

St. Paul's School Chronicle.

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THE VALUE OF READING.

IT is a painfully significant fact that it has this year been found absolutely necessary to compel a large part of the school, in their own interests, to read books which most people, including a very high percentage of English schoolboys, read again and again for their own gratification. Even so it is sometimes necessary to compel certain boys, for their own benefit, to play games, though the vast majority need no compulsion. We are by no means in favour of the principle of "making people good by Act of Parliament," and, as Englishmen, we sympathise instinctively with the famous Bishop who declared that he would "rather see England free than sober;" but the Bishop was, after all, not referring to schoolboys, and we can scarcely imagine any one seriously maintaining that it is better to be free and deplorably ignorant than to be well-informed and refined by the action of judicious discipline. It is for these reasons that three hours have been set apart on Sunday, during which boys below the Fifth Form, who have not obtained leave to go out to friends, are obliged to read books taken from the Library instead of loafing noisily about the playground or the quadrangle. "Every schoolboy knows" how a few loafers would soon, if they had their way, play havoc with the most carefully-organised system of games ever devised, but we can now say with a clear conscience that such creatures are very unfavourably regarded by the great majority of St. Paul's boys, and we hope, and believe, that the time will soon come when the boy who prefers loafing to reading a good book will hold a similar position in popular opinion. It would, of course, be the height of unwisdom to prescribe for any boy the particular books he is to read, for every one has his own special tastes, and should be allowed, within due limits, to indulge them. No such attempt has ever been made, and form-masters have very properly confined themselves to guidance and advice; but a well filled library, such as few, if any, schools of this size in England can boast, should surely meet all wants, and all we ask is that boys should, for their own sake, and for the honour

of the school, read regularly and judiciously; for let it not be supposed that the value of reading is to be measured by the *quantity* of books devoured, and neither marked—we do not mean with ink—nor digested. Nothing has struck those interested in the matter so much as the rarity with which a boy in this country reads the same book again. Now a good book is the best of old friends, and it is almost a commonplace that a book which is only worth reading once is not worth reading at all; conversely, there is scarcely any limit to the number of times that such books as “Westward Ho!” “A Tale of two Cities,” “The White Company”—to mention only three among a thousand—may be read with ever increasing profit and delight. It is also to be regretted that the contents of the History, Biography, and Travel cupboards are so rarely disturbed. However, this article is not intended to strike a note of general condemnation. The results of the General Knowledge Paper set in May last to the whole school, showed a slight but distinctly perceptible improvement in the intellectual tone. It is our earnest hope that this improvement may be constantly maintained.

NOTES.

The Hon. C. E. Buckland, C. I. E., Commissioner, Presidency Division, and R. T. Greer, Esq., I. C. S., Inspector-General of Police, Bengal, have become Governors of the school

The staff was strengthened at the beginning of the term by the appointment of Mr. C. Hare, B. A., late scholar of St. John's College, Cambridge; Mr. M. G. V. Cole, M. A., late scholar of St. Catherine's College, Cambridge; Mr. Vere Smith, and Mr. A. W. Wharton. Mr. Cole having left us, on his appointment as Principal of the Khalsa Sikh College at Amritsar, the vacancy has been filled by Mr. A. D. Ingram, B. A., late Exhibitioner of Keble College, Oxford.

Mrs. Campbell, of the Lady Canning Hospital, Calcutta, has succeeded Mrs. McKee in charge of the Hospital.

Mrs. Hague takes charge of the Preparatory School as Matron in place of Mrs. Briggs, who, under medical advice, proceeds shortly to Australia. She will carry with her, and leave also behind her, many pleasant memories connected with the school.

Major Leahy, I.M.S., succeeds Colonel Lewtas of the same service as the School Doctor. We hope to give him as little professional trouble as we gave his predecessor, who always spoke highly of our admirable conduct in this respect.

Two collections have been made so far this term in the School Chapel: the first, on Sunday, March 11th, amounted to Rs. 63-14-6 for the Transvaal War Fund, the second, on Sunday, June 10th, realized Rs. 58-14-0 for the Indian Famine Fund.

✓ The Foundation Stone of the two Eton Fives Courts, presented by the Rector and Mr. C. W. Newton, was laid by Mrs. Newton on November 24th at the end of last term. The courts were erected by Mr. Moriarty from English architects' plans. The whole staff and school attended and stood in the foundations of the courts during the ceremony. Mrs. Newton, after laying the stone, under which reposed the current number of the St. Paul's School Chronicle, said: "I declare this stone well and truly laid, in the name of God, for the furtherance of all manliness and energy among the boys of St. Paul's School, Darjeeling, for ever." A vote of thanks to Mrs. Newton and the donors was proposed by Mr. Shawcross and acknowledged by the Rector. Hearty cheers were given for them and for Mr. Moriarty, and the proceedings terminated with the singing of "God Save the Queen."

Great interest, needless to state, has been evinced in the Boer War. Boys may be seen round the notice board, where all the latest news and telegrams are regularly posted, eagerly devouring any items of intelligence.

There have been so many cases of measles at Jalapahar this term, that the boys' Sunday walks have had to be stopped. Sunday afternoons are now spent either in the library or in the gymnasium.

The measles have attacked Darjeeling also. We are about the only school which they have not visited.

