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## EDITORIAL.

**I**T is said that "nothing is too straight to have a turning;" so that whatever may have been our Editorial delinquencies we shall soon turn aside for someone else to occupy more worthily the rickety chair. The school year is practically over, and the hydra-headed exams grin menacingly at us. To such an ending we have to submit ourselves.

The Cricket season is said to have been, on the whole, disappointing; but even if the results do not look so well as last season's, yet the moral effect of a few defeats is eminently more satisfactory than

a series of victories against teams far inferior to ourselves. Let us suppose that these defeats are due to the fact that the team has not reached the standard of the last two years: is it not gratifying to know and to see that the cricket in the school has been improved?

In a few days we shall be encamped on Salisbury Plain for the first time; and to signalise the event we are taking down a record number, namely one hundred and twenty. But the celebrations, manifold and varied, of our fortieth year, come first, and promise to be worthy of the occasion.

Finally, we beg to thank all those who have so generously contributed to this magazine during this year, and ask them for a continuance of their help to our successor.

## HONOURS LIST.

W. C. M. Dundas: Companion of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire (in King's Birthday Honours).

G. L. Marriott: 1st Class in *Literae Humaniores*, Oxford.

G. L. Marriott: 1st- Class in Final Honours School of Theology, Oxford.

G. L. Marriott: The Liddon Theological Studentship at Oxford.

F. W. Stocks: Headmaster of Framlingham School.

G. D. Gurnhill: 2nd Class in Classical Tripos, Cambridge.

S. O'R. Surridge: Open Entrance Exhibition in Modern History at Lincoln College, Oxford.

L. G. Harris : Open Entrance Exhibition in Modern History at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

K. R. Evans: Open Sizarship in Natural Science at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

H. G. Williams : Open Entrance Exhibition in Modern History at S. Catharine's College, Cambridge.

H. G. Williams : Open Entrance Scholarship in Modern History at Selwyn College, Cambridge.

D. J. H. Evans : Open Entrance Exhibition in Modern History at Selwyn College, Cambridge.

A. L. Blunt: William Tite Scholarship at S. Thomas's Hospital.

A. L. Blunt: Peacock Scholarship at S. Thomas's Hospital.

## "FORTY YEARS OF DENSTONE"

('Heywood' Prize for English Verse, 1913)

by H. W. BECK.

*Sweet rose the fragrance of the summer flowers ;  
Sweet fell the hum of bees upon the ear ;  
Sweet came the murmur of the idling brook,  
And everywhere was peace and full content.*

*So in a shady nook, lone in the fields,  
I mused, while from afar there came the sounds  
Of busy youthful life.*

*Anon I dream'd,  
Lull'd by the Summer airs and gently drawn  
By soft repose that claimed me for her own.  
Then, in her toils, my wandering senses saw  
A spirit working in the minds of men  
Leading them onward over stone-strewn ways  
Up steep ascents and ever-arduous tracks,  
To build a fabric fair and durable.*

*Not easy was the task to combat scorn  
And face the foe that strove to stay the work,  
But faith unfailing fill'd the foremost band  
To point the way to those who came behind;  
And one there was who show'd the cause deserved  
All effort, yea and even to the death.<sup>1</sup>  
Another, single-hearted as the Knight  
Whose stainless name he bore,<sup>2</sup> alike of wealth  
And counsel freely gave unstintingly.  
One, by his tireless fiery zeal\* inspired  
All hearts if courage fail'd, and ever gave,  
Himself unknowing doubt, new hope to all.  
Another ever loved to stand beside  
The wrong'd\* and share the weight of many cares.  
Such were the leaders of the venturesome band.  
So as they won their way I mark'd them build  
A mighty fortress, set upon a hill,  
Wherein to train crusaders of the King,  
Strong in His might, the Cross upon the ir breasts,  
Endued in heavenly armour, tested, tried.*

*Then as I look'd, the red roofs took a shape  
Known and beloved: the whitewalls lost their sheen  
Sear'd by the blasts of two-score strenuous years :  
Beaten and buffeted, but still full fair,  
And dearer for the shocks of weather'd storms.  
And as I gazed, met bought there came to me  
A murmur from the breeze and seem'd to say  
<sup>1</sup> To each alike there comes his God-sent gift;  
To each the way is open so he choose  
To take it ; and for each the task awaits a  
To battle for the King. How chooseth thou ?*

1. Bishop Lonsdale, after speaking warmly on our behalf at a stormy meeting on October 19th, 1867, returned home and died almost immediately the same evening.

2. Sir Percival Heywood, Bart.

3. The Rev. Prebendary Meynell.

4. Bishop Selwyn, of whom we are told that "even at Eton he purposely took the bad oar in his boat himself." A instincts were in support of "the under Dog." He De Visitor, assisted in drawing up our Statutes, and was ai one of our staunchest supporters.

*tinw wilt thou use thy gift ? How wield the sword  
ri at here is forged and use the swordsmanship  
Thou learest ? Say ?'*  
<sup>1</sup> *And at the word I woke ;  
The battle-ground lay all spread out before,  
And ever claims fresh warriors for the King.*

THE DEDICATION OF THE  
COLLEGE.

The **Dedication** of the College on July 29th, 1873, is recorded at length in the *Staffordshire Advertiser*. It describes the simple ceremony sympathetically and in **de-tail**, and the whole account, which occupied several columns, is good. "This **ceremonial**, to which a large number of **members** of the Church of England in **Staffordshire** and the neighbouring counties **have for** some time past been looking forward with interest, took place on Tuesday. The weather was charming, the attendance **large** and influential, and the whole of the **proceedings** were calculated to give satisfaction to the friends of the institution. On the same day the Rev. Dr. Lowe, the **first** Provost, was installed by the Lord Bishop of Lichfield, and thus two important steps were taken towards bringing into **practical** working order the great Middle Class School upon the foundation of which, **many** excellent men have devoted time, labour and money without stint, and **towards** the completion of which they have **worked** and are still working with extraordinary energy and enthusiasm. . . . This **is the** third time it has been our duty to **record the** proceedings of a great meeting **at and in** connection with S. Chad's **College**, Denstone, and on each occasion the attendance has borne striking testimony **to the** confidence felt in Canon Woodard's **scheme** for promoting education." Then follows half a column of names. Thus <sup>g<sup>1</sup>e</sup> at Staffordshire paper spoke, typical

