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SCHOOL NOTES.

THE following boys were first and second in their respective Forms at the end of Term :—

Form	I.	1 B. Ball.	2 N H. Pope
"	II.	1 E. H. Bailey	2 R. Moss
"	III.	1 G. R. Padmore	2 A. N. Taylor.
"	IV.	1 J. C. Brydson.	2 T. King
"	V.	1 E. Sansome	2 F. Cotton.
"	VI. Lower :	1 J. Farmer.	2= G. Ryle. = S. Gunn.
"	VI. Upper :	1 Webster.	2 Lowther.

The following boys left in July, 1914 :—

Form VI.—W. F. Cartwright (1st XI. Cricket, 2nd XI. Football); G. H. Lancaster, 2nd XI. Cricket and Football; F. J. G. Merrick, 2nd XI. Cricket and Football; A. Shepherd, 1st XI. Cricket and Football, Tennis VI.; A. E. White, 1st XI. Cricket and Football, Tennis VI.; W. G. Wright, 2nd XI. Cricket.

Form III.—S. A. R. Ewing, L. E. Griffin.

Form II.—R. N. G. Griffin.

Form I.—F. H. Robins.

The following new boys joined the School in January, 1915 :—

Form IV.—J. Huntley.

Form II.—G. W. Browne.

Form III.—R. Ball.

The Governors have sanctioned the formation at the School of a uniformed Cadet Corps. Mr. Smith, who has been devoting a part of his holidays to attendance at a Class of Instruction at Cambridge, and Mr. Watson will be the officers of our Platoon, which will combine with the Cadet Corps of other schools in the county to form a Cadet Battalion attached to the Leicestershire Regiment.

Great interest has been shown by the School in the military drill which has been taken under the direction of Mr. Smith on Wednesdays and Fridays. Mr. Smith has gone into the work with the greatest enthusiasm, and the progress that the platoon has made must be very gratifying to him. The shooting has been under the charge of the Headmaster.

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Mr. Watson, who has been obliged to give up his work with the Australian Field Hospital on account of ill-health, will resume his duties this term, displacing Miss Aveling, who leaves many pleasant recollections behind her.

Miss Aveling, who leaves us to go to Leeds Modern School, was presented with a silver card case by the other members of the Staff as a little souvenir of what we hope was a very pleasant Term spent among us. She takes with her the sincere good wishes of the whole School for her happiness and success in her new work.

R. B. Turner (O.L.), the Headmaster's elder son, has interrupted his residence at Jesus' College, Cambridge, to take a commission in the 3rd Battalion of the Cheshire Regiment, the battalion which feeds the two regular battalions of the same regiment now at the front.

J. R. B. Turner (O.L.), his younger brother, has been playing all this year as one of the Charterhouse racquet pair. Though the usual inter-school matches at Queen's have been dropped this year, home and home matches have been played by Charterhouse with Eton, Harrow, Winchester, and other schools usually sending up pairs to Queen's. J. R. B. Turner is prevented for the present from joining the R.F.A., as had been his intention, owing to a fall from a horse in which he dislocated his left shoulder and fractured the bone of his arm.

L.G.S. ROLL OF HONOUR.

The following names are those of Old Loughburians serving in His Majesty's Forces who were not included in the list published in the January "Loughburian."

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

Captain W. S. Handley, R.A.M.C.
 Captain Eustace Pike, Australian Expeditionary Force.
 Sec. Lieut. H. G. Brameld, 15th Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
 Sec. Lieut. J. R. Caldwell, 10th Batt. Notts and Derby Regt.
 Sec. Lieut. H. L. Crockett, 11th Batt. Royal Welsh Fusiliers.
 Sec. Lieut. L. T. Jones, 5th (R.) Batt. Leicestershire Regt.
 Sec. Lieut. H. A. Lowe, 5th (R.) Batt. Leicestershire Regt.
 Sec. Lieut. H. M. Pitts, 13th Batt. Worcester Regt.
 Sec. Lieut. R. B. Turner, 3rd Batt. Cheshire Regt.

OTHER RANKS.

Wireless Operator P. B. Maltby, Royal Navy.
 Trooper H. Palmer, Leicester Yeomanry (Prince Albert's Own).
 Pte. J. Cumberland, 5th (R.) Batt. Leicestershire Regt.
 Pte. E. Oswin, 6th Batt. York and Lancaster Regt.
 J. H. Jones, Third 5th Battalion of the Leicestershire Regiment.
 Pte. C. F. F. Scott, 2nd London Division R.A.M.C. (T.)