Our Rifle Corps distinguished itself at the Queen's Birthday Parade at Lebong. The Lieutenant-Governor was very much pleased with the general smartness of the whole corps, and especially with the March Past. At the saluting point, he was heard to remark, "Bravo, cadets, well done!"

Mr. Earle, Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling, and Captain of our Rifle Corps, very kindly took the cadets to a picnic at Senchal during the Whitsuntide holidays.

After a sham fight, the cadets were treated to a very hearty luncheon.

Outdoor sports were to follow, but hardly had anything been started when the rain came down, and gymnastics without apparatus had to be substituted in the bungalow.

Mrs. Earle then gave out prizes to the best dressed non-commissioned officer—Swiney, private—Connor, bugler—Seconde, and to the other successful competitors in the different events. The day's fun ended in the cadets giving three hearty cheers for Captain and Mrs. Earle.

Mr. Bartram, the Assistant Chaplain of Darjeeling, preached in our chapel on Sunday, June 17th. The Rector preached at St. Andrew's Church on that day.

There was a general holiday on Monday, June 11th, to commemorate the arrival of the British at Pretoria. Towards the evening bonfires were to be lit at Darjeeling and Jalapahar, and torch light processions were to take place; but just as the town had started its rejoicings, the rain put an end to everything. Fortunately, however, the rain at Jalapahar did not last long, and while our bonfires were thriving splendidly, and the cheering of the boys was loud enough to be heard in town, Darjeeling never saw a quieter or duller night.

On Friday, May 25th, H. H. the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal visited the school. His Honour, who was accompanied by Captain Allanson, A.D.-C., arrived at 4 P.M. He was received by the Rector and Staff in academical

dress, while a guard-of-honor was supplied by the Rifle Corps under the command of Captain Earle. A General Salute was played by the bugle band. His Honour then took tea at the Rectory, and was subsequently shown all over the school. Unfortunately, a thick cloud obscured the play-ground and hid the Junior Game, who were playing cricket. His Honour visited the class-rooms, dining hall, chapel, hospital, gymnasium, library, and fives courts. He also saw the preparatory school. He was kind enough to express to the Rector the great pleasure which he said his visit had given him. In fact, we have every reason to believe that, if possible, the Lieutenant-Governor was as glad to see us as we were to welcome him.

A bugle and drum band has been started in connection with the Rifle Corps, owing chiefly to the energy of Mr. C. W. Newton, the senior subaltern. The buglers are Corporal Barrett, Ansell, Seconde, Badham mi., Sharling and Freeborne. The drums are resonantly chastised by Munton and Badham ma. All have worked hard and well, and have made wonderful progress.

Major-General Wodehouse, C. B., has had perforce to resign his position as a Governor of the school on his appointment to the Scinde Command. It is a matter of keen regret to us that so distinguished an officer should be lost to our governing body. Our best wishes will follow the General throughout the rest of his career. His departure, just as our Rifle Corps is developing so rapidly, is specially unlucky.

Holidays were given for the relief of Mafeking and for the entry of Lord Roberts into Pretoria.

In the High School Examination last year the successful candidates were James mi., Archer, Swiney, Connor and Burn. No candidates were sent up for the Middle School. while Cox mi., August, Corbett, Beale, Cox min., Scott, Linton, Torrick and Aynsley passed the Primary. We hope to send several boys in this year for all three examinations, as well as for the High School Honours, which latter will be quite a new departure.

A Chess Tournament has been begun, the results of which must be announced in our 'next number.' There are sixteen entries for the Senior Competition and twelve for the Junior, which is very creditable.

A Debating Society has been formed, whose Minutes will in future be recorded in our columns.

The Government have been quarrying with great vigour on our hill to obtain stone for the many revetment walls needed in the station. We profit in many ways by their labour. We obtain financial benefits, a magnificent building site, as well as an extension ultimately of the play-ground, and chiefest of all, a recognition of the perfect security of the school, our large compound being one of the only two spots in Darjeeling where quarrying can be easily and safely carried on.

Among visitors to our cricket and hockey matches, we have been glad to welcome The Ven. The Archdeacon of Calcutta and Mr. Stone, Mr. C. Bompas, I. C. S., and Mrs. Bompas, Mrs. Bourdillon, Mrs. Cable, Mrs. Shaw, Miss Barton, Miss Pugh, Miss Worgan, Miss Nicolay, Mr. G. Toogood, Mr. Pedler, and many others.

We have to thank several friends of the school for really generous gifts of books to the School Library. That the books were selected by them with a special regard to the likes and dislikes of boys, gives them an added value in our eyes.

Might the Editors venture to remind the elder boys that a little help would greatly lighten their burden: and for this they appeal with confidence, in the belief that what is labour for the few (the Editors) is leisure for the many (boys). A natural diffidence is doubtless felt by some would-be contributors in offering articles, the value of which their modesty compels them to question. This difficulty can, however, be surmounted by leaving their letters unsigned if desired, except with a "nom de plume." They may rest assured that their correspondence will receive every attention.

The school officers for this term are as follows :—

Monitors.—James ma., Swiney, Rooke, Byrn, O'Donel, Swaine, Archer, and James mi.

Head Monitor.—James ma.

Captain of Cricket.—Swaine.

Hon. Sec. of Cricket.—Rooke.

Captain of Hockey and Football.—James ma.

Hon. Sec., Hockey and Football.—Hodgkins.

Keeper of the Gymnasium.—Archer.

