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VALETE FRATRES.

The Editor permits me to use this page for a word of farewell to many friends and Old Boys who will see the "Savilian", though I cannot see them personally.

In the life of a man, six years flow quickly by; in the life of a School they mark the passing of an entire generation of boys, and forge links which nothing can break. The terrible but great times in which we now live have quickened our instinct of unity as a School; not only among our present Boys, but throughout that undying corporation of Old Savilians who cherish and hand on the School spirit. From far and near, as the individual chances of military service and leave allow, a multitude of Old Savilians have re-visited, with affectionate regard, the scene of their youth, and have plainly shown that their love for the old School lies hidden, as a source of inspiration, at the core of their larger patriotism. In that way I seem to know quite well, by this time, a number of Savilians whom I never knew as boys, but who feel that they still belong to us. Within the School itself, those whom I first knew as children have already reached young manhood, in an epoch of history without parallel for its demands on human quality and character. Many, even within these six years, have passed from the early promise of boyhood to a swift maturity in their Country's service. The School has proved itself a nurse of men who can rise to a great call, and bequeath to the future a record of steadfast faith, unselfish grit, and heroic modesty in some of the most difficult corners which even this War has seen. Some will not come back; but their names are set apart in our memory, and their spirit will pass into the life-blood of School tradition.

All my associations here—with Governors, Masters, and Boys alike—have been very happy. Nothing, however, has given me more satisfaction than the growth and activity of the Old Savilians' Club, which I regard as of the first importance in everything that appertains to the real purpose and final aim of an ancient School.

From Old Savilians themselves I have met with nothing but kindness, and shall always think of them with affection and gratitude.

My new sphere of work will offer, in some ways, fresh scope and opportunities, but this prospect does not temper, in the very least, the sincerity of my regret (deeply shared by my wife) in leaving a School and a City where friendship, loyalty, and generous feeling seem to flourish as in their native soil.

Our home in Bristol will be at the Grammar School, close to the University, and nothing will delight us more than to welcome there our old friends, and any old friends of Wakefield School.

The most cordial wish I can offer to my successor is simply this, that he and Mrs. Spilsbury may find in Wakefield all that we have found. I am heartily glad that the School will possess, in its new Headmaster, not only a scholar of wide culture and a teacher of apt experience, but also—what is most important of all—a man of warm blood, ripe sportsmanship, and human sympathy. May he do a great work, rejecting the mistakes and repairing what has been imperfect in the work of his predecessor.

Floreas Wakefieldia in saecula saeculorum.

J. E. BARTON.

DE OMNIBUS REBUS.

The death of F. W. Aspinwall came as a great shock to the School, especially by its unexpectedness, for we were all hoping that he was on the road to recovery. He was a prominent member of both the XV. and the XI., and without doubt one of the most popular boys in the School.

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We very much regret the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Barton, but wish them every happiness and success at Bristol.

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We are proud to have worked under Mr. Barton, and he has made us realize what Education, in its broadest sense, really is.

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We are proud, too, that Wakefield has been the birthplace of the little book of "Notes" which will be for many of us a constant companion.

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The feelings of all boys of the School during the last six years towards Mrs. Barton are too well known to need any mention here, and the affection and admiration we have for Mr. and Mrs. Barton will excite no surprise among those who know them.

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We are quite sure that they will meet with the same appreciation in Bristol that is shown here in Wakefield.

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To our new Headmaster, Mr. A. J. Spilsbury, and to his family, we offer the heartiest welcome.

Mr. Spilsbury was educated at Christ's Hospital, where he was Captain of the School. After a distinguished career as a classical Scholar at Queen's College, Oxford, he spent some time in Greece as "Craven" Student of the University. For two years he was Sixth Form Master and House Master at Brighton College, and since 1900 has been Senior Classical Master in the City of London School.

1st XV. colours have been awarded this term to G. R. Bell, and we offer him our congratulations.

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1st XI. Cricket colours were gained at the end of last term by F. W. Aspinwall, A. Mellor, and G. B. Woodcock.

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Hastings Exhibitions at Queen's College, Oxford, were obtained this term by Miles and Skinner.

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Skinner was elected also to the first Honorary Scholarship, a notable addition to the School's laurels on which we congratulate him.

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We were very sorry indeed to lose Mr. Harvey, and we wish him a speedy recovery, with the hope too that he may return to the School. He worked with both the Upper and the Lower forms and was equally popular with both.

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The news that Mr. Fletcher had been killed in action cast great sorrow over the School, for we had hoped for his return after the War.

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Sudbury and Womack have been home on leave this term, both looking extraordinarily well, and both very pleased with the soldier's life—sheltered as it is from the worries of Work and Examinations !

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S. P. Hayward has received a wound in the head—we are pleased it was not more serious—and has been a frequent visitor.

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Hayward and Sudbury drilled the School Company, and proved martinets, inspiring a mighty awe in us.

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Womack, we hear, is expecting to be sent out to Salonica very soon. We wish him the best of luck and hope that he will not forget to recount his experiences for the "Savilian."

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Owing to the photographs included in this number of the "Savilian," there has been no room for the usual articles, humorous or otherwise, which certain members of the school delight to contribute.

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The prefects this term have been G. C. Miles, F. W. Skinner, H. E. Wilding, J. Lawe, W. Hardy, J. P. Peel, A. H. Morton, W. C. Abell, F. Hanley.

Even Latin translation has its humorous side. An unknown genius recently translated "Aquae guttae saxa excavant"—"The eagle *drops* into the hollow rock."

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Congratulations to H. T. Veall, who obtained the top place in the Boy Clerkships examination, competed for by all the principal towns.