OLD BOYS.

E. A. Lowe has been gazetted Second Lieutenant in the U.P.S. Battalion Royal Fusiliers.

D. C. Daly has been gazetted Midshipman H.M.S. Excellent.

F. C. Cresswell has received a commission in the 9th Battalion Leicestershire Regiment.

Dr. W. Sampson Handley has been elected for the fourth time to the Hunterian Professorship of the Middlesex Hospital.

Rev. Basil Phelps has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society.

J. R. B. Turner has passed the Preliminary Examination of the Institute of Surveyors.

E. A. Walker has passed the Students' Examination of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

Congratulations to N. F. Spence on his marriage to Miss Selina Wootton, the youngest daughter of Councillor W. Wootton, a Governor of the School.

Our readers will be interested in the following extract from a letter of P. R. Maltby, who has now joined the Royal Navy:—

"From Calcutta we left for New York, and while we were there war was declared. Much to our surprise we left the next week and had quite an uneventful voyage until arriving in the Indian Ocean. At that time the Emden was on her adventurous career, but in spite of (according to her officers) her making a special search for us (our cargo was valued at over a million sterling) we managed to keep clear of her, but not by much, as we afterwards found out, and we considered ourselves extremely lucky. We left Yokohama on November 23rd last, and arrived in New York on February 20th. As the Americans say it was 'some trip,' and may help to show some of those pessimists who are eager to know what the Navy is doing, what it is doing. I have been roughly 30,000 miles, and so far the only Germans I have seen have been prisoners of war."

A large number of Old Loughburians are actually in the fighting line, including all those in the 5th Leicestershire Regiment and the Leicestershire Yeomanry. This number will be read by many of them "somewhere in France." We hope that they may feel how proud the old School is of them all and how earnestly we pray for their success and their safe return. J. W. Holland writes a cheery letter from the trenches "somewhere in France."

The Rev. C. L. Hepworth (O.L.), has been given sole charge of No. 5 Company, National Reserve, 4th Battalion, Leicester Regiment (attached), with the formation and organisation of which he has been entrusted.

Jack Moss, at present Assistant Clerk to the Folkestone Board of Guardians, has passed the Bar Final Examination and will shortly be "called."

ON ACTIVE SERVICE, 1914: SOME RECOLLECTIONS.

[By Hugh Watson.]

WHEN I returned to England a short time ago, the Editor asked me to write an account for the "Loughburian" of some of my experiences on active service. In a rash moment I consented to do so, little dreaming what a task I should find it, for, when I began to put pen to paper I realised how much had been crowded into my six months of service and yet, what an infinitesimal particle of the gigantic struggle which still is tearing the vitals of Europe. I travel back in fancy now to those excited days in August last, when the thundercloud burst upon us, just at the commencement of our summer holidays, when everyone was possessed, in either a greater degree or smaller, of a burning fever and an unslaked thirst for knowledge of what had really happened. I found that it was quite impossible to stand apart and look on, so, while it was still early in the month I accepted, with the consent of our Board of Governors, an invitation to go out immediately as interpreter to a field hospital. Then came a period of wild activity, hurried visits to military outfitters, encampment at Ranelagh Club and again at Southampton, finally embarking on H.M. transport ship "Ziptah." Then at last came a period of comparative calm, giving time for contemplation of all that had happened. Ever since I was a small boy I have longed to be able to climb up the ratlines and rigging of a vessel. Here was my opportunity. That evening the passengers of a passing steamer could see high up in the rigging a khaki-clad figure gazing back towards the fast-disappearing coast, until the twilight shadows veiled it from his eyes.

