

"Perseverance."

"Lives of great men all remind us,  
We can make our lives sublime;  
And departing, leave behind us,  
Footprints on the sands of time."

*Longfellow.*

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J. G. CHAPMAN,  
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# FIRST ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION,

New Assembly Rooms, Norwich. April 16th, 1912.

## PRIZE WINNERS.



*Back row (standing) left to right*—Cubitt H. G. F., Wilkins S. R., Hewitson D. A. J., Carter H. W., Johnson A. R. J. F., Turner R. B., Sands T., Thirtle A. C., Arnold H. G., Hastings S., Merrison C. A. W., Ferris E. T. W.

*Second row (standing) left to right*—Boulton N. V., Howard H., Scott A. C., Fisher J., Lewthwaite A. T., Tuddenham D. A., Wade H. L., Palmer H. B., Gibbs W. E., Lee R. B., Anderson G., Leeder R., Royal F. B., Norgate K.

*Front row (sitting) left to right*—Redgrave W. T., Arnold T. J. B., Mr. T. W. Arnold, Mr. Leathes Prior, J.P., the Sheriff of Norwich (Mr. C. Storey Gilman, J.P.), Sir Peter Eade, M.D., J.P., Mr. J. G. Chapman, Prior H. R. T., Brown F. A. S., Ling W. B., Ling H. S.

*Bottom row (sitting) left to right*—Shorten W. A., Duffield H. T. S., Base K. W., Hardie H. H., Euren R., Tanner J. H. P., Thorns J., Sennitt S. E., Alderson H. A., Chapman A. G.

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## School Topics.

BY THE HEADMASTER.

**T**ERM has followed Term so rapidly that it is difficult to realise that two years have passed since the establishment of the Norwich High School for Boys. Yet such is the case. From another point of view, looking at the work and the developments, it seems equally incredible that so much could have been done in so short a time.

So phenomenal has been the growth of our School and so exacting have been its requirements in the way of providing suitable accommodation and in organization in all directions, that one has scarcely had breathing space, whether in school time or holiday—both equally engrossed with arrangements and developments for the building up of our School on sound and practical lines—to reflect on the passing of time and the success which has crowned our unrelaxing efforts to provide an educational establishment, that should fully meet the demands and requirements of a large number of parents in the city and county.

It is very gratifying to feel, and to be so frequently assured, that we have been successful in our efforts; as, unfettered by red tape or the interference of theorists, and guided by a long and practical experience of the needs of the district, we have been able so to

arrange our curriculum as to devote much more time to the subjects which are essential to a boy's education than to those of a more showy but less useful nature, although these are by no means neglected.

Our first Prize Day, on Tuesday, April 16th, was a very successful function. We had an excellent platform, capital speeches, and a very large and most enthusiastic audience. Sir Peter Eade, M.D., J.P., made an ideal Chairman, and the Sheriff of Norwich, C. Storey Gilman, Esq., J.P., delighted both boys and parents by the graceful and kindly manner in which he distributed the Prizes. Encouraging and practical speeches were also delivered by Col. Leathes Prior, J.P., and Alderman A. J. Young, J.P.

The key note, if I may so call it, of all the speeches and of the great majority of the almost innumerable congratulations we received was that of surprise that in so short a time we should have built up so fine a School and attracted the kindly interest and hearty support of so many of the prominent inhabitants of the city and county.

During the afternoon many friends took the opportunity of looking over our New School Buildings, and all

seemed very much impressed and surprised by their size, unrivalled position, equipment, hygienic arrangements, and the general up-to-dateness of the whole place.

In the evening about eighty of my Old Pupils and Friends held their first Annual Dinner at the Criterion Restaurant, and a very pleasant evening was spent. The Sheriff and several leading citizens again honoured us by their presence and the time passed all too quickly with toast and speech and song. It gave me the greatest possible pleasure to meet so many of my friends both young and old, and I hope this will prove to be but the beginning of many happy reunions.

It was a great day for the School, a real Red Letter Day for me and mine, and a source of great encouragement to persevere in the great work we have set ourselves to do. Its memory is very dear to me and will long be cherished in our annals as the crowning event in establishing the School in the public favour.

Our second Annual Athletic Sports meeting was held on Wednesday, July 10th, and passed off very well indeed. Favoured with delightful weather and the presence of a very large and enthusiastic company, the boys rose to the occasion and gave a very creditable display in all the events. The keenness, sportsmanlike behaviour, and general good fellowship shewn by the boys made me very proud of them. The display of Swedish Drill was highly satisfactory and the graceful and correct movements in the intricacies of

"the maze" reflected great credit both on the boys and their popular instructor, Sergeant J. H. Rowell. Then, at the close of the proceedings, Mrs. Gilman won the affection of all the boys by the most graceful and kindly way in which she handed them their prizes.

Both the Sheriff and Mrs. Gilman have been very good to us and have had no small share in helping to make the two great annual events of our School pass off so successfully. The whole School, both boys and masters, most earnestly hope that the Sheriff will soon be restored to perfect health and that the remainder of his year of office may prove to be very happy and congenial both to himself and Mrs. Gilman.

I would also again like to express my grateful thanks to the parents and all kind friends who so generously contributed to our Prize Fund, both at the end of our School year and for our Athletic Sports. The knowledge that they have helped to make so many boys happy, and to reward real merit, will, I am sure, be ample compensation for their generosity.

To all those who have helped at any of these functions, I would like to extend my hearty thanks, but especially to those Old Boys and Masters who worked so strenuously in carrying out all the necessary arrangements.

The work and health of the School during the term have been satisfactory.

The usual School games have been engaged in with spirit and vigour. The engagement of the Norfolk County

Cricket Professional, Mr. R. Falconer, to coach the boys has had very beneficial results. It has imbued the boys with a keener spirit for the game, and given them a much fuller knowledge of many of its nicer points. Many of the boys have made great improvement in their play, and we have hopes of building up quite a good team.

A good number of boys have gone regularly to the Swan Baths with the Masters twice a week or oftener, and several have learned to swim.

Tennis has been very keenly indulged in by the Boarders on the School Court, where they seem to enjoy themselves immensely, and some of the boys play a very good game.

Next term we hope to resume the Dancing, Boxing, and Gymnastic Classes, and I should like to see a good number of boys joining them, especially the last named, as gymnastics play a very large and important part in the development of a growing boy's physique. I should much like to form two classes, one for senior boys and one for juniors.

Our Senior Prefect, E. T. W. Ferris, is leaving us this term to continue his studies at Oxford. We shall all miss him very much and we wish him great success at the University.

