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SCHOOL NOTES.

The following boys were top of their respective forms at the end of last term :—

Lower VI. : T. King and T. Pritchard (equal).

Lower V. : A. C. Barson.

Lower IV. : R. W. Payne.

Lower III. : V. H. Baguley.

Lower II. : W. Vance.

Lower I. : H. M. Ware.

Boys left July, 1916 :—

Form VI. : Holt, W. L. (3rd, Gymn Eight, 1st XI. Football); Webster, T. H. (Capt. 1st XI. Cricket and Football, 4th, Gymn Eight); Allcock, G. T. (7th, Gymn Eight); Anderson, J. C. (1st XI. Cricket, Football and Tennis, 6th, Gymn Eight); Cook, P. H. (5th, Gymn Eight and Tennis); Lack, H. C.

Form V. : Savage, F. H. A. (1st XI. Cricket and Football); Vandecapelle, H. P. C.

Form IV. : Allcock, R. P.; Beresford, H. W.; Dowland, N. F. S. (1st XI. Cricket, 8th, Gymn Eight); Simpson, P.; Taylor, A. N.

Form III. : Handley, J. G.; Hiam, J. W. (1st XI Cricket); Lacey, J.

Form I. : Swain, J. W.

New Boys, September, 1916 :—

Form VI. : Hawthorne, S. H.;

Form V. : Oldham, B. C.; *Waddell, M.

Form III. : Baguley, V. H.; Barson, W. A.; Brydson, W. C.; Chamberlain, S. L.; *Elliott, G. K.; Gibson, R. J.; Hoyes, J. H.; Moss, M. H.; Parkinson, R.; Shepherd, A.; Smith, C. W.; Thorley, A.; Turner, C. Ll.

Form II. : Brown, D.; Hawksley, R. T.; *Jeffares, J. L. M.; *Longbottom, F. P.; Purnell, N. B.; Skinner, J. F.

Form I. : †Beeby, J. F.; *Wood, N. D.

*Boarder, School House.

†Boarder, Foxholme.

A collection was made from the School on Trafalgar Day, October 21st, in aid of the "Jack Cornwall" Memorial Ward in the Star and Garter Home for disabled sailors and soldiers, and realised £1 4s. 9d.

We were sorry to say good-bye temporarily on October 31 to Mr. E. G. Brown, whose time is now entirely devoted to munition work training at the Technical School. The Metal Work Classes in the evening have consequently had to be dropped, as his successor, Mr. E. W. Haddon, could not undertake the subject.

We hear that Sergeant Imrie was to go to France on Dec. 17th, with a draft from his battalion of the Leicesters.

Mr. A. J. Smith has been several times back to Loughboro' from Rugby, showing that he has not yet quite forgotten us. His hours there are light, and this enables him to run over easily on Saturdays.

We have to thank Mr. Albert Chapman for presenting a big drum to the Cadet Corps Band, together with leather apron and appliances. The body of the drum is very beautifully emblazoned with the Royal Arms, the device of the Leicestershire Regiment, to which our Cadet Battalion is affiliated, and the School Arms, which are those of our Founder, Thomas Burton. It is fortunate that we enrolled in September a drummer a size larger than the one we already had on the premises.

Dr. W. D. Spanton paid a flying visit to the School on November 16th. He has lately, as our readers will remember, presented to the School a very interesting collection of dried plants and grasses made in the neighbourhood, when he was studying medicine under the late Dr. Eddowes, and he is now proposing to offer annually a valuable prize to the boy adjudicated, not necessarily by examination, to be the best science student in the school. Again we very heartily thank him for his interest in his old school.

The School will be glad to hear that Lieut.-Colonel Martin, C.M.G., one of our governors, was able to be removed to his home last November, the wound in his leg, received at Loos, having at last healed, just 13 months after it was inflicted. Notwithstanding the grave nature of the damage, it is hoped that Colonel Martin will in time be able to use the injured leg with very fair freedom.

F. E. Ryle, in the Scholarship Examination in December, at Jesus College, Cambridge, reached the standard which would have won him an Exhibition, but decided to try his luck next year, when

his age will more nearly approximate to that of his fellow competitors.

We congratulate our late Headmaster, Mr. C. W. Kaye, who left here just 16 years ago to go to the Modern School, Bedford, on his appointment as Headmaster of St. Bees Grammar School.

OLD BOYS.

Congratulations to Mr. Phil. Moss (O.L.) on his appointment to succeed Mr. Trevor Jones as manager of the Loughboro' Branch of the London City and Midland Bank. A good many of the staff there hail from this school.

Congratulations to Second Lieut. Albert Perkins, Machine Gun Corps, on his marriage in November to Miss Marjorie Andrews the elder daughter of Mr. William Andrews, Rudder, Grange, Colchester.

