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Editorial.

There is but little to record concerning the past term, which has been uneventful, though not monotonous. The one day in the term which was really noteworthy was, of course, the Anniversary of Armistice Day, November 11th. An account, supplied by a member of the Sixth Form, of what took place at the school on that day, will be found elsewhere.

We have the pleasure of welcoming two new masters to the staff—Mr. G. H. Bacon and the Rev. W. Pierce Owen.

It is with great regret that we record the retirement of Dr. Brown, who has been Science Master at the School since 1893. We hope he may live long to enjoy his leisure, and our very best wishes go with him.

Our numbers continue to increase. A glance at the "School Notes" will show that the "Salvetes" are very much in excess of the "Valetes." There is a rumour to the effect that new buildings will be erected before long, to cope with this increase in numbers.

The Magazine, thanks to various subscribers, and to the Governors' grant of £10 a year, is now in an almost flourishing condition. The examination of one's pass-book is too often a most depressing pursuit, but as regards the Magazine it is quite encouraging.

In Memoriam.

It is with great sorrow that we have to record the death of Cecil H. Crosby, at the early age of 39. He was suffering from pneumonia, and appeared to be making good progress towards recovery, when he suddenly collapsed, from heart failure, on December 24th.

A large number of Old Boys attended the funeral.

Boys, who were at the School in the nineties, will remember him as the life of his Form—always cheerful and good tempered, and a splendid draughtsman.

He was in the 1st XI. both at cricket and football. On leaving school to work with his father, he still found time for athletic pursuits, representing the town at hockey

and footer, and was one of the "stars" of the Farnham Gymnasium, then at the height of its fame.

When war broke out he joined the Farnham Company of the 3rd Surrey Volunteers, and was one of its smartest and keenest members.

He never forgot his old school, and many will remember the trouble he took with our Bombing Squad, and how he prepared and presented to us our first Landscape Targets. He will be sorely missed.

We tender our sincere sympathy to his wife and little ones.

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School Notes.

ANNIVERSARY OF ARMISTICE DAY, Nov. 11th, 1919.

At prayers in the morning, the Headmaster read the King's Letter, and informed us that the School would obey the instructions contained therein.

Accordingly, at about twenty minutes to eleven, the School assembled in the Big Hall, where, until the appointed hour of eleven o'clock, the Rev. H. Durrant spoke to us of the almost endless miles of small wooden crosses, which mark the last resting place of so many of our bravest and best, in France and Belgium. He told us also to remember, in our two minutes of silent meditation, the relatives of those dead heroes.

At eleven o'clock, when the hooters and sirens in the district warned us that the time for silence had come, Mr. Durrant held up his hand, and the silence which followed was one which could be felt. It was an impressive two minutes, and all the boys seemed to feel the solemnity of the occasion.

That part of the ceremony being over, Mr. Durrant began his lecture on the League of Nations, the substance of which is given below.

President Wilson did not originate the idea of a League of Nations, but it has been present throughout the ages, now and again manifesting itself on a small scale, in the attempt, on the part of three or four nations, to unite and crush others. The present day conception of the League of Nations, however, does not include domination of the world by force of arms, but is that of a system of world-government which would benefit every individual member.

In our government of India we have educated only the higher castes, entirely forgetting the lower ones. Conse-

quently, when these latter gain sufficient knowledge to understand how they have been slighted, they will rise in righteous indignation, and flow over the earth in a destructive torrent.

China, too, is as yet undeveloped. She has a population the correct census of which has never been taken, and which consists of countless millions. Moreover, she has sufficient coal to supply the whole of the manufactories of England for a long time. Thus, neither India nor China can be disregarded in the formation of a League, as both require only education to make them a terrible menace to the rest of the world.

In this and other ways the Lecturer illustrated the futility of any League which did not include all nations.

The lecture ended, the School dispersed, and the afternoon was devoted to football, some of the inter-House matches being played off.

A.H.