There will be two changes on our staff, too, as Mr. Vizard and Mr. Fisher are leaving us. They have our best wishes for their welfare in their new appointments. Their places will be filled by two gentlemen of whom I expect much in various ways. Mr. A. E. Neeves, A.C.P., whose photograph appeared in last term's magazine, was prevented by a family bereavement from



MR. H. J. SELBY.

taking up his appointment, but he is coming to us next term. He is an experienced teacher and a good sportsman.

Mr. H. J. Selby, who succeeds Mr. Fisher, is a good linguist and has a reputation as a sportsman, especially in cricket, football, and swimming.

For most of the photographs from which the blocks have been made for this number of our Magazine, I am indebted to my good friend, Mr. Herbert Starling, and to my old pupil, Mr. Arnold Read, of Brundall, and to them I tender my grateful thanks.

J. G. C.

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### The Autumn Term.

The Autumn Term will commence on Tuesday, September 17th, at 10 a.m., and end on Thursday, December 19th.

## Prize Distribution and Old Boys' Dinner.

(Report as given by the "Norwich Mercury," April 20th, 1912).

THE Prize Day in connection with the newly-established Norwich High School for Boys took place on Tuesday at the New Assembly Rooms, when the prizes gained by the scholars were presented by the Sheriff of Norwich (Mr. C. S. Gilman). Sir Peter Eade presided, and was supported by the Sheriff, Messrs. G. M. Chamberlin, Leathes Prior, A. J. Young, F. C. Havers, W. Shorten, H. Harper Smith, T. J. Mackley, the Rev. C. A. Hope, Messrs. E. J. Tench, H. Oake, J. George Chapman (the Head Master), and T. W. Arnold. The speech making and prize giving were interspersed with choruses contributed by a group of choristers under the conductorship of Mr. R. J. Maddern Williams. A number of selections were also rendered by a small school orchestra.

SIR PETER EADE said the point which most impressed itself upon their minds that morning was that they were celebrating the inauguration of a new school—he might almost say a new college school—in the city. They had to congratulate not only the master, but themselves upon the rapid success of the efforts which Mr. Chapman had made to bring forward a first-class school, and upon the phenomenal success which the School had attained. A school which after a couple of years numbered nearly 150 pupils was something almost phenomenal in the city. He recently went all over the school house and its surroundings, and was very surprised and very pleased to see how complete were the arrangements. The domestic arrangements were proper for a large body of young men and lads, and the dormitories were hygienic and appropriate. There were numerous

classrooms, including several small ones devoted to scientific pursuits and other subjects. He found that the sanitary arrangements generally were very good and up to date; and there were isolation rooms which were so necessary where a large body of young folks was concerned, and where if anybody was attacked with measles or anything of the sort he was separated from the others and the risk of infection avoided. As he once lived in the house when it was half the present size, he knew that the atmosphere of the house was magnificent. There was a very nice large garden abutting on the Chapel Field, and he knew from years of experience that the premises were well suited for the purpose for which they were adapted. He congratulated Mr. Chapman upon his success. The success of the scholars and the number of scholars secured proved that it filled a public want, and they wished Mr. Chapman increasing prosperity in the future.

The HEAD MASTER read his Report.\*

The SHERIFF then presented the prizes in accordance with the Prize List.\* In the course of a brief address, he said he was glad to be present that day to recognise the good work which was being done in their midst by Mr. Chapman and those who assisted him in the duties of the High School for Boys. He ventured to say that until that day many, like him, were unaware of the extent and importance of the School. Whilst they knew of the existence of the School, they had no idea that in the short period of eighteen months a school of 150 boys had been built up. He endorsed the views of the Chairman that such a measure of success was phenomenal. The

\* As the Report and Prize List were printed in the last issue of this Magazine, they are omitted here.—EDITOR.

position was this: Mr. Chapman at a particular crisis recognised that the demand had arisen for a school to which parents could send their children and pay for the education thus given, in contra-distinction to what was commonly termed a rate-aided school. Mr. Chapman rose to the occasion with immense success, and satisfied all the requirements of the position. The number of scholars indicated the success which his ambition prompted him to attain to; and it meant that Mr. Chapman must not merely be a very popular man with the boys, but he must also have earned the esteem and confidence of the parents, otherwise they would not have entrusted so important a matter as the education of their sons to his care. He had an opportunity of forming an impression of the work which Mr. Chapman had been able to do in past years, and he imagined that that gentleman continued his work in the same manner as he carried it out heretofore. He had had something like a score of Mr. Chapman's scholars come to him at various times as clerks, and he could speak of the excellent characters with which they were imbued, the straightforward way in which they behaved themselves and carried out their duties, and the ability with which they were endowed. The opinion he formed was that Mr. Chapman made a point of knowing his boys. He did not allow them, as used to be the case years ago, to simply come into the School on Monday morning and leave again at mid-day on Saturday, and work or not, just as they pleased. In his (the Sheriff's) days education was very different from what it was to-day. He well remembered the kind of matter which he had to learn by heart, as a parrot learned by heart. He did not know in the least what he was learning. He merely had to commit to memory a multitude of words of various languages and repeat them, without that

intelligent interest which ought to have been inculcated into his mind. Now-a-days school work was made most interesting by the manner in which it was taught. Mr. Chapman assured him that he did not attempt to rush his boys; he did not believe in cramming. He (the Sheriff) agreed with him, believing it to be a mistake to try to rush a boy on to too great things. It was an exhausting process, and a good deal of the good work of education failed to have its effect in after life if it was of too forced a character. There was such a thing as superabundance of knowledge.

The proceedings terminated with the customary votes of thanks and cheers for all concerned in the School's first Prize Day.

### **Old Boys' Dinner.**

By way of inaugurating the establishment of an Old Boys' Union in connection with the School, Mr. Chapman entertained a large company to dinner at the Criterion Restaurant on Tuesday evening. The members of the Union comprised not only the old boys of the present School, but Mr. Chapman's old boarders at Clarendon Road, Surrey Street, and St. Giles' House, day boys whom he taught at the Middle School, and friends of the present School. Mr. Chapman was in the chair, and was supported by the Sheriff (Mr. C. S. Gilman), Mr. G. M. Chamberlin, Mr. Leathes Prior, Mr. W. R. C. Howlett, Mr. A. J. Young, Captain A. W. M. Atthill, Mr. F. C. Havers, and Mr. H. Harper Smith.

Responding to the toast of "The Lord Mayor, Sheriff, and Corporation," the SHERIFF expressed the view that the criticisms levelled against the Corporation were not entirely deserved. He thought the members of the Corporation could be trusted to do what was for the benefit of the city.

Mr. F. C. HAVERS proposed "The Old Boys' Union." He said they admired Mr. Chapman's pluck, and wished him God speed on his way. He hoped Mr. Chapman's efforts would be crowned with success, and assured him of the good wishes of every citizen in his enterprise.