Just after Christmas, when lying in hospital, I remember hearing a gramophone record called "The arrival of the B.E.F. in France." It was so comic that all of us in hospital nearly died of laughter. The absurdity of it so tickled the Tommies that they insisted on having it played over and over again all day. It was a weird conglomeration of cheering, shouting, bugle calls, speeches by the Colonel, and national anthems, as far removed from the real thing as East is from West. The men who landed in France and Belgium then were not exuberant and excited, but very calm, being conscious of the awfulness of the struggle into which they were entering. Alas! How many of that gallant little Army that first went out have found an eternal resting-place in the fields of Flanders! The memories of those early days are not of the most pleasant. Long and dusty marches through the weltering heat, nothing but hard biscuit and bully beef to eat, the latter sometimes so liquefied that it was necessary to eat it with a spoon, a scarcity of water fit for drinking and precious little even good enough for washing, and at night lodgings *a la belle étoile*, bivouacs on grimy quays and at the side of dusty roads. Then the horrors of the retreat from Mons. Back to the coast as quickly as possible. French, Belgians, and British all pell-mell into what transports our Admiralty could find. Horses, field guns, ambulances, hospital stores bundled on board as quickly as possible. Tommies acting as dockers, stevedores, and crane-men. Then three awful days on board a cattle-boat packed to the brim with war material and carrying in addition 600 horses and 2,000 men. How we all fitted in was a thing I never fathomed. Certainly it was quite impossible to walk the deck at night, for every inch of space was covered with recumbent forms. Even the ship's lifeboats were full as they hung on the davits. How we thanked God that it was fine weather! That voyage would have been unthinkable otherwise. The poor horses, how they suffered! One after another they died and were buried in the ocean. But let us draw a veil over these scenes of horror.

I would next take you to a quiet spot on the sandy dunes, sheltered by pine trees—the *pinus maritima* that spreads so sweet and refreshing a scent. The ground is covered with undergrowth, but this is cut away and burnt, whilst the little green lizards that inhabited it scuttle away in haste, often dropping their tails in their terror. Rows of hospital marquees and bell tents spring up like mushrooms. Hardly are they up than they are fitted out completely with folding "X" beds, tables, basins, and the hundred other things necessary in a ward, whilst the motor ambulances continually arrive, bringing the wounded from the underground dressing stations of the trenches. Some way off a school has been similarly transformed. Quite half of this is filled with seriously

wounded Germans. To each of these I go, followed by an orderly with a bulky official book in which he writes the particulars of each man as I obtain them. Not one of them, I find, is more than twenty-one. Most are Mecklenburghers, but here and there is the more sullen face of a Prussian. One confides to me the startling information that he is glad to be in "England" as he was not pleased with the ways of the French. I feel it useless to point out to the "Carte de France" hanging on the schoolroom wall, showing the silver streak across which all must pass before reaching our island. Poor man, he is just a cog in the German war-machine, with the vaguest notions of where he is fighting or why he is fighting. I move to the next bed, but here I am too late. Just a few incoherent words I can hear, but soon the soul is released from the suffering body. Only the little metal identification disc remains to tell who the soldier was. But let us pass on. As I approach the next bed, the occupant, although badly wounded, insists on sitting up. I believe he would have clicked his heels if he had been able. When I say "You are a German soldier?" he denies it indignantly. "But what are you then?" "I am a Sergeant-Major of the German Army," pointing to his cap with the five silver lines around it. I reflect that our Field-Marschals and Generals glory in the name of soldier, whilst an obscure German warrant officer objects to the title. For him it signifies merely the animated "cannon fodder" he is accustomed to command. But even he becomes more human when in response to his request that he may write to his relatives, I assure him that every facility will be given him for doing so. He seems quite surprised that the hated and barbaric English should be so considerate to him. Other rooms are filled with British Tommies, usually much more cheerful than German wounded. Outside in the playground a field kitchen is established, where the food for patients and staff is prepared. A basement room is fitted out for X-Ray work, and just now the radiography medical officer and his assistant are working day and night. If time would allow, you might see some wonderful plates. Here, for example, is one of a man through whose chest an enfiling bullet has passed. The bullet is not there, but we find that it has taken in with it and left behind the buckle from the man's braces. A little petrol engine driving a dynamo furnishes the current necessary for this work and for lighting the operating-theatre. A never-ceasing stream of stretchers goes to and from the latter, while outside a line of ambulances waits to take those who are fit to be moved down to the base and the hospital ships. But here comes a message from the orderly room, warning me to prepare to leave for Paris immediately, taking despatches and letters with me. Hastily packing some food into my haversack, I set off in a car to go to railhead. From there I

