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SCHOOL NOTES.

SPRING TERM, 1918.

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

Form I.: (1) H. O. Morgan; (2) H. Unwin.

Form II.: D. Carlton and S. L. Chamberlain (equal).

Form III.: (1) J. Vance; (2) J. Keyworth.

Form IV.: (1) W. C. Brydson; (2) V. H. Baguley.

Form V.: (1) R. W. Payne; (2) L. A. Reynolds.

Lower VI.: (1) G. H. Beeby; (2) R. H. Lowe.

Boys left December, 1917:-

F. E. Ryle, A. M. Wade, A. S. Brotherton, J. Cotton, J. H. W. Shaw.

New Boys, January, 1918:-

Form II.: R. M. Pimm, J. H. Walker, G. Curtis.

Form I.: H. G. Bennett, E. A. W. Boyce, R. W. Fisher, S. M. Johnson, H. Unwin.

SUMMER TERM, 1918.

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

Form I.: (1) H. O. Morgan; (2) H. Unwin.

Form II.: (1) D. Carlton; (2) B. G. Clarke.

Form III.: (1) J. Keyworth; (2) F. S. Earp and G. W. Johnson (equal).

Form IV.: (1) W. C. Brydson; (2) G. W. Browne. Form V.: (1) R. W. Payne; (2) L. A. Reynolds.

Lower VI.: (1) R. H. Lowe; (2) F. Bourne.

Boys left, April, 1918:-

V.—T. Attenborough, G. Barrow.

IV.—R. Mellor

III.—A. C. Tyler, G. T. B Watson.

II.-F. P. Longbottom, J. S. Smith, J. H. Walker.

New Boys, May, 1918:—

IV.—B. E. Smith.

III.—T. E. Stubbins.

II.-G. M. Barnes.

I.—F. H. Brain, E. C. Cashmore, F. G. J. Cox, M. L. England, R. F. West.

Mr. S. R. Unwin, who was here as an Assistant Master some years ago and subsequently Headmaster of Laith Grammar School, has resigned that post and is acting as Instructor in the Plymouth Musketry Camp at Treganble.

We were sorry to note the death on February 10th of Mr. John Charles Latham, who was our first "instructor of musketry" when the Rifle Corps, the predecessor of our Cadet Corps, was formed here many years ago. Sergt.-Major Latham was a most careful and thorough instructor and at a time when ammunition was more plentiful he produced many excellent shots on our miniature range. He gave up his work here on account of failing health some time ago, but lingered on till the beginning of the present year.

Mr. Bickley had a long paper in the May issue of the "Philosophical Magazine," on "Some Two-Dimensional Potential Problems connected with the Circular Arc." Although the substance of this piece of research work in Pure Mathematics is quite unintelligible to non-mathematicians and most mathematicians, we are proud that it originated from one of our staff, and heartily congratulate the author on its acceptance by a magazine of such eminence and authority.

We much regret that Dr. Little again fell ill and was absent for the last fortnight of both the Spring and Summer Terms. It is to be hoped that the rest he is taking, combined with treatment, may restore him to us in September.

We were sorry to lose Mr. Bickley at the end of last term: he has done some very good work for the School which has earned our gratitude, and he never spared time or trouble. He has taken a post in Westminster City Boys' School, and in London he will find the society which Loughborough could not offer of others interested like himself in the higher branch of mathematics. He is replaced by Miss E. C. M. Barron, M.A., of Aberdeen, where she graduated in Honours, taking a second class in Mathematics and Natural Philosophy. Miss Barron has had considerable experience in teaching boys, and we hope that she will find a hearty welcome here.

We must most heartily congratulate Miss Brown on her production of the Shakespeare Scenes on Prize Day, and the actors on their performance. All the trouble they had spent was amply repaid by the appreciation of the audience. A well qualified judge observed that he had never seen a better performance or more "business" introduced into the acting.

LIBRARY.

THE following books have been presented to the School Library by J. W. and N. E. Hooley:-

"The Thirty-nine Steps" (John Buchan).
"The Great Push" (Patrick Macgill.

Dr. Paul has very kindly presented us an old calf-bound translation by Melmoth of the "Thad and Odyssey of Homer."

ROLL OF HONOUR.

KILLED.

Charles Edward Lancaster, Lieut., Leicestershire Regt., killed in action on March 21st, 1918, aged 26.

Thaddeus Francis McCarthy, M.C., Sec.-Lieut., Loyal North Lancashires, killed in action, 1918, aged 22.

Frederick Walter Moss, Sec.-Lieut., Leicestershire Regt., killed in action, June, 1918, aged 24.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Archibald Gibson Hutton-Balfour, Sec.-Lieut., K.O.S.B., died on March 22nd, 1918, of wounds received same day, aged 26.

MISSING.

William Edgar Bourne, Signaller, Leicestershire Regt., March, 1918.

WOUNDED.

Sec.-Lieut. E. G. Phillips, R.G.A., April 9th, 1918. Sec.-Lieut. A. L. Foxon, Leicestershire Regt., May, 1918.

PRISONERS.

Sec.-Lieut. S. E. Grayston, Leicestershire Regt., March, 1918. Lieut. J. H. Smedley, Leicestershire Regt., wounded March, 1918. John Cyril Watson, Pte., South Staffs. Regt., wounded April, 1918.

Additions and Corrections.

Moss, G. R., Squadron Q.M.S., Glamorgan Yeomanry. Onions, R. E., Pte., A.S.C. (M.T.)

Smith, E. D., Lance-Corpl., Bedfordshire Regt.

Glover, F. B., Q.M.S., A.S.C.

Hancox, S. E., Flight Sub. Lieut., R.N.A.S.

Smith, C. N., Capt., South Staffs. Regt.

Bumpus, F. A., Lieut., R.N.A.S., has now obtained rank of Major.

J. R. Bingham Turner, Lieut., R.A., has been promoted to the

rank of Captain (acting).

The list of Old Boys serving, as printed in the School List, number 306. Forty-three have died; one has received the D.S.O.; ten the Military Cross; and two the Military Medal.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

[From the "Loughborough Echo."]

