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Editorial.

IMPERIALISM.

THE closing year of the nineteenth century was one of rapid growth and development in certain phases of thought and political ideas which found expression in the term "Imperialism."

The word "Imperial" is closely associated with the idea of empire, thus we speak of the Imperial Rule of the Roman Empire of old, and in modern times, apply the word to the form of government which prevails in Austria, and the more recently formed German Empire.

In Great Britain, however, the word has not been used—though a Saxon King once assumed the title of emperor—and the term "Kingdom" or "United Kingdom" expressed the notion of British rule.

Why then are we talking so much to-day of Empire and Imperialism? Ideas usually precede words, and a name is not applied till it is needed, and this has been the case with "Imperialism." It was an accomplished fact before a name was found for it at all. The nineteenth century was one of marvellous development in the Colonies and Dependencies of Great Britain. It saw the entire colonisation of Australia and New Zealand, the colonisation, the extension, and federation of the Dominion of Canada, the acquisition and colonisation of South Africa, and the closer union of India, besides large extensions of territory in smaller for trading centres and spheres of influence.

The growth and development of these Colonies have been so quiet, and yet so rapid, that even politicians hardly realised the might of the new forces at work, and none comprehended the strength of the "silken chains" of affection and loyalty which bound the Colonists to the Motherland. At times, when the needs of the new Countries meant war and expence, the Home Country has even been inclined to shirk her responsibilities and leave the Colonies to manage for themselves. Fortunately this has never been done, and in spite of some mistakes made, no Colony has found the Mother Country fail her in the hour of need.

The year 1878 saw the first definite realisation of "Imperialism," in Queen Victoria's of the title of Empress of India. The formation of the Imperial Federation League in 1884, and

the opening of the Imperial Institute in 1893, carried the idea further still. The next great landmark was the year 1897, when the Colonies took such a prominent part in the Diamond Jubilee celebration. In the memorable procession, dusty Hindoos, Chinese, Maories, Malays, Negroes from West Africa, Kaffirs from South Africa, and men of British descent from Australia, Cape Colony, New Zealand, and literally the uttermost parts of the earth, marched past to the cheers of a London crowd, forming a great object lesson in the extent of the British Empire.

The courtesies which followed the celebration gave rise to kindlier and warmer feelings, while a new sense of mutual responsibility was engendered between Great Britain and her numerous sons and daughters. The years 1899 and 1900 marked the climax of this feeling, for when the Mother Country was in need, and threatened with danger in one part of her Dominions, each Colony volunteered her bravest and best instead of seeking the opportunity for freedom as Great Britain's enemies fondly dreamed, and the "Empire" was proved to be no vain boast, but a real, living, vigorous reality. This has been further exemplified in the present war, when tens of hundreds of thousands of "Sons from the Oversea Dominions" are fighting *voluntarily* side by side with the sons of the Motherland.

We may, then, define "Imperialism" in the words of Lord Roberts, as "The unity of a world-wide dominion bound together by indissoluble ties, and ever ready to carry on the destiny of her race." To some, however, the word "Imperialism" carries merely the idea of national glorification, and the extension of British rule and British interests, no matter at what cost. Herein lies a great danger, for past history has proved that mere acquisition of territory, or even of wealth, may become a source of weakness, instead of strength to a nation, and wherever might tramples on right, ruin and disaster must surely follow.

The peril of such Imperialism is best expressed in Rudyard Kipling's Recessional, written for the Diamond Jubilee:—

"If drunk with sight of power we loose
Wild tongues that have not Thee in awe—
Such boastings as the Gentiles use
Or lesser breeds without the law—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet
Lest we forget—lest we forget."

The advantages of our world-empire are very great, whether regarded in a material sense, as a source of wealth, trade, and commerce, or in a political sense, in the weight and prestige which it gives us in our rank as a nation.

At the same time the responsibilities are very great—"a great heritage has been committed into our hands, purchased in many cases with the blood of our bravest and best." We must not be neglectful of the trust, but seek to establish mercy, truth, justice, liberty and righteousness wherever the British flag waves. Then the Empire's strength will not be in any army or navy, but in the loyal brave hearts of her sons and daughters, and in the words of the poet mentioned before:—

"God of our father, known of old,
Lord of our far-flung battle line—
Beneath Whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palms and pine—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget."

A Conversation.

"I say, what's a *howler*?"

"A *howler*? Why?"

"Why, because when Cave was looking over my Latin exercise this morning, he pointed to a word I had written, and said it was 'a howler of the first magnitude.'"

"What was the word?"

"Oh, I had only put *potebam* instead of *poteram*——."

"Whew!"

"——Well, of course, I knew what it ought to be all the while, only I didn't think. So I said, 'Please, sir, what is a howler?' 'Do you wish me to understand that you are asking me the meaning of the word?' said Cave, icily. 'Yes, sir,' said I. But Cave only raised his eyebrows as far as they would go, and said, with all the emphasis of concentrated contempt, '*Don't you know that?*' Then he went on using his purple pencil."

This conversation took place in the corridor just outside the Common Room of a well-known School; and the two boys engaged in it (the first speaker, of course, was a little new boy) were somewhat startled when at this point the Common Room door suddenly opened, and Mr. Cave himself came out. They were too startled, in fact, to do anything else than look generally silly; still more so when Mr. Cave gravely came up to them and at once recurred to the subject. ("I wonder if he heard," they both thought).

"You were asking me this morning," said he to the new boy, "the meaning of the word *howler*. Now, words ending in *-er* denote the doer of an action. For example, *runner*, 'one who

runs'; *eater*, 'one who eats'; *learner*, 'one who learns'; and so a *howler* is a person (or, as in this case, a thing) that howls. It is needless to add that this use of the word is not literal, but figurative. All slang is figurative. Although the Latin for 'word' is *vox*, yet the word itself has no voice (unless, indeed, it be a verb), and therefore cannot literally howl. The term is nevertheless appropriate and expressive. It signifies a mistake which ought to be at once obvious to the person who makes it—a mistake so bad, so inexcusable, that it seems to call aloud to you from the page—to cry out like a thing in pain, 'Why do you put me down on paper, you abominable blunderer, and exhibit me to the world in this wounded, mangled, dislocated, lacerated shape, when you really know better all the time? It is positively cruel!'"

All this was said in Mr. Cave's most serious and solemn tones; and then he turned away, without waiting to see the effect, and went off to his rooms.

"I wonder if he was humbugging," said the little new boy.

Verse.

RAIN.

Rain! rain! rain! Yes, raining again to-day.
Rain! rain! rain! For ever it's come to stay.
Was ever such rain and altogether
Such dull, depressing, disgusting weather?
Drenching downpour dismally dropping,
Not the slightest chance of its ever stopping.

Rain! rain! rain!

Will it ever be fine again?

Where are the frosts and snows of December,
Which soon the oldest'll ne'er remember?
The skies, I believe, are turned into seas.
Oh why, *on earth*, can it never freeze?
Steadily swishing, soaking, slopping;
Oh, how shall I manage my Christmas shopping?

Rain! rain! rain!

Will it never be fine again?

Why did I purchase that costume in blue
And hat of blue velvet—feather on, too?
For, since it's getting wetter and wetter,
A bathing-gown would have come in better.
Pitiless pouring, pelting, plopping,
Everywhere dripping and hopelessly sopping.

Rain! rain! rain!

Will it ever be fine again?

Rain! rain! rain! My heart is heavy as lead.
 Rain! rain! rain! "Au revoir." I'm off to bed.
 What good to sit o'er the fire and shiver
 With an unmistakable touch of "liver"?
 Shuddering, sobbing, shaking, sighing:
 I can't shake it off, so it's no good trying.

Rain! rain! rain!
 No 't never be fine again.

CONSTANCE MEADOWS.

TO THE FAIRIES.

Rushing up the mountain,
 Dancing down the glen,
 Flitting round the fountains,
 Troops of tiny men;
 Chasing after moonbeams,
 Hiding in the glades,
 Dipping in the cool streams,
 Troops of tiny maids.
 Swarming up the pine trees,
 Scaling dizzy heights,
 Basking in the cool breeze
 Through the summer nights;
 Resting in a harebell,
 Idling on the banks,
 Hiding in a nutshell,
 Crowds of serried ranks.
 Romping in the moonlight,
 Rolling o'er the meads,
 Prancing in the starlight
 On their glowy steeds;
 Tumbling helter skelter,
 Falling all around,
 Seeking friendly shelter
 Somewhere on the ground.
 Peering round a toadstool,
 Playing hide and seek,
 Cleaving 'neath the swan pool
 Like a flashing streak;
 Lying 'neath the sweet lime,
 Dawning is the day;
 Sleeping till the night time
 Calls them back to play.