of the welcome which Staffordshire gave us, and of the good feeling which has always existed between ourselves and those who have known us best. How different from the attitude of a Protestant Rag which strove to minimize the importance of the proceedings, and to vilify our friends and us. Under the heading of "Denstone Again" it asserts "the general absence of all persons of any mark in the diocese:" apparently Bishop Selwyn did not count, nor Bishop Abraham, nor Bishop Hobhouse, nor Canon Lonsdale, nor the Hon. and Rev. Adelbert Anson (afterwards Bishop of Qu'Appelle), nor the hundred other clergy whose names are recorded, nor Sir Percival Heywood, nor Mr. J. W. Philips, nor Lord Shrewsbury, nor the other laymen who came in such numbers.

Our own journal was nearer the truth when it said "the laity were in no ways behind the clergy; peers and squires, baronets and country gentlemen, bishops and priests, canons and curates, tradesmen and farmers, vied with each other in honouring so momentous an occasion. By their presence and support, no less than their patronage and subscriptions, they showed how deep was the interest they felt in so important an undertaking, nor were the visitors confined to this or that district; they came from far away counties and from distant parishes. Other dioceses than Lichfield sent their representatives: members of both Houses of Parliament did not think it beneath them to take part in such a gathering."

The hostile Rag-evidently smarted under disappointment. It had, the previous week, solemnly besought "the Derby and Staffordshire clergy" not to "so far forget what is due to themselves and to their flocks as to sanction the inauguration of the building by their presence;" and it prides itself on having published what it calls "a criticism and exposure of the real nature of the

Woodard Schools." Hence its notice is full of querulous carpings and puerile criticisms, such as the one we have mentioned. It is offended by the crosses, "the surpliced boys carrying divers emblematic devices in the form of banners," the name "Lonsdale Quadrangle (what desecration of a good man's name)," and so forth. And it ends on the charitable note "Beware of Denstone is the advice we solemnly press on all parents and guardians."

Alas! for all such hopes. The day was extraordinarily successful. Reverence marked the religious services and enthusiasm the speeches.

At the Holy Communion in the little temporary chapel (which lasted till 1887), Bishop Selwyn was celebrant. At half-past eleven the Procession was formed. It must have been quite imposing, and at S. Chad's Gate the ranks divided to allow the Bishops to pass through, and Sir Percival Heywood, Bart., knocked and claimed admittance for the visitor and the others. "The Bishop crossed the threshold and invoked the Divine blessing on the house." The procession then perambulated cloisters, dormitories and classrooms, and so reached the terrace. Thence it crossed the Lonsdale Quadrangle and entered the chapel, which stood where classrooms H and I are now. Dr. Lowe was admitted Provost, and *Vent Creator* sung. *Te Deum* followed, and then Bishop Selwyn preached in the Quadrangle. We printed the greater portion of his sermon a few years ago, at the time of the celebration of the centenary of his birth.

Luncheon was served in the Schoolroom, and 450 guests sat down. Dr. Lowe presided, and was supported on his right by the Countess of Shrewsbury, Lord Richard Cavendish, Lord Crewe, the Rt. Hon. Gathorne Hardy, M.P., Bishop Hobhouse, the Hon. and Very Rev. Dean of York, Bishop Staley, and Canon Woodard; and

on his left by Bishop Selwyn, Mrs. Lowe Earl Manvers, the Bishop of Hereford' Lady Burrell, Mr. Cunliffe Brookes, M.P.' Mrs. Selwyn, Mr. J. G. Hubbard, and Bishop Abraham.

In responding to the toast of the health of the visitors, Bishop Selwyn said: "I have the most perfect confidence in the founder, and in Dr. Lowe. I have the fullest confidence that sound learning and religious education will be communicated at Denstone, in strict conformity with the principles of the Church of England." The Bishop of Hereford responded for the Bishops and Clergy of the Midlands, and Earl Manvers and Lord Crewe for the House of Lords. For the House of Commons, Mr. Gathorne Hardy responded. Sir Percival Heywood was received with loud cheers. He spoke with characteristic modesty of his own share in the foundation of the College, and with equally characteristic enthusiasm of the project. He touched in cheery fashion on the obstacles which had been met and overcome; and told of the losses by death since the inception of the scheme (mentioning particularly Bishop Lonsdale, Mr. Meynell-Ingram, Mr. Bagot, Mr. Sneyd, and the late Lord Shrewsbury. He proposed the health of Canon Woodard, in eloquent terms of affection, and the Founder briefly responded. Other speakers were the Dean of York, Lord Richard Cavendish, and Mr. Hubbard.

The *Staffordshire Advertiser* thus generalises on the occasion. "Everything that is reverential in our nature, everything that we hold sacred, everything that awakens the intellect or cultivates the understanding, is bound up in the two words—education and religion. There are those who, wisely or unwisely, seek to separate the one from the other; but on the part of very many there is a desire to let religious and secular teaching go hand in hand together. And so far has tn»

feeling culminated that great efforts are being made throughout the country to establish institutions which shall train up youth in the principles and according to the discipline of the Church of England. Already at Lancing and Hurstpierpoint, Colleges of this kind are established, and on Tuesday the dedication of S. Chad's College, Denstone, was celebrated under auspices which speak volumes, not only for the present state, but for the future success of the movement. . . . The weather was propitious, fortune smiled, and the ceremony was conducted under the happiest of auguries."

Now we look back across forty years to that day when the School started on its career, with affectionate thankfulness to those who gathered to encourage a venture as yet untried, and to show that Faith was not yet dead in England. Most who played prominent parts have passed to their rest, but the spirit which animated them still lives and Denstone has always had good friends. It is our duty in our generation to see that we do not disappoint the hopes that filled the hearts of the heroes of the past, and to cherish their memory with never-failing gratitude.

FROM THE JOURNAL  
OF ARCHEOLOGY (A.D. 2892).