must make my own way by such trains as I can find. I pass from the hands of the English military authorities into those of the French, but all my relations with them are of the most cordial character. I have a big yellow *Ordre de Transport*, but it is not really necessary, for I find my khaki uniform as good as a first-class ticket. It is a long journey, and necessarily somewhat roundabout. Of course no ordinary trains are running, but I am fortunate to get a relatively quick train specially run for military purposes. It is filled with French officers and the talk inevitably turns on the war. A veteran of 1870 is also travelling, and he is persuaded to recount some of his experiences. At length we drew near to Paris. But how strange a Paris! Never have I seen it like this before. There is an unearthly quietness about the place. No traffic in the streets, no trams, not one of the particularly noisy breed of motor-bus found in Paris. The shops are all locked and bolted, whilst iron shutters cover the windows. On the walls big yellow placards confront me, announcing the arrangements for the trains d'évacuation. The Government has retired to Bordeaux and the bulk of the population has been taken away in goods waggons and cattle trucks down into Brittany or the South. How many times have I heard from their own lips the sufferings of the women and children in this flight. Four days and nights they were cooped up in the trucks without food except such as they had brought with them. I wonder if people in England ever realised how near the Germans were at this time to Paris. They were at the very gates, and their Taube aeroplanes were continually hovering above. The boulevards and streets are deserted, the fashionable Rue de la Paix and Avenue de l'Opéra a wilderness, the Champs Elysées a picture of desolation. Gone are all the "bouquinistes" that used to line the quays on the South side of the Seine. All gone save one old woman, who cannot prevail upon herself to leave her poor little book-stall. I cannot forbear to buy something from her stock. She produces two or three English novels, certainly a little the worse for wear, and begs me to accept them as a gift for our wounded Tommies. Truly the widow's mite! It was in a spirit of resignation that Paris watched and waited during those dark days, ever hoping for the best although the horizon seemed so clouded. Happily those days are past now. The Boches have been pushed back and Paris is almost normal again. As the days succeeded one another so the outlook grew brighter and then came the great forward movement. For the time goods waggons became our home, but I cannot say that they are the most comfortable of dwelling-places. We were so glad, however, to be moving up that the discomforts passed unnoticed. There was plenty of incident to liven the journey up. At one stopping place I got out, and when I returned to the platform I saw the tail-lights of the train receding at the other end. I think

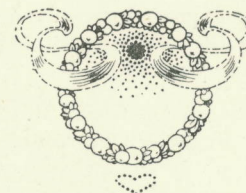
I must have made the finest sprint of my life then and just managed to clamber into the brakesman's cabin. Then again, when standing at the door of the waggon arranging the exhaust of the petrol engine, which was driving the dynamo in order to charge the X-Ray accumulators during the journey, I managed to lose my belt containing all the money I possessed. We likewise managed to lose the cooks of the party, as well as cooking apparatus. They were eventually found with their kettles at Calais and were sent back to us. At last we detained in the neighbourhood of the new General Headquarters. The ghastly yet glorious days of Ypres followed. Days and nights of unceasing activity amidst scenes of horror, such as I hope never to see again. The bad weather set in with a vengeance, bitter cold alternating with violent tempests. The needs of the wounded were thus greatly increased, yet how difficult it was to meet them in an almost denuded district! Backwards and forwards in a car or motor lorry all day, with at night the prospect of twelve hours' work in the wards. No time for rest or meals. The stream of ambulances along the roads flows by unceasingly, alternating with pathetic trains of refugees, the men marching in front and the women and children in tumbrils behind. The children wave their hands to me as I pass. They have not yet realised that they are not making a picnic journey. And every day a rough country cart, covered with a Union Jack and saluted by all, goes from the hospital to a little graveyard a mile away. It bears the bodies of men who have laid down their lives for the honour of the motherland. *Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori.* So they go to their last long sleep. *Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.*

THE GYMNASIUM COMPETITION.

THE competition for the Gym. VIII. was held as usual during the last period of the last Thursday of term—April 8th. Last year we had only eight entries, but this year there was fortunately more competition, there being ten candidates. A novel feature, and one that we would like to see repeated, was introduced this year. The competitors gave a display of muscle and breathing exercises for about ten minutes before the competition proper began. Mr. Turner, on congratulating Sergeant Coleman on the results of another year's work, said he had found this the most interesting feature of all the exercises he had witnessed. The idea in giving the display was to encourage latent talent, and, more especially, to show slackers how the exercises should be done. When this magazine is in the hands of its readers the swimming season will

