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## EDITORIAL.

*If it were done when His done, then 'twere well  
it were done quickly.*

**W**E had never fully realised the appropriateness of this line, quoted recently by our esteemed predecessor, until, with the greatest perturbation, we took our seat in the Editorial chair, and dipped our Pen in the Editorial ink-pot. Now, however, that we are seated on such a pedestal, the best thing to do appears to be to act on the principle enunciated. There are two things which console us; the first is that after we have survived the first shock we begin to realise the fact that others must

have had much the same misgivings as those under which we are labouring at the present moment; and the second redeeming feature is that, as there are so many things to write about, no great call will be made on our own ingenuity—this latter reason will no doubt be a great relief to our readers, as well as to ourselves.

Those who were present at the festivities at the end of last term, which celebrated the fortieth anniversary of the dedication of our School, will remember the occasion for many long years to come. On Saturday evening, July 29th, a delightful Concert was arranged by Mr. Wood, at which, besides numerous songs, beautifully sung by members of the School, and

also by Mrs. Grant Heelas, a very happy feature was the singing of a poem entitled *Matri Carissimae*, the music of which was composed by Mr. Wood. On Sunday morning, July 27th, at 10.30 the Holy Eucharist was celebrated, at which service the recently-appointed Bishop of Lichfield, Dr. Kempthorne, preached us a sermon which must have been thoroughly appreciated even by the smallest boys in Chapel. Monday, the 28th of July, was, however, the supreme day; preceding the Commemoration Service there was a short office, in which Bishop Kempthorne was formally installed as our Visitor in place of the late Bishop Legge. Our newly-installed Visitor again honoured us by preaching the sermon after his Installation.

At 2.30 the Officers' Training Corps paraded, and were inspected by the Lord-Lieutenant of the County, the Earl of Dartmouth. After the Inspection everyone adjourned to the Drill Hall which the Earl of Dartmouth proceeded to open, and then the prizes were distributed by the Hon. Joan Legge, in the unavoidable absence, through illness, of her mother, the Countess of Dartmouth. After the Prize-giving, all were made very welcome by Mrs. Hibbert at her garden party, the weather at which contrasted very well with that of the previous year.

All did not end, however, on Monday, July 28th, for on Thursday, October 9th, the fortieth anniversary of the opening of the School an invitation was issued to O.D.s to revisit their old School; this kind invitation, however, was not accepted to the extent we had expected: all the same we were extremely glad to see those who did manage to come. At 11.45 there was a Choral Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, at which Service, besides the customary Servers, the Celebrant was assisted by a Deacon and Sub-Deacon, the Rev. R. M.

Grier, Headmaster of Worksop, and the Chaplain, both O.D.s. After the Service all adjourned to the Dining Hall, where a delightful luncheon had been prepared for us by Mrs. Salmon, on tables tastefully decorated with red and white geraniums given by Mr. Keeling. At the end of the luncheon, the Headmaster proposed the toast of "Church and State;" after which the Rev. H. L. Muriel, Captain of School in 1887, 1888, proposed the toast, *Floreat Denstona*, coupled with the name of the present Captain of School, Helder. In replying on behalf of the School, Helder extended a cordial welcome to O.D.s, and thanked them for the good work they continue to do for their School when they have left. The Rev. C. B. Tyrwhitt, one of our earliest Chaplains, was next called upon to propose the toast of the O.D. Club—an Institution of which he was one of the founders—and this, the last toast, was replied to by S. Keeling, Esq., 1875 77, who in his speech exhorted all Denstonians to join the Old Boys' Club when they left their School. An account of the Football Match, Past v. Present, which took place in the afternoon, will be found elsewhere in our issue. After the match, Mrs. Hibbert very kindly invited both teams, and any other O.D.s who were still here, to tea in the Drill Hall. I

On our arrival at the beginning of this term—after a week's extra holiday—everyone was highly delighted by finding the electric light installed; our delight was still further increased when, on the same evening, the light suddenly went out. Things, however, were soon put right, and since then everything has proved to be most satisfactory. Denny, however, *nk<sup>e</sup>* the poor, is ever with us, although to judge by expression—and as he does not number eloquence among his virtues—this is the only method available—"deeply feels the loss of his old friends,

the lamps. Other improvements take the form of large additions to the Preparatory School, where ever-growing numbers necessitate its periodical extension.

The Play chosen for production this year is *The First Part of King Henry VI.*, it is to be acted on November 18th and 19th. Everyone is, as usual, duly excited at its approach, especially this year, as we are promised features in the . . . . . hitherto unprecedented; we only hope they will be as successful as those of last year.

## DENSTONIANS EVER.

*Yes ! days at school are the best in life,  
When all was bright and gay ;  
We'll yearn for them in the afterstrife  
When youth has passed away ;  
When all our days were bright and fair,  
And sorrow yet unknown,  
When life was young and free from care,  
And each one's joys our own.*

*The love for Denstone ne'er shall die,  
Fond mem'ries will remain,  
Our thoughts will often backward fly  
To days at School again.  
To classrooms where our masters taught,  
To things we tried to learn,  
To rows we had, to -fights we fought,  
Our memories will tarn.*

*The games we lost, the games we won,  
The try that saved the day ;  
One comrade's kick, another's run,  
A Captain's brilliant play ;  
•Across the vale of years there floats  
A roar of ringing cheers,  
The shouts of thrice a hundred throats  
Still echoes in our ears.*

*The Chapel where we met each morn,  
Thou close of day,  
The swelling stream of praise upborne,  
The voices hushed to pray.  
From those old hallowed walls  
We'll hear old voices hail,  
Our hearts still treasuring up the calls  
Of those who've passed the veil.*

*We climbed the hills, we roamed the vales,  
What eggs and flowers we found !  
We jumped the brooks, explored the vales,  
We love the very ground.  
High Alton's rocks, wild Weaver's hills,  
Lone Wootton's haunted pile,  
Old Croxden's walls, the Rocester mills,  
The quaintly-fashioned stile*

*We'll oft think of friendships made,  
And wish them back again.  
Loved faces that will never fade  
Whilst memories remain.  
Where'er we are, what'er we do,  
We'll be Denstonians still,  
And strain each nerve our whole life thro'  
To do our school no ill.*

*Neath Arctic snows or tropic suns,  
On mount, or sea, or fen,  
We'll show the world that Denstone's sons  
Are true and manly men.  
Let Denstone's glory brightly shine  
Where'er her sons may be,  
Her Honour with our own combine  
From all dishonour free.*

## A CARAVAN TOUR.

A holiday in a "Home on Wheels"! What a delightful prospect for the next ten days, with a jolly companion. No restraints, no servant-question. But stay! I was to be the servant. I was to do the washing, the scrubbing and polishing. Had I to cook? Perish the thought, as those undoubtedly would who were rash enough to partake of my concoctions. But no! My friend, a first-class cook, had undertaken this, to my great relief, and apparently to his. In the pleasant resort of Llandrindod Wells, I awaited the arrival of our "House." Presently it "loomed large" on the horizon with my friend standing at its front door. It contained 3 or 4 sleeping bunks across the back, inside, which served in the daytime as a comfortable sofa; along the side, locker-seats; a swinging table, which "swung" when you least expected it; and

a dear little store, which I had to keep clean. At the back, running under the van, was the pantry.

I will give you the description of a normal day. Rise at 5.0 a.m. (or thereabouts—generally). The cook lights the fire, and I am sent for water. Now this sounds a simple process. But picture to yourself, a very tired individual, in night-attire and overcoat, with two buckets swung on the end of a water-carrier, wandering across mist-laden fields. One feels like a very amateurish Atlas, for those buckets are heavy. Suddenly a spongy feeling under foot, followed by immersion up to the knees, warns you that you are in the presence of water. Subsequent investigation proves the surmise correct. You load and return slowly—a sadder and a wiser man. The smell of burning wood and the sound of eggs being fried, rouse you to a pitch of enthusiasm which a few moments ago you thought impossible. You rush forward, unmindful of the burden. Presently you find that you have formed a goodly watercourse across the field, and that the buckets are only half full. But you are satisfied and get out the crockery. Then you fall to breakfast with zest.