Foreseen by F. M. Houghton.

Any work of Professor Wind-Beutel, renowned German savant, is certain to be unique for industry, research, and conscientious accuracy, but we were not prepared to find the Professor displaying such originality as he shows in his recently published volume *The Sport-God* (Anglo-American Publishing Syndicate).

We will say at once that the Professor had long believed that the devotion of our remote ancestors to athletics must have been, as in the case of the ancient Greeks 2000 years earlier, founded on a religious cult. His researches have fully borne out his conjectures. We will for the present confine ourselves to his preliminary chapter and to his explorations on the site of an ancient school at Longstone, in Loamshire.

It is sufficiently well known that, during the period under consideration, men's religious beliefs were very unsettled, and that many idolatrous, or quasi-idolatrous, religions had sprung up. Thus we read of "the Worship of Power" and "the Goddess of Getting-On," "Power" and "Getting-On" being clearly personifications similar to those in the Greek Mythology. Again, certain female martyrs are recorded as having undergone imprisonment for the sake of their devotion to a god or goddess called "Suffrage." On the same analogy, being guided by the phrase "the Worship of Sport" Professor Wind-Beutel hit on the brilliant idea that "Sport" was a god or deified hero, the founder and inventor of certain games, and that the games were really religious ceremonies held in his honour.

It is on the buildings used for, and in conjunction with, these games, and on the organization of the games themselves, so far as he has been able to re-construct it, that the Professor chiefly relies for proof of his theory. And here his explorations and excavations at Longstone were of material assistance to him. The school of Longstone, though originally founded as a home of learning, seems to have become in the twentieth century a chief centre of the worship of Sport.

Fortunately most of the ruins of Longstone are still standing, and the site of the various sport-grounds is still clearly recognizable. In examining these the Pro-

fessor was considerably puzzled by the foundations and ruins of a certain building adjoining them, some hundred yards away from the site of the main structure. This did not seem to serve any practical purpose till it suddenly struck him that it contained little temples or shrines to sport, around one large central sport-room. The fact that the outer portions had clearly been fitted up with washing arrangements induced the Professor to suppose that these were special shrines, reserved for the initiated, in which the bands of devotees underwent ceremonial purification before or after the game in honour of the god. The large central temple our learned friend presumes was open to all devotees.

In excavating another smaller temple close to the one previously described, he discovered, a few feet beneath the ground, a book which he very plausibly conjectures to have been some kind of ritual or service book. From its title "Score-Book," he could get no clue. But from the lists of names, together with the strange terms and cabalistic signs appended to them, he concludes that it records either the different functions of the worshippers, or certain phrases and formulæ used in the course of the ritual: such terms occur as "bowled," "caught," "stumped," "bye" (which may be the beginning of an oath, the secret name being suppressed or uttered inaudibly from motives of reverence). The name of this particular ritual game was "Cric-ket," and the Professor naturally concludes that the temple in which he found the book was once the Temple of Cric-ket.

From various sources something has been discovered as to the form which the worship took. The devotees were all clad in vestments of white and wore sacred sandals which appear to have been covered with bristles or other defensive protuberances, for the word "spikes" occurs in connection with them. The object of these was

probably to symbolise the need for warding off evil spirits while engaged in the holy offices. Certain of the worshippers, we are told, were clothed in "pads," which were perhaps quilted hauberks of some thick impenetrable substance, or even large cushions hung round the body, but whether these were symbolical or actually needed is not clear. But the ritual consisted mainly in the tossing to and fro of a small sphere covered with toughened hide which some of the worshippers struck with a sacred club, and others caught either in their bare palms or in the sacred *chirothecae* which they wore, so that physical pain may have followed if the sphere struck an unprotected part of the worshipper's body. It is probable that the sphere represented the attacks of the Evil Spirit (known by some as "St. Udy," and by the devotees of Cric-ket as "S. Wot") which it was the object of the worshippers to ward off. They probably all stood round in a sacred circle or parallelogram, in an enclosure formed by what are described as "stumps [of willows]"—"willows" being frequently mentioned in connection with the ritual. The worshippers were, to quote a line which has survived from one of the poets of those days, all alike

*Clothed in white samite, mystic, wonderful,*

but some wore in addition the padded hauberks and *chirothecae* we have described, and some waved slender wands (as is evidently implied in the phrase "wielding the willow" which frequently occurs). Others brandished the clubs or bludgeons; but the object common to all was to ward off the attacks of the symbolical sphere. This strange performance was accompanied by shouts and cries, generally of a nature quite unintelligible to us—"Howsthat," "Comeon," "Hardin," etc., and the ritual was brought to a conclusion by what is described as "Drawing Stumps," which

indicates the plucking up of the palisades which surrounded the worshippers.

The apparently meaningless and futile character of such a form of devotion only increases the wonder with which we contemplate the men and manners of that rude and uncultured age.

CRICKET.

1ST XI. MATCHES.

CROCKS.

On winning the toss we started batting to the bowling of Deyes and Mills, and 33 were scored for the first wicket, Knight being bowled by Mills. Our batting, with the exception of Helder, failed against some excellent bowling. Our opponents, on the other hand, batted extremely well. Herneck's 79 was a welcome return to form, Deyes also hit well. Their score was 233. The bowling of the School was very moderate, B. Hall coming out with the best analysis. The fielding, in striking contrast with the batting, was spirited and safe. It would scarcely be fair to single anyone out for special mention. Cross again kept wicket well, letting only 8 byes.

SCHOOL.	
J. W. Knight b Mills	9
L. B. Helder b Smith	36
B. Hall b Deyes	1
W. Hall b Mills	4
A. E. Barlow lbw b Mills	4
E. P. Cross run out	0
G. L. Tomkins b Mills	3
W. S. Baker lbw b Mills	3
R. G. Bugg b Mills	5
I-F. Menzies b Mills	6
M. G. Taylor not out	3
W. Rowland b Mills	5
Extras	22

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H. J. BAMFORD'S XI.