The annual Prize Distribution to the pupils attending the Loughborough Grammar School took place on Wednesday afternoon in the Corn Exchange of the Town Hall. There were present on the platform: Ald. A. A. Bumpus (Chairman of the Governors), Rev. W. G. Briggs (Rector of All Saints'), Ald. W. Moss, Mr. H. Clemerson, Mr. B. B. Barrow, and Mr. B. D. Turner (Headmaster). There was a good attendance of parents and friends of pupils.

The Chairman said he was pleased to welcome so many friends of the boys attending the School. He regretted the absence owing to ill health of Mr. Henry Deane, late Chairman of the Governors, whose services in the past had been so valuable and so greatly appreciated. Notwithstanding the difficulties of carrying on, the Schools had done satisfactorily during the year's work. He regretted to see such a heavy list of casualties in the war among the Old Boys. In the past twelve months no less than 14 had been either killed in action or died of wounds. At the same time the list showed how well the Old Boys of the School were doing their duty at this time of national emergency.

He hoped the parents of the boys and girls were noticing educational events as they developed. If the new Education Bill passed, as they expected it would, there would be a certain amount of compulsion upon boys and girls up to the age of 16, and he hoped parents would consider carefully the question of keeping their children at school until they were 16 years of age, because if they left earlier they would have to give a certain amount of time to education until they reached that age. Scholarships were not, as was generally supposed, for three years only, but for as long as they would avail themselves of the secondary education offered. There was no doubt that the period of partial compulsion would be extended to the age of 18, and he thought that development, strongly supported as it was by the opinion of the nation, showed a faith in education which would be rewarded if the parents responded.

The Headmaster then gave the annual report of the examiners and himself, which regretted that owing to the prevalence of influenza many of the boys were absent from the examinations. There was plenty of promising material coming up, but the Sixth Form had suffered a good deal by the unfortunate absence, because some of the boys—without hurting the feelings of the rest-who might have been expected to do the best, were absent owing to influenza, sickness, and accidents. The School numbers were higher than for the past ten years, and he expected that the numbers next term would be probably higher than any previous term during the 19 years he had been there. There was evidence in that fact that they provided an education which the parents were ready to take advantage of when they felt they could afford it, and the present high level of earnings in the town and country generally enabled people to look forward to an education above the elementary. Referring to the number of scholarship holders, the Headmaster said that the boys he liked best to help were those with not too much pecuniary backing behind them, because they went to school with a desire to learn, and one felt in teaching such boys that he was doing good, both to the boy and to his parents.

With regard to education, people sometimes forgot it could be divided under three heads. Practical education, or the putting into the mind of certain bits of information useful in the future. was the lowest part of education. The second part was training the mind to acquire facts and to get such habits as to enable it to acquire any other facts in the future that might be put before it for its consumption. Thirdly, there was the highest division of education, the training of the moral character. People talked a good deal about education, but it was practically worthless apart from the educator. That was the crux of the whole position. Owing to the enormous strain of the man power by the present awful war, the numbers of educators had greatly diminished, and one of the greatest problems of the future, especially in view of the larger number of boys who are coming into the secondary schools, will be how to train and produce the teachers. One thing was certain, that the emoluments provided for teachers must be in future increased, and another point on which the State will consider the interests of the older educators will be in making up their minds quickly to pass a Pensions Bill which has been promised. The speaker also referred to the new Education Bill, and urged the parents to allow the boys to remain at school longer, and concluded by a reference to vocational schools.

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The Headmaster said that for weeks he had been trying to get some of the boys put on the land, but not with very great success. They had sent out squads for harvest work during the holidays, but not so many as they would have wished, and there were still some squads, metaphorically speaking, "standing idle in the market place." He thought farmers were a little suspicious where boy labour was concerned, but the squads that had gone out would induce them to think otherwise. If they could only get the ear of the farmers, more squads would be asked for, as the lads were eager and anxious for work. At the School they had done a great deal of work with their own hands that previously they relied upon being done for them. They had tried to teach the boys to help themselves and each other, and he hoped that spirit would not be damped by any suspicious attitude.

The Rev. G. W. Briggs, the new Rector of Loughborough, who made his first public appearance in the town since his institution, then gave a breezy address prior to presenting the prizes. He recalled the time, 25 years ago, when he was present at a similar function in that same hall as a scholar of the Grammar School, and his performance in a Greek play was complimented by the then Rector of Loughborough, whose kindness, the speaker added with a smile, was probably better than his judgment. At that time the boys at school were desperately over-worked. The Rector admitted that he was not an educationalist, and added that when all was said and done the most important thing in this world was health, which, he contended, came even before education, and he was glad that in these days people were a little more considerate about young children than they were a quarter of a century ago. One reason they were over-worked was because they had too many subjects to learn. He was glad that greater consideration was to be given to school masters, for there was no harder working class in the world. If that consideration were not shown they would not get school masters, for they would look for openings in other directions. One of the most interesting subjects in the school curriculum was the English language, and why should that be neglected when Latin and Greek were taught. Continuing, Mr. Briggs said that county grammar schools like that one had a very definite and important place to fill, and he did not think they were half proud enough of their school, and they should also be proud of their head master with such academic distinction. The Rev. Briggs then added a few words to the boys themselves, after which he proceeded to distribute the prizes.

The whole company present stood in silence while the Headmaster read out the names contained in the School Roll of Honour of old boys who had made the supreme sacrifice in their country's cause.—The speeches came to a conclusion with the usual votes of thanks, and a musical and dramatic programme was then given which included the following:—"The Song of the Drum," Percy E. Fletcher; Scene from "L'Avocat Patelin, XVth Century: C. Ll. Turner, T. Pritchard, R. Parkinson, J. B. S. Marsh; Viking Song, S. Coleridge-Taylor; piano solo "Triumphal March" (Grieg), G. K. Elliott; play scene from Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream": R. P. Allcock, S. H. Hawthorne, A. Thorley, J. W. Storey, W. J. Nightingale, T. S. Fielding, S. F. Cotton, M. H. Moss, R. Parkinson, T. Pritchard, V. H. Baguley; "Battle Song of the Republic," Martin Shaw.

