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## AN OLD BOY'S REMINISCENCES.

I HAVE been asked by the Editors of the *Chronicle* to commit to writing a few recollections of Giggleswick School, as I knew it; and I gladly comply with the request, though it is a little saddening to find oneself thus taken to represent the palæozoic period of its history.

I entered Giggleswick after the summer holidays of 1851. The first thing that struck me was the clean, bright look of everything. Coming from Wakefield, a town blackened by collieries and factories, the cleanness of the limestone roads, the grey brow of Castleberg, lit up by the sun, the white-washed houses in Settle, and above all the purity of the Ribble, as compared with the Calder, made a deep impression on me. It was arranged that I should board with Mrs. Edmondson, in Settle, who had then but one other boarder in her house, Benjamin Hinde, a son of the Vicar of Featherstone. Hinde was a singularly active fellow, who had often, as a boy at home, followed the hounds on foot for seven or eight miles at a stretch. When at Oxford, later on, he would perform feats of vaulting over chairs and tables rivalling those of his contemporary Calverley at Cambridge. He died, a hard-working clergyman, in the prime of life.

School, in those days, began at a quarter past eight in the morning. The distance from Settle, about three-quarters of a mile, was done in the few minutes that remained after a breakfast scrambled over in a space of time equally short. I don't know what modern mammas would think of it. The number in the school was then limited to eighty. The Headmaster, whose reputation for scholarship brought boys from such distances as myself, was Dr. Butterton, who, in 1827, at Cambridge had been third classic and eighth wrangler. The second master was Mr. Howson, who taught his classes at the lower end of the large school-room. The third master, for writing and arithmetic, Mr. Langhorne, had a classroom upstairs.

The morning began with prayers, in English, read by the Doctor from Mant's *Domestic Liturgy* (I think the book was named); and then we had classical work till twelve. The afternoon, from two o'clock, was spent in mathematics. I forget at what hour we left off in the afternoon. In winter, of course, it would not be later than four, as we had no artificial lights. Saturday was a whole holiday, and glorious were the excursions we then made, to Gordale Scaur, Penyghent, Whelpstones, and where not. On the road to Malham Moor, I think it was, there was a spot that became pretty well despoiled of its treasures in my time. This was Clattering Sykes, a spot on the wet moor where encrinites were once abundant. I fear we left it as bare of them as Carnelian Bay now is of carnelian. Cricket never throve, partly owing to the difficulty of finding level ground on which to practise. But once a team of us went by coach to Clitheroe, only to be ignominiously defeated. Boating was tried for a few weeks, in spite of the difficulties of the river. News got about that an ingenious artisan of the neighbourhood had converted the longitudinal half of a long narrow boiler into a four-oar, by closing in the ends, and attaching seats and rowlocks to it. This was purchased, or tried on trial, and into it some of us got, but the nature of the craft, round-bottomed and with no keel, to say nothing of its being made of sheet-iron, made it so difficult to navigate through the rapids of the Ribble, that we were glad to get rid of it.

What we dignified with the name of a gymnasium was established at the lower end of the playground, and proved a real success. It consisted of two stout posts, fixed into the ground about six feet apart. Each was crossed, about five feet from the ground, by two shorter pieces, in the ends of which could be fixed a pair of parallel bars. A high pole, also movable, could be fitted between the tops of the two upright posts; so that a variety of exercises was possible. The total cost was 17s. 6d., a neighbouring carpenter completing it for that sum. I can recall the amount with precision, as I was pressed to advance 7s. 6d. towards it; a circumstance which, as that was an entire half-year's pocket-money, somewhat weighed upon my mind.

Nothing is commoner, in reminiscences of this nature, than to quote the words "There were giants in those days." I do not presume to make any exception. I look back on the two who were at the head of the school when I entered (both, alas! now dead) as remarkable men. The captain was Jackson Mason, son of the Vicar of Normanton, who in after life himself became Vicar of Settle. On leaving school he obtained an entrance scholarship at Trinity College, Cambridge, and much was expected of him. He had a fine classical taste, and great powers of memory; but these gifts were neutralized by persistent ill health. John Burrow, the second in position, was the son of a surgeon, then deceased, in Settle. He went up to St. Catharine's College, Cambridge, and took a fair degree, but his real bent was to geology. He made a large collection of fossils, from the limestone district, part of which were afterwards purchased by the Woodwardian Museum. It was always said, in later life, that he bore a strong likeness to Anthony Trollope, at least as represented by his photographs. His novel "Jabez Oliphant" is still remembered.

My own immediate competitor, after this brood of "giants" had passed away, was Thomas Bramley, late Headmaster of Colfe's School, Lewisham, himself now no longer with us. He went to Oxford, I to Cambridge; so that our ways became separated.

The great prize-day of the year was then the twelfth of March, when "speeches" were recited before a large assembly. The curious custom still prevailed of giving each of the boys half a pound of figs; which, I am sorry to confess, were chiefly expended by them in pelting one another or the visitors. By "speeches" I mean passages of poetry, such as the beginning of Byron's *Giaour*. And here I could not but wonder at what even then seemed a want of finer perception—perhaps the only one I ever noticed—in our revered Headmaster. He prepared the boys for their recitations by the help of Enfield's *Speaker*; and we were all taught, at recurring periods, to go through "common action," that is, advancing the right arm and right leg simultaneously, and then retreating with both, in a way that

must have seemed curiously mechanical and wooden. But the audience was ever ready to be pleased. In the evening of the 12th, the Governors dined in the Library—at least, that was the scene of the festivity one year.

The mention of the Library reminds me that that institution was begun by Dr. Butterson. He got parcels of books periodically from London, and by way of light reading took in for us the *Leisure Hour*; and I remember with what eagerness we received the first number of that respectable periodical, with its picture of a snow-storm in the Simplon Pass. Perhaps the picture impressed us more from having the reality so near at hand. We often had hard winters, when skating was a welcome addition to our amusements. It was carried on under some difficulties, owing to the distance of any suitable sheet of water. "Tommy Crook" was the nearest; but which way it lay I cannot now recall, nor the reason for its peculiar name. This we would resort to on moonlight nights during a frosty week. On Saturdays we could get as far as the Tarn at Malham, and on those days, with six miles to walk there, and six back, besides the skating, we earned our night's rest.

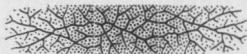
There was something very delightful in the liberty we then enjoyed. Now that the school has grown so much, I do not know if bounds of any kind have to be enforced. Our only boundary then was the horizon, unless some angry farmer checked us for trespassing. This was rare; but I remember once being recalled by a tremendous "Coom a'at o't gerss, da gert gorpeead" from a voice behind me. The ready welcome, the kind hospitality, met with by belated parties of us, at many a farmhouse, leaves a remembrance still fresh and pleasant after long years are past. No doubt, what we then thought to be something like feats, in walking or other forms of exercise, have been often surpassed by our successors. But I should like to put it upon record that one of my schoolfellows, Denham Tomlinson, several times dived into Stainforth Force, when the water was high, taking his header from the edge of the rock over which the fall shoots. He came up some

distance lower down the pool, and said the water was very buoyant from its depth. He was a boy absolutely without fear.