P. PIERREPONT MEADOWS.

The Tin.

TO A CIGARETTE END.

It seems a shame to leave you there
 A prey to every sort of stare;
 To lie and perish in the air.

You wonder why I've played this trick
 On one who's been to me a brick,
 And never once made me feel sick.

Once more I see you in your tin,
 So tightly packed, so long and thin;
 And now just see the plight you're in.

Then in my case I crammed with care,
 So cosy and so comfy there;
 From thence to come and taste the air.

Ah! with what care I struck a match,
 And gently urged you on to catch,
 Then pulled and drew with all despatch.

And then I puffed at you, my chum,
 Till to the end I'd almost come;
 And then I dropped you to succumb.

Ah! there you lie upon the street,
 A perished end with dying heat;
 To be stamped out by other feet.

But stay; some cad may spy you out,
 And light you up with ribald shout;
 You'll live again—I have no doubt.

Or others with you in a pipe
 Of cherry wood, well worn and ripe,
 Packed down in agonising gripe.

Good-bye! I'd rather think of you
 Deep in the mire; that none may view
 Thy end; when I have done with you.

FAG CARD.

Speech Day.

The annual speech day and presentation of prizes took place on Friday, the function being carried out on lines similar to those of last year, because of the war. The Chairman of the Governors, the Rev. J. E. Tarbat, M.A. (Vicar of Fareham) presided over a large attendance, which included Governors, parents of scholars and friends. Among those present were Mr. J. Sandy, J.P. (Vice-Chairman of the Governors), Lady Moore, Dr. and Mrs. Franklin, Admiral and Mrs. Claud Hamilton, Mrs.

Pierrepoint Meadows, the Rev. H. E. K. Fry, M.A., Vicar of Portchester, and Mrs. Fry, Mrs. Felton-Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. F. Elington, Mr. and Mrs. Chignell, Mr. and Mrs. H. Donnithe, Mr. and Mrs. Nowell, Miss Case, Mr. and Mrs. Eyles, Mrs. Dodridge, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hale, Mrs. and Miss Stow, Mrs. Fox, Miss Donne, Mrs. Gilligan, Mr. and Mrs. Coles, Mrs. Biden, Mr. and Mrs. Swaffield, Mr. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. Dallaway, Mr. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. Lee (Gosport), Mrs. and Miss Beverley Bouchier, Miss Alexander, Misses Gosling, Mrs. Neville, Mr. and Mrs. F. Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. Gribble, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Beasley, Mr. and Mrs. A. Grove, Mrs. S. S. Smith (Southampton Road), Mrs. Smith (West Street), Mr. and Mrs. Marriott, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Pattendon (Droxford), Mrs. P. Glover, Miss Lister, Mrs. F. Frost, Mrs. France, Mr. and Mrs. H. Nicholson, Mrs. Swales, Mrs. Cheesewright, Messrs. E. Edmunds, A. J. Driver, A. C. Parsons, and others.

In addition to the Headmaster, Mr. S. R. N. Bradly, M.A., and Mrs. Bradly, the members of the staff present included Mr. A. S. Gale, B.A., Mr. R. O. Johnston, M.A., Mr. P. Pierrepoint Meadows, B.A., and Mr. J. C. Carpenter, M.A.

The programme opened with the singing by the boys, under the conductorship of Mrs. Bradly, of the Union song, "Forty Years On" (Farmer); and "The Recessional" was rendered as a quartette by Mrs. Bradly, Ribsdale, and Messrs. Gale and Johnson. Mrs. Harvey acted as accompanist.

Mr. Bradly next gave his annual report. He said they had had a very strenuous term and year, beginning with the Christmas term. Looking back he felt that, in spite of many difficulties in regard to the loss of members of his staff, the record of the year's work was not a bad one. The top form had been really keen, and quite good work had been accomplished throughout the School, the result being that there had been fewer "howlers" than usual. He desired to take that opportunity of thanking those parents who had given their support to the School Cadet Corps by helping their boys to join the same. In these critical days it had become more necessary than ever, quite apart from the question of militarism, which seemed to him not to be a practical question just now, that boys should learn discipline. One of the main lessons imparted by the training associated with a cadet corps was that it gave the opportunity to a large number of boys to learn how to take command of others. That opportunity was afforded the section commanders of the corps. They had just completed some interesting competitions in connection with it. All sorts of drills, fairly comprehensive in character,

had been gone through with results, he thought, which were exceedingly satisfactory. They had had no long route marches, as some parents feared they would, and the physical training in regard to the corps had not been overdone. He hoped next term the membership would be increased, and, in fact, he had already received an encouraging number of promises of new recruits. Among the corps' activities, a considerable amount of shooting had been done. The shooting of a team of thirteen comprised of the best shots of the corps, had resulted in an average of 89 per cent. of the maximum being attained, which was quite good considering that it included rapid shooting. (Applause.) The corps, as a whole, had secured a shooting average of 55 per cent. out of a possible average. They had fired several matches with the Fareham Volunteers, and he thanked Messrs. H. J. Edmunds, E. Edmunds, and A. Wooldridge, who had kindly presented spoons to the boys making the highest individual scores in those matches. One of the old boys, E. S. P. Hynes, went in for the Sandhurst examination and came out twenty-sixth, which, he considered quite a satisfactory result. (Hear, hear.) Hynes was now in the Flying Corps. Many of the other old boys were serving, some in France and others in India and Mesopotamia. Unfortunately, they had also had some casualties. Bartlett had gone down in the Black Prince in the great Jutland Naval fight, while Conlan, who was head of the School when he left, was reported missing. They still hoped he would yet be heard of. The School work generally had been carried on on very much the same lines as in previous years, but with better results than ever before.

Dealing with the School games, Mr. Bradly said, with regard to the present cricket season, that the School team was one of all-round merit. They had had no star performers as in previous seasons, but practically every member of the team had done something, with the result that the School had had the best season in its history. The School team had not lost a school match. Then the hockey season had been quite a creditable one, and Mr. Johnson had been most indefatigable in coaching the members. Messrs. Gale and Meadows had in other spheres rendered valued service, the first-named being the only Lieutenant the Cadet Corps now had. He was very much indebted to the Rev. H. E. Jones, B.Sc., who had helped them out of a serious difficulty in regard to science. The number of boys attending the School had been more than maintained, in fact, had increased, while the proposed provision of extra school accommodation, so much required, because of that increase, had been held up by the war, and, he was afraid, was likely to be for some time yet. The drawing activities of the boys had been conducted on much the usual lines of previous years, and speci-

mens of the boys' work could be inspected in the class-room at the conclusion of that ceremony. Mr. Bradly concluded by warmly thanking the donors of prizes, and also Mrs. Harvey, who had kindly officiated as accompanist at the piano at the practises and at that function.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The boys having sung the Union song, "Willow the King," the Chairman presented the prizes, as follows:—The Governors' Form Prizes: Form V.a, E. Packham (Easter), G. Chignell and J. M. Lee (Midsummer); Form V.b, D. R. Kirk (Easter), C. Ridsdale (Midsummer); Form IV., W. C. Baker and V. A. Cox (Easter), J. A. Miller (Midsummer); Form III., W. Crocker (Easter), L. A. Olding (Midsummer); Form II., A. T. Cheesewright (Easter), F. Mathews (Midsummer); Form I., A. Wilkie (Easter), R. Clark (Midsummer). Vicar's prizes for Divinity: G. Chignell, V. A. Cox. Mrs. T. H. Harvey's prizes for Mathematics and Science: E. Packham, L. M. Boxwell, D. Pink, V. A. Cox, T. J. Tappenden, and E. P. Smith. Mr. H. F. Rawstorne's prizes for French: J. Lee and G. Chignell, A. V. Eade, D. E. Gregory, W. C. Baker, M. R. Nicholson, E. H. Dean-Cooper, Horner (1), and Cheesewright. Mrs. T. H. Harvey's prizes for Latin: G. Chignell, V. A. Cox, F. Parsons. Mr. T. Hale's prizes for reading: R. H. Teek, J. M. Lee, S. S. Smith, A. C. Marsh. Mr. Lusby's prizes for reading: L. Flint, T. C. Holford, A. Wilkie. Mr. Parsons' prizes for spelling (open): D. R. Kirk, R. C. Connolly (under 14), and G. Chignell; Junior Spelling Prizes: H. Martin, A. T. Cheesewright, and R. E. Willcox. Mrs. Bradly's prizes for drawing: R. H. Scott and D. Edmunds. The "Col. Atchison" prizes for good work and general improvement: E. R. Hinxman, E. Croad, and R. L. Marriott. Rev. C. F. H. Connolly's prize for English subjects: R. France. The "Ramsay" Exhibition: E. Packham. "Ramsay" prize: E. R. Hinxman. Col. Stubington's bat for highest average, R. H. Teek (44.9, 12 inns.); bowling average, E. F. Packham, 4.7, 21 wickets; Baker, 5.7, 38 wickets. Mr. Gale's prize for largest number of catches: J. M. Lee. Commander Chads' prize for shooting: R. H. S. Teek.