Then real labours of the day begin. You fill a bowl with water and place it on the ground. I found that my friend had taken all necessary precautions—the crockery was enamel. After covering yourself, the crockery and everything within decent range, with water, you begin to arrange the things inside. Meanwhile the "ostler" has saddled the horse and the journey begins. You are made aware of this fact by a sudden jerk which hurls the crockery into the four quarters of the caravan. The things are carefully picked up, and replaced, and you sit down on the bunk feeling that you have already by 7 a.m. slipped through a hard day's work.

You feel tired and close your eyes to think about all you have done. You are roused from this reverie by the sharp voice of the cook-manager who asks you "whether you have seen the lamps in front?" You say you have—many times during the journey. After this miserable attempt at sarcasm so well suited to an early hour, you are reminded that they require polishing. Everything from that moment seem to be made of dull brass. You are told to polish until you can see yourself in them. This you do and are very bitter at the result. You see in the shining surface, mocking you for your labours, a begrimed fellow, unshaven, collarless, and with unkempt hair looking like a cook on a third-rate "tramp" steamer. You remark on this and are rewarded by being told that such a person is only fit to sweep out the van. You bridle under this stinging comment and begin to scrub and wash the floor, trusting that nobody will pass who recognizes you. A moment's reflection, however, brings you the comfortable feeling that this would be impossible, even for your closest friend. Suddenly there is a jerk, and you bang your head violently against the swinging table which is fulfilling its function to the utmost. Enquiries are being made about a "pitch" by your friend, whom you picture assuming the haughty air of the superior person who has come down in life. The impulse seizes you to rush out and show the stranger the real state of things. But your friend's dignity will not allow this, and he says something about "that floor." After crawling back, you resume the duty of "working your passage" and feel like a convict in a "slave galley." The native asks how my friend earns his living, and the full justice of such a question is borne in upon you. The rustic asks what there is in the van, and my friend's answer is uncomplimentary. After wrangling we get a "pit" and the dinner business starts again.

One night a real menu was provided—roast beef and baked apples. The beef was put into the oven and I began to peel the potatoes. Perhaps the word "chopping" would be better, as they lost half their weight and assumed most weird shapes. My friend suddenly enquired whether I was using stagnant water to wash them in, and I replied with scorn that it was quite fresh. Was everything in the "pantry" quite sound? I made a tour d' inspection. I arrived back in time to see my friend burying something. It was the beef. This unruly joint had mutinied and was being put out of harm's way. But its presence had permeated the van, the neighbourhood and the baked apples, and after a long walk we returned and had *Pommes a Vodeur de boeuf*.

How transitory are our ambitions. The last night, at Chartley, we were visited by a neighbouring farmer and his dog. After his departure, we sat and smoked in the dusk discussing the happy memories of the voyage. But dull routine broke into our blissful solitude. "What is there for breakfast?" said my friend. "Ham," I answered, and was ordered to bring it round to see if there was enough. Apparently there was just enough for the dog, our friendly farmer's dog. We found the bone! It comforted us for it gave us the excuse to purchase eggs and bacon. Thus ended a most delightful holiday spent in a real Bohemia. We had travelled via Ludlow, Sutton Maddock (where we resisted the temptation to be civilized and sleep in a bed), Shifnal, and Stafford.

There is nothing in the world like living days in a caravan with another man, to test your friendship. Tempers can be easily lost and friendship severed. Ours was cemented. As we rumbled over the flaying Fields, I tenderly regarded the Rockery, and instinctively began to sweep out the van for our next stop. I refrained

heroically from mentioning "beef" to my friend. We drew up in the Preparatory School yard with very genuine regrets that the journey was over. Cicero says "Friendship improves happiness and abates misery," and such friendship can be engendered in a caravan.

#### LACHRYMAE.

It was the good fortune, or rather the ill fortune, of the writer and two others to be here last Term after everyone else had gone down. It must always be strange to be at school out of the Term, but not many boys have had the experience which fell to the lot of the writer last July. For he was like the Peri at the Gates of Paradise; he saw Mrs. Hibbert's dance, from alas! the outside; yet even so it was worth much, and he ventures to reveal some secrets of a unique experience.

In the first place, as we doubtless all remember, when the idea of a Ball was first mooted, not much credence was attached to it. However, when august personages were seen walking about with troubled brows calculating how many yards of wire would be wanted for lighting the cloisters with fairy lamps, and when, furthermore, staid and solemn pedagogues were discovered in shirt-sleeves on step-ladders and in other unwonted circumstances, we began, figuratively speaking, to "smell a rat."

Perhaps Speech Day (was there ever such another?) put thoughts of the dance out of the heads of most of us, but those who did not forget hoped for a repetition of such gorgeous sunshine as was that day meted out to us. Their wish was certainly gratified. The eventful day dawned clear and bright (at least we imagine so), and after seeing the Corps off to camp, and others for home, we came back and found

the Quadrangles and playground the scenes of tremendous activity.

At first chaos reigned supreme. Ropes were scattered about for the benefit of the unwary ; carpets lay here and there ; chairs and couches were piled everywhere. Tents were being pulled down and re-erected near the Drill Hall, and willing helpers were gradually reducing the whole to some semblance of order. Masters in mufti, Old Boys become young again, collar-less clerics, and ladies with turned-up sleeves, played the part of navvies or furniture-removers as though to the manner born.

Finally, but none too soon, all was finished, and a peep into the Armoury revealed the fact that it had been transformed into fairyland, yet with a retreat for human chaperones and the like on the balcony, whence they might watch the dancing and be out of the way.

The Pavilion has certainly never looked so attractive as it did that night; so enticing was it with its easy chairs and luxurious hangings. For "sitting out" it would be hard to find a better place than it was converted into. The large luncheon tent had been transplanted and transformed, like everything else, into a sort of Eastern Palace, its interior being dimly illuminated by Chinese lanterns which contributed not a little to the gaiety of the scene.

But the prettiest effect was undoubtedly lent by the fairy lamps which extended all the way from the Drill Hall to the Selwyn Quadrangle, and an arch in front of the Pavilion relieved what might otherwise have been merely useful in a most delightful way. Some of us will remember the College as it appeared on Coronation night, but this far surpassed the effect then obtained.

While the dance was in progress we were on the Play Ground, and nothing was more maddening than to have to listen to the alluring strains of the music to imagine

the scene within, and yet to be unable to join in the revels ourselves.

The climax in pretty effects was reached when all the guests passed to the Dinino-Hall for supper. The sight then was one which will live long in the memories of those who saw it. The rising moon was just beginning to touch the starlit sky. The line of fairy lamps shed a soft radiance over the dresses of the ladies as they walkedjn along procession past the Pavilion and across the Quadrangle. The predominant colour was white, but here and there a deep red or pale blue lent a dash of colour to the scene ; and the effect of the glowing lights on these, and the contrast with the sombre dresses of the men, was one which no words of mine can possibly portray ; it must have been seen to be realised.

While the guests were supping we visited—for who should say us nay?—the Masters' Common Room, and beguiled the time by playing billiards, much to the annoyance of an old rat. Then, discreetly sallying forth we asked a gorgeous flunky if **THEY** had finished supping. **THEY** had, so we—well they had not left much, but it was very good.

Then again we wended our way to **OUR** old coign of vantage, which was now dotted here and there with couples strolling about; but it was too much, and we tore ourselves away.

F . M . H .