But it is more than time to bring these reminiscences to a close. It is a marvel to me how boys in London, with only shop fronts to pass on their way to school instead of pine-clad scaurs, with under-ground railways instead of breezy paths along meadow or moor, can cherish any affectionate regard for the place of their education. They seem to do so. It is a pleasing feature in human nature that it should be so. But one who, in his boyhood, has breathed the invigorating air of the Yorkshire dales, has stood on Ingleborough, or breasted an east wind on Malham Moor, should have something to inspire him through life beyond anything of which his town-bred cousins can boast.

J. H. LUPTON,

*Sur-Master of St. Paul's School.*



## THE CONCERT.

THE Concert given at the end of last term was, in the opinion of most of the audience, the best that has yet been given at the School. We heartily congratulate Mr. Wood and Mr. Watkins on this result of their hard work.

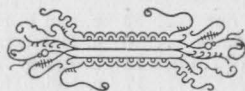
The excellence of the work was perhaps most evident in the Orchestra, which could hardly have been excelled by any school in England. The orchestral pieces given were "March" (*Fabian Rose*), "Gavotte" (*Reyloff*), "Serenade for Strings" (*Mozart*), and a Waltz "Ninette" (*Theo. Bonheur*). All of these went really well, Mozart's Serenade being perhaps the best.

The Choral Society sang three glees; "Night, lovely night" (*Berger*); "All among the barley" (*Eliz. Stirling*), and "Blow, ye gentle breezes blow" (*Marks*); the Trebles also sang a Vocal Hornpipe, by *Chas. Vincent*, with violin and piano accompaniments. All these pieces were very successfully rendered and showed a distinct improvement in light and shade and in the balance of the parts.

In the vocal solos, Mr. Rees was heartily encored for his characteristic singing of "Off to Philadelphia," and gave "Father o' Flynn" with equal success. H. F. Greaves's simple and unaffected singing of Michael Watson's pathetic song "The Song for me" was certainly one of the greatest successes of the Concert.

Three Violin Solos were given; a Concerto of Mendelssohn by Mr. Watkins, "Sonata in F" (*Corelli*) by J. C. Teasdale and "Thüringisches Volkslied" (*Jules Weiss*) by A. de Tscharner. Of the excellence of Mr. Watkins' performance it is needless to speak; Teasdale played a difficult piece very creditably and de Tscharner thoroughly well deserved the hearty applause which he received.

N. McQueen and N. Heigham each played a Piano Solo and both succeeded well; the latter had the more showy piece and displayed remarkable execution for his age, while McQueen successfully met the difficulties of his piece. "Willow the King," "Auld Lang Syne," and "God save the Queen" as usual concluded the Concert.



## CRICKET.

## DORMITORY MATCHES.

D. v. E.

THIS match was of a somewhat sensational nature, as E. though a weak team, pulled themselves together and managed to make the bigger score in the first innings. This was mainly due to the fearless batting of Ramsbotham, who treated the D. bowling with little respect, he also received valuable assistance from Sutcliffe and Watson. In the second innings E. did not do as well, and D., bent on revenge, hit off the necessary runs with a loss of only three wickets.

D.		2nd Innings.	
1st Innings.			
*W. G. Hardie, b. Watson . . . . .	15	c. Moon, b. Watson . . . . .	13
*C. C. Holland, c. Ramsbotham, b. Clapham . . . . .	4	c. Moon, b. Clapham . . . . .	7
*E. Holmes, b. Watson . . . . .	1	l.b.w. b. Watson . . . . .	7
*S. Jackson, c. Atkinson, b. Clapham . . . . .	25	not out . . . . .	17
H. P. Heigham, c. Moon, b. Watson . . . . .	8	to bat.	
C. F. R. Hartley, not out . . . . .	13	not out . . . . .	2
T. E. Peck, l.b.w. b. Watson . . . . .	0	} to bat.	
J. B. Peck, b. Clapham . . . . .	2		
F. Astley, b. Watson . . . . .	2		
A. Moore, l.b.w. b. Clapham . . . . .	2		
C. S. Cauterley, c. Bilbrough, b. Watson . . . . .	1		
Extras . . . . .	8	Extras . . . . .	3
	<hr/> 81		<hr/> 45
E.		2nd Innings.	
1st Innings.			
H. Ramsbotham, run out . . . . .	33	c. and b. Holmes . . . . .	0
F. R. Atkinson, b. Holmes . . . . .	0	c. Hartley, b. Astley . . . . .	7
W. H. Watson, l.b.w. b. T. Peck . . . . .	14	b. Astley . . . . .	2
H. Sutcliffe, b. Holmes . . . . .	17	c. Heigham, b. Holmes . . . . .	4
H. L. Moon, b. T. Peck . . . . .	3	run out . . . . .	0
R. Clapham, b. Astley . . . . .	5	c. Moore, b. Holmes . . . . .	1
G. W. Bilbrough, b. Astley . . . . .	5	c. Peck, b. Holmes . . . . .	7
H. Atkinson, c. Peck, b. Holmes . . . . .	1	b. T. Peck . . . . .	10
G. F. C. White, c. Peck, b. Astley . . . . .	3	b. Holmes . . . . .	1
N. R. Temperley, b. Astley . . . . .	0	run out . . . . .	0
H. F. Smith, not out . . . . .	0	not out . . . . .	1
Extras . . . . .	9	Extras . . . . .	2
	<hr/> 90		<hr/> 35

\* Denotes a Colour.

## B. and C. v. A.

Anstead won the toss and decided to take the field. The innings began in a most unhappy way for A., as three wickets were down for the same number of runs. Teasdale put a little life into things and H. F. Greaves, played a sound defensive game and showed good promise, but nobody else could stand up against the bowling of Anstead and Hepworth, and the innings closed for 42. B. & C. began scoring at a great pace and soon passed their opponents score; when they had compiled 112 Anstead wisely declared the innings closed. And A. going in a second time did a little better, but could not save the innings defeat, being all out for 63.

1st Innings.	A.	2nd Innings.	
G. G. Firth, c. Darbishire, b. Anstead .....	0	b. Rolfe..... 3	
F. Driffield, c. Varley, b. Hepworth .....	4	b. Rolfe..... 8	
G. A. A. Wright, b Hepworth	2	b. Anstead .....	0
G. G. Watkins, b. Hepworth..	0	b. Anstead .....	4
S. Tolson, run out .....	1	c. Darbishire, b. Rolfe....	16
J. C. Teasdale, c. Rolfe, b. Hepworth .....	13	b. Rolfe.....	0
H. F. Greaves, not out .....	15	c. Rolfe, b. Anstead .....	10
G. M. Greaves, c. Varley, b. Hepworth .....	0	run out .....	10
F. S. B. Fletcher, b. Anstead	1	b. Rolfe.....	0
E. G. Lupton, b. Anstead ....	2	run out .....	2
F. J. Thornton, b. Anstead ..	0	not out .....	1
Extras.....	4	Extras.....	9
	<hr style="width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"/> 42		<hr style="width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"/> 63

## B. &amp; C.

*R. D. Anstead, c. Fletcher, b. Driffield.....	60
H. F. Smithson, run out .....	11
J. Hepworth, not out.....	12
R. Rolfe, b. Firth .....	3
H. E. Clapham, b. Driffield .....	2
W. Turton, not out.....	12
F. M. Bulley, b. Wright.....	2
H. Darbishire	} did not bat
G. Ainsworth	
L. Varley	
F. A. Craven	
Extras .....	10
	<hr style="width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"/> 112

## B. &amp; C. v. C. B.

Craven Bank were the first to bat and at first a moderate score seemed probable, but the 'tail' collapsed in such a startling fashion that the last five wickets did not add a single run. B. & C., who had a strong batting side, compiled 140 before they were all out.