be upon us, and one could not help reflecting how useful these muscle exercises are to those who engage in matters natatory. It will be seen some very good swimmers are in this year's Gym. VIII. The competition itself consisted of the usual items, three exercises on the parallel bars, two on the rings, and three on the horizontal bar. When the judges came to do their "sums," it was found that Clarke was first, though he was fairly closely followed by "Horatio." There was little to choose between the remaining six, who were elected to have their names inscribed on the Roll of Honour. Indeed there was little to choose between the remaining eight. The two who are not elected this year ought to have no difficulty in receiving the coveted honour next year. The final order was as follows:—1, H. Clarke; 2, H. G. Harper; 3, R. M. Thompson; 4, J. C. Anderson; 5, A. H. Lowther; 6, T. H. Webster; 7, A. C. R. Crowe; 8, N. A. Browne. So Clarke adds a bar to the medal he won last year and Harper wins the medal for 1915. It only remains to congratulate Sergeant Coleman on the results achieved. It was difficult to choose eight out of a set so uniformly good. It must have cheered the heart of the Sergeant to see the results of his labours epitomised in 10 such good exponents of the art. We sincerely hope that next year he may have his activities completely restored.

ONE OF THE JUDGES.



FOOTBALL, 1914-1915.

DURING the Winter Term matters were not looking at all favourable for the School. However, during the Spring Term the School bucked up considerably, and only lost one match. On March 3rd we defeated Wyggeston for the first time for many years. The season's results are as follows :

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals	
				For.	Agnst.
21	10	6	5	88	54

Almost immediately after Christmas we lost the services of Bourne, our Captain, and Pilsbury was elected in his stead. Bourne, however, was able to play for us on Saturdays. Since the departure of White, the right-outside, his place has been taken by Reynolds, who has shown himself to be a vigorous player of great promise. Webster, our late custodian, has been promoted to left-back, and has proved a great success in that position. We have been able to obtain the services of Hall and Grudgings for Saturday matches, the former has led the forwards again with his usual dash, and the latter has added much stimulus to the defence. On Wednesday matches we have had to call upon the services of Harper, who shaped well at right-half. The 1st XI. has generally been chosen from the following players :—Pilsbury, Bourne, Hall, Grudgings, Clarke, Webster, Farmer, Harrison, Lowther, Reynolds, Smith E. D., and Harper.

The goal scorers are :—Hall 25, Bourne 11, Farmer 11, Reynolds 4, Dawson 3, Lowther 2, White 2, Jervis 1.

The War, as can be expected, as played havoc with the fixtures, and it is only through the activities of Mr. James that we have been able to obtain so many matches.

The Sixes were arranged as usual this year, but only 6 teams could be formed owing to lack of entrants. The games, however, were all highly interesting and closely contested. The winning team was Pilsbury's, which gained a victory of 1-0 against Farmer's team.

This season the 2nd XI. has again proved a failure, and has not been successful in a single match. This, I am sorry to say, can only be attributed to lack of enthusiasm. The team has generally been chosen from the following players :—Holt (Captain), Harper, Gunn, Cotton, Savage, Limehouse, Crowe, Anderson, Brown, E. M., Brown, T. E. M., Thompson, Wilford, Highton, and Cook.

FICTITIOUS CHARACTERS OF THE FIRST XI.

- PILSBURY, H.—The skipper (sardine) of the team. Gained the D.S.O. in the attack on the "Students."
- GRUDGINGS, JOEY.—Never grudges any tumble on the field. Offers no quarter [fractions neglected ED.] and takes none. Going strong for the Student Teachers' Handicap.
- HARRISON, TOMMY.—The Nanpantan Representative—dashing and brilliant (?).
- CLARKE, HENRY.—Chief of the "Order of the Sign Post." Sings the "Lost C(h)ord" to great effect and finds the "missing links" after school. Well backed in the Obstacle Race through "wash tubs."
- WEBSTER, TOM.—Shuts his eyes and backs into action. Feeds on Easter eggs, sage and onions, and other aquatic reptiles.
- HALL, ARTHUR (W.).—Got a runaway victory in the Kegworth (M.R.) Steeplechase. Learnt football by the C.G.S. System. Another of the Student Teacher Candidates.
- BOURNE (BILLY).—Sole representative of the C.A. Brigade (not the Church Army). Looks well in white knickers and is good at "tots" we hear. Motto: "Better late than never."
- FARMER.—Great on tactical movements round the field. What was he bo(u)rn(e) for? for demonstrating his turn of speed on the Nottingham Road.
- LOWTHER, ARTHUR HUGH.—Eminent scientist, especially keen on Boyle's Law ($P \times W$ equals $P \times W$ etc.) Sole boarders' representative. Feeds on dog biscuits and other climbing plants.
- REYNOLDS.—No relation to the great painter, we understand. Ran well in the Sixes Handicap of One Shilling.
- SMITH, E., DUNCAN.—The Hathern Beauty—lately transferred from the "puer" stage to the "juvenis" stage by being breeched. Would do well, however, by taking something to add "a cubit to his stature."