#### OUR FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY AND SPEECH DAY.

Forty years have passed since Bishop Selwyn, on July 29, 1873, dedicated the College and gave it his blessing. Then the gathering of Churchpeople was **far** too large to set into the little temporary chapel—and the Bishop preached in the great qua"

range which had recently received the name it still bears, the "Lonsdale Quadrangle." Now forty years later, another Bishop of Lichfield has given his blessing to the same work. The hope and confidence expressed by George Augustus Selwyn has been repeated and renewed by John Augustine Kempthorne, not in a humble temporary building, but in the stately chapel which pious and munificent hands have raised. The joy and gratitude which echoed through all the varied proceedings with which we celebrated our fortieth anniversary were entirely appropriate. The record of forty years has been encouraging, our buildings are dignified and well equipped. During the last year five good class-rooms have been built, the great drill hall, music school, and lavatories and changing-rooms for games have been erected, and the Science School has been completely re-arranged and doubled in size. Our fortieth year has, most appropriately, seen one of our Old Boys figure for the first time in the King's List of Birthday Honours; the new Head Master of **Tramlingham** is a Denstonian; two first classes have been gained in the Oxford Honours List, and a University studentship at Oxford; and five open scholarships and exhibitions at Oxford and Cambridge, and two scholarships at the hospitals have been **won**. The school is full; and, as the Head Master jestingly said, the chief use of the well-equipped sanatorium is that of a **guest-house** for visitors; for *that* we are especially thankful.

On Monday Bishop Kempthorne was solemnly installed. It was the first visit of the new Bishop of Lichfield, and to welcome him an enormous concourse of people came together. Besides the Bishop's installation there was the opening of the Drill Hall by the Lord-Lieutenant of the County. There was a concert on the previous Saturday evening; on Sunday the Bishop spoke to

the boys at the Holy Eucharist; Monday was also "Commemoration" and Speech Day; and on Tuesday evening the Head Master and Mrs. Hibbert gave a ball. The combination of so many festivities was a suitable way of celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the College, and no effort was spared to make the whole worthy of the occasion.

A great number of parents of the boys came for the week-end, and accommodation in College and neighbourhood was taxed to its utmost. On **Monday many more** came by train and **motor-car**, and five hundred were entertained at lunch, most in the school hall and the **rest** in a marquee. At **the** garden party given by Mrs. Hibbert there were something like six hundred people. Among those present were the Bishop and Mrs. Kempthorne, Lord Dartmouth and **the** Hon. Joan Legge, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., and Lady Heywood, Sir Offley Wakeman, Bart., Provost **Talbot**, Canon **the** Hon. Leonard **Tyrwhitt**, M.V.O. Chaplain to H.M. the King (Vice-Provost), Canon H. B. Southwell, Canon Madan, Sir Sydney Lea, Bart., Mr. A. C. **and** Lady Florence Duncombe, Lady Farrer, Colonel Heywood, Colonel Goer, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Philips, Colonel Bill, the Rev. Wentworth Watson (Rockingham Castle), the Rev. L. Phillips (Principal of Lichfield Theological College), Miss Isabel Heywood (Manchester), Rev. Orlando Bridgeman, Mr. R. E. R. Brocklebank, Mr. F. H. Lindley Meynell, etc.

In many ways the Sunday Eucharist was the most interesting of all the events of the festival, as it was, of course, the most magnificent. It was our own service, and we were not ousted even for the guests. In our own service, very much as it is sung every Sunday, we gave thanks for the blessings of forty years. It was a service of great dignity and was profoundly touching. The chapel was crowded. The

ceremonial was dignified, the Bishop in cope and mitre took his proper part, and at the post-Communion *Carmen Denstonense* was sung with the greatest possible energy.

The Bishop's sermon was from the text, " Lord, and what shall this man do ? " He emphasized the responsibility of each for the fortunes and futures of friends and companions, and at once gained the affections of his hearers by calling us " my boys," and " my brothers."

At Evensong, which was again largely attended, the anthem was Wesley's " Let us now praise famous men." Later in the evening F. H. Belton gave an organ recital, which would have done credit to a much older performer. Belton has just been appointed to assist Sir Frederick Bridge at Westminster Abbey, and has since gained an organ scholarship.

On Monday the proceedings began with a choral celebration of the Holy Communion. After breakfast people began to arrive in great numbers, and the College grounds wore a very gay appearance. By 11.30 the chapel was again crowded; this time we made way for the visitors. Punctually at the time appointed the choir entered, followed by the representatives and banners of the other schools of the Society, the girls wearing their effective chapel habit. When these had taken their places the Provost and Fellows entered, preceded by the famous Abyssinian cross which so much interested Archbishop Benson when he came to preach at the dedication of the Chapel in 1887. These having proceeded to their stalls, the Bishop entered, conducted by the Senior Fellow, The Revd. D. Edwardes. At the Provost's stall the Provost was informed that the Bishop, having accepted the office of Visitor,, desired to be installed in his official place. The Provost accordingly led him thither and placed him in the canopied stall, "iPrevent us " was then said, and the

Provost went to the altar, where he was vested in the cope and *Te Deum Laudamus* was sung to the Ambrosian melody. The service of Commemoration followed, and one noticed the addition of " Augustus Bishop of Lichfield," to the list of those mentioned.

The Bishop of Lichfield's sermon followed. He took as text, " Be ye steadfast in the Faith, quit you like men, be strong." Throughout a straightforward and direct address he identified himself with the School and Society of which he had just become the Visitor. He constantly spoke of "our" aims, and "our" founders, and "our" ideals. The first thought on a day like that, he said, must be one of thanks to **GOD**; firstly for the founders and benefactors, some gone to their rest, some still living and at work; secondly, for the teachers and administrators of the School, again past as well as present; and thirdly, for the boys of the past who have built up good traditions and the boys of the present who so worthily maintain them. S. Paul's words, he said, sum up the idea of Denstone, and he enlarged on the point in noble and eloquent sentences. Firstly he emphasized the fact of the permanence of the Faith which cannot change, although at the same time and at all time the Church welcomes and appropriates fresh knowledge. She is not blindfold, but marches with wide-opened eyes and leads to regions far beyond anywhere unaided reason can hope to follow. The function of the Church and of Denstone was not to reflect passing fancies and theories, but to hold fast to the eternal wisdom which ever explains and enlightens new truths, for the wisdom of to-day is often the laughing-stock of to-morrow. Then he passed to the second phrase of the text and noted how true manliness means loyalty to **GOD**, to country, and to home. This true manliness was pre-eminently the work of a Public School to produce; not



merely good scholars, though it was evident penstone could do that; not merely good sportsmen, though Denstone could certainly do that; but true men in the full meaning of the word, purposeful resolute and strong, chivalrous and gentle and pure. Be strong in that ideal, he said to the boys, strong in the strength of the Sacraments which are so freely administered at Denstone, and in the grace of JESUS CHRIST which they give; serve Church and State in your generation, not with bluster and fuss, but in the quietness and confidence which comes from CHRIST.

At the luncheon in the Dining Hall, effectively decorated by Mrs. Edwards, and a marquee, and admirably served by the matron, the toast list was commendably brief. Provost Talbot briefly proposed "The King" and "Church and State," and the Bishop and Lord Dartmouth responded. To the toast of *Floreat Denstona* Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., very appropriately responded—the worthy son of a worthy father, and one whose interest in Denstone is not less than that of the father, who was the virtual founder.

After luncheon, the Provost, in proposing "Church and State," spoke with much feeling of his own relations, personal and official, with the late Bishop of Lichfield, and told something of Bishop Legge's affection for the School, to which he was so good a friend and so constant a visitor. Bishop Kempthorne spoke in a charming manner, with hopefulness, and very happily pointed out that Lord Dartmouth might quite properly have replied for the whole toast, for the Church had learnt to value the laity; Lord Dartmouth, who also replied, appreciated the remark and welcomed

He then proposed *Floreat Denstona*. No one could have been selected to reply "more fittingly than Sir Arthur Heywood.

spoke as he always does at Denstone, with his revered father's zeal and earnest-

ness, and pointed out how needful support, pecuniary and otherwise, was to them. The school was now admirably equipped, but recent additions had been costly, and much money was needed.