Certificates were also presented to the following boys who had passed the Oxford Local Examination: Senior: E. F. Packham, Hynes and Hill; Junior: R. H. S. Teek, R. H. Scott, A. J. Harvey, C. Ridsdale, R. C. Connolly, G. Chignell, E. Llewellyn, and A. E. Harvey.

A recitation, a scene from "The School of Scandal," was well given and caused much laughter. S. S. Smith was "Lady Teazle," and J. M. Lee "Sir Peter Teazle."

The Rev. J. E. Tarbat, as Chairman of the Governors, then

delivered an interesting and encouraging address. They were still under the cloud of the great war and yet, he was glad to say, the School had not been affected as much as they had expected it might have been. But the war had made it exceedingly difficult to carry on. They had not been able to enlarge the School to meet the phenomenal growth in the number of boys attending it. That growth showed that the School satisfied a very real want in the district, and that the parents trusted the Governors and realised that the Headmaster aimed at giving a sound education to his boys, and that he sought to bring out what was best in the boys and to give them a good and sound intellectual, physical and moral training. Mr. Bradly aimed at, and had realised, a wonderfully high ideal, and it would be difficult to find a school with such a short existence where such a splendid tone had been created. (Applause.) The Cadet Corps was a valuable institution, and had achieved a great success. There was a great want of discipline among the younger members of the community, and Price's School sought to produce boys who were disciplined both from within and without, and the Cadet Corps was very instrumental, among other things, in inculcating the necessity for self-discipline. There were many things necessary for the national life, and education was one of these. The work of educating the rising generation was at this time more important than ever, and he, on behalf of the Governors, congratulated the Headmaster and Staff for their work. He, personally, felt a deep sense of gratitude to the Headmaster for the magnificent example he had set and for the high ideals he set before him, and which had been realised to such a very remarkable extent. (Applause.)

The song and chorus, "There's a long, long Trail," having been sung, Mr. Sandy proposed a vote of thanks to the Headmaster and Staff for the splendid work they had accomplished during the year, and to the Vicar for the very great interest he had taken in the School as Chairman of the Governors. The vote was warmly accorded, and the proceedings ended with cheers by the boys and the singing of the National Anthem.

A parade of the Cadet Corps was afterwards held in the field under Lieut. Gale. Several drills were carried out very smartly, and a short gymnastic display by a number of the boys, under Sergt.-Instructor Brace, brought the day's proceedings to an end.

Cricket.

P.S.C.C. v. PORTSMOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL FIRST XI.

On Saturday, May 27th, the School First Eleven were at home to Portsmouth Secondary School First Eleven, and a good game resulted in a win for our opponents by 11 runs. The

visitors batted first, but with the exception of Mr. Stocks (15), Mr. Winter (12) and Pamell (10) they did little. On the School going in to bat disaster followed disaster, and Mr. Meadows, Mr. Gale, and Teek were bowled by successive balls from Mr. Hore. Lee and Mr. Bradley made a stand, but both fell victims to Mr. Hore. Some plucky batting by Eade, Baker and Eddowes brought the score to 64 before the last wicket fell. Scores:—

PORTSMOUTH SECONDARY.		P.S.C.C.	
Pamell, c Lee, b Mr. Gale	10	Mr. Meadows, b Mr. Hore	4
Mr. Toogood, b Mr. Gale	3	J. M. Lee, c Winter, b Mr. Hore	5
Mr. Winter, c Eddowes, b Mr. Bradley	12	R. H. S. Teek, b Mr. Hore	0
Mr. Hore, b Mr. Bradley	0	Mr. Gale, b Mr. Hore	0
Mr. Stocks, c Lee, b Packham	15	Mr. Bradley, b Mr. Hore	6
Day, b Mr. Gale	6	F. E. Nugent, c Stoddart, b Mr. Stocks	1
Tims, b Baker	7	A. V. Eade, c Mr. Toogood, b Mr. Hore	14
Stoddart, c Teek, b Mr. Gale	0	C. S. Eddowes, run out	8
Biles, c Mr. Meadows, b Baker	4	C. E. M. Ridsdale, c Mr. Winter, b Mr. Stocks	2
Anderson, run out	6	W. C. Baker, not out	9
Reade, not out	4	E. F. Packham, c & b Mr. Hore	3
Extras	8	Extras	12
Total	75	Total	64

P.S.C.C. AND GROUND v. P.S.S.

Played here on June 24th, resulting in a win for the School by 35 runs. We won the toss, and opened with Lee and Mr. Meadows, but with only 5 runs on the board the former was caught by Mr. Winter, off Mr. Stocks. Teek followed, and 19 runs were added before he was caught at square leg. Mr. Gale joined Mr. Meadows, but without further scoring the latter was caught and bowled by Mr. Hore. Mr. Bradley followed, but with only one run added he was bowled by Mr. Stocks. Nugent joined Mr. Gale, and the score was taken to 36 before the latter was caught off his glove. Baker, Ridsdale and Packham all helped Nugent. The innings closed for 84. Nugent made 34 without giving a chance. The Secondary School innings was a very lifeless affair, none of the batsmen being able to do much against the bowling of Mr. Gale and Mr. Bradley, backed up by the general excellence of the School fielding. Teek, Baker and Ridsdale all made smart catches, as did Nugent behind the stumps. Mr. Stocks and Mr. Winter, and Sims were the only batsmen to get into double figures. The innings closed for 49. Scores:—

The Lion.

P.S.C.C.		P.S.S.	
Mr. Meadows, c & b Mr. Hore	8	Mr. Winter, b Mr. Gale	10
J. M. Lee, c Mr. Winter, b		Mr. Toogood, b Mr. Gale	1
Mr. Stocks	2	Day, c Ridsdale, b Mr. Bradley	2
R. H. S. Teek, c Mumford, b		Mr. Hore, c Baker, b Mr.	
Mr. Hore	10	Bradley	4
Mr. Gale, c Mr. Hore, b Mr.		Mr. Stocks, c Nugent, b Mr.	
Stocks	3	Bradley	16
Mr. Bradley, b Mr. Stocks	1	Anderson, c Baker, b Mr.	
F. E. Nugent, not out	38	Bradley	0
A. V. Eade, c Mr. Winter, b		Reade, c Ridsdale, b Mr. Gale	0
Mr. Stocks	0	Stoddart, c Nugent, b Mr. Gale	1
W. C. Baker, c Mr. Toogood,		Biles, c Teek, b Mr. Bradley	1
b Stoddart	3	Tims, not out	11
C. E. M. Ridsdale, b Mr. Stocks	5	Munford, c Teek, b Mr. Bradley	0
E. F. Packham, c Day, b Mr.		Extras	3
Hore	5		
E. C. Kirk, b Mr. Hore	0		
Extras	9		
Total	84	Total	49

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Mr. Gale	14	7	14	4	3.5
Mr. Bradley	14	3	31	6	5.16

P.S.C.C. v. PORTSMOUTH C.C.

This match was played at Fareham on July 1st, and resulted in a draw. The visitors won the toss, and took first knock on a perfect wicket. Three wickets were down for 39, when Davies and White became associated. Both played sound, though dull cricket, and took the score to 145, when the innings was declared. Mr. Meadows and Lee opened the School innings, but wickets fell quickly, till Mr. Nugent and Captain Wells came together. Both hit hard, and when stumps were drawn the score was 68 for 5 wickets. Scores:—

P.C.C.		P.S.C.C.	
G. E. Davies, not out...	72	J. M. Lee, b Foster	2
F. J. Foster, c Nugent, b Mr.		Mr. Meadows, b Must	0
Edmunds	0	Mr. Edmunds, c Dimmer, b	
J. McKean, c Mr. Gale, b Mr.		Must	2
Bradley	9	Mr. Gale, c Davis, b Foster...	5
G. Phillips, b Mr. Bradley	6	Capt. Wells, not out	24
R. White, not out	50	Mr. Nugent, c Phillips, b Mc-	
Extras	8	Kean	13
		A. V. Eade, not out	6
		Extras	16
Total (for 3 wkts)	145	Total (for 5 wkts.)	68