CHARACTERS OF THE ELEVEN.

- PILSBURY, H. (Captain).—Energetic captain, reliable both at half and full back. Feeds forwards and marks his man extremely well. Neat on foot but inclined to use his head insufficiently.
- BOURNE, W. E. (left-inside).—Has played with usual brilliance throughout season and maintained his reputation as a good captain during Winter Term. Has unfortunately been able to help us on Saturdays only.
- HALL, A. W. (centre-forward).—Is a splendid shot and keeps his men together well. Passes freely and with splendid judgment.
- GRUDGINGS, J. H. (right-back).—Possesses sure kick and fine tackling abilities. Gives great stimulus to the defence and is very resourceful.

- CLARKE, H. (centre-half).—Has developed into a fine tackler and supports the forward line greatly. Passes judiciously but heads weakly.
- FARMER, J. P. (right-inside).—Splendid dribbler although still inclined slightly to overdo it. Combines well with the outside man, but shooting is not a strong point.
- HARRISON, T. (left half-back).—Good tackler and sticks to his man. It is a pity he cannot run a little faster.
- WEBSTER, T. (left-back).—A reliable back of a vigorous kind, possessing sound tackling tactics but is a trifle shaky in the kicking line at times.
- LOWTHER, A. H. (left-outside).—Centres and shoots well but is inclined to be a trifle slow at times.
- REYNOLDS, W. H. (right-outside).—Shapes well and shows great promise. Works hard and centres and shoots smartly.
- SMITH, E. D. (goalkeeper).—Saves well and has proved himself resourceful. Is inclined to dally with the ball too long.

CUP-TIES.

In the Spring Term the Blues had the advantage of being able to obtain the services of Hall, Bourne and Grudgings, and therefore had matters much their own way as the results show.

SENIORS.	Played	Won	Lost	Goals	
				For	Against
Blues	2	2	0	9	3
Whites	2	0	2	3	9

In the Middles three matches were played, the Whites being successful in the first and the Blues being successful in the other matches.

BLUES v. WHITES.

1ST CUP-TIE, FEB. 6TH.

The game had not been long started when Lowther opened the score for the Whites with a splendid shot which Holt, the Blues' custodian, failed to reach. The Blues, however, during the remainder of the first half proved themselves greatly superior, and Hall by means of his dashing play scored 3 goals and Bourne 1. In the second half the Blues still maintained their superiority and Hall on several occasions nearly scored. Just before time Dawson sent in a centre and Pilsbury misjudged the ball, which slipped from his foot into the goal. The final score was :—Blues 4, Whites 2.

The Middles match was won by the Whites, the score being :—Whites 3, Blues 1.

BLUES v. WHITES.

2ND CUP-TIE.

This match was played on March 13th. The Blues were able to field a very strong team. Soon after the game had begun Lowther scored for the Whites with a ground. From a corner ceded by Thompson, Bourne added a second goal, which was soon followed by one from

Hall. A penalty was awarded the Blues for a foul by Webster in the penalty area. Just before half-time Hall added another. The score at half-time was 4—1 in favour of the Blues.

In the second half the Blues had matters much their own road, the repeated efforts of the Whites' forwards being easily repelled. Hall, however, succeeded in scoring another, which brought the final score to : Blues 5, Whites 1.

Middles' Result :—Blues 2, Whites 0.

In a subsequent Middles match the result was :—Blues 1, Whites 0.

LOUGHBOROUGH G.S. 1st XI. v. WILKINSON'S XI.

Played on January 30th. This was the first match played by the School after the Christmas Holidays, consequently most of the XI. were out of condition. Hall made a welcome reappearance after his long period of inactivity during the previous term. In the first half the game was well contested, the opponents having slightly the better of the game. However, the School succeeded in scoring two goals whilst the opponents only managed to score one during the first half.

In the second half the School had much the better of the game, the opponents only piercing the danger zone on one or two occasions. Although one or two open goals were missed the School forwards succeeded, between themselves, in compiling seven goals whilst the opponents scored three goals. D. Smith in goal played an exceedingly good game, being on several occasions severely tested. Webster, the left-back, was steady and reliable, as were the half-backs. The forwards played with much dash and vigour.