We won the toss, but started badly, Helder being run out owing to a misunderstanding with his partner; but by steady batting Hall and Knight added 68 before Hall was bowled. At 88 Knight was cleverly caught at cover off a long hop for a steady and faultless 45. Barlow and Cross were soon dismissed, after which Baker and Tomkins showed good form; the innings was finally closed, leaving our opponents 75 minutes in which to get the runs. But after one wicket had fallen for 28, rain stopped any further play.

SCHOOL.

J. W. Knight c Hare b Rowley	45
L. B. Helder run out	3
B. Hall b Heasman	33
W. Hall b Wormington	7
A. E. Barlow c Heasman b Wormington	8
E. P. Cross b Heasman	3
G. L. Tomkins not out	22
W. S. Baker not out	18
Extras	15

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R. G. Bugg, M. G. Taylor, C. W. Rowland did not bat.

TRENT COLLEGE.

Trent made a bad start against us, having two wickets down for 6 runs. Profitable stands by the sixth and last wickets brought our opponents' score to 135, a good score, seeing the deplorable state of the wicket. Enterprise was lacking in our opponents' innings.

Helder and Knight were out for 15, and W. Hall soon followed. But some good batting by Barlow and Baker saved us from a bad collapse, The last wickets fell rapidly, leaving Trent victors by 48 runs.

SCHOOL.	
J. W. Knight b Young	7
L. B. Helder c and b Taylor	3
b. Hall c Norman b Taylor	6
W. Hall b Taylor	0
W. S. Baker c Taylor b Fox	17
G. L. Torakins c Savill b Taylor	4
A. E. Barlow c Flower b Taylor	27
E. P. Cross not out	8
R. G. Bugg b Taylor	0
M. G. Taylor c McKenzie b Young	5
C. W. Rowland b Young	1
Extras	9
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## BURTON.

This match was played at Burton on June 5th. The School won the toss and started on a good wicket. The start was none too good, four wickets being down for 65, but a timely shower made the ball slippery, and the tail wagged steadily so that Knight was able to declare at 143 for eight, leaving Burton one hour and a quarter to get the runs. This they failed to do, but thanks mainly to free hitting by Mr. S. H. Evershed they looked dangerous at one point, and eventually reached 105 for four wickets. On the School side there were several moderate batting displays, but nothing outstanding, and the bowling was fair; the fielding, however, was really quite good and considerably above the level of the rest of the play. Play during the latter part of the afternoon was much interrupted by rain, which made a definite result almost an impossibility.

SCHOOL.	
J. W. Knight c Evershed b Brown	18
L. B. Helder c Oakden b Rickman	0
B. Hall c Oakden b Brown	25
W. Hall c Powell b Brown	12
A. E. Barlow c Newton b Powell	18
E. P. Cross c Powell b Brown	21
G. L. Tomkins run out	29
W. S. Baker c Evershed b Rickman	4
R. G. Bugg not out	4
Extras	12

M. G. Taylor, C. W. Rowland did not bat."

## K.E.S. BIRMINGHAM.

This match was played at Birmingham on June 14th. K.E.S. won the toss and started on a good wicket, but found the bowling very hard to score from. A. C. Curie batted very well for 30, but might with advantage have hit many half-volleys which he played to mid-off or the bowler. Tipper helped Curie to make a good start, and Hill played a most useful innings of 23 when the rest of the side were failing before the really excellent bowling of Taylor who sent down 16 overs for 20 runs and five wickets. The Birmingham total was 107, and we were only given an hour and a quarter to get the runs. With the exception of Knight and W. Hall, who batted quite well, most of the team showed themselves to be quite incapable of hitting hard without hitting wildly, and Hills' yorkers proved most destructive. The final score was 80 for eight wickets.

## SCHOOL.

J. W. Knight b Hill	21
L. B. Helder b Hill	5
B. Hall c Tipper b Catherall	7
W. Hall not out	24
A. E. Barlow lbw b Catherall	9
E. P. Cross c Tipper b Catherall	1
G. L. Torakins b Hill	1
W. S. Baker b Hill	0
R. G. Bugg c Gorman b Hill	7
Extras	5

(8 wkts.) 80

M. G. Taylor and C. W. Rowland did not bat.

## NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

This match was played here on June 7th. Notts won the toss and made a slow but useful start before lunch when they scored 40 for one wicket. Grant played a very sound innings of 34, and afterwards Price, Boyd and Dance hit more freely though not so correctly. Our bowling was steady for the most part, but lacked sting, and the fielding was again quite good. The score



was 142. We started badly by losing Helder at 4, but then Knight and B. Hall practically settled the match by taking the score to 131. Knight's was a really good free innings, but Hall made several bad shots and was definitely missed three times, though he had many good hard hits. Tomkins and Barlow also batted fairly well, and the total reached 206. The Notts howling was very steady considering the poor support given it in the field, Miles especially being most unlucky.

SCHOOL.

J. W. Knight c Dexter b Rigley	51
L. B. Helder c and b Grant	3
B. Hall b Miles	71
W. Hall b Miles	1
A. E. Barlow c Lyon b Grant	18
E. P. Cross c Price b Grant	10
G. L. Tomkins lbw b Price	27
R. G. Bugg b Miles	11
J. F. Menzies b Miles	2
M. G. Taylor b Price	3
C. W. Rowland not out	1
Extras	8
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PAST V. PRESENT.

A strong XI. of Old Denstonians visited us this year and a great struggle took place. The O.Ds won the toss and batted first, and aided by missed catches and good fortune, the first wicket did not fall until 74 had been scored. Laithwaite played the best innings for the O.Ds, and was well set when he was well run out. Ball helped Smith to add 43 for the eighth wicket. The innings closed for 210, Smith being not out 46—a very painstaking effort. We made a bad start, Knight being out at 4. Then Helder<sup>at</sup> and B. Hall batted steadily and raised the score to 70, and after B.Hall's dismissal, W. Hall assisted Helder to add 76 for the third Wicket. After this the side collapsed and<sup>e</sup> wickets were down for 162. Tomkins

and Rowland at this point made a great effort to win the game and the last wicket did not fall until we were within 19 of the O.Ds' total—3 minutes from the time for drawing of stumps. Great credit is due to Tomkins for his judicious batting and to Rowland for his stubborn defence.

PAST.