The Prize List is as follows:-

(Determined by the results of Examinations throughout the year.)

Form, English, Language, Mathematical Science, Drawing and Manual Work Prizes.

N.B.—A separate Form Prize is not given to a boy if he has won another Prize in his Form.

The Prizes for Languages are given by W. B. Paget, Esq., J.P.; those for Science by W. C. Burder, Esq., M.B.E., J.P.; those for Manual Work are the "Howard Gibbs Memorial Prizes."

Form I. H. O. Morgan-Form.

H. Unwin-Writing.

Form II. D. Carlton— Form (Summer), Languages.

B. G. Clarke-English, Mathematics, Writing.

C. C. Ellis—Woodwork.

J. W. Hardy-Drawing (II. and I.)

J. D. Peabody—Form (Winter).

Form III. E. Coup—Woodwork.

F. S. Earp-English, Drawing (IV. and III.)

G. W. Johnson—Mathematics.

J. Keyworth—Form (Summer), Science.

J. Vance-Form (Winter and Spring), Languages.

Form IV. G. W. Browne—Mathematics.

W. C. Brydson—Form, Languages, English, Science.

A. Shepherd-Woodwork.

Form V. B. C. Oldham—Drawing (VI. and V.)

R. W. Payne—Form (Spring and Summer), English, Languages, Science.

L. A. Reynolds—Form (Winter), Mathematics.

R. H. Vance-Metal Work.

Low. VI. G. H. Beeby—Form (Winter and Spring), Languages, Science.

R. H. Lowe-Form (Summer).

J. B. S. Marsh—Mathematics, English.

School Reading Prizes.

(Presented by E. H. Warner, Esq. J.P.)

VI. and V.

T. S. Fielding.

IV. and III.
II. and I.

M. H. Moss. B. G. Clarke.

Scripture Prizes.

(Given by the Headmaster for the best knowledge of the passages taken in Morning Prayers throughout the year.)

Up. VI. T. Pritchard.

IV. W. C. Brydson.

Low. VI. not awarded. V. not awarded.

III. E. H. Minton. II. W. K. Hall.

Dexter Memorial Essay Prize.

T. S. Fielding.

Wallace Prizes.

S. F. Cotton.

T. King.

T. Pritchard.

Curzon-Herrick English Prizes.

(Given by W. M. Curzon-Herrick, Esq., for Holiday Reading.) VI. (1) S. F. Cotton, who, having won last year, pases it on to (2) T. Pritchard. V. L. A. Reynolds. IV. W. C. Brydson.

Extra Prize.

Form III. W. K. Hall.

Cymnasium Medal.

T. King.

Cadet Corps Prizes.

(Prizes presented by Mr. W. D. Spanton, F.R.C.S.)

Shooting:—(1) W. H. Bond; (2) *H. G. Wilson; (3) T. S. Fielding.

Drilling a Company:—(1) S. F. Cotton; (2) *T. Pritchard; (3) T. King.

Ability to Instruct:—(1) T. Pritchard; (2) S. F. Cotton.

*These boys, having won the same prize last year, cannot take it this year.

Partial Exemptions from Fees for School Year, 1918-1919.

These have been awarded as follows on the result of Examinations in July, 1918, allowance being made for age. No boy holding any kind of scholarship is eligible for these partial exemptions.

Form I.—H. O. Morgan, £3. H. Unwin, £3.

Form II.—B. G. Clarke, £3. A. L. Tucker, £3. H. M. Ware, £3. D. Carlton, £3. J. W. Hardy, £3.

Form III.—J. Vance, £3. W. Vance, £3. A. J. K. Parker, £3.

Form IV.—G. W. Browne, £3. L. C. P. Wooler, £3. M. H. Moss, £3. G. K. Elliott, £3. D. E. N. P. Wooler, £3.

Form V.—R. H. Vance, £3. W. J. Dyer, £3.

Lower VI.-T. L. Garner, £3

OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

The following are the results of the Oxford Local Examinations held at the School in July, 1918:—

SENIORS.

JUNIORS.

Honours.

Honours.

Class I.

Class I.

Div. 1. T. King.

Div. 2. R. W. Payne.

Class II.

Class II.

Div. 2. S. H. Hawthorne.

Div. 1. R. H. Vance.

Passed.
W. H. Bond.
F. Bourne.

T. L. Garner. R. H. Lowe.

J. B. S. Marsh.

Distinguished in Physics.

T. King.

Div. 2. L. A. Reynolds.

Class III.

J. T. E. Chamberlain.

W. J. Dyer.
B. C. Oldham.
A. Thorley.
C. Ll. Turner.

Passed.

T. W. Gent.

M. O. Hooley.

Distinguished in Chemistry.

R. W. Payne.

One of the candidates out of the Low. VIth., which this year was entered for the Seniors as a whole; and one of the Junior candidates presented for the examination, failed.

OLD BOYS.

D. C. Dalv was awarded the Sword of Honour on passing 9th out of Sandhurst, and has since been given his commission in the Black Watch.

E. V. Mullis, who was here from May, 1904, till July, 1908, when his parents left the district, and at present holds the rank of Captain in the Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry, having served three years at the front, has been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous bravery at the battle of Clencorse Wood, August 24th, 1917. The official description is as follows:—"T./Sec. Lt. E V. Mullins, attd. Ox. and Bucks L.I.—When the other officers of his company had become casualties he took command of the company, and, under heavy fire, re-established the outpost line, which had been withdrawn. The enemy were dangerously close to his line and he forced them back by bombing attacks. He held on to the position under heavy fire, setting a splendid example to his men."

The Military Cross has also been awarded to Lieut. A. V. Ford, R.E. (Signals), for maintaining telephone communication in his sector uninterruptedly during the retreat before the German offensive of March last.