L.G.S. v. MR. A. WILKINSON'S XI.

Played at home on February 27th. School was represented by the following :—E. D. Smith ; J. Grudgings, T. H. Webster ; H. Pilsbury, H. Clarke, T. Harrison ; H. Reynolds, J. P. Farmer, A. W. Hall, W. E. Bourne, and A. H. Lowther. This match was played in good weather against a very strong team. School began by defending the Victoria Street end. The visitors obtained the first goal. Soon afterwards School forced a corner, which resulted in Bourne scoring for School. School then had to keep on the defensive for some time, and the visitors obtained a second goal. Half-time came with the score 2—1 for the visitors.

After the kick-off, the visitors again attacked our goal. Smith saved a fine shot, but in attempting to clear hit the visiting centre-forward, the ball bouncing through the goal. School now got possession and attacked, the result being a goal scored by Hall from a pass by Bourne. From a corner taken by the visitors, Pilsbury had the misfortune to put through his own goal, thus bringing the visitors' score to 4 against 2. A fine shot was put in some time later by Clarke, but it was well stopped by the goalkeeper. In a scrimmage near our goal the visitors managed to get in another goal. School had, in this match, some very bad luck, two or three of the visitors' goals being very "fluky." Time came with the score :—L.G.S. 2. Mr. Wilkinson's XI. 5.

L.G.S. v. WYGGESTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This match was played on Wednesday, March 3rd, 1915, before a moderate attendance at the Victoria Street Ground, Loughborough. Wyggeston brought a fairly strong team, but as events proved they were by no means a match for the doughty defenders of the honour of the School, viz. :—Smith, E. D.; Pilsbury, Webster; Harper, Clarke, Harrison; Reynolds, Jervis, Farmer, Dawson, Lowther. School, by means of an energetic movement initiated by Dawson first took up the running. Then after various changes in fortune, during which Wyggeston visited our custodian once or twice, School again attacked. This time we were more successful, for Farmer headed into the goal-mouth and the "six-footer" partially cleared, Dawson neatly doing the needful. A little later, Reynolds with a magnificent cross-shot absolutely beat the goalkeeper. Thus at half-time we were two up.

After the interval Jervis, who was making his debut among the "knuts" of the 1st XI., by means of a deft touch put us one more up. Reynolds again brought himself into prominence by scoring another goal. Then "Wyggy" bucked up, and at length succeeded in netting the ball once (although there was no net) and the end came with School gloriously victorious to the tune of 4—1, Wyggeston tasting defeat for the first time this term.

L.G.S. v. LOUGHBOROUGH JUNIORS.

This home match was played on Saturday, March 6th. The ground was in good condition, but a strong wind was blowing. Pilsbury won the toss, and School defended the Victoria Street goal. For a little while, play was fairly even. Then School pressed hotly, Hall sending in some good shots, and it was only the visiting goalkeeper who kept the School forwards out. At length Farmer scored with a shot, not far from the half-way line, which had the goalkeeper well beaten. Towards half-time Hall scored two more goals, both from breakaways. Lowther then ran up the left wing, and centred well, Hall scoring his third goal. Half-time then arrived, the score being :—L.G.S. 4, Loughborough Juniors 0.

On resuming, the visitors started off with a dash, but time and again were sent back by the School defence. Holt, who had had little work to do, was called upon to save two or three times in succession, which he did well. About the middle of the half one of the visitors was accidentally kicked in the face and had to retire. Although a man short, the visitors played up well, and their centre-forward scored, but was ruled offside. The School forwards were repeatedly pulled up for offside when they looked like scoring. Then the Juniors' right-outside broke away, and scored through a misunderstanding between Holt and Webster. But not long afterwards the School scored again, Reynolds received the ball on the right wing, and centred to Hall, who scored with a low shot. Nothing of importance happened after this, and the final whistle blew with the score :—L.G.S. 5, Loughborough Juniors 1.

School were represented by Holt; Webster, Grudgings; Harrison, Clarke, Pilsbury; Reynolds, Farmer, Hall, Bourne, and Lowther. School on the whole played well.

L.G.S. 1st XI. v. FALCON STUDENTS.

