

## Editorial.

The event of the term has been the inauguration of the Old Hulmeians Lacrosse Club. In our last issue we mentioned its formation at the Games Club meeting in May, and since then players have joined in sufficient numbers to enable the Committee to arrange matches for two teams, and to provide an excellent card of fixtures. The Club has entered the North of England Lacrosse League, and embarked upon its first season with flying colours. The start was favourable; the first three League matches were won by handsome majorities, and the team now ranks high in its division. The best judges have spoken in very flattering terms of its prospects, and we cordially wish the Club all the success which is prophesied it. Financially, Lacrosse and Football are united in the funds of the Games Club, and this broadening of its basis will, it is hoped, lighten the Honorary Treasurer's load of anxiety. Already a visible sign of the union is to be seen in the splendid field which has been taken by the Club near Chorlton Station, where football and lacrosse matches are played side by side. The formation of the Old Boys' Lacrosse Club will also react favourably upon the game in the School. The success of a team largely formed of those who won their spurs in the Shield or Flags competitions of two years ago, should serve as an incentive and an encouragement to Lacrosse with us.

The Old Hulmeians Football Club has begun the season well, winning seven and drawing one out of nine matches played. The School First Eleven, after beginning rather badly, have shown considerable improvement of late. For the Schools Shield, in Lacrosse, we had a good fight, but the fates were rather against our winning it.

# School Motes and Mews.

In the Victoria Preliminary held in October last, S. A. Guest passed in the First Division, and C. J. Green in the Second; and J. H. Nichol passed in the Second Division of the Entrance in Arts for the Faculty of Medicine. E. C. Dutton passed the Materia Medica part of the First M.B., Victoria, last July.

J. R. P. Sclater has passed all three parts of the Cambridge "Little-go," in the Second Class, and has gone up to Emmanuel College. He is the first old boy to enter one of the older Universities.

The following elections have been made by the Governors this term:—J. Froggatt and E. S. Jones, of Christ Church School, Didsbury, and A. E. A. Searle, to public elementary school scholarships of £15 for three years; J. Norquoy, of Chorlton-cum-Hardy High School, H. Hough, of Christ Church School, Didsbury, H. H. Vlies, F. E. Green, J. B. Young, E. B. Le Mare, F. E. Dehn, O. S. Flinn, N. H. Hey, C. H. Hawkins, J. Allner and H. C. Oliver, to foundation scholarships; S. A. Guest and C. J. Green to leaving exhibitions of £30 for three years; and H. P. Pearson and W. J. Young to leaving exhibitions of £20 for three years.

Since our last number appeared, the following scholar-ships and exhibitions of the Lancashire County Council have been awarded:—science scholarships of £60 per annum tenable for three years, to C. J. Green and S. A. Guest; science exhibitions of £10 to H. P. Pearson, R. H. Pearson and W. J. Young; commercial exhibitions of £10 to S. R. Oddy, F. O. Williams and F. Robinson; junior commercial exhibitions of £10 to E. Bazley, C. E. Charnley and S. G. Hodgson.

First Team Lacrosse Caps have been presented to Hobdey, C. W. G., Van der Veen, R. E., Goodier, E.A., Hobbins, A. E., Jefferis, P. J., Hobbins, W. A., Hawkins, C. H., Birch, A., and Brewer, G.

An interesting ceremony was performed on the morning of prize-day at the end of last term, when presentations were made by the boys of the School to Mr. Kelsey and Mr. Brown on the approach of their marriages. The present in each case consisted of silver cream jug and sugar basin, S. A. Guest acting as spokesman of the School. The happy events took place during the holidays, and we hasten to offer our belated congratulations to both masters.

A loan exhibition of photographs has been arranged by Mr. Brice in the drawing school this term. Many boys contributed photographs from home, and there was an excellent show of amateur work, amongst which J. F. Sutton's artistic Welsh views, F. H. Lowe's Isle of Man scenes, J. H. S. Widdowson's Blackpool snap shots, and H. M. Hobdey's work, ably represented the old boys and the School. Views of all parts of the world, including Japan, Palestine, Egypt, Norway, and many other countries made up a very varied and interesting collection.

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Next term begins on Tuesday, January 21st, at nine o'clock.

## Died

SOUTHAM, JOHN, on July 26th, aged 14 years.

MUNDAY, WALTER, on September 4th, aged
13 years.