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The Editors wish to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries, apologising for any omissions:—*Rock, Danensis (Doncaster G.S.), Frestonian (Normanton), Giggleswick Chronicle, Chronicles of Ermysted and Petyt Journal, Leodensian, Hill and Dale, Liverpool Institute School Magazine, Grovian, Olavian, Cryptian, Hymerian, City of London School Magazine.*

OLD SAVILIANS KILLED IN ACTION.

ALBERT SCHOFIELD.—1887-88.—Private, 2nd Battalion Australian Imperial Forces, was killed in France, July, 23rd, 1916. Albert Schofield was an old Savilian who had spent many years in the Colonies. Although it was nearly thirty years since he left School, almost the first place he visited when home wounded last summer was his old School. A member of a form distinguished rather for fun than for scholarship, he is still affectionately remembered by a few Savilians of Wakefield and district.

HERBERT HENRY MAWSON DAWSON.—1899-1904.—2nd Lieutenant, Royal Field Artillery, was killed in France, July 25th, 1916. Dick Dawson, a boarder at Wakefield, is remembered for his exceptional skill at football. The son of a famous Yorkshire player he himself was awarded a County Cap. All outdoor games were pleasant to him, and who can say that they did not fit him for the part he was to play in this world-struggle? Dick Dawson would shrink from no hardships, nor hard knocks, but would give and take with the best of us. May he rest peacefully!

HAROLD THOMAS LOXLEY.—1899-1902.—Corporal, Metallurgical Section, Royal Engineers, died of wounds received in France, August 13th, 1916. Tommy Loxley was a cheerful soul, always smiling, and we little thought we should never see him again when he visited us last year. He had previously been in the Public Schools Battalion and had left to join a section connected with his profession. He was badly wounded, and after lingering for a time, passed away in the presence of his father. To his relatives we tender our deepest sympathy.

HAROLD STANLEY HAWORTH.—1891-93.—Lieutenant, 4th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, was killed in France, August 16th, 1916. Stanley Haworth is chiefly remembered at School as being a boy continually cheerful, and as an infallible weather prophet. Although he left us to go to another School, he had still a warm corner in his heart for Wakefield. His amiable and happy nature will be much missed, and our sincerest sympathy is offered to his young wife, and to his mother and brothers and sisters.

ALFRED VIVIAN STANFIELD.—1892-93.—2nd Lieutenant, West Surrey Regiment (attached Royal Fusiliers), was killed in France, August 17th, 1916. Although Vivian Stanfield and his family had left Wakefield some years, he is still remembered by many Savilians. His father was formerly Spokesman to the Governors, and was also Mayor of Wakefield. To him and the sisters of Vivian Stanfield we offer the deepest sympathy of all.

HAROLD RAMSDEN.—1901-04.—Private, 8th Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment, was killed in France, August 19th 1916. Harold Ramsden was a type of schoolboy often met with in Schools of our kind. Quiet, unassuming, with a deep sense of duty, it seems very sad that we shall not see many of these boys again. The Country is poorer for the loss.

JOHN HAYES BATES.—1906-11 —2nd Lieutenant, 4th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, was killed in France, September 6th, 1916. Johnnie Bates was a favourite with all, both in School and in the Playing Fields particularly. That he carried into action the qualities that made him to shine in all games is proved by his being mentioned in despatches for his consistent good work in France. When home on leave from the Front he never failed to come and see us, and we shall miss him more than we can now realise. He had the air and qualities of a born soldier.

MAURICE FLETCHER, M.A.—Master at the School from 1913.—Captain, 9th Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers, died of wounds received in France, September, 8th, 1916. **MILITARY CROSS.** During the short time Maurice Fletcher had been with us he had won a deservedly high place in our esteem by his keenness and enthusiasm for all School affairs, inside and outside the classroom. The Brigadier General writes of him :—" He was one of the best Company Commanders in the Brigade. I was so glad to see that he has been given the Military Cross. This was for his very good work in an attack on the German trenches in August." To Mrs. Fletcher his servant also writes :—" You have lost a good son, I have lost a good master, and the Company has lost a good Commander, when we could ill afford to do so. But don't take it too hard ; he died a brave death facing the enemy."

PERCY STUART KITSON.—1899-1902.—Private, 7th Battalion Australian Infantry, was killed in France, September 13th 1916. Another Colonial who could not resist the call to arms for the defence of the Mother Country, Percy Kitson is still remembered with affection by not a few of us. He was a member of the Fifth Form who, although he did not shine in winning prizes, perhaps learnt something that was of use to him in after life. At any rate he was a real boy and delighted in boyish escapades and, when the call came for men, he was one of the first to answer.

JOHN FRANCIS CUTHBERT BASHFORTH, B.A.—1901-07.—2nd Lieutenant, 10th Battalion Norfolk Regiment, was killed in France, September 15th, 1916. Frank Bashforth at School was a very great influence for good on all with whom he came in contact. His was a life that might have done much, for a fellow-officer writes —“ When times were bad and when everything seemed against us, life was always supportable when dear old ‘Bashy’ was there to liven us up with his droll ways, his dry humour, his persistent optimism. He died as he would have wished, gallantly leading his platoon into action.”

JAMES HENRY PROCTOR.—1907-11.—Private, 21st Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps, was killed in France, September 15th, 1916. Jim Proctor can be remembered by many of us now at School. He was a loyal and devoted soul and was never happier than when doing something for the credit of the place he loved so well. “ Deeds rather than words,” was always his motto, and such Old Savilians are of very great value in these troublous times.