The engagement is announced of Tom, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. Onions, of Oakdale, Derby-road, to Hilda, elder daughter of Mrs Arthur Cox and Mr. Cox, Freeman and City Merchant, of Catford. The bridegroom was seriously wounded at Ypres in July, 1917, and is still in hospital.

Capt. Sydney Corah was married to Miss Hilda Mounteney at the Wood-gate Church, Loughborough, on April 3rd.

Lieut. J. H. Jones, Sherwood Foresters (attached Durham Light Infantry), was married to Miss Marjorie Hillam, of 33 Fox-road, West Bridgford, at St. Gile's Church, West Bridgford, on April 3rd.

Lieut. J. H. Smedley, Leicestershire Regt., is reported to be a prisoner of war in Germany. He was studying for his B.Sc. degree at Birmingham University when war broke out, and joined the O.T.C. of that University, and was given his commission. Sec.-Lieut. S. E. Grayston is also now reported to be a prisoner.

Sec.-Lieut. E. G. Phillips, R.G.A., was wounded on April 9th, when a German attack drove back the Portugese near La Bassée. As signal officer to the battery, with the line constantly broken by the heavy shell fire and the urgent necessity of maintaining communication, he had very arduous and important duties to discharge throughout the day till he was wounded in the late afternoon. He was transferred to a hospital in England within a week, and was reported as making good progress. He was convalescent in June, and paid us a visit on the 13th of that month.

Capt. E. H. Marsh was married at Wood-gate Church, Loughborough, on April 25th, to Miss Margaret Althæa Cook, elder daughter of Mr. H. W. Cook. Capt. Marsh, who was wounded in Gallipoli in 1915, is now employed by the War Office in the supervision of aircraft engines.

The name of Capt. Charles Newbold Smith, 7th South Staffs. Regiment, has been added to our roll of Old Boys. He was in Loughborough on leave in April. He left School as far back as 1891, and before coming to Europe frm S. Africa to fight in the present war he had served in the Boer War, in the Bechuanaland Campaign of 1897, and in the operations in German S. West Africa.

J. R. Bingham Turner, Royal Regiment of Artillery, who has been fighting in France with his battery since December, 1915, has been given the rank of Captain (acting) on being transferred to another battery in the same brigade as second in command. He is not yet 22 years of age.

H. G. Harper, who has received his commission in the R.A.F. and secured his "wings," paid a visit to Loughborough in an aeroplane, which he flew alone, from Grantham early in June, and hovered for some time over the School.

Congratulations to E. B. H. Goodall, M.B.E., on his marriage to Miss B. H. Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Turner, of Sandown, I. of W. The bride and bridegroom paid a visit to the School in July, the bridegroom being home on leave from Northern Rhodesia, where he is Native Commissioner, with the intention, if permitted, of joining H.M. Forces.

W. E. Barker, Sergt., Leicestershire Regiment, has been awarded the Military Medal. He has been in France on active service for three years.

We are very glad to welcome the new Rector of Loughborough, the Rev. G. W. Briggs, who was educated here. From the School he won a scholarship at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, about 25 years ago, and later secured a first class in the Classical Tripos. We hope and expect that he will interest himself in his old School.

Archibald Gibson Hutton-Balfour, Sec.-Lieut., K.O.S.B., who died of wounds received in action in France on March 22nd, 1918, aged 26, was the younger of two brothers, boarders from Scotland in the School House, who were here some 12 or more vears ago, so that few will remember the cheerful, active boy that he was then. He was in Canada when the war began, and volunteered as a private, fought, and was wounded, and for some weeks was an inmate in the Leicester Military Hospital. The Colonel of his Battalion writes: "I do not know if I told you the good work that your son did before he was hit. As you know, he was my scout officer. He was specially complimented by the Brigadier for his work on the 21st, when he led a patrol which succeeded in clearing up a very complicated situation. His report was the only reliable news of the situation there that the Brigade received, and was of the greatest use. On the 22nd I sent him out to the right flank, as the enemy was pressing round us on that side. His reports were models of what reports should be, and he told me exactly what I wanted to know. Eventually I was forced to send out a company to him to protect my right, and it was after this company arrived and were hotly engaged that he was hit." The appreciation of the Brigadier was conveyed in a telegram sent to him on the field: "The Brigadier General in Command congratulates you on your very fine patrol report received this morning."

Charles Edward Lancaster, Lieutenant in the Leicestershire Regiment, killed in action on March 21st, 1918, aged 26, was at the School from September, 1900, till July, 1907, being the eldest of three brothers, sons of Mr. R. Lancaster, solicitor, of Loughborough, who were educated here. After leaving he studied law, had gained his qualifications, and was ready to join his father's firm at the time that war was declared. He was one of the early volunteers from Loughborough, joining the Public Schools Battalion in the autumn of 1914, and proceeding to France late in 1915. After he had had six months' service at the Front, he returned to England to receive a commission and train as an officer. On being gazetted to the Leicestershire Regiment he returned to France and went through the Somme fighting. This year he was wounded on the first day of the German attack and, while being carried to the dressing station, was killed by a shell. Intelligent, steady, straightforward, and much liked by all who knew him at School and elsewhere, he affords one more instance of those former members of the School who cheerfully renounced the bright prospects that life was opening to them to go and do their duty. While his family feel a loss which it is not for us to express, the town is the poorer by the premature disappearance of one of its rising young professional men.

Thaddeus Francis McCarthy was here for five years, 1908 to 1913, when, as one of the leading boys in the School, he left to enter a solicitor's office in Leicester. He was a very bright, attractive Irish lad of quick intelligence and warm sympathies, possessing in a good measure the natural gift of humour, very sociable and deservedly popular, a boy whom Masters delighted to teach, and his fellows to associate with. He was a member of the Cricket XI. in 1913, and the writer has vivid recollections of an amusing recitation which he gave with much spirit and humour at one of our December entertainments. He joined the forces in 1916, and received a commission in the Loyal N. Lancashire Regiment. It was while serving with them in France that he was wounded in August, 1917, that he won the Military Cross, and finally fell in action in March, 1918. The qualities, national and individual, that endeared him to us at School, and his capacity for leadership, found full scope in his life at the Front and won for him the distinction he earned; but this war has again taken of those who have left the biggest gap in their circle and a very abiding remembrance in the survivors.