# Old Hulmeians Games Club, 1895=6.

FOOTBALL OFFICERS:—Captain of First Team: A. G. Baker; Vice-Captain of First Team: H. R. Classen; Captain of Second Team: A. C. Crighton; Vice-Captain of Second Team: J. M. Miller; Hon. Secretaries: S. W. Saxelby, 56 Alexandra Road, South, and H. R. Classen, 58 Alexandra Road, South; Committee: L. Barrett, H. M. Fielding, J. D. Bell, E. Shorrocks, and J. C. Tyson.

LACROSSE OFFICERS:—Captain of First Team: P. M. Bennett; Vice-Captain of First Team: E. B. Rowe; Captain of "A" Team: S. R. Oddy; Hon. Secretaries: H. C. Hobbins, Beech House, Wellington Road, Whalley Range, and W. N. Caw, 36 Range Road, Whalley Range; Committee: F. Catling, F. H. Lowe, H. van der Veen, W. H. Saxelby, and E. Youatt; Hon. Treasurer to the Games Club: A. R. Lowe, 35 Wilbraham Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy.

#### SOCIAL EVENING.

The second Social Gathering of Old Hulmeians was held in the Edinburgh Hall, on Tuesday evening, October 1st, Mr. Franklin again kindly consenting to preside. A good muster of Old Boys assembled in the Hall, which lends itself admirably to an entertainment of this nature, and with the aid of a raised platform and a grand piano a more ceremonious aspect was given to the occasion than its predecessor could boast of. The efforts of those who generously put their services at the disposal of the meeting rapidly dispersed all restraint and solemnity, and before the interval arrived, anything with an approach to a chorus was responded to vociferously. At half-time an adjournment for refreshment was effected, coffee, whose chief merit was its cheapness, and mineral waters being obtainable. The second half passed only too briefly, and it was with much reluctance that the meeting had to deny itself the pleasure of hearing those who, encouraged by the success of the earlier performers, were thirsting to make their débuts as amateur musicians.

The meeting was greatly indebted to the following gentlemen who took part in the programme:—Mr. W. Ellis, who, although only just returned from the Far West, showed that he still remembered the good old tunes of his earlier youth, Messrs. P. M. Bennett, A. G. Baker, S. Payne, A. Payne, E. A. Pochin, G. L. Whitworth, J. S. Corbett, A. R. Lowe, F. H. Lowe, and E. Shorrocks.

A collection, taken to defray expenses, was generously responded to, and the meeting ended with "Auld Lang Syne." There were present about 60 Old Boys.

# Old Bulmeians Association Football, 1895=6.

A new era in connection with the Games Club commenced with this season, but as an account of the Lacrosse Club and its doings appear elsewhere, suffice it to say that a new ground, which has turned out to be in excellent order, has been taken, and with new colours the teams present a smart appearance on field days.

The season opened with two practice games, when the turn-outs were very encouraging. A temperature of about 70° in the shade was calculated to get members into condition in a very short time, but the elements were not propitious when the first match was played, as the rain came down in torrents all the afternoon. The 2nd team match was cancelled, while the 1st team playing with nine men opened the season with a defeat of 3 goals to 1. The second encounter was excellent practice, as although only winning by 2 goals to 1, yet at the close the whole team were playing well together.

Three very stiff matches at home followed, the Club coming out of the ordeal with flying colours, but in the Owens match a reaction had set in. The following match witnessed much improved form and with the reappearance of J. S. Corbett among the forwards, the vacant spot was filled.

The remaining matches are being looked forward to with strong hopes. Nine matches have been played so far, of which six have been won, two lost, and one drawn.

### FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

October 5th, v. Manchester Wanderers. Lost. Played in a downpour of rain, which caused play of a straggling character. The Wanderers scored two lucky goals from long dropping shots from a distance. Final score—Manchester Wanderers, three goals; Old Hulmeians, one goal.

October 12th, v. Old Mancunians. Won. The game was fast and well contested throughout, both sides scoring in turn, our first goal being the result of a brilliant run by Lowe just before half-time. Late in the second half Adair scored for the Old Mancunians

with a long dropping shot from half-back. This seemed to put us on our mettle; for the rest of the time we pressed continually, Lowe scoring after a combined effort, and but for erratic shooting we would have still further increased our lead. Final score—Old Hulmeians, two goals; Old Mancunians, one.

\*October 19th, v. Brooklands. Won. The game was fast and vigorous throughout, both sides showing good form. The visitors played ten men for the greater part of the game, an unfortunate injury compelling one of their forwards to retire. At half-time the Old Boys were leading by one goal to none. After the restart Brooklands pressed, and eventually drew level. Even play followed, after which the Old Boys pressed, and Shorrocks scored twice for us, the result of good play. Final score—Old Hulmeians, three goals; Brooklands, one.