The next item on the programme was the inspection of the Officers Training Corps by Lord Dartmouth. It paraded over 200 strong in the Selwyn Quadrangle, and the band played a selection of music in the Lonsdale Quadrangle while the people were assembling. The inspection over, everyone moved into the gaily-decorated Drill Hall, above which the College flag was flying.

Lord Dartmouth, by his geniality and kindness, at once secured the affection of the boys. He complimented the School authorities on the splendid drill hall which they had built, and he congratulated the boys most heartily on the strength and efficiency of the Officers Training Corps. He was no friend of a false militarism, but he wanted every boy and every Englishman to learn to do their duty to their country in all its fulness. He summed it up in the words, "Be brave and pure." The Countess of Dartmouth had promised to distribute the prizes, but unfortunately illness kept her away. Her daughter, Lady Joan Legge, proved a charming substitute, and the graceful heartiness with which she congratulated the prize-winners was delightful. When at the end she came forward and herself expressed her thanks for the vote of thanks which had been cordially carried on Canon Tyrwhitt's proposition, the enthusiasm of the boys knew no bounds, and they made the great hall resound again and again with ringing cheers, which was redoubled when she asked for a holiday. The Bishop having also made the same request, and each being obviously undeniable, the boys felt they were fortunate in every way. Mrs. Hibbert's garden party brought to a close a day of unalloyed enjoyment. The

weather throughout had been glorious, and the College buildings and grounds could not possibly have looked better. It was long before all the visitors departed. On Tuesday morning the Officers Training Corps attended a celebration of the Holy Communion, when the Captain of School, in his uniform, was server to the Head-Master, who celebrated. Then, after breakfast, they marched gaily to the station to set out for Salisbury Plain. In the evening the Head Master and Mrs. Hibbert gave a ball, which was attended by nearly 200 guests.

For the Festivities an inclusive Programme was issued. It consisted of 38 pages and comprised everything that was needed — including words and music of hymns, etc., Orders of Services, Programmes of Concert and Organ Recital, and Garden Party, Prize List and Honours List. It also gave a description of the new buildings and an outline of the history of the College, preceded by the Prize Poem, of the year.

At the Concert on Saturday evening the Prefects efficiently fulfilled the duties of Stewards. The singing was all good, and we are indebted to Mrs. Hibbert's sister, Mrs. Grant Heelas, for her kindness in contributing two songs, and for singing them so charmingly. Mr. Rawlinson Wood, as though he had not sufficient work in hand in preparing so much music—secular and sacred—for the three days, most kindly set *Matri Carissimae* to music, and it was sung with great acceptance. The Chapel music was all well done—indeed it is no exaggeration to say that from beginning to end of the festivities there was no hitch. Even the weather was absolutely perfect.

Mrs. Hibbert desires to thank all those who helped her so effectively and willingly, especially on Tuesday in connection with the preparations for the Ball.

The Order of Proceedings was as follows:—

July 26, Saturday: 6 p.m., Evening Prayer. 7-30 p.m., Concert.

July 27, Sunday: 1030 a.m., Choral Eucharist. 4-30 p.m., Evening Prayer. 7-30 p.m., Organ Recital.

July 28, Monday: 8 a.m., Choral Eucharist, n-45 a.m., Installation of the Lord Bishop, the Visitor; Commemoration Service. 1 p.m., Luncheon. 2-10 p.m., The Bugle **Band** (Lonsdale Quadrangle), 2-30 p.m., Opening of the Drill Hall by the Lord **Lieutenant** of Staffordshire. Distribution of Prizes by Lady Joan Legge in the absence of the Countess of Dartmouth. 3-45 p.m., Mrs. Hibbert's Garden Party.

July 29, Tuesday: 6-30 a.m., Holy Communion. 8-52 a.m., Departure of Officers' Training Corps for Public Schools Camp. 9 p.m., The Head Master and Mrs. Hibbert's Ball in the Drill Hall.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
OPENING DAY.

On October 9th, we commemorated the Fortieth Anniversary of the opening day. It was hoped it would be a great Old Boys' Day, and all Old Boys whose addresses are known to us, nearly a thousand in number, were invited. To our surprise very few accepted, in fact less than 30. It is strange how difficult it is to get together a really large gathering of Old Boys. Even at the Reunion in 1911 the total was comparatively small, and not many of the earlier generations came. Old Boys' dinners are nearly always very badly attended.

The *Old Boys' Chronicle* receives very inadequate support, yet its cost is practically nothing (eighteen pence), and this includes notices of all School events, great and small. For *Forty Years of Denstone*,

Old Boys sent in their names, and in consequence the collection had to be only half the size it was hoped to be ; since its publication orders have come in daily, but of course there are no more copies.

We think the few O.Ds who did give us the pleasure of their company on October 4th enjoyed themselves. The Service in Chapel was fixed late enough to permit them to be present, and R. M. Thompson (1881-88), preached a most appropriate sermon. F. A. Hibbert (1879-85), was Celebrant, R. M. Grier (1887-95), was Deacon, and J. W. Greenstreet (1896-04), was Sub deacon, R. H. Coleman (1895-06), and H. W. Beck were Servers, and the Captain of School carried the Cross. At the luncheon in Hall there was no High Table, and we all, Past and Present, sat down together. The Headmaster presided, and after welcoming the Old Boys, proposed " Church and State." *Floreat Denstona* was proposed in an amusing speech by H. L. Muriel (1883-89), and was fittingly responded to by L. B. Helder, the Captain of School. The Rev. C. B. Tyrwhitt, whose name is remembered, as the Headmaster said, with gratitude, honour, and affection, proposed the Old Boys' Club, and S. Keeling (1875-77), replied. He strongly urged all boys to make a point of joining the Club, and so keeping in touch with the School, and paid a well-deserved tribute to the zeal and energy of the Secretary, W. O. Wilding.

A short business meeting of the Club followed, and then came the Football Match. Afterwards Mrs. Hibbert gave an "At Home," to which, among others, masters, etc., Old Boys, and Prefects, were invited. Except that the numbers were so few, the gathering was delightful.

After Evensong we sang *Te Deum Laudamus*, and then came a Concert which Mr. Wood had arranged. It was not classical, but nearly all the items were good

of their kind. The following O.Ds contributed : F. A. Hibbert, H. C. Crews, H. Gray, W. M. N. Pollard, W. J. Crick, and H. S. Bates.

The weather throughout the day was perfect, and everything wore a holiday appearance.

#### O. T. C.

This year we paid our first visit to Salisbury Plain and encamped at Tidworth Pennings. The first thing that was impressed upon us was that the ordinary definition of a " Plain " did not apply in this instance. On arriving in Camp on Tuesday, 29th July, we found ourselves in No. 3 Battn. under Major Shakerley. We formed No. 2 Co., and also supplied a section to No. 3, under Captain Hale, of Uppingham. Our strength in Camp was 4 Officers and 108 Cadets. We think that there are still many who might go to Camp, but do not on more or less feeble excuses.

This year the weather was perfect, and the Camp certainly one of the most enjoyable we have attended.

The first few days were devoted to practising preliminary formations in the Battalion.

On the Thursday night we had night operations, during which some of us slept peacefully on Sidbury Hill and then marched through the blackness of the woods back to Camp.

On the Saturday afternoon the Brigade was inspected by Major-General Sir H. Rawlinson, commanding the 3rd Division, and the Officers gave an " At Home."

On Sunday we had a Church Parade, and the Brigadier, Col. Fortescue, inspected the lines.

Monday and Tuesday were occupied by Brigade operations. On Monday morning three battalions were opposed to one

assisted by King Edward's House on Sidbury Hill. In the evening there was a night attack on Windmill Hill.

On Tuesday the whole brigade was opposed by the Devon and Cornwall T.F. Brigade, with some Artillery over the area from Windmill Hill to Sidbury and Clarendon Hill. In the afternoon Major-General Sir H. Rawlinson addressed the brigade on the subject of "Patriotism."

The final day (Wednesday) was occupied by an engagement between the two half brigades round Haxton O.