Keeper of the Fives Court.—James ma.

Editors of the Chronicle.—Swiney and Burn.

PRIZE LIST.

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FORMS VI AND V.

Rector's Prizes.—

{ *English Essay.*—1st Swiney. 2nd Burn.
 { *Greek and Roman History.*—Connor.

Form Prizes.—

Mathematics.—James mi.

English History.—James mi.

Geography.—Archer.

REMOVE FORM.

Mr. Newton's Prizes.—

{ *Latin Prose.*—Badham ma.

{ *Roman History.*—Badham ma.

Form Prizes.—1st Secondé. 2nd Badham ma.

Mathematics.—Barrett.

FORM IV.

Form Prizes.—1st Emery ma. 2nd Sharling.

FORM III.

Form Prizes.—1st August. 2nd Corbett.

FORM II.

Form Prizes.—1st Read ma. 2nd Smith.

THE LIBRARY.

The following books and other gifts have been presented to the Library this term :—

By F. W. BROWNRIGG, Esq., I.C.S.—Hodson of Hodson's Horse: Brave Men in Action (Mackenna and O'Shea): Ned Leger, Midshipman: The Mids of the Rattlesnake (Knight): The Boys of Dormitory Three (Barrow North): The Rajah of Monkey Island (Knight): Suage (Phillips Woolley): The Queensberry Cup (Phillips Woolley): The Public School Magazine (Jan. 1898—Dec. 1899, four volumes).

By R. W. F. SHAW, Esq.—The Giant Cities of Bashan (Porter): The Origin of Nations (Rawlinson): Oceana (Froude): To the Lions (Church): Harry Joscelyn (Mrs. Oliphant): The Witch's Head (Rider Haggard): The Captain of the Polestar (Conan Doyle): Knight Errant (Edna Lyall): Brave Dame Mary of Corfe Castle.

By W. GRAHAM, Esq.—The Transvaal in Peace and War (Neville Edwards).

By THE REV. H. O. MOORE.—In India (Steevens): Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (Lewis Carroll): Alice through the Looking Glass (Lewis Carroll): The Adventures of Captain Kettle: The Further Adventures of Captain Kettle (Cutcliffe Kyne): The Jubilee Book of Cricket (Ranjitsinghi): A Fleet in Being (Kipling): Association Football (Jackson): The Columbia Puzzle: The Daily Graphic. (Weekly).

By C. W. NEWTON, Esq.—Tennyson's Works: Life of Wellington (Maxwell): Wanderings of a War Artist (Montague): Triumphs of Modern Engineering (Frith): Merchant Enterprise (Fyfe): Tales of the Borders (Wilson): Heroic Adventure (Anon): Episodes of the Sea (Anon): A Tale of Two Cities (Dickens): Barnaby Rudge (Dickens): John Inglesant (Shorthouse): The Prisoner of Zenda (Anthony Hope): The Chronicles of Count Antonio (Anthony Hope): Fives (Tait). Games—a set of Chessmen with Board: Dominoes: "Alice in Wonderland." New Matting for the floor of the room.

By T. BANNER NEWTON, Esq.—The Illustrated London News, Graphic, Punch, and Cricket. (Weekly).

LECTURES AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

There were concerts in the Dining-hall on November 25th, on March 31st, and on April 28th. Among the artistes, whom we have to thank for so kindly contributing to their uniform success, were Mrs. Pope, Mrs. Earle, Miss Nicolay, Miss Scott Williams, Mrs. Newton, Captain Earle, the Rector, Mr. Shawcross

Mr. Vere-Smith, and Mr. Gardner. We still hope to form a school glee club, when indeed a few minutes can be snatched from our already crowded hours of glorious life, but such minutes are few indeed and far between.

On May 26th, Mr. C. Gilbert Rogers, the Forest Officer, delivered a most admirable lecture on "The life history of a Tree." Mr. Rogers provided every one present with a selection of specimens, which largely contributed to a quick and keen appreciation of his lecture. As the Rector remarked, in proposing a vote of thanks to the lecturer, Mr. Rogers now knows us so well, and is so well known to us, that he would secure attention upon any conceivable subject—and justify it.

THE RIFLE CORPS.

We began our volunteer season amidst the clash of war and martial enthusiasm aroused by the Boer War. As we go to press, a large force from our Indian Army is under orders for China; so that the Empire's troubles come thick and fast about us.

Our cadets have undoubtedly been moved by these war-like times to more than mere perfunctory drill; and only lack opportunity to emulate the spirit of the Cadet Corps of Mafeking and Natal, who have done yeoman's service for Queen and Country.

On looking retrospectively over the months from March, we feel that E Company has tried to do its duty, and we have made ourselves as soldierly as volunteers can hope to be. As one member remarked: "We have worn our uniform more often than our Sunday clothes," and with two drills per week he was even then short of the truth.

If we are not "extra efficient" before inspection day, it will not be for lack of drill and attention. For where we have officers whose keenness turns them into veritable "*handy men*," ready to become bugle majors, rifle instructors, and master tailors; and a Captain and Adjutant who are willing to devote much of their time to our training; we cannot be other than the smartest company in the N. B. M. R., and why not in India? We are fortunate in having such an energetic instructor as Corpl. Richards this year.