In the second innings A. Hacking played a capital game, and playing with perfect confidence put a better aspect on the game, but he found little assistance, and the innings closed for 157, of which A. Hacking claimed 116. B. & C. then hit the remaining runs off with the loss of Smithson's wicket only, thus winning by 9 wickets.

C. B.			
1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
*A. Hacking, b. Rolfe.....	20	not out .....	116
W. H. Hacking, run out ....	6	c. Bulley, b. Smithson ....	0
G. Hoffmann, c. Anstead, b. Rolfe .....	8	c. Bulley, b. Rolfe .....	11
F. Stirling, c. & b. Anstead ..	1	b. Rolfe.....	2
C. D. Hoffmann, b. Anstead ..	6	b. Anstead .....	9
C. R. Common, c. Rolfe, b. Anstead .....	1	b. Rolfe.....	0
N. Temperley, b. Rolfe.....	1	b. Rolfe.....	0
N. W. Jenkin, b. Rolfe.....	0	b. Anstead .....	1
R. M. Collinge, l.b.w. b. Anstead .....	0	b. Rolfe.....	4
D. F. Macnab, c. & b. Rolfe	0	b. Anstead .....	0
J. T. Kenyon, not out .....	0	b. Rolfe.....	4
Extras.....	8	Extras.....	10
	51		157

B. & C.			
1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
*R. D. Anstead, b. A. Hacking	23	not out .....	39
H. F. Smithson, l.b.w. b. W. H. Hacking.....	7	b. A. Hacking .....	6
R. Rolfe, b. A. Hacking ....	15		
J. Hepworth, c. C. D. Hoffmann, b. A. Hacking ....	51	not out .....	22
W. Turton, b. A. Hacking ..	0		
H. E. Clapham, b. A. Hacking	2		
F. M. Bulley, c. Temperley, b. W. H. Hacking .....	1		
H. Darbishire, b. A. Hacking	0	did not bat.	
L. Varley, c. Collinge, b. A. Hacking .....	9		
G. Ainsworth, run out .....	4		
F. A. Craven, not out .....	0		
Extras.....	22	Extras.....	3
	140		70

FINAL.—D. v. B. & C.

Great excitement was centred in this match as both teams were decidedly strong, though D. was perhaps the favourite. W. G. Hardie winning the toss elected to bat and making good use of the advantage, he and Heigham were not separated till the score stood at 98, when Heigham succumbed after a sound innings. Runs con-

tinued to come steadily till R. D. Anstead who evidently found his 'spot' dismissed the last few batsmen in quick succession. B. & C. never looked like making a large score, though Anstead played good cricket for 31, and Rolfe also played well for 21, but no others seemed to be able to manage the bowling, and the 'tail' collapsing the innings closed for 79. D. going in a second time again began well, W. G. Hardie and Heigham putting on 71 before Heigham was tempted by Anstead to step out at a 'slow.' But again the 'tail' failed and the innings ended for 113. B. & C. with their second effort scored 32 without losing a wicket, and then play stopped for the day.

The weather for the rest of the term entirely prevented the match being finished, and thus D. who were the holders of the cup, will continue to keep it for this year also.

D.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
*W. G. Hardie, b. Anstead .. 93	b. Smithson ..... 35
H. P. Heigham, c. & b. Varley 18	b. Anstead ..... 27
*J. Jackson, c. Rolfe, b. Anstead 9	b. Smithson ..... 14
*C. C. Holland, b. Anstead .. 14	c. Anstead, b. Smithson.... 1
C. F. R. Hartley, c. Smithson	
b. Rolfe ..... 0	b. Varley ..... 9
*E. Holmes, b. Anstead ..... 10	c. & b. Varley ..... 12
T. E. Peck, c. Smithson, b.	
Rolfe ..... 0	c. Varley, b. Smithson .... 2
A. Moore, b. Anstead..... 6	c. & b. Smithson..... 0
J. B. Peck, b. Anstead ..... 2	c. Anstead, b. Smithson .. 0
F. Astley, b. Anstead..... 0	not out ..... 0
H. Elliott, not out ..... 1	b. Smithson ..... 0
Extras..... 17	Extras..... 13
170	113

B. & C.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
*R. D. Anstead, c. Heigham,	
b. T. Peck ..... 31	not out..... 20
H. F. Smithson, run out .... 0	not out..... 11
J. Hepworth, b. Heigham.... 6	
R. Rolfe, not out ..... 21	
W. Turton, b. T. Peck ..... 2	
H. E. Clapham, b. Holmes .. 2	
F. M. Bulley, c. Hartley, b.	
T. E. Peck..... 0	
H. Darbishire, b. T. Peck .. 0	to bat.
L. Varley, b. T. Peck ..... 0	
G. Ainsworth, c. Moore, b.	
Astley ..... 1	
W. E. Phillip, c. Hartley, b.	
Astley ..... 3	
Extras..... 13	Extras..... 1
79	32

## FOOTBALL.

G. S. F. C. v. MR. REES' XV.

THE first match of the season was played on Saturday, September 26th, against a scratch team got together by Mr. Rees, consisting for the most part of Old Boys. We kicked off, and for the first few minutes it seemed as if the game might be a close one, but the superior combination of the opposing backs was soon evident, and ten minutes after the start the School line was crossed and shortly afterwards the scratch team again got over. This rapid scoring seemed to completely demoralize our forwards, the game as a consequence lacked a great deal of its interest. Hacking played in his best form and scored no less than three times. For the School, Stirling and Sutcliffe played hard among the forwards, but their efforts were not backed up by the rest. Hardie was the best of the outsiders.

The teams were: G. S. F. C.—H. P. Heigham (full back); \*W. G. Hardie, E. Holmes, W. H. Hacking, J. B. Leach (three-quarters); J. Hepworth, G. E. Garnett (halves); \*F Stirling, \*H. Sutcliffe, C. W. Lancaster, H. Elliott, G. G. Firth, G. G. Watkins, S. Tolson, H. F. Buckley (forwards).

\* Denotes a Colour.

Mr. Rees' Team.—J. Birkbeck (full back); J. C. Rees, F. T. Talbot, L. Hacking E. Sibbald (three-quarters); J. Maudsley, A. Hacking (halves); B. Hacking A. N. Smith, R. Rolfe, P. Reid, A. E. Buckley, J. Goodall, C. M. Wood, D. L. Chapman (forwards).

G. S. F. C. v. MR. TALBOT'S XV.

This match was played at Giggleswick on Saturday, October 31st, and ended in a victory for the School by 13 points (two goals and a try) to nil. The play at first ruled fairly even but the School forwards soon showed their superiority, and after some loose play, Elliott took a pass from Hardie and got over. The kick failed. There was more loose play, and the School forwards had a good deal the best of it, both in the scrummage

and in the loose, but the defence was safe and there was no more scoring before half-time. After half-time, Hardie scored twice with good runs, once making his own opening, and once from a pass from Hacking. Hardie and Holmes were the best of the outsides, the latter kicked very well. Stirling and Lancaster worked well in the scrummage, and Sutcliffe was very good out of touch.