Mr. W. Sampson Handley, F.R.C.S., has been selected to the vacancy on the Honorary Surgical Staff of the Middlesex Hospital, occasioned by the resignation of Sir Alfred Pearce Gould. He has also been awarded that Walker Prize for cancer research.

LIBRARY.

We have to thank Mr. A. J. Smith for a copy of "Splendid Brother" (Pett Ridge). The Librarian regrets that he has forgotten the name of the kind donor of "The Feet of the Furtive," and would be glad to be reminded.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

KILLED.

- Capt. H. H. Proudfoot, R.A.M.C. (Sept., 1916), aged 27.
 Lance-Corpl. Albert Rowbotham, Leicestershire Regiment (Sept. 15, 1916), aged just under 18.
 Lance-Corpl. Albert William Whitaker, Leicestershire Regiment (Sept. 24, 1916), aged 20.
 Lance-Corpl. William Henry White, Royal Fusiliers (died of wounds, Nov. 26, 1916).

MISSING.

- J. H. Corah, Universities and Public Schools Batt., Royal Fusiliers (Nov. 13, 1916).

WOUNDED.

Sec.-Lieut. H. L. Crockett, R.W. Fusiliers (July, 1916).
 Pte. P. E. W. Gibbs, Comeronian Highlanders (July 20th, 1916).
 Capt. H. Pickbourne, Leicestershire Regiment.
 Sec.-Lieut. G. Wilson, Norfolk Regiment (Sept., 1916).
 Pte. N. V. Jarratt, Royal Fusiliers (July 15, 1916; second time).

DIED ON SERVICE.

Sergt. A. F. Palmer, A.S.C., at Malta (Sept. 8th, 1916).

ADDITIONS.

Capt. H. H. Proudfoot, R.A.M.C.
 Sec.-Lieut. T. F. McCarthy, 4th Batt. Loyal North Lancshires.
 Sec.-Lieut. S. A. Sharpe, R.F.A., 4th Squadron, R.F.C.
 Corpl. J. T. McCall, R.E. Motor Despatch Riders.
 Pte. F. L. Kirk (32217), F Co., 3rd Batt. Leicesters.
 Pte. F. W. Moss, 3rd Batt. Suffolk Regiment.
 Gunner S. H. McGrady, R.G.A.
 Gunner W. Taylor, 1/1st Notts. R.H.A.
 Lance-Corpl. W. H. White, U.P.S. Batt. Royal Fusiliers.

CORRECTIONS AND PROMOTIONS.

F. McA. Wilkinson, R.E.
 Pte. H. R. Case, Northumberland Fusiliers.
 B. E. Baldwin, R.N.R.
 Pte. H. Clarke, U.P.S. Batt., 2nd Lieut. in Machine Gun Corps.
 Pte. C. E. Lancaster, U.P.S. Batt., 2nd Lieut. in 3rd Batt. Leicestershire Regt. (Special Reserve of Officers).
 Sec.-Lieut. A. M. Barrowcliff, Leicester Regiment, to be Lieut.

We record with regret the death in action of Captain H. H. Proudfoot, R.A.M.C., in September, 1916, aged 27. He entered the School in September, 1903, and left in July, 1905, being then in the VIth. During the latter part of his time at school he was a boarder in the School House, his father, the Rev. J. Proudfoot, being absent in Sierra Leone as a missionary in the Methodist Connexion. On leaving school, where he had been prominent in games, Capt. Proudfoot proceeded to Edinburgh University, where he graduated M.B. and Ch.B. in 1911. He acted subsequently as resident medical officer of the Burnley Union Infirmary, second house-surgeon of the Bolton Infirmary, assistant medical officer of the Monsall Fever Hospital, and house physician of Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. He was a not infrequent visitor to Loughborough, where his father resided when at home, and to his old School. A man of his strong character and mental and physical activity was sure to be where duty called, and he is one more of many who have honoured their school by their death.

Albert Rowbotham, who fell in action on September 15th last, when only seventeen years of age, entered the school with a County Scholarship in September, 1910, and left in December, 1913, having reached the Lower VIth Form. He entered the town sanitary office as a clerk under Mr. H. Bentcliffe on leaving school, and was still employed there when he enlisted in the Leicesters in May, 1915, being at the time only 16 years of age. At school he was always cheerful, good-tempered, and full of spirit, liked by masters and boys. His voluntary offer of himself to his country at so early an age was characteristic of him, and if his life was short, the example he has left for others is a noble one.