The toast was received with musical honours, and THE PRESIDENT, speaking in reply, remarked that had it not been for the loving help and sympathy of Mrs. Chapman, he could not have carried through the work he had performed in the last two years. Ever since the School started he had had in view the formation of an Old Boys' Union, but they had as yet few old boys. There were hundreds of boys with whom he had had to deal in the old Middle School, however, and when he found that they no longer had an Old Boys' Union and no Alma Mater to look to, and no one to take an interest in them and bind them together, he thought that therein was his chance to give them an opportunity of mutual help and comradeship. They as members of the Old Boys' Union could help the School by binding themselves together and backing it up as they did the old School, and the School could help them by keeping them in touch with one another. The Union already had a membership of ninety living in all parts of the world.

Other toasts included that of "The Norwich High School," which was proposed by Mr. G. M. CHAMBERLIN. As an old citizen he expressed delight that Mr. Chapman had been brave enough to take the step he had taken. He had no doubt that the difficulties were great, and that a certain amount of risk attended the enterprise. The old Commercial School was a thing of the past, but he contended that there was a very great opening for the enterprise which Mr. Chapman had entered upon, and he and

a great many other citizens of Norwich wished him most heartily every success in his future career. Nobody appreciated more than he did the value of a good sound commercial education. That education had been given in the past to those who were members of the Old Boys' Union, and he firmly believed that the same acumen and intelligence and industry which Mr. Chapman had shown in the past would be further developed in the future, and that as master of the High School he would be instrumental in doing an immense amount of work for the commercial benefit of the city of Norwich. In the course of some further remarks, Mr. Chamberlin said he would like to see more thought and attention given to educate the boys to be able to speak. In his judgment they were deficient in Norwich just now in good speakers, and he did not see why a lad should not be taught to speak as much as to read and to learn Greek and Latin. He would be pleased to give a prize each year as long as he lived to the Norwich High School, under the headmastership of Mr. Chapman, for the boy who could make the best speech.

The President, Mr. T. W. Arnold, and Mr. E. T. W. Ferris responded.

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### **New Boys.**

The following New Boys were admitted into the School during the Summer Term:—

Ernest Küppers	George W. Huggins
John Soame	John W. C. Beeton
Thomas Collver	Claude L. Coleman
Edgar W. Canham	Frank G. Wright
Edwin W. Bradley	Gerald W. Rix
Alfred H. D. Houghton	Charles W. Howard
Maurice J. Tuddenham	



**Annual School Sports,**  
**Held at the Lakenham County Cricket Ground, Wednesday, July 10th, 1912.**

*(Report as given in the "Eastern Daily Press.")*



**ANNUAL SPORTS. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION BY MRS. C. STOREY GILMAN.**

**T**HE Second Annual Athletic Sports of the Pupils attending the Norwich High School for Boys was held on the Lakenham Cricket Ground on Wednesday, the occasion being graced with ideal weather. Tempted by the bright sunshine, and the prospect of good sport, there was an encouraging attendance of parents and friends, and from every point of view the gathering was a great success. The events were arranged on popular lines, and, the masters and officials leaving nothing to chance, interest was not allowed to flag. Strict times were kept to, and the competitors being of the keenest, the running, jumping, cycling, &c., was of an enjoyable character. J. Fisher, with 23 points, headed

the Victor Ludorum Competition, Sharpen being second. Several records for the School went by the board in the course of the afternoon. A pleasing feature was massed drill by the boys, whilst the band of the Royal Norfolk Veterans' Association, under Bandmaster H. Abel, rendered an acceptable programme of music.

The following were the officials: President, the Head Master; Committee, the Assistant Masters and Messrs. E. T. W. Ferris, T. J. B. Arnold, H. R. T. Prior, H. B. Palmer, and F. A. S. Brown; Starters, Mr. H. Oake and Mr. E. J. Tench; Judges, Captain A. W. M. Athill, M.V.O., Mr. C. Mase, Mr. S. Robertson, Mr. Claude Stratford, and Mr. S. J. Thorns; Referee, Mr. R. J.



Dicketts; Judges' Clerk, Mr. S. W. Fisher; Lap Scorers, Mr. R. P. Beaver, Mr. C. H. Poll, Rev. H. Priestland, and Mr. H. S. Ling; Timekeeper, Mr. Arthur Pank; Clerks of the Course, Mr. H. E. Maglev, Major E. Felce, Lieutenant S. A. Howard, Mr. B. F. Stratford, Mr. A. D. Rix, and Mr. E. J. Chapman; Stewards, Mr. T. W. Arnold, Mr. J. D. Wright, Mr. E. C. Duffield, Mr. C. F. Abel, Mr. O. C. Scillitoe, Mr. G. Vizard, and Mr. S. W. Fisher; Handicappers, the Committee; Hon. Secretaries, Mr. T. W. Arnold and Mr. E. C. Duffield.

#### Details of racing:

100 Yards Flat Handicap, Boys under 9.—Final: 1 H. T. S. Duffield (6 yards), 2 K. Priestland (scratch), 3 E. Bradley (9 yards). Time, 14 4-5 secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball, Boys under 14.—Final: E. J. Daniels, with a throw of 51 yds. 2 ft. 5 ins., was first, D. A. J. Hewitson second.

100 Yards Flat Handicap, Boys under 10.—Final: 1 K. Priestland (8 yards), 2 C. L. Coleman (5 yards), 3 W. Gough (11 yards). Time 13 1-5 secs.

100 Yards Flat Handicap, Boys under 11.—Heat Winners: 1 R. B. Turner (3 yards), 2 E. Koppers (3 yards), 3 J. Duffield (scratch); 1 K. Priestland (15 yards), 2 C. A. W. Merriison (4 yards), 3 R. T. Sexton (6 yards). Final: 1 Priestland, 2 Koppers, 3 Turner.

100 Yards Flat Handicap, Boys under 13.—Final: 1 G. D. Holmes (8 yards), 2 J. R. Duffield (11 yards), 3 A. G. Chapman (13 yards)

100 Yards Flat Handicap, Open.—Final: 1 N. V. Boulton (4 yards), 2 J. Fisher (Scratch), 3 F. M. Nunn (1 yard). Time, 11 2-5 secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball, Boys over 14.—Final: 1 J. Fisher (75 yards 0 ft. 3 ins.).

Quarter-Mile Flat Handicap.—Final: 1 J. Fisher (Scratch), 2 G. D. Holmes (50 yards), 3 H. R. Bessey (8 yards). Time 64 secs.

Egg and Spoon 120 Yards Handicap.—Final, 1 N. A. W. Bell (8 yards), 2 C. W. Howard (17 yards), 3 J. E. Hugman (22 yards).