The teams were: Mr. Talbot's XV.—E. A. Hooper (full back); H. R. Nelson, S. N. Yeadon, E. Sibbald (three-quarters); D. Bousfield, A. R. Chorley (halves); J. R. Wilkinson, C. W. Leather, W. H. Morrison, H. M. Newstead, A. E. N. Yeadon, C. M. Wood, H. M. F. Hammond (forwards).

G. S. F. C.—H. P. Heigham (full back); \*W. G. Hardie, E. Holmes, T. E. Peck, J. B. Peck (three-quarters); J. Hepworth, W. H. Hacking (halves); \*F. Stirling, \*H. Sutcliffe, C. W. Lancaster, H. Elliott, G. G. Firth, H. F. Buckley, F. S. B. Fletcher, G. Jenkinson (forwards).

\* Denotes a Colour.

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#### G. S. F. C. v. SEDBERGH.

Played at Sedbergh on Saturday, November 7th, and after a hard match, resulted in win for Sedbergh by a try to nil. The game was played in a continual downpour, and as the ground had only just recovered from two days' hard frost, it rendered accurate play quite impossible. Sedbergh won the toss and elected to play up the hill; Firth kicking off for Giggleswick. Play soon settled down near the half-way flag and continued there for some time. At length, the Sedbergh forwards rushed the ball into their opponents' '25,' but Giggleswick, with a short dribble, relieved to the centre. Again the Sedbergh forwards asserted themselves, but were driven back by Heigham, who kicked effectively into touch. From a scrummage, the ball was passed back to one of the Sedbergh three-quarters, whose pass to his wing was intercepted by Hardie, and, had the ground not been so slippery, he would doubtless have got well away. The game, to half-time, continued to

be splendidly contested, and once, from a bad kick of J. B. Peck, Sedbergh might have placed a goal. Half-time arrived shortly afterwards. Giggleswick now had to face the slope and the wind. Hacking received the ball from the kick-off, and returned it well into touch, near the half-way flag. From the line out, Sedbergh got away and were not checked until they reached the Giggleswick '25,' Elliott at this point saving well on two occasions. Temporary relief was brought by Hepworth and one or two forwards headed by Lancaster, but the ball falling into the hands of Clayton, Giggleswick were again driven back. Another rush by Giggleswick was frustrated in the same way, Broadbent this time putting in a strong kick well into touch. From now to the end of the game, play was confined to the Giggleswick '25,' and at length, Broadbent scored a try, the kick at goal failing. Soon afterwards time was called and the match ended as stated.

From start to finish the game was vigorously contested, Sedbergh having slightly the best of it especially in the second half. The play, naturally, on such a day, was confined almost entirely to the forwards, and as all worked hard, it is difficult to pick out any for special mention. Stirling, Elliott and Jenkinson, however, seemed the most conspicuous; Hepworth and Hacking, at half, did some good saving; and Hardie, at three-quarters, played consistently throughout; T. E. Peck's defensive play was good, and Heigham, at full back, made no mistakes.

The teams were: Sedbergh.—J. S. Clayton (full back); H. S. Broadbent, L. Hutchinson, H. K. Wright (three-quarters); C. Haydon, S. Thomson, (halves); H. J. Gandy, A. C. Hamilton, A. K. Ford, F. W. Odgers, A. E. Murray, H. P. May, L. Mandage, R. F. Young, L. H. Worthington (forwards).

G. S. F. C.—H. P. Heigham (full back); \*W. G. Hardie, E. Holmes, T. E. Peck, J. B. Peck (three-quarters); J. Hepworth, W. H. Hacking (halves); \*F. Stirling, \*H. Sutcliffe, C. W. Lancaster, H. Elliott, G. G. Firth, G. Jenkinson, F. S. B. Fletcher, H. F. Buckley (forwards).

\* Denotes a Colour.

## G. S. F. C. V. HEATH OLD BOYS.

This match was played at Giggleswick on Saturday, November 14th, in pouring rain. The ground was very wet, making play difficult. In spite of this, however, the game was a good one, being very even throughout, and the result was a pointless draw. We lost the toss and kicked off against the wind. At first our forwards held their own well in the scrummages, and Hardie was enabled to make a very fine run, while shortly afterwards all the three-quarters took part in some neat passing, though they failed to get in. Play continued in mid-field, Sutcliffe being noticeable 'out-of-touch,' but towards the end of the first half, though the visitors pressed us hard, and the game was chiefly in our '25,' a combined rush by our forwards and outsiders took the ball behind their goal line, though we failed to touch down. After half-time we were at first rather driven back into our own '25,' but gradually worked the ball up to their end, and Peck nearly got through, after some good passing by the other three-quarters and Hepworth. The last named soon after made a short but smart run, which started some more passing, but Peck was collared. The play was then transferred to the other end, and we had to act very much on the defensive, Firth being prominent. A free-kick was given against us, owing to off-side but the place kick was ineffectual. After a series of scrummages almost on our line, the ball was forced over, and a try claimed by the visitors, which was not allowed. Pressure was somewhat relieved, and shortly afterwards 'no-side' was called, leaving the match drawn.

The teams were: G. S. F. C.—\*H. P. Heigham (full back); \*W. G. Hardie, \*E. Holmes, \*T. E. Peck, S. Jackson (three-quarters); J. Hepworth, W. H. Hacking (halves); \*F. Stirling, \*H. Sutcliffe, \*C. W. Lancaster, \*H. Elliott, \*G. G. Firth, G. Jenkinson, F. S. B. Fletcher, H. F. Buckley (forwards).

Heath Old Boys.—G. W. Buckley (full back); J. Crossley, S. Broadhead, J. Longbottom (three-quarters); H. Goodall, K. Buckley (halves); P. Crabtree, W. Scarborough, W. Hill, L. Lewin, H. Pickles, A. E. Buckley, W. H. Watson, sub.; S. Tolson, sub. (forwards).

\*Denotes a Colour.

## G. S. F. C. V. ST. PETER'S.

Played at York on Saturday, November 21st. Firth kicked off for Giggleswick, and his kick being well returned the first scrummage took place near the half-way flag. The ball coming out to the Giggleswick three-quarters some ground was gained by good passing. Giggleswick were, however, driven back by an effective punt by Yeld, and Heigham, who received the ball, found touch near the centre. For a breach of the off-side rule St. Peter's were awarded a free kick in a favourable position, which they failed to turn to account, Heigham touching down. Firth dropped out, and his kick was well returned into the Giggleswick '25.' Some good passing between Hardie and Holmes relieved, and Jackson at this point saved well. Another free kick to York gained some ground, but Giggleswick now rushed the ball into the York '25.' Yeld gained much ground with a good kick which Heigham failed to field, and four or five St. Peter's forwards, who were well up, had no difficulty in rushing the ball over the line, Nelson falling on it; a goal was kicked. Firth kicked off, and Giggleswick now began to play with greater dash. After the forwards had carried one or two scrummages, the ball came out to Holmes, and he, running very strongly, scored a try behind the posts. With the score equal half-time arrived. Little time was lost in re-starting, and Giggleswick at once began to press. Hardie got right away from a line out, but was splendidly tackled by the full back. A few minutes later, however, he again got possession, and outpacing his opponents scored a try. Firth missed an easy place. Giggleswick at this period were getting the best of the game, but in their eagerness to score missed a good many opportunities. The forwards on one occasion, by too hard kicking, lost a certain try. York now made two desperate efforts to score, but Elliott, by a brilliant tackle of one of the York wing three-quarters, and Jenkinson, by a short dribble, prevented a score. Again St. Peter's were given a free kick, the ball falling into the hands of Holmes, who returned it well into touch. A few minutes later time was called. It was an excellent game, but we should certainly have increased our score.