Albert William Whitaker was at the School from September, 1909, till December, 1911, when he left, having reached the Vth form, and passed with distinction in French the examination of the College of Preceptors, equivalent to the entrance examination of the Pharmaceutical Society. He was apprenticed to a firm of pharmaceutical chemists in Nottingham at the time when war was declared, and as soon as he could be released, on September 1st, 1914, he joined the Army as private in the 8th Leicesters. Though by no means robust, he characteristically lost no time in deciding where his duty lay, and never for a moment regretted what he had done, or grumbled at the roughness of life in the ranks. He went early to the front, and when only 21 met his death in action on the Somme on September 24th, 1916, where he was killed instantaneously at Captain Beardsley's side, while guiding him over a dangerous piece of ground to take over command from the colonel, who had been wounded. We remember him at school as a boy of excellent promise and sterling character, always to be relied upon to go straight and to do his duty quietly and thoroughly, certain to make a good citizen when he grew up, and the qualities that would have ensured this made a good soldier of him. An officer writes to his parents: "Your son was killed in action during our battle on September 24th, while leading the company from one trench to another. It will be some consolation to you to know that his end was quite painless, as he was hit in the head by a machine-gun bullet and fell instantly. All my boys join with me in expressing our deepest sympathy, and wish me to say how much we shall miss him. He was full of pluck and always cheery, in addition to which his capabilities were great." A comrade writes: "We spent quite a time in quiet chat together before the attack, for we were very chummy. From what he told me I should imagine he has met the death he would have chosen. He was ordered to stay back in the transport, but begged to be allowed to go up. He was a nice lad, and the

smartest signaller in the battalion—far away the smartest. He knew no fear. Guns he had a quiet contempt for. I was with him the first time we went into action, and could not help but admire his coolness. I was hoping he would win some distinction in the scrap, but it was not to be.”

A War Savings Association has been started at the School with a membership of 23, which it is to be hoped will increase. Members are provided with cards containing 31 spaces, on which sixpenny coupons may be stuck as they are purchased from the association by the members. When the card is full, it can be exchanged for one of the 15/6 certificates, for each of which the State will pay 20/- at the end of five years. There are arrangements whereby, if need arises, a member can recover at any time the value of the contributions he has made. The Chairman and Treasurer is the Headmaster, Mr. Bickley is Secretary, and these, with T. Harrison, S. F. Cotton and W. Jervis, form the committee.

On December 16th we had a visit from our old friend, Mr. Hind Smith, who came to give us an account of the Barnardo Homes, in connection with the War. What he told us satisfied us that at least patriotism is taught in the Homes, and it is to be hoped that his visit will have created an interest among the members of the school, which will incite them to raise the balance of the £10 required to emigrate a boy or to maintain him for six months at one of the Naval Schools connected with the homes. One of the boys sent out by us is George William Haynes, c/o Mr. Albert Belfrey, Bradford, Ontario, Canada. He would be glad to get a picture post-card (postage one penny), or a paper—a “doble number” or otherwise—from any boy at the school.

THE NEW SCHOOL CLOCK.

By the time this is in the hands of our readers a clock with chimes should have been fixed in the tower of the school buildings. It has been given to the school by the Headmaster and Mrs. Bingham Turner in memory of their elder son, Sec.-Lieut. Roger Bingham Turner, of the 3rd Batt. Cheshire Regiment, who was killed in action in Mesopotamia on April 9th, 1916.

The clock has been constructed by Messrs. Smith and Son, of Derby, makers of the new great clock for St. Paul's, the four bells have been cast by Messrs. Taylor, and the structural alterations required have been effected by Messrs. Barker. The dial, a skeleton one of 4ft. 6in. in diameter, will be fixed just below

the battlemented top of the tower, on its western face, and into the framework is worked the family motto: “Vive ut Vivas: Live (now) so that you may live (hereafter).” The escapement will be of the modern “pin-wheel” type, which is capable of keeping very accurate time.

The bells will be placed on the roof of the tower, and are four in number, the heaviest of about 5½cwt. being that on which the hours will be struck. It bears the inscription:

“In Piam Memoriam

R. B. Turner

Qui Mortem Obiit

a.d. V. ID. Apr. MDCCCXVI.

Anno Aetatis Suae XXImo.

Pro Rege, Pro Patria, Pro Deo.”

It is tuned to C and the other bells are tuned to A. G. F., and upon these the four quarters of the Cambridge Chimes will be struck. An addition to the mechanism of the train of wheels arranges for the striking part to be thrown out of gear during the night, or any twelve hours desired, so that even in war time it will not be necessary to be without the chimes during the day.

A brass tablet placed somewhere in the buildings will commemorate the occasion of the gift being made, and the donors hope that the clock, besides being a constant memorial of duty well done, will be a convenience and a help to many generations of boys at the school.

“We also bless Thy Holy Name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear; beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of Thy Heavenly Kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.”—*Prayer for Christ's Church Militant.*

The following letter from R. P. Jones will interest many besides those to whom he is known:—

German East Africa,
29th June, 1916.

Dear Mr. Smith,—

I got your letter dated May 21st about a week ago. My word, you should see us rush when the word goes round that the ration car has brought a mail-bag, too. It isn't too often.