Frederick Walter Moss entered and left the School in the same month as McCarthy, and he has fallen in action also within a month of him. He came to the School with a county

scholarship in 1908, and after an exemplary career of five years left it, having won an open mathematical exhibition at Jesus College, Cambridge, which he held for four years, together with the Somerville Exhibition. He was too shy and retiring to take a prominent part in the life of the School, but he was very thoughtful and always showed a strong sense of duty. At Cambridge, where he went into residence in October, 1913, he developed very quickly and justified our opinion of him by gaining a First Class in Part I. of the Mathematical Tripos in 1915, proceeding to his degree in Part II. in 1916. As soon as his work at Cambridge was over, he joined the forces as a private in the Suffolk Regiment, received his commission in 1917 in the Leicestershire Regiment, and fell while serving with them in France in June, 1918. It is one of the recurring tragedies of this long continued war that young men whose whole nature is averse to fighting, and who are so well qualified by their special gifts to serve their country and their time in quite other directions, have sacrificed themselves on the field of battle. It seems such a waste of good human material, yet who shall dare to say that such a sacrifice is wasted.

EMPIRE DAY.

A SHORT service was held in the Big School at 12, with appropriate prayers, lesson and hymn, and with an address by the Headmaster, who began by explaining to the younger boys why Empire Day was kept, to strengthen and emphasize the bond existing between the colonies and dominions and the mother country. There was a kind of sentimental tie which bound the one to the others; colonials who had never visited England still regarded her as "home"; through literature and history and the associations perhaps of the parents they had learnt to love her. Motives of self interest too, the added safety of closer union, and trade secured within the Empire, contributed to this sentimental feeling; but something more was needed, and this was best supplied by a common ideal. What was Germany's ideal against which the Empire was in arms? Perhaps efficiency in every department of life directed towards the production of a machine strong enough to overbear all resistance and give domination to the State, no consideration of right or wrong being allowed to impair the efficient working of the machine. And the ideal of our Empire and our Allies? Might it not be described

as justice to all alike, weak or strong, the spirit of fair-play inculcated in our playing fields where no one, however weak or small, was cheated of the chances given by the rules of the game. That desire to give fair-play to the smallest and weakest nationalities was the very opposite of what we saw Germany doing with the victims of her conquest, but it was what the nation would demand, possibly even in spite of diplomatists working secretly at the conference table. And even the peace we should secure there on those conditions was but a first approach to the nobler and wider vision of a world leagued together to see that such principles were put into universal operation until the earth should be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

FOUNDER'S DAY.

THE holiday was given on Saturday, June 15th, and the usual service in the Big School was held at noon on the actual Founder's Day, June 12th. The Headmaster delivered the address. Taking Proverbs iv., 13, as text, he spoke of education from a point of view determined by the introduction of the Education Bill and the increasing number of pupils in secondary schools, which were both evidence of a growing appreciation of education as an investment, though that was hardly the worthiest point of view, for man does not live only to earn his bread. Still the practical side of education was an important one. We could learn from our great enemy, Germany, where, by realising that there must be one way in which everything could be done best and giving every practical problem a thorough, scientific, and methodical treatment, the general efficiency of the nation was far higher than with us. We had been content to "muddle through," though we were learning the need of thorough preparation, and our splendid material in brain and heart had somewhat compensated for our unscientific treatment of practical matters. Her efficiency however was bought by Germany at the cost of making her men into machines, rigidly drilled to act as one, splendid in massed attacks, but lacking in the initiative and adaptation that marked our rank and file, a slavish herd rather than free citizens.

But education did not deal only with the material side of life. Its sole aim was not to make the worker more efficient and profitable. The Labour leaders rightly criticised anything in the Education Bill which had any appearance of being designed

for this purpose, and insisted that education must help the individual to realise all his powers and not merely qualify him to ask a higher wage. Our "religious Founder" surely had had this in view, the development of man as a spiritual and intellectual being. Had Germany been equally successful in the moral and spiritual side of education? Assuredly not. The very fetish of efficiency, valuable on the practical side, had rendered her moral training too mechanical. The moral and political training in her schools was imposed upon them and regulated by State authorities, so that teachers taught it as by compulsion, and pupils detected its unreality. No one in Germany who showed independence could hope for recognition by the State, or ever win the coveted title of Rath, or Councillor, a great social asset: so that politics and morality were inculcated on the lines the State prescribed. No wonder that those trained under this system only recognised the binding power of morality or religion as long as the compulsion lasted, and there had been an enormous increase of criminality in the young men since the war had interfered with its repression. Teaching of religion or morality in schools was the most difficult of all problems, a battle-ground of opposing parties; but at least we could take warning from the failure of Germany and remember that even Christ would compel no one to learn goodness, but left men to be attracted and won by His gracious words and perfect example.

END OF TERM SERVICE.

This was held in the Big School on the morning of Tuesday, July 30th. The Headmaster based his address on Ephes. iv., 11-13, "And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ." The choice of a profession was too apt to be dictated by the pecuniary reward attached to it or the opportunities of leisure it afforded. In the building of a machine, such as an aeroplane, the most suitable material was used for each part, and that only after it had been carefully worked up. It was not always easy to say what work each boy was best suited for, but, as with the raw inanimate material, even the best natural capacities required adequate development. Nor could anyone, in the present times with their call of all to arms or the munition work, predict what

task would be set him in life. Perhaps there was waiting for each of us some work that God would need us to do, and, humanly speaking, would be debarred for from doing without precisely our aid. Our task in preparing for life was to fit ourselves to the utmost of our capacities. The standard set by the Apostle was no mere human standard of excellence, but "the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ," and the work on which we should be employed would be no less than "the edifying of the body of Christ."

GYMNASIUM COMPETITION.