The work has not been altogether confined to the parade ground, and the more practical and necessarily useful duties of outposts, advanced guards, and khud climbing have often taken us from the compound. Our first attempt at outpost duty was fairly well carried out. The lateral communication of the scouting line were the weak links of the chain. This is a most difficult country to scout in, and the operation of

keeping touch is not easy on a mountain side sloping at 45°. The sentries, when posted, ought to have learned the cardinal rule of "always looking to the front."

Ceremonial drill kept us busily employed for a few weeks before the Queen's Birthday Parade. On the 24th May, we went to Lebong with the battalion, under the command of Colonel Marindin. This parade was a capital list of endurance, and it requires no little stamina, after standing for over an hour in ranks, to go through the General Salute and then March Past in "perfect alignment," as the drill book has it. Not one of the Company fell out! How the March Past was done may be best expressed by the comment of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor at the saluting point, who complimented our line by "well done, cadets!" Next day a guard-of-honour was turned out to receive Sir John Woodburn at the school, and again received his congratulations. The tiffin after the parade on the 24th was a great success. Tents were pitched for us by the "Munsters" in the wood below the Bhutea village, and several old campaigners were seen to take off their belts before setting to. One learns by experience.

On June 2nd we marched out to Senchal. There was a considerable convoy and much impedimenta, because Capt. Earle was to be our host (if we may thus invert it), and the commissariat is a most important item with fighting men. With the column were Mr. Earle, the Archdeacon of Calcutta and Mr. Stone, The Rev. A. Bartram, the Rector and Mrs. Newton, Miss Earle and Capt. Wimberley. One portion of the Company in command of a Lieutenant went in advance with the avowed purpose of way-laying the convoy. Their ambush was fairly successful, for the advance guard passed them without discovery, and their rear guard were suddenly taken in the rear by pelting volleys. Whether any of the rear guard would have survived the first attack is open to doubt. Nevertheless, they faced around with magnificent indifference to cover, and allowed the convoy to reach the dāk bungalow in safety. The desperation with which they fought was no doubt increased by the thought of a tiffinless day, for the ambuscading party swore they would commandeer the supplies if they did happen to capture them. Both sides claim a victory; but honours were divided, and it was "glorious" while it lasted. Twenty rounds of "blank" don't go far, and the operations were confined to a "cartridge limit." One of the scouts refused to surrender, when odds were twenty to one; and had to be shot twenty times, and then only surrendered when he was told "not to be an ass, as it was against Regulations for Field Manœuvres." The French General, who made the historical remark in the Crimea about *c'est magnifique*,

etc., would have gone into ecstasies of delight over this incident of battie. After tiffin, the Gymkhana was held on the old parade ground at Senchal, and before it was finished it rained: Jupiter Pluvius must have objected to the heavy volley firing. In a sporting manner, the final events were brought off in a heavy downpour. Mr. and Mrs. Earle kindly had some prizes to give, and after the winners had received them from the hands of Mrs. Earle, three cheers were called for our host and hostess. The Company formed up and marched home again, through a storm of rain, in fine form.

Pretoria day was patriotically kept. Night was made hideous by intermittent and individual volley firing. Each boy, to the unbounded delight of the recruits, was allowed no end of blank cartridges to "let off."

The cadets finished the evening of the holiday by marching round the ground singing *Soldiers of the Queen*, led by the stentorian voice of Full Private Rooke. Even the rain could not damp our spirits, and finally it gave up trying.

Now a word or two as to the future.

Since we have got a bugle call of our own, we must act up to it. There is much to be learnt and done by everyone, and as each of us in after life will take his place in the upholding of the Empire, and that perhaps sooner than we expect, everyone must "play the game, and learn to shoot straight." We want a record year in drill, efficiency and shooting, and this can only be obtained by "esprit de corps," the soul of any corporate body of men or boys who spend the greater part of their days together.

We have a drum and bugle band, whose keenness is an example to everyone, and if battles were won by lung power, our antagonists would not stand much chance with us. The Non-Commissioned Officers will shortly be instructed in the use of the mekometer range finder. The shooting prize list has not yet been arranged. The Colonel of the regiment has offered a shield for competition among the Companies.

GYMNASIUM.

During the holidays the Gymnasium was provided with a new ceiling and painted from top to bottom, so that it now looks very smart indeed; an improvement for which we are indebted to the generosity of our kind friend The Rev. H. O. Moore. It has been more used than ever this year, as the authorities have decided, most wisely as it seems to us, that Sunday afternoon is better spent in the Gymnasium than in an aimless stroll along the Ghoom road, with the chance of picking up

measles on the way. The arrival among us of Mr. Wharton, himself a keen and most efficient gymnast, has moreover produced the effect which keenness usually produces. The regular gymnastic course began on June 11th and will continue till cricket comes round again in October. The professional instructor is Lance-Corporal Harty of the Royal Munster Fusiliers (First-class Certificate, Lucknow Gymnasium). As last year, each squad has two half-hours a week with the instructor, and has opportunity of practising on other days when not otherwise engaged. An assault-at-arms is in contemplation, to be held later in the season. Badges are to be awarded to the leaders of each squad, and the School Eight will be selected from the various squads.

CRICKET.