220 Yards Flat Handicap.—Final: 1 N. V. Boulton (8 yards), 2 G. D. Holmes (28 yards), 3 R. B. Turner (35 yards), 4 F. A. S. Brown (3 yards). Time, 29 1-5 secs.

Half-Mile Bicycle Handicap.—Final: 1 N. A. Ottaway (scratch), 2 R. F. Spanton (scratch). Time, 1 min. 28 3-5 secs.; school record.

High Jump, Boys under 14.—Final: 1 S. E. Kent (4½ feet), 2 L. H. Greengrass.

High Jump, Boys over 14.—Final: 1 J. Fisher (4 ft. 8 ins.); school record.

100 Yards Sack Race, Open.—Final: 1 C. L. Coleman, 2 W. T. Redgrave, 3 J. H. Chapman, 4 H. A. Cooper.

One Mile Flat Handicap, Open.—Final: 1 N. V. Boulton (57 yards), 2 W. A. Sharpen (Scratch), 3 S. E. Kent (123 yards). Time, 5 mins. 42 4-5 secs.



Potato Race.—Final: 1 N. A. Ottaway, 2 W. B. Ling, 3 H. B. Palmer.

120 Yards Hurdle Handicap, Open.—Heat winners: 1 N. A. Ottaway (4 yards), 2 J. Fisher (scratch), 3 G. D. Holmes (15 yards), 4 F. A. S. Brown; 1 H. R. T. Prior (scratch), 2 F. M. Numm (2 yards), 3 W. T. Redgrave (2 yards), 4 H. B. Palmer (scratch). Final: 1 Ottaway, 2 Brown, 3 Holmes, 4 Prior.

Long Jump, Open.—Final: J. Fisher and F. A. S. Brown tied with a 14 ft. 10 ins. jump, this being a school record.

220 Yards Obstacle Handicap, Open.—Heat winners: 1 W. T. Redgrave (scratch), 2 W. B. Ling (scratch), 3 H. B. Palmer (scratch), 4 E. J. Daniels; 1 W. A. Ramsay (scratch), 2 W. A. Sharpen (scratch), 3 E. Youngs (3 yards), 4 G. Rix (12 yards). Final: 1 Ling, 2 Ramsay, 3 Sharpen, 4 Redgrave.

Half-Mile Flat Handicap, Open.—Final: 1 F. M. Nunn (9 yards), 2 N. C. Greengrass (108 yards), 3 G. Lockett (53 yards). Time, 2 mins. 40 secs.

Bicycle Tournament.—Final: 1 W. B. Ling, 2 C. W. Page, 3 G. B. Johnson and W. A. Ramsay tie.

Half-Mile Walking Handicap, Open.—Final: 1 B. Ling (100 yards), 2 J. R. Duffield (120 yards), 3 E. Moorhouse (30 yards), 4 L. H. Greengrass (82 yards). Time, 4 mins. 37 secs.

Old Boys' 120 Yards Handicap.—Final: 1 E. J. Chapman (5 yards), 2 A. D. Rix (5 yards), 3 D. H. Drane (scratch).

Inter-House Team Quarter-Mile Flat.—1 Cheltenham House, 2 Harrow House.

Mrs. C. Storey Gilman presented the Prizes at the conclusion of racing.



The following interesting details of the Races were given by the "Norwich Mercury, July 13th, 1912.

The opening event consisted of the 100 Yards Flat Handicap for Boys under 9, for which there were 9 entries. H. T. S. Duffield led all the way by about six yards from K. Priestland, while E. Bradley came third, the winner's time being 14 4-5 secs.

Throwing the Cricket Ball proved to be an interesting feature, and E. J. Daniels came first with a throw of 51 yards 2 feet 5 inches, with D. A. J. Hewitson second.

The 100 Yards Flat Handicap for boys under 10 was an exciting race, and four competitors came in in a bunch, but first place honours fell to K. Priestland, with C. L. Coleman second, and W. Gough third; the winner's time was 13 1-5 secs.

In the 100 Yards under 11 the final was closely contested, and K. Priestland, who was an exceptionally fine juvenile athlete, came in first, with E. Koppers second, leading by three yards from R. B. Turner, while G. Priestley came in fourth.

Throwing the Cricket Ball, over 14, was not done in striking fashion, and J. Fisher was placed the winner for a length of 75 yards 0 feet 3 inches, which appeared rather flat against the previous year's throw of 85 yards by W. Kent.

The 100 Yards Flat Handicap for Boys under 13 was a most exciting race, J. R. Duffield leading till he was almost on the tape, when D. Holmes put on a tremendous

spurt, and secured the verdict by the narrowest possible margin; A. G. Chapman came third, with E. Cunningham fourth, the winner's time being 12 1-5 secs.

The *100 Yards Flat Handicap (open)* was the scene of some remarkable recoveries by the scratch men; N. V. Boulton occupied first position, while J. Fisher, starting at scratch, came in second, which could be said to be undoubtedly the best performance of the day; F. M. Nunn came third, and F. A. S. Brown occupied fourth position, the winner's time being 11 2-5 secs.

In the *Quarter-Mile Flat Handicap*, J. Fisher, starting from scratch, again came first, leading by a bare majority from G. D. Holmes, while H. R. Bessey came third, the winner's time being 64 secs.

The *Egg and Spoon Race* was the cause of much amusement, and many competitors, on nearing the tape, became excited and lost their eggs, so that N. A. W. Bell came first, having started at an even pace, which he continued throughout. C. W. Howard came second, with J. E. Hugman third, H. Hardie fourth, and H. A. H. Cubitt fifth.

There were four prizes for the *220 Yards Flat Handicap*, which was decided in favour of N. V. Boulton, with G. D. Holmes second, R. B. Turner third, and F. A. S. Brown fourth, the winner's time being 29 1-5 secs.

The *Half-Mile Cycle Handicap* was strenuously contested, and all sorts and conditions of cycles appeared on the track. 80 yards separated the leading competitor from scratch man at the start, so that their recovery was almost phenomenal. N. A. Ottaway, however, starting from scratch, came first, with R. F. Spanton, who also started at scratch, second, the winner beating his own record time for the previous year.

The *High Jump, under 14*, was decided in favour of S. E. Kent, with H. L. Greengrass second.

The *High Jump for Boys over 14* was a memorable event. All previous records were broken, J. Fisher jumping the bar at the height of 4 ft. 8 ins.

The *Sack Race (open)* for 100 yards was the scene of many disastrous "spills," and C. L. Coleman, the youngest competitor, came first, with W. T. Redgrave second, J. H. Chapman third, and H. A. Cooper fourth.

The *One Mile Flat Handicap* was won by N. V. Boulton, with W. A. Sharpen, starting from scratch, second, and S. E. Kent third, the winner's time being 5 mins. 42 4-5 secs.