A. J. Wood c and b Biigg	24
J. Sykes c Taylor b Bugg	52
N. H. Radford b Helder	1
J. Laithwaite run out	30
T. H. Bowman c Bugg b Tomkins	14
C. F. Smith not out	46
R. Bakewell c Knight b Bugg	7
R. C. Wain lbw b Knight	4
E. R. Wood o W. Hall b Knight	10
G. R. Ball run out	14
C. J. T. Barton b B. Hall	0
Extras	8
	210

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Taylor	6	0	34	0
Rowland	4	0	11	0
Knight	14	0	58	2
Tomkins	6	0	38	1
Bugg	11	2	21	3
Helder	6	0	23	1
W. Hall	2	0	8	0
Baker	1	0	4	0
B. Hall	4	0	5	1

PRESENT.

J. W. Knight b Wood	4
L. B. Helder lbw b Barton	63
B. Hall run out	35
W. Hall c Bakewell b Barton	32
W. S. Baker c Wood b Radford	5
G. L. Tomkins, not out	24
A. E. Barlow c Bowman b Radford	0
E. P. Cross b Radford	2
R. G. Bugg run out	0
N. G. Taylor c Bowman b Barton	0
C. W. Rowland b Wood	8
Extras	18
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DORMITORY MATCHES.

In the First Round Clark's defeated Smith's easily, the features of the game

being Mitchell's steady innings for Clark's and Glaisby's for Smith's. Clark's won by seven wickets. Airy's, though a vastly inferior side to Whitmore's, made a good effort to win, and a little steadier batting in the middle of their innings would have furnished them with a victory; instead of which Whitmore's won by 16 runs. Head's ii. defeated Head's iii. with ease, but were disappointingly weak in batting: Baker bowled well for Head's iii. Felton bowled steadily but with no life or sting and consequently Champney found his bowling to his liking. Head's ii. won by 45 runs. Head's i. v. Hornby's; the two strongest XI's met in this match. Head's i. batting first collapsed with the exception of the Halls who added 51 for the third wicket. W. Hall batted well for 34. Hornby's had little difficulty in hitting off the 77 runs required for victory, winning easily by ten wickets (Helder 45 not out, Knight 36 not out). The Head's i. bowlers were lifeless with the exception of Barton, who kept an excellent length.

In the Semi-finals Head's ii. played a great game against Whitmore's, and won by one wicket (114—115 for nine wickets). Whitmore's made little use of their fortune in batting first against some very poor bowling, Finch alone making any serious stand. On the other hand Head's ii. took full advantage of their luck, Whitmore's being handicapped by the wet ball, and by the aid of Sapcote's 43 won by a very narrow margin. In Hornby's v Clark's, Clark's were put in to bat first, and the experiment was successful, for so well did Bligg bowl, six wickets for 6 runs, that Clark's scored only 26. Hornby's hit off the runs without loss in three overs (Knight 17, Helder 6).

The Final was between Hornby's and Head's ii. On winning the toss Head's ii. put Hornby's in to bat on a perfect wicket; and by the end of the first day had cause to regret their bold policy, as Hornby's had

scored 263 for two wickets. Continuing next day, Hornby's declared with their score 283 for four (Knight 173 and Cross 69 not out). Knight and Cross added 239 for the second wicket, a record for us. Head's ii. fielding was good, but the bowling was limp and unspirited. The batting of Head's ii. was little better than their bowling, and in half-an-hour they were dismissed for 19 runs. Knight took six wickets for 8 runs, and Bligg three for 5 runs.

In the Junior Cricket Matches Smith's beat Airy's after a close fight by four wickets, mainly owing to the efforts of Glaisby. Head's i. gained a victory over Whitmore's owing to a brilliant innings by White, who with Barton dismissed Whitmore's for a small total. Head's ii. beat Head's iii. with considerable ease, and Hornby's succumbed to Clark's.

In the Semi-finals, Head's i., as expected accounted for Smith's, the features of the match were the excellent batting of White and the bowling of Barton. Also Head's ii., without much trouble accounted for Clark's. The Final, between Head's ii. and Head's i., resulted in a hard fought win for Head's ii. Moore batted well for 64, though a catch missed meant a great deal to him. Head's i. were set 105 and ought to have managed to win against some very weak bowling. Although Leach played well Head's i. fell short of Head's ii. total by 14 runs.

#### REVIEW OF THE SEASON, 1913-

Though several good performances were achieved by the First Eleven, the results on the whole cannot but be regarded as somewhat disappointing. Our opponents were considerably stronger on the whole than for some years past, and a repetition of the almost uninterrupted sequence of victories of 1912 and 1913, was not to be expected.

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but several players hardly showed any improvement during the season and there were too many failures all through.

In batting Knight was the only player who could be relied on; Helder and the Halls made several useful scores but their constant anxiety to hit straight balls to leg rendered them quite untrustworthy, and as all the other batting was of the shakiest description, a moderate start too often developed into a disastrous finish. The most useful bowler was certainly Taylor, who worked hard all through; though he hardly developed as might have been expected, he did several capital performances and was always useful. Rowland was also useful at times but was extremely mechanical. Without any specially good performance Knight could generally be relied upon to get two or three wickets, but the side badly needed a good fast bowler.

To begin with the fielding was wretched, but on the whole it turned out quite well, the throwing-in of W. Hall, and in a lesser degree of B. Hall and Bugg, and at close range, Knight, being at times up to a very high standard.

The season started with a disastrous defeat from Fenton, bad batting being followed by moderate bowling and atrocious fielding. In the next match, however, though the batting was again poor, good bowling and really brilliant fielding won a close game against Stafford. In the Burton match rain caused a draw, and the bowling of Mills and Deyes for the "crocks" proved too strong. In the School matches we beat Nottingham, drew with K.E.S. Birmingham, and lost to Trent, while Manchester and Repton "A" scratched.

The season ended with a most interesting match against the Old Boys, which the school looked like winning, when the only too common breakdown in batting lost the match. RESULTS: Won 2; Lost 4; Drawn 3.