The three-quarters must remember that passing, unless ground is gained, is mere waste of effort; playing against three three-quarters, as they were doing, the centres should have made it their aim to run perfectly straight, with the wing three-quarter backing them up closely. The half who stood back was too near the scrummage, and often was collared with the ball in his possession, and generally the ball came too slowly to the three-quarters to be effective. The forwards on the whole played well, but they should learn not to kick too hard when near the line, and to break up quicker when they have screwed the scrummage.

The teams were: G. S. F. C.—\*H. P. Heigham (full back); \*W. G. Hardie, \*E. Holmes, \*T. E. Peck, S. Jackson (three-quarters); J. Hepworth, W. H. Hacking (halves); \*F. Stirling, \*H. Sutcliffe, \*C. W. Lancaster, \*H. Elliott, \*G. G. Firth, G. Jenkinson, F. S. B. Fletcher, H. F. Buckley (forwards).

St. Peter's—H. P. Coning (full back); G. Yeld, B. Nelson, W. Bowman (three-quarters); H. Wheelwright, E. Walton (halves); H. Tomlinson, H. Greaves, F. Russell, R. Teasdale, E. Leaf, G. Walker, C. Moiser, C. Nelson, R. Bingham (forwards).

\* Denotes a Colour.

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#### G. S. F. C. v. LEEDS CLERGY SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, November 28th, at Giggleswick. The day was in ideal one for football, and the ground was in splendid condition. The visitors had brought with them several substitutes, notably D. V. Dyas, of Cheltenham and Blackheath fame. The game was a grand one from start to finish, and there were several brilliant incidents, notably W. G. Hardie's two tries for the school, which fairly "brought the house down." The school forwards did not play up to form in the first half, there being a tendency to slackness in the tight scrummages, which was probably the result of over-confidence; but we have nothing but praise for the splendid effort made in the second half to win the game. The School kicked off from the Workhouse end, and

Dyas returned into touch. The visitors started strongly, and got to the school '25.' Heigham sent them back with a good kick into touch, but they renewed the attack with vigour, and Dyas, eluding the vigilance of our half-backs, ran a short way and then dropped a goal just before Holmes could tackle him. After the kick-off there was more tight scrummaging and two short dribbles by our forwards, who were beginning to wake up, but the heeling of the 'reds' was painfully slow, and a great contrast to that of their opponents, who gave their halves and three-quarters some good chances; but the school tackling was very keen, and Heigham, who played a good game, deserves especial praise for his kicking. Jackson was prominent with some clever attempts to get away, and Hardie intercepted a pass, but their efforts were futile. The School now attacked for the first time, and were for some time on their opponents' line; but they succeeded in breaking away, and soon the school were defending. Dyas, ever on the alert, whipped up the ball from the scrummage, and dodged his way over the line. Clarke kicked a very good goal from far out. This roused the 'reds' to desperation, and they took the ball down the field in great style, and were not to be denied. Jackson took the ball from Hepworth and gave it to Hardie, who ran finely and scored between the posts. The kick, alas, failed, or we should have won by a point, instead of losing by that amount. Half-time arrived with Leeds Clergy nine points, School three points. The second half was keenly contested, but the school had the best of it. Sutcliffe returned the kick-off, and Lancaster headed a rush from an ensuing scrummage. The screwing of the forwards was all right, but they seemed to hesitate and allow the half to drop on it. The heeling out, however, was much better now, and Hardie nearly got over, only his slipping prevented a try. G. Jenkinson and T. Peck both threw away chances of scoring, but soon Hardie scored and Hepworth kicked a goal. The game was now fearfully exciting, and the School strained every nerve, but were unable to score, and the visitors won by a point. We think the School would have won if they had taken all their chances, but we are consoled with it being a grand match.

The teams were: G. S. F. C.—\*H. P. Heigham (full back); \*W. G. Hardie, \*E. Holmes, \*T. E. Peck, J. B. Peck (three-quarters); \*J. Hepworth, \*S. Jackson (halves); \*F. Stirling, \*H. Sutcliffe, \*C. W. Lancaster, \*H. Elliott, \*G. G. Firth, \*G. Jenkinson, \*F. S. B. Fletcher, \*H. F. Buckley (forwards).

Leeds Clergy.—E. J. Burbidge (full back); T. B. Seaton, C. D. Robinson, K. Clarke, F. T. Talbot (three-quarters); D. V. Dyas, C. J. Ferguson Davie (halves); W. G. Harrison, E. F. Jew, C. D. Cooper, D. J. Julius, H. S. Vaughan, W. M. Thompson, A. R. Upcher, R. N. Baron (forwards).

\*Denotes a Colour.

G. S. F. C. 2ND XV v. SEDBERGH 2ND XV.

This match was played on the school ground on November 7th, in a downpour of rain, and was won by Sedbergh by four tries to nil. The School kicked off from the Workhouse end, and immediately carried the ball into their opponents' '25.' From this position Jackson dribbled the ball over their line, but was ruled not to have touched down. Sedbergh from the kick-out carried play towards our goal line, and soon scored from a 'line out.' Sedbergh maintained their advantage, and one of their three-quarters getting away scored near the posts: They failed to convert. After half-time they pressed, and succeeded in getting two more tries—one of them by a forward rush. For a short time before 'no side' the play was in our opponents' half, but we were unable to score. The Sedbergh backs framed better than ours, possibly because they wore gloves. Jackson at three-quarters, Hartley and Waterhouse at half, played well. Our forwards more than held their own in the scrummage, but were outclassed in the open. Watson and Tolson were conspicuous amongst them for good work.

The teams were: G. S. F. C. 2nd XV.—C. W. Dawson (full back); S. Jackson, J. B. Leach, R. Stokes. R. G. Woodward (three-quarters); C. R. Hartley, A. H. Waterhouse (halves); W. H. Watson, S. Tolson, L. Swinbank, G. G. Watkins, G. Ainsworth, S. Helm, F. J. Thornton, H. Darbishire (forwards).

Sedbergh 2nd XV.—H. W. Johnson (full back); C. J. Kirkus, W. L. Turner, P. Williams (three-quarters); J. M. Young, F. W. Dawson (halves); A. R. Hollins, J. Cowan, H. A. Lewis, H. Carter, R. A. Cawenish, D. Waterworth, S. Bird, P. A. Blair, G. Dunn (forwards).