The first part of the cricket season, which closed on June 9th, cannot, we fear, be described as a success. So far, out of seven matches played, three have been lost and only two won, the first victory being gained over a weak scratch team, and the second pulled out of the fire against a side which batted two short. It seemed at the beginning of the season as if we were going to have a stronger eleven than the one which did so well last year, and their failure to realise the expectations formed of them has been most disappointing. Nor is it easy to explain the failure; one obvious cause is to be found in the deplorable weakness of the bowling, which is more marked than ever. Stubbs bowled well at times and was probably not utilised enough, but Swaine was terribly expensive, and Hodgkins, being apparently unable to cure himself of an unfair action, was very properly not put on in the later matches. The fielding was, on the whole, fairly sound, but the batting, which at one time promised so well, and which seemed likely to compensate in some degree for the weakness of the attack, broke down entirely and most unaccountably after the first two matches, only one fifty being scored in the seven matches, though the bowling brought against us was by no means of a formidable character. The Captain started well, but had a most extraordinary run of bad luck, and this, combined with Rooke's complete and most curious loss of form, no doubt exercised a depressing effect on the other members of the team, the only ones who showed any improvement on last season's form being Burton and Hodgkins, and Vaillant, whose wicket-keeping has improved even more than his batting. James is still in a transition stage, and is feeling the baleful effects of having taken up the game too late in life: in cricket, as in other pursuits, "a little knowledge is a dangerous thing." Last year,

much of our want of success could be directly traced to foolish slogging at the nets, but net-practice is now far more regular and conscientious than it used to be, though a certain amount of time is still wasted, and the absence of good bowling is of course very seriously felt. We can only hope that Swaine, Rooke, Stubbs and James may recover their batting after the rains, and produce the runs which are certainly "in them." In conclusion, we would remind the eleven that cricket is proverbially a "glorious uncertainty" and beg them never to despair.

Fortunately, there is as usual, a lining to the cloud. The Junior Game have come on as much as the Seniors have gone off, and the cricket shown by them this season has been very far above the average. The bowling is much better than last year's, and there is more of it, yet this fact has not prevented the scoring from being much higher, and though successful batsmen have at times owed something to the mistakes of their opponents, the fielding has on the whole been very smart indeed. Ansell, Sharling, Badham ma., Cox and Munton have all scored heavily—Ansell's 97 not out being so far the highest innings recorded in the Junior Game—and all five, when at their best, bat in the most approved English public school form. August, Badham mi. and Meerza, and Freeborne, who has been most unlucky with the bat, but obtained his colours by his excellent fielding while scarcely in the same class with the first-named five, are all above the average of boy cricketers, even in England. There are still two places in the Junior XI to be filled up after the rains, and there should be a keen competition for the honour of filling them. Outhwaite and Badham mi. are perhaps the most likely candidates, but others are close on their heels. It is a matter for congratulation that any one who plays across or is inclined to get away from a ball on the leg stump, now knows that his chance of Junior XI colours is gone, at any rate till he has cured himself of these grave faults.

School v. Mr. C. W. Newton's XI.

Played on the School Ground, March 31st.

SCHOOL.					
R. Rooke	b. Newton	...	...	...	38
L. Burton	b. Shawcross	...	...	...	0
E. James	b. Shawcross	...	...	...	0
F. C. Swaine	b. Newton	...	...	...	62
E. Vaillant	b. Newton	...	...	...	0
H. Hodgkins	c. Hare	b. Newton	...	...	5
H. Savage	b. Wharton	...	...	...	0
H. C. Barrett	not out	...	...	...	10
F. Byrn	b. Newton	...	...	...	0
G. W. C. Archer	c. Pope	b. Wharton	...	...	0
L. P. Hutchison	c. Godfrey	b. Newton	...	...	2
	Extras	...	...	...	17
TOTAL					134

1st Innings.			MR. C. W. NEWTON'S XI.			2nd Innings.		
H. Godfree	c. Hodgkins	b. Swaine	...	7	c. Archer	b. James	...	3
A. H. Wharton	b. Hodgkins	...	...	5	c. Archer	b. Rooke	...	28
R. R. Pope	c. and b. Hodgkins	...	...	0	not out	...	...	30
A. W. Gledstones	b. Swaine	...	...	5	lbw. b. Hutchison	...	...	3
G. W. A. Cox	b. Hodgkins	...	...	1	b. Swaine	...	...	0
C. W. Newton	b. Hodgkins	...	...	0	c. Swaine	b. Hodgkins	...	8
H. W. Shawcross	b. Hodgkins	...	...	2	b. Swaine	...	...	0
W. A. Price	b. Swaine	...	...	0	c. Vaillant	b. Swaine	...	0
A. Vere-Smith	not out	...	...	1	b. Rooke	...	...	11
Rupchoong	b. Swaine	...	...	0	b. Swaine	...	...	8
C. F. Hare	run out	...	...	0	lbw. b. Swaine	...	...	0
	Extras	...	...	3	Extras	...	...	9
TOTAL				24	TOTAL			100

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.					2nd Innings.				
Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.		Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	
Swaine ... 10	5	11	4		Swaine ... 9	1	22	5	
Hodgkins 9.3	5	10	5						

School v. Mr. R. R. Pope's XI.

Played on the School Ground, April 7th.