CHARLES WILLIAM VERNON.—1904-06.—Sapper, Royal Engineers, was killed in France in September, 1916. Charlie Vernon was the older of two brothers who enlisted in the Regular Army soon after leaving School. His brother Frank is perhaps the better known, but Charlie in his own way made his impression on not a few of us. His prowess at the Baths, and his enthusiasm for Football, were an earnest of what he would be likely to do in the event of his finding himself in a difficult position.

LESLIE BEAUMONT.—1908-11.—2nd Lieutenant West Yorkshire Regiment, was killed in France, November 2nd, 1916. Leslie Beaumont was a Cathedral Chorister when first he came to School, and on many occasions delighted us with his beautiful singing. Those of us who were privileged to hear him sing the Angel's Song in the Wakefield Miracle Play, performed some years ago in the School Hall, will not soon forget it. As a boy, so a young man, quiet, reliable, painstaking in all his work, and it seemed that a brilliant future was in store for him.

FRANK GREEN.—1908-13.—2nd Lieutenant, 4th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, was killed in France, November 3rd, 1916. It is hard to believe that Frank Green will never more be seen on our Playing Fields where he spent, we believe, many a happy moment, and where he was always sure of a hearty welcome from Master and boy. The fearlessness with which he is credited by his superior officers must certainly have been acquired in his sport. In School he was diligent and painstaking and though he was not brilliant, it was certainly always a pleasure to work with him.

HAROLD QUEST.—1908-11—Captain, York and Lancaster Regiment, was killed in France, November 3rd, 1916. MILITARY CROSS. Harold Quest as a boy was chiefly remarkable for his cheery optimism and for his hearty robustness in all features of School life. His powerful frame and character stood him in good stead in the Army, and he soon passed through the ranks to a commission. In France, although severely wounded, he held his ground in a dangerous position, and was awarded the Military Cross. We hoped he would have been spared to have gained even greater honours. When on leave a very short time ago he visited us and we were delighted to hear his hearty laugh once again, and to submit to a grip from his strong right hand.

EDWARD HUMPHREY.—1909-13.—Rifleman, King's Royal Rifle Corps, was killed in action in France, on September 15th, 1916. A worthy member of the Sixth Form, who was always remarkable for his diligence and reliability. Intending to compete for a Civil Service Clerkship he had a reasonable chance of success, but the outbreak of War found him, along with the others of his School friends, ready to do his part. We offer our sincerest sympathy to his parents on the loss of their only son.

JOHN EDWARD STOCKS,—1910-13.—Private, Nelson Battalion Royal Naval Division, was killed in action in France, on November, 13th, 1916. John Stocks was a fine specimen of an English yeoman, with the magnificent physique and cheery character of the men of his class. It is characteristic of the boy that he met his death in carrying a wounded man along a trench. Finding the trench too narrow, he put his head up to see whether it was possible to take his comrade over the open, when a sniper shot him through the head. To lose such boys at the early age of 19 is indeed a great and serious matter.

NOTE.—Photographs of the tw last-named will appear in the April number of the "Savilian."

A BALLAD OF HASTINGS.

The Chief Examiner sits him down,
A merciless wight, I ween,
As he pierceth through with his Pencil blue
The Schols. that Might Have Been.

He taketh the Papers one by one,
He taketh them two by two,
And he yawneeth wide as he flings 'em aside
To the heap of the These Won't Do.

But his Pencil blue presented arms
At the very next batch he read ;
" Strewth ! This one's a winner " (F. W. Sk——r),
The Chief Examiner said.

And he beamed with joy at the next Lot, too,
And his face was wreathed in smiles,
" Why ! Blow me Tight, here's a Bit of All Right ! "
(Of course, it was G. C. M——s).

And the inky youths of the Lower School,
Grinned wide when they heard the news,
For they wist that two Schols. would get them two Hols.,
Which it ain't in their line to refuse.

J. L.

ANNUAL SWIMMING SPORTS.

The twelfth Annual Swimming Sports were held at the Corporation Baths, on Monday, September 25th. The number of parents and friends was quite as large as usual and they were provided with very interesting and keen sport, there being no dull moment from beginning to end. One of the most gratifying features was that every programme was sold long before the finish of the races ; whether this was a result of the zeal of the sellers or of the good pecuniary condition of the boys at the beginning of term, we cannot say. All the races and especially the Two Lengths Breast Stroke Race were very keenly contested. The form of Comic Race, which has proved so interesting at the last two Sports, was again followed, and the attempts of the competitors to strike wet matches or to find a dry spot on which to strike dry ones produced much amusement. Both the Greaves Cup and the Sugden Cup were carried off, as last year, by J. T. Green. The polo-match instead of being, as often in previous years, a mere splash-about to wind up the Sports, was a very keenly-contested game ; the Hornets and Swifts after a hard struggle gained a victory over the Bees and Magpies by 2 goals to 1.

Results :—

1. This year's Learners—1st, F. K. Ramsden ; 2nd, H. Hinsley.
 2. Second year's Learners—1st, E. D. Brimblecombe ; 2nd, S. Morris.
 3. Breast Stroke Race (Two Lengths)—1st, G. R. Bell ; 2nd, F. Cooke.
 4. Race for Mrs. Barton's Prizes (for Boys who have never previously competed)—1st, W. Firth ; 2nd, J. Green.
 5. Comic Race—1st, F. Cooke ; 2nd, E. Chapman.
 6. Two Lengths, Open—1st, J. T. Green ; 2nd, H. A. Firth.
- Cup Events—
- Greaves' Cup—Four Lengths, 1st, J. T. Green ; 2nd, H. A. Firth.
Clean Diving, 1st, D. M. Shackleton ; 2nd, J. Lawe.
Plunging, 1st, C. H. Padgett ; 2nd, J. T. Green.
- Sugden Cup—Diving for Weight, 1st, J. T. Green ; 2nd, A. Mellor.
Life Saving, 1st, J. T. Green ; 2nd, J. Lawe.
Two Lengths in Clothes, 1st, J. T. Green ; 2nd, J. Lawe.
- Polo Match :—
Hornets and Swifts, 2 goals ; Bees and Magpies, 1 goal.

