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School Notes and News.

We are very sorry to lose the Rev. W. G. Roberts, Mr. Meere, and Mr. Theobald. Mr. Roberts had been with us for three years, and for the last two seasons was honorary secretary for football. He has gone to Friar's School, Bangor.

Mr. Meere had been over two years at the School, and has gone to the Royal Grammar School, Worcester. Mr. Theobald has taken a resident mastership at Tettenhall College, Staffordshire.

The following have joined the staff this term:—

Mr. W. E. Mann, B.A., London, M.A. Manchester (with honours in French and English), Doctor of the University of Paris, late assistant master at Skipton Grammar School.

Mr. W. A. Brierley, Diploma in Drawing and Painting, Edinburgh School of Art, and Teaching Certificate of Scottish Education Authority. Mr. Brierley served in the Royal Scots 1914-19.

Mr. Jules Thiéry, Ecole Supérieure de Commerce, Nancy, Licencié en Droit, late of Royal Navy School, Lee-on-Solent (French and Spanish). Mr. Thiéry, who was wounded at Ypres, holds the Médaille Militaire, and the Croix de Guerre avec Palme.

Miss M. Caiger, Manchester University Matriculation and Board of Education Certificate, late of St. Anne's High School, Sale (Junior Form and Nature Study).

Mr. B. J. Roche, who before the war was in a teaching post and official translator at Hamburg (French and German).

In the Preparatory Department, Miss K. M. Twelves, Higher Certificate, National Froebel Union.

Mr. J. Lloyd Roberts, B.A. (University of Bangor), Board of Education Certificate, late of Holyhead County School (Latin and English), and Mr. T. T. White, B.A. (Manchester) (Latin and Greek), have also been with us this term.

Lea, T. R., has been appointed Head Prefect; Nelson, M. C., Senior Prefect; and Bottrill, A. L., Pearson, M. D., Seddon, H. J., and Swinn, R. C., Junior Prefects.

In the School Certificate Examination of the Joint Matriculation Board, the following obtained Certificates: Higher Certificate, Walshaw, R., in French, History, English, and Latin.

School Certificates: Briggs, C. S., Crompton, A. L., Forrest, S. J., Howard, R. E., Johnson, S., Muller, E. F., Nelson, M. C., Redshaw, C. V., Roy, W. M., Sambrook, K. H., Taggart, N. S.

Joint Matriculation: Seal, G., Henderson, A.

Special Matriculation for Demobilised Men: R. W. Briggs (late Lieut. R.A.F.).

London Matriculation: H. J. Seddon, E. A. Marson.

The following awards were made by the Governors in July last:—

Leaving Exhibitions of £20, for three years, to Edmondson, L., and Walshaw, R.

Foundation Scholarships to W. S. Willson, S. J. Forrest, J. Craig, M. W. Smith, E. T. Spreckley, L. Broadhurst, H. H. Singleton, T. B. Allman, W. Hilton, H. N. Beggs, P. H. Goodwin, and L. Mount, of the School.

Elementary School Scholarships to T. R. Lea, G. W. Nelson, H. Fielding, and E. L. Horne, of the School, and to W. W. Simpson, of the Manley Park Municipal School.

Free places to J. Turner, of Cavendish Road Municipal School; R. Barnes, of Southall Street Municipal School; H. W. Evans, L. T. Malia, and H. Lowther, of Princess Road Municipal School; D. Binder, of Waterloo Road Municipal School; J. Pimblott of Hulme St. Mary's School; G. K. Furnston, of Old Hall Drive School, Gorton; J. T. Joinson, of Chorlton Central Municipal School; P. V. Skaife and A. V. Williams, of Whalley

Range St. Margaret's; K. Massey, of Seymour Park Council School; T. Short, of Webster Street School; and R. H. Green, of the Chorlton Central Municipal School.

Bursaries were awarded by the Manchester Education Committee to R. Barnes, J. Pimblott, P. V. Skaife, L. T. Malia, T. Short, J. Turner, and A. V. Williams.

C. M. W. Elliott (late 2nd Lieut. R.A.F.) has gone up to Lincoln College, Oxford. His leaving exhibition has been increased to £40 by the Governors.

A £60 University Scholarship, tenable at the School of Technology, has been awarded to L. Edmondson.

W. Morley (O. H.) has obtained a Travelling Certificate awarded by the Bradford Dyers' Association, tenable for a year, and is holding it in Portugal.

The Rev. E. Brade Birks has been appointed lecturer in the Wye Agricultural College.

Pilot H. Shaw, late Lieutenant R.A.F., who has a long flying war record, met with a mishap last October when flying in a strong wind from Paris to London with mails. He was picked up in the Channel and landed at Weymouth. The machine was lost, but the mails were saved, and the pilot proceeded to London with them.

The Military Cross has been awarded for services in North Russia, under the Murmansk Command, to Lieutenant J. G. Cregan, 253rd Coy. M.G. Corps, the official statement being as follows:—

"On June 12th and 23rd, 1919 during action south of Medveje-Gora, he displayed great initiative and boldness in handling his machine-gun section, and did great service to the infantry. He showed great coolness, and set a fine example to his section under heavy fire. He has done consistently good work since he has been in Russia."

In July last, C. H. Turner (O.H.), with a partner did a fine performance in tandem tricycle-riding, covering 333 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles in 24 hours, without pacing or any sort of assistance. In 1911 he made the tricycle record for North of England for 24 hours, by riding 350 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and in 1910 the 24 hours' tricycle record with a score of 319 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

Our thanks are due to the following contributors of School news: M. C. Nelson, T. R. Lea, M. D. Pearson, and J. C. Beggs.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of *Ulula*.

Old Hulmeians can subscribe to the *Hulmeian* by sending 1s. 6d. annually to Mr. J. A. Barber at the School. The three numbers are sent post free in December, April, and July.

Lent Term begins on Tuesday, January 13th, at 9 o'clock.

BIRTHS.

CHADFIELD.—September 12th, at Bolton Wood Villas, Didsbury, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Chadfield, a daughter.

JONES.—November 15th, at 77, High Street, Whitworth Park, to J. Arnold Jones, O.B.E., F.R.C.S. Ed., and Mrs Arnold Jones, a daughter.

SAXELBY.—October 26th, at 71, South Drive, Chorltonville, Manchester, to Mr. and Mrs. Saxelby (née Mabel Horsfall), a daughter.

SIMCOCK.—October 28th, at 1, Woodlands Road, Harrow-on-the-Hill, to Mr. Eric Simcock (Lieut. 9th Cheshire Regt.), and Mrs. Eric Simcock, a son.

MARRIAGES.

CANN—MORRIS.—November 6th, at the Cathedral, John P., elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Cann, of Rusholme, to Nora, daughter of Mrs. Morris, Cresswell Grove, West Didsbury.

CARDWELL—ROHLEDER. — September 11th, at Union Chapel, Oxford Road, David, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cardwell, of Alexandra Park, to Frances Maud, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rohleder, of Whalley Range.

FRANKISH—HUGHES. — September 10th, at St. Clement's, Urmston, Albert Trees Frankish, of Heaton Mersey, to Gladys Nellie, youngest daughter of Mrs. C. E. Hughes, of Urmston.