G. S. F. C. 3RD XV v. ILKLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played November 24th, at Giggleswick. 'Reds' kicked off, and play settled down in the Ilkley '25.' 'Reds' forwards shoved their opponents from the beginning, and in the first five minutes Helm broke through and scored. Stokes now scored two tries in succession, altogether puzzling the Ilkley three-quarters. Darbishire converted one of these. Ilkley kicked off, and Davis returned into touch. 'Reds' forwards now put in some very vigorous rushes, playing a good combined game, and breaking away with the ball in the middle of them. 'Reds' were awarded a free kick, and Smyth gained some ground. Stokes scored again from a good pass by Johnson, who all through fed Stokes very well. Thornton converted. Stokes rather monopolized the scoring, and altogether scored eight times. Half-time was now called—22 points. Ilkley kicked off, and Waterhouse was largely instrumental in adding another try. Both half backs played a very vigorous game, and the tackling was too brisk to let Ilkley have much chance of their three-quarters getting away. Waterhouse and Thornton scored, and Smyth made a good attempt at goal. Again the forwards broke away, with Darbishire and Thornton leading, but all played well. Smyth dropped a good goal to finish up with, from a free kick. Final score—4 goals (1 penalty goal), 8 tries.

G. S. F. C. 3rd XV.—W. Davis (full back); R. Stokes, T. S. Johnson, C. W. Dawson, W. Smyth (three-quarters); A. Waterhouse, W. E. Phillip (halves); H. Darbishire, F. Thornton, N. W. Jenkin, G. White, C. S. Catherley, F. Craven, S. Helm, H. W. Darbishire (forwards).

Ilkley.—Ingleby (full back); Spence, Porteous, Holroyd, Whitaker (three-quarters); Coulson, Payne (halves); J. Whitaker, Cattley, Neild, D. Whitaker, Pouting, Bennett, Outhwaite, Ward (forwards).

## THE FIRE.

EARLY on the morning of Wednesday, November 11th, an alarm of fire, first discovered by the watchfulness of the police, was raised, and before 2-45, all the inmates of the Hostel and other School buildings had dressed and turned out. The fire, as far as can be ascertained, originated in the small room of the Chemical Laboratory, and, by the time it was discovered, had spread to the roof and adjoining Lecture Room. With commendable promptness masters and boys were soon at work, the principle feature of which was the formation of a double line for the purpose of passing full buckets and returning empty ones from and to the Swimming Bath, which, for at least three hours, was the sole supply of water in any appreciable quantity. Two small hand engines were kept hard at work, and, though they were not very effective, it is certain that they and the buckets, at least prevented the fire from spreading to the adjacent buildings. Everyone worked with a will, but, until the arrival of an apparently forgotten hose from Settle, it seemed pretty certain that the whole Laboratory would be completely burnt out. About 5-30, a good supply of water, derived from a Fire Plug opposite the Music Cottage, was directed on to the flames by means of the hose, and in less than half-an-hour the flames were completely extinguished. The damage has of course been very great, Dr. Watts' losses still greater, and many of them irreparable. To Dr. Watts we offer our sympathies, warmly seconding the Headmaster's feeling speech at Prayers later on in

the day. All the day, and for many days following, great interest was taken in the examination of the charred contents of the buildings, and now and then a few valuable finds were made amongst the ruins. At the first out-break, attempts were made to rescue various apparatus, but the fire soon gained so strong a hold that, with the exception of a few valuable instruments, not much could be got out.

About 7-30, the Skipton Fire Brigade, who had received a late call to the fire, drove up mounted on their manual engine. For this there was now no use, but the men stayed nearly all day, and gave much valuable help in knocking away dangerous portions of the building and getting the first clearance made, that an examination of the damage done could be proceeded with. "It's an ill wind that blows nobody any good," and Thursday, a lovely day, was a half holiday!

At the moment of going to press, we hear that Dr. Watts has most kindly presented to each member of the upper forms a memento of the fire, neatly mounted on a small card.



## AN INCIDENT OF THE MATABELE WAR.

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We print the following interesting account, copied from a letter published in the *Times*, of G. R. TALBOT'S late adventures in Matabeleland.

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‘ Mr. J. B. M’Lellan, principal of the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, sends us the following private letter from Mr. G. Reginald Talbot, a recent student of the college, to one of the professors, in reference to the murder of the Norton family and his own marvellous escape:—

“ British South Africa Company, Accountant’s Office,  
Salisbury, August 28th, 1896.

Dear Professor,—You asked me to write and let you know what sort of a country this was. Well, so far as I am concerned, it is pretty rotten. But I may consider myself luckily that it was not a lot worse. I only escaped by having a bicycle and using my revolver. The whole of the party were killed except myself—Mr. and Mrs. Norton, nurse, and baby, and two Americans. It was just horrible.

Norton sent me into Salisbury in the morning of June 17th. He went to a kraal to get some boys to work for him. One American was sent over to the other farm, and Mrs. Norton, nurse, baby, and the other American stopped at the home farm. I got back to the farm at 6 sundown, with a note from one of Norton’s friends begging for the lot to come into Salisbury, and I saw such a fearful sight that I never want to see again. One room had the windows and window-frames smashed in, and so I drew my revolver and went in and saw what had happened. All the bed-clothes were

soaked in blood, and the floor was covered with bits of skull and blood. There were about 30 empty revolver cartridges on the floor, but no bodies. I followed the trail where they had dragged them, and found them hidden under a shrub, all dead and fearfully knocked about. The American, when the last came, had evidently shot the women and the baby and then himself.

I started to ride into Salisbury again, seeing I could do no good, and had not gone a mile when there was a yell and two niggers jumped up in the grass on the side of the road, one with a gun, the other with a battle-axe. I was off in a second and killed the brute with a gun, and the other came for me, but I had two shots as fast I could with my revolver and he dropped; and had just got on again when a regular volley was fired at me, but about 400 or 500 yards off, so I went on, knowing I had only three more cartridges left. Three or four bullets came objectionably close to me, one hitting the handle bars, but I got into Salisbury at 10 at night terribly done up. I had done 60 miles in 12 hours on bad roads—a lot worse than the worst roads in England—and I went and reported to the Judge and police, and a patrol was sent out, and they buried the bodies. But Norton's body and the second American's have never been found.

I have had plenty of fighting since then but have only been wounded in the hand, and that was by a shot-gun. I have once had my horse shot under me, and that is the funniest feeling I have ever had. I did not know whether I was shot or the horse, or both or neither. I fell with the butt of my gun just in my wind and landed on my head."'



## CAMBRIDGE LETTER.

DEAR SIRS,

It is with great pleasure that I take up my pen to write to you, because in the first place one likes to keep in touch with old associations, and also because there are now so many O.G.'s in residence here.

In football, I think, we have been doing well on the whole. Rolfe has played regularly for Clare; Eastwood, Holland, Hacking and Ramsbotham for Christ's; Hacking now plays three-quarter and has been given his colours. Bulley has played regularly for Emmanuel; Wright for Queens'; Anstead has played for Christ's 2nd XV, and Armstrong occasionally. Pilling, who has come up this term, has got his colours for Downing.

We were glad to see P. T. Sutcliffe over here to play for St. Thomas's Hospital against the 'Varsity on 28th October. Bulkeley also came over to play for Queen's, Oxford, against Emmanuel.

At the Freshers' Sports, Holland came in second in the quarter-mile, the winner being C. G. Davison, who ran second to him in the Public Schools' Championship Quarter. At the start Holland raced for the lead which he obtained and kept till the straight for the finish was reached, Davison however spurred and won by six yards in  $52\frac{2}{5}$  secs.