THE TERM'S FOOTBALL.

Up to the time of writing the results of matches have not been entirely satisfactory. The first XV. have won two matches and lost two, while two of the School's most important fixtures have had to be postponed, in both cases owing to sickness in our opponent's team.

Of course, in War-time, it is impossible to play as many matches, especially with distant schools, as under usual conditions, owing to questions of economy and the like.

At the beginning of the term we had only six members remaining of last year's XV.—Miles, Denton, Wrigley, Bell, in the forwards ; Dutton and Wellington in the backs. Wellington had the extraordinary bad luck to strain his collar-bone in the first practice of the term, and has unhappily been unable, so far, to play in any of our matches. The problem then was to find a full back, three three-quarters, both halves, and to fill up the forwards.

After one or two experiments, Abell was tried at full-back, and by his excellent tackling and kicking, by his deliberate coolness in all circumstances, he has fully justified the choice.

Stokes and Kitson were chosen as the wing threes, and Merton was picked provisionally until Wellington should be able to play.

The halves have been Mellor and Holdsworth, both members of last year's 2nd XV., and the forwards have tried various boys in the last three places.

The Second XV., except for one or two of the forwards, is an entirely new team, containing actually one or two new boys, of whom Burgess is already showing signs of promise.

Our Seconds always seem to be much lighter than the other teams they meet, and their tackling must therefore be particularly good. In this part of the game the present Second team might well improve.

The number of our matches for next term has, of course, considerably diminished when compared to the usual fixture lists, but we shall be pleased to receive offers from teams of Old Boys and others.

A detailed account of First XV. Matches is appended—

W.G.S. v. Mr. KILBURN'S XV. *Played at home, October 7th, 1916.*

This, the first match of the season was played under somewhat damping circumstances. Our own team was untried, our opponents' depleted, and the elements were distinctly unkind. Losing the toss we played up hill and against the wind, which was varied by sleet and rain. The game was very hard-fought, as Old Boys' matches always are, but half-time was called with the score 3-nil in School's favour.

In the second half the weather grew worse, but it was playing for us and we pressed our opponents hard, succeeding in scoring two tries. None of our tries were converted, and our opponents did not score. Final score, W.G.S. 9, Mr. Kilburn's XV. nil.

Team :—Abell ; Kitson, Dutton*, Morton ii, Stokes ; Mellor i, Holdsworth ; Miles*, Denton*, Wrigley*, Bell, Wright, Wilding, Skihner, Staynes.

W.G.S. v. BRADFORD G.S.

October 21st, 1916.

At home. This, the first School match of the season, was by no means disappointing in the promise it gave of far better things. From the first it was obvious that we were up against a heavier team than ourselves ; and our defence was at any rate good enough to keep the score down to 8-nil against us. Our pack showed up rather better in the loose than in the tight, and in the scrum especially they were nearly always last down. Our opponents' superiority in weight also prevented us from getting the ball out at all, as even on the few occasions that we got it to our feet we were pushed off it. But in the loose our game was quite good ; the tackling of the backs, with the exception of Abell, left something to be desired ; but our kicking was quite promising, as we nearly always found a very good touch. It is quite to our credit that our opponents only scored 8 points against us, although one of the tries which went to make those points might have been prevented if our backs had marked their men better.

Team :—Abell ; Stokes, Dutton*, Morton ii, Kitson ; Mellor i, Holdsworth ; Miles*, Denton*, Wrigley*, Bell, Wright, Wilding, Skinner, Staynes.

Final score :—Bradford G.S. 8 points ; W.G.S. 0 points.

W.G.S. v. LEEDS G.S.

Thursday, November 2nd, 1916.

Away. As a result of recent rain, the ground was very soft and slippery, but in spite of this a good game was played. In the first five minutes School was penalised close to the line several times for feet-up and picking the ball out of the scrum ; from these penalty kicks Leeds scored six points in a very short time. As a result of these set-backs our forwards did not get into their usual stride and were beaten both in the loose and in the tight, but the backs, especially Abell, played very pluckily and kept Leeds fairly well in hand. Just before half-time our forwards broke away and were unlucky in failing to score. Half-time score—Leeds 14 points, W.G.S. nil.

In the second half our forwards improved and were quite a match for the Leeds pack, but our backs were rather weak. Forward play was very even, but the Leeds three-quarters repeatedly broke through and scored. Close upon time Abell, by a brilliant individual effort, got over the line and scored. No goal was kicked. Final score—Leeds G.S. 31 points, W.G.S. 3 points.

Team :—Abell ; Kitson, Morton ii, Dutton*, Stokes ; Mellor, Holdsworth ; Miles*, Denton*, Wrigley*, Bell, Wright, Hardy, Skinner, Parry.

W.G.S. v. WOODHOUSE GROVE SCHOOL.

November 4th.

At Home. The weather was fortunately moderately fine, so the field was in a better condition than in previous matches. Even so it proved slippery at times. For the first twenty minutes play was even, and no scores were recorded. Mellor then scored two tries in quick succession, followed by another by Hanley. Just before half-time, Woodhouse got their only try, which was not converted. Half-time score—9-3.