Salvete.—Abbott, Bradley, Bushell, Chennells, Conduit (b), Cook (b), Doman, Eggett (a), Eggett (b), Eggett (c), Ennals, Gidney, Hall, Hillyer, Hurdwell (b), Kemp, Keyworth (b), Kingcome, Larn, Leeming (b), Mackay, Marks, McGrath, Munfield, Murley, Pearce, Peters, Phillips(c), Pink (b), Reed, Russell (b), Ryall, Sherrington (b), Spreadbridge, Stemp, Stiff, Stoye, Stovold (a), Stovold (b), Strachan, Swann, Taylor (c), Turk, Usher, Whetman, Wetton, Wearing.

Valete.—E. Barnard, Caswell, Cox, Godefroy, Harvey, Hills, C. H. Pearson, Randall, Read, Retallack.

Football Colours were awarded to Norris, Jarvis, Russell, Husted, Whetman, Caswell, Turk.

The Prefects last term were : S. P. Evemy, C. H. Falkner, C. Fisher, C. E. Jarvis, S. F. Follett. Norris is captain of football and Russell secretary.

On the last day of the term Dr. Brown, whose retirement has been mentioned elsewhere, was presented with a cheque—a slight token of the esteem in which he was held by all members of the school, boys and masters. For 27 years Dr. Brown has given of his best to the school, and his retirement will be felt as a real loss for some time to come.

News of Old Boys.

Mr. Stroud has received the following letter from Capt. S. Dudley, who left the School just before the outbreak of war. Capt. Dudley is at present in India, and writes as follows :—

“ Just a line to let you know I am still enjoying an Irishman’s holiday, on the Indian front this time. We have been hard at it since May, and during the hot weather it was not everything one would wish for. A temperature of 120 degrees, and 20 miles a day, with an occasional skirmish thrown in, put most of us in hospital. . . . This show is likely to fizzle out. Many sections of the tribesmen have agreed to our terms. The Afridis have come in as a body and asked for pardon. They are to be debarred from service in the Regular I.A., which will indeed hit them hard, as at one period of his life almost every man put in some service. I am now a Captain, and have been given the M.C.—quite swollen-headed in fact.”

It should encourage the Remove to hear that one of its former members is now a Bishop. Cyril Garbett, the new Bishop of Southwark, was at the School in the nineties. He was, we are told, distinguished for his excellent Essays and his love of History.

The Last Fight of Sergt. R. B. Pollard.

We have been asked to insert the following account of the last fight of Sergt. R. B. Pollard, whose death in action in Palestine took place towards the end of 1917. The account, we presume, was written by a comrade of Sergt. Pollard’s.

From Beersheba we marched into the hills in the direction of Sheria. We lay in a wadi in the front of this place for two days, and in the early hours of November 3rd (Saturday) orders came for us to move. Provided with two bottles of water per man, a forced march was made in an easterly direction. The country over which we marched was hilly and without roads, and to add to our discomfort the heat was intense. Ultimately we arrived before the Turks’ positions at Tel el Kheuwelphie.

It is well to mention here that up to this point not one of us had an inkling that we were going into an attack on the Turks. The majority were under the impression that the enemy was further back.

However, just before sundown we relieved the Australians, who, by the way, had followed the Turks from Beer-sheba, and proceeded to make an attack. Unfortunately we were not sure of the enemy's position, yet everything pointed to the fact that he was in a strong position, with a good number of machine guns.

We did not reach our objectives, and the darkness caused us to withdraw slightly. We sustained a few casualties, and Sergt. Pollard came through safely.

That night we slept in a wadi about a thousand yards in front of the Turks. At dawn the next morning, about 5 o'clock (Sunday, November 4th, 1917), supported by a short, sharp artillery bombardment, which, however, proved to be ineffective, we again "went over." The attack was made in waves, and our platoon, which included Sergt. Pollard, was in the second wave. We felt very determined because we realised we had to take the wells the enemy was holding, for the water meant so much to us.

It was evident that the Turks expected our coming, and were fully prepared for it. We had to advance over two hills covered with rocks. The first was negotiated successfully with the loss of only a very few men, but on reaching the top of the second hill we received the full force of the enemy's fire. The light was then increasing, and every minute show(ed) us up more plainly to the enemy.