P.S.C.C. v. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

Played at Fareham on July 5th, and won by an innings and 69 runs. The School batted first, and opened with Harris and Eddowes. With only 8 runs up Eddowes was bowled. Harris was then unfortunately run out through no fault of his own. Four wickets were down for 18, when Lee and Edmunds became associated. A stand was made, and 46 runs added before Edmunds was caught and bowled for 21. Eade joined Lee, and the score was rapidly taken to 100 before the latter, who had just completed his 50, was caught and bowled by Francisco. Lee hit seven boundaries, and gave no chance. Nugent and Eade both hit vigorously, and were not out when the innings was declared, with the score at 158 for seven wickets. St. John's first innings was a mere procession, and closed for 13, Kirk and Teek both bowling well. St. John's followed on, and with the team bowlers resting, managed to reach 76; Francisco and Le-Clerq both batting well. The School fielding was good throughout. Scores:—

P.S.C.C.			
T. M. Harris, run out	...	...	5
C. S. Eddowes, b Hemsley	...	...	1
F. E. Packham, b Francisco	...	...	4
D. Kirk, c Somers, b Hemsley	...	...	3
D. Edmunds, c and b Francisco	...	...	21
J. M. Lee, c and b Francisco	...	...	53
C. E. M. Ridsdale, b Hemsley	...	...	0
A. V. Eade, not out	...	...	33
F. E. Nugent, not out	...	...	30
Extras	...	...	8

Total (for 7 wickets) ... *158

*Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Francisco	...	19	4	42	3 14
Hemsley	...	22	0	88	3 29.3
Heraclio	...	5	2	13	0 0

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

First Innings.			Second Innings.		
Somers, c Kirk, b Teek	...	0	c Nugent, b Lee	...	5
Marcel, b Kirk	...	0	c Harris, b Eade	...	2
Francisco, run out	...	0	c Packham, b Lee	...	23
Otho, b Kirk	...	0	b Lee	...	0
De Clerq, b Teek	...	5	not out	...	32
Hemsley, c Ridsdale, b Kirk	...	7	b Eddowes	...	3
José, c Baker, b Kirk	...	0	c Packham, b Baker	...	5
White, c and b Teek	...	0	c Ridsdale, b Baker	...	0
Heraclio, b Kirk	...	1	c Eade, b Baker	...	0
Broussoir, not out	...	0	b Lee	...	1
Atkins, b Kirk	...	0	b Baker	...	5
Extras	...	0	Extras	...	0
Total	...	13	Total	...	76

The Lion.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		<i>First Innings.</i>				
		O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Teek	...	4	1	7	3	2.33
Kirk	...	3.2	2	6	6	1
		<i>Second Innings.</i>				
Lee	...	6	1	20	4	5
Eade	...	4	0	13	1	13
Harris	...	2	1	7	0	0
Eddowes	...	2	0	14	1	14
Baker	...	3.4	0	10	4	2.25
Packham	...	2	0	7	0	0

P.S.C.C. FIRST XI. v. MIDHURST GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This match was played at Fareham, on July 8th. Lee won the toss, and the School took first innings on a plumb wicket. Lee and Harris were the first pair, and an excellent start was made. Both played carefully, and the score was taken to 25 before Lee was caught at mid-on for 17. Teek joined Harris, but with no addition to the score the latter was caught and bowled by Behn. Nugent followed, but was out l.b.w. first ball. Eade now came in, and a stand was made, the score being taken to 89 before Teek was unlucky in playing on. His 35 included several fine strokes. On being joined by Eddowes, Eade continued to hit fiercely, smiting Tremble for 18 in one over. Eddowes was bowled by Tremble with the score at 122. Ridsdale followed, but with the telegraph showing 143 Eade was bowled by Tremble for a dashing innings of 66, which included one 6 and ten 4's. The innings closed for 152. Watts and Fisher opened the Midhurst innings, to the bowling of Packham (pavilion end) and Baker. Both bowled exceedingly well, and backed up by excellent fielding, made hay of the visitors' batting. The Midhurst innings closed for 28, and they followed on. Baker and Fisher opened the visitors' second venture, to the bowling of Lee (pavilion end) and Kirk. Again the bowling, backed up by splendid fielding, proved too much for the visitors, who were all out for 24, leaving us winners by an innings and 100 runs.

Scores:—

P.S.C.C.

J. M. Lee, c Burrows, b Baker	...	...	17
T. M. Harris, c and b Behn	...	...	8
R. H. S. Teek, b Knight	...	...	35
F. E. Nugent, lbw, b Behn...	...	...	0
A. V. Eade, b Tremble	...	...	66
C. S. Eddowes, b Tremble	...	...	4
C. E. M. Ridsdale, c Watts, b Tremble	...	...	9
W. C. Baker, b Watts	...	...	3
D. Edmunds, c Baker, b Tremble...	...	...	0
E. F. Packham, c Tremble, b Knight	...	...	5
D. Kirk, not out	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	4
Total	...	...	152

M.G.S.			
First Innings.		Second Innings.	
A. F. Watts, b Baker	... .. 0	c Lee, b Kirk	... .. 2
J. M. Fisher, b Baker	... .. 9	c and b Lee	... .. 2
F. E. J. Behn, c Teek, b Packham	... .. 2	c and b Kirk	... .. 9
P. G. Knight, b Packham	... .. 0	c Harris, b Kirk	... .. 2
G. G. Garland, b Packham	... .. 0	b Lee	... .. 0
A. T. Tremble, lbw, b Packham	... .. 3	c Teek, b Kirk	... .. 2
H. J. Wells, b Baker	... .. 0	run out	... .. 0
F. Pennicott, c Eddowes, b Baker	... .. 4	b Lee	... .. 2
R. K. Thorlby, b Packham	... .. 0	not out	... .. 1
H. J. Burrows, not out	... .. 6	b Kirk	... .. 0
R. Baker, c and b Baker	... .. 4	c Teek, b Lee	... .. 2
Extras	... .. 0	Extras	... .. 2
Total	... .. 28	Total	... .. 24

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		<i>First Innings.</i>		R.	W.	Av.
		O.	M.			
Baker	...	6.5	1	14	5	2.8
Packham	...	6	1	14	5	2.8
		<i>Second Innings.</i>		R.	W.	Av.
		O.	M.			
Lee	...	3.3	0	9	4	2.25
Kirk	...	3	0	13	5	2.6

SCHOOL v. OLD BOYS.

On Saturday, July 22nd, the School First Eleven played a team of Old Boys, and won very easily by 165 runs. For the School, Harris played an excellent innings of 100 (not out), and other good innings were played by Lee (35) and Eade (35). Lee declared with the score 206 for 4 wickets. The Old Boys replied with 41. Baker, Kirk and Packham all bowled well, and good catches were made by Lee (3), Teek (1), Baker (1), and Edmunds (1). Scores:—

		P.S.C.C.			
J. M. Lee, b Moody	35	
T. M. Harris, not out	100	
F. E. Nugent, b Moody	11	
R. H. S. Teek, c Mercer, b Moody	4	
A. V. Eade, b Marlow	35	
C. E. M. Ridsdale, not out	6	
Extras	15	

Total (for 4 wickets) ... *206

*Innings declared closed.

Old Boys' score not available.

P.S.C.C. v. SOUTHAMPTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

On Thursday, July 27th, we were at home to Southampton Grammar School. In beautiful weather, a good match ended in a win for the School by 65 runs. The School won the toss, and

Lee elected to bat first, taking Teek to the wickets with him. An excellent start was made, both batsmen hitting cleanly and scoring rapidly. The score was taken to 52 before Lee was out to a very doubtful catch. He had made 28 without chance, and his hits included four boundaries. Teek was soon out for a well played 34, which included three boundaries. Other useful innings were played by Eade (20), Harris (14), Nugent (9), and Kirk (9, not out). The innings closed for 132. The Southampton innings was opened by White (R.F.) and Courtier, to the bowling of Packham and Baker. Neither, however, stayed long, and Browning, who followed, was out to an exceedingly smart catch by Eddowes, at point. Other good catches were made by Eade (2), Harris (2), Ridsdale and Lee. Pelling (27), and Joyce (16), played useful innings for Southampton, who were all out for 67. Baker, Packham and Kirk shared the bowling. The School fielding was excellent. Scores:—