When play was resumed, Wrigley broke away and succeeded in scoring. This was soon followed by some good passing among the three-quarters, which resulted in a try for Stokes. No more score was registered until a short time before the end of the match when Stokes again scored, this time by a brilliant individual effort. No School tries were converted. Final score—Woodhouse Grove 3 points, Wakefield G.S. 18 points.

Team :—Abell ; Kitson, Hanley, Dutton*, Stokes ; Mellor i, Holdsworth ; Miles*, Denton*, Wrigley*, Bell, Wright, Hardy, Skinner, Parry.

FOUNDER'S DAY AND SPEECH DAY.

It was impossible to observe Founder's Day at the proper time this year, as it fell on a Sunday, and so the ceremony was postponed to the following Wednesday, November 22nd. In accordance with the precedent of the last two years, the occasion was made to include the Annual Speech Day proceedings and the presentation of the year's prizes and the Headmaster's report on the year's work; but this year the greatest importance attached to the service, which took the form of a commemoration of those old boys and masters of the School who have given their lives for their Country.

The proceedings commenced at 10-30 with a hymn; then the first lesson from Ecclesiasticus was read by Mr. Webster, in the rôle of old boy; and when the psalm had been sung, the senior prefect (G. C. Miles) read the second lesson from Hebrews. Then followed the mention of the Founders and benefactors of the school, with the appointed collects and prayers; and this part of the service was concluded by a prayer of thanksgiving for the lives surrendered to their Country's welfare.

The Spokesman of the Governors (Mr. Herbert Beaumont), in a speech of considerable emotion, told the school that he had never been present at a more impressive Founder's Day than that one. After referring to the losses that many had suffered, he concluded with a mention of the impending departure of Mr. Barton, and a glowing tribute to his capabilities; not only the School, but the whole of the City and district was proud of him (cheers), and all would join in wishing both his wife and himself God-speed in their new sphere of activity.

Mr. Barton, in a brief report of the year's work, made reference to the comparative paucity of distinctions gained during the year by past and present boys; this, however, was only natural, when the majority of those boys were engaged in winning far higher distinction for the School on the various battlefields. Those were the real School distinctions for that year; and the ever growing list was one of which any school might be proud. In conclusion Mr. Barton thanked the Spokesman very warmly for his kind words.

The Spokesman then distributed the Prizes, as follows:—

STORIE EXHIBITIONERS.

E. R. Sudbury and T. Womack.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

The Spokesman's Prize for Modern Languages.

G. V. Kitson.

The Borough Member's Prize for History.

E. R. Sudbury.

The Vicar's Divinity Prize.

E. R. Sudbury.

The Stollard English Literature Prize.

E. R. Sudbury.

The Head Master's Classical Prize.

F. W. Skinner.

The Peacock Essay Prize.

G. C. Miles.

Mathematical Prize.

W. Fozzard.

Science Prize.

A. Mellor and C. D. Denton.

Geography Prize.

T. Womack.

Singing Prize.

G. Lancaster.

Drawing Prize.

C. H. Marshall.

" Spelling Bee " Prizes.

F. W. Skinner (over 15).

R. E. L. Wellington (under 15).

T. G. S. Green (Junior School).

Architecture Paper Prizes.

D. M. Shackleton (Upper Sixth).

N. Breakwell (Lower Sixth Div. b).

FORM PRIZES.

VI Cl : Prizes : F. W. Skinner and G. C. Miles (equal).

VI Mathl. Prize : W. C. Abell.

VI Lower (a) 1st Prize : C. D. Denton.

2nd Prize : H. T. Veall.

Honourable Mention : A. Clarke and H. Conolly.

VI Lower (b) Prize : G. H. Turner.

Va 1st Prize : H. Hill.

2nd Prize : H. C. Johnson.

Honourable Mention : J. H. Capewell, A. J. R.
Mahon and T. Perkins.

Vb 1st Prize : J. L. Morton.

2nd Prize : P. W. Robertson.

Honourable Mention : S. E. Roberts and C. H.
Marshall.

IVa 1st Prize : C. W. Parris.

2nd Prize : T. E. Dickinson.

Honourable Mention : H. Backhouse, J. Hill and
F. Milnes.

SONNET TO QUEEN ELIZABETH. FOUNDERS' DAY, 1916.

As, after weeks of dreariness and rain,
And grey-soaked skies and heavy-weighted air,
When mire and mist and sluggish-souled despair
Seem all the world is made for, comes amain
With kindling, rushing wind, cloud-tearing reign
Of sun, keen, purifying, vital, rare,
A dawn of lively wakening, sparkling, clear,
With dark pellucid deeps, and billowy train
Of mighty clouds, that raise men's feeble eyes
Up from the lessened earth, so Virgin Queen,
Thou and thy all-exploring subjects rise,
Bursting upon the gloom with searching, keen,
Pure childlike joy of living, simply wise,
All things ignoble hating, all things mean.

G. C. M.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

Although the attendance at the Society's meetings has on several occasions left much to be desired, yet some very interesting and lively debates have been held. The Session was opened by a Jumble Debate, which, as usual, was a fund of amusement and interest; after a hot discussion it was decided that the inclusion of mistresses on the School Staff has a beneficial effect on the tone of the School, one speaker making a great point out of the gentle remonstrances of a mistress as compared with the—er—somewhat more brusque methods employed by our preceptors of the sterner sex.

Among other interesting motions was—

“That the poisoning of Roy, the school dog and heirloom, is a blot on the fair fame of the School,” which produced some most touching addresses.

A debate on October 13th to decide the question of whether the German Zeppelin policy had justified its adoption provoked a warm discussion, but patriotic contempt for all things German finally carried the day, and the audience of two was quite unanimous. Our Chairman, Mr. Young, favoured us with a highly interesting speech, giving us an impression of his own experiences during a recent raid on the East Coast.

