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# SCHOOL NOTES.

THE following boys were first and second in their respective forms at the end of last term:

Lower VI.: 1, T. Pritchard; 2, T. King and W. Jervis.

Lower V.: 1, A. C. Barson; 2, A. M. Wade

Lower IV.: 1, R. W. Payne; 2, B. Barker.

Lower III.:1, A. Thorley; 2, C. Ll. Turner.

Lower II.: 1, W. Vance; 2, J. Vance.

Lower I.: 1, H. M. Ware; 2, W. G. K. Parker.

The following boys left in December, 1916:-

Form V.: N. E. Hooley.

Form IV.: R. N. Radford.

Form III.: J. Cuer.

Form II.: J. Cotton.

Form I.: G. A. Harrison.

The following new boys joined the School in January,

Form III.: E. E. Coup, W. C. Herrick, G. S. Potter.

Form II.: S. Bryant, J. H. W. Shawt.

Form I.: H. Onions, C. H. Turner\*.

†Boarder, Foxholme.

\*Boarder, School House.

The Turner Memorial Clock which was fixed in the Tower during the Christmas holidays has proved most useful already. It keeps excellent time now that it has been regulated, and the bells are audible for a good distance from the School. The following kind letter, which appeared in the local press early in February, expresses the appreciation of many outside the School:

"Sir,—May I be allowed the use of your columns to express, as a private citizen, what I am sure must be the feelings of a great many of my fellow townsmen, when I say how much appreciated is the new clock and chimes which Mr. and Mrs. Turner have had placed in the tower of our local Grammar School, especially by those inhabitants of Loughborough who happen to live within the sound of its bells. When one realises that the clock and its chimes will tell out the time, not only to this genera-

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tion, but probably to many future generations, that the musical tones of its bells will echo along the lanes of time long after this sad war and its horrors have ceased to be, also that in the near future the sound of its chimes will cause many of us to cast a backward thought to the gallant lad in whose memory it has been erected, who, like so many equally brave, have given their lives that England might live; surely no more fitting memorial could have been erected. No better inspiration could have been offered to the future scholars of this fine old School, and one cannot help but realise that Loughborough is richer in more ways than one by the kindly thought and gift of the donors of this clock, which undoubtedly supplies the finishing touch to one of the most interesting buildings in this district.

Park-road. An Old Resident."

We were sorry to find that Miss Brown was unable to return for the first week of last term. Her father died in the course of the holidays, and Miss Brown was quite unfit to resume her duties at once.

Since the first week of the last term we have altered our times of beginning and ending school, to meet the convenience of many boys travelling by train who were suffering by the reduced service. School now begins at 8-45 on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and ends at 12-30; games or drill for the corps beginning on those days at 1-45. On the other week-days school begins at 8-30; five "periods" are worked before the dinner hour and two after it, school ending at 3-15, which enables train boys to catch their trains and lose less school time than they used to. The dinner hour is necessarily reduced to one hour, 12-45 to 1-45, and in order to make this fall at a convenient hour for the town, the day is so divided as to involve a very heavy morning. Two intervals are, however, allowed in the course of it, 10-15—10-25 and 11-45—12; and most boys bring what the Scots call a "piece" and consume it during the former.

Work has gone on during the term in the dinner interval and after school on the potato patches in the School court, from part of which the turf has been removed. The labour is organised in squads under "bosses," and when the seed potatoes arrive, they will be set, and the workers will live in hopes of a plentiful crop; a very heavy crop of "roots" has already been gathered. Some rows of artichokes, a vegetable suited to the unpromising soil, and of parsnips have already been planted.

Sergt. H. W. Imrie, Leicestershire Regiment, has been sent back from the front, suffering from a slight "gassing" and trench feet. He is in the First Eastern General Hospital at Cambridge, and his many friends in the School and outside will wish him complete and speedy recovery.

## SCHOOL LIBRARY.

The following books have been presented:-

"Under the Chilian Flag" (H. Collingwood), and "Eric Brighteyes" (Rider Haggard), by A. H. Lowther.