\*October 26th, v. Dalton Hall. Drawn. A very stiff game, the visitors' forwards showing at times great dash. The Old Boys scored first, but then Dalton broke away, rushing the ball through twice in rapid succession. In the second half we pressed, adding two goals, and having hard lines once or twice, while Dalton increased their total by one, the result of a tricky run by their centre. Final score—Three goals all.

\*November 2nd, v. Blackburn Etrurians. Won. The visitors arrived with a somewhat weakened defence. The first half was evenly contested, both sides scoring. After the interval, however, the Old Boys' forwards were very prominent, and added three goals, the ball being mostly in the Etrurians' quarters. Final score—Old Hulmeians, four goals; Blackburn Etrurians, one goal.

November 9th, v. Bowdon College. Won. We were without three regular forwards, the College being assisted by two masters and two of their old boys. In the first half even play ruled, and nothing was scored. After the interval the Old Hulmeians were more formidable, but could only break through the stubborn defence of the home team twice. Score—Old Hulmeians, two goals; Bowdon College, none.

November 23rd, v. Owens College. Lost. This was a disappointing match, as after pressing at first and promising much, the Old Boys gave way. The College rushed the ball down and scored, and from that time more than held their own, adding two more points before

time. Final score—Owens College, three goals; Old Hulmeians, nil.

November 30th, v. Chorlton-cum-Hardy. Won. Baker and Price were absent from the defence, but with the forwards strengthened by the re-appearance of J. S. Corbett, the team recovered their lost form. The home team made one or two gallant efforts, but to no purpose, and were for the most part on the defensive. After a fast and pleasantly contested game we ran out easy winners. Final score—Old Hulmeians, four goals; Chorlton-cum-Hardy, nil.

December 7th, v. Ellesmere Park. Won. At Eccles. The Old Boys were poorly represented, but more than held their own. Most of the scoring took place before half-time, both goals being visited in turn. The Old Hulmeians, however, had the best of the exchanges and scored four goals to two. After the interval we pressed continually, but only got through once. Darkness came on owing to a late start. Score—Old Hulmeians, five goals; Ellesmere Park, two.

#### SECOND TEAM MATCHES.

\*October 12th, v. Old Mancunians 2nd. Lost. Old Mancunians, three goals; Old Hulmeians, one goal.

October 19th, v. Brooklands 2nd. Lost. Brooklands, four goals; Old Hulmeians, one goal.

October 26th, v. Dalton Hall 2nd. Won. Old Hulmeians, five goals; Dalton Hall, nil.

November 2nd, v. Hulme Grammar School. Drawn. Score—One goal all.

\*November 9th, v. Catholic Collegiate Institute. Won. Old Hulmeians, five goals; Catholic Collegiate Institute, one goal.

\*November 23rd, v. Owens College 2nd. Lost. Owens College, three goals; Old Hulmeians, two goals.

\*November 30th v. Lancashire College. Drawn. Score—One goal all.

\* Played on our ground.

# Old Bulmeians Lacrosse, 1895=6.

As mentioned in our last number a Lacrosse Club was formed at the general meeting of the Old Hulmeians Games Club, on May 16th. Officers were then appointed, whose names stand above, and a sufficient number of Old Boys joined the club to enable the Committee to run two teams, and to arrange good fixtures. The club has joined the North of England Championship competition, and has won three matches in the Fourth Division.

The First Team has played, up to and including Saturday, December 7th, eight matches, winning four and losing four, and has scored 38 goals to 27 scored by their opponents.

The A Team has been well represented. They have played 7 matches, winning 2, drawing 2, and losing 3.

#### FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

September 28th. v. Newton Heath. Played in very hot weather. The opening match unfortunately ended in a loss. Score—Newton Heath, 8 goals; Old Hulmeians, 4 goals.

\* October 12th, v. Christ Church (League Match). Our first league match was won by the substantial majority of 9 goals to nil.

October 19th, v. Failsworth (League Match). Won. Better form was shown in this match than had yet been displayed, the "erstwhile scholars" running out winners by 10 goals to 5.

October 26th v. Marple (League Match). Won. A very one-sided game resulted in favour of the Old Boys by 6 goals to 1.

\* November 2nd, v. Birch A. Won. An evenly contested game, both teams playing well. The Old Boys scored just before the finish. Score—Old Hulmeians, I goal; Birch A, nil.