The Gymnasium Competition took place as usual on the last Thursday of the Spring Term. We were very pleased to see a much larger proportion of younger boys taking part in the competition than on previous occasions, and also that the total number of candidates was nearly double that of last year. This year the School had the pleasure of witnessing the competition, and smart work seemed greatly appreciated. The Sergeant was present and before every exercise, with the exception of voluntary exercises, made it quite clear to the assembly what were the correct positions in the exercise. Exercises were done on the parallel bars, the rings, and the horizontal bars, in that order.

The parallel bar exercises were done very well, especially the single march forward, in which Pritchard showed perfect control over his body. The swinging hand spring seemed an all-round favourite as the finish to voluntary on the bars. On the rings, the bent-arm and bent-leg circle was done very well by all competitors, and between several of them it was difficult to find any marked difference. The voluntary exercises were varied, and, in the majority of cases, very neatly done. The circle and shoot on the bar was done well in most cases, much better indeed than the right-leg acting. In the latter exercise most candidates attained their upright position on the bar by applying strength at the end of the swing. This should have been needless if the swing had been made with a straight arm. The voluntary exercise was done well on the whole, and some good combinations of strength and agility were shown.

At the close of the competition the Headmaster made a few very encouraging remarks about the younger competitors, and said that it was a very great improvement on last year. Three cheers were proposed fr the Sergeant, and were very heartily rendered by the whole school.

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The eight competitors chosen by the judges and placed in order of merit were: 1 King, 2 Pritchard, 3 Lowe, R.H., 4 Vance and Bond (equal), 6 Cotton, 7 Hawthorne, 8 Gent. The runners-up were Turner and Annable. The last six successful competitors ran very closely together, very little difference in marks being shown between them.

TO GAMES.

When the airy sphere is soaring, And the victor's triumph shout Has hurled in echoes after, In many a lusty bout; Then hurral for the mighty game, boys, Hurrah for the frosty morn, When the blood is fresh and tingling From health's full-flowing horn. When the crimson ball is skimming Thro' the zephyrs calm around To the mid-on's flannelled figure, With a rustling sibilant sound; Then hurrah for the springy willow, Hurrah for the leathern ball, When the hand is quick and ready For the triad wickets' fall.

S. H. H.

FOOTBALL.

During the Spring Term we have not been able to play the usual number of matches, especially with school teams, owing to the prevalence of measles. In those we have played we have been fairly successful. The results are:—

In general the team has consisted of: Hawthorne, S.H.; Cotton, S. F. (Capt.) and Fielding, T. S.; Bourne, F., Pritchard, T., and Thorley, A.; Dyer, W. J., Bond, W. H., King, T., Lowe, R. H., and Marsh, J. B. S. As forwards Gent and Reynolds have also appeared.

Two matches have been played and won by a combination of the 2nd XI. with some of the 1st XI. On Saturday, April 6th, J. Holland brought an insufficient team, and so a practice match was arranged between sides picked up from the two teams. No Cup-ties have been played between the Blues and the Whites, it being a foregone conclusion that the first-named would win.

L.G.S. v. DERBY SCHOOL.

Played on Saturday, February 9th, at home. For this match we had the benefit of F. E. Ryle as right-back for the last time. From the start it was obvious that we were out-classed by our opponents. Although our halves and backs kept up a strenuous game, and the forwards had a fair amount of play, four goals were scored against us in the first half.

In the second half the game was even more against us, and Hawthorne saved many difficult shots poured in at him from the toes and heads of the Derby forwards. In this half Dyer scored for us after some fine play by our forwards and halves, but our opponents scored eight, and time came with 12—1 against the School, which Hawthorne; Ryle, Fielding; Bourne, Cotton, Pritchard; Dyer, Bond, King, Lowe, Marsh, represented.

L.G.S. v. BAXTER GATE BAPTISTS.

Played at home on February 16th, in rather rough weather. School, represented by Hawthorne; Cotton (Capt.), Fielding; Thorley, Pritchard, Bourne; Dyer, Bond, King, Reynolds, Marsh, kicked towards the bushes end, and pressed hard for about a quarter of an hour, in reward for which we gained a goal through a smart shot by King. Soon afterwards Reynolds scored with a well-placed low shot. Our opponents made a great many aggressive rushes which were kept well in hand by Cotton and Fielding at back, and at half-time the score remained 2—0 in our favour.

In the second half our opponents scored through a misunderstanding between Cotton and Hawthorne, whilst King added two to our score. Later on Bond scored another, and time came with the score 5—1 for the School.

L.G.S. v. A MIXED LOUGHBOROUGH TEAM.

This match was played at home on March 9th. Our opponents, consisting of men chosen from three or four teams of Loughborough and the district, soon got busy, and our backs had considerable difficulty in coping with them. When it was nearly half-time, our opponents scored from a corner, and we were losing 1—0. Upon resuming the game, our opponents scored three in rapid succession, and although our own forwards had many chances to get even, they neglected them. The play was generally in the opponents' half, but now and again the opposing forwards broke away, to be again caught up and knocked off the ball by Fielding. During one of these rushes, Fielding and another collided, resulting in both receiving a cut above the eye. Near the final whistle, Cotton ran the ball up the field and shot. The ball struck the upright and, bouncing on to the goalie, slid into the net. Thus, after an exciting game, we lost 4—1.

School was represented by Hawthorne; Cotton and Fielding;

Bourne, Pritchard, and Thorley; Dyer, Bond, King, Lowe, and Marsh.

L.G.S. v. WYGGESTON SCHOOL.-MARCH 16th.

We arrived rather late in the afternoon owing to a cause unmentionable, yet irritating. Greatly was this irritation added to when the skipper of the Wyggeston team calmly asked us if we intended to play full time. Of course we wished to play full time! Were we not out to "clean them up" on theirown ground? With extraordinary smartness (?) we turned out, and soon began the most contested match of the season. Our team was in fine form. The forwards combined as they had never combined before; the halves energetically fed the forwards, and finally the backs and goalie kicked strong and true. We had some narrow escapes, partly due to the fact that goal posts were inclined at any angle of about-I say about-135° to the field, partly due to the strangeness of the ground. At last they forced a goal after many minutes hard play. This, as everyone knows, considerably "bucks" a team, does the scoring of the first goal. Then the admirable doggedness of our men showed to advantage. Never have they played so well, not even in the Derby School match at home. We kept them out. We more than kept them out; we equalised. It was during an exciting and delightful scrimmage in the goal mouth that the sluggish sphere was placed in the net.-Half-time score: Wyggeston 1, L.G.S. 1.