GILLIAT—SILBURN.—September 4th, at Jesmond Parish Church, by the Rev. H. M. E. Gilliat (brother of the bridegroom), Francis Mervyn, youngest son of the late G. H. Gilliat and Mrs. Gilliat, of 140, Withington Road, Whalley Range, to Katherine Helen, only daughter of J. H. Silburn, of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

JONES—HARTLEY. — September 15th, at St. Clement's, Jersey, Stanley Wilson Jones, Malay Civil Service, youngest son of the late David Jones and of Mrs. Jones, of Manchester and Aberystwyth, to Esther Olive Hartley, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Stephen Hartley, of Manchester and Jersey, and of Mrs. Hartley.

MEERE—MOREAU.—August 26th, at L'Eglise Ste. Geneviève, Asnières, France, Matthew Charles Meere, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Meere, Forest Gate, London, to Denyse Nellie Moreau, daughter of M. and Mme. Albert Moreau, Asnières.

UNSWORTH-TOWNSLEY.—September 3rd, at the Manchester Road Congregational Church, Nelson, Joe, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Unsworth, of Whalley Range, Manchester, to Emmie, youngest daughter of Alderman and Mrs. C. Townsley, of Brierfield, Nelson.

WALKER—LEECH. — October 1st, at St. Paul's Church, Withington, Henry Ernest, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker, Winster Avenue, West Didsbury, to Alice Edna, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Leech, Broadway, Withington.

DEATHS.

BARR.—September 29th, at Glentyan, Gorton Manchester, James Nelson, aged 19 years, only son of Dr. and Mrs. Barr (at the School 1908-1917).

CLAYTON.—July 30th, as the result of an accident, Richard Dodgson Clayton, Sergeant, 9th Batt. Cheshire Regiment, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Dodgson, Hulton Street, Moss Side, aged 18 years (at the School 1912-1915).

A War Memorial.

For the last year there has been a widespread feeling that some form of memorial should be erected to Old Hulmeians, who have fallen for their country. A meeting was accordingly held on July 15th last, and the matter considered by some 90 Old Boys and friends. The Archdeacon of Manchester, who was in the chair, said that all would be of

opinion that such a memorial should be raised as would be worthy of our brave friends, who had fallen in the service of their country. The memorial should be lasting, and one such as those whom it would commemorate would themselves have wished to see. A number of suggestions were made and discussed, and it was ultimately decided that an appeal should be made for funds for the following purposes :

(1) The erection in a prominent place in the School of a Roll of Honour recording the names of Old Boys who had fallen.

(2) The acquisition of land for use as a playing field by the Old Hulmeians' Association.

The matter is being dealt with by a Committee, and it is hoped that the appeal for funds will shortly be issued.

It was also decided that a separate Guarantee Fund should be formed to provide for the education of any children of Old Hulmeians, fallen in the war, who may be left in necessitous circumstances.

H. C.

An Experience as Prisoner of War.

One day the Germans removed my friend R. to another floor, where he was the only Frenchman in a great ward and our enemies were at their best in teasing him. One of them especially, in civilian life a commercial traveller in liquors and drugs, who spoke French, and whose only dream was to belong to the future army of occupation, used to find a delightful excitement in repeating unceasingly to R., "This fellow is not a real Zouave—look at him; he has no beard, not even a moustache. The day before yesterday he was still with his nurse, and had better have remained at home. Easy task for a Prussian soldier to dispose of such a 'Zouaffette'" (he could not say Zouavette). R., whose nature was rather violent, could hardly keep his temper. He used to tell me his troubles, and several times I heard him say, "If this confounded Boche annoys me any more I shall dispatch him very quickly." I managed to calm my companion, and warned him not to fall into a trap. The only thing to do was to keep on making himself useful in his ward, thus delaying for a while his being

sent to hell—a prisoners' concentration camp. Finally everything seemed to be all right, and having no success the wounded commercial became less aggressive.

One day, however, with his Boche tenacity, he started on a new attack for which R. was more than ready. Above the bed of his tormentor was hanging a splendid picture of the War Lord, "Oberste Kriegsherr," whose presence was to be a comfort to his wounded subjects. Without the least hesitation, R., after having lit his pipe, set the picture on fire with his match. Useless to tell, the august worshipper of blood and thunder rapidly disappeared in a puff of smoke before the very eyes of his faithful soldiers. How our Zouave escaped being lynched on the spot will still remain a mystery. Most probably a religious terror paralysed and prevented the "furore teutonicus" from bursting forth. The Emperor, the successor of the Great Frederic, the "feste Burg," the Kaiser, who had once said that Germany would send all her enemies to the dust—he had now vanished! Nothing left of his fiery eyes and his proud moustache but a light piece of burnt paper, that flew over the very face of the commercial traveller! The tiny match of the beardless Zouavette had accomplished all this in a second.

A regular complaint was laid before the N.C.O. on duty, who soon explained everything to me; he was quite out of breath and as red as a lobster, as he feared to be sent immediately to the trenches for neglect. "There is no other way out of it but a court-martial and a firing squad within 24 hours," he said, "and think of it, to-morrow happens to be the Emperor's birthday!" Shortly afterwards R. arrived at my bed as pale as one under sentence of death. "I burnt William! I am going to be shot, but I shall take my money's worth before it is carried out."

It was imperative to calm the excited mind and thus prevent the most drastic consequences. I had a long talk with the Alsatian N.C.O. on duty, who, seeing his personal interest in attempting to conciliate, willingly gave me permission to interview a few witnesses. Meanwhile it was decided that R. should pass the night at my bedside until the next day,

when the Chief Doctor would be at the ambulance. One could only hope that the *lèse majesté* (insulting the Emperor) might not have too tragic an end.

The night was very long, but after all it assisted me. R. snored like one who had accomplished a good action, but the most dreadful pictures haunted my mind. Poor little lad of France, who suddenly left the coal mines and enlisted at 16½, suffered on the battlefields to save her, he would be brought helpless before a Prussian firing squad—and the Kaiser was still alive. Restless with anxiety and tossed by fever, I fell asleep.

The day of the trial arrived. Evidently according to orders from the German General Staff, the sun was shining brighter than usual for celebrating the Emperor's birthday! At 10 o'clock the sunbeams were playing on R.'s bed—no doubt it was a favourable omen. Kaisersgeburtstag! The national day "par excellence" in the Vaterland! A faithful subject begins it with fervent prayers for the good health of the feared Master of his destiny. Then he spends the rest of the day and most of the night in "kolossal" revellings. Quantities of beer had arrived during the week—barrels of "Berliner Weissbier" from Berlin, dark and pale beer from Munich, were waiting everywhere drawn up in Prussian military order, to quench the thirst of a dry-throated soldierly crowd. They were supported by important reinforcements of the voluminous and smelly sausages appealing to German taste. But I am sure many a Boche would secretly rejoice at the sweet idea of sacrificing a young victim to his bloodthirsty War Lord! Accordingly, as the Chief Doctor (Oberstabsarzt) would have a decisive influence in the prosecution, everybody was waiting impatiently for his visit.

He entered erect, in a tight-fitting new uniform, on his head a blazon "Pickelhaube," and his broad chest covered with medals, prominent amongst them the Iron Cross of the First Class. Although about 20 beds separated us, he gave me at once a terrible glance which made an iceberg of me; his eyes told me more than words could. He then proceeded, as usual, stopping at every bed, giving orders, and asking from each the same question, "Is

your appetite good? Are you satisfied with your food?"

At last the audience began. I made an effort to sit up to greet the "Oberstabsarzt," but my wound prevented me. He glanced at my fever-chart and said, "Your compatriot's crime has not helped to mend matters for your recovery!" Indeed the previous evening my temperature had risen to nearly 105. "Doctor, I had the most terrible night, and the very idea that you might find a personal offence in the stupid gesture of a clown was a real torture to me. But this unfortunate act will certainly not alter your opinion of French politeness, which is far from strange to you . . ." I was perspiring heavily. . . .