We began to lose men rather heavily, and to make matters worse our two officers were wounded, one of whom managed to get back, but the other officer, Lieut. Darlington, who was badly hit, could not carry on. He then told Sergt. Pollard to take command, which he did. Sergt. Pollard was calm, and gave orders clearly and without hesitation, and it was mainly through him we remained steady. Our position became untenable, and after a short time the order came to withdraw. We slipped down the hill quickly, and it was in the gully between this hill and the next hill that some of us remained, while the rest proceeded to climb the next hill. The latter course was indeed very risky, because it exposed them to enfilade fire. Unfortunately, Sergt. Pollard was one who went up this particular hill, and it was here, I much regret to say, he met his death. A bullet struck him in the side of the head, and death must have been instantaneous.

I myself remained in the gully and it was from this position I saw Sergt. Pollard fall. The little party of us in the gully waited till dark and then escaped to our lines.

The Lost Race.

I.

Bob Halthrop and Jim Robins were staying for their summer holidays at the little village of Ketching, on the south coast. They were chums, and both went to Granville School.

Now it chanced that one of their schoolfellows, Bartholomew Doodle, was also staying at the same village. He was a young gentleman, who imagined himself to know more about science than anyone else in the universe. In fact, he had often been heard to say that he would like to change places with Mr. Ferrett, the science master.

He had come down to Ketching to explore the caves which honeycombed the cliffs, about three miles from the village, hoping to find something about them which would make him famous. He did not know that any other boy from Granville was staying in the neighbourhood, although both Bob and Jim knew that he was there, and thought they might get some good fun at his expense.

II.

About a week after he had come down to Ketching, Master Doodle, or "The Professor," as his schoolfellows called him, went down to the caves for a day's exploration. He had wandered a long way through the caves, and had just thought of turning back towards his lodgings, when he heard a strange noise, proceeding from round a bend in the underground passage, in which he was standing. At first he was rather frightened, but curiosity overcame fear, and he looked cautiously round the corner.

The sight which greeted his eyes rather astonished him, for what he saw was a donkey, with a piece of brilliant red ribbon round its neck, from which hung a three-cornered stone, with a hole through it. He stood staring for a few minutes, when, to his consternation and dismay, the donkey appeared to say to him: "Why dost thou trespass on her Majesty the Empress D'Enquinapolis' country?"

He was inclined to turn and run, when he heard this, but once more the donkey spoke: "Nay, fear not, for I am Her Majesty's most humble servant, and will intercede for thy life, if thou wilt come with me, peacefully, to the Empress, and explain thy presence in her realms."

The Professor, brightening at the thought that he had discovered a new race of beings, and would make his name

famous in the science world, by reason of his discovery, followed, saying that he would come if the donkey would assure him that no danger would befall him. The donkey gave the required assurance, and they proceeded.

III.

Suddenly the donkey sniffed the air, and started to trot down the passage. He began to talk once more :—

“ As thou seem'st a stranger in this our land, I had better tell thee the ancient customs of our race—customs which the Royalty still keep up. When a person is presented for the first time at Court, he is, by custom, blindfolded, at least one hundred hoof-paces from the Court, because in olden time there was a danger of rebels finding out the secret paths by which the Court was approached, and so the law was made that no-one could approach within one hundred hoof-paces of the presence of the reigning sovereigns, unless blindfolded. Then when you are before Her Majesty, you must kneel and kiss her hand. Your eyes are then uncovered, and you must sit at her feet silent until she chooses to speak. Then you are at liberty to explain why you have trespassed on Her Imperial Majesty's domains.

Doodle promised to obey the rules, thinking that anything was worth doing so long as his name was made. It was now about 9 o'clock, and a cloudy night, with no moon shining. After a time the donkey said it was time to cover his eyes, whereupon the “Professor” produced a handkerchief, and blindfolded himself.

They advanced, and presently the “Professor” felt a rush of cool, fresh air, and asked whence it came. The donkey replied that it was an opening which let light and air into the passage, just before coming to the royal cave. He asked Doodle to wait there a few minutes, and presently he thought he heard the donkey talking to somebody. Soon the donkey returned and told Doodle to follow him to the royal cave. They went forward about twenty-five paces, and then they heard a sound like a pig trying to bray. The donkey brayed in answer, and whispered to Doodle that this was a secret code used only between the Empress and her Ministers.