In the *120 Yards Hurdle Race*, N. A. Ottaway came first, F. A. S. Brown second, G. D. Holmes third, and H. R. T. Prior fourth.

The *Long Jump* resulted in a tie between J. Fisher and F. A. S. Brown with a 14 ft. 10 ins. jump, this being a school record.

The *220 Yards Obstacle Race* was easily contested, and much amusement was caused by the competitors' frantic endeavours to pass the obstacles. W. B. Ling was declared the winner, W. A. Ramsay second, W. A. Sharpen third, and W. T. Redgrave fourth, the winner's time being 1 min. 34 secs., that being a record for the school.

The *Half-Mile Flat Handicap* was secured easily by F. M. Nunn, with N. C. Greengrass second, and G. Lockett third, the winner's time being 2 min. 40 secs.

The *Bicycle Tournament* was undoubtedly the most interesting feature, as the competitors, mounted on cycles, and armed with swords, were obliged to knock off three dummy heads, put the sword through a ring, and split a potato. The ring seemed to be a great difficulty, and only two competitors succeeded in this, but W. B. Ling was declared the winner, with C. W. Page second, and W. A. Ramsay and C. B. Johnson third.

The *Tripod Race* was the cause of endless amusement, and several competitors appeared to be likely winners, but they collapsed on nearing the tape, and H. Alderson and G. Priestley came first, with L. Dicketts and W. A. Shorten second, and A. J. R. F. Johnson and N. A. Ottaway third.

In the *Half-Mile Walking Race Handicap* several infringements of the rules took place, and J. R. Duffield, who came in first, broke into a trot in the last seven yards of the race, and was disqualified, the race going to B. Ling, a young lad who walked remarkably well, and E. Moorhouse came third.

The *Old Boys' Race* was closely contested, and E. J. Chapman came first, A. D. Rix second, and D. H. Drane third (who tied with Harold Ling in the race, which necessitated it being run over again).

The *Inter-House Team Race* was won by Cheltenham House, with Harrow House second, and Marlborough House third.

An exhibition of Physical Drill followed, in which the boys acquitted themselves remarkably well, the movements being done with military smartness and precision, and they were the recipients of loud applause from the assembly.



ANNUAL SPORTS. PRIZE WINNERS.

### Personalia.

OUR hearty congratulations are extended to F. D. E. BOULTON (who is now in the Newcastle branch of the National Provincial Bank of England) for having been successful in passing the Preliminary Examination of the Bankers' Institute. Also to E. S. PILLOW (who is articulated to Mr. E. H. Capon of St. Giles

Street) for passing the Examination, with distinction in English, qualifying him for registration as a Medical and Dental Student. He was coached by Mr. T. W. Arnold.

HAROLD S. LING has recently been appointed to Barclay's Bank at Aylsham.

H. W. GEDGE is to be congratulated on having secured an appointment on the clerical staff of the Norwich Education Committee.

ROBIN THORNS has gone to Canada again, and I trust he will be more successful in his second venture.

The brothers D. E. and H. W. JESSOP have also gone to our great American Colony, where I sincerely hope they will meet with good fortune.

Since the last issue of our Magazine, HUBERT H. BIRD has joined the noble army of Benedicts, and we wish him and his bride every happiness.

The REV. SIDNEY HUNTLEY was ordained at St. Peter Mancroft on Trinity Sunday, and called to see me for a short time in the afternoon. He has accepted a Curacy at Eye, where, in helping others, I trust he may be richly blessed himself. He was present at the School Sports, I am told, although I did not see him, nor many others, owing to being so busy on the course.

Another Old Boy, GEORGE HOLMES, is shortly to be ordained at Clearwater, Manitoba, where he has been offered a church. His wife and little son (who is a pupil in my school) are going out to him in August, and I am sure you will all join with me in wishing them real happiness and joy in their good work in the New World.

I am quite certain all who know him will wish to heartily congratulate SAMBROOKE TAYLOR (jun.) on his complete recovery from a very serious operation.

TOM DUNSTER had entered for the "Old Boys' Race" at the recent School Sports, but was prevented from running by an unexpected call to join his ship. We wish him "bon voyage" and a safe return.

Heartly congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. WILL BOWDEN on the birth of their little daughter. In a recent letter he informed us that he will be spending part of his holiday in camp with the Durham Light Infantry, of which he is an officer.

JAMES ELSTON, I am glad to say, has secured a good appointment in the County

Architect's office at Stafford. His address is 29, Friars' Road, Stafford.

ALAN NEWHOUSE has returned from New Zealand, and I trust his health is now sufficiently restored to enable him to remain in the Old Country.

I have had a most interesting letter from one of my very old pupils, HENLEY DAWSON PEARCE, who is a L.R.I.B.A. Some of the older boys might like to have his address--Stewart's Buildings, Hanover Street, East London, South Africa. All his old school-fellows, I am sure, will join me in wishing him continued prosperity.

REGGIE RIX is down from Guy's Hospital for his long vacation--nearly three months--so I shall hope to see him frequently.

Interesting letters have reached me from TALBOT BOND, ARNOLD READ, W. CRABTREE, LIONEL GAMBLE, V. HOWSON (PAT), H. R. LOADS, V. H. LITTLEBOY, H. W. JESSOP, HUGH DEWING, and EDWARD PHILLIPPO.

I would like to remind Old Boys that the pages of this Magazine are open for their use, and that letters, articles on special subjects, and any interesting information, will be welcomed from them.

J. G. C.

### Old Boys' Union.

**D**URING the term a Committee Meeting of the Old Boys'

Union was held, when it was decided to invite Messrs. W. R. Bond, Sedley Robertson, and Harry A. Smith to become members of the Committee. All three consented to serve. Sums of money were voted to provide Old Boys' Prizes to the Head Boy of the School at the Annual Prize-giving, and to the Victor Ludorum, as the holder of the Old Boys' Cup at the Annual Athletic Sports.

It was also decided that the Members' Annual Subscription of half-a-crown should be due on the 1st of January each year, when it should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. R. C. Larking, Orford Place, Norwich.

A General Meeting will probably be called early in the autumn to consider various matters of interest, and more especially a Winter programme.

Since our last issue the following have joined the "Old Boys' Union":—

- Coleman, G. L., 21, Grosvenor Road, Norwich.  
 Smithdale, A., St. Ann's House, Acle.  
 Goose, H. H., Wilby House, West Parade, Norwich.  
 Reynolds, E. B., 97, Dereham Road, Norwich.  
 Primrose, H. R., Capital and Counties' Bank, East Dereham.  
 Loads, G. W., 26, Grove Avenue, Norwich.  
 Havers, H. C., 47, Unthank Road, Norwich.  
 Huntley, Rev. S. A. N., Eye, Suffolk.  
 Page, C. F., 193, College Road, Norwich.  
 Empson, R. H. W., Onley House, Unthank Road, Norwich.  
 Brett, C., 72, Earham Road, Norwich.