"I know everything!" said the doctor, in a Napoleonic attitude. "Imagine if a German soldier had set on fire a picture of 'Monsieur le Président Poincaré,' in front of a cruel mercenary from the Foreign Legion or of wild Senegalese, can you tell me what would have happened to him!" Then turning towards his subalterns, nervously contracting his white-gloved hand, he exclaimed, in a mellow loud voice: "He is lucky indeed that I, a German soldier, was not present at that time, as he would have felt the weight of a German fist." And the Oberstabsarzt described a masterly *half-circle* in the air, so that all his assistants made a step backwards. "Doctor," said I, "in my presence such a stupid child's trick (Bubenstreich) would never have been done; this tumbler of water thrown on the match would have washed the guilty at the same time!" "Bubenstreich" (child's trick) was, it seems, the right word to utter, and I am now blessing the old master who took so much trouble in teaching me that expression. His Medical Majesty condescended to smile; the cause was nearly won. "You are a cunning fellow!" (ein listiger Mann). I could have kissed him and all his acolytes for his letting the "Zouavette" off. "Doctor," said I, "your wise conduct and your fair judgment will not be ignored by your enemies."

In a commanding voice the Oberstabsarzt asked for the Zouavette.

The last act of the drama became a comedy. The accused was not to be seen, he was not to be found. In vain, for a while, the Ober-

stabsarzt, his subalterns, the orderlies, the non-commissioned officer on duty still fearing to be sent to the trenches, all were glaring in all directions. Had the "lèse-majesté" escaped? All the wounded, during the doctor's visit, were at attention, either standing, or in bed, and although a good many of them knew that the Zouavette was not far, no one would have dared to move or to utter a word without permission. Following my advice R. had taken cover under his bed in order that his Medical Highness might be soothed, if possible, at the beginning of the audience. My surreptitious sign made the accused suddenly come out of his shelter, as if moved by a "Prussian spring." He appeared, as white as snow, in front of his judge, making click salute in his hospital slippers as a German soldier would have done and observing a better and more rigid military attitude than he had ever been able to do during his short instruction as a recruit. This impromptu was so comic that in spite of the gravity of the lèse-majesté everybody would have laughed willingly. Nearly petrified he listened to the doctor's sermon, and was waiting a long while for a terrible biff which never arrived. He gradually came back to life when the doctor's *speech* was interpreted to him. The Oberstabsarzt consented to see nothing but a *cad's* trick (Lausbuben-streich); evidently he wanted to be looked at as a magnanimous prince by this Frenchman who had studied at Heidelberg, and who was to be exchanged in a few weeks. Would he not say that the "Vaterland" was a generous and noble country? An hour later his Medical Majesty explained the offence to his superior and friend, the Doctor-in-Chief of the Army Corps.

The barrels of beer had already been opened, and the mere thought of swallowing a "kolossal" number of beer-jugs had placed Their Highnesses in a good humour. As a punishment had to be given three days' arrest were inflicted. Young Zouavette, you can write in the prayer-book which you received from your grandmother on the day of "Première communion," "Holy Beer of Munich, a thousand times blessed, who has interceded for me, may you pacify the whole of Germany and comfort my judge!"

JULES THIERY.

The Library.

The Library has recently received two valuable contributions for which we here tender our best thanks. Mrs. Palmer has presented a handsomely-bound copy of Mr. Fletcher's "Making of Western Europe," 2 vols., as a memorial of her son, Sec. Lieut. Walter H. Palmer, killed in action on the Western Front on St. George's Day, 1917.

J. Walshaw, Esq., has sent a donation of £3. 3s., with which sum the Epitome of the Dictionary of National Biography has been purchased.

Other works purchased for the Library during the past term include Kerner and Oliver's "Natural History of Plants," 4 Vols., and T. A. Coward's "Fauna of Cheshire," 2 Vols., important books of reference for enthusiastic nature students.

Borrowers should apply to the Librarian for books they wish to read, and enter their names in the Borrowers' Register. *Books must not be removed from the cases without permission.*

The Natural History and Photographic Society.

President, The Head Master; *Vice-President*, A. A. Dallman; *Hon. Secretary*, J. C. Beggs; *Hon. Lanternist*, A. F. Lunt; *Hon. Librarian*, A. N. Burne.

We record with regret the resignation of D. P. Wilson, who has now entered upon a business career. The development and success of the Society owe much to his enthusiasm, and we are glad to know that we may still rely on his co-operation as opportunity allows.

The last field meeting of the summer term was held at Marple, Derbyshire, on July 24th. Members met at the village in good time in the morning and proceeded up the Mellor Road under the guidance of their leader, J. C. Beggs. Insect life was much in evidence on this occasion, and non-entomological members scarcely appreciated the active interest which myriads of Diptera evinced in the party when we halted for lunch in a little valley. Water was rather

scarce hereabouts, the only well being securely locked, so the neighbouring bilberry bushes were quickly laid under contribution and helped somewhat to supply the deficiency. Bees of several kinds were very busy among the flowers of the prevalent bramble, the workers of *Bombus pratorum* in particular showing special fondness for these blossoms. The handsome Rosebay was making a fine show in several places, and the interesting pollination mechanism was new to some of the party.

Ascending Mellor Hill we visited the old-world church where the stocks and whipping-post, and other relics were examined and photographed. A course was next set for Rowarth, and *en route* an interesting outcrop testified to the nature of the underlying rock, and helped to explain the local topography. On arrival at Rowarth Mr. and Mrs. Parker, of Anderton House, very kindly provided us with tea and granted access to the picturesque adjoining valley. The stream yielded a number of forms of aquatic life. A pretty plant running riot in a cottage garden near by proved to be *Claytonia sibirica*, a native of Russia and Siberia, which is now established in some parts of Britain. The very conspicuous flowers of another alien—in this case from South America—*Mimulus luteus*, made a striking sight, and the curious sensitive stigmas aroused much interest. New Mills was finally reached, and we were soon in the train once more after a very enjoyable excursion.

Although climatic conditions were rather unfavourable, a number of members availed themselves of the opportunity to pay a visit to Belle Vue on October 29th. We were pleased to have Mr. Roberts with us on this occasion. On arrival we had a pleasant surprise when Laughton produced a season-ticket which admitted us all free. Our thanks are due to Mrs. Laughton for her kindness. Under the able leadership of G. W. Nelson we explored the various houses and saw the feeding of the lions, and many objects of educational interest too numerous to chronicle.

On November 6th, Mr. Dallman gave a lantern lecture entitled "Glimpses and Gleanings in Wilder Wales." A surprisingly large number of members attended this meeting.

The lecturer showed numerous excellent slides from his own photographs, illustrative of the houses, people, fauna and flora, and scenery, of the region in question. The remote district of mid-Denbighshire is of interest in many ways and rich in curious folk-lore. Specimens and photographs of the quaint rush-light holders (of which the lecturer had a valuable collection) were shown. The hospitality and kindly nature of the Welsh peasantry were commented on. Unfortunately, the lecture had to be brought to an abrupt close owing to the failure of the lantern. At the request of members the continuation was given on December 8th.