During the afternoon we cleaned tent-boards and packed rifles.

As the Camp was only a short distance from the Upavon Flying School, we had many opportunities of seeing and hearing aeroplanes flying overhead, and twice during the week machines were brought down close to the Camp, much to the excitement of the brigade.

#### THE MUSEUM.

The Museum is increasing steadily and it is becoming difficult to find room for the many exhibits which are arriving continually. Another large case has been made and was filled even before the varnish was dry. The antiquities have been removed to this case and arranged so as to show to the best advantage. The series of small sloping cases has been built into one, and with the addition of two long shelves makes a second case completed during the present year. This again was filled before the outside was finished. There is no more floor space available in the large room and very little room on the walls for additional cases, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brett have given much time and trouble to the mounting, arrangement and labelling of the collections. Mr. Brett has drawn up a valuable "Guide,"

incorporating sections written some years ago by A. A. Armstrong, who did so much for the Museum when he was Curator.

Since the last list was published the number of gifts is so large, that lack of space prevents the publication of the accustomed list.

#### SWIMMING.

The Annual Inter-dormitory Swimming Contest took place on July 12th, 14th and 19th. This division into three rounds, instead of the old single race for which the bathing-place is not large enough, was an innovation which seemed to meet with universal approval. In the first round Whitmore's beat Clark's, Smith's beat Head's iii. Hornby's beat Airy's, and Head's i. beat Plead's ii. In the second round Whitmore's beat Smith's, and Head's i. beat Hornby's. In the third and final round Head's i. beat Whitmore's. Several of the races were very close and exciting, and the whole contest was followed with interest by an enthusiastic crowd. Mr. Coleman, who had charge of the Swimming this year, made excellent arrangements.

The following swam the regulation distance during the course of the term:—

S. H. Atkins, H. Backhouse, J. W. Bagshaw, R. W. Bromley, T. S. Davy, E. C. Dunicliffe, E. C. H. Everett, W. A. G. S. Ewen, W. L. Godfrey, E. H. Hulme, F. W. Jones, J. F. Jones, E. C. Keble, R. E. Kimbell, H. R. Mechan, H. G. Newton, F. Parker, G. H. Slack, G. W. Stennett, V. S. Sullivan, C. D. L. Turner, W. W. Turner, G. A. Whitchurch, H. B. Whithead, E. D. Whittles, R. M. Williams, T. Yarnold, H. F. Young.

## FOOTBALL.

## BURTON "A."

We won the toss, and Burton kicked off down hill, and after some up-and down play scored two tries in quick succession, largely owing to weak tackling by our backs. We then improved and Tomkins, being unmarked in the line out, after a good run from the "25," passed to Fyldes, who scored our first try. Salmon having converted, the score stood at 6 pts. to 5 at half time.

Playing with the slope, we held the advantage for most of the second half, and scored 3 more tries through Tomkins—one of which Salmon converted with a good kick. Shortly after this time was called, and we were left the winners by 16—6.

The forwards showed good all-round form for the most part, though they were very slow in coming across to help in the defence. After an indifferent start the backs' defence was fairly sound; but slow passing, and the old fault of overrunning the man with the ball spoilt all possibility of effective combination. A welcome feature was the kicking of the backs, especially the Hall's; while Tomkins made excellent use of his few openings. Fyldes and Larkam at half showed promising form; and when the forwards heel more cleanly, should considerably help to brighten the attack.

*Team:*—M. G. Taylor, G. B. Fyldes, S. H. Larkam, G. L. Tomkins, W. Hall, B. Hall, C. A. Kestin, L. B. Helder, C. G. Salmon, V. S. Sullivan, G. J. Mitchell, M. H. Spicer, E. S. Rerrie, H. P. Boyd, O. F. Forrest.

## PAST v. PRESENT.

This match, which was played on October 9th, started in a sensational manner—Radford scoring from the kick-off

for the O.Ds. After this, play was for the most part even, until Pollard scored through the weak and slovenly defence of the School—Radford converted. There was no further score till just before half-time, when Tomkins dropped a magnificent penalty goal for the School.

On resuming, the O.Ds still further increased their lead through Pollard and Lathbury. The School now, however, rallied strongly, and scored twice through B. Hall and Tomkins. As there was no further score, the O.Ds were left victorious by 14—9.

The School played considerably better in this match than in the previous one. The tackling was much harder and keener, though the three-quarters were rather slow in getting on to their men. The forwards worked well in the loose, but in the tight scrums they were very slow in letting the ball out. In attack amongst the backs, the old fault of not standing far enough back was very much in evidence, with the result that all combination was spoilt, both School tries being completely individual efforts.

*Past.*—H. Rudgard, H. S. Bates, W. M. N. Pollard, R. C. Wain, E. T. Greenwood, E. T. Lathbury, T. J. Sheffield, H. Gray, J. W. Greenstreet, R. H. F. Coleman, B. H. Whitley, N. H. Radford, C. R. Goldsmith, J. L. Smith, C. E. Averill.

*Present.*—J. F. Menzies, G. L. Tomkins, W. Hall, B. Hall, C. A. Kestin, G. B. Fyldes, S. H. Larkam, L. B. Helder, C. G. Salmon, V. S. Sullivan, G. J. Mitchell, M. H. Spicer, E. S. Rerrie, H. P. Boyd, O. F. Forrest.

## MANCHESTER "A."

This match proved a most exciting and open game, finally resulting in a win by 19—18. Shortly after the beginning, Manchester pressed and scored through Enthwhistle, Tomkins, however, immedi-

ately equalising. After some mid-field play, we again pressed, but the Manchester forwards relieved, and Enthwhistle scored after a splendid run from beyond half-way ; shortly after Enthwhistle put Manchester still further ahead by means of a dropped goal. Tomkins eventually got over from a good pass by Hall—Salmon converted.

In the second half Manchester added to their score by means of a penalty goal. We, however, rallied, and Menzies made a good opening for Tomkins to score—Salmon again converting. Our fourth try was obtained by Sullivan, and the fifth by Mason. Manchester then attacked, and the last try of the day was obtained by Whitehead, but as the kick failed we were left successful as already stated.

There was again marked improvement, especially amongst the forwards, while the halves, although still rather slow in getting rid of the ball, combined better, and thus gave the three-quarters more chances of effective attack. The defence of the three-quarters was on the whole sound, and their passing, though slow, was decidedly more accurate. To his usual brilliance in attack Tomkins added good sound defence, and his kicking was strong and accurate.

*Team* J. F. Menzies, G. L. Tomkins, W. Hall, J. H. Brown, C. A. Kestin, G. B. Fyldes, S. H. Larkam, L. B. Helder, C. G. Salmon, V. S. Sullivan, G. J. Mitchell, M. H. Spicer, E. S. Rerrie, H. P. Boyd. O. F. Forrest.

#### ELLESMERE.

On Thursday, October 30th, Ellesmere came here, but as they have only just restarted to play Rugby, the match resulted in an overwhelming win for us by 70—0. Tomkins was responsible for practically all the tries, while Salmon kicked ten magnificent goals. We heartily congratulate Ellesmere on returning to the Rugby rules, and look forward to many good

games with them. They played hard, and have quite a promising set of players, and we trust they will not be discouraged by the result of this match. If it gave them experience, the real object of the fixture will have been well attained.

#### MIDDLE SIDE DORMITORY MATCHES.

In the first round Hornby's v. Head's ii. resulted in an easy win for Hornby's by 35 points to 8. This large margin was owing, however, more to the discrepancy in size, than to any superiority in play; and the winners are hardly to be complimented on their individualistic display. For Head's ii. Brock and Marsh did their best to stem the tide, but their supporters were too small to make their efforts of much avail. Smith's v. Whitmore's provided quite an interesting game, which eventually resulted in a win for Smith's by 15—5. Smith's were undoubtedly the heavier team, especially in the scrum, for even the retirement of Barrett did not prevent them from doing what they liked with the opposing scrum. For the winners tries were obtained by McCracken ; Jones (2); Burrows and Glaisby, while Taylor scored and converted a try for Whitmore's.