November 9th, v. Didsbury Park (League Match). Lost. A well contested and exciting game, the Old Boys failing to score several times from erratic shooting. At half-time the score was 3—2 in favour of the Park. Final score—Didsbury Park, 7 goals; Old Hulmeians, 5 goals.

\* November 23rd, v. Cheadle Hulme (League Match). Lost. A very satisfactory game, though played in very rough weather. The team playing well together, held their opponents well in check, but were unable to score more than once, through the visitors' splendid defence. Cheadle Hulme were the first to score, but the Old Boys soon equalised. At half-time the score was 3—I in favour of the visitors. The second half was very even, but Cheadle Hulme managed to get another goal. Score: Cheadle Hulme, four goals; Old Hulmeians, one goal.

December 7th, v. Ashton (League Match). Lost. The ground was not in a fit condition for play through a fall of snow, and the match ought to have been postponed. We lost ground at the start, Ashton scoring twice before we began, and at half-time the score was 2—I against us. The second half was very closely contested. We drew level about ten minutes before the finish, but Ashton spurted and scored another. Score: Ashton, three goals; Old Hulmeians, two goals.

#### "A" TEAM MATCHES.

September 28th, v. Burnage A. Lost. Burnage, five goals; Old Hulmeians, four.

October 12th, v. Christ Church A. Won. Old Hulmeians, five goals; Christ Church, three.

October 19th, v. Stockport B. Lost. Stockport, three goals; Old Hulmeians, two.

November 2nd, v. Birch B. Drawn. Score: Five goals all.

\* November 9th, v. Didsbury Park A. Drawn. Score: Four goals all.

November 23rd, v. Cheadle Hulme A. Lost. Cheadle Hulme, three goals; Old Hulmeians, nil.

\* December 7th, v. Victoria Park. Won. Old Hulmeians, five goals; Victoria Park, two.

\* Played on our ground.

# Old Hulmeians Games Club Concert.

The fifth annual concert in support of the Games Club was given at the School on Wednesday, November 20th. A very enjoyable evening was spent, the programme provided by the Old Boys giving great satisfaction and receiving well deserved acknowledgment from the audience. The best thanks of the Club are due to the performers for their welcome services, and to Miss Hall for her kindness in providing the refreshments.

#### PROGRAMME.

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Solo Pianoforte "Polonaise Héroique." Pieczonka. Mr. C. E. BATEMAN.
Song "Out on the deep." Löhr. Mr. S. PAYNE.
Song "Noble Signors." Meyerbeer.  Miss E. Panton.
Violin Solo "Sonata in A." Corelli.  Mr. Arthur G. Baker.
Song Trotère.  Miss E. CATLING.
Song "The Holy City." Adams. CHARLES S. BAKER.
Song "Yeoman's Wedding Song." Poniatowski. Mr. P. M. BENNETT.
Humorous Selection
Solo Pianoforte "Overture to Zampa." Arr. Loder. Mr. C. E. BATEMAN.
Song "The Angel at the Window."
Song "Thy Sentinel am I." Watson. Mr. S. PAYNE.
Violin Solo { a Andante Mullen. b Saltarella Papini. Mr. ARTHUR G. BAKER.
Song "The New Kingdom." Tours.  Miss E. CATLING.
Song "The Flight of Ages." Bevan.  CHARLES S. BAKER.
Mr. P. M. Prysser. Sullivan.
Humorous Selection
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Accompanist.—Mr. ROBERT W. BAKER.
LALL ECOBERT W. BAKER.

# Speech Day.

The annual distribution of prizes took place on Thursday, August 1st, at the School. The ceremony was performed by Mr. T. W. Freston, a Governor of the School, and there was a large attendance of friends and relations. Mr. Arthur Birley, who distributed the prizes last year, was also present.