I'm afraid this won't be as long as the last, because now we're on the move and a hundred miles or so inside enemy country. I don't know yet when I shall post it, but you get

about five minutes' notice when you can, so it pays to have a few letters written.

We are real soldiers now. We've been sniped at for a long time and shelled once or twice, but we had a real scrap the other day. We, the Armoured Cars, were right in front leading the column along the road, when the Germans started. You should have seen us cyclists get off the bikes and take cover. Musical chairs at L.G.S. sports was snailsome to it. We were lucky in having no casualties, while we took two white and ten black prisoners, and must have dotted some out with the machine guns. The Germans then retired, our only damage being a shell through the radiator of one of the cars; this was repaired on the road in about an hour.

So you see things are a bit more exciting, but we're all fed up to the neck. The country is so monotonously uninteresting up and down, with trees and bushes so thick you can hardly get between. There are just a few squalid villages where, with luck you sometimes can get fowls or eggs. To make ourselves seem better than the Germans, who pinch everything, we pay for what we requisition! What do you think of 5 fowls and 7 eggs for 10 cents (1½d)? They were delighted, too. There is always a mealie patch by a village, and green mealies are good cold or roasted on the coals. Still, this is a beastly country. On the boat we got a lecture by "one who knew," in which he told us "not to eat too much fruit; it makes you ill!" We've been in the country since March, and travelled a good many hundred miles, but we've seen no fruit worthy of the name, except coconuts just on the coast. It would be a treat to be ill on fruit; we've been on hard tack for six weeks or so now, and will be for as long again. They can't be long before they chuck in now—but we're all longing for the day when they do, and we're back for England again.

I'd give £10 of my pay for a hot bath and a good meal.

Hoping to be seeing you soon (and the others—please remember me to them, Mr. Turner especially—it's rotten about his son). I'll finish.—Yours very sincerely,

R. P.

A DAY IN A SIGNALLING SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION.

By EDGAR G. PHILLIPS (R.G.A.).

At the commencement allow me to state that this is by no means a full account, but simply a resumé of a number of scattered incidents which I hope will prove interesting to the readers, and give them a little insight into some of the pleasant, as well as the sometimes unpleasant, parts of our daily occupation.

C—— Camp, where the School is at present stationed, is situated in a deserted low-lying place, quite close to the River —, and about half-a-mile from the place, which the inhabitants tell us is a health resort. The fact that in receiving practice messages, such addresses as C——, and numerous others, are frequently sent, is, I think, sufficient proof of our opinion of the "health-resort." Nevertheless, apart from the always inclement weather, the view from our camp is one of the finest I have ever been privileged to see; and any attempt on my part to describe it in words would be quite futile; so I will not try to do so.

Reveille is at 6.30 a.m. One would naturally expect this familiar call to be sounded on a bugle, but we have something harder to endure than the practising of the L.G.S. Band! The East Camp is in the possession of the ———, and thus that famous Scottish national instrument "the Bagpipes" sounds a "Reveille" in the true sense of the word. At least we all thought so, when on our first morning, we were all awakened with a rude shock, which took some time to wear off. Expressions which do not admit of writing welcomed that first terrible attempt to rouse us, but now there are rarely enough awakened to make any remarks! First parade is at 8.45 a.m., except under unusual and very unwelcome circumstances, when a 7 a.m. physical drill parade is ordered. After all the necessary preliminaries—with which you will all be familiar—have been carried out, each Sergeant Instructor, commonly known as the "A1," marches off his class to proceed with his daily programme. Possible the first hour, 9—10 a.m., will be buzzer reading or sending practice. This is usually an uneventful hour.

If the weather is fine (a rare thing), it is possible that a part of the school will carry out a Telephone Scheme for the remainder of the morning. It is often the case that this scheme has been planned several days previously, but owing to the wet weather, has been abandoned. I might add here that it is never to prevent the men getting wet, but to guard against the possibility of any man exposing a field telephone to the rain out of spite, that such schemes are not carried out on wet days! A telephone scheme usually proves very interesting, both from an instructional, and

also at times from a conversational, standpoint. First of all, cables must be laid. Fixing overhead wires where tree-climbing is involved often proves very exciting. After a long time of "calling-up," communication is at last established between two of the stations. If perchance, the receiving station cannot hear anything, the operator immediately shouts "Press your Pressel switch." That is always sufficient to cause a flow of language quite impossible to report!

