good man is contagious and compels imitation.

Most young men of generous minds, especially if they are readers of books, find heroes to admire. On the contrary, men of small and ungenerous minds cannot admire any one heartily. To their misfortune they cannot recognise, much less reverence, great men and great things. The mean man admires what is mean. The small snob finds his ideal of manhood in the great snob. The slave dealer values a man according to his muscles. Dennis, the hangman, in "Barnaby Rudge," admired nothing but a man's neck. A man of the world can see nothing to admire but success. Men of inferior type, instead of trying to raise themselves to the level of their betters, are smitten with envy, and regard the success of others, even in a good cause, as a personal offence. On such men example is thrown away. A silk purse cannot be made out of a sow's ear.

One of the great uses of biography is to teach what a man can be and what he can do. The humblest, when they read of this, may admire and take hope. The examples set by the great and good dō not die.

"He is not dead, whose glorious mind
Lifts thine on high;
To live in hearts we leave behind
Is not to die."

A.M.C.

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Cambridge Letter.

To the Editor of the Hulmeian.

Dear Sir,

To sit down and write you a Cambridge Letter is, on second thought, a more difficult business than one would think who rashly gives his consent without considering the subject, and as I think, the matter, to serve its purpose well, should be both interesting, instructive, and amusing, I find a reasonable blending of the above data requires not only an intimate knowledge of Cambridge and its ways, but also, and what is more important, the correct mental attitude, well in sympathy to do both myself and the letter justice. Since writing my last letter, two of our O. B.'s have gone down from the 'Varsity. I refer of course, to F. K. (King's) and J. S. (St. John's). F. K., as I predicted, obtained his shooting "blue," and in addition scored a 2nd Class in the Natural Science Tripos. J. S., I understand, obtained the degree of ordinary B.A. Of our present members S. S. H. (King's) has just scored a 2nd Class in the Natural Science Tripos, and this at the end of his second year.

We part with those who are gone with regret. For ourselves, our love for Alma Mater is so great, and the kind invitations from the Chancellor to meet him (at examinations) so pressing, that to oblige him we still remain within call.

To those who are coming up we give a hearty welcome, and plenty of sound advice. For, from my experience, nowhere will they find life happier, and with the splendid equipment to be found coupled with the generous aid freely offered by the various authorities, nowhere again will they find an easier way to the fulfilment of their desires than at Cambridge, provided they are prepared to do their share of work.

It was my intention when beginning this letter to say a few words about sport, and also to relate an amusing little

anecdote which I heard from a friend a few weeks ago. Space, however, is too limited to admit of this, and further news must wait for insertion in a subsequent letter.

Wishing the School every success,

Yours truly,

CANTAB.

Old Boys' Notes.

The Council of the Old Boys' Association have received the following letter from the Governors:—

Hulme Grammar School,

Oldham, 6th May, 1914.

Dear Mr. Barlow,

Mr. Booth has instructed me to send you the following Resolution, which was passed by the Governors at their meeting on Monday, the 4th of May:—

“That the Governors have much pleasure in hereby recording their warmest thanks to all those who are now, or have been in the past, connected with the schools, and have been instrumental in forming and carrying on ‘The Old Boys’ Association,’ the Governors believing that such Associations tend not only to raise the status of the Schools and to increase the public interest in them, but also to create and foster lasting friendships and good feeling amongst both the past and present pupils of the Schools.”

Yours truly,

S. BIRTWISTLE, Assistant Clerk.

R. BARLOW, Esq.

It is very gratifying to know that your efforts are appreciated, and to feel that what you have tried to do has met with recognition.

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The considerable increase in membership two or three years ago has not been maintained, and there are many Old

Boys who have not joined us. During the last year or so the Committee was disappointed by the lack of support from the members for new proposals and by the failure of Old Boys to join the Association, but now, after receiving such an appreciation as the above they feel encouraged to go on, and keep the members in touch with one another and the Old School, and by every possible means to try to make the Association active and alive. As to the last year's programme the Dinner and Soirée were reported in the last issue, and as usual were very successful. Football matches were arranged against the Warrington Old Boys. We were unable to send a team to Warrington, but for the return match here a very good team was got up. In fact the number of names sent in was largely in excess of the number required. At the last moment the Warrington team cancelled the match, and it had to be abandoned.

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On the 30th of May, the Annual Picnic was held. This time Buxton was chosen as the objective. Those who did not turn up missed a very enjoyable outing. The number was disappointing, only 18 Old Boys starting, and as the motor had to be paid for there was a big loss on the trip. Unless much better support is given next year, these annual affairs will not be held.

The char-a-banc started from the Lyceum at 1-30 and went through Manchester to Cheadle and Alderley. The country looked its best, the hawthorn and horse chestnuts in full bloom were a sight to behold. The course now was straight down the Congleton Road as far as Monksheath, where the road turned off to Macclesfield. A stop to refresh the inner man and to examine the town was made, and both matters were attended to. It is a very quaint old town and is quite worth a visit. Now a start was made for Buxton. The character of the scenery changed; bleak moorland took the place of the pleasant rural country, overcoats were

buttoned up, and the sharp cool wind braced us up for our tea at the Shakespeare Hotel at Buxton. After a good tea the town was explored, each enjoying himself in his own way, and we met again at 8-30 to start for home. Oldham was reached about 11 o'clock, and everyone voted that the day's outing was a great success.

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Now as to our future programme. This winter it is intended to have the usual Annual Dinner, and the Committee are considering the possibility of getting prominent public men to come as guests to those dinners, either this year or in the near future. If this is done it is hoped that the members will turn up in large numbers. Either a Soirée or Dance will be held, and in addition it is hoped to arrange some other events during the winter.

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S. S. HAMMERSLEY. Second Class in the Natural Science Tripos (Part I.) at Cambridge.

J. KERSHAW. Third Class in the Mathematics Tripos (Part I.) at Cambridge.

W. K. SLATER. First Class in the Honours School of Chemistry at Manchester; £50 Graduate Scholarship and Leblanc Medal for Applied Chemistry.

J. W. SLATER. First Class in Chemistry Honours at Manchester.

R. W. WILDE. First Class in Mathematics Honours at Manchester.

ERIC BRIERLEY. Bachelor of Commerce, Manchester.

J. SWALES has passed all three parts of Part I. for Mathematics Honours at Manchester.

J. WRIGLEY has completed his course at Sheffield Training College and obtained a First Class.

G. T. LEES. Open Entrance Exhibition (£50 a year) for
Mathematics at St. John's College, Cambridge.

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F. A. Hilton plays regularly for the 1st XI. of Moorside
C.C., A. W. Midgley for Friarmere 1st XI., R. E. Taylor and
G. Halliwell for Werneth 2nd XI. C. A.