The Annual Inter-Debates with Bradford and Leeds were held after the respective football matches. The Bradford debate, held at School, October 21st, rejected the proposition, “That Arbitration is the best method of settling International Disputes.”

Each side produced some very good speakers, Robinson in particular excelling himself. When his fluent logic had somehow

miscarried and failed to convince, he satisfied his conscience by openly casting imputations on the sanity of his audience.

The Leeds debate was held on November 2nd, at Leeds, on the subject, "That, etc., women, by their actions in War-time, have shown their right to a vote."

The inevitable militant Suffragette was, of course, dragged in by every speaker. Lyon (L.G.S.) pointed out that women would most probably choose out their Adonis among the candidates, and "plunk for him"; a wife wrangling about politics subverted his idyllic conception of domestic bliss. Mr. Ellis spoke in support of the motion, saying that only our innate Conservatism had stood between Mrs. Pankhurst and Parliament; he cited the example of New Zealand. Skinner for the opposition valiantly dragged in a host of Classical authorities, including Plato, Socrates, Aristotle, Xenophon, Euripides, and others many; these, however, left unmoved the rest of the House, who preferred to delve into the Future, rather than to grub in the dust of Antiquity. The motion was finally lost by a minority of eight votes.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

On October 6th, the first meeting of the term was held. Mr. Welch presided and about half the members were present. No models were brought, so in default of these Mr. Welch allowed several boys to examine microscopic specimens with the aid of his microscope. Several members borrowed the periodicals which the Society places at their disposal, after which the Meeting was dismissed.

On October 20th, Bell obliged us with a Lecture upon Ireland, illustrated by lantern slides. The Lecturer very ably fulfilled his self-imposed task, and he should with experience make an excellent public speaker. Starting with the journey to Ireland he acted as our cicerone in an imaginary tour of the Emerald Isle, and altogether provided a most enjoyable evening.

On November 3rd, a General Meeting of the Society was held in the Physics Laboratory, at the usual hour. Mr. Gibling mystified the greater portion of those present with a few tricks of chemical magic. Smoke was introduced within a sealed vessel, water was turned to sherry and then to ink. Then he was successful in producing a cut complete with blood without injury to the "patient." By pouring clean cold water (?) into milk, it was turned to water; by similarly treating water it was turned to milk; port was turned to water, sherry to port, water to soda water, and a purple liquid to a good sample of port. Nor did this exhaust the powers of the wizard, but exigencies of time forbade further demonstrations of his skill.

The mystified audience then dispersed.

SALVETE ET VALETE.

Salvete.

VI Lower
Broadbent, R. B.

IV A.

Bruce, K. W.
Goldthorpe, N.

IV B.

Holdsworth, C. C.
Parker, D. E.
Roche, R. P.
Walsh, G. W.

III A.

Anstey, H. F.
Bedford, F. E.
Brown, A.

Carrington, R. C.

Dixon, C. H.

Finch, A. C.

Gelder, T. V.

Goodall, A.

Green, G. A.

Green, J.

Harrison, P.

Hobson, C. A.

Idle, A. S.

Isaac, F. K.

Johnson, A.

Lawe, T.

Loyd, C. E.

Mason, J. B. M.

Morgan, C. C.

Osborne, H.

Smith, F. A.

Spencer, R. W.

Tate, J. P.

III B.

Breakwell, A.

Burke, C.

Calvert, W.

Cresswell, D. A.

Hall, R. O.

Heeley, T.

Hockney, T. R.

Judge, L. H.

Marsden, E. G.

Perry, A. J.

Shaw, E.

Sherwood, W.

Walker, W.

Wentworth, R.

II Lower

Clark, W. S.

Roche, H. A. P.

I Upper.

Bruce, R. M.

Farmer, E. D. M.

Holdsworth, A. R.

Spencer, H.

I Lower.

Balfour, J. A.

Binks, F. D.

Buttenshaw, D. S.

Russell, C.

Stokes, J. G.

Watson, R. H.

Roche, B. P.

Townend, P. H.

Valete.

VI Mathl.

Watson, T.

VI Lower.

Lodge, E. B.

V B.

Booth, G.

Rycroft, S. E.

Witty, E. B.

IV A.

Wainwright, A.

IV c.

Padgett, C. H.

II Lower.

Barton, M. H.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Barnstaple,

November 29th, 1916.

Dear Mr. Editor,

May I call the attention of the O.S. Club to the very bad state of the lettering on the headstone of Mr. Stollard's grave? His own name is illegible as is also the couplet by Sir Philip Sidney, of which he was so fond. The letters do not seem to have been leaded in the first instance, and this precaution should be adopted as soon as possible.

I feel certain that if old boys of the generation which knew Mr. Stollard best were to see the grave with its mute appeal and rather sordid gardening, steps would at once be taken to erect a more durable witness to the memory of one of the finest Schoolmasters and men the School has ever known.

Yours, etc.,

H. G. ABEL.

JUNIOR SCHOOL NOTES.

There is little to report on the Junior front this term, as very little has happened. There has not even been any snow to provide us with missiles, but we have had to amuse ourselves as best we could.

One should not forget, however, to mention the Zeppelin Raid, which gave us a good deal of excitement—shall I say pleasure? Certainly, the junior boarders made a night of it, and (breathe it not in Berlin) appreciated an excuse for sitting up.

School buzzed with tall stories next morning, and those of us who slept through it were considerably put out.

We have resumed our striped jerseys, and disport ourselves on the playing fields like so many black and yellow Zebras. On the whole, it has been a muddy time.

O! this boy scored a dozen tries,
And that a goal they say,
While one he toddled round, and told
The others how to play.