The Professor then heard the donkey push something (evidently some kind of door), and they entered a gloomier darkness than they had been in before. He was told to kneel down and kiss Her Majesty's hand. He heard the door close, and felt around for the hand of the Empress, and

received a cold, clammy hoof to kiss. He took the bandage from his eyes, and saw in the gloom the shape of a large pig's head. He sat still, as he had been told, although he did not feel at all comfortable.

He sat waiting for the Empress to speak, thinking she would never do so, and not noticing that she was asleep. The donkey had left the cave, and was evidently in the passage outside waiting for orders, and presently Doodle fell asleep.

IV.

He awoke with a start, and saw a red-faced farmer before him, with a pitchfork in his hand. The farmer seemed in a bad temper, and asked him what he meant by passing the night in his pig-sty. Doodle said that he did not know he was in a pig-sty, at which the farmer said that if he didn't know what a sty looked like he ought to. He then picked up Doodle and deposited him on the other side of the fence surrounding a farm, and told him to be about his business.

Doodle went home feeling dazed and wondering how in the world he had got into the sty. When he reached his lodgings the landlady would not at first let him in, until Doodle proved that he was her lodger, when she passed out a bucket of water and some soap and told him "for goodness' sake to wash himself and get that horrid smell off him before coming into her house."

He did so, and going up into his room and changing into clean clothes (his others were ruined beyond repair), he sat down to consider how he had got into the sty.

After an hour's hard thinking, it dawned upon him that he might have been the victim of a practical joke, and that his "new race" was some make-up for his benefit. Who the perpetrators of the joke were he could not think. He decided to keep his visit to the cave a secret at school.

V.

That morning Bob Halthrop and Jim Robins sat at breakfast laughing over some secret.

"No, I don't think he'll bother us any more with his new discoveries," said Jim.

"That he won't!" said Bob. "Wasn't it fun my being a bit of a ventriloquist, and that opening from the cave being near to Giles' farm?"

"Yes," answered his chum, "and I wonder if old Farmer Giles will guess what we borrowed his donkey for?"

VI.

Next term, although the "Professor" kept his secret, somehow it got about the school. He never could find out who had played the trick, and who had told the school about it.

G.B.

Football.
HOUSE MATCHES.**SCHOOL HOUSE v. CHILDE.**

Wednesday, October 15th.

A rather one-sided game, School being much the better side, and play was almost entirely in the Childe half. School were superior chiefly in the forward line. Their forwards had by far the better idea of how to combine, and they swung the ball about in quite good fashion. Childe were badly served at half, the wing halves, though playing a good game, had no idea of backing up their forwards, and several promising openings were thus missed. The game ended in a win for School by 7 goals to 1. Scorers: School, Deathe 3 (one penalty), Jarvis 2, Simmonds 2. Childe: Rushton 1 (Fawcett being nowhere in evidence).

MORLEY v. HARDING.

October 15th.

A very good game, both sides having a fair idea of good football. Morley were the heavier, and their forwards combined better. Their weakness lay in front of goal; many times the ball was taken up the field in splendid fashion, but no good resulted owing to poor shooting. Had it not been for this very evident weakness, the score in their favour would have been much heavier. Their right wing was very much in evidence in second half, and most of the goals resulted from the good play of Russell (b) and Keyworth. Harding played well and never gave up worrying their opponents. Their forwards were quick, and snapped up every chance that came their way. Result: Morley, 5; Harding, 2. Scorers: (Norris 3, Russell (b) 1, Keyworth 1), Morley; (Vanner 1 (penalty), Thompson 1), Harding.

SCHOOL v. MASSINGBERD.

October 22nd.

School settled down at once, and became aggressive, and Massingberd's defence were hard put to it to keep them out. The School H. were not to be denied, and following a big kick by Brown, Jarvis secured, and scored No. 1. Still keeping up the pressure, they soon obtained No. 2 through Simmonds, from a centre by Young. The score at this period would have been greater but for the splendid play of Caswell in goal. He is quite a "find." Massingberd had got together by this time, and their forwards, though small, now became more aggressive, and worried the School defence very considerably. From one of their attacks, Barnard (b) shot well, and Fawcett got to the ball, but failed to keep it from just crossing the line, and so Massingberd got No. 1. After the interval Massingberd attacked at once, and were rewarded by Barnard (a) scoring No. 2. This woke up the School, who attacked hotly, and soon Waters put them ahead again, No. 3. The game now became of a very even nature, both sides attacking well. During one of the attacks by Massingberd, Sur-

rage handled in the penalty area, and Read again brought the scores even. Even play continued, the defence on both sides being kept busy. Near the end of the game Jarvis got away and scored with a fine shot, and so the game ended in favour of School by 4-3.