SCHOOL.					
R. G. Rooke	b. Thomson	...	...	...	10
S. G. Stubbs	b. Thomson	...	...	...	0
L. Burton	c. Connor	b. Thomson	...	...	19
F. C. Swaine	c. Rawlingson	...	...	...	42
E. S. James	c. Pope	b. Thomson	...	...	5
S. T. Stubbs	b. Forbes	...	...	...	0
H. Hodgkins	run out	...	...	...	31
E. Vaillant	b. Thomson	...	...	...	41
H. Savage	b. Murray	...	...	...	3
F. Byrn	run out	...	...	...	13
B. Tarleton	not out	...	...	...	0
	Extras	...	...	...	2
TOTAL					166

Mr. R. R. POPE's XI

E. P. Thomson	not out	...	...	...	124
H. Norrington	lbw	b	Swaine	...	8
K. D. Murray	b. Swaine	...	...	...	12
R. R. Pope	not out	...	...	...	75
A. T. Forbes	} did not bat.				
H. W. Gardiner					
C. R. Rawlinson					
G. W. S. Cox					
R. Hughes-Hallett					
H. Godfree	}				
H. W. Shawcross					
				Extras	.. 25
				TOTAL	... 244

The School v. The Station.

Played on the School Ground, April 14th. (Rain interfered).

STATION.

H. Norrington	run out	...	...	...	28
J. T. Haslett	c. Savage	b.	Swaine	...	6
H. D. Murray	c. and b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	36
E. P. Thomson	not out	...	...	...	103
A. T. Forbes	b. Hodgkins	...	...	...	20
R. R. Pope	c. Rooke	b.	Byrn	...	8
A. U. Gledstones	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	21
C. R. Rawlinson	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	7
Sgt.-Maj. Connor	c. Stubbs	b.	Rooke	...	4
A. Frizelle	not out	...	...	...	2
O. Lindgren	did not bat	...	...	...	0
				Extras	17
				TOTAL	252

SCHOOL.

R. G. Rooke	c. Gledstones	b. Murray	...	2
E. Vaillant	c. and b. Rawlinson	...	...	16
E. S. James	not out	...	...	11
F. C. Swaine	not out	...	...	3
L. Burton	} did not bat.			
S. T. Stubbs				
H. Hodgkins				
S. G. Stubbs				
F. Byrn				
B. Tarleton	}			
H. Savage				

(2 wks.) 32

School v. A Military Team.
Played on the School Ground, April 28th.

MILITARY TEAM.			
H. Norrington	c. Hutchison	b. Stubbs	... 8
U. Gledstanes	run out	...	... 0
E. Rawlinson	c. Vaillant	b. Hodgkins	... 15
Sergt. Page	lbw.	b. Stubbs	... 4
G. B. Stoney	b. Stubbs	...	... 0
H. D. Murray	b. Hutchison	...	... 6
F. W. S. Stanton	c. James	b. Hutchison	... 6
E. P. Thomson	not out	...	... 29
Capt. Baker	b. Stubbs	...	... 15
A. H. Gorham	Absent	...	... 0
A. N. Other	Absent	...	... 0
Extras			... 7
TOTAL			... 90

SCHOOL.			
R. Rooke	b. Murray	...	... 3
E. Vaillant	c. and b. Rawlinson	...	... 10
E. James	b. Murray	...	... 1
F. Swaine	c. and b. Rawlinson	...	... 0
L. Burton	run out	...	... 10
S. T. Stubbs	b. Murray	...	... 2
H. Hodgkins	not out	...	... 25
F. Byrn	c. Thomson	...	... 11
S. G. Stubbs	lbw. b. Thomson	...	... 1
H. Savage	c. Murray	b. Page	... 25
L. Hutchison	b. Thomson	...	... 4
Extras			... 9
TOTAL			... 97

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
S. T. Stubbs	... 11	1	17	5
Hutchison	... 9	1	23	2
Hodgkins	... 1	0	3	1

The School v. The Staff.
Played on the School Ground, May 12th.

1st Innings.		THE SCHOOL.		2nd Innings.			
R. Rooke	b. Shawcross	...	14	b. Pope	...	...	3
E. Vaillant	lbw. b. Shawcross	...	16	c. E. A. Newton	b. Shawcross	13	
E. James	b. Shawcross	...	6	b. Pope	...	...	4
F. Swaine	b. Shawcross	...	0	b. Shawcross	...	...	7
L. Burton	c. & b. Wharton	...	9	b. Shawcross	...	...	14
S. T. Stubbs	b. Wharton	...	33	run out	...	...	11
H. Hodgkins	lbw. b. Newton	...	5	b. Shawcross	...	...	0
F. Byrn	c. Graham b. Newton	1		b. Shawcross	...	...	4
H. Savage	b. Newton	...	5	c. Shawcross	b. Hare	...	4
S. G. Stubbs	not out	...	5	c. Vere-Smith	b. Shawcross	15	
L. Hutchison	b. Wharton	...	0	not out	...	...	7
Extras		...	15	Extras		...	13
TOTAL		...	109	TOTAL		...	88

THE STAFF.

Rev. E. A. Newton	.....	b. Swaine	...	6
M. G. V. Cole	c. Byrn	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	0
A. H. Wharton	c. Byrn	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	49
H. Godfree	.....	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	5
R. R. Pope	c. S. G. Stubbs	b. Hutchison	...	32
E. C. O. Graham	.....	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	25
C. W. Newton	c. & b. Byrn	...	...	3
H. W. Shawcross	...	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	0
A. Vere-Smith	c. & b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	3
C. F. Hare	.....	run out	...	0
W. H. Gardiner	.....	run out	...	0
		Extras	...	23
		TOTAL	...	151

The School v. The Station.