Head's i., Head's iii., in the first half, at any rate, provided an excellent game; in the second half, however, although playing with the slope, Heads iii. seemed to lose heart somewhat, with the result that Heads i. increased their lead of 10—3 at half-time to one of 20—3. For the winners, Leech and White at half, played a good game, while for Head's iii., Wilson had very bad luck in not scoring on several occasions, while Jones also played well.

In Airy's v. Clark's, at the outset Airy's showed a marked superiority, attacking with great energy. They were rewarded by securing a lead of 18—5 at half-time; On resuming the game, however, they improved immensely; not only keeping

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Airy's fairly well in check, but also scoring five tries—none of which were converted. It was this lack of the power of converting that lost Clark's the match for the final core was 27—20. For Clark's, Pattison and Baness played well, while on the opposing side, Schofield and Tobias were conspicuous.

In the Semi-Finals, Hornby's v. Smith's played first. Soon after the start, Smith's scored a try through Jones i., which Burrows converted. This, however, was the only score until half-time, for although Smith's were pressing most of the time, Hornby's managed to keep their line intact—thanks partly to the numerous free kicks they were awarded for the breach of the "off-side" rule by their opponents. In the second half, matters were reversed, and Hornby's scored four unconverted tries through Short, Meachan, Bagshaw and Webb, while Smith's failed to add to their score, although they very nearly did so on two or three occasions, with the result that Hornby's left the field victors by 12—5.

Hornby's were a much-improved side—their combination being much better, although still capable of improvement. Short was the pick of the outsides, while among the forwards, Meachan played a magnificent game—tackling and running with the greatest vigour; Webb also tackled well. For Smith's, the two Jones played well, while Burrows kicked well, but was rather weak in the other departments of the game. Stott, at back, played a very plucky game; on one occasion saving a certain try by tackling Short after he had passed everyone else.

Headmaster's i. v. Airy's, resulted in a win for Headmaster's i. by a goal to nil, after a very hard game. Headmaster's i. won the toss, and White decided to play with the hill and wind; with this advantage they penned Airy's in their "25," until Loveday relieved by a good touch kick.

From now play remained very even until just before half-time, when Walker intercepted a pass from Barnes, and, after a fine run, scored between the posts, for White to convert. In the second half, Airy's pressed hard, and Head's i. were only saved by the good kicking of Marshall at back, Wilson, on the right wing, came very near to scoring on several occasions, only being forced into touch just in time. For the winners, Wade played a really fine game at forward, while White was good at half, and Walker was the pick of the three-quarters. For Airy's, Wilson and Schofield were the most conspicuous, and both only just failed to turn a defeat into a victory.

O.D. NEWS.

The Birmingham O.D. Club seems in a fair way of making a good start. A Dinner is to be held on November 27th, and the following form the Provisional Committee:—C. F. Nightingale, G. R. Jones, L. Meek, G. C. Lowbridge, H. E. L. Fisher, and F. J. Marston (Acting Secretary), 15, Wood Green Road, Wednesbury.

H. Edmondson is now practising at the Bar in Alberta. He obtained Honours in the Solicitors' Final Examination in England.

C. a B. Williams is teaching at Northcliff House, Bognor.

J. W. Knight is teaching in a Preparatory School at Forest Hill.

W. E. Hayward is going to Russia as a Tutor in the family of the Countess Apraxine.

H. S. Sly has passed the Final Examination of the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors.

J. W. Hill is Curate at S. Clement's Church, Leeds.

A. W. R. Murray was married on October 7th.

A. W. Brown has passed the Intermediate LL.B. Examination at Liverpool University.

S. Luhrs (Caixa 1,000, Sao Paulo, Brazil), is an Importor and Commission Agent, and is engaged to be married.

The following amusing letter was received in answer to Mrs. Hibbert's Invitation last term:—

Masasi, July 4th, 1913.

My Dear Mrs. Hibbert,—Many thanks for your invitation for July 29th. I am afraid my flying machine will not arrive in time. Besides, I think a monsoon is due to "break" this month, and when a monsoon breaks it does not confine the operation to itself, and I am not eager to enter the second circle of the Inferno.

Unfortunately this is a very busy time of year for our wives—they are now harvesting. And as the crops are very good this year, there will be a great deal of brewing millet beer. So I am afraid their lords cannot spare them this month. Then I am not sure if their dances would be in accordance with European fashions, though I gather from *The Times* that English dances are leaning towards the Central African style. Our local Terpsichore is always inclined to be ejaculatory, and is liable to flights of individual fancy.

Ox skins are not common at present, so tom-toms are expensive; if they can accept the invitation they had better bring baths and pokers and assist the orchestra. There would be no difficulty about evening dress, as it is worn all day in these parts.

There will be no need to bother about lodgings. If I find no mud hut available, I will camp out, as I am not afraid of lions, because I credit them with sufficient respect for themselves and me not to mistake me for a wild pig; and snakes I am accustomed to, in bed or out.

Hoping there will be a large gathering of the tribe, and with best wishes to yourself and the chief and your family.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

C. O. ANDREWS.

P.S.—If I do not arrive before this does it will be too late to expect me afterwards'

D. Victor (U.M.C.A., Likoma, Nyasaland), is busily employed in building at S. Michael's College. He has built three houses, and has four more in hand. He has also just completed miles of road from the Cathedral. The Chapel which he is building is to be a very fine one. He is kindly arranging for the Nyasaland Quarterly Paper to be sent to us.

H. T. Barnard Hodge is a Master at Ealing School.

P. Simpson is appointed to a University Lectureship in English Textual Criticism at Oxford.

F. H. Belton has gained an Organ Scholarship at Trinity College of Music, London; and has been appointed Deputy to Sir Frederick Bridge at Westminster Abbey.

H. W. Dawes has passed the Final Examination of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons with Second Class Honours. He has also obtained the Ralle Prize for Practical Surgery, open to all veterinary students, and the Royal Agricultural Society's Prize for Diseases of Cattle and Sheep. In his last year he has added still further to the Medals he has obtained by taking the Century Prize (for the fourth time in succession), and Silver Medals for Medicine and Surgery. 1

Last Term F. Daniel visited us after an absence of many years. He is an engineer at Sault Ste. Marie.

C. O. Andrews writes as follows from Masasi, Lindi, G.E.A., July 20th, 1913

"We had splendid rains this year, and a very good harvest. The millet is now



by cutting each stalk with an axe, and the straw is used for fencing back yards, making granaries, etc. When corn grows 1 foot high it needs a strong 'straw' to support it. The country is much greener than usual for this time of year, and we hope to find very little difficulty about water at the end of year. But we are having a very cold winter. When the thermometer gets below 70, we don't like it a bit. The coldest time is sunrise—the night gets colder and colder till the sun reappears. And at this time of year it is nearly 6.30 before we see him—unless we juggle with the time.

The prolonged wet season was very bad for health, but I was one of two out of fifteen in these parts who got through it all right. Such weather makes exercise all the more necessary, and does away with many of the opportunities for it.

My sister had to be sent off after a month's fever which she could not get rid of. I went to the coast with her and her nurse, and it was a great relief to get her on the mail. At times it looked as if we should never get her so far. Six days of being carried in a hammock is rather a job for a person with neuralgia all over the head. She had a fortnight in Zanzibar, with 30 grains of quinine a day! I suppose you don't know enough about quinine to appreciate that. I heard from her last mail at Port Said that she was nearly well, so she ought to have landed quite fit.

I hope the Ball will go off quite all right, and that you managed to get enough of the other sex to go round. It would have been a good way to open the electric light: much more satisfactory than turning it on for Prep.

I hope the Militants have not blown the Place up or burned it down yet. They might so well object to schools, as so many of them obviously lack the benefit of what they would have been sure to have got in a decent school.