### Swimming Notes.

**A**S with the other sports in connection with the School, the swimming baths have been well patronised, from forty to fifty boys having taken tickets for the Swan. Among these several boys have become very proficient in the art, and we can mention Sharpen, Boulton, T. Arnold, Redgrave, and Shorten in this respect.

There has also been a large number of small boys learning, among whom Hugman, Robb, and Tanner can be said to have made most progress by their efforts. In fact much spirit and keenness have been shown in our dips on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

### ANNUAL SPORTS



J. FISHER.  
 "VICTOR LUDORUM" 1912.

### The Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music.

**I**N the School Examinations of the above, held on July 11th, T. J. B. Arnold passed in Pianoforte (Higher Division), gaining 109 marks out of a total of 150; and H. G. Arnold also secured a Pass Certificate in the Primary Division with 110 marks out of a maximum of 150.

## Half-Term Reports.

The boys who took the best places in their Forms in the Half-Term Report are given below:—

FORM VI.	FORM UPPER V.	FORM LOWER V.
Prior, H. R. T. Brown, F. A. S. Wade, H. L.	Royal, F. B. Motum, E. G. Lock, F. W.	Fisher, J. Anderson, G. Norgate, R.
FORM IV.	FORM UPPER III.	FORM LOWER III.
Arnold, H. G. Daniels, E. J. Wilkins, S. R.	Vince, C. F. Rossi, G. Sands, T.	Howard, C. W. Merrison, C. A. W. Beckett, C. E.
FORM UPPER II.	FORM LOWER II.	FORM I.
Gossling, J. A. Priestland, K. Ramsey, H.	Euren, R. F. Vince, W. L. Canham, E. W.	Houghton, A. H. D. Duffield, H. T. S. Checkland, E.

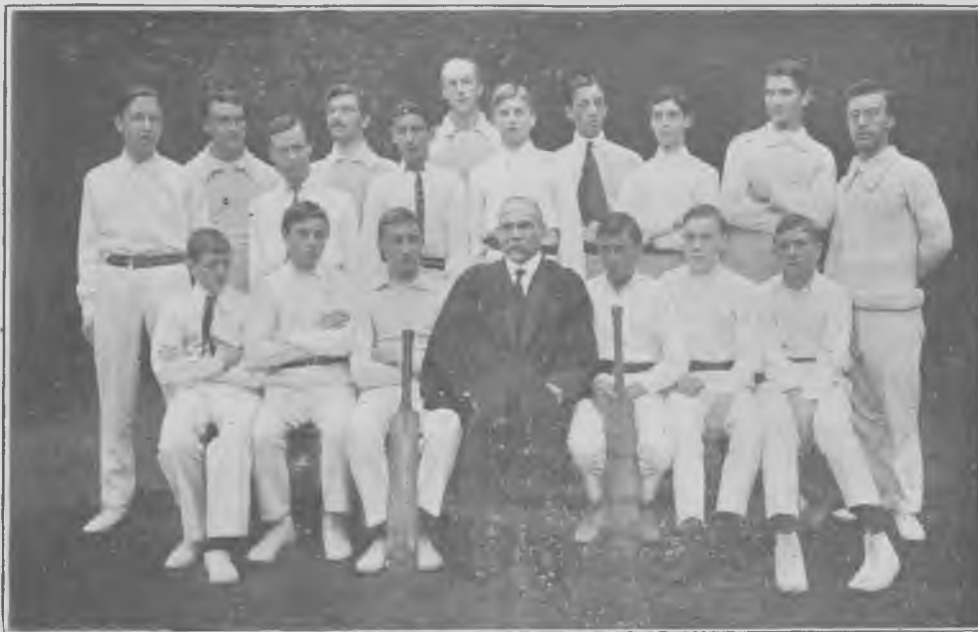
## Round the Classes.

In the Term Examinations just concluded, the highest places in the various Forms have been gained as follows:—

FORM VI.	FORM UPPER V.	FORM LOWER V.
Prior, H. R. T. Arnold, T. J. B. Brown, F. A. S. Wade, H. L. Scott, A. C. Ling, W. B.	Motum, E. G. Royal, F. B. Scarles, C. E.	Boulton, N. V. Fisher, J. Norgate, R. Nunn, F. M. Ramsey, W. A. Carter, H. W.
FORM IV.	FORM UPPER III.	FORM LOWER III.
Arnold, H. G. Daniels, E. J. Johnson, A. J. R. F. Base, K. W. Wilkins, S. R. Margaron, T. J.	Rix, G. Thirtle, A. C. Rossi, G. Vince, C. F. Alderson, H. A. Grehan, J.	Turner, R. B. Howard, C. W. Robb, E. M. Tanner, J. H. P. Cubitt, H. A. Church, J. A.
FORM UPPER II.	FORM LOWER II.	FORM I.
Priestland, K. Gunton, G. F. Gossling, J. A. More, G. R. G. Sexton, R. T. Collyer, T.	Küppers, E. Woolnough, N. D. Vince, W. L. Canham, E. W. Theobald, H. Tungate, A. R.	Houghton, A. H. D. Duffield, H. T. S. Checkland, E. Starling, K. S.



Cricket Topics.



CRICKET CLUB. FIRST ELEVEN, 1912.

OUR Cricket Season has been fairly successful and many members of the various teams have shown great enthusiasm in the matches. The results of our matches are given at the end of this paragraph as is also a league table of the "Houses."

The clerk of the weather has been very unkind to us in the matter of "House" matches and has seemed to send a shower of rain whenever a match has been arranged to be played. We shall try and get these matches played by the time of going to print, but most probably some results will have to be left out. The members of the first team

have this year had some opponents well worthy of their metal and the results of the matches with Thorpe Asylum, Hethersett, and other teams have not at all disgraced them. Our batting, which at the beginning of the season was very poor, has improved greatly under the tutorship of Mr. Falconer, one of our county professionals, and many boys are now shaping well.

THE HOUSE LEAGUE.