There have been a few subscriptions raised for objects connected with the War; first, a Belgian Concert, for which the boys went round, pulling door-bells and selling tickets. It was very successful, and those who went to it enjoyed it immensely.

Secondly, there was the Jack Cornwell Fund, for which the Junior School raised a fair sum, and those contributing were given stamps with a portrait of Cornwell, by way of receipt. Thirdly, the Mayoress asked if we would like to give to the Soldiers' Plum Pudding Fund, and another sum was collected for this deserving object.

We have sallied forth on one or two fishing expeditions, armed with a generous supply of grubs. As for our success as anglers—well, the joys of expectation are even greater than those of realization, and I need add no humiliating details.

Mr. Baynes unfortunately fell ill towards the end of the term, a fact for which we all feel very sorry. Skinner and Miles kindly stepped into the breach and helped with the lessons, or otherwise we should have been stranded.

We wish Mr. Baynes better health and a speedy return. I am sure that everybody in the Junior School feels very deeply the coming departure of Mr. and Mrs. Barton and Michael, and would like to take this opportunity of telling them how much we shall miss them, and of giving them our heartiest good wishes for the future.

On November 28th, the Secretary of the "National Refuges for Homeless and Destitute Children," gave us a most interesting Lantern Lecture on the work carried on in training boys for the Navy on the Training Ships "Arethusa" and "Chichester." The Lecture was well attended and very much appreciated, and we hope to show our appreciation by giving some practical help in this excellent work.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE OLD SAVILIANS' CLUB.

The Nineteenth Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Club, was held on Thursday, September 28th, at the Grammar School. Mr. J. H. Richardson being elected to the Chair,

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and adopted.

A letter was read from Mr. Oswald Holmes, suggesting that the surplus money of the "Social" Account should be invested in one of the Government Funds. After discussion it was decided to leave the cash as at present, in the hands of the Bank.

The Secretaries were authorised to write to Mrs. Haslegrave (wife of the President) and ask whether any portion of the "Comforts" Fund could be utilised by her for the benefit of any Old Savilians serving at the Front.

On the proposition of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Clifford Green, the Report and Statement of Accounts as printed in the Year Book (subject to audit) be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Webster proposed and Mr. Duffin seconded that Lt. Col. H. J. Haslegrave be re-elected President for the ensuing year, and it was further decided to send a telegram of good wishes to him and all Old Savilians with him in France.

On the proposition of Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Duffin, the following Officers of the Club were re-elected:—

Hon. Secs.—Messrs. C. H. Head and G. E. Webster.

Assistant Hon. Sec.—Mr. A. M. Angus.

Hon. Treasurer—Mr. J. W. Berry.

Hon. Auditors—Messrs. J. H. Glover and T. H. Oxley.

Committee—Messrs. J. B. Baynes and E. S. Perkin.

And on the proposition of Mr. Webster, seconded by Mr. Head, Messrs. C. W. Duffin, W. Wrigley, and A. B. Young, were elected to take the place of Messrs. Hugo Green (resigned), and E. A. Greenwood and L. Holdsworth.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the Meeting.

A short discussion took place, on the proposition of Mr. Head, as to the advisability of the foundation of a Benevolent Fund for the providing of Scholarships, etc., for the sons of Old Savilians who might be in need of such help. The matter received a sympathetic hearing, and Mr. Head was asked to bring up the subject again with further particulars, at the next Committee Meeting.

(Mr. Head would, in the meantime, be very glad to receive suggestions from Members).

OLD SAVILIAN NOTES.

New Members :—

- Mr. J. R. Booth, Stoneleigh Terrace, Agbrigg, Wakefield.
Mr. W. D. Kitson, Sunny Holme, Denby Dale Road, Wakefield.
Capt. Maurice Milner, 1st Reserve W. R. Div., Cyclist Co.,
Clipstone Camp, Notts.
Mr. H. B. Webster, 8, South Parade, Wakefield.
Mr. C. Morris, Bell Crest, Barnsley Road, Wakefield.
Mr. Geo. W. Pettinger, Boscombe House, Lincoln Street,
Wakefield.
Mr. Geo. Spencer, School House, Crigglestone, Nr. Wakefield.

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Altered Addresses :—

- Lt. H. Oxley, 12th York and Lancs. Regt., B.E.F., France.
Capt. Wilfrid S. Lawson, c/o Ormond Higgins, Esq., 231,
McLeod Street, Ottawa, Canada.

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Addresses wanted :—

- Mr. Stanley M. Hill, late of Dover.
Mr. H. Keighley, late of Scissett.

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Marriages :—

- 2nd Lt. L. Butler Smith, M. A., R.F.A., to Miss Esther
Macleod Wilson, both of Wakefield.
2nd Lt. J. B. Taylor, York and Lancs. Regt., to Miss Agnes
Eulalie Joan Colbeck, both of Alverthorpe.

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Reference is made in another part of this issue to the impending departure of Mr. Barton from our old School, to the larger sphere of work at Bristol Grammar School, and we desire to take this opportunity of congratulating him most heartily upon his appointment and to express our sincere good wishes for success to him and also to Mrs. Barton in their new work. Since he came amongst us, six years ago, the Old Savilians Club has had no more sincere friend in all its activities; we are greatly indebted to him for his efforts to enlarge the Membership and increase its usefulness, and all Old Savilians who have been closely in touch with him will always continue to have a warm corner in their heart for all that he and Mrs. Barton have been to the Club.

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To Mr. Spilsbury, the newly appointed "Head," we wish, on behalf of all Old Savilians, to offer a hearty welcome, and to assure him and Mrs. Spilsbury that they may count upon us with confidence to support whatever they may decide as being for the welfare and advancement of the Old School.