The HEAD MASTER, in his annual statement, expressed his great regret at the retirement of Mr. Thomas Ashton from the post of Chairman of the Board of Governors. Mr. Ashton had held this office since the organisation of the Board, and both in the very important preliminary work before the opening of the School and during the first critical years of its life his services to the School and the cause of education in the district had been simply invaluable. And yet what he had done for them constituted a very small part of the educational work he had accomplished and was doing for Manchester at large. Mr. Hall desired personally to record his deep feeling of gratitude to Mr. Ashton for his unwearied patience in advising and guiding on the many problems calling for careful decision which arose in a new school. Apart from this, the history of the School had been uneventful. The School had reached its highest numbers that term, and if the present rate of increase were maintained must soon be full. It was gratifying to be able to state, on the authority of the School examiners and the evidence of the work done, that the general advance of which he spoke that time last year had been maintained and continued. As usual, the School had been examined on behalf of the Governors by external examiners, letters from whom were then read to the meeting. He attributed most of the credit for the favourable judgment of the examiners to the abounding energy and skill of his colleagues; for the School had had the great advantage of a staff of unusual experience, in which there had been no change during the last three years. The very valuable aid rendered by a grant of £200 from the Withington District Council had maintained the science teaching of the School in a high state of efficiency, and rendered possible their successes in the examinations of the Lancashire County Council. The honours won by the School since last prize day were then enumerated. gratifying as those successes were, he would not have the School in any large measure judged by the show it made in examinations. Indeed, the limit of age at which

hovs must under the scheme leave the School, handicapped them in all the more advanced competitions: and, on the other side, all special preparation directed to the mere gaining of certificates had been steadily discouraged. The great mass of their boys were preparing to take part in the business and industries of the district. and the main effort of the School was directed to their training in method and habits, in conduct and bearing such as would help them most in their life-work. He hoped they did not neglect book knowledge, but the testimony of the examiner as to the bearing of the boys under his viva voce examination gave him greater pleasure than anything else he could say of them. In that connection he must, at the risk of appearing monotonous, make a complaint which had been heard from him more than once in former years. The School playground was not used in a regular and systematic way by the rank and file of the School. Their cricket, football and lacrosse teams had worthily upheld the high reputation of the School in games played against all the strongest schools in the district; but the very boys who had most to gain in health and in many of the qualities most valuable in the conduct of life, and best acquired in the playground, rarely or never joined in a school game. In a day-school, that was a matter which largely rested with parents, and they should insist on their boys availing themselves of the great advantages the School offered in that respect. Since last midsummer, the playing field had been greatly improved, but much still remained to be done. Progress in the work was retarded by the smallness of the funds available. There was no doubt a general impression that the School, being connected with a wealthy foundation, was itself wealthy. This was a grievous error. Some of their crying wants, such as a library of books of reference, could only be satisfied by private benefactions. In conclusion, he had once more the pleasing duty of publicly thanking his colleagues for their untiring exertions and the unfailing support they had given him in all the departments of school life. The management of the games especially made large demands on their spare time, and the unselfish manner in which those demands had been met should especially earn them the gratitude of both parents and boys.

Mr. Freston gave a very interesting address to the boys. He pointed out that the Hulme Grammar School, like the Manchester Grammar School, differed from some of the other great public schools in respect that it was a day-school. Much of the responsibility for a boy's

conduct consequently remained in the hands of the parents, and it rested with them as well as with the schoolmasters to see that the boys were taught to apply order and self-discipline to every action of their lives. He congratulated Mr. Hall and all the staff upon the manifest success which had hitherto attended their work. He then distributed the prizes, which this year included the Freston prizes, presented by him, and won by the top boys in the three highest forms—S. A. Guest, C. H. Bennett, and H. H. Vlies.

After three hearty cheers for Mr. Freston, the meeting adjourned to the field to see the Athletic Sports.

# The Athletic Sports.

Very favourable weather again attended our annual Sports, which were held on August 1st, before a large attendance of spectators. As usual there was a very full entry of competitors, the record of 1894 being passed, and 206 names appearing on the programme. For the first time the whole of the course was on levelled ground. and an excellent oval track had been marked out. Everything, in fact, combined to make the afternoon as successful as ever, and to offer a fitting welcome to the lady who came to distribute the prizes, Miss Julia Gaskell, whose name is so well known to us in connection with our Sports, as the joint donor, with her sister, of the Challenge Cup. This year she added to her previous kindness both by her presence and by the gift of a gold medal, which formed the prize in the half-mile race. Prizes were also kindly given by Miss Hall, Mrs. Kelsey, the Misses Barnes, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Tristram, the Old Hulmeians Games Club, and the Head Master, to all of whom our best thanks are due. The programme was carried through with despatch, previous trials having disposed of all but the four best in the competitions for throwing the ball. The Gaskell Challenge Cup was won by C. H. Bennett, who was first in the half-mile, the 100 yards open, throwing the cricket ball, and throwing the lacrosse ball.