Are there any History Schols. or Exhibitions at Cambridge that you have not got this year? Mr. Swift ought to have a cardinal's hat or something pretty? Or, at any rate, an honorary A.S.N.C.

A great many more plantations are being started by Germans, mostly near the coast. The Planters' Association passed a unanimous resolution, asking us to open schools on their estates, and offering to build as many churches and schools as we ask for on their property. We can't do much, as we have no European to go round and look after them. But we have started two, leaving the Germans to build the schools and pay the teachers. There are German Benedictine and Lutheran Missions in the country, but they were not asked. Nearly all the African overseers and clerks are Christians, and get very large salaries. No talk of mission boys being the worst from these Germans."

Everyone was delighted to see Mr. Gaussen when he paid us a visit at the beginning of Term; while the fact that he turned out for one or two Big Side games, still further increased our pleasure.

The following have gone into residence at Cambridge:—At Sidney Sussex College, A. B. Jameson, R. A. E. Barton, L. G. Harris (Exhibitioner), H. R. Evans (Sizar), At S. Catharine's, H. G. Williams (Exhibitioner). At Selwyn, D. J. Evans (Exhibitioner), and H. V. R. Jagg.

S. O'R. Surridge has matriculated at Lincoln College (Exhibitioner).

R. R. S. Bowker has gone to Glasgow University.

A. J. Wood, J. S. Turkington, C. L. Dunkerley, played in the Association Seniors Match at Cambridge, while Williams took part in the Freshmen's Rugby Match.

A. J. Wood has also played in a Trial Match at Cambridge.

H. A. Carlisle has gone out to a tea plantation in Ceylon.

## NOTES.

*Forty Years of Denstone* was duly published on October 9th. The idea originated with the Rev. W. B. Smith, and it was hoped that a really representative volume would be able to be published. But the total number of subscribers when the book went to Press was less than 130. Thus the whole cost (at 5s. a copy), could not be much above £33, unless somebody was to risk financial loss. As a venture 200 copies were printed, and fortunately all have been sold; indeed, all were sold immediately the book appeared, and many more orders have since come in. It is doubly lamentable, therefore, that the book had to be so comparatively small. Such as it is, however, it appears to be very warmly appreciated by Old Boys, and a large number of congratulatory letters have been received. W. O. Wilding (1891-94) has produced it in most tasteful and artistic style, and our only criticism is that he has omitted to put his imprint on it.

The Shelton Trophy was won by Mr. Smith's Dormitoiy.

A College flag, bearing S. Chad's Cross, has been made, and was flown for the first time at the end of last Term.

We were glad to see on Speech Day that the ancient custom of festooning the niches over the gateways of the Selwyn and Lonsdale Quadrangles was revived.

The Play selected for this year's rehearsal will be interesting by reason of its unfamiliarity if for nothing else. It is *The First Part of King Henry the Sixth*, and the dates are November 19th and 20th. Mr. Pollard has joined the Play Committee, and the new School members are L. B. Helder and G. L. Tomkins.

The School officers are Captain of School, L. B. Helder; Prefect of Hall, C. G. Salmon; Prefect of Chapel, G. L. Tomkins; Captain of Football, G. L.

Tomkins; Editor of *The Denstonian* Q B. Fyldes.

The Prize List is as follows: Provost's Modern Language Exhibition (25). C. A. Kestin. *Divinity*.—Provost's VI. Form' W. E. R. Short. — School. — P. H' Sykes. The late Mrs. Greer's Greek Testament.—VI. Form.—L. B. Helder. School.—S. H. M. Larkam. Vice-Provost's Prayer Book.—H. W. Beck. *Classics*.—M. Boyd's Latin Prose, O. F. Forrest. Headmaster's.—VI. Form—O. F. Forrest. Vc. S. H. M. Larkam. IVc.—E. Walker. *History*.—The late Dean of Rochester's Church History.—S. O'R. Surridge. Mr. J. W. Philips'—A. F. Cross. *English*.—Rev. D. Edwardes' English Eissay.—H. W. Beck. Haywood's English Verse.—H. W. Beck. Navy League.—S. O'R. Surridge. V. Sets.—C. Venables and L. E. Rogers. IV. Sets.—R. S. White. *Mathematics*.—VI. C. G. Salmon. Arithmetic (School).—D. G. Smith. *Science*—Mr. A. G. Wood's Prize.—K. R. Evans. *Music*.—Piano.—E. J. Anderson. Organ.—L. B. Helder. Strings.—A. W. Bates. Junior.—M. G. Townsend. *Commercial*.—Shorthand.—T. Bullock. Mr. Winlock's Bookkeeping.—W. S. Baker. *Declamation*.—S. O'R. Surridge, F. J. Mellor, H. W. Beck, R. A. Briggs, L. A. Loup, H. E. James, H. C. L. Maister, N. Inman, W. Whitehead, W. G. Hall.

The following left last Term:—

Anderson, Eric John; Sept. 1906; Vim.; Colour-Sergt. O.T.C.; Shooting VIII., 1910-13; Captain '13. Prefect. Chocolate and White.

Atkinson, John St. Barbe; Sept., 1909; 111m.; 2nd XV. 1912-13; O.T.C. Green and White.

Baker, William Sydney; Sept. 1910; Vm.; XI., 1912-13; 2nd XV. Colours, 1913; O.T.C.; Head Master's III. J

Ball, Patrick Thomas Willoughby; O1 Green and White.

- Barlow, Alfred Edmund; Jan., 1907; Vm.; 1910-n-12-13; XI., 1912-13; Aldershot, 1911; Sergt. O.T.C.; Prefect. Chocolate and White.
- Barton, Richard Astley Eustace; Sept., 1905; Vic.; Editor of *Denstonian*, 1912-13; XV. 1911-12-13; Lce.-Corpl. O.T.C. Head Master's I.
- Beatty, Keith Carlyle; Sept., 1908; Vm. Green and White.
- Blackmore, Robert; Pink and Black.
- Bugg, Ronald George; Jan., 1912; IVm.; XI., 1913; O.T.C. Blue and White.
- Cross, Eric Percival; Jan., 1908; Vm.; XI., 1912-13; XV., 1912-13; Lce.-Cpl. O.T.C.; Prefect. Blue and White.
- Cross, Alfred Frank; Jan., 1909; Vm.; O.T.C.; Head Master's III.
- Evans, Kenneth Richard; Sept., 1908; Vm.; Sizarship Sidney Sussex College, Cantab. 1913; O.T.C. Chocolate and White.
- Evans, David John Haines; Sept., 1909; Vic.; Exhibition Selwyn College, Cantab., 1913; O.T.C. Pink and Black.
- Felton, Clifford Twyford; Sept., 1912; Vm.; O.T.C. Headmaster's II.
- Greenwood, William Foster; May, 1909; IVm.; O.T.C. Pink and Black.
- Hall, Bruce; May, 1906; Vc.; XI., 1911-12-13; V. 1912-13; Cpl. O.T.C.; Prefect. Headmaster's I. Fives, 1913, Tennis, 1913.
- Hall, Richard Stuart; Sept., 1910; Him.; O.T.C.; Head Master's I.
- Harrison, Aubrey John; Sept., 1911; Vm.; O.T.C. Headmaster's I.
- Hicks, Charles Mervyn Hodges; Sept., 1909; IVc.; O.T.C.; Head Master's II.
- Holroyd, Maurice Edward; Jan. 1911; 4Vm.; O.T.C. Purple and White.
- James, Harold Edgar; May, 1907 (frép); Him.; O.T.C. Chocolate and White.
- Kasbarian, Diran; Jan., 1911; I11m.; 2nd XV.. 1912-13; O.T.C. Head Master's I.
- Knight, James William; Jan. 1910; Vic.; XI., 1910-11-12 13—Capt. "13; Fives 1913' Prefect Sergt. O.T.C. Blue and White.
- Lamb, William Cussons; Sept. 1912; I11m.; O.T.C. Pink and Black.
- Lawson, Harold; Sept. 1910; I11m.; O.T.C. Pink and Black.
- Mitchell, Roy Bedford; May, 1910; IVm.; XV. 1911-12-13; Prefect; Sergt. O.T.C. Purple and White.
- Moore, Graham Dudley; Jan., 1910; Vm.; O.T.C.; Head Master's "I I.
- Newton, Tom; Sept., 1908; Vc.; Prefect; O.T.C. Green and White.
- Rogers, Maurice Cranstone; Jan. 1911; 11m. ~ Head Master's III.
- Rowland, Cyril William; Sept. 1905; (Prep.); IVm.; XI. 1913; O.T.C. Chocolate and White.
- Sapcote, Richard, Sept. 1909; Vc.; O.T.C.; Head Master's II.
- Surrudge, Stewart O'Rorke; Sept. 1908; Vic.; Capt. of School, 1912-13; Exhibition Lincoln College, Oxford; XV., 1910-11-12-13; Sergt. O.T.C.; Plead Master's I.
- Walker, Eric; May, 1906 (Prep); IVc.; O.T.C. Chocolate and White.
- Whitechurch, Gordon Austin; Sept., 1912; I11m. Purple and White.
- Williams, Howard Glynne; Jan., 1909; Vic.; Scholarship Selwyn College; Exhibition S. Catharine's College, Cantab; XV; 1911-12-13, Capt. 13; Lce.-Cpl. O.T.C.; Prefect. Pink and Black.
- Withers, Robert Neville; Sept., 1910; Vm.; Head Master's II.
- The list of New Boys is as follows:—
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| Abbots, George Duncan      | Chocolate & White |
| Atkinson, Charles James    | Norman            |
| (From Prep. Sch.)          | Pink & Black      |
| Averill, Walter Collins    | Chocolate & White |
| Bassett, Ralph             | Blue & White      |
| Bates, Reginald Newman     | Green & White     |
| Beresford, Frank Alexander |                   |
| Arnold                     | Green & White     |
| Brooksbank, Henry Lawrence |                   |
| Honet                      | Pink & Black      |