Possible just at that time the "AI" is holding the receiver! Such a chance however must always be risked! When everything is running quite smoothly, a message often suddenly stops, and nothing more can be heard. This causes the operator great annoyance, especially if he has repeated a word four or five times. There being no help for it, someone must go out and examine the cable. When it is decided who shall go, a repairing party sets out. After perhaps a long journey they discover a break in the cable, which is a neat cut, made by the ever alert "AI." Often communication has only just been re-established when the "CI" signal is sent. Immediately this familiar call is obeyed, and instruments are packed up. How unfortunate are those men who, being unpractised, have taken a long time to reel in the cable! The march back to Camp is not restricted to the pace of 120 per minute by any means. If the men feel merry, as is sometimes the case, their singing may even bring people to their doors, which I think is sufficient witness to the quality of our vocal powers. One of the best known and appreciated songs, sung to a well-known hymn tune, runs like this:

"We are Fred Carno's Army,
We are the R.G.A.,
They give us flags and buzzers,
What for, we cannot say;
But when we get to Berlin,
The Kaiser, he will say
Och! Och! Mein Gott! What a jolly fine lot
Are the boys of the R.G.A.

[Author unknown]. Whoever he may be he probably never studied Nesfield on "Prosody and Metre," and I am sure he never learned to scan certain Latin lines in a well-known "Case-Card." But that is his (mis)fortune.

Afternoon parade is 2 p.m. The first hour may be Lamp or Disc reading on the Park. None but those who experience this pleasure are able to appreciate standing on a marshy field, with the rain beating in one's face, and the wind blowing, while one makes an effort to keep reading a faintly visible lamp, and his partner is trying to write down on a soaking wet message form.

I can assure you that is one of the joys of Signalling. A welcome relief comes at 3 p.m., when the classes return to a more or less interesting lecture. At the end of the month comes a Theory Test. One can almost imagine oneself at school again, in the Examination room, when, seated four at a table to prevent copying; while the eagle eye of the O.I.C. goes round the room looking for captures. The lectures are a preparatory for this monthly test, and huts become studies the night before the Test; usually because the majority have no notes and want to borrow someone else's. The "né paresseux" class exists everywhere! Before the account of a day's routine closes I must not forget the 4—5 p.m. route march, which takes place about twice weekly. It is interesting, because some more or less witty individual remarked that the R.S.M. promises his little boy that he will show him some soldiers, so we have to march past for his special benefit. I cannot vouch for the truth of that statement, however.

After the dismiss at 5 p.m. most people's work is finished, but for the less fortunate of the men, there is a "Backward Squad" practice from 7—8 p.m. Thus you see that this, too, is a "School," but rather inferior to the school you are accustomed to work in!

At this point I will conclude my story, but not without wishing the staff and pupils of the dear old L.G.S. the best of success for the future, and assuring them that though I am far away in body I am often near in spirit, and my interest is always with every undertaking of my old and well-beloved school.

FOOTBALL.

The fortunes of the School in football have improved in comparison with last season, but we have had several pieces of bad luck, the full team never having been able to turn out complete on any occasion.

As compared with last season, the defence is practically as strong as ever, and the school has produced a good line of forwards—a great improvement on last season's—though they require more practice in working together. There should be more practice in working together. There should be more co-operation between the inside and outside men, and the latter should keep well down the touch-line, ready to race down immediately they receive the ball. The shooting has also improved, as last year the forwards used to wait until they were almost on the goal-line before trying their luck with a shot; this season, several good goals have been the result of shooting at long range.

The half-back line is fairly strong, the half-backs rarely allowing themselves to be beaten by the opposing forwards, but they should follow up our forwards more in order to intercept the ball if it should be cleared by the opposing defence.

The full-backs are a great source of strength, having several years of experience to their credit. Both possess a strong kick and rarely give the opposing forwards an opportunity to shoot.

The goalkeeper has likewise saved us many goals, having made some quite remarkable saves, but he is unfortunately not yet quite tall enough to reach all high shots.

With regard to matches, Ratcliffe and Derby require some remark; that with Ratcliffe seemed doomed to misfortune, and resulted in a draw, owing to the brilliant work of the goalkeeper. The school team also seemed unable to get going in the first half, but Ratcliffe had their work cut out to stop our forwards after the interval. As for the match with Derby, if one can imagine a field, six inches deep in water and mud, with rain pouring all through the match, one gets some idea of the state of the ground. The Derby team seemed used to it, and ran about with ease, while the School team could not move without falling. We hope to give them a better game in the return match.

It now only remains to thank Mr. Whyman for kindly refereeing for us, and for the interest taken in the School team—we are much obliged to him.

Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals for	Goals agst.
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CHARACTERS OF THE XI.

METTHAM (Goalkeeper).—A most reliable goalkeeper, especially smart on low, hot shots, but unfortunately hardly tall enough for all high shots. Has saved the school many goals, and will be missed next term.

RYLE (Right Back).—A good tackler and possessing a strong kick. Is inclined to play well forward, often with good results.

WEBSTER (Left Back).—A safe and strong kicker, with unerring judgment; very useful with his head, and can be relied on in emergency.

JERVIS (Right Half).—A good half-back with plenty of weight, but rather apt to leave his place.

LOWTHER (Centre Half—Captain).—Excellent captain and fine footballer; can be depended upon to save a match if anyone can. Very sure kick, particularly with his left; a wonderful sprinter and runner.