P.S.C.C.		S.G.S.C.C.	
J. M. Lee, c and b Murray ...	28	R. F. White, c Harris, b Baker	2
R. H. S. Teek, c Courtier, b		G. H. Courtier, c Eade, b	
Joyce ...	34	Packham ...	0
F. E. Nugent, b Gross ...	9	B. O. Browning, c Eddowes,	
T. M. Harris, b Gross... ..	14	b Kirk... ..	2
A. V. Eade, b Gross ...	20	J. M. Murray, lbw, b Packham	0
C. S. Eddowes, run out ...	1	W. E. Pelling, b Kirk ...	27
C. E. M. Ridsdale, b Gross ...	4	F. L. Owen, c Ridsdale, b	
D. Edmunds, b Gross ...	4	Packham ...	1
W. C. Baker, c I. White, b		P. H. Joyce, c Harris, b Pack-	
Murray ...	4	ham ...	16
E. F. Packham, b Gross ...	0	F. A. Gross, c Eade, b Kirk...	0
D. R. Kirk, not out ...	9	F. Grimston, c Lee, b Baker...	9
Extras ...	5	E. A. Payne, not out ...	4
		I. White, b Baker ...	0
		Extras ...	6
Total ...	132	Total ...	67

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		S.G.S.C.C.				
		O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
Gross ...	14	3	57	6	9.5	
Murray ...	10.2	1	33	2	16.5	
Joyce ...	7	0	23	1	23	
Payne ...	4	2	7	0	0	
Courtier ...	1	0	7	0	0	
		P.S.C.C.				
Baker ...	8	2	16	3	5.33	
Packham ...	7	3	21	4	5.25	
Kirk ...	5	1	24	3	8	

The members of the First Eleven desire to thank Mr. Gale for his patient and untiring coaching at the nets, and also for the help he has given in preparing pitches. They also desire to thank all Masters who have played in the Club and ground

matches, and to Messrs. Edmunds, Nugent and Wells, who also assisted. On behalf of the First Eleven—(Signed), J. M. Lee (captain), R. H. S. Teek (vice-captain).

JUNIOR CRICKET.

P.S.C.C. SECOND XI. v. EASTMAN'S FIRST XI.

This match was played at School on July 1st, and was won by the School by 66 runs. For the School, Ridsdale (22), Misselbrook (19), and Edmunds ii. (19, not out) batted well. Edmunds ii. and Scott ii. shared the bowling honours. The former took 7 wickets for 16 runs, and the latter 3 wickets for 14 runs. Scores:—P.S.C.C. Second Eleven, 95; Eastman's First Eleven, 29.

On the same day our Fifth Eleven played Eastman's Second Eleven, and won by 26 runs. For us Lewry batted well for 24. He also took five wickets. Scores:—P.S.C.C. Fifth Eleven, 66; Eastman's Second Eleven, 40.

P.S.C.C. SECOND XI. v. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE SECOND XI.

On Wednesday, July 5th, the School Second Eleven played St. John's College Second Eleven, and won by an innings and 151 runs. Connolly (101) and Edmunds (43) batted well for us, and the innings was declared with the score 193 for 5 wickets. St. John's first innings realised only 17. Hoad and Eyles each took five wickets for 7 runs. On going in to bat a second time St. John's made 25. Woodward took 5 for 8.

P.S.C.C. FOURTH XI. v. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE THIRD XI.

On Wednesday, July 5th, our Fourth Eleven played St. John's Third Eleven, and won by 79 runs. Scores:—School Fourth Eleven, 39 (Gregory 9) and 105 (Tappenden 27, Jeffery 18, Shepherd 20). St. John's Third Eleven, 23 and 42.

THE CRICKET SEASON.

It was an unpleasant surprise to hear on coming back for term, that our wicket-keeper and top-average bat was not returning, through illness. We heartily congratulate Harris on his recovery, and on his cricket in the few matches in which he was able to play.

As wicket-keeper we found a useful substitute in Nugent, who showed good form in a not very congenial task. Harris, who kept wicket in the last few games, showed that his eyes and

hands have not lost their cunning. There has been a remarkable increase in the size of the totals this year, compared with last, many scores of 150 and upwards having been made. This is the more satisfactory in that it was due to five or six different batsmen. The highest average, Teek's, is nearly four times that of last season, and Eade, Lee, Nugent and Harris have all done well. Part of this improvement is no doubt due to the pitch, and for this the Eleven is indebted to the rolling teams and to those who volunteered for rolling in the Easter term—perhaps the most important time of all.

The fielding has been good throughout, even in matches where we won rather easily; some of the catches were brilliant, notably one at point, in the last Southampton match. The ground work was very good too, due in no small measure to the greatly improved state of the outfield. In bowling there has been more variety than last year, and Kirk, who was not in the second eleven at the beginning of the season, has been a useful change bowler in more than one first eleven match. Baker and Packham have both done well, and Lee's lobbs proved very successful; he might quite well have tried them when our more regular bowling was collared.

The First Eleven won all their matches except two, which had to be left drawn owing to rain; these two were the regular Southampton matches, and so a third match was arranged, when we had a very fine day and a decisive win.

The Second Eleven did not do so well, which is a pity, as so many of the team are leaving; still, we hope most of the bowling will remain, and the Second has one or two members with promising style in batting, who may come on very much in another year.

In Club and Ground matches the Portsmouth Town team proved rather too strong for us, but we had a splendid game with the 9th Hants., both sides scoring well. It was a pity the return match could not be played; we were all looking forward to that Saturday. Certainly some of us did have a game that day—and are not likely to forget the pitch!

CRITICISMS OF THE XI.

J. M. LEE.—He has been again a most energetic and successful captain. Has usually gone in first and made a good start. Hits hard when set, and has made plenty of runs. Would do still better if he kept the ball down more in driving. Has bowled lobbs occasionally, with great success. A good field at cover.

- R. H. S. TEEK.—He has improved wonderfully in batting and has scored very fast. Has a fine off drive which is well kept down, and has dropped his old habit of playing across a well pitched-up ball. His weakest stroke is an uppish one near third man. Has done excellent work again in the deep field.
- T. M. HARRIS.—Has unfortunately been absent most of the term, through illness, but in the last few matches he showed that he has not lost his form, scoring a century and keeping wicket with his old skill.
- E. F. PACKHAM.—Was not bowling so well as usual at the beginning of the term, but recovered his form later and obtained his wickets very cheaply. Has not had many opportunities of batting. Is a good catch.
- W. C. BAKER.—Has bowled very well, and taken many wickets. His chief fault is a tendency to bowl too much on the leg side. His batting has improved, but he must get out of the habit of hitting across at a well pitched-up ball. Has improved very much in fielding.
- F. E. G. NUGENT.—Has taken up the game with great keenness this year, practising carefully at nets, and in consequence has made great strides as a batsman. Played a most useful and stylish not out innings against the Secondary School. Has worked hard as a wicket-keeper, and made an excellent substitute for Harris.
- A. V. EADE.—Has improved very much in batting, and in the later matches scored freely, chiefly by hard, straight driving. A good field.
- C. S. EDDOWES.—Has an attractive style, and a very straight bat, but is inclined to play too soon at the ball, through nervousness, and so fails to do himself justice. A splendid field at point.
- C. E. M. RIDSDALE.—Plays very straight and has good defence, but would do better if he let himself go more. A very good field and sure catch.
- D. EDMUNDS.—Plays straight for a few balls, but is too impatient, and often loses his wicket by hitting across a well pitched-up ball. Has saved numerous runs by his ground fielding, and is a good catch.
- D. R. KIRK.—Has played in all the later matches, and proved a useful change bowler. He must remember that mere pace in bowling is not so important as variation of pace. A good outfield and throws very straight and hard.

R. C. H. CONNOLLY (12th man).—Has played occasionally. He hits hard, but rather wildly. Is a very useful field and a good catch.

The final team was:—**J. M. Lee (captain), **R. H. S. Teek (vice-captain), **T. M. Harris, **E. F. Packham, **W. C. Baker, *F. E. Nugent, *A. V. Eade, *C. S. Eddowes, C. E. M. Ridsdale, D. Edmunds, D. R. Kirk. **Denotes old colour, *denotes first colour. A.S.G.

BATTING AVERAGES.

Name.	No. of Innings.	Times not out.	Total Runs.	Most in Innings.	Average.
R. H. S. Teek...	13	4	404	74*	44.9
T. M. Harris ...	6	1	142	100*	28.4
A. V. Eade ...	12	4	209	66	26.1
J. M. Lee ...	14	1	303	55*	25.6
F. E. Nugent ...	13	3	155	38*	15.5
W. C. Baker ...	9	4	56	20*	11.2
C. E. M. Ridsdale ..	9	1	51	13	6.5
C. S. Eddowes...	10	0	53	12	5.3
E. F. Packham ...	7	0	35	15	5

Also batted:—

D. Edmunds, 5—1—28—21—7; D. R. Kirk, 5—2—13—9*—4.33; R. C. H. Connolly, 2—1—17—10*—17.

*Signifies not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

Name.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
J. M. Lee ...	24	5	71	18	3.9
E. F. Packham ...	42	15	101	21	4.8
W. C. Baker ...	65	16	200	38	5.3
D. R. Kirk ...	20	4	76	14	5.6
Also bowled:—					
R. H. S. Teek ...	13	4	17	5	3.5
F. E. Nugent ...	2	1	8	2	4
C. S. Eddowes ...	11	3	33	6	5.5
T. M. Harris ...	3	0	9	1	9
C. E. M. Ridsdale ...	5	1	20	1	20
A. V. Eade ...	8	0	46	2	23

First Eleven:—Played, 9; Won, 7; Lost, 0; Drawn, 2; Runs—For 1270, Against 330.