We were now prepared for a struggle. It was a recognised fact that this team saved its energy for the second half, wherein most of its goals were scored. Notwithstanding this, however, our forwards quickly brought our forlorn and solitary goal up to the formidable sum of four. Things looked rather unpleasant for the homesters. They tried in vain for some time to score. Then at last they did, and equalised with three in quick succession. I must not here pass lightly over the strenuous efforts of our left-back, Fielding, to prevent the rival captain from scoring. He alone could outsprint him, and by his perseverance, and that of the goalkeeper, Hawthorne, the side was practically saved. Just before the welcome whistle blew, our centre-forward scored his fourth goal, totally beating the goalkeeper, and bringing our hard-fought-for score to five. The team alone knows what a magnificent game we had, and how flushed we were at the thought of having defeated on their own ground by five goals to four such a team as that of Wyggeston School.

Team: Hawthorne; Cotton (Capt.) and Fielding; Bourne, Pritchard, and Thorley; Dyer, Gent, King, Lowe, and Marsh.

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

This match was played on Saturday, March 23rd, at Leicester, on a very uneven ground, which, with the great heat, hindered good football. School, represented by Hawthorne; Cotton and Fielding; Bourne, Pritchard, and Thorley; Dyer, Gent, King, Lowe, and Marsh, won the toss, and played with the sun. Soon after the start, the opposing forwards took the ball near our goal and one of them shot. The ball rolled slowly along the ground and appeared to be going out, but it hit a hump in the ground which deflected its course, and it struck the goalkeeper, just rolling through the goal. After this we found our feet, and kept pushing for the whole of the match. Both wings played well, and Marsh sent the ball into the goal, and King helped it through, leaving the result a draw at half-time.

In the second half our forwards attacked, but could not score. Lowe, in particular, had hard luck in one or two instances. Final result: L.G.S. 1, Alderman Newton's School 1.

CHARACTERS OF THE L.G.S. TEAM.

- HAWTHORNE, S. H.—A brilliant goal-keeper with long reach. Saves shots both high and low, but seems to take things too easy when running out to kick the ball.
- COTTON, S. F. (Capt.)—
- FIELDING, T. S.—Good left-back. Can be relied upon to catch a runaway forward and knock him off the ball.
- BOURNE, F.—Right-half. Player who uses his weight and generally passes well to his forwards.
- PRITCHARD, T.—Centre-half. Succeeds in taking the ball off the opponent by skill, but does not like to use his weight.
- THORLEY, A.—Left-half. A player who has improved considerably since his inclusion in the team. Succeeds in passing the ball to his forwards.
- BROWNE, G. W.—Alternative half. Uses his weight to advantage and generally gets the ball, but does not exercise sufficient care in kicking it to the forwards.
- DYER, W. J.—A good outside-right who can judge when to shoot, and when to centre, and does both admirably.
- BOND, W. H.—Inside-right. A fair player who seems to do little, but always is in the right place to score at the right moment.
- GENT, T.—Alternative forward. A player who has not had much chance to show his good qualities.
- KING, T.—Centre-forward. Good shot, but is inclined to keep the ball to himself too much. Sometimes he runs back for a ball which should be left to the centre-half.
- REYNOLDS, L. A.—Alternative forward. Smart dribbler and fair shot, but lacks weight
- Lowe, R. H.—Inside-left. Good player who has his "off" days, in which he dribbles far too much.
- MARSH, J. B. S.—Outside-left. Swift on the ball and centres well. Uses his weight to advantage.

THE SIXES COMPETITION.

The Sixes notice was put up early in the term, and soon a good number had entered. From these, eight teams of six each were picked up, the order of choice being determined by lot. The teams were divided into two Leagues, A and B, and each team had to play the remainder of the teams in its League.

As many of the players were absent because of measles, and equal substitutes were hard to discover, some of the matches were not as fair as they might have been. In this way, Cotton's VI. unfortunately lost 2—0 against King, and so was left out of the semi-final on goal average, after beating Hawthorne and drawing with Fielding in a goalless game. Lowe's VI. won all the games they played. The results for each League were:—

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LEAGUE A.

	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Agst.	Pts.
Hawthorne's VI.	2	1	0	3	2	4
Fielding's VI	1	1	1	2	2	3
Cotton's VI	1	1	1	2	3	3
King's VI	1	2	0	3	3	2

LEAGUE B.

	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Agst.	Pts.
Lowe's VI	0	0	0	4	1	6
Pritchard's VI	1	1	1	4	3	3
Marsh's VI	1	2	0	2	4	2
Bond's VI	0	2	1	2	4	1

In the semi-finals, Lowe beat Fielding after a hard game, with rain pouring down, by a stroke of luck; G. D. Bailey having scored in his own goal. After this, Fielding tried to equalise, but was unable. Hawthorne beat Pritchard by 1—0 after a fairly even game, and the final took place between Hawthorne and Lowe. Lowe was the first to score, but Hawthorne soon equalised through Dyer, and it seemed that the game was going to be a draw, but Lowe's team scored in a scuffle, and then the whistle blew for time.

CADET CORPS.

The Cadet Corps has gone on much as usual during the Spring Term. Parades have been held during Wednesday afternoons and on one of the periods of Friday afternoon taken in rotation. The contingent still remains divided into four sections, and during the first half of the Wednesday parades, these have been taken in squad drill with and without arms, landscape targets and extended order drill by their N.C.O.'s. In the latter part of Wednesday afternoons and on Fridays, the whole Company has been instructed in company drill, senior cadets being appointed as platoon commanders, and in physical drill. Nearly every week the band and a Morse buzzer squad have held practices.