PRITCHARD (Left Half).—A good tackler who passes well, but keeps the ball too much.

CLEMERSON, A.H. (Outside Right).—Fast and Clever, with a strong kick, but should keep well down his wing and restrain his tendency to shoot instead of centreing.

KING (Inside Right).—An accurate passer and fair shot, who should try and cultivate a faster pace.

SMITH, E. D. (Centre Forward).—A clever dribbler, who knows when to pass; a hard and accurate shot.

TANSLEY (Inside Left).—A clever forward with a clean pass, but rather inclined to over-run himself. Should try to shoot harder.

COTTON, F. (Outside Left).—Usually succeeds in passing the opposing defence and can shoot straight and hard; should try to put on more pace.

L.G.S. v. A. E. WHITE'S XI.

This was the first match of the season and was played at home on Saturday, September 30th. The visitors won the toss and decided to kick towards the Bushes. The visitors soon scored, but School soon got level through their goalkeeper punching in a shot from Bond. The visitors replied with another goal, but Cotton soon put us equal again. Shortly before half-time the visitors again scored. Neither side showed marked superiority in the first half. Half-time came with the score 3—2 for the visitors. Soon after the interval Bond equalised. After this the game was mostly composed of rushes by their forwards, many of which came to nothing on account of their shooting. Towards the end the visitors added three more goals, and time came with the score 6—3 for the visitors.

The team was: Mettham (goal), Ryle, Webster, Pritchard, Lowther (capt.), Jervis, Cotton, Clemerson, Tansley, Bond and Marsh.

L.G.S. v. WYGGESTON G.S.

The match was played at Leicester on Saturday, October 14th, under rather unfavourable weather conditions, a brisk wind blowing almost directly across the ground during the whole game.

The School was represented as follows: Mettham; Ryle and Webster; Fielding, Lowther and Pritchard; Clemerson, Bond, Tansley, Jervis and Cotton.

We won the toss and elected to kick with what little favourable wind there was. In the first half the game was fairly even, both teams pressing alternatively, until Jervis scored with a low cross-shot. Soon after Wyggeston replied with a hard, low shot, just skimming the post. After a few minutes of even play, Lowther scored again for the School, the game then going hard until the whistle blew for half-time. Score at half-time: Loughborough G.S. 2; Wyggeston G.S., 1.

In the second half we lost out advantage due to the wind, and in addition our opponents attacked heavily, giving our defence plenty to do. Then Mason, the Wyggeston captain scored with a hard, low shot, Mettham's view of the ball being obstructed. Corners were innumerable in our half of the field. Our opponents continued pressing until they added three more to their score, when they slackened down, and our forwards took the initiative. After two ineffectual attempts to score by Tansley, the whistle ended a pleasant and well-fought game with the final result: Wyggeston G.S., 5; Loughborough G.S., 2.

The game was characterised by the steadiness of the backs and the careful play of the goalkeeper, who saved some good shots, and can hardly be blamed for the shots that went in. The shooting was rather erratic, especially at the latter end of the game, owing to the strength of the wind, which also had the lucky effect of blowing away many of our opponents' corner kicks.

L.G.S. v. RATCLIFFE COLLEGE.

This match was played at home on the 28th of October. The School was represented by: Mettham; Ryle and Webster; Pritchard, Lowther, and Topping; Cotton, Jervis, Tansley, Bond and Clemerson.

Throughout the first half play was even, but if anything, School did most of the pressing. Several promising movements were made, spoilt, however, by weak shooting. Both goals were visited, but for half-an-hour no goals were scored. From a breakaway about 10 minutes before half-time Ratcliffe scored a rather lucky goal, which Mettham should have stopped. This reverse livened the School up considerably, and for the rest of the half play was near the Ratcliffe goal. Tansley broke through in fine style, but his shot was just the wrong side of the upright. Clemerson also made a smart run through, but in spite of all efforts, half-time arrived with the score: Ratcliffe, 1; L.G.S., 0.

Immediately on resumption school pressed hard, and the shooting improved appreciably, but the opposing custodian was equal to all demands made on him. The forwards were now playing with fine dash, and were well backed by their halves, Lowther's long shots often being dangerous. From a scrimmage in front of the goal Jervis gained the ball and scored with a well-placed shot. Although L.G.S. continued to press, they were unable to score again, and a fast and interesting game ended in a draw, 1—1.

The defence played very steadily in the first half, and it was unlucky that Ratcliffe scored. Webster tackled well, and Topping showed great promise of a steady half-back for the School.

Of the forwards, Clemerson played well, and had hard luck in not scoring. The game was very fast, particularly in the second half, and on the form shown the School was unlucky in not winning.

L.G.S. v. ALDERMAN NEWTON'S SCHOOL.

The match was played at home, the weather, except for an occasional shower being ideal for football, and a good game was the result—one of the best of the season.