Club and Ground:—Played, 6; Won, 3; Lost, 2; Drawn, 1; Runs—For 685, Against 700.

Second Eleven:—Played, 11; Won, 5; Lost, 5; Drawn, 1; Runs—For 895, Against 585.

Other Elevens:—Played, 9; Won, 17; Lost, 0; Drawn, 2; Runs—For 521, Against 273.

First Eleven Fielding.—J. M. Lee, Catches, 12; R. H. S. Teek, 11; W. C. Baker, 7; E. F. Packham, 6; F. E. Nugent, 6; C. S. Eddowes, 6; T. M. Harris, 5; A. V. Eade, 4; C. Ridsdale, 4; D. Kirk, 2; D. Edmunds, 2.

Football.**PRICE'S SCHOOL FIRST XI. v. WALKER'S COLLEGE.**

This, our opening match of the season, was played on the School ground, on Saturday, September 30th, at 2.15. Great interest was attached to the match, as the School team had only two, Eade and Lee, of last year's team. The game, however, was a hopelessly one-sided affair, and at half-time the score stood:—School 7, Walker's 0. In the second half 7 more goals were added, making the score at the final:—School First XI. 14, Walker's College 0. The scorers for the School were: Eade (4), Etheridge (2), Hoad (2), Lee (2), Baker, Hale (2), and Cox. The School team was: J. M. Lee; T. Hale and J. Bridger; G. Etheridge, D. R. Kirk, and V. A. Cox; W. C. Baker, J. Hoad, A. V. Eade, R. B. Scott, and D. Edmunds.

PRICE'S SCHOOL FIRST XI. v. MILE END HOUSE.

This match was played on our ground on Saturday, October 2nd, and resulted in a draw. In the first half the visitors had slightly the better of the play, and their outside left was in great form, and made several fine runs, and on each occasion wound up with a hot shot, which took Lee all his time to save. Our forwards, however, were not without chances, but they were in poor shooting form, and on two occasions absolutely open goals were missed. The School defence, however, put in some solid work, and it was due to this that the score at half-time stood:—Price's First Eleven 0, Mile End House 0. On re-starting the School played up with vigour, and it was not long before Scott opened the scoring, following a good combined movement by the forwards. Mile End, however, soon equalised, their centre forward scoring from a brilliant centre from the left wing. Hoad, however, put the School ahead, with a clever goal. This reverse stung the visitors, who gave our defence a warm time. Many shots were saved, but eventually their inside right scored with a hot shot from close range. Thus the score was:—School First Eleven 2, Mile End House 2. School First Eleven: J. M. Lee; T. Hale and J. Bridger; G. Etheridge, D. R. Kirk and V. A. Cox; W. C. Baker, J. Hoad, A. V. Eade, R. B. Scott, and D. Edmunds. Referee: Mr. Gale.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

The play of the eleven was neat, though not very dashing. The forwards, particularly Hoad and Edmunds, were good, though Eade would do well to place more reliance on his defence. The halves tackled well, but Cox should clear quicker. The backs were safe, though both should try to cultivate a stronger kick in clearing.

SCHOOL FIRST XI. v. GOSPORT SECONDARY SCHOOL FIRST XI.

This match was played on the School ground, on October 14th. Eade was absent, and Lee acted as captain. He won the toss, and the School played with a strong wind behind them. From the start the School forwards exhibited fine form, and before the game had been in progress ten minutes Hoad put us one up with a clever shot. Edmunds and Scott on the left wing lead up to the next goal, which was scored by Baker. From a good run and centre by Etheridge, Hoad put us three up. After this the visitors made several strong attacks, and Lee saved three shots in quick succession. The School, however, soon got going again, and Kirk scored cleverly. Half-time came with the score:—School First Eleven 4, Gosport Secondary 0. From the re-start it was evident that Gosport, helped by the strong wind, would make a determined fight. This they did, and were attacking for the whole of the second half, subjecting our defence to a rare gruelling. The halves and backs tackled well, however, but Lee had many shots fired in at him. Three of these found the net, but our defence, showing great determination, kept the visiting forwards from adding to their score. The final, after an excellent game, was:—School First Eleven 4, Gosport Secondary 3. School First Eleven: J. M. Lee (captain); T. Hale and J. Bridger; E. F. Packham, D. R. Kirk and V. A. Cox; G. Etheridge, J. Hoad, W. C. Baker, B. R. Scott, and D. Edmunds. Referee: Mr. Gale.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

In the first half, with the wind behind them, our forwards played with great dash, Hoad and Edmunds being the outstanding players. Both the former's goals were beauties. The halves, of whom Packham was the pick, tackled with vigour. The backs, Hale and Bridger, were in good form, though in the second half both gave away too many corners in clearing. For the visitors Sherwin was the best man. Geary, Bulmer and Osborn, however, all did good work.

SCHOOL FIRST XI. v. PORTSMOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL.

This match was played on the School ground on October 21st. The visitors, however, proved much too good for us, and fully deserved their victory. The match was a game of shoot goals between the Portsmouth forwards and Lee, who was incessantly bombarded during the whole 90 minutes. The final was: Portsmouth Secondary School 10, Price's School 0. The School team was: J. M. Lee; J. Bridger and T. Hale; E. F. Packham, D. R. Kirk, and V. A. Cox; G. Etheridge, J. Hoad, A. V. Eade, W. C. Baker and D. Edmunds. Referee: Mr. Gale.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

The visitors played bright, enterprising football, and completely out-played us. The School forwards were poor, Edmunds i. being the only one to show any dash. The halves worked hard, but their clearing was very weak. The backs, Hale and Bridger, got through a great deal of work.

SCHOOL SECOND XI. v. LANGHORNE SCHOOL FIRST XI.

This match was played at School, on October 21st, and an excellent game resulted in a win for the visitors by 3—2. The scorers for the School were Misselbrook and Scott ii. Horner and Eyles were excellent at back, and Lamport did well in goal, though he should have saved one of the shots that passed him. School Second Eleven: Lamport; Horner i. and Eyles; Gregory, Martelli and Edmunds ii.; Jeffery, Scott i. (captain), Misselbrook, Scott ii. and Coles.

SCHOOL FIRST XI. v. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE FIRST XI.

This match was played at Fareham on October 25th, and proved a disastrous affair for the School. After ten minutes' play, with the score 1—1, Eade was hurt, and was eventually compelled to change places with Lee. At half-time the score was:—St. John's First Eleven 7, School First Eleven 1. The School played better after half-time, and the forwards played with dash, Baker scoring after 20 minutes. St. John's, however, scored before the close, Eade being unable to get at the ball owing to his injury. Final score: St. John's First Eleven 8, School First Eleven 2. School First Eleven: J. M. Lee; T. Hale and J. Bridger; E. F. Packham, D. R. Kirk and V. A. Cox; Jeffery, J. Hoad, A. V. Eade, W. C. Baker, and D. Edmunds i. Referee: Mr. Gale.

On the same day our Second Eleven beat St. John's Second XI. by 8—2. The scorers for the School were Misselbrook (5), Scott (2), and Scott i.

Our Sixth Eleven also played St. John's Third Eleven, but suffered defeat by 2—1, after a close game.

SCHOOL FIRST XI. v. PORTSMOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL.

This return match was played at School, on October 28th, and a good game resulted, though misfortune continued to cling to our efforts. After five minutes' play Eade was compelled to leave the field, and in consequence the School played practically the whole match with four forwards. The first half was very

exciting, and though the School defence was severely tried the forwards did some smart attacking. The visitors scored twice, through their centre and inside-right, and they also had many shots saved by Lee. School scored once, through Hoad, who beat the opposing goalkeeper with a good shot. Half-time:—Portsmouth Secondary 2, School 1. In the second half the visitors attacked incessantly, but mainly owing to the great defence of Mr. Johnston, scored only twice, through their outside-left and inside left. The visitors shot with accuracy from long range, and Lee was kept busy to the end. Final:—Portsmouth Secondary 4, School 1. School First Eleven: J. M. Lee; Mr. Johnston and A. V. Eade; E. F. Packham, D. R. Kirk and J. Bridger; Jeffery, T. Hale, J. Hoad, W. C. Baker, and D. Edmunds. Referee: Mr. Gale.