MORLEY v. MASSINGBERD.

Tuesday, November 11th.

Morley asserted their superiority from the commencement, and the game was not very old before Husted scored with a shot that Caswell made a good attempt to save. Retaining the control of the game, Morley continually attacked Massingberd's goal, but good goal-keeping by Caswell and poor shooting by Morley forwards kept these attacks from materialising. However, one of their attacks proved more successful, for Caesar put on the finishing touch, and scored No. 2. No further scoring took place in first half. The second half was much the same as the first, all Massingberd's efforts being neutralised by the Morley halves, Husted being much too good for them. Morley again had most of the play, and succeeded in scoring two more goals through Husted and Norris, and so the game ended in favour of Morley by 4-0.

CHILDE v. HARDING.

November 11th.

Childe settled down quickly, and badly outplayed Harding at first, and before long were two goals up, through White. This woke up Harding, who now had more of the game. During one of their attacks Turk unfortunately handled in the area, and from the penalty Vanner scored. Spurred on by this success, in a few minutes Pink (b), who was playing a very hard game, forced his way through and made matters even. The second half was evenly fought out, both sides attacking in turn, but the defences proved the stronger, and nothing further was scored, and the game ended in a draw, 2-2.

MORLEY v. CHILDE.

Childe were weakened by the non-appearance of Turk, and Morley had nearly all the game, and Husted opened the score quite early. Childe were quite unable to get going, all their efforts being frustrated by Husted and Russell, and so the game was almost wholly in the Childe half. Husted, by judicious backing up, scored three times, and Norris was successful once. Many good chances were missed by Morley, owing to hesitation and poor shooting. For Childe, White tried hard to break away, but was not successful. Result: Morley, 4; Childe, 0.

SCHOOL HOUSE v. HARDING.

Harding were weak owing to several of their team not turning up, and so School House had matters pretty much their own way, and won easily by 5-1. Harding played up in a very plucky manner, and never gave in. Their little forwards deserve praise for the determined way they worried the School halves. Pink (b) led them nobly. Vanner scored their only goal from a penalty, given against Stacey for handling in the area. Simmonds 3, Deathe, and Jarvis (a) scored for the School House.

MASSINGBERD v. HARDING.

Won by Harding by 1-0. This proved to be a good game, with plenty of excitement. It was vigorously fought out to the very end. Massingberd owed their defeat to lack of finish among the forwards, who failed to make use of the openings made for them by their

halves, of whom Joyce was the pick. Harding (a) played well for his house, and scored the only goal.

CHILDE v. MASSINGBERD.

An even game, which ended in a draw of one all. The defence on both sides held the upper hand, and most of the play was in the centre of the field. Childe scored first, and held the lead for some time, but eventually Massingberd equalised.

SCHOOL HOUSE v. MORLEY.

The game between these Houses was anticipated with great interest, as each had won all their previous games. The game opened in a most sensational manner, for almost at once the School forced a corner, which was beautifully placed by Jarvis, and Keyworth, Morley's goalie, in saving drew it over his line, and the School was one up. From the kick-off they came away again, and following a fumble by the backs, Simmonds scored No. 2. Thus in about three minutes the School were leading by two goals. This woke Morley up, and they began to take a larger share of the game, but for some time they were unable to get away. Then Norris was sent away by Husted, and breaking right through, he scored No. 1. Soon after the same player received the ball, and made the scores even. Morley were now playing much better, and following another good run by Norris, his centre was improved upon by Russell (b), and Morley took the lead. The game was now being fought out in a very keen fashion, and both defences were kept busy. Jarvis and Waters for the School were a source of danger to Morley, and tried hard to get through, but their centres went astray, and half-time came with Morley leading by 3—2. The second half began much the same as the first, in that the School House took up the running and pressed heavily, but Husted and Russell were playing a great game and cleared well. Then Morley again asserted themselves, and the game went rapidly from end to end, but without result. After an attack by School, Cæsar broke away and ran well up; he put in a good shot, which Dashwood stopped, but in clearing the ball struck Russell (b) in the face and rebounded into the net, putting Morley two ahead. The School made strenuous efforts to reduce the lead, and really were unfortunate in seeing one or two good shots go astray, and on another occasion Keyworth fisted away in fine fashion with all the forwards on him. Next Norris (a) broke clean through, but lost the ball, which went behind. During the last five minutes the School had two splendid opportunities of scoring, but their shots just went wide, and time came with Morley winners by 4—2.