The visitors brought a fairly good team, though we had rather the most of the game and rather bad luck at times. However, Lowther found the net with a good ground shot before half-time—the only goal before the interval. After half-time, the visitors attacked vigorously, but could not score. Then our forwards got away again, resulting in a good goal from Bond, who eventually scored a second.

Shortly before time, Newton's scored and kept our defence pretty busy till the end, though they could not get another in, and the whistle put an end to a very good game with the result: L.G.S., 3; Alderman Newton's School, 1.

The School was represented as follows: Mettham; Ryle and Webster; Jervis, Lowther and Pritchard; Clemerson, Tansley, Smith (E.D.), Bond, and Cotton.

L.G.S. v. DERBY SCHOOL.

The match was played at Derby on a very muddy ground, the rain pouring down incessantly. The school was represented as follows: Mettham; Ryle and Fielding; Jervis, Lowther, and Pritchard; Clemerson, King, Smith (E.D.), Lowe (R.H.), and Cotton.

The School won the toss, but there was no question of any advantage as to way. Derby at once commenced to attack, and had most of the game for the first half-hour, putting two goals through in that time. The game was then fairly even until the interval, Cotton managing to score with a fine cross shot, just passing under the bar, Derby scoring again at the other end. Score at half-time: Derby, 3; L.G.S., 1.

The game still continued to be even after resuming, until, after about 20 minutes, Derby scored again. Then in a short time Derby scored five more, making the score 9—1. In a sudden spurt forward Clemerson scored for the School, Derby soon replying with four more. Our goalkeeper played a fine game, but could do little owing to the frightful state of the goal-mouth. The final result was: Derby, 13; L.G.S., 2.

L.G.S. v. EMPRESS UNITED.

The match was played at home on December 1st. The School was represented as follows: Mettham; Webster and Mr. Bickley; Jervis, Pritchard and Fielding; Barson, Tansley, Smith (E.D.), King and Clemerson.

The School still continued to have bad luck. Besides Lowther, Ryle, and Cotton being unable to turn out on account of colds (result of "Derby"), Webster was unfortunate enough to twist his foot very early in the game, and, on being tapped on it again in the second half, was quite hors de combat. And this against one of the best teams in Loughborough! Yet, in spite of these drawbacks, School (chiefly owing to Mettham's game) kept the visitors out very well in the first half, although they proved too strong afterwards, the score at half-time being: Empress, 5; L.G.S., 0.

Even with this margin, School still had hopes of doing something, when Webster was crooked, and all hopes vanished. The visitors never once ceased to attack, scoring 3 or 4 goals in the last few minutes, the final score being: Empress, 12; L.G.S., 0.

It yet remains to thank Mr. Bickley, who played in Ryle's place; Lowther and Cotton were replaced by Fielding and Barson.

L.G.S. v. ELM'S PARK.

This match was the last match of the term and probably the most peculiar of many seasons; it was played at home on Saturday, December 16th.

It had been foggy early in the day of the match, and had then cleared up, and all expected a lively game. The game was certainly lively, but not in the way expected, for at 2 o'clock the fog again set in and by the time the match commenced, the goals could only be seen from within the penalty areas. Consequently, it is impossible to write a true account of the match.

Mr. Gray acted as referee under great difficulties, but managed to pull many of our opponents up for off-side. It was of common occurrence to get lost in the fog and shouts of "Where is the goal?"

were incessant. Combination was practically impossible and each player played for himself.

In the first half Elm's Park managed to score four goals, one a penalty, Jervis handing the ball. After half-time the School replied with four goals, Tansley scoring 3 and King 1, our opponents scoring two. The game ended with the score 6—4 for Elm's Park.

It is impossible to judge the better team by the score under those conditions, but we hope to have a "true" game in the return match next term.

Webster and Ryle were unfortunately unable to play, and the School was represented by: Mettham; Fielding and Topping; Jervis, Lowther and Pritchard; Clemerson, King, Tansley, Lowe (R.H.) and Cotton.

CUP-TIES.

The Cup-ties have been a very one-sided affair this year, the Whites being very much in predominance, seven of the best men in the 1st XI, being Whites.

This sort of thing has continued for years, Blues and Whites taking it in turn to be predominant. Two years ago it was a walk-over for the Blues, four years ago a walk-over for the Whites, and doubtless it so continues back to the birth of the two houses. It is calculated that in two years the Blues will again be top-house, and the large number of budding Blue footballers seems to bear out this assumption.

The results of this term's matches are as follows:—

Played	Whites won	Blues won	Drawn	Whites gls.	Blues gls.
2	1	0	1	19	7

The first Cup-tie was played on Saturday, October 21st. The Blues won the toss and elected to kick towards the school goal. For the first half the Blues kept out the Whites very well, Mettham, their goalkeeper, playing exceedingly well all through. In this work of defence, he was ably aided by King and Topping, the backs and Cotton, the captain, at right-half. The Whites' team contained practically all the 1st XI, and the Blues' forwards had difficulty in getting past the opposing backs, Webster and Ryle. The Whites' goalkeeper had practically nothing to do, and the score at half-time was 3—0 for the Whites.