Miss A. Dixon, F.R.M.S., again visited us on November 10th, and delivered a lecture on "The Life History of the Gnat and Mosquito," in which she described the appearance of the insects and the various stages of their life-history. The lecturer explained how the deadly malaria parasite is conveyed to the human victim in the saliva of the notorious mosquito (*Anopheles*), and the subsequent history of the protozoan. Distinctions between the gnat (*Culex*) and *Anopheles*, were indicated. Methods of exterminating the latter pest were also discussed. Drainage of all surface waters showing any tendency to stagnate was valuable even if the insect is only suppressed for a time. In this way the cycle of existence of the parasite may be broken and the mosquito itself thus rendered relatively harmless. The spraying of petroleum on the surface of the water of the breeding haunts of the insect afforded a valuable check. This interfered with the respiration of the floating *Anopheles* larvae which soon perished as a consequence. A cordial vote of thanks to Miss Dixon was passed on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Brockbank.

The next meeting on November 24th was devoted to a lecture by Mr. H. G. Willis, the subject being "Ants and Their Ways." Attention was paid to the anatomy and habits of these proverbially industrious *Hymenoptera*. Amongst numerous curious traits the lecturer mentioned the remarkable habit of certain ants who collected circular portions of leaves. These were cut up finely and left in the nests. Such material afforded excellent pabulum for

the growth of the spores of a certain fungus. These germinated on the forcing beds made by the ants, and the resulting crop of fungus was utilised as food by the industrious cultivators. The lecture was extremely interesting and was illustrated by many slides.

J. C. BEGGS.

Cricket, 1919.

The following were awarded caps at the close of the season: First Eleven—M. C. Nelson, R. E. Howard, A. A. Walker. Second Eleven: C. V. Redshaw, C. B. Ackroyd, C. S. Briggs, W. Swinn, D. Midgley.

The last three rounds for the Livesley Cricket Shield were played off during July, and resulted in the victory of Byrom House, with a total of 51 points, the other houses scoring as follows: Dalton 40, Beta 28, Heywood 25, Gaskell 16, Alpha 2.

The prize bat for the highest batting average was awarded to M. C. Nelson.

AVERAGES OF THE FIRST ELEVEN.

BATTING.

	Inngs.	Times not out.	Highest Score.	Total Runs.	Av'ge.
Nelson, M. C.	12	3	59*	169	18'77
Ackroyd, C. B. ...	10	4	23*	78	13'00
Marson, A. H.	8	2	27*	69	11'50
Howard, R. E. ...	12	1	31	124	11'27
Lea, T. R.	12	0	35	101	8'42
Redshaw, C. V. ...	12	3	18*	66	7'33
Walshaw, R.	10	10	33	72	7'20
Walker, A. A.	12	1	16	57	5'18
Lister, G.	12	0	17	62	5'16
Edmondson, L. ...	9	0	9	27	3'00
Johnson, S.	8	0	10	23	2'89

* Not out.

BOWLING.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	AVR.
Redshaw, C. V.	80'5	22	161	30	5'36
Nelson, M. C.	53'3	21	114	20	5'7
Ackroyd, C. B.	85	17	226	33	6'84
Lea, J. T. R. ...	43	10	96	14	6'85
Lister, G.	45'5	9	201	15	13'4

MATCH RESULTS FOR SEASON.

Played 13, Won 9, Lost 4, Drawn 0.

FIRST ELEVEN v. BOWDON COLLEGE.—July 5th. Home. Won. Score: The School, 117 for 4 (Lea 12, Howard not out 35, Nelson not out 50); Bowdon, 35.

v. THE PARENTS.

Played on July 19th (Peace Day). Home. Won. Score:—

Walshaw b Hyde	11
Lea c Barber b Hyde	6
Redshaw st. Barber b Hyde	8
Lister b Hyde	2
Howard lbw b Hyde	9
Nelson b Hyde	0
Walker run out	14
Ackroyd b Classon	7
Upton c Crompton b Oddy	5
Edmondson c Walker b Oddy	16
Briggs, C. S., c Walker b Oddy	4
Johnson b Oddy	4
Pearson, M., not out	6
Extras	4

Total 96

The Parents.

Mr. Classon 2 and 0, Mr. Crompton 1, Mr. Hyde 9 and 14, Mr. Barber 13 and 26, Mr. Wildman 6 and 9, Mr. Twemlow 13 and 30, Mr. Oddy 3, Mr. Muth 0 and 2, Mr. Clarke 12 and 5, Mr. Alston 8 and 1, Mr. Worthington 13 and 22, Mr. Andrews not out 1 and not out 2, Mr. Walker 0 and 15, extras 7 and 7; totals 88 and 133.

Wickets: Mr. Hyde 6 for 26, Redshaw 7 for 25.

v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—July 23rd. Away. Lost. Score: The School 48 (Nelson 13); Manchester G. S. 143.

SECOND ELEVEN v. CHORLTON-CUM-HARDY 2ND.—July 5th. Home. Drawn. Chorlton 155 for 9; Second Eleven 60 (Mr. Barber 20).

SECOND ELEVEN v. ALTRINCHAM COUNTY SCHOOL.—July 23rd. Home. Won. Altrincham 53; Second Eleven 102 (Jones 18, Pearson 37).

UNDER 14 v. MANCHESTER G. S.—July 16th. Away. Lost. M. G. S. (under 14) 119; The School 56 (Glover 13, Campbell 13, Smith, M., not out 11).

Speech Day.

At the annual distribution of School prizes on July 22nd last, the chair was taken by Archdeacon N. L. Aspinall, Chairman of the Board of Governors, and the prizes and certificates were given away by Sir Henry Miers, F.R.S., Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manchester.

The HEAD MASTER made his annual statement, in which, after alluding to the happier auspices under which they met after the war, and to the supreme importance of education in the work of reconstruction, he continued: "Peace time has been inaugurated, but many of those whom we have had within these buildings quite recently will return no more. A magnificent example of duty finely performed has been shown by our Old Hulmeians, some 700 of whom have been serving their King and country, and some 100 of whom have made the supreme sacrifice. The gallantry of our Old Boys has been amply testified to by the number of decorations won: D.S.O., 7; M.C., 29; D.S.C., 1; D.C.M., 1; M.M., 6; M.B.E., 1; Italian decorations, 3; Croix de Guerre, 3; Russian Order of St. Anne, 1.

"The Old Hulmeians have inaugurated a scheme for a memorial to those Old Boys who have fallen in the service of their King and country, and in years to come we shall, I hope, see in this Hall a memorial containing the names of all the Old Hulmeians who have made the supreme sacrifice in this war, as a reminder to after generations of our boys that they too should do their duty in the cause of right for God and country.

As regards the School work, we have been working under war conditions to a great extent, and the School has been full and overflowing. The Preparatory Department has completed its first year at Peveril Mount under Miss Smith's oversight, and a very good year's work has been done with great success by Miss Smith and her colleagues. The move, we feel, has been an unqualified success, and has enabled us somewhat more adequately to find accommodation for the boys for whose admission parents are clamouring very persistently.

A noticeable feature of the last few years has been the growth of a very wide-spread sentiment in favour of secondary education, and we have felt the movement very considerably here. During the last year, for instance, we have been compelled to refuse admission to a large number of candidates for entrance, on the score of lack of accommodation; and though I hope the Governing Body will shortly give us temporary buildings for a new Science block, that we so urgently need, that will only improve our accommodation for the same numbers as at present, and can hardly enable us to admit a larger number of entrants. And you can see for yourselves the great need we have to extend this Hall.