At the Selwyn Sports, Holland got second place in the Strangers' Hurdles.

At the Queens' Sports, Wright came in second in the Quarter.

Rennie was tried in the 'Varsity Trial Eights; and is very conspicuous on the tow path as a coach. He also rowed for Emmanuel in the coxswainless Fours against Third Trinity; the latter won by a few seconds. Bulley is rowing in the Emmanuel "footer" Eight,

Wright rowed in the winning boat of the Queen's scratch Fours. Armstrong has been going in for rowing and was bow in one of the Christ's trial Eights, the winning boat.

At a meeting of the Yorkshire Schools' Club, on 26th November, Rolfe was elected on the Committee as our representative. The club consists of past members of Giggleswick, Sedbergh, St. Peter's and Ripon.

The annual O.S. and O.G. dinner is to be held this year on 5th December; Dr. Scott (O.S.), Bursar of St. John's and a Governor of Sedbergh has been asked to preside. Arnison and Rolfe are on the committee.

The following O.G.'s are now in residence:—

B.A.

T. S. Taylor at King's; C. Burrows at Emmanuel;  
and S. Burrows at Trinity Hall.

THIRD YEAR.

G. W. Arnison at Pembroke; H. S. Jevons at  
Trinity; and A. J. Molyneux at Clare.

SECOND YEAR.

C. F. Hardie at Queens'; W. B. Rennie at Em-  
manuel; A. E. Eastwood and G. F. Cockayne  
at Christ's; and G. E. Loveday at Caius.

FIRST YEAR.

R. Rolfe at Clare; A. Hacking, R. D. Anstead,  
C. C. Holland, F. M. Armstrong, H. Rams-  
botham and W. Bottomley at Christ's; F. M.  
Bulley at Emmanuel; G. A. A. Wright at  
Queens'; W. A. Pilling at Downing; and R.  
Nickols at Trinity Hall.

From the above list it will be seen that one or two unexpected faces have appeared among us this term. We hope next year that a good number of those who are now with you will come up to swell the ranks of those in residence.

Yours truly,  
W. B.

Cambridge,  
27th November, 1896.

## DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE Debates have been well up to the average this term, although the number of members has not been so great as in previous years. Some first-rate "sharp practices" have been held.

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September 19th.—A Business Meeting in which the following officers were elected :

*President*—W. G. Hardie  
*Vice-President*—F. Stirling  
*Treasurer*—N. R. Temperley  
*Secretary*—H. Elliott

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October 3rd.—F. R. Atkinson proposed that "F. Mitchell's action in ordering 'no balls' to be bowled in the late 'Varsity match was justifiable. H. Elliott opposed, J. Hepworth seconded. Rather a one-sided debate.

Ayes 11.                      Noes 1.

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October 17th.—F. Stirling proposed that "Duelling is an excellent way of settling disputes." N. R. Temperley opposed, J. B. Leach seconded.

Ayes, 3.                      Noes, 9.                      Neutral, 1.

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October 24th.—N. R. Temperley proposed that "Cremation should be universally adopted." C. R. F. Hartley opposed, J. T. Macnab seconded. A lively debate in which nearly every member spoke.

Ayes, 8.                      Noes, 5.                      Neutral, 1.

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November 28th.—The President proposed that "The sale of alcoholic liquors should be under State Control." H. E. Clapham opposed, F. Stirling seconded. F. R. Atkinson, T. E. Peck and H. Elliott also spoke.

Ayes, 8.                      Noes, 1.                      Neutral, 1.

## THE GYMNASTIC COMPETITIONS.

THE seventh annual competition for the Birkbeck Medals took place on July 27th, in the presence of the whole School and a fair number of visitors. In the Senior competition there was, we think, a slight falling off in the standard of excellence attained, compared with the work done on the three previous occasions, but at the same time it was good all round and very few competitors failed at any of the exercises set. As will be seen from the marks printed below; Bulley again won the Gold Medal, W. Astley following up his junior success in 1894, by winning the Senior Silver Medal this year.

The Juniors worked decidedly well, and the number of entries (10) exceeded those for the Senior competition. Waugh and Kaye tied for first place, but after another exercise, set by the Staff-Sergeant, had been performed on the rings, Waugh was adjudged the winner.

During the competition, Dumb Bell exercises, Physical Drill, Foil Fencing, and Indian Club exercises were smartly gone through. Of these, the last, given by F. E. Armstrong, G. W. Bilbrough, and N. Temperley, calls for special mention.

The whole concluded with a general *mêlée* and an entirely un-rehearsed effect of the carrying out of the wounded! We congratulate Sergt.-Major Cansdale on another very successful competition.

## MARKS FOR THE SENIOR COMPETITION.

F. M. Bulley, 113.	G. Ainsworth, 90.
W. Astley, 106.	F. Stirling, 87.
C. C. Holland, 97.	S. Jackson, 84.
F. Astley, 96.	H. Ramsbotham, 78.
J. B. Leach, 95.	

## WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

	Gold Medal	Silver Medal	Silver Medal (Junior.
1890	J. Harger	T. Eastham J. E. Snelus }	J. Hodgson
1891	T. Eastham	G. Jackson	F. T. R. Jevons
1892	G. D. Carr	E. G. Potter	E. Smalley
1893	E. G. Potter	A. B. Slater	E. Smalley
1894	B. Osborn	T. E. Torbock	W. Astley
1895	F. M. Bulley	A. N. Smith	A. N. Shephard-Walwyn

## SCHOOL NEWS AND NOTES.

We offer a hearty, though perforce late, welcome to MR. J. R. CORNAH, late Scholar of Pembroke College, Cambridge, and to MR. H. M. F. HAMMOND, late Scholar of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, who have come amongst us this term as Masters of the Upper and Lower Third Forms respectively.

Ordination :—By the Bishop of Wakefield, on Advent Sunday, Deacon—Ernest John Henry Benwell, St. John's College, Cambridge, B.A., licensed to the curacy of Southowram.

We call the attention of our readers to the very interesting Article with which this number commences. The writer was a member of the School, as he tells us, as far back as 1851. His allusions to the Buildings, Library, &c., of course refer to the old School, now the Museum and Joiners' Shop.

On page 212 an account will be found of G. R. Talbot's adventures in Matabeleland. We are promised, through his brother, another and fuller account, written purposely for the *Chronicle*, which will appear in No. 52.

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The following have sung in the School Choir this term:—J. T. Macnab, C. W. Lancaster, H. Sutcliffe, J. H. Hacking, Ll. O. R. Rees, W. G. Mewburn, H. M. Irvin, A. Moore, W. Smalley, C. Hanckel, H. F. Greaves, S. Jackson, E. Holmes, J. T. Kenyon, R. F. Higgin, H. C. Watkins, D. H. Hacking, J. Aitken, H. F. A. Kinder, R. Denby, C. W. Harrison, W. T. Biggar, W. P. Golder, V. Hardie, J. H. G. Spink, N. Heigham, H. H. Aitken.

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The Anthems this term have been "Beloved, if God so loved us," *Barnby* (October 18th); "O Lord our Governour," *Gadsby* (November 15th); and "Sleepers, wake," *Mendelssohn* (November 29th).