In the second half the Whites scored nine, chiefly through the agency of Smith, who scored 8 himself. In the last few minutes, a few good runs were made up the right wing by the blues, which did not materialise. The referee was Mr. Gray, who very smartly pulled Smith up for misdemeanours, often committed. The whistle blew for time with the score 12—0 for the Whites. The goal-scorers were Smith 8, Lowther 2, one a penalty, and Clemerson 2.

The second Cup-tie was played on Saturday, December 2nd. It was a decidedly "moral" cup-tie (according to the headmaster), owing to many of the regular players being otherwise engaged. This had the result of leaving the Blues with a slightly stronger team than that of the Whites.

The first half opened with the Whites scoring almost immediately, the Blues not being able to play together at all in the first stages of the game. The goals were scored by budding members drawn from the Middles, easily beating the Blues' goalkeeper, a good half-back, but rather out of his element "between the sticks." After

the Whites had obtained 4 points to their credit the Blues' forwards began to buck up, and managed to score one goal before the interval, the score then being 4—1 for the Whites.

The game was resumed almost immediately, and the Blues began to press with great vigour, their combinations being too much for the amateur halves of the Whites on the wings, scoring 3 goals in about 15 minutes, the Whites' goalkeeper bungling badly. The excitement now became intense, the air being filled with the cries of the players and the exhortations ("Now then, halves!") of Mr. Gray on the touch-line. Indeed, the Blues were playing well together, the efforts of the Whites, on the other hand, becoming more disjointed. Then Waddell, after a fine dash down the right wing, scored with a fine shot, the best of the day, the Whites' goalkeeper having no chance. The score was now 5—4 for the Blues, and the Whites became rather downhearted at this, the Blues then scoring two more goals. Excited and roused to action by the elation of the Blues, for whom this was a novel experience, the Whites began to press, Jervis and Barson between them literally pushing the ball through the goal, and bringing the score up to 7—6 for the Blues. The game then continued evenly until about two minutes to time, when the Whites brought up the score to a draw. The excitement was now greater than ever, and the Blues made a final dash, with no success, however, the whistle sounding on the ball being cleared. The game ended with a draw, and was one of the best and most exciting games of the term.

The third Cup-tie was to have been played on Wednesday, December 20th, but was postponed until next term on account of a heavy fall of snow on the Tuesday.

CADET CORPS.

During the term much useful work has been done. On some occasions the contingent has been divided into different squads; in this way more interest has been given to the work by giving variety of work. On other occasions the company has been instructed in Platoon Drill. Two field days have been carried out, a "flag-raiding" scheme and a "bomb-laying" scheme. Both had to be postponed several times owing to the bad weather, but at last weather was favourable, and they were carried out.

On November 8th the Assistant Adjutant visited the School. Work was carried on in squads, which the Adjutant visited, paying special attention to the Musketry squads. After a good afternoon's work the Corps was marched into the Big School. Lieut. Watson introduced the Adjutant, saying that he was one of the first O.T.C. men to receive a commission when war broke out, and that he had now been invalided out of the Army. Lieut. Watson then called on the Assistant Adjutant to address the Corps and criticise the work which he had seen. The latter gentleman then rose and gave his criticism. He said that the work done

was good, but could be much improved by more attention to detail. There was no reason why Cadets should not be as smart as regular Army men, for they were younger and, in most cases, more intelligent, than the usual class of men found in the Army before the war. The reason they were not so was that they did not bother about the little things. The Adjutant then concluded by hoping that when he visited Loughborough again, he would find that his words had borne fruit, and that the Corps would be much smarter.

Capt. A. J. Smith, our late Company Commander, has been missed a great deal this term, but his loss has been in part atoned for by the kind and ready help of Mr. Bickley. Mr. Bickley has worked very hard, especially with the Signalling squads, and the Corps wishes to thank him for this.

Our thanks are also due to Lieut. Watson and the N.C.O.'s. Mr. Watson has spent a great deal both of time and money, in order to help the Corps along, and it would be unseemly to pass by this occasion for thanking him for, and congratulating him on the magnificent results obtained by his industry.

The N.C.O.'s have also worked hard this term, and have all been very efficient and enthusiastic.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE.

There were 12 Wednesday parades and 11 Friday parades. Two lectures were given. The work done included Musketry, Physical Drill, Signalling, First-aid, Extended Order Drill, Platoon Drill, Landscape Targets. The new "turns," &c., have been taught in squads. Recruits have been trained in squad drill, with and without arms, and been included in the platoons as soon as they have become efficient.

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