This enthusiasm for secondary education, gratifying as it is, needs to have a wide outlook, and to realise that though "well begun is half done," yet there is a great waste in stopping any work before its proper completion, especially in education. Parents should realise that secondary education ought to begin sufficiently early, and the latest age for transference from the elementary to the secondary school is between 11 and 12 years of age. We find the greatest difficulty in placing boys of a later age, as they have rarely done other languages than English, and have not advanced sufficiently in mathematics to be placed with boys of their own age. So I would impress on parents to decide early, when possible, about the education of their children, and not to postpone entry until 13 or 14, when in all probability in the future we may be quite unable to admit them. And boys should remain in the school, under normal circumstances, at least until they have obtained their first leaving certificate, about the age of 16. After much consultation with experts the education authorities of this country have recommended secondary schools to adopt the new system of examination, or first school certificate, average age 16, and a second higher certificate, average age 18, which gives employers, parents, and others a really secure test of a boy's attainments. And we hope that as it becomes clearer to the general public that it is a terrible waste to break off a boy's education at 14 and 15, all boys will eventually look forward to obtaining their school certificate before they leave. A credit standard in six

subjects is the same as a Matriculation Certificate, and boys do much better to pass the matriculation in this form. And boys who are going on to a university, as we hope that our boys will do in increasing numbers, as the State makes it financially possible for them, should take the extra two years' course of advanced study for the higher certificate. This School, I may remind you, is recognised by the Board of Education as supplying a course of advanced study in Science and Mathematics, and also another in Modern Studies, chiefly languages, and we have taken much trouble to organise the courses on the best possible lines, and as more boys take up the work we hope to obtain a strong and honourable tradition of successful work, which is already beginning under the members of the staff engaged in working them.

During the year the Corps has again done good work under Mr. Barber's capable leadership. A very successful camp was held at Whitsuntide at a new site, Grange-over-Sands. All was most successful, and the worthy Colonel who came down from the War Office to inspect the camp was much impressed by the excellence of the training—the best, he said, he knew of in a school or corps. In August there will be a combined camp near Hornsea, and we hope all cadets will make an effort to attend it, and show that what Manchester does to-day, all England will do to-morrow. The Scouts, too, have taken on a new lease of life under Mr. Toll, and we have been able to make full use of our field for games and sports this summer, to the great physical well-being of our boys, most of whom noticeably improve in physique during their school-days here. After alluding to the allotment gardens, and the need for a swimming bath, which might secure a niche of fame for a generous donor or donors, he referred to the sad and sudden death of a member of the staff, Mr. W. W. de Gruchy, and concluded by thanking all, governors, staff, parents, and boys who had helped to make the year a pleasant time of good work. *Floreat Schola Hulmeiana et florebit.*"

Sir HENRY MIERS said that much recent legislation had aimed at providing longer and more consistent education, and he begged parents to keep their boys at school, whenever

possible, until they were at least 16 years old. In this country there seemed to be a determination to improve ourselves educationally. Now that peace had come, it was better that we should think rather of the victories won than of the losses sustained. The foundations of the spirit that had made those victories possible had been laid in the schools of Great Britain.

A vote of thanks to Sir Henry was moved by the CHAIRMAN, and seconded by Mr. J. WALSHAW.

The prize-winners were as follows:—

SCIENCE VI. : Seddon, H. J.

MODERN VI. : Templar, G. B.

CLASSICAL VI. : Walshaw, R.

SCIENCE REMOVE : Roy, W. M.

MODERN REMOVE : Crompton, A. L.

CLASSICAL REMOVE : Johnson, S.

V.A. : 1, Heiman, A. E. ; 2, Strong, H. W.

V.B. : Douglas, W. E.

V.C. : Harding, R. E.

IV.A : 1, Whittingham, S. ; 2, Hindle, J. G. M.

TRANS. IV. : Wood, E. N.

IV.B : Bice, C. S.

IV.C : 1, Glasswell, E. G. ; 2, Thompson, C. R.

UPPER III.A : 1, Alston, N. A. ; 2, Avery, J. W.

UPPER III.B : 1, Horne, E. L. ; 2, Broadhurst, L.

UPPER III.C : 1, Singleton, H. H. ; 2, Allman, T. B.

LOWER III.A : 1, Elderton, H. E. ; 2, Oldcorn, K. J. Writing prize for Lower III.'s, Evans, F. N.

LOWER III.B : 1, Goodwin, P. H. ; 2, Swinburne, S.

LOWER III.C : 1, Horn, A. L. ; 2, Hopkins, S. J.

II.A : 1, Mount, L. ; 2, Buckley, N. H. Harrison, B. W. Writing prize, Billings, B. A.

II.B : 1, Peters, J. E. ; 2, Nolan, J. Writing prize, Peters, J. E.

I. : 1, Forrest, E. W. ; 2, Hall, L., Lymer, R. W.

VLIERS PRIZE FOR MODERN LANGUAGES.

1, Templar, G. B. ; 2, Berry, W. ; 3, Broadbent, R. B.

BAZLEY PRIZE FOR MODERN
LANGUAGES.

Crompton, A. L.

DAVIES-COLLEY PRIZE FOR HISTORY.

1, Walshaw, R.; 2, Muller, E. F.

WALTER AND PERCY DORRINGTON
MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR LATIN.

Walshaw, R.

WILLIAMSON MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR
SCIENCE.

Seddon, H. J.

Old Hulmeians' Association.

It was evident about the beginning of June that there was a general feeling, now that hostilities had ceased and the surviving members of the Association were returning once more to their former mode of living, that the activities of the Association, dormant since the early part of 1916, should be revived, and the members called together to discuss this object.

Accordingly a meeting was held on July 15th, 1919, in the Y.M.C.A., Manchester, when about 90 Old Boys and members were present.

The chair was taken by the President, the Rev. W. A. Parker Mason.

It was unanimously resolved that:—

(1) "The activities of the Association, dormant for the past three years, owing to the interruption of the war, be now resumed."

(2) "This meeting be substituted for the Annual General Meeting formerly held about September in each year."

(3) "The accounts be held over until the next Annual General Meeting."

The following officers were elected:—

President: Rev. W. A. Parker Mason. *Hon. Treasurer*: J. A. Barber, 50, Clarendon Road, Whalley Range. *Hon. General Secretary*: T. Fisher, Manor Drive, West Didsbury. *Hon. Assistant Secretary*: J. M. Walker, 10, St. Aldwyn's Road, Withington. *General Committee*: G. Greenup, B. Muth, A. L. Powell, H. H. Vlies, J. P. V. Woollam.

The following represent the various sections: C. E. Kelsey (School Staff), S. N. Stott (Football), H. A. Linfoot (Lacrosse), J. I. Franklin (Golf).

Conveners of the Football and Lacrosse Club were elected, in order that separate meetings of the Football and Lacrosse members might be called to make their own arrangements. Mr. Franklin announced that the Golf Section had already commenced activities, and that S. R. Oddy had won the "Bradbury Cup" competition for the current year.

Owing to the heavy initial cost of re-organising the Association, and of providing the Football and Lacrosse Club with the necessary materials, it has been found that the former subscriptions are not sufficient to meet present-day needs, and the General Committee, on the recommendation of the Football and Lacrosse Sections, have passed a resolution to the following effect:—

(1) "That the annual subscription to the Association be 5s."

(2) "That the annual subscription to the Football and Lacrosse Club be 10s."

Members are earnestly requested to forward their subscriptions to the Hon. Treasurer at their earliest convenience. There are heavy obligations to be met, and members will realise the unfairness of allowing the liability to fall upon individuals.