"dormitory" matches Hornby's showed

themselves to be by far the best side, winning their three matches with the greatest possible ease. Of the junior sides Head's ii. and Head's i. were clearly the pick, Head's ii. defeating Head's i. in the final of the knock-out competition and coming out level top in the League. Among the "minimi" a great struggle left Whitmore's and Clark's equal at the top.

H. MERRICK.

#### CRITIQUE OF THE XI.

(Communicated by the Captain of Cricket).

\*J. W. Knight (Captain).—A keen and capable captain both on and off the field. A free bat with plenty of strokes: fair defence, but apt to be careless when well set. Good catch and smart field: good thrower anywhere near the wicket. Useful slow bowler.

\*L. B. Helder.—A good bat who has been disappointing this season, though improved towards the last part of the season. A safe catch and a good ground field, and a useful change bowler. His knowledge of the game makes him an invaluable member of the XI.

\*B. Hall.—Hits very hard, but lacks variety in strokes; his attempts at cutting are failures, but he has a powerful off drive. Usually a safe catch. An excellent ground field with a feeble throw.

\*W. Hall.—A good but careless bat. Has many scoring strokes and many by which he gets himself out. Without doubt the best field in the XI. Always keen he has saved many runs for his side, and has taken some clever catches.

\*G. L. Tomkins.—The most improved cricketer in the School mainly through dogged perseverance and keenness. Should develop into an excellent bat when he can pick out the ball to hit. A very good field, and catches remarkably well.

\* *E. P. Cross*.—Has scarcely fulfilled the promise shown last year as a wicket-keeper, although he has filled that difficult place serviceably. Has strong defence in batting, but is not quite free enough at present.

\**A. E. Barlow*.—A hard hitting bat but never seems to be set. Played an excellent innings at Trent. A very safe catch, but a very lumbering ground field.

†*W. S. Baker*.—Most disappointing: invariably failed with the bat, and has little or no control of his length while bowling, being therefore useless. His fielding certainly improved, being very safe.

*I R. G. Bugg*.—A keen cricketer who, with experience, should develop into a first class bowler, and when he can choose the right ball to hit, he will be able to make runs. An excellent field and throws in well.

‡*M. G. Taylor*.—Did very well as a fast bowler at the beginning of the season, especially against Stafford. His batting is promising and his fielding a distinct improvement.

§ *J C- W. Rowland*.—A left hand bowler who entirely lacks sting. Should show a little common-sense while bowling. Batting and fielding are fair.

\* Signifies 1st XI. Colours.

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#### BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs	Runs	Wkts.	Av.
M. G. Taylor	111.3	255	20	12.75
W. Hall	31	85	5	17.00
C. W. Rowland	74	192	10	19.20
G. L. Tomkins	23	79	4	19.75
J. W. Knight	97	314	15	20.93
B. Hall	6.4	40	4	10.00
R. G. Bugg	7	43	4	10.75
A. E. Barlow	4	19	0	
L. B. Helder	6	23	1	23.00
W. S. Baker	6	47	1	47.00

#### BATTING AVERAGES.

	Imm-ings	High-est.	Runs	not out.	Au.
J. W. Knight	9	51	216	0	24.0
B. Hall	9	71	182	0	20.2
G. L. Tomkins	9	29	110	2	15.71
L. B. Helder	9	63	132	0	14.67
W. Hall	9	32	106	1	13.85
A. E. Barlow	9	27	84	0	9.3
E. P. Cross	9	21	59	2	8.41
W. S. Baker	8	18*	52	1	7.43
R. G. Bugg	7	11	28	1	4.67
C. W. Rowland	6	8	18	1	3.6
M. G. Taylor	5	5	14	1	3.5
J. F. Menzies	3	6	8	0	2.67
C. Hadfield	1	7*	7	0	7.0
C. H. Finch	1	2*	2	1	

\* Not out.

#### O.T.C.

On July 1, the Camp Company took part in a field day on Cannock Chase, near Rugeley. Owing to difficulties with the railway journey we arrived late at the rendezvous. Here we were directed by Major Shea, of Uppingham, who was in command of White force, to join Rugby in the main attack under Captain Hardy.

As we moved forward it became evident that the enemy, Repton and Trent, had not had time to take up their position. We were on the right of the attack and after pushing back an isolated section in front of us, we closed on the Marquis Woods. We then moved through the Woods in single file with two companies of Rugby, and turning to the left came upon the rear of the enemy's position. As Uppingham were attacking them in front, the Brown force was hopelessly out-manceuvred and the "cease fire" was sounded.

We had a six-mile march back to the station, part of which was enlivened by the excellent playing of the band. Though we had very little firing, the marching throug

at the day was first rate. The extensions at the beginning were very slow, but owing to the absence of opposition enabled the sections to settle down. Afterwards there was little to grumble at.

The annual inspection took place on Wednesday, July 2. In the absence of Major M. F. M. Meiklejohn, V.C., owing to his accident (which subsequently proved fatal), Captain W. H. Wilkin, The Sherwood Foresters, was the inspecting officer. From his report we quote the following :—

*Drill*—The contingent marched past very well. When the cadet N.C.Os. were doing Company Drill there was a good deal of unnecessary talking going on. Arms were well handled.

*Manoeuvre*—The principles of covering-fire seem well understood, but (as is only to be expected), the N.C.Os. are not so proficient in manoeuvre as they are in drill. Messages were well passed.

*General remarks*—The Corps is decidedly a good one.

The number of cadets in possession of Certificate "A" shows a marked increase since last year.

The annual Camp is made a great feature of the training."

As we have already mentioned the accident sustained by Major Meiklejohn at the inspection of the London University O.T.C. proved fatal on Friday, 4th July. His horse took fright at the band and bolted. In order to avoid running down some children he put his horse at an impossible fence with the result that the horse was killed on the spot and the gallant officer succumbed to his injuries a few days later at the Middlesex Hospital. His funeral took place on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> with full military honours. He was head of the O.T.C. section at the War Office consequently many contingents were presented at the funeral. Our Commanding Officer, with the Colour-Sergeant

and Captain of School took part, as representatives of Denstone, in the procession through London, and subsequently at the funeral at Brookwood.