Played on the School Ground, May 17th.

THE STATION.

H. F. Mytton	c. Vaillant	b. Rooke	...	29
P. B. Norris	c. Rooke	b. Hutchison	...	21
C. J. White	c. Swaine	b. Hutchison	...	15
C. I. Wimberley	.....	b. Hutchison	...	2
E. P. Thomson	.....	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	12
R. R. Pope	c. Rooke	b. E. James	...	51
G. B. Stoney	c. Rooke	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	9
Corpl. Stevens	.....	b. Swaine	...	21
Lce.-Corpl. Anderson	c. Rooke	b. Hutchison	...	15
C. R. Rawlinson	c. Savage	b. Byrn	...	4
C. W. Newton	.....	not out	...	14
		Extras	...	2
		TOTAL	...	195

THE SCHOOL.

R. Rooke	.....	b. Rawlinson	...	3
E. Vaillant	...	b. Thomson	...	19
E. James	c. Thomson	b. Mytton	...	21
F. C. Swaine	c. Mytton	b. Thomson	...	0
S. T. Stubbs	c. Stoney	b. Thomson	...	11
L. Burton	c. Newton	b. Stevens	...	33
H. Hodgkins	..	not out	...	17
F. Byrn	c. Pope	b. Thomson	...	4
B. Tarleton	.....	not out	...	3
H. Savage	} Did not bat	...	...	0
L. Hutchison		...	...	0
		Extras	...	5
		TOTAL	...	116

The School v. The Station.

Played on the School Ground, June 5th.

THE STATION.

Rev. E. S. Bartram	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	24
C. R. C. Daubeny	c. Byrn	b. Swaine	...	...	1
G. W. S. Cox	lbw. b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	2
Capt. P. B. Norris	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	1
H. Norrington	lbw. b. Swaine	...	...	...	36
A. T. Forbes	c. Vaillant	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	0
R. R. Pope	not out	...	...	...	90
Capt. C. I. Wimberley	c. and b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	...	0
R. Dashwood	b. Byrn	...	...	...	30
C. J. White	c. Hodgkins	b. S. T. Stubbs	...	...	4
	Extras	...	...	...	22
	TOTAL	...	...	...	210

THE SCHOOL.

1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
T. Swaine	b. Daubeny	...	3	c. Wharton	b. Forbes	15	
R. Rooke	b. Daubeny	...	0	not out		10	
E. Vaillant	b. Bartram	...	32	b. Daubeny		8	
E. James	run out	...	2	b. Daubeny		0	
S. T. Stubbs	b. Dashwood	...	17	run out		0	
L. Burton	b. Daubeny	...	7	c. Cox	b. Forbes	7	
H. Hodgkins	b. Daubeny	...	0	c. Wimberley	b. Forbes	5	
F. Byrn	c. Pope	b. Dashwood	19	c. Bartram	b. Norris	15	
S. G. Stubbs	b. Forbes	...	1	run out		6	
B. Tarleton	lbw. b. Forbes	...	2	b. Pope		13	
L. P. Hutchison	not out	...	0	c. Wharton	b. Pope	0	
	Extras	...	4	Extras		0	
	TOTAL	...	87	TOTAL	...	79	

HOCKEY.

An important change has been made in the system of games this year, the Football and Hockey Committee having decided to recognise Hockey as the principal game, Football becoming merely subsidiary. For the rest of this season, therefore, colours will be given for Hockey instead of for Football, and Hockey will be played four days a week. The change, which does not affect the Junior Game, has already worked well; and the Senior Game have shown play of a very superior order to their Football. It is, moreover, much easier to obtain suitable matches, and the following have already been played—

School v. No. 2 Section, Jalapahar Depôt (June 21st.)

This match requires little description, our opponents showing a very imperfect knowledge of the game, and being ultimately

defeated by no less than 13 goals to 1. The School played up the hill in the first half and scored six times, adding seven more goals in the second. All the forwards played well, Burton and Stubbs being especially good, while James played a very strong game at full back. Hodgkins unfortunately sprained his wrist and had to retire at half-time

School : Goal—H. Savage ; Backs—E. S. James (Capt.) and F. S. Byrn ; Half-backs—B. W. Tarleton, G. W. Archer, and E. S. Vaillant ; Right Wing—E. Armour and S. T. Stubbs ; Centre—L. H. Burton ; Left Wing—F. C. Swaine and H. A. Hodgkins.

School v. No. 4 Section, Jalapahar Depôt. (June 22nd.)

As on the previous day, the conditions were excellent, the weather being fine and the ground dry, without being too soft. The first few minutes' play made it clear that the walk-over of the day before was not to be repeated, and after a quarter of an hour's even play, the Depôt scored first goal. Playing with great determination, the School equalised a few minutes later, and each side scored again once before half-time. In the second half the School had distinctly the better of the game, obtaining corner after corner, but could not score ; while the Depôt twice ran through our backs and beat the goal-keeper. A good fast game thus resulted in the defeat of the School by 4 goals to 2.

The School Team seemed a little stale after their long game the day before, and Stubbs mi. proved a very inadequate substitute for Hodgkins ; still, we had much the better of the game and should have won. The Depôt owed their victory chiefly to the fine play of Lt. Kirke, R. A., who was a thorn in the side of the School backs throughout the game.