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The Organ Recitals have been very well attended this term. At the Recital on October 25th, the Organ Solos were played by Mr. J. E. Campbell, Organist of S. Margaret's, Hollinwood, Oldham. In addition to Violin Solos by Mr. Watkins, Mr. Rees, Mr. Gill, Mr. Rhodes, A. B. B. de Tscharner, and H. F. Greaves have given valuable help. With the exception above mentioned, Mr. Wood has played all the Organ Solos.

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Football colours have been given to C. W. Lancaster, E. Holmes, H. Elliott, H. P. Heigham, G. G. Firth, T. E. Peck, G. Jenkinson, J. Hepworth, W. H. Hacking, F. S. B. Fletcher, H. F. Buckley, S. Jackson.

Second XV Caps have been given to W. H. Watson, C. R. F. Hartley, S. Tolson, J. B. Peck, L. H. Swinbank, J. B. Leach.

The Games' Committee this term is composed as follows:—F. Stirling (President); J. T. Macnab (Treasurer); W. G. Hardie, H. Sutcliffe, E. Holmes, S. Jackson, F. Astley.

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In Football, R. Little has been chosen as reserve forward for Yorkshire. J. Craven has been playing for the Manchester Club.

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The Photographic Society numbers twenty-five members this term. The Officers are as follows:—Mr. Rhodes (President); F. R. Atkinson (Treasurer); J. B. Leach (Secretary). The Society has purchased an enlarging camera, towards which the President handsomely subscribed.

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The Golf Club this term numbers forty-five members, ten of whom are masters. J. T. Macnab is Secretary and Treasurer.

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Since we received the *Cambridge Letter*, Rolfe, Holland, Ramsbotham, and Wright have won their College Football Colours.



## CAMP LIFE AT HIGHCLIFFE.

THE Public School Camps have now been held for several years, and the pace at which the number of Campers has increased is sufficient proof of their popularity. Every year five or six camps are held at different places in the British Isles, generally two at Highcliffe (one after the other), one in Wales, in Scotland, in Northumberland, and sometimes one in Ireland. They are held during the month of August.

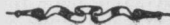
The camps are conducted on military lines, as far as is practicable. Each camp has a military officer as commandant, and University men act as under officers for the different tents. The Committee that manages these camps consists almost entirely of University men. In order to give you some idea of what the life under canvas is like, I think I cannot do better than describe the camp I joined. It was at Highcliffe, near Bournemouth. The site chosen was on the edge of the cliff facing the Isle of Wight, and overhanging the sea. There were about one hundred and twenty of us, and we had about twenty tents to sleep in, so we were about 6 or 7 in a tent; at one end of the field a marquee was pitched, which we used as Dining Hall and Concert Room. We began the day with a *réveille* at 7-30, followed by a bathe, then we had breakfast at 8 o'clock, immediately afterwards we had prayers, then everyone was free for the day. Those who had not gone out for the day dined at one o'clock. There was always a large choice of occupations for everyone. We had two cricket elevens playing matches nearly every day, there were also cycling and walking expeditions to the New Forest and elsewhere; and for those who love the sea, we had a five-ton yacht and one or two rowing boats,

and the sea was always there for bathing. We were generally all ready for tea at six o'clock. After tea, we did nothing definite, but generally played "soccer" till eight o'clock, when we had a "sing-song," which we all enjoyed immensely. Prayers and supper followed, after which we all retired to bed. On the last day, Athletic Sports were held, at which one or two good performances were seen.

Sleeping 6 or 7 in a tent may sound to some rather alarming, and certainly for the first few nights one does find some difficulty in getting to sleep, for a boot or some similar article is not a very comfortable substitute for a pillow; but one soon becomes quite forgetful of such trivialities, and sleeps as soundly as in a bed, except when molested by a neighbouring tent. During the night, picket duty had to be carried out by volunteers, in order that the provisions, &c., might be safe; this was managed by a company of eight, two of which were on duty two hours each. The six who were not on duty, usually slept on the marquee table, rather too hard a bed for much sleep; however, we always enjoyed it and generally tried for a second turn.

Every tent had to take its turn at orderly duty, which meant that the members of that tent had to lay the table, wait, wash up, and do any such work that had to be done; of course this was hard work but was thoroughly enjoyed all the same.

I would advise anyone who wishes to have a really good ten days in the next summer holidays, to try one of these camps: particulars may be obtained from Lieut.-Col. Seton Churchill, Whitehall, Lichfield.



## Correspondence.

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*To the Editors of the Giggleswick Chronicle.*

GENTLEMEN,

I would like to call the attention of Past and Present Giggleswickians to two letters which appeared in the March number of the *Chronicle*, as apparently they have not taken effect.

The project of a School Register is not, perhaps, one which can be lightly undertaken, and it must practically be left to the management of one or two enterprising and energetic individuals, who would no doubt be loyally supported by all old Giggleswickians, financially and otherwise.

The proposition of founding an O. G. Club however seems quite feasible and commendable. As the correspondent points out, almost every school of our size has such an association, which forms a pleasant link of connection with the old School, and this at present is not existing, for Old Boys do not hear or know very much of each other. If such a Club was founded, it would greatly facilitate the organisation of Old Boys teams and so on, and a register of addresses could be kept which would prove very useful.

At any rate, it is quite time O. G.'s had some distinctive colour of their own; every school of our size has them, and there is no reason why we should be behindhand in this matter.

Hoping that these matters may receive further careful consideration, and that they may be satisfactorily arranged.

I am, yours truly,

ANOTHER O.G.

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*To the Editors of the Chronicle.*

Cambridge,

November 25th, 1896.

DEAR SIRS,

It is a lamentable fact, but none the less a fact, that our School Fives are in a disgraceful state. For the last few years little keenness has been shown about them and the general standard of play in the tournament has been poor.

The excuse usually offered for this is a complaint against the Courts. The Courts are bad without doubt, but not so bad that a good game cannot be played on them. In support of this I have only to mention names like Walker and West. What is wanted is more practice, and not practice from the few only; in short, more boys should play and play regularly.

Now I wish to offer a suggestion to the Games' Committee, which I think, if carried out, might make Fives the popular game it was, say, five years ago.

Why not have a 'doubles' competition between the dormitories played at the beginning of the Easter term, and, to make it worth winning, let the winning dormitory add on ten marks towards the the Athletic Cup?

I remain,  
Yours truly,  
'GAME BALL ALL.'

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*To the Editors of the Giggleswick Chronicle.*

DEAR SIRS,

Might I suggest, through the medium of your valuable columns, that something should be done with regard to the Museum. The present arrangement seems to me, at any rate, to be very unsatisfactory. The majority of the School have probably only paid the Museum one cursory visit, and that generally as new boys. There are now in the School several keen naturalists, who, to my certain knowledge, would be only too glad to make a business of going down to the Museum at certain fixed times (*e.g.*, between dinner and three o'clock 'call-over' on half-holidays, or possibly on Sundays), during which the Museum might be open to members of the School. I feel sure that few members of the School realize how valuable and interesting are the collections stored up in the Museum. Only to quote one instance, the very good collection of Birds' Eggs is quite unsorted, and I fear that some of the eggs have been broken, and there is not, to my knowledge, any printed catalogue to which visitors can refer. At any rate, might not someone be appointed 'curator'? Hoping that something will be done.

I remain,  
Yours faithfully,

Dec. 2nd, 1896.

REFORMER.

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