Every member is asked to send the General Secretary a postcard stating his name and full postal address; the register of members has been mislaid, and it is feared that the list of members is now incomplete.

Your attention is earnestly directed to the above request.

T. FISHER,

Hon. Gen. Secretary.

Old Hulmeians' Golf.

BRADBURY CUP COMPETITION.

The competition for Mr. Bradbury's Cup, which has been in abeyance since 1914, was held by the kind permission of the Council of the Club, on the Chorlton Links, on July 9th.

Eighteen cards were taken out, S. R. Oddy returned the best score, 71 net, and is the holder of the Cup for this year. In the evening the competitors and a few other members of the Association took supper in the Club Dining-room, Mr. A. W. Bradbury presiding.

The following scores were returned:—

S. R. Oddy	79	less 8=	71
B. Muth	92	„ 15=	77
T. T. Forbes	99	„ 18=	81
P. M. Cooper	102	„ 19=	83
W. M. Caw	101	„ 17=	84
J. A. Barber	102	„ 18=	84
A. L. Swindells	102	„ 16=	86
B. W. Harvey	101	„ 14=	87
W. A. Hobbins.....	102	„ 15=	87
A. G. Blamey	102	„ 14=	88
D. Foxwell	106	„ 18=	88
C. H. Fox	102	„ 12=	90
J. S. Fox	111	„ 18=	93
J. I. Franklin	99	„ 5=	94
G. W. Fox.....	118	„ 20=	98

OPTIONAL SWEEPSTAKE: 1, S. R. Oddy; 2, T. Forbes; 3, A. L. Swindells.

J. I. F.

Old Hulmeians' Football.

We have now got back once more into the swing of the footer season, and manage to place two teams in the field each Saturday.

We have lost most of our old members, only Greenup, G., Stott, S. N., and Thornley, P. R. remaining as playing members; whilst we have suffered the loss of such valuable friends as Bradbury, A., Cox, F. R., Holmes, V. R., Heron, J., Bailey, F., Hicks, D. M., who gave their all for our sakes.

We have now a very young and light team, but hope to improve and look forward to more successful seasons than in the past.

We commenced the season well by winning our first league match by 5 goals to nil, but fell away rather badly until we came to the 1st round of the Lancs. Amateur Cup, when we beat our opponents 5-1.

The following have been playing regularly for the two teams:—

1ST ELEVEN: Heaton, goal; Greenup, G. (captain), and Holmes, F. E., backs; Irwin, S., Lowther, R., and Ashworth, F., half-backs; Stott, S. N. (vice-captain), Howie, A. F., Thornley, P. R., Murphy, C. W., and Banton, A. L., forwards.

2ND ELEVEN, selected from the following: Berry, J. K., Roberts, J. W., Walshaw, F. (captain), Bradbury, A. L., McGeogh, A., Irwin, H. S., Berry, R., Hodgkinson, Gibb, J. L., Gibbon, Marson, Bevan, Gates, Taylor, J. D., Watson, D., Andrew, H. D., Simmons, F. T.

We were very pleased to welcome back the Rev. A. L. Bradbury, who is still playing very good football. The chief scorers on the first team are Thornley, Howie, and Murphy, whilst Heaton has shown exceedingly good form in goal.

FIRST TEAM RESULTS.

Sept.	27	v. Manchester Insurance	L ..	Home	5-0
Oct.	4	v. Whalley Range .....	.....	Away	2-4
„	18	v. Chorlton St. Augustine's	L ..	Away	1-5
„	25	v. Heaton Chapel	L ..	Away	2-3
Nov.	1	v. Rochdale Old Boys.....	.....	Home	6-0
„	8	v. Bolton Wyresdale	L ..	Home	0-1
„	15	v. Southport Trinity Old Boys .....	.....	Home	5-1

(First Round, Lancashire Amateur Cup).

SECOND TEAM.

Oct.	4	v. Whalley Range .....	.....	Home	4-12
„	18	v. Chorlton St. Augustine's	L ..	Home	3-3	
„	25	v. Heaton Chapel	L ..	Home	0-3	
Nov.	8	v. Bolton Wyresdale	L ..	Away	1-7	
„	22	v. Chorlton.....	L ..	Home	0-4

L—League Match

G. G.

Old Hulmeians' Lacrosse.

It is very pleasing to see the large number of clubs that are able to run two or three teams this season; surely this shows that lacrosse has by no means died out, as some people foretold it would with the five years' break occasioned by the war.

Up till now the Old Hulmeians have not had a particularly successful season, chiefly due to the fact that the teams have not been the same two weeks running and consequently do not play together as they should.

There seems to be a peculiar shortage of players so far this season, although now there are greater hopes for better turns-out. Nevertheless, it is earnestly hoped that all Old Boys who play lacrosse will join the club, and that all boys will join on leaving school. It is only by having a strong reserve of younger players that the club can hope to uphold its widespread reputation as one of the leading lights in the lacrosse world.

The scheme this season has been to play friendly matches for the first part of the season and to run a league for first teams only after Christmas.

The results up to date (omitting cancelled fixtures) are as follows:—

FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

Sept.	27	v. Manchester University	.....	Won	7—6
Oct.	11	v. Chorlton	.....	Won	5—1
"	18	v. Monton	.....	Lost	6—11
"	25	v. South Manchester	.....	Lost	6—8
Nov.	1	v. Offerton	.....	Lost	3—4
"	8	v. Eccles	.....	Won	7—4
"	15	v. Stockport	.....	Lost	7—11
"	22	v. Old Mancunians	.....	Won	11—6

"A" TEAM MATCHES.

Oct.	11	v. Chorlton	.....	Won	5—3
"	18	v. Monton	.....	Lost	1—10
"	25	v. South Manchester	.....	Lost	8—13
Nov.	1	v. Offerton	.....	Lost	6—10
"	8	v. Eccles	.....	Won	11—3
"	15	v. Stockport	.....	Lost	3—17
"	22	v. Old Mancunians	.....	Lost	1—10

"B" TEAM MATCHES.

Oct.	18	v. Heaton Mersey	.....	Lost	1—18
Nov.	8	v. Hulme Grammar School	.....	Lost	2—26
"	15	v. Urmston "A"	.....	Lost	1—10
"	22	v. Manchester Grammar School	.....	Lost	1—16

J. M. W.

Cadet Corps.

On July 24th the members of the Corps paraded at Exchange Station to entrain for Rowlston Hutments at Hornsea Bridge, to join other units from the Public Secondary Schools' Cadet Association (Northern Branch) in camp. This is our second experience of a combined camp, and our first of a hutment camp. Nine schools were represented by about 350 cadets, and a perfect 12 days' weather favoured a second effort to establish a strong Northern Schools Corps Camp.

After a little uncertainty with the feeding arrangements—due to the originally selected quarter-master finding it impossible to "carry on," some really sound and useful work was done. And it was not all work, because with the afternoons mostly free a knock-out cricket competition was engaged in as well as a football competition in the evenings. There was also a miniature range competition, and on the last available full day an efficiency competition between all the schools. Our unit is to be complimented on winning the cricket cup and receiving the efficiency medal, and generally on giving as little trouble as possible. The thanks of the Association were extended to Lieut. Gatley for taking on the onerous job of Q.-M. at a half-day's notice, and to Mr. Powell who worked untiringly at the games competitions. Brigadier-General von Donop, General Officer Commanding the Northern Command, paid an official visit on the second Wednesday afternoon and said some complimentary things about the general smartness of the Cadets on parade.