HOUSE TABLE.

		Pts.	Goals	Goals
		For	Agst.	
Morley	..	8	17	4
School	6	18	9
Harding	..	3	6	12
Childe	2	4	14
Massingberd	..	1	4	10

SCHOOL MATCHES.

SCHOOL v. BOURNE LADS' INSTITUTE.

Saturday, October 18th.

At home, in glorious weather, the School opened its season against the above Club. The School settled down first and monopolised the game for a time, and gave the visitors' defence a good testing, and had it not been for the big kicking of their right back, some material benefit would have resulted. After a bit the Bourne got going better, and the game became more even; but the School forwards were combining splendidly, and time and again made their way into the visitors' goal area. During one of these visits Brooks scored with a well-placed shot. Encouraged by this success, the School came again and again, and Deathe was very unfortunate in just missing the goal. Jarvis was playing a fine game, and one of his good centres was turned into the net by a Bourne back. With two goals against them, the Bourne put more life into their play, and attacked vigorously, and soon reduced the lead by one, Loughlin making a poor attempt to save. However, they were not permitted to attack much, owing to the excellent play of our forwards, who, being well served by the halves, attacked the Bourne goal hotly. Waters and Jarvis were particularly prominent, their centres being very good, and only the good work of the Bourne goalkeeper kept the score down, for Deathe and Brooks both tested him with several good shots. Brooks got away several times on his own, but found the visitors' goalie safe. The Bourne were by no means beaten yet, and attacked warmly, but Russell, Turk and Husted managed to keep them out. Towards the end of the game our forwards again dominated the game, Jarvis almost scored with a fine shot, which struck the upright and rebounded into play. Next a corner was forced, and being well-placed by Jarvis, Waters scored. From now to the end the School held the Bourne without difficulty, and the game ended in our favour by 3-1.

SCHOOL v. EGGAR'S G.S.

At Alton, Wednesday, November 12th.

From the kick-off Jarvis got away on the left, but his centre was cleared. Next Norris made a good run on the right, but was weak with his centre, and it came to nothing. For a few minutes the School had all the game, but then Alton got away on the left, and forced a corner, which was cleared. More even play followed, but soon the School asserted themselves, and following a bit of good play, Deathe opened the scoring with a good shot. Very shortly after Jarvis broke away and centred, and after a bit of a scramble Vanner secured and put up No. 2. The School were now having the best of matters, and pressed for some time, Jarvis and Norris continually getting away on their respective wings, and had the shooting been keener, further goals must have been scored. Husted and Norris both put in warm shots which the Alton goalie cleared. Alton next attacked, chiefly on the left, and for a time our defence was well tested, but although a corner or two was forced, nothing came of them. The School were almost through shortly after, through Vanner, and only the good work of Alton's goalie and right back kept us from adding to our score, but nothing further was scored until half-time. Farnham, 2; Alton, 0.

The opening exchanges were more even, but soon the School got away, but found the Alton goalie safe. Then Alton made a burst, and Caswell running out to save, slipped, and Alton had no difficulty in scoring with an open goal. For a time after this the game became scrappy, mis-kicks being prevalent; then followed an attack by the

School, which resulted in Simmonds scoring No. 3. Norris was play-a good game at outside right, and well backed up by his partner, Vanner. Several of his centres were very good, and ought to have been improved upon, but the inside men were slow, and the Alton backs were able to clear. From a corner following a good run by Norris, Husted scored No. 4. The School seemed satisfied with this, for their play slacked off, and Alton became more prominent again particularly on the left. They made one or two determined onslaughts on our goal, and from a scramble scored their second close on time. This woke up our lads, who again became aggressive. Norris made one particularly good effort to work through, and almost succeeded, but shot outside. Again, Vanner and Stacey sent him away, and from his centre Deathe put just over with a good shot. Time came soon after with the game in our favour by 4-2.