Cadman, Henry Roberts (From Prep. Sch.)	Pink & Black
Cheyne, John Donald Edmund	Blue & White
Davies, Patrick Harry	Pink & Black
Fairclough, Ainsle Dutton	Preparatory
Fisher, Christopher	Preparatory
Hall, Philip Arthur	Preparatory
Hammond, Charles Cecil	Head's ii.
Hardy, John Leslie	Pink & Black
Keble, Francis John	Purple & White
Lowndes, Charles Lingham	Purple & White
McClelland, Cecil Martindale (From Prep.)	Head's i.
McDonald, Ian Donald Roy	Blue & White
McDonald, Edgar Wimpres	Blue & White
Muller, Robert Charles	Pink & Black
Podmore, Frederick William Stuart	Purple & White
Potts, Bertram	Chocolate & White
Potts, Horace Parsons	Chocolate & White
Puntan, Campbell	Purple & White
Renfree, Cyril Herbert	Green & White
Rigby, Archibald Henry	Head's ii.
Roberts, John Edgar Dobson	Head's i.
Scarrett, Richard Randolph	Purple & White
Seddon, Reginald	Purple & White
Slater, Gilbert	Head's ii.
Thomas, Philip Chichele Patten	Chocolale & White
Titmus, Leslie Horace (From Prep.)	Head's i.
Underwood, Alfred Geoffrey	Preparatory
Waghorn, Maurice Sinclair	Head's i.
Wilson, Horace Westcott	Head's ii.
Wilson, Charles Alan	Green & White
Wilson, William Ernest	Blue & White
Wood, Philip Wyvil Arden	Head's ii.

As a further proof of the untiring zeal of Mr. F. Darwin Swift, we learn that with the assistance of Mr. Huskinson he has revived the *Literary and Scientific Society*, and has already arranged what promises to be a delightful series of lectures,

It was with very great regret we received an announcement to the effect that the *Arena* would no longer be published under

a separate cover, but would in future be amalgamated with *The World's Work*. We always looked forward to the publication of this delightful magazine, and it seems deplorable that not enough support was forthcoming to enable such a useful publication to continue.

At a meeting of the Sports Committee Mr. Pollard was elected a member of the Football Selection Committee in succession to Mr. Gausson. At the same meeting G. L. Tomkins was elected Captain of Football, and L. B. Helder Captain of Cricket.

The following Cricket colours were awarded at the end of last term:—ist XI—G. L. Tomkins; A. E. Barlow; E. P. Cross. 2nd XI—M. G. Taylor; R. G. Bugg; C. W. Rowland.

C. Powel-Smith and E. G. H. Bates gained their Tennis colours.

On the afternoon of Sept. 30th, Mr. A. C. Brett, O.D., gave a delightful address in the Schoolroom on the recent additions to the Meynell Museum.

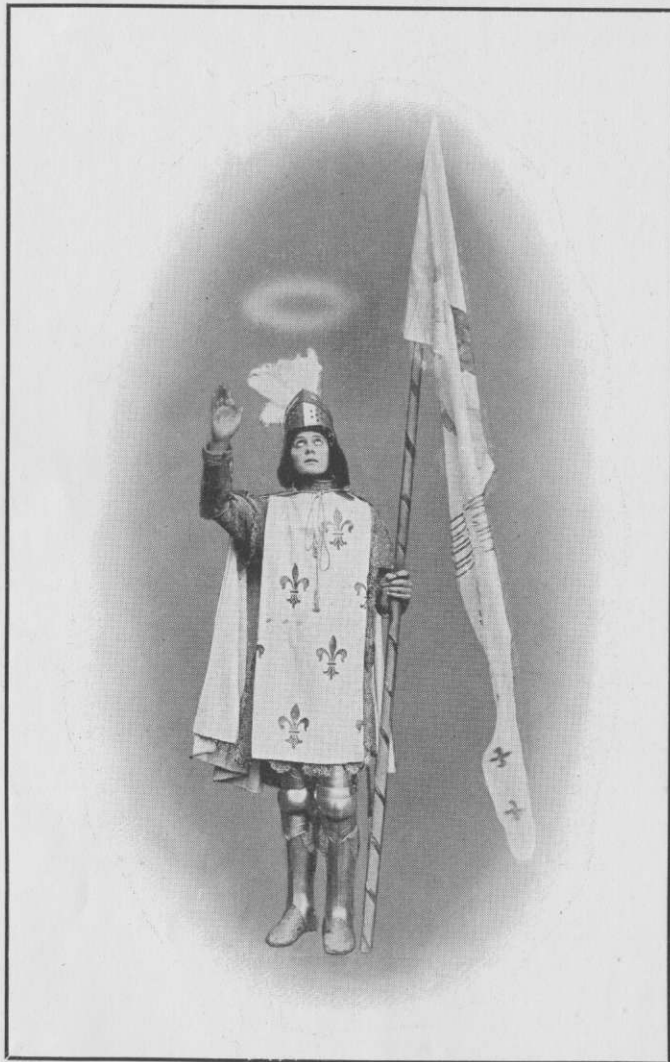
A. J. Harrison and J. F. Menzies have recently obtained Book Keeping Certificates whilst G. J. Mitchell has passed an Examination in Shorthand.

We have adopted two new African boys—Mhando (Kowgwe) and Siwanga (Likoma), in place of Alexander Dima and Fabiano Nkoba, who are now married.

The Study Circle is again in full swing; so interesting was it last year that we now have also a Junior Circle, which meets once a week. The object is to quicken interest in missionary work, and we are concentrating our attention on the Universities Mission to Central Africa.

The following have been made Prefects' F. J. Mellor; S. H. M. Larkam; G. V. Knight; J. F. Menzies; H. Musker; E. Rerrie; W. E. R. Short; A. W. Wilson.

As a result of the installation of an electric light, the organ is now blown electricity.



*"Christ's Mother helps me, else I were too weak."*

*Joan of Arc in "The 1st Part of King Henry VI"  
at Denstone, 1913.*