A fairly large number of recruits have been enrolled this term, and a satisfactory term's work has been done, but there is still a great number of boys who ought to be in the Corps if it is to be really representative of the School. Boys physically fit should associate themselves with everything that is likely to bring prestige to the School, and if the Corps is to be well represented in competitions more recruits are necessary at once.

We regret to record the departure of Lieut. M. C. Meere, who left the School at the end of July. His help, always willingly given, on parade and in camp, was very much appreciated, and we wish him success at his present school.

It is hoped to hold our own camp at Whitesuntide next year, and this year's site at Grange-over-Sands is again being secured, so all members of the Corps should keep this in mind when holidays and rooms are being arranged.

Another Corps dance will be held in the Assembly Hall on Friday evening, December 19th, and parents of members of the Corps are invited.

The following promotions have been made this term:—

To date from November 3rd:—

From Corporal to Sergeant: R. C. Swinn.

From Lance-Corporal to Corporal: M. C. Nelson and A. A. Walker.

From Cadet to Lance-Corporal: M. D. Pearson.

J. A. BARBER,

Cadet Captain, Officer Commanding.

The Scouts.

Since our last report many items of interest may be mentioned. The summer camp was held at Birkdale, Southport. Those sand hills which range themselves along the Lancashire sea border, south of the River Ribble, adapt themselves admirably to the needs and expectations of a camping ground. Camping in a field by the side of the electric railway, which runs along the sand dune coast strip, we were close to the sea, and were able to enjoy the sea for bathing, since the high tides brought the ocean to within 200 yards of the sand dunes. The short stretch of bad weather troubled us little; and the camping ground proprietor said, "the boys have stuck it well." So sorry were we to leave sunny Southport, that we sat on the bank by the side of the road track leading to the ground and lost our train.

In the Proficiency Badge Section progress is being made and the following have been awarded by the Chief Examination Controller:

All-round Cords: Sen. P.L. Appleton, Cyclist P.L. Hobson, P.L. Coe, Sct. Emmer-son, Sct. Kershaw, Sct. Swinburne, Sct. Arbuckle.

Naturalist: Sen. P.L. Appleton, Sct. Darley, Sct. Hulme.

Musician: Sec. Appleton.

Thriftyman: Sec. Appleton, Sec. Somerville, Sct. Hulme.

In the Naturalist's Examination we were the only Troop represented by entries, and in this branch of learning our very best thanks are

due to Mr. Dallman, who helped one or two Scouts with the leaves-naming. A little help at the right time is very valuable.

Our Christmas Party was so successful last year that another is arranged for this year, Wednesday, December 17th, and if the result is as good as the enthusiasm, the remembrance of the function will last long in the memory of those who come.

PELHAM TOLL,
Scoutmaster.

The Games Club Committee.

President: The Head Master; *Hon. Treasurer:* Mr. J. A. Barber; *Hon. Secretary:* Mr. J. I. Franklin; *Hon. Secretary for Football:* Mr. A. L. Powell; *Hon. Secretary for Lacrosse:* Mr. J. A. Barber; *Captain of Football:* M. C. Nelson; *Vice-Captain:* R. C. Swinn. *Captain for Lacrosse:* T. R. Lea; *Vice-Captain:* M. C. Nelson.

House Representatives: Campbell, G. B., Latham, S. L., Willson, W. S. (Alpha); Ackroyd, C. B., Brown, G. S., Beattie, A. L. (Beta); Swinn, R. C., Howard, R. E., Walker, A. A. (Byrom); Lea, T. R., Leeming, F. B., Nelson, M. C. (Dalton); Arthur, A. N., Higginbottom, A., Jones, J. A. W. (Gaskell); Johnson, S., Kemp, G. A., Pearson, M. D. (Heywood).

Football, 1919.

NOTES.

Beginning the season with a fairly strong First Eleven, we were fortunate in the unexpected return of Howard, last season's captain. With seven of last year's team, our expectations of a strong side have been realised. We have been unfortunate in having three of our matches cancelled.

So far the First Eleven has not lost a School match, and the term has been marked by the unprecedented feat of winning first, second, and under 14 matches against St. Bede's on the same day.

The strength of the team lies largely in the forwards, who, at the time of writing, have scored 40 goals against 7. The latter item is very large proportionately, and we have yet to see what our defence can do against a really good forward line. Howard, while extremely useful in his new position at right inside, is missed in goal. It is perhaps invidious to mention anyone specially, but one cannot pass over the consistently good play of Nelson, whose control of the ball might be emulated by first teamers of succeeding seasons, and Walker, who works untiringly from start to finish. In this connection it is pleasing to note the head-work of the team—a striking contrast to the second teamers, who have not yet acquired the habit of using the front of the head instead of the shoulder, or the middle of the back.

While the Second Eleven under Pearson have been quite successful so far as results are concerned, they do not look like being a good First Team next season. Lack of serious practice is very obvious, and the footwork is poor. One of the first things to learn is to control the ball, and until this is done there is little likelihood of getting a good side together.

One of the chief causes of this gap between the two teams is the lapse in the Middle School. Between the Under 14 Eleven and the Second Eleven many boys seem to drop out of the game, for a time at all events, with the result that when they are big enough to be considered for a place on one of the teams they lack those qualities which only constant practice can bring out. There are many such cases in the School now.

The Under 14 Eleven possess a well-balanced side of keen players who combine well together and ought to finish the season with a good record. Mawdsley has captained the team well, seeing that practices have been frequent and well-attended. It is a pity that he is now over 14 and so ineligible.

While the evenings were light, Form matches were again popular, and ought to prove a valuable training ground.

An experiment has been tried this term in introducing a Middle School Form Competition on the knock-out plan, which has reached the semi-final stage.

House matches on Wednesdays have been well attended as a rule, but the bigger boys are not represented as well as they might be.

One round of the Samuel Jones Shield has been played, Byrom and Beta scoring 12 points, Heywood 7, Gaskell 3, Dalton and Alpha 0. In the Football League the points up-to-date are as follows: Heywood 40, Byrom 28, Alpha 27, Dalton 18, Beta 15, Gaskell 6.

FIRST TEAM REPORTS.

v. SALFORD SECONDARY.—October 8th. Home. Won 12-1. We won the toss and defended the pit goal. Very soon after the start we scored, and goals followed regularly until half-time (7-0). In the second half our forwards were several times pulled up for off-side, but nevertheless we managed to add 5 more, while one was scored by our opponents. The team was as follows: Goal, Lea; backs, Johnson, S., Jones, J. A. W.; half-backs, Briggs, C. S., Walker, A. A., Brown, G. S.; forwards, Beattie, A. L., Howard, R. E., Nelson, M. C., Ackroyd, C. B., Swinn, R. C.

v. ST. BEDE'S COLLEGE.—October 15th. Home. Won 2-0. We won the toss and played against the wind. Near the beginning of the game our goal had a couple of narrow escapes, but soon our team settled down and the game became very even, neither side scoring up to half-time. In the second half, with the wind in our favour, we kept up a continual attack on their goal, and were finally rewarded by a shot from Swinn, which slipped past the goalkeeper. Soon after Howard scored, but although we continually attacked their goal we did not score again. Final score 2-0. The whole team played well, this being the first time for many years that we have beaten St. Bede's College. Team as before.