On March 6th we marched, with the aid of the band, to between Cotes and Burton, and there the N.C.O.'s instructed their squads in fire orders and recognition of targets. After this the Corps marched back home through Prestwold and Hoton.

During the last few weeks we have had the benefit of a new insructor, an army B.-S.-M., attached to the 2nd Batt. L.V.R., who has taken squads in foot drill, and the whole contingent in physical drill, and we have already learnt several

things hitherto unknown from his able and smart instruction. Capt. Finlay, Adjutant of the 2nd Batt. L.V.R., is also taking a keen interest in the work of the unit. Next term we hope to profit by his advice and by the experience and skill of the Batt.-Sergt.-Major.

A good term's work has been done in the Summer Term, for weather conditions have been very favourable. The Corps was on parade twenty times. Special attention was paid to company drill and to elementary field training. Those cadets who have passed their triangle of error tests were able to shoot each week. We have had very little outside help indeed this term, in fact only twice vas the new Sergt.-Major attached to the Leicester Volunteer Regt. able to attend our parades. Naturally, this meant more work for Officers and N.C.O.'s. After preliminary instruction and practice on the parade ground, the Corps executed an outpost scheme on Wednesday, 26th June, in the grounds of Burleigh Hall. The contingent was responsible for the defence of the ground from the Loughborough and Shepshed road to the S.W. corner of Burleigh Hall grounds. The enemy were supposed to be in the neighbourhood of Shepshed, The cadets of the Loughborough Junior Technical Day School acted as hostile scouts and attempted to penetrate our lines and get information. As a matter of fact nearly every one was captured, whilst only about three or four of our cadets were lost. The scheme was carried out in quite a creditable fashion. C.-S.-M. Cotton was O.C. Outpost Company, and Sergt. Pritchard O.C. Picquet. On the following Wednesday the contingent marched out to the same place again, when Regt.-Sergt.-Major Irlam attended and explained how he would have placed the piquet and sentry groups.

On June 28th a team of ten fired for the Imperial Challenge Shield (Senior). Each cadet fired ten rounds deliberate at a bull's eye target, and ten rounds rapid (90 seconds) at a 2nd class figure target. The average of the whole team was 65 per cent.

The Battalion inspection usually held this term had to be cancelled owing to the Oxford Local Examinations, but it will be held next term at Leicester.

On Wednesday, 24th July, the competition for the Dr. Spanton prizes was held. Two prizes were awarded for Ability to Drill a Company. In this, Cotton was placed first, Pritchard second, and King third. Pritchard took second prize last year, so King takes the prize this year. Similiarly, two prizes were awarded for Ability to Instruct a Squad, when the results were

as follows: 1 Pritchard, 2 Cotton. Finally two prizes were awarded for Shooting. Results: 1 Bond, 2 Fielding and Wilson equal. Wilson took the second prize last year, so Fielding takes it this year.

The competing N.C.O.'s performed their tasks very creditably. The senior N.C.O.'s clearly showed their ability to handle a company, careful knowledge of detail, and tact and patience when instructing a squad. It is a pity some of the senior cadets who are not N.C.O.'s did not think it worth while having a try also. The results would have been useful when recommendations for promotion are sent in.

Several cadets attended the Annual Camp at Syston from 24th July to 1st August, some of them having already attended previous camps.

After a very long wait, 30 D.P. 1914 rifles were delivered at the end of July by the Territorial Force Association. For the whole of the year we have been without a service rifle of any description, and this has handicapped the work considerably. These rifles are of course too heavy for junior cadets, but the bigger boys will be glad to have them when marching out, for to be seen with dummy rifles rather hurts their amour-propre.

Before bringing this account to a close, we ought to mention that the Bugle Band has been practising nearly every week very assiduously. It is said, however, that their efforts to serenade the girls at the High School were not appreciated by members of the staff on duty in the neighbouring field.

TENNIS.

This season the game of tennis has been very popular with us, even if the work of getting ready and marking out the courts has not been. The play on the whole has been rather above the average, the first five positions in the "Six" being filled by undoubtedly good players. Over the occupation of the last place there was some controversy, but Dyer was ultimately elected to fill it.

After some disappointment due to the wetness of the weather, the annual tournament with the young ladies of the High School took place on Thursday, July 25th, on our own

courts. The visitors were the Misses P. Chapman (Capt.), M. Lawrence, V. Carter, J. Blackham, W. Percy, and P. Godfrey, who took as partners: Elliott, Lowe, R.H., Vance, R., Marsh, J. B. S., Pritchard, T., and Cotton, S. F. (Capt.) respectively. The play at first was rather flat until all had warmed to the work, when it became very interesting and exciting. Miss P. Chapman played extremely well, her returns being beyond criticism. Of the boys, T. Pritchard was conspicuous by his volleyings from the back line, whilst S. F. Cotton, particularly during his later games, was marvellous as usual at the net. Miss V. Carter and R. Vance at the end came out top, having won 19 games out of the 30 played. Miss P. Godfrey and S. F. Cotton were the second couple, with 17 games to their credit.

CRICKET.

Notwithstanding the difficulties offered by our inability to get the grass on the 1st XI. ground cut in the usual way, matches were arranged with Wyggeston Grammar School, Ratcliffe College, the Wounded Soldiers, and a team from the Y.M.C.A. We played an away match with Wyggeston at the commencement of the term, and were utterly defeated; this was partly due to the absence of two most worthy players, partly to bad luck—or shall I say "bad cricket"? The return match was more even, the Wyggestonians making but a total of 75 as compared with the 128 of their home match.

The Ratcliffe matches were as usual scratched owing to their infectious condition. It was measles this time, I understand.

Our victory over the Wounded Soldiers cannot be registered as such; a stiffer fight would doubtless have been put up had they not been convalescent, and we regret they did not have more of the game. An excellent tea, kindly provided by Mr. and Mrs. Turner, brought to an end a most enjoyable afternoon.

We all hope the fewness of the fixtures (and of the victories) will be less noticeable during the Football Season, when we look forward to a victorious and extensive campaign.

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