"The Boys' Own Book of Outdoor Sports," by H. G.

Harper.

"The Adventures of Dick Trevamon" (H. Strang), by G. R. Padmore.

The donor of the "Feet of the Furtive" is still anonymous.

# ROLL OF HONOUR.

KILLED.

Second-Lieut. A. D. Chapman, North Staffs. Regiment, previously reported missing, killed in action, July 1st, 1916, aged 24.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut. W. A. Savage, Leicestershire Regiment.

Second-Lieut. S. H. Corah, Leicestershire Regiment (slightly).

Captain E. Fletcher, R.F.C.

Second-Lieut. L. Dowland, R.F.C. (April, 1917).

Additions.

Second-Lieut. W. L. Holt, 3rd Batt., York and Lancaster Regt. J. Moss, Army Pay Corps.

Cyclist A. H. Lowther, 2/9th Battalion, Hampshire Regiment.

Lance-Corpl. A. F. Court, Royal Engineers.

Pte. A. Shepherd and Pte. J. C. Watson, 10th Training Battalion. Second-Lieut. C. Gadsby, Manchester Regiment.

Pte. S. Gunn, 80th T.R.B.

Pte. W. F. Cartwright, Leicester Regiment.

Pte. R. Bailey, H.A.C.

Pte. E. M. Brown, Coldstream Guards.

Pte. E. Hames, Coldstream Guards.

CORRECTIONS.

Sergt. W. F. Jelly, Leicestershire Regiment, promoted Second-Lieut. in the Yorkshire Regiment.

Pte. J. F. Bailey, Leicestershire Regiment, promoted Second-Lieut. in 378 Siege Battery, R.G.A.

Pte. W. E. Bailey, Artists' Rifles O.T.C., promoted Second-Lieut. in 308 Siege Battery, R.G.A.

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# OBITUARY.

We regret to record the death on Saturday, March 31st, of Frank Chapman, late Second-Lieut. in the Royal Engineers, at the age of 31. By profession he was a civil engineer. At the time when the war broke out he was holding a Government post in West Africa as surveying engineer, and returned home by permission of H.M. Commissioner in West Africa, in October, 1915, to join the army. He obtained his commission and saw service in France from where he was invalided home. After a further short period of service in Egypt he was again invalided home, and after a few months finally retired, but never recovered his health. In December, 1915, he married Miss Lizzie Moss, sister of another old Loughburian.

We deeply regret having to chronicle the death in action last year at the age of 24, of Arthur Donald Chapman. He was a boy here from 1901 to 1908, when he left, having reached the VIth and had the honour of being captain of our Football XI, to go to the Technical School in Leicester, for the purpose of learning the principles and method of boot-making. On completing his course there he passed into the firm of Messrs. Bostock, and later on was specially selected for a responsible agency in South Africa. Here he was acting most successfully for his firm when war broke out, and he gave up a very lucrative position with bright prospects for his future, to come home and do his duty in the army. At the School we still retain the happiest remembrances of him. He had a very good intelligence and, even then, a well developed sense of duty and behaviour; but what made all, who knew him, love him, was his gentle and attractive personality and his perfect frankness and straightness. None of those who came in contact with his manly nature which was reflected in his face, failed to get a liking for him, and it is with a very real feeling of the loss which such a son must be, that we offer our deepest sympathy to his parents.

Second-Lieut. Alexander William Leslie, of the Leicestershire Regiment, died on April 23rd of wounds received in action. He was 24 years of age and had served two years, enlisting as a private shortly after the outbreak of war. Prior to then he was in the service of Parr's Bank at the Ashby and later at the Leicester branch.

# OLD BOYS.

One of the movers of the address to His Majesty at the opening of Parliament this year was Mr. C. A. McCurdy, M.P., who is a distinguished Old Loughburian. It is probably the first time on record that an Old Loughburian has had this honour. He is fairly well-known in the town where he owns a considerable amount of property, and he was kind enough to come down and distribute the Prizes at the School in July, 1910.