	PLAYED.	WON.	LOST.	DRAWN.	POINTS.
Harrow ..	6	3	2	1	7
Winchester ..	6	2	2	2	6
Mariborough ..	6	3	3	0	6
Cheitenham ..	6	2	3	1	5

TEAM.	LOST		WON		SCORES.	
	BY	BY	R.	R.	R.	R.
Stanley ...	47		24	71		
Bracondale ...	40		51	91		
Y.M.C.A. ...		32	79	27		
Stanley ...	50		30	80		
Norf. County Asylum			76	156		
Lowestoft College			abandoned.			
Old Boys ...	34		37	91		
N.U.F.O. ...		37	72	33		
Lamberts' Cricket Club		23	37	34		
Bracondale ...			abandoned.			
N.U.F.O. ...			abandoned.			
Lamberts' Cricket Club	18		47	65		
Norf. County Asylum	63		37	120		
Y.M.C.A. ...		29	61	72		
Hethersett ...	41		138	79		
Old Boys ...			abandoned.			
Gunton Park ...	120		35	164		

From the above table it will be seen that four first team matches have had to be abandoned on account of rain. The summary of the others is as follows:—

MATCHES PLAYED.	WON.	LOST.	RUNS FOR.	RUNS AGST.
13	4	9	784	1085

In their match against Bracondale, the Second Eleven were victorious by 9 runs.

In our match with Y.M.C.A., at Lakenham, on May 23rd, we obtained 79 runs. E. Chapman and A. Sharpen were the chief contributors to this total. Whilst A. Rix obtained 6 wickets for 17 runs.

SCHOOL SCORE.

Mr. Duffield . . . . .	5
Mr. Fisher . . . . .	2
Mr. Scillitoe . . . . .	5
E. Chapman . . . . .	24
A. Rix . . . . .	0
W. A. Sharpen . . . . .	15
H. R. Palmer . . . . .	0
W. D. Tuddenham . . . . .	7
F. A. S. Brown . . . . .	4
H. R. Bessey . . . . .	8
F. M. Nunn (not out) . . . . .	0
Extras . . . . .	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>79</b>

The Y.M.C.A. made 27 runs in response to this score.

Against the Norfolk County Asylum, on the Asylum Ground, June 1st, the

School made 76 runs. Mr. Abel was here the chief contributor to our score, and gave us a sparkling display. In this match A. Rix obtained 3 wickets for 36 runs, and A. Sharpen 4 for 30.

SCHOOL SCORE.

Mr. Duffield . . . . .	6
Mr. Fisher . . . . .	2
Mr. Abel . . . . .	30
Mr. Scillitoe . . . . .	4
E. Motum . . . . .	2
E. Chapman . . . . .	6
A. Rix . . . . .	3
A. Sharpen . . . . .	1
E. Ferris . . . . .	5
H. Palmer . . . . .	8
T. J. B. Arnold (not out) . . . . .	0
Extras . . . . .	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>

Several Old Boys turned out and gave us some assistance in our match against the N.U.F.O., at Eaton Park. The scoring was fairly evenly distributed among the members of the team. Mr. Extras came out well in this match, and 17 byes were registered out of a total of 72.

SCHOOL SCORE.

F. Hale . . . . .	9
H. Gibbs . . . . .	10
G. Larking . . . . .	3
Mr. Vizard . . . . .	6
Mr. Abel . . . . .	1
A. Rix (not out) . . . . .	8
A. Sharpen . . . . .	0
H. Palmer . . . . .	5
E. Motum . . . . .	6
D. Tuddenham . . . . .	2
E. Ferris . . . . .	4
Extras . . . . .	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>72</b>

The N.U.F.O. made 35 runs in response. A. Rix took 5 wickets for 20 runs.

Our best score of the year was made in our second match with Y.M.C.A.,

when we obtained 161 runs for 9 wickets and declared. Of the runs, E. Chapman obtained 58 in a steady innings. Rix, Sharpen, Palmer, and Fisher also made useful scores.

SCHOOL SCORE.

Mr. Duffield	.	.	.	.	1
Mr. Abel	.	.	.	.	7
Mr. Scillitoe	.	.	.	.	1
A. Rix	.	.	.	.	21
E. Chapman	.	.	.	.	58
W. A. Sharpen	.	.	.	.	21
H. Palmer	.	.	.	.	19
J. Fisher	.	.	.	.	15
H. Bessey	.	.	.	.	3
Redgrave (not out)	.	.	.	.	4
Nunn (not out)	.	.	.	.	0
Extras	.	.	.	.	11
Total					161

The Y.M.C.A. were unable to obtain more than 72, and so we won our greatest victory.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	WICKETS.	RUNS.	AVERAGE.
A. Rix	27	201	7'4
A. Sharpen	14	132	9'4
E. Chapman	18	195	10'0
Mr. Abel	17	200	11'8
Mr. Duffield	10	119	11'9

Boarders' House Prizes.

HERE has been quite a keen struggle for the House Prizes this term. Among the senior boys there is a tie, as James Fisher and Wilfrid Ling have each lost only one mark, and consequently both will receive a prize, which they well deserve. It ought to be mentioned that Albert Brown and Harold Lee are only one mark behind the winners, and several other boys are close on their heels.

There is even a better record among the juniors, as Gerald Rix has not lost a single mark throughout the term, and therefore carries off the Junior House Prize. He is very closely followed by Bertie Chapman and Tom Collyer, who have lost but one mark each.

Mrs Chapman's Music Prize for the boy who is the keenest, the most punctual, and takes the greatest care with his music practice, goes to James H. Chapman.

Joey's "Prep."

If Joe were asked the use of "Prep."  
 There'd be no longtime tussle;  
 No conjuring up of "Ifs" and "Ands,"  
 'Twixt "This" and "That" no puzzle.  
 His ready wit would find reply  
 Of that there can no doubt be;  
 "That 'Prep.' was just some mean device  
 Of a disappointed Dominie."  
 The sun was sinking in the west,  
 A-raying forth his glory;  
 There'd been the oft-repeated task,  
 No change in the old story.  
 The zephyrs whispered in the trees,  
 And longer grew the shadows,  
 But Joe's at "Prep.," a long, long "Prep."  
 His chums are in the meadows.

Then through the portals of the room  
 A thickening blackness comes;  
 Silent the zephyrs in the trees,  
 Silent the shouts of chums.  
 And though Joe's corporeal eye  
 Was shielded by its lid,  
 His mind combined both sights and sounds,  
 That which none can forbid.  
 A chastened light of ruddy hue  
 Now permeates Joe's cranium.  
 And with a little jerky laugh,  
 And like a white geranium  
 Flower between two leaves unfolding.  
 There rose a glittering dancing fay,  
 Whose girdle was of white and gold,  
 And cashmere gown of limpid grey.

Of ladies' dress, now do not blush,  
 Our Joe was a "connosser";  
 For had not he eight sisters dear,  
 And not a single brother?  
 At first he thought her Belle, or Jane,  
 To comfort on a visit;  
 He stretched his arm to compass her,  
 Or take her brow to kiss it.

But she declined, and with a bow,  
 Receded just two paces,  
 She laughed again her jerky laugh,  
 And made contorted faces.  
 "You err," she said, "you know me well,  
 I'm not your pretty Mary,  
 Though we've had many a tête-à-tête  
 Now pleasant, now contrary.