Burton, Swaine, Stubbs ma., Armour and Vaillant received their Second XI colours after the match. The School Team was the same as in the previous match, except that Stubbs mi. played instead of Hodgkins, whose injured wrist prevented him from appearing.

School v. Captain Norrington's XI. (Played on the School Ground, June 26th).

This time we were unfortunate in the weather, persistent rain during the greater part of the day having rendered the ground too soft and messy for accurate play. The School started playing up the hill, but were a long time getting together, and allowed the Scratch Team to score twice in the first quarter of an hour. Stimulated by these reverses to greater efforts, the forwards gradually got together and scored the next three goals, but just before half-time a somewhat lucky shot glanced off one of our backs through the goal, bringing the score to three

all. In the second half the School quite outplayed their opponents, pressing all the time and scoring three more goals, so that a rather scrambling game resulted in our favour by seven to four. Hodgkins was again an absentee and Rooke proved but a sorry substitute, but the other forwards played wonderfully well, considering the state of the ground; Burton received his colours after the match, having performed brilliantly throughout. James and Byrn played a good game at back and Vaillant was the best of the halves. Hutchison replaced Savage in goal, and could scarcely have saved any of the shots that went through.

The Junior Game still play Hockey two days a week. An alteration in the length of the sticks has, as we predicted a year ago, worked like magic, and the game is now correctly and scientifically played. Their Hockey should before long reach the high level of their Football.

FOOTBALL.

As we have stated elsewhere, Football has, in the Senior Game, been relegated for the current season to a position of secondary importance, but among the Junior it still holds pride of place. Of last year's Junior XI, eight are still in the Game, and, though Price and Sharling seem for the moment to have lost their form, the others are amply fulfilling the high promise of last year. Barrett has moved up from half to outside right, which seems to suit him better, though he does not come up to a long pass as quickly as Seconde on the other wing, who is playing better than ever. Outhwaite and Cox have both improved immensely, the latter being decidedly the best centre-forward of his size that we have ever seen. For the vacant place at inside right Corbett, Beale and Boileau are strong candidates. The halves have naturally been the longest in settling down, but with another fortnight's practice will no doubt be as effective a trio as last year's, and we are glad to observe a distinct increase in the number of young players, who understand the duties of this most difficult but vitally important position. At full back Ansell and August are showing excellent form, and the former seems likely to gain his colours this year as partner to the Captain, who is as safe as ever. A goal-keeper has yet to be found, the position being for the present filled, as usual, by the duffers, but Freeborne will probably, with the necessary amount of practice, make an adequate "custodian." It is a thousand pities that it should be impossible to obtain matches for the Junior XI, for they would hold their own anywhere in England—*Experto crede.*

FIVES.

The two Eton Fives courts presented to the School last term were nearly completed when the School returned in March, and regular play began about a month later. It was found, however, that the cement with which the walls were faced was not strong enough to stand the constant battering, and play had to be suspended while it was removed. The walls have now been re-faced with pure Portland Cement, so that the courts are perfect in all respects. There are few better ones in England, and the architect, Mr. E. J. Moriarty, is to be heartily congratulated on his work. As to the actual play, we cannot as yet speak with much enthusiasm, for boys have, as a rule, displayed a slowness in acquiring the game which, considering the remarkable aptitude shown by the Juniors in Cricket and Football, is, to say the least of it, surprising. Eton Fives properly, and above all briskly played, is one of the finest games in the world; played in the sleepy casual fashion in which most boys attempt it, it is, like any other game so treated, very poor fun. When once the members of the school wake up to this simple fact, we shall no doubt see Fives as popular and as well played as Cricket and Football are already. A competition is at present in progress among pairs representing The Common Room, The Rectory, Johnson Hall, Milman Hall, and the Day-Boys, the result of which will be announced in our next number. The Scratch Fives Ties (Senior and Junior) will be played in the autumn, during the second part of the Cricket season.

Correspondence.

To the Editor, St. Paul's School Chronicle.

DEAR SIR,

It is a pity that a gymnasium, such as the one we have, should not be better ventilated. To go into a stuffy gymnasium after a hot game of hockey or "footer," Mr. Editor, is like, literally, jumping out of the frying pan into the fire.

And, while on the subject of ventilation, might I ask if it would not be healthier to have all the windows in our Chapel open, both before and during Service, than all, or nearly all, closed?

I am, MR. EDITOR,

Yours faithfully,

'AIR RESTORER.

[Our correspondent will be glad to learn that the architect has already been approached with regard to the ventilation of the gymnasium, and that two top windows of chapel have been rendered practicable.—Ed.]

To the Editor, St. Paul's School Chronicle.

DEAR SIR,

Is it not a pity that Second XI cricket matches cannot be arranged with the Station or Jalapahar? There must be many in Darjeeling who like the game, and yet are not sufficiently able exponents of it to be included in the Station First XI.

On the other hand, the experience gained in these matches would be invaluable to the boys, who would naturally pay the penalty of nervousness and lack of judgment during the commencement of their First XI career.

ONE OF THE DUFFERS.

To the Editor, St. Paul's School Chronicle.

DEAR SIR,

As hockey seems to have come very much to the fore of late, would it not be a good idea to organise a hockey tournament? I should think that hockey is quite as popular a game in Darjeeling as soccer; and I am sure that there would be no lack of teams, in case such a proposal were to meet with approval.

HALF BACK.

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