SCHOOL v. SILESIAANS.

The visitors brought a strong team and rather outweighed our boys, and the peculiar game they played tended at the beginning to upset their play. The visitors relied mostly on the kick and rush type of play, and in the rush their halves joined with the forwards, thus keeping our defence very busy and giving them all they could do with in keeping out the visitors, but our defence proved very sound on the whole. On the other hand, when our forwards received the ball they were able to reach their opponents' goal area without much opposition, and but for a weakness in front of goal might have scored on several occasions. The Silesians scored twice to our once in the first half. In the second the visitors again pressed at the start, and soon scored a third, and at this period it looked as if we were in for a heavy defeat, but as in previous games, our boys seemed to last better, and during the latter part of the game began to wear down their opponents. The forwards being better fed by the defence, had more opportunities, and Jarvis and Norris on the wings were frequently away. The work of these two enabled Simmonds and Deathe to score and bring matters level. The game promised to end in a draw, but during the last few minutes we were given a penalty, from which Norris scored, and thus gave us the victory by 4-3. It was a good game; clean and full of interest. Everyone played the game. Scorers: Simmonds 2, Deathe 1, Norris 1.

SCHOOL v. BOURNE LADS.

November 22nd.

The Bourne Lads, remembering their previous defeat, entered the field with a determination to reverse the result, and seemed confident of giving us a heavy defeat. They were heavier and stronger, but in this game, as in the previous one, good football proved superior to weight. Our forwards kept to their positions, and were well fed by the halves, and consequently were attacking most of the time. So well did the halves, and Husted especially, play, that Russell and Turk at back had very little to do. As a result of the first half's play we lead by 5-0. In the second half the visitors endeavoured to make their weight felt, and tried to get through by means of it, but were too well held by our defence, and their efforts were in vain. During this half our forwards proved very ineffective in front of goal, and many fine openings came to nought, and so the game ended with the score as at half-time, 5-0. Scorers: Simmonds 3, Jarvis 1, White (a) 1.

SCHOOL v. FARNHAM WEDNESDAY.

December 10th.

This proved to be a very poor game, chiefly due to the condition of the field, which was in a very greasy and slippery state, making

good play and effective control of the ball very difficult. Owing to the wind most of the play took place along the lower touch line, and was of a scrappy nature. In the first half, although we had most of the game and numerous opportunities of scoring, only one point was registered, and that from a good shot by Norris. In the second half the play was almost entirely in the visitors' half, and over and over again good opportunities were lost by hesitation on the part of our three inside forwards. Norris and Jarvis were good on the wings, but their efforts were not improved upon. However, three more goals were scored by Husted, Simmonds and White, and the game ended in a victory for us by 4-0.

SCHOOL v. SILESIAANS.

December 13th.

Return match played on our ground, and resulted in a win for the visitors by 5-2. There is no doubt that the better side on the day won. Our chief weakness lay in our inside forwards, who did not make full use of the opportunities that came their way. Our defence played well, but for once found an attack rather too much for them. Vanner and Harding scored for us.

Cadet News.

Bad weather hampered in a great measure the work planned for the term. Thus the Semaphore Classes, which were held out-of-doors, had to be abandoned on several Fridays. But the Morse Section, which Lieut. Withinshaw kindly took charge of, made great progress with their two new "buzzers."

Company Drill and Squad Drill were taken on alternate days, and on one occasion Capt. Beharrel, the Battalion Adjutant, came to us and put the Company through some difficult movements. He hopes to visit us frequently.

We have had two field days this term. One of these will be found described in another part of the Magazine.

In the middle of October, probably owing to the good offices of Gen. Beatson, a consignment of 30 carbines reached us from Weedon. These will replace the heavy D.P. rifles carried by the younger Cadets.