We are sorry to note the name of W. A. Savage in the list of wounded. He left here in 1909 and was, at the time when he joined, an assistant master at Sandwich Grammar School. He was hit in the foot while with a patrol which had gone out somewhere in France, dressed in white to elude notice in the snow. He lay for some time in the shelter of a shell crater and narrowly escaped being hit again by snipers or blown to pieces by bombs which were thrown into the hole. However, he was eventually brought in and was, when we received news of him, in hospital in Oxford.

Mr. A. H. Claypole, A.M.I.C.E. (O.L.), Divisional Engineer under the Bristol Corporation, has received a commission as a Technical Officer attached to the Devonshire Regiment.

Gunner E. G. Phillips is now at Aldershot, where he has been sent from his battery to a Cadet Probationers course, as a preliminary to joining a Cadet School for further training as a commissioned officer. In his battery he was specially selected by his Major for B.C.A. (?Battery Commander's Assistant), his mathematical attainments having been soon discovered and utilised by the Battery Commander for working out his corrections, keeping his ranging sheets, etc.

Second-Lieut. J. R. Bingham Turner, R.F.A., has been recommended for the Military Cross for work done when detailed to assist infantry in a successful raid on the German trenches. He has not, however, yet heard that the medal has been awarded. The two gunners who volunteered to accompany him both received the D.C.M.

The following letter from F. W. Roberts (O.L., 1904-1911), in Mesopotamia, will be of interest:—

Feb. 14th, 1917.

Dear Mr. Turner,

Though I have omitted to write to you before, I assure you it has not been through lack of desire or even laziness, but the old story of—to-morrow will do. In addition I have no hair-breadth

escapes and few adventures to chronicle, though possibly some parts of my letter may provide a little material for the much-abused "Loughburian." I've been in India for over two years and during that time have been pretty well all over it, but it has only been just lately that I've had any opportunity of doing anything more substantial to win the the war. I left Bombay some weeks back and landed at Basrah via Karachi—a most interesting voyage as we hugged the coast line most of the way. Busra (the old Bussorah of "Arabian Nights" fame) is quite an interesting though somewhat squalid town. The Arabs clad in long flowing gowns, the narrow streets and bazaars, the Mohammedan structures, have quite a "Sinbadic" flavour. To complete the atmosphere I noticed the name "Aladdin" over one of the shops. I was only at Busra a few weeks before I was detailed to my Signal Company who are right in the thick of it somewhere "up the line." As the country through which I had to travel to get up there is most interesting, perhaps an account in some detail will not be amiss and out of place. We left on a river steamer and sailed up the R. Shatt-el-Arab. We had a good load on and with wind and current against us, could not manage much more than three miles per hour. There was little interest till we reached Kurna, which is situated a the confluence of the two big rivers (the Tigris and Euphrates). The whole of this region is the mythical site of the Garden of Eden, which, though pretty, seemed to have little other claim to its exalted position. We took the right river (the Tigris), continuing we passed the tomb of the prophet Ezra, who, I believe, collaborated with Nehemiah in the production of a certain portion of the Bible. I hope you will not demand external evidence of this fact. That would recall brain-racking struggles as to whether Luke wrote the gospel associated with him. I still ponder over the actual whereabouts of Syria and Assyria and our friend Shalalhas-bas. Still "Moins un's" are things of the past. To resume, Ezra's tomb is quite a conspicuous land-mark, having a pretty light blue dome. As it actually borders on the river we had a fine view of it. We continued to wind round and round in a most tantalizing fashion—really I believe the Tigris must meander more than any other river in the world, and for no apparent reason. We eventually reached Amara, a very picturesque place which seems with its flat topped roofs to suggest Jerusalem (acording to ideas I have formed about the latter city).

Feb. 17th.