The following promotions have taken place :—

Corporals A. E. Barlow, O. F. Forrest, J. W. Knight, to be Sergeants.

Lance-Corporals G. L. Tomkins and L. B. Helder to be Corporals.

The following is the record of this term's Shooting Matches:—

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
E. J. Anderson	60	63	60	63	62	61	62
G. J. Mitchell	59	62	59	47	59	59	62
E. G. H. Bates	57	56	59	56	53	60	57
E. V. Rerrie	55	59	57	63	59	57	
P. E. Burrows	58	56	55	57	60	58	65
K. R. Evans		57	50	56	55		
L. V. Marsh		55	60	57	5 <sup>1</sup>	61	63
C. A. Kestin		50	53				
C. T. Felton				62	62		57
F. T. D. Steel	44					63	57
G. V. Knight						59	64
R. Sapcote	53						
F. E. Clark	49						
	435	45 <sup>8</sup>	453	461	461	478	487

1.—Merchiston ...	421	won.
Bedford	477	lost.
2.—Blundells ...	477	lost.
3.—Wellingborough	472	lost.
Sedbergh	446	won.
Dover	467	lost.
4.—Harrow	471	lost.
Repton	505	lost.
Malvern	483	lost.
Felsted	436	won.
Christ's Hospital	433	won.

5--Cheltenham...	457	won.
Gresham's ...	4 <sup>6</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	lost.
Whitgift	482	lost.
Ellesmere ...	440	won.
6.—Eton	474	won.
Sherborne ...	469	won.
S. Lawrence	482	lost.
Elizabeth College	501	lost.
7—"Rugby	487	lost.
Lancing	460	won.
George Watson's	459	won.
Clifton		

On July 12th a Cadet Pair won a match with Whitgift, who scored 113 to our 118.

F. E. Clark ... 55  
F. T. D. Steel ... 63

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#### O.D. NEWS.

G. L. Marriott (May, 1902) has obtained First Class in the Final Honour School of Theology at Oxford. He has also obtained the Liddon Studentship.

G. D. Gurnhill (May, 1902) obtained 2nd Class in the Classical Tripos at Cambridge.

L. H. Sly (Sept., 1905) has passed the Final Examination of the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors.

A. L. E. F. Coleman, writing on his arrival at Singapore, says : " Our ship from Colombo to Hong Kong caught fire when we were about eighty miles out of Singapore. It started in one of the holds containing opium and cotton, and for a while things looked rather serious. Luckily it was discovered at 4 a.m., so that only a few passengers knew of it till after break-

fast, and by that time everything had been closed in and water pumped into the hold so that apart from a little smoke nothing was to be seen. The trouble was on the starboard side of the ship, and from a list of about three degrees to port the night before we woke up to find a list of seven degrees to starboard. We were delayed at Singapore by the fire, but luckily for me some Singapore people who came out with the boat from England have put me up for the week-end and I have had quite a good time. The bathrooms in the houses are peculiar. In the house in which I stayed one descended from the bedroom into what looked like a coach-house with big double doors leading to the garden. In this was an enormous bath full of water which one ladled over oneself by means of a tin bucket."

A. B. Cartwright (June, 1897) was married on April 22nd.

G. A. W. Nicholson (Nov., 1901) is in the 13th Hussars and is stationed at Kasauli Hill Depot, India. He has recently met two other Denstonians, but omits to give their names.

F. L. H. Fleming (Sept., 1890) is in England : his address is Toys Hill > Brasted S.O., Kent.

G. D- L. Chatterton (Jan., 1880) Major 66th Punjabis, is now living in Bath.

S. M. Sutton (Sept., 1901) is now in Rio de Janiero, where he has a good position as assistant manager to a large engineering agency.

H. M. Butler (Jan., 1903) has had^a severe illness in Lisbon but he is now his way to recovery; he writes as follows •

" Do you know Portugal ? During a te drives in the streets of Lisbon, I was ^ ^ much struck by the poverty of the mass

people. Apart from countrymen driving oxen, and a few muleteers, there were few of the working classes who showed any sign of prosperity. The straight-nosed descendants of Phoenician colonists still ply their trade as fishermen, but the rest seem to idle away their day between begging, drinking coffee, and discussing politics.

The British Hospital lies immediately below the Barracks, so conspicuous during the Revolution. Of their position I very rapidly became aware, as there were two revolts during the early weeks of my stay. The first was headed by a captain, belonging, I believe to an extremely republican regiment largely responsible in bringing about the fall of the monarchy. Promotion had been slow, and dissatisfaction had spread so widely that it was thought the same force might restore King Manuel. The rising was badly supported and the unfortunate captain committed suicide. However, there was a good deal of bomb-throwing, and much excitement in the Portuguese press.

A few days later, in the middle of the night a warship in the harbour opened fire on the town, and some difficulty was experienced in imprisoning the culprits. Beyond the firing of a number of rockets during the night, the inhabitants took things very philosophically, and, as far as I could make out, the tram service (run by an English company), was not interrupted.

The journey out was pleasant enough, and we had good weather both going to Lisbon and returning. I saw little of historical interest except de Gama's starting place at Belem, and the harbour of vigo."

L- G. Harris writes from Berlin:—  
as v<sup>ch</sup>terfelde is a nice part of Berlin,  
sam<sup>is</sup> alm<sup>st</sup> in the country, and at  
e time it takes only a quarter-of-an-

hour in the train into Berlin. Most of the houses here are bound by law to have so much garden in front, and so much behind, and the inhabitants are also liable to be fined if the gardens are not kept in good order so that the place is quite a garden suburb.

I have brought my bicycle with me here but have not used it very much, except as means of having encounters with German officials. I was held up by one policeman in Berlin for riding in a street where for some unknown reason it was "verboten" to ride, but I managed to elude him by the usual scheme of being unable to understand. This week I was stopped by another for riding through a forbidden way and not having a bicycle ticket on me, and although I couldn't understand, had to accompany him to the police office, and sign my name, etc., on about six different documents. I think probably I shall have to pay five marks for it, unless I am in England by the time the affair is finished.