NOTES ON THE GAME.

Hoad and Edmunds were the two best forwards, Baker and Jeffery being too slow. The halves played well, especially Packham. Mr. Johnston, at back, was, as usual, a tower of strength, and Hale also did well when he took Eade's place at back.

Valete.

E. F. PACKHAM, entered 1911. School House. Prefect 1914, Head of the School 1915-1916. Junior Oxford, 1914; Senior Oxford, 1915; London Matriculation, June, 1916. Passed 20th into Sandhurst, September, 1916. Ramsey Exhibitioner, 1916. First XI., Cricket, 1915-16 (colours), average ball, 1915-16. First XI., Football, 1915-16 (colours). First XI., Hockey, 1916 (colours). Corporal, Cadet Corps, 1915; member of shooting XII., 1915-1916; member signalling section. Musketry and Efficiency Badges, 1916. Left October, 1916.

R. H. S. TEEK, entered 1911. School House. Prefect 1915. Head of School House, 1915-1916. Junior Oxford, 1915. Obtained Commission in Royal Marines, passing in 17th on the list, June, 1916. First XI., Cricket, 1914-15-16 (colours 1915-16). Average bat 1916. First XI., Hockey, 1914-15-16 (colours), captain 1915. First XI., Football, 1915-1916, captain 1915. Senior Sergeant in Cadet Corps, 1915-1916. Captain shooting team, 1915-1916; five times winner of Shooting Cup; Musketry and Efficiency Badges, 1916. Sub-Editor of "Lion." Left July, 1916.

F. E. NUGENT, entered 1913. School House. Prefect 1916. First XI., Cricket, 1914-15-16 (colours 1916). First XI., Hockey, 1915-1916, captain 1916. First XI., Football, 1914-1915

(colours 1915). Corporal in Cadet Corps; member of shooting team, Musketry and Efficiency Badges, 1916. Left 1916.

E. R. HINXMAN, entered 1909. Cams House. Prefect 1916. Second XI., Cricket, 1916 (colours). Ramsey prize 1916. Left 1916.

R. C. H. CONNOLLY, entered 1913. School House. Second XI., Cricket, 1915-1916. First XI., Hockey, 1916. Second XI., Football, 1915 (colours). Cadet Corps, Member of Signalling Section; Efficiency Badge, 1916. Left July, 1916.

C. E. M. RIDSDALE, entered 1910. School House. Junior Oxford, December, 1915. First XI., Cricket, 1915-1916. First XI., Football, 1915 (colours). First XI., Hockey, 1916. Lance-Corporal, Cadet Corps; member of shooting team; Winner of Shooting Cup; Musketry Badge, 1916. Left July, 1916.

C. S. EDDOWES, entered 1912. School House. First XI., Football, 1915 (colours). First XI., Hockey, 1916. First XI., Cricket, 1915-1916 (colours 1916). Lance-Corporal in Cadet Corps; member shooting team; Efficiency Badge, 1916. Left July, 1916.

T. M. HARRIS, entered 1911. School House. First XI., Football, 1915-1916 (colours 1916). First XI., Cricket, 1914-15-16 (colours 1915-16). Average bat 1915. First XI., Hockey, 1915-16 (colours). Corporal Cadet Corps; member shooting XII. Left, 1916.

W. V. WOODWARD, entered 1912. Westbury House. Second XI., Cricket, 1915-1916 (colours). First XI., Hockey, 1916 (colours). Second XI., Football, 1915 (colours). Lance-Corporal, Cadet Corps; member of shooting team; Signalling Section, 1915-16; Efficiency Badge, 1916. Left July, 1916.

Corps Notes.

SECTION SHOOTING.

The shooting of the Corps has shown a marked improvement, every section having improved upon its aggregate for last term. The Cup has again been won by Section Four, very closely followed by Number Two. Section Four are to be congratulated on their performance, especially as neither Sergeant Teek or Sergeant Lee shot for them, as in preceding terms.

SERGEANTS UNATTACHED TO SECTIONS.

Sergeant R. H. S. Teek, 276 (300 possible), 1st in Corps.

Sergeant J. M. Lee, 235 (300 possible), 6th in Corps.

- 1st. Section Four (Winners of Cup), obtained 2,200; possible 3,600; 61.1 per cent.
 Cadet Ridsdale, 257 (300).
 Corporal Nugent, 255 (300).
 Lance-Corporal Woodward, 231 (300).
- 2nd. Section Two (Runners-up), obtained 2,144; possible 3,600; 59.55 per cent.
 Corporal Packham, 248 (300).
 Cadet Etheridge, 234 (300).
 Lance-Corporal Harvey, 207 (300).
- 3rd. Section One, obtained 2,097; possible 3,600; 58.25 per cent.
 Lance-Corporal Eddowes, 240 (300).
 Corporal Eade, 234 (300).
 Cadet Chignell, 232 (300).
- 4th. Section Three, obtained 1,904; possible 3,600; 52.9 per cent.
 Cadet Eyles, 192 (300).
 Cadet Horner ii., 176 (300).
 Cadet Hoad, 176 (300).

Section Three were unfortunate in losing their Section Commander, Corporal Harris, through illness, and Cadet Harvey, promoted to Lance-Corporal in Section Two. The loss of these N.C.O.'s accounts for their position.

The following Recruits have joined the Corps:—Smith iii., Adams ii., Shatford, Swinstead, Cure, Swaffield ii., Whittaker, Evans, Martelli, Grove, White, France, Bell i., Bone ii., Patenden and Flower. The strength of the Corps is now 64.

J. M. L. (Sergeant).

Chronicles of a Southern County School, 1923.

The Two Hours a Day Workmen's Bill has recently been declared by the House of Lords to apply to Schools, with the result that the Time-table has been considerably altered. The periods are now of fifteen minutes' duration, with an interval of ten minutes' fresh air between each (ordered by the Local Inspector of Health). All home-work has been abolished by a Select Committee of the Sixth Form II. Early this term a new master, unconscious of the Medo-Persian decree, ventured to set the Second Form five lines of repetition home-work, and paid the

penalty at sun-down, from the Form monoplane, at 10,000 feet into the Solent. The vacancy on the staff is still open (heavy-weights only need apply).

By the kindness of a Governor, who wishes to remain anonymous, aeroplanes have been provided for all members of the Corps over the age of six. The top dormitory also have been provided with gliders to enable all members to reach school without the inconvenience of the playground mud.

The First and Second Forms have been fitted with silencers. Football and cricket have been discontinued, as both were found to spoil the eye and nerve for flight; Tiddliwinks and the national game of bumble puppy have been substituted. Each boy's private suite of rooms has been fitted with a lift from the kitchens to obviate the unreasonable inconvenience of breakfast in Hall.

FUTURIST.

In Memoriam.

HAROLD PEARCE, Corporal, Australian Imperial Force, died July 21st, 1916. Pearce entered the School in 1908, and left in 1911. He went to Australia, and immediately on the outbreak of the war he gave up a good post and enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force. He served for some time in Egypt, and was later transferred to France. He was wounded, and taken prisoner, and died in Germany, on July 21st, 1916.

E. S. P. HYNES, School House, 1911-15; Sandhurst, 1915. Second-Lieutenant, East Kent Regiment (the Buffs.), attached to R.F.C., July, 1916. Became a fully qualified pilot in September, and at once sent to France, where he was killed instantaneously in a flying accident a few miles from Bethune. His Commanding Officer said of him: "I considered him the best of the younger pilots." Those of us who knew him will not easily forget his quiet unassuming manner, and his readiness at all times to help in whatever way he could. His influence was always for good, and in the death of Patrick Hynes the School has suffered a severe loss.

Old Boys' News.

We have had visits from the following this term:—

Heath, who was partly buried for three days, near Ypres.

Beattie i. and ii., who are in the Canadian Force.

Higgins, on leave owing to shell shock.

M. R. Coghlan, since gone to France, where he promptly caught influenza.

Sims, who has gone to France as a bombardier in the 5th Hants.

R. A. Hunter.

E. F. Packham has been awarded a Prize Cadetship of £100 at Sandhurst.

On Active Service.

Mr. Huggins has been awarded the Military Cross, and promoted to the rank of Captain.

Mr. Shaddock is now in Mesopotamia.

School News.

The following have been appointed Monitors: G. Chignell, A. J. Harvey, and R. H. Scott.

A. V. Eade has been elected Captain of Football, and R. H. Scott Captain of the Shooting XII.

The following are the School Officers for the year:—

Head Monitor, J. M. Lee.

Head of School House, R. H. Scott.

Head of Cams House, J. M. Lee.

Head of Westbury House, A. V. Eade.