Since commencing this letter, I've been in the trenches in one action. None of the enemy's bullets and other little efforts paid me a visit fortunately, so I am intact though very muddy and dirty. We were washed out of a dug-out last night, and as

everything (including my writing paper) got dirty, I must ask you to excuse it (the paper). I haven't heard from anyone for ages, so I'm quite in the dark as to current Loughborough news. Please remember me to all at L.G.S. If the Editor of the Loughburian could oblige with a few past copies, I should be extremely obliged. With best wishes to Mrs. Turner and yourself, I remain yours very sincerely,

F. W. ROBERTS.

# WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

THE Association, which was started in connection with the School towards the end of last term, now numbers 24 members. Up to March 1st just over £19 had been received in ordinary subscriptions, and 24 War Savings Certificates had been purchased. Of these, 16 have been handed to members who have filled their cards. In addition to this, in the last week of the War Loan campaign, seven certificates were purchased outright through the Association, making a total of 31 certificates, representing £24, obtained in the four months. It is earnestly hoped that we shall keep our contributions up to this level, indeed we ought to improve greatly on it, and we take this opportunity of asking those who have not joined the Association to consider whether they could not do so with advantage, both to the country and to themselves. Although there is no immediate urgent need for a large new War Loan, the time cannot be far distant when the nation will again be asked to contribute, and meanwhile continuous contribution through the medium of these certificates serves the much needed purpose of inculcating the habit of saving, a habit comparatively rare in England. The best thanks of the Association is due to Mr. Bickley for the care and time he has devoted to the interests of the members.

# GYMNASIUM COMPETITION.

The Gymn. Eight Competition took place during the last period of Thursday, April 12th, with the following results:—

Tansley	 79	Gent	 64
W. G. Smith	 78	R. H. Lowe	 63
Dixon	 73	C. H. Smith	 61
King	 67	Mettham	 49
R. Vance	 66	Parkinson	 24

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Tansley's work was smart and finished; there is really a wider difference betwen him and Smith than the marks indicate, but they both give excellent promise of becoming clever gymnasts. Dixon was the next best, and put in some good work; he rather failed, however, in coming smartly to attention at the finish of some of the exercises. There was not much to choose between the succeding five performers, although each of them, here and there, on the bars and rings, put in some clean work. Perhaps the best and most difficult item was done by C. H. Smith in the optional exercise on the rings. Altogether the boys gave a creditable performance, but why not more competitors?

## CADET CORPS.

The past term has been a busy one for the Corps, because, in spite of very changeable weather, practically no parades have had to be cancelled. Of course it has not been suitable weather for the carrying out of Field Schemes, but we left the parade ground on three occasions for marches combined with extended order drill and for judging distance practice.

A lot of time has been spent on the instruction of the recruits, and they are certainly a little smarter, but have a good

deal to learn yet.

Amongst the innovations this term are the survey squad, which has made a complete survey of the School buildings and

grounds, and a cycle squad.

By the efforts of a very energetic working party the ashes were cleared from the Rifle Range, and the latter has been put in order again. We have obtained three new B.S.A. miniature rifles, and those cadets who have passed the preliminary aiming tests, have started to shoot. There is every indication of great interest being taken in this work.

To our great regret we have lost one boy, Sergt. Major Lowther, who has passed into the Army, and is now with the Hampshire Cyclists. He was universally recognised as our most

efficient N.C.O.

An old friend and ex-cadet has been with us several times this term—Second-Lieut. W. L. Holt, who has just finished his training at Oxford. We have been very grateful for his help.

The following is a list of parades with work done:-

#### WEDNESDAYS.

Jan. 31 Route March.

Feb. 14 Squad Drill, New Amendments, Physical Drill.

- Fed. 21 Morse, Aiming Instruction, Squad Drill, Passing Messages.
- ,, 28 Surveying, Arm Drill, Cycle Drill, Morse, Aiming.

Mar. 7 Route March, Extended Order Drill.

, 14 Survey, Cycle Drill, Morse.

,, 21 Survey, Squad Drill, Morse, Physical Drill, Arm Drill.

" 28 Physical Drill, Arm Drill, Squad Drill, Morse.

Apr. 4 Judging Distance Practice.

,, 11 Squad Drill, Aiming and Firing, Morse, Physical Drill,
Arm Drill.

#### FRIDAYS.

Jan. 26 Morse.