There have been a fair number of festivities in Berlin, since I have been here. First of all there was the visit of King George and Queen Mary. All the students from here went in to Berlin to see the procession, but it turned out to be a very small affair, and although there was a tremendous crowd in all the streets, you could hardly hear any noise at all as the procession came by. Then quite lately there were the festivities for the Kaiser's Jubilee. I went into Berlin on the Tuesday, the last day of the Jubilee festivities, to see the procession of the German princes, which was supposed to be rather a great thing, and also that of the chimney-sweepers, bakers, butchers, etc., which ought to have been rather amusing. There was such a crowd that we could not get a very good position, and finally after waiting two hours came away without seeing anything.

I also went to see the Berlin Parade before the Kaiser, which took place on the 2nd June. There are two great Parades in Berlin, this and one later in autumn. The autumn one is the finest as all the troops from Potsdam as well as Berlin are present there, and also aeroplanes and airships. This was only for the troops out of Berlin, but it was very interesting and very fine to see. I think there were between twenty and thirty thousand troops present out of Berlin alone."

L. Goldsmith writes from The Stagbrook Rubber and Tea Estates :—

Eldorado Group, Mundakayam,  
Travancore, S. India.

" I am doing very well out here and have planted both tea and rubber and at present am on a rubber estate in the low country. Prospects here are very promising and I am surprised not to hear of more O.Ds. coming here; I am surrounded by old Haileyburians, Old Etonians and many others from the public schools. C. G. Piggford has just taken up residence in Colombo in the police and I see he is figuring largely in the Rugby matches there. I shall be glad to give any information to any Denstonian thinking of coming East."

News from the Universities is difficult to obtain, but perhaps that is only to be expected as not a single O.D. at either University reads the *Denstonian*! We have however ourselves been able to discover the following item of minor interest. In the Seniors match at Cambridge, A. J. Wood made 24, and in College matches has made some good scores, 104, etc., and has taken fifty wickets. He is Secretary of the Cricket Club at S. Catharine's. C. L. Dunkerley has made in College matches, 109 not out, 72 not out, 63 not out and 66 not out—an extraordinary

list. Last Football season A. J. Wood appears to have scored most of the goals in his College matches at Association. E. R. Wood is Captain of Tennis, and H. S. Bates Captain of Athletics at S. Catharine's. They both have played a good deal of Tennis.

C. H. Ward (May 1875) has been commissioned by Queen Alexandra to paint a series of pictures of the Royal Gardens at Sandringham.

S. P. Brodie Mais is to be married on August 6th.

P. Simpson is relinquishing teaching for the present in order to devote himself to the completion of his Ben Jonson studies.

We hear with much regret of the death on June 2nd, of John Wedgwood Jebb, (Sept., 1909). R.I.P.

Also of Frederick Keeling. He came here in September 1880, and remained till 1883. In 1889 he went to Vancouver and became manager of a salmon cannery on the Frazer River; he also owned the first motor boat in Vancouver—a ferry boat for passengers and goods. Later he ran a Steamboat Ferry Service. He married a daughter of Judge Temple of Santa Rosa, California, and they came to England in 1910. In 1912 his wife died, and six months later he himself died. R.I.P.

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We offer our congratulations to r• Stocks (Jan., 1891) on being appointed the Headmasteiship of Framlingham.



G. O. Henzell (Sept., 1900), having passed the examination, has just been elected an Associate of the Association of Average Adjusters ; and has been admitted a partner of the firm of Williams, Richards & Son, London.

R. R. Lewer (Sept., 1898) has just returned after three years spent in surveying in Burmah with the object of discovering new supplies of petroleum. He will probably visit the Caucasus—where he will have an escort on account of the bandits—during the summer. His work will subsequently take him back to Assam.

E. J. Toase (Sept., 1900) and C. S. Little (Sept., 1905) were ordained deacons at the Advent Ordination.

G. R. Ball was placed in the third class in Science Tripos (Part 2), and J. T. Barton was allowed an Ordinary B.A.

A. J. Wood has been asked to play for Derbyshire, but unfortunately was unable to do so.

H. Jacks (Sept. 1907), is now practising as a solicitor in South Shields and Jarrow, having qualified in June.

C. A. Brett has edited the play of *The Little French Lawyer* in the *Variorum Beaumont and Fletcher*, edited by A. H. Mullen, which has just appeared.

#### NOTES.

We regret very much to hear of the death on May 24th, of Mrs. Freer, who for many years past has given our Greek Testament Prizes. With characteristic thoughtfulness and generosity she has bequeathed a sum of £300 in order that the prize may be continued. R.I.P.

The Headmaster presided at the Prize Distribution at Uttoxeter Grammar School on July 5th, and gave an address on Novel-reading.

The following additional shields of arms are being placed in the windows of the Dining Hall: Provost Talbot (given by Mrs. Talbot), the Founder (given by W. B. Woodard, his son), Provost Lowe (given by the Rev. Alfred Lowe, Rangemore), and Provost Meynell (given by the Rev. F. W. Meynell, of Stapenhill).

Pitman's Shorthand Certificates have been gained by W. S. Baker, T. Bullock, and H. E. James.

A tablet given by A. Boden (O.D.) has been placed above the Lonsdale Gate, in the Cloister, to commemorate Bishop Lonsdale.

C. Powel-Smith has passed Parts I and II of the "Previous" Examination, and K. R. Evans, Parts I and III.

The Play Committee's Balance Sheet has just been issued. *Hamlet* has considerably increased the balance in hand: at the beginning of the year it was £35 and is now £\, in spite of the subscriptions of £5 to Mr. Gaussen's presentation, and £5 to the Museum Fund, and the payment to the College, for the first time, of £5 for Refreshments for guests. The first and last of these should not be considered as precedents to be followed, but the case is different with the donation to the Museum which is a legitimate acknowledgement of the courtesy of the Curator in so freely allowing the use of the Museum at the performances.

The Editor begs to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following, apologising for any unintentional omissions :  
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*Trident, Stonyhurst College Magazine Blue, Olavian, Berkhatnstedian, Johnian Cuthbertian, Old Bighbian, S. Edward's School Magazine, Cadet, Lancing College Magazine, Felstedian, Ellesmerian, Arena.*

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