Captain of Cricket, J. M. Lee.

Captain of Hockey, not yet appointed.

Captain of Football, A. V. Eade.

Captain of Shooting Team, R. H. Scott.

Sub-Editor of "Lion," J. M. Lee.

The following are the representatives on the Games' Committee: Upper Fifth, all the Monitors; Lower Fifth, W. C. Baker; Fourth, Eyles; Third, Edmunds ii.; First and Second, Darking.

The following new boys have entered this term: Whitaker, Martelli, Ralls, Taulbot, Tatford, Mould, Budden, Cooper, Smith iv., Croad ii., Bone ii., Evans, Green, Shatford, White, Eyles ii., Birks, Queisser, Mogdridge, Brown, Ley, Drury, Bulstrode ii., Grinstead ii., Maffey, Pyle.

On November 18th the following Football Colours were awarded:—

First XI., D. Edmunds and T. Hale.

Second XI., Martelli, Ethridge Scott ii., Eyles, Lampport, Cox ii., Edmunds ii., Horner i., Misselbrook, Kirk and Gregory.

Third XI., Chignell, Flint, Horner ii., Cheesewright, Pearce i. and Hyde.

There are now 139 boys in the School. This number constitutes a record.

The Term ends on Wednesday, December 20th, and next Term begins on Wednesday, January 18th, 1917, boarders return 17th.

Successes gained in Public Examinations since August, 1915.

E. S. P. Hynes, passed 27th into Sandhurst, October, 1915.

E. F. Packham, London Matriculation, June, 1916. Passed 20th into Sandhurst, September, 1916, obtaining second place in Science and fourth place in Mathematics.

R. H. S. Teek, obtained 17th place for Commission in Royal Marines, being placed 7th in English and 11th in Mathematics on the list.

G. Chignell, Senior Oxford, July, 1916.

J. M. Lee, Senior Oxford, July, 1916.

A. J. Harvey, Senior Oxford, July, 1916.

A. V. Eade, Senior Oxford, July, 1916.

C. E. M. Ridsdale, Junior Oxford, December, 1915.

L. M. Boxwell, Junior Oxford, July, 1916.

D. Gregory, Junior Oxford, July, 1916.

N. J. Mitchell, 33rd place out of 104 candidates in examination for Dockyard Apprentices, August, 1916.

L. M. Boxwell, Admiralty Qualifying Examination for Boy Artificers, November, 1916.

Gossip Column.

Why is it that fellows take so little interest in the School matches? There are scarcely ever more than twenty or thirty along the touch-line, and the majority of these are playing at "catch-as-catch-can." They cheer when the team is winning, and are silent when it is losing. If there is a time when a team wants bucking up it is when it is losing. A winning team needs very little encouragement. We can well remember in our own school days how a Prefect used to pace up and down the line, and woe betide anyone who did not cheer! We draw a veil over the sequel. Every boy here can watch at least half the game, and in these days when games are not compulsory there is no earthly reason why *every* boy should not follow the course of the game from the beginning to the end. During a match this term, a Prefect, who was playing, went up to some boys (at

half-time), who were playing the fool in another part of the field and said, "Why don't you come and cheer us?" (The team was being badly beaten). "Go back and win," was the reply, "And then we will come and cheer." Time forbade the Prefect from executing summary justice! Comment is superfluous. Let us hope that we shall not have to refer to this subject again.

The cricket season of 1916 will go down to posterity as the most notable in the annals of the School. For a school team to go through a season unbeaten is a great achievement, whatever the particular game may be, and at cricket it is perhaps more remarkable than in any other branch of sport, as there so much usually depends on the surroundings in the way of weather and so forth. We may, therefore, congratulate our eleven of last term most unreservedly on their fine record, as not only did they win every one of the games against other schools, which came to a finish, but also of those left drawn, not one could be said to look unfavourable. Turning to individual successes, the two most striking features were Teek's batting and Baker's bowling. Teek was truly a tower of strength; he has all the making of a first class batsman. Baker ought to make a first class bowler, he has a good, clean swing, with considerable power over the ball, with moreover a break from leg at times. Lee, as Captain, was as keen as ever, he developed into quite a useful lob bowler, and might with advantage have been utilised more often than he was; as Captain he should certainly have had some lessons in tossing before the season began, but after all his eccentricities did no harm, and we forgive him. Our fielding was almost always good, and on occasions brilliant things were done. We must not forget to give Nugent a word of praise, for his work behind the sticks, where he invariably did his level best in that most trying of positions. One more word may be added, and that is a word of unqualified satisfaction with the wickets on which the matches were played; they were as near perfection as human hands could make them, and our thanks for this are due to Mr. Gale for his untiring work in this respect. Out in all weathers, and at all times, he contributed in no small degree to the success of the team.

Just as the First Eleven will go down as the best on record, so will the Second XI. be remembered as the worst. It excelled itself in general slackness. With the exception of Edmunds ii. and Misselbrook, no one seemed to have the most remote idea of playing the game. Catches that anybody could hold were invariably missed. No one seemed to care whether the side won or lost; while their antics in the field, at least of the majority, when they were *supposed* to be intent upon the game, were more worthy of infants in a kindergarten. It is as

well to remember that if the first two or three of your adversary's wickets do fall cheaply, the game is by no means won. On several occasions the team had the game in its hands, and then threw it away by sheer stupidity. It is *always* unwise to underrate the ability of one's opponents.

The outlook for the Hockey season is not very bright. Of last year's team we have only one colour left, namely, Lee, our goalkeeper. This means that the team will be quite new to serious hockey, and as all the matches will be against men we shall need a team keen and eager to do its best. The Captain, whoever he may be, will have a difficult task before him. Let us, however, remember that the prospects of the cricket season of 1915 were far from rosy. That team, although it started with not a single old colour, developed into a good all-round eleven. Keeness was its keynote. Let keenness be the watchword of the 1917 hockey eleven. If each member does a little then all will be well.

We do indeed live in stirring times. As if the war were not exciting enough, some enterprising spirits are providing us with further stimulants in the shape of weird and wonderful secret societies. Truly the glamour of the East, that home of mystics, is upon us. We have "The League of the Golden Button," a real Chinese sounding title, and "The Guild of the Sacred Pin." By means of our energetic staff we have been enabled to fathom something, though not much, of the workings of these mysterious societies. The Buttonites, six in number, are a motley crew, conspicuous as they are by a gilt paper fastener, tastefully adorning the lapel of their coat. Their leader is a youth famous for his rustling propensities. He seems to have more money than brains. His first favourite and Lord of the Larder—note the Oriental touch—is no less a personage than the midget of the top Form. This August Mite is adorned with no less than two buttons, to show, no doubt, that, unlike his brother satellites, he is *not* a button short. He, we are informed, brews a concoction, the ingredients of which consist of a famous powder. With this he regales the sextette when they have "done themselves too proud," on a milk chocolate luncheon, thoughtfully provided by the Founder of the tribe. They are indeed a motley collection, two-thirds being of a dunn green colour. We hope they will not find themselves done brown!

The "Pinnites," a somewhat larger body, are still more mysterious in their methods, and are apt to get the needle on the slightest pretext. Our information as to their doings is but meagre, and chiefly gained by lurking in draughty corners. The

initiation into this select circle, which, it is whispered, numbers more than one golden haired goddess, is almost religious in its solemnity. We have come upon guilty-looking couples hanging about unfrequented spots, and this is what has been wafted to our ears: "You must swear." "Must I?" "Yes, on the Holy Bible." "Now say it," then in a whisper more like a groan, "I swear on the Holy Bible," and so on. There seems, to the uninitiated, no limit to the number of pins worn by this valiant host. We, however, cannot help noticing that the less brainy youths appear to be veritable walking pin-cushions. Obviously the pins are for sharpening their wits, as the "One Pinners" are "very few and far between." It is obvious too that the members of this league comprise some of the laziest slackers in the School. We would, however point out that if the energies of these two societies were diverted into other channels, such as a little more spirit in work and in games, the members would be all the better for it, and would see in time what a set of drivelling idiots they are making of themselves.

We are glad to say that, as the outcome of a lecture delivered in the Big School on November 21st, a War Savings Association has been formed, and that the shekels are rolling in steadily. It is quite time that youngsters realised that they, as well as their parents, are called upon to exercise a little self denial for the good of the community. The amount of pocket money that some individuals possess is so vast that they can afford to lose small sums without noticing it. One bright youth, we have in our mind, spent, at the tuck shop, until quite recently, daily sums of money varying from ninepence to eighteen-pence. This seems to us positively disgraceful. This individual and his "golden buttonites" seem to believe that it is more blessed to receive than to give. We hope that they will come to see the error of their ways.

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