Feb. 2 Platoon Drill.

, 9 Platoon Drill.

,, 16 Platoon Drill.

,, 23 Platoon Drill.

,, 30 Company Drill. Apr. 13 Company Drill

#### FOOTBALL.

THE team this term was almost the same as last term, but after half-term we were unfortunately without the services of Lowther. Pritchard went into the place of Lowther, and Fielding took Pritchard's place. There have only been four matches this term. The Derby match, and the match with Alderman Newton's School were cancelled owing to the rise in railway fares and the few trains running. The match with Ratcliff was cancelled owing to measles, and they were unable to fix a date with us for a Saturday towards the end of the term. The Wyggeston match was postponed owing to the snow, but they were able to play us later in the term. In the last two matches the team played together better and played better football than they have ever played before, the result was two wins against teams which had beaten us last term, one of which was Wyggeston, which is generally one of the best school teams near. It was unfortunate that we were not able to play Ratcliff, Alderman Newton's, and Derby, so that we should have had a chance of wiping out the heavy defeat which Derby inflicted upon us last term.

It only remains to thank Mr. Whyman for refereeing for

us-we are much obliged to him.

Played Won Drawn Lost Goals for Goals agst.

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## CHARACTERS OF THE XI.

Mettham: Goal; a good goalkeeper for stopping low shots, but would do much better if he were taller. Has let several goals through, owing to underestimating his own ability.

Ryle: Right back (capt.); a good back who stops his man. Has a strong kick.

Webster: Left back; an excellent back, and has a strong kick; can always be relied upon.

Jervis: Right half; generally manages to force his opponent off-the ball, but is inclined to leave his man.

Pritchard: Centre half; a good tackler and has a strong kick, but should not keep the ball so long.

Fielding: Left half; tackles well and is a good sprinter, but does not keep to his man enough.

Clemerson: Right outside; fast and tricky, and has a strong kick, but should centre more.

King: Right inside; a clever dribbler, but should try to run faster and not to shoot so high.

Smith, E. D.: Centre forward; a clever and tricky dribbler and shoots well, but in some matches is inclined to keep the ball to himself.

Tansley: Left inside; a tricky player, but should practice shooting with his left.

Cotton: Left outside; generally manages to get by his man; centres and shoots well, but should be more energetic in running.

# L.G.S. v. EMPRESS UNITED.

This match was played on the School ground on Saturday, January 2th. The weather was fine but cold; School won the toss, kicked towards the Bushes, and was represented by Mettham; Ryle and Harrison; Jervis, Lowther and Pritchard; Clemerson, Bond, King, Cotton and Marsh. Soon after the kick-off King scored for the School, but we did not have the lead for long, the visitors scoring twice. Just before half-time Clemerson scored, bringing the School level. Half-time came with the score: L.G.S. 2, Empress United 2.

Although the play in the first half was fairly even, in the second half the whole team seemed too tired to cope with the opposing team, and six goals were scored against us. Some of which could have been saved by the goalkeeper. The final whistle blew with the

score: Empress United 8, L.G.S. 2.

#### L.G.S. v. Mr. HOLLAND'S XI.

This match was played on February 3rd, the weather being cold but there was very little wind blowing. The School was represented by Mettham; Ryle and Webster; Jervis, Lowther and Pritchard; Clemerson, King. Smith E.D., Tansley and Cotton. As they were two men short Bond and Topping played for them; School lost the toss and they kicked towards the bushes. In the first half they scored three and School scored three through the agency of King, Cotton, and Smith. Half time came with the score: L.G.S. 3. Mr. Holland's XI. 3.

In the second half the visitors had most of the play, and only Smith scored for the School, while the visitors scored four goals, one of which was scored by Bond. Time came with the score: Mr. Holland's XI. 7, L.G.S. 4.