President: The Head Master. Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: C. E. Kelsey, Esq. Starter: J. I. Franklin, Esq. Judges: C. L. Barnes, Esq., E. K. Brice, Esq., F. E. Brown, Esq., K. G. Fison, Esq., E. G. W. Hewlett, Esq., J. W. Morley, Esq. Time-keeper: J. F. Tristram, Esq. Signaller: Sergeant

Mitchell. Stewards: H. H. Vlies, J. Wihl, C. J. Green, L. C. Clarke, S. R. Oddy, C. O. G. Muth, J. H. Wright, S. A. Guest, C. H. Bennett, R. G. Clarke.

GASKELL CHALLENGE CUP (presented by the Misses Gaskell): C. H. Bennett.

BROAD JUMP, OPEN: I, C. O. G. Muth; 2, W. J. Young. Length, 16ft.  $5\frac{1}{2}$ in.

80 YARDS, UNDER II: I, F. W. Hobdey; 2, H. S. Wihl: 3, J. Allner.

100 YARDS, UNDER 13 (45 entries): I, G. R. O. Chorlton; 2, B. Pendleton; 3, G. E. Mason; 4, G. F. Buckland.

100 YARDS, UNDER 15: I, J. S. Barton; 2, A. Birch; 3, J. Wood.

100 YARDS, OPEN: I, C. H. Bennett; 2, J. Wihl; 3, W. J. Young. Time, 112 sec.

600 YARDS HANDICAP (65 entries): I, A. Birch, 20 yards start; 2, W. J. Young, scratch; 3, C. O. G. Muth, scratch; 4, L. C. Clarke, scratch; 5, F. O. Williams, 30.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL, OPEN: 1, C. H. Bennett; 2, C. W. G. Hobdey. Distance, 79yds. 1ft.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL, UNDER 14: 1, A. B. Hulme; 2, B. Robinson. Distance, 63yds. 1ft. 4in.

THROWING THE LACROSSE BALL, OPEN: I, C. H. Bennett; 2, C. W. G. Hobdey. Distance, 99½ yards.

THROWING THE LACROSSE BALL, UNDER 14: 1, B. Robinson; 2, P. J. Jefferis. Distance, 58yds. 2ft.

300 YARDS HANDICAP (152 entries): I, J. W. Robinson, 30 yards start; 2, H. Brown, 50; 3, A. J. Bryceson, 50; 4, T. B. Gale, 25; 5, H. M. E. Gilliat, 40; 6, T. T. Foster, 50; 7, S. R. Oddy, 5; 8, C. J. Green, scratch.

HIGH JUMP, OPEN: I, L. C. Clarke; 2, J. A. Jones. Height, 4ft. 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in.

HIGH JUMP, UNDER 14: I, R. E. Barton; 2, B. Robinson. Height, 3ft. 94in.

HALF MILE, OPEN: I, C. H. Bennett; 2, J. A. Jones; 3, W. J. Young. Time, 2min. 32sec.

SACK RACE (44 entries): 1, H. M. E. Gilliat; 2, R. Bradshaw.

THREE-LEGGED RACE: 1, J. D. M. Adshead and R. Bradshaw; 2, C. H. Bennett and J. Wihl; 3, W. R. M'Chlery and W. G. Bryceson.

CONSOLATION RACE (220 YARDS): I, R. E. van der Veen; 2, R. S. Berry.

OLD HULMEIANS' RACE (440 YARDS): H. R. Classen.

TUG OF WAR, ANCIENTS v. MODERNS: Ancients won.

# Swimming Races and Life=saving Competition.

The Swimming Competitions were held at the Higher Broughton Baths, on Friday, October 4th. The Humane Society for the Hundred of Salford offered two medals for competition this year, the additional medal to be competed for by boys under 14.

There were 42 entries for the Life-saving Competition, but owing to the sudden change of weather a number of boys were prevented by colds from taking part. All boys who enter are required to swim 100 yards before being allowed to take part in the competition. The number of boys who passed this test satisfactorily amounted to 33. After the first two tests for the senior medal, there was little doubt that Mr. R. N. Whitehead, who acted as umpire, would have to choose between C. W. G. Hobdey and Utley. Both showed equal skill and strength, but in the third test Hobdey not only dived and gripped the dummy with skill, but succeeded in bringing it to the platform with its head well supported clear of the water. Hobdey was then declared the winner of the senior medal. Several boys made plucky attempts to bring the dummy to the platform; we were pleased with A. H. Pilcher on this account; Porteous handled and dived well but swims badly as yet; H. P. Brown was disappointing. In the junior competition a smaller dummy was used