This match was played on Saturday, March 27th, 1915. The weather at the commencement of the game was ideal football weather, but the weather clerk got angry with us and gave us a blinding blizzard of snow, etc. to disport ourselves in. School won the toss, and at once attacked the Loughborough end of the field. We were early in arrears, the referee allowing the visiting centre to go through after palpably fouling the ball. This was only a slight reverse, for School rallied and Bourne (2) and Hall (2) scored for School. Then the visiting centre-half-back kindly added another. The score at half-time was 5—2 for School, Grudgings having headed the ball away from Smith, giving the Students an open goal.

The second half opened amid the roars of applause from the spectators, when Holt gave us an exhibition of his powers on two more occasions. School about this time were practically shooting in, and Reynolds with a fine oblique shot gave the visiting custodian no chance. Score :—L.G.S. 9, Students 2. Team :—Smith, E. D.; Webster, Grudgings; Pilsbury, Clarke, Harrison; Reynolds, Farmer, Hall, Bourne, Lowther.

L.G.S. v. FALCON STUDENTS.

This match, the last of the season, was played on L.G.S. ground, on Saturday, April 10th. The School were represented by :—Holt; Pilsbury, Webster; Harper, Clarke, Harrison; Reynolds, Farmer, Hall, Bourne, Sansome. The School won the toss, and elected to defend the Victoria-street goal. About 10 minutes after starting, the Falcon Students scored, and later on scored another off a rebound. Just before half-time Bourne scored a goal for L.G.S. Half-time :—L.G.S. 1, Falcon Students 2.

After half-time the School livened up, and Hall and Bourne scored one each, and the Falcon Students one. Soon after the Falcon Students scored again, and Barker had hard lines in not quite scoring. Hall scored another for the School, and Falcon also replied with one soon after. This brought the score to four all. About seven minutes before time Falcon Students scored, but after a few minutes' play Hall scored a goal by kicking the ball over the goalkeeper's head. About half a minute before time Hall broke away, but before he could shoot he was surrounded by his opponents, but managed to score with a fine shot. Time came with the final score :—L.G.S. 6, Falcon Students 5.

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

This match was played at home on Saturday, February 13th. The conditions were not pleasant, the ground being heavy and greasy with the recent rains and a strong cold wind blowing across the field. Both School and Alderman Newton's played only ten men each. The visitors won the toss, and decided to attack the bottom goal with the wind. From the kick-off School pressed, but were repulsed by the opposing backs. After about five minutes' play the Newton forwards pressed hotly and scored, Smith having no chance against the shot owing to the slippery state of the goal-mouth. From the resulting centre Hall got away and

scored with a fine low shot. The game was then fairly devoid of incident until a few minutes before half-time, when the visitors again scored. School then attacked, and were successful in equalising through the agency of Hall. Half-time arrived with the score 2—2. After the interval there was a lot of play in mid-field, until Alderman Newton's forced a corner, which did not result in anything. From the goal-kick Hall made another run, and scored a third goal, thus obtaining the lead for School. The lead was retained until about 15 minutes before time, when the visitors equalised. The game came to an end with the score 3—3.

School played well, of the forwards Hall being especially brilliant. School was represented by:—Smith; H. Pilsbury, T. Webster; H. Harper, H. Clarke, T. Harrison; Reynolds, J. P. Farmer, A. W. Hall, A. H. Lowther.

L.G.S. v. LOUGHBOROUGH JUNIORS.

The match was played at home in sunny weather on Saturday, February 20th. The School was represented as follows:—Holt; Grudgings, Webster; H. Pilsbury (capt.), Clarke, Harrison; Reynolds, J. P. Farmer, Hall, Bourne, Lowther.

The School won the toss, and at once began to attack, but no result was obtained, although our forwards made great efforts. Eventually, Hall scored with a smart shot from a corner kick. Soon after, Hall, beating both the backs, added another. Half-time arrived with the score:—L.G.S. 2, Loughborough Juniors 0.

When play was resumed, the game was fairly even. Then our opponents began to attack, but their shooting was very erratic, their forwards failing to score several times when only a few yards from the goal. Also, our opponents were considerably hindered by Holt, our goalkeeper, who stopped some very hot shots.

But after several attempts, our opponents managed to score with a low shot in the corner, Holt having no chance. Unfortunately for our opponents, their left-outside unaccountably scored in his own goal, bringing the score up to three.

When finally the whistle blew the score was:—L.G.S. 3, Loughborough Juniors 1.

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