v. HULME SCHOOL, OLDHAM.—October 18th. Home. Won 14-2. We lost the toss and attacked the pit goal. We soon opened the scoring, but just before half-time they managed to score (5-1). In the second half we again kept up a continual attack, goals being shot at regular intervals. Once again, however,

they scored before the final whistle went. Final score 14-2. Team as before.

v. STAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—November 5th. Away. Drawn 4-4. Directly after the start their forwards ran through and scored, and another goal was added before our backs settled down, the ground being extremely muddy and uneven. We then had more of the game and scored once before half-time. (1-2.) In the second half we had all the game, and kept up a continual attack upon their goal. Our shooting, however, was very poor, several easy chances being missed, and it was some time before we brought the score level. Soon after this one of their forwards broke away and scored their third goal, a fourth being added from a corner. There was now only ten minutes to play, but by hard play we scored a third goal, and drew level a few minutes before time. Final score 4-4. Team as before, except that Campbell, C. D., took the place of Briggs.

v. MACCLESFIELD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—November 22nd. Home. Won 8-0. We won the toss and attacked the pit goal. At first the game was very even, neither side having any advantage until we scored our first goal. After this two more quickly followed before half-time. (3-0.) In the second half play was for the most part in their half, and goals were scored at regular intervals, five more being added before time. Final score 8-0. Team as before, with Fowler in place of Swinn.

A TEAM v. HULME HALL 2ND.—November 8th. Lost 4-6.

A TEAM v. Y.M.C.A.—November 29th. Won 3-2.

SECOND TEAM MATCHES.

Oct. 8 v. Salford Secondary (2nd)	.....	Lost	.....	0-2
" 15 v. St. Bede's College (2nd)	.....	Won	.....	5-3
" 18 v. Y.M.C.A. Juniors	.....	Lost	.....	1-4
Nov. 5 v. Stand Grammar School	.....	Won	.....	4-0

Captain: Pearson, M. D. The usual team has been: Watson, H., goal; Webb, E. N., Kemp, G. A., backs; Terry, L. W., Pearson, M. D., Tricker, R., half-backs; Somerfield, Pitty, F. H., Dillingham, H., Fowler, G., Thom, I. W., forwards.

UNDER 14 MATCHES.

Oct. 4 v. Chorlton Grammar School	.....	Won	.....	5-2
" 8 v. Salford Secondary	.....	Draw	.....	4-4
" 11 v. Stretford	.....	Won	.....	3-2
" 15 v. St. Bede's College	.....	Won	.....	5-4
" 18 v. Hulme School, Oldham	.....	Lost	.....	2-3
" 22 v. Chetham's College	.....	Won	.....	7-3
Nov. 5 v. Manchester Grammar School	.....	Lost	.....	1-6
" 29 v. Stretford Secondary	.....	Won	.....	2-1

Captain, Mawdsley, J. The team has been chosen from Heiman, H. W., Smith, M. W., Williams, F. E., Barber, N. A., Williamson, W., Taylor, R., Swinn, N. R., Black, Mawdsley, J., Gray, F., Alston, N., Avery, J.

Lacrosse, 1919.

NOTES.

The unexpected return to School of Howard, R. E., after two weeks of the term had passed, made a fairly good School attack into a very dangerous one, and a remark heard after one of our recent games that it was the best School attack the speaker had seen may be nearly true. There are, however, one or two weaknesses which might be remedied. Wing attacks, when in possession of the ball, should make straight for goal and not for an imaginary corner flag, as valuable time is thus wasted and the opposing defence given time to fall back on goal. Pearson shows none of this weakness, and his work on the right wing this term has been excellent. After a shot has passed to one side of goal, first home should go "all out" to secure possession again, as valuable time is lost by continually looking back to see if a player is following. An attack that keeps possession of the ball not only gives relief to its own defence but wears down its opponents. The success of the attack has largely been due to Nelson and Howard, and one has rarely seen better return passing on a school attack.

It is perhaps as well that the attack has been so good because the defence has a lot to learn, and the first thing should be, how to "body" a man. A defence man should always get possession, if possible, but failing possession, should never rush an opposing attack. Bodying a man merely consists in placing one's body in the way of an approaching opponent so that his progress is stopped or impeded. Force may not be used, for it would then

amount to a charge. An opponent may not actually have possession of the ball, he may be just about to receive it, and this is the best time to use the body check. Or he may have just parted with it and be trying to get past for the return pass; then, too, he may be justifiably and advantageously body checked. To stop a tricky attack man successfully, it is absolutely necessary to watch his eyes, as, if he has intentions of going past you, you can generally read his mind through his eyes. Avoid being distracted by imaginary passes or shots at goal, and never give up should your man get past; you may still be able to take another man who is set free by your man's successful dash. Defence play may not be as interesting as attack, but a goal saved is quite the equal to a goal scored. This year's School captain is one of the best defence players we have had, but the remainder of the defence are below the level and should cultivate the body check. One or two might with advantage learn to pick the ball up quicker. Generally, in picking up, the 'crosse should be carried in one hand, "at the point of balance," and in approaching the ball the crosse should be thrust under the ball at a greater speed than is natural from the pace of the player. This may be done by having the arm slightly bent until the moment comes for picking the ball up.

Schooldays are the best days for learning how to become a good 'crosse player, for 'crosse handling should almost become second nature, and the Old Hulmeians' team will want plenty of good men in the future if the past records are to be kept up.

J. A. B.

FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

v. WAREHOUSEMEN AND CLERKS' SCHOOL.—September 27th. Away. Won 17-3. We won the toss and played with a slight wind. Our attacks soon scored, and a continual attack was kept up on our opponents' goal. Goals came regularly for us, while they scored once just before half-time. (10-1.) The second half was made use of as a practise in passing, only a few more goals being scored. Final score, 17-3.

Team. Higginbotham, Jones, J. A. W., Seddon, H. J., Lea, T. R., Johnson, S., Leeming, F. B., Terry, L. W., Nelson, M. C., Briggs, C. S., Swinn, R. C., Pearson, M. D., Trafford, A. S.

v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—October 22nd. Home. Won 27-0. We lost the toss and had to play facing the sun. We attacked straight after the face and soon scored. Our opponents were very weak, and play developed into a continual attack. Half-time score 17-0. We kept up the attack in the second half, our opponents failing to secure a single goal. Final, 27-0.

Team as before, with the exception of Howard, R. E., and Walker, A. A., instead of Briggs and Seddon.

v. OLD HULMEIANS B.—November 8th. Home. Won 28-1. We won the toss and attacked the top goal. Our opponents having turned up three men short we lent them two of ours, but goals came at frequent intervals to us. Half-time score, 17-0. After the interval the Old Boys secured another man and play was a bit more even. Final score, 26-1.

Team as before, with the exception of Stansby and Arthur instead of Swinn and Walker.

v. COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY.—November 12th. Home. Won 4-3. We won the toss and played with the wind. The game was mostly in our opponents' half, but owing to bad shooting, probably due to the state of the ground, our attacks could not score for some time, only one goal being shot before half-time. Play was more even after the interval and the shooting better, each team scoring three more goals. Final score, 4-3.

Team as before, with the exception of Mr. Barber instead of Swinn.

v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—November 26th. Won 13-3.

v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY A.—November 29th. Won 7-5.

UNDER 14 *v.* S. MANCHESTER SCHOOL.—October 25th. Won 18-0.

SECOND TEAM *v.* MANCHESTER G.S. 2ND.—October 22nd. Won 16-0.

SECOND TEAM *v.* MANCHESTER G.S. 2ND.—November 26th. Won 8-2.