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

This match was played at home on Saturday, March 24th; the weather was favourable, and there was only a slight wind blowing towards the School. The School was represented by Hawthorne; Ryle and Webster; Jervis, Pritchard and Fielding; Clemerson, King, Smith E.D., Tansley and Cotton. School lost the toss, and Wyggeston decided to kick towards the bushes. Almost straight from the kick-off Cotton ran down and scored with a shot from outside the penalty area. Ten minutes later Smith scored by heading in a corner from Clemerson. After this the play was mostly in their half, but we did not get another goal. In the first half our goal-keeper did not get a single shot. Half time came with the score: Loughborough G.S. 2, Wyggeston G.S. 0.

Shortly after half time Smith scored from a penalty given against one of the half-backs for charging King in the back. After this they attacked heavily and their outside-right scored with a ground shot. Soon afterwards Mason, the Wyggeston captain, ran through and scored with a fast shot in the top corner. Clemerson scored, and the visitors added another. Towards time Tansley scored, and time came with the score: Loughborough G.S. 5, Wyggeston G.S. 3.

This was the first time this season that Wyggeston had been

defeated by a School team.

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

This match was played on March 31st; there was a wind blowing towards the bushes and the sun was shining when the game began, but during the first half it began to snow, but fortunately this dd not last long. School was represented by Mettham; Ryle and Webster; Jervis, Pritchard and Fielding; Clemerson, King, Smith E.D., Tansley and Cotton. School lost the toss and the visitors decided to kick towards the School. About ten minutes after the kick-off Wilkinson scored for the visitors and he again scored for them a little later. Then Smith scored for the School; shortly afterwards Tansley scored, but the goal was disallowed. King brought the school level with a shot from within the goal area, but we were not equal for long, one of their forwards scoring with a low ground shot. Just before half time Tansley scored, bringing the School level. Half time came with the score: L.G.S. 3, Elm's Park 3.

In the second half the play was first in one half and then in the other, but no goals were scored for a long time. Towards the end the game became very fast, and once it looked as if the visitors would score, the ball reaching the goal line several times, but at length it was got away. About five minutes before time Cotton ran down the wing and passed to Smith, who scored with a shot in the bottom corner of the goal. Time came with the score: L.G.S. 4, Elm's Park 3.

#### L.G.S. (under 16) v. ASHBY ROAD SCHOOL.

This match was played on the Victoria-street ground early in the term. A good team was picked although we were confined to boys under 16, and also the 1st Eleven were barred. School was represented by Hawthorne; Topping and Fielding (capt.); Beeby, Grimley and Browne, G.; Vance, R., Lowe, R.H., Bond, Barson, A.C., and Reynolds. Our forwards had most of the play, and were too good for the opposing defence. Their goalkeeper saved several good shots, while our's was performing acrobatic feats on a bicycle. Owing to the late arrival of the visitors we could only play half an hour each way, and the final result was L.G.S. 12, Ashby-road 0. School played well, and several members of the team showed great promise.

#### CUP-TIES.

There were only two Cup-ties this term. The full team of the Whites was not able to turn out in either case, so that the matches were not so uneven as the first one last term. The Whites won both matches, one 7—3, and the other 5—3. The Whites therefore win the Cup.

# FOOTBALL SIXES.

The Sixes were played as usual this year, but instead of the usual prizes of 2/6 and 1/6, only 1/- and 6d. were given, the remainder, 15/-, being given to Barnardo's Homes. The results were as follows:—

League A.												
	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Agst.	Pts.					
E. D. Smith		2			4	1	5					
F F Ryle	3	1	1	1	3	3	3					
W Torvie	3	1	0	2	4	5	2					
S. F. Cotton	3	1	0	2	2	4	2					
LEAGUE B.												
	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Agst.	Pts.					
A. H. Clemerson				0			5					
T. Pritchard		1	2	0	6	4	4					
T. S. Fielding	3	1	1	.1	3	3	3					
T. King	3	0	0	3	1	6	0					
SEMI-FINALS.												

E. D. Smith 2 v. T. Pritchard 1. A. H. Clemerson 2 v. F. E. Ryle 0.

E. D. Smith 2 v. A. H. Clemerson 1 (after extra time). Smith's team therefore wins the Sixes.

# General Notices.

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