"My name's Grammaire, I dwell close by,  
 In a little wooden shelter;  
 To you, my Joe, I'm e'er at home,  
 Though books be helter skelter.  
 If you'll be true,"—but then to Joe  
 Full turned on seemed the light,  
 And peopled was the big school-room.  
 With countless persons bright.

A motley mass enveloped Joe,  
 In fact his thoughts seemed addled,  
 Ten rows of knights in war array,  
 On tiny steeds were saddled.

The herald's silver clarion rang  
 Forth sounds, to Joe not pleasant,  
 Amo, monet. audivimus,  
 Amabimus and amant.

Commingled with these knights so brave,  
 In glorious confusion,  
 To which in Joey's hours of "Prep.,"  
 The text had made allusion.  
 Bill the Conqueror and his wife,  
 Victoria the Blessed,  
 And Marlborough who on Bosworth Field  
 The Iron Duke caressed.

And at the feet of glorious Anne  
 The Ipswich Cur was kneeling,  
 The Queen of Scots to Edward One,  
 For mercy seemed appealing.  
 Among these persons historic,  
 Believe I'm no inventor,  
 Were Balance, Cash, and Stocks and Shares  
 And Mime the Great Percenter.

Now more intense confusion grew,  
 Whilst Joe his thoughts collected;  
 He seemed to be at "Prep." anew,  
 And wished events corrected.  
 When suddenly with thunderclap,  
 Some chums with heavy step  
 Had burst the door and shouted loud,  
 "Here's Joe, asleep at 'Prep.'"

## Bob Crawley's Adventure.

BY T. J. B. ARNOLD.

### CHAP. V.—THE RECAPTURE OF THE "GOLDEN EAGLE."

"Hoorah!" suddenly cried Bob, "there she is."

Bob and his friend had been chasing the "Golden Eagle" for two or three hours without seeing anything of it. They had crossed the North Sea, and were now over Germany. At last, Bob

saw a speck on the horizon, which he soon recognised as their quarry.

"That's good," replied Mr. Smith. "Now I think we have got them."

They sped on for another half-hour, and then the "Golden Eagle" swooped down to the ground, and alighted in a meadow. Mr. Smith now handed the management of his machine over to Bob, while he loaded his pistols.

"Steady now," said he, as they came to within a quarter-of-a-mile of the men they were chasing, "we mustn't get this

aeroplane wrecked, or we shall be nicely trapped."

So Bob lowered it to the ground. They both sprang out, and, each grasping a brace of pistols, ran towards the other aeroplane until they were within a hundred yards of it. Then they crept along a hedge, and so got quite close to the other men. There were two of them, and they were hiding behind their machine ready for the attack. They were looking down the road, and evidently did not know that Bob and Mr. Smith were so close. So the latter looked over the hedge, and, taking careful aim, shot at one of them. With a yell of pain, the man started up, and began hopping about holding his leg.

As soon as his companion saw what had happened, he turned and ran, but Bob was too quick for him. After a short, sharp sprint, the man turned and closed with him. They struggled for a few minutes, each trying to free himself sufficiently to fire at the other. At last the man got one arm free. Bob saw what he would do, and, just as he was going to shoot, knocked his arm up. The pistol went off, and —.

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Meanwhile, Mr. Smith had not been able to keep up the race, and had gone back to attend to the wounded man. He was lying on his back, having fainted from the loss of blood. After binding up his wound and restoring him to consciousness, Mr. Smith searched him, but could find nothing.

"It's no good yer lookin' 'ere," said the man; "we ain't sich fools as to let

yer find what yer want as easy as that."

Mr. Smith turned to the "Golden Eagle." She was in perfect condition, and he could see that only the giving out of the petrol had prevented the men from getting away altogether. He searched all over it, but there were neither plans nor money in it. So he set out at a trot to find Bob. At last he met him coming back.

"Hello!" he cried, "so you have come back safe."

"Yes," replied Bob, "but I was very lucky to do so. We had a struggle, and just as he was going to put an end to my existence, I knocked his arm up, and so turned the shot he had intended for me against himself. I think it must have entered his brain."

"Well, I'm glad the affair ended so happily. I was getting anxious about you; I couldn't come and help you—I was so out of breath. Have you searched the body?"

"Yes; but I haven't found anything. I thought perhaps you had discovered what we are searching for on the other man or in the aeroplane."

"No, I haven't. I can't think where their hiding place is."

"Nor can I."

"Never mind for the present, Bob. Let's get some sleep. I don't think it will rain to-night, so we and the aeroplanes will be safe under the shelter of the stars."

"Perhaps we shall be more successful in the morning. We must bind this wounded man, and then we can lie down on that rug."

## CHAP. VI.—THE RETURN.

Next morning Bob was awake early, but although he looked most carefully all over the wounded man and also the aeroplane, he could find no trace of plans or money. At last he gave up the search, and when he had awakened Mr. Smith, they remounted the latter's aeroplane to go to the nearest town for some petrol. They soon returned, and then each set out on his own machine.

After they had gone a few miles, Bob happened to be looking upwards at the sky, and watching the light fleecy clouds as they travelled across it, every now and again hiding the face of the bright July sun.

Suddenly he started. He could see the sun shining through the planes, but in one place there was a dark patch.

"That's funny," he mused, "I didn't know they had ever been repaired."

He dropped to the ground and looked at the place which had excited his suspicion. He could see the patch on top, but there was no hole which might need mending beneath. Then he cut out the patch with his pocket knife, and underneath it were the plans, and £10,000 in notes! He fairly danced for joy. Remounting into his seat, he soon caught up Mr. Smith, and shouted the news to him.

As soon as Bob got home, he ran up to his father, whom he found much better. He recounted to him all his adventures since he left home.

"Well done, my boy!" said his father, after he had heard all. "You've done splendidly. But where's Mr. Smith?"

"Mr. Smith had to return home at once," replied Bob.

"Is the 'Golden Eagle' safe?"

"Quite. She ran splendidly all the way home"

"That's right. Now run and see your mother and brother. I'm sure they must be dying to hear how you've got on. And I think I'll come down to tea to-day, just to celebrate the occasion."

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Bob is now grown up and married, and his father is getting quite old; but they are still most enthusiastic with regard to anything pertaining to aviation. Bob has made his name and fortune, and has retired, leaving his brother Frank to carry on his work. But he has never forgotten his adventure with the "Golden Eagle." On winter evenings he delights to have his little children sit round him while he tells them how he won the £10,000 "Daily Rail" Aviation Prize, and saved their grandfather from ruin.

THE END.

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[The Editor regrets that through lack of space he is compelled to hold over other contributions.]