The War Office is now granting 600 marks towards the number required for the entrance examination into Sandhurst to all Cadets, who pass Test A. To help boys to pass this Test A, it is proposed to hold Classes (Army Classes) for the N.C.O.'s and other keen Cadets. A syllabus of the examination will be posted with Company Orders.

The prize offered for the best recruit was won by Cadet Keyworth, Cadet Pearson being second.

Some of us were present at a "ripping" (so a boy described it) lecture given by Col. Atkinson, D.S.O., on the

Humours of the War. It was in aid of the funds of our fellow battalion, the 1/4th Hants. We enjoyed it immensely.

On December 12th Major J. Marks, Royal Berkshire Regiment, came to the school, and talked to us about his experiences with the Salonika Force. The Cadets listened with great interest, and sincerely hope that the lecturer may come again. We have since heard that Major Marks has been awarded the O.B.E. for his fine work in the Balkans.

We were rather disappointed that so many of the new boys, especially the County Scholars and Free Students, refrained from joining up. It seems a great pity that they have not the School spirit of the boys who preceded them. We hope that the next batch of new-comers will do better.

The old Cadets will hear with pleasure that Sec.-Lieut. Frank Hendrey, M.M., M.C., 18th K.R.R., has been promoted Captain for distinguished service. He was a keen member both of the Company and of the 1st Farnham Scouts.

We owe many thanks to the ladies who have kindly mended the uniforms, to Armourer-Sergt. Anderson, and Cadet Husted, for repairs to rifles, and to Mr. W. Baigent for fitting up new racks for us.

We should also like to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of material from Capt. Wrigley and the Officers of the 3rd Vol. Battn. Queen's Regiment.

We are losing this term Lance-Corporal Cox, one of our best shots, and Sergts. G. Read and E. Barnard, both of whom have rendered invaluable service to the platoons which they have commanded. Corpl. Caswell is not returning. We are also sorry to lose Cadet Pearson.

Good work as orderlies has been done by the following Cadets: Brindley, Keyworth, Boulton, Price, Chinnick, West, and Mounce.

I should like to thank Compy.-Sergt.-Major Fisher and the other N.C.O.'s for the help they have given me.

WM. STROUD (Capt.),
O.C.

A useful exercise in attack and defence was carried out on October 25th. The idea was that three "Companies" of a Blue Force, advancing from the north, had pushed ahead, and had found Farnham evacuated by the White Force, but the Grammar School held on to by a "Company" for important (but highly imaginary) reasons.

Sergt.-Major Fisher, commanding the Blues, received an order to take the School before noon. Sergt. Every

commanded the White Force defending it. The railway became, for the purposes of the operations, a river impassable, except by bridges over, or roads under, its west of Firgrove Hill Bridges and east of the Stovold Farm Bridge.

Sergt. Every had an easy task, and the School was never in serious danger of being taken. The best bit of work on his side was the capture, single-handed, by Sergt. Norris, of an enemy Platoon, which had crossed the Weydon Hill Bridge, and was moving on the School, though letting it cross at all was perhaps the worst bit of work.

Sergt.-Major Fisher had a hard nut to crack, and his three companies worked hard at it. His failure to take the School really made the exercise a very useful one, as the reasons for it were plain to all. The chief of these was not having made sufficient preliminary preparation for communication between himself and the different Companies, and not co-ordinating their attacks on the defenders.

In order to remedy these mistakes, a similar scheme was arranged for the following Field Day, but it had to be postponed, owing to bad weather.

Library Notes.

The following new books have been added to the Library :—

Encyclopædia of Sport, 4 vols. (presented by the Headmaster); A Yankee of King Arthur's Court; Victories of the Engineer; Snow Shoes and Canoes; Wulnoth the Wanderer; Captain Cook; Stories of Animals; The Sunken Submarine. Other volumes will be added in due course.

The French Library, consisting largely of French renderings of English Classics, seems very popular with the Upper School.

A good deal of inconvenience has been caused by borrowers keeping books much longer than necessary. In some cases books have been kept a whole term, and then only returned under pressure. In future a penny fine will be imposed on all those keeping books longer than a fortnight.

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