SCHOOL ROLL OF HONOUR.—CONTD.

The following additional names of Old Savilians serving in His Majesty's Forces, have been received since the last issue of the "Savilian." The full total on the list compiled by Mr. Head is now 403.

- J. R. Birkenshaw, Gunner, Royal Garrison Artillery. 1903-09.
A. E. Blackburn, Private, Army Ordnance Corps. 1897-1901.
M. W. J. Boxall, Cadet, Royal Military College, Quetta. 1913-15.
G. A. Charles, Bombardier, Royal Garrison Artillery. 1890-91.
J. H. Cookson, Private, 2nd Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment. 1905-07.
L. Cradock, Bombardier, Royal Garrison Artillery. 1886-94.
N. Cradock, Captain, Royal Garrison Artillery. 1893-95.
H. C. Dickinson, Chief Petty Officer, Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve. 1894-00.
W. Earnshaw, Private, Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment. 1904.
W. Garbett, Private, Army Service Corps, Mechanical Transport. 1908-15.
S. H. B. Gill, 2nd Lieut. 6th Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment. 1902-9.
J. G. Glover, Trooper, Queen's Own Yorkshire Dragoons. 1904-11.
G. D. Gray, Lieut. and Adjutant, 15th Battalion York and Lancaster Regiment. 1896-1902.
R. Hodgkins, Gunner, Royal Garrison Artillery. 1909-15.
L. Holdsworth, 2nd Lieut. Army Service Corps, Mechanical Transport. 1891-93.
E. Humphrey, Rifleman, King's Royal Rifle Corps. 1909-13.
W. Ingle, Private, West Yorkshire Regiment. 1908-11.
J. D. Jackson, Cadet, Royal Military College, Sandhurst. 1913-14.
W. S. Lawson, Captain, Canadian Engineers. 1894-97.
W. S. I. Mahon, Private, Imperial Cadet Yeomanry. 1909-16.
N. Marsden, Private, Army Service Corps. 1902-08.
A. Mellor, Private, Special Company, Royal Engineers. 1910-16.
F. Mountain, 2nd Lieut. King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. 1899-1900.
G. W. Perkin, Private, Army Pay Corps. 1887-92.
J. W. Pollard, Private, 3rd Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. 1907-13.
J. L. Race, Sapper, Royal Engineers. 1909-14.
H. Ramsden, Private, 8th Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment. 1901-04.
W. Ramsden, Gunner, Royal Garrison Artillery. 1906-08.
E. Sa'erson, Private, 7th Battalion West Riding Regiment. 1904-5.
J. S. Scarlett, Private, Army Service Corps. 1912-13.

- A. V. Stanfield, 2nd Lieut. West Surrey Regiment. 1892-93.
- B. E. Stephenson, Private, Army Service Corps, Mechanical Transport. 1891-93.
- J. E. Stocks, Private, Nelson Battalion, Royal Naval Division. 1910-13.
- E. R. Sudbury, Private, Coldstream Guards. 1906-16.
- F. C. Trenholme, Sapper, Royal Engineers. 1910-14.
- C. W. Vernon, Sapper, Royal Engineers. 1904-06.
- E. C. Watson, Private, 110th Battalion Training Reserve. 1903-09.
- C. Webster, Sapper, 1/3rd Company West Riding Royal Engineers. 1909-13.
- C. B. White, Private, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. 1898-1901.
- R. L. Wilson, Private, Royal Army Medical Corps. 1907-10.
- T. Womack, Private, 3rd Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. 1908-16.

Information has come to hand that the following promotions have taken place among Old Savilians :—

- A. W. Armitage, Captain, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.
- E. S. Fletcher, 2nd Lieutenant, 6th Battalion West Yorkshire Regiment.
- M. Fletcher, Captain, Royal Munster Fusiliers.
- R. H. Goodyear, Engineer-Lieutenant-Commander, H.M.S. "Albion."
- J. H. Greaves, Major, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.
- P. Hall, Bombardier, 199th Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery.
- B. Hill, Sergeant, Army Service Corps.
- F. A. Kingswell, Captain, Rifle Brigade.
- F. W. Lawe, Captain, 3rd Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment.
- L. Reynolds, Staff-Sergeant, Army Service Corps.
- C. E. Sutton, Lance-Corporal, Northern Telegraph Section, Royal Engineers.
- J. B. Taylor, 2nd Lieutenant, York and Lancaster Regiment.
- G. Thomson, Captain, 4th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.
- J. J. D. La Touche, M. B., Captain, Royal Army Medical Corps.
- F. S. Vernon, Lance-Corporal, 4th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.
- A. K. Wilson, M.A., Captain and Officer Commanding, Derby School O.T.C.

The following additional Military Honours have been gained by Old Savilians since our last issue :—

R. W. Paterson, Sergeant, 4th Battalion K.O.Y.L.I. Military Medal.

M. Fletcher, Captain, Royal Munster Fusiliers. Military Cross.

H. McD. Wilson, 2nd Lieut. West Riding Brigade, R.F.A. Military Cross.

C. E. Sutton, Lance-Corporal, Northern Telegraph Section, Royal Engineers. Military Medal.

H. Jackson, Private, 4th Battalion K.O.Y.L.I. Military Medal.

B. L. Pearson, Lieut. Yorkshire Regiment, Military Cross.

The following Old Savilians are reported missing :—

G. W. Hollis, A. J. Mountain, H. Townsend, W. T. Senior, A. W. Armitage, and W. Earnshaw,

To the parents of these boys we offer our deepest sympathy, and hope that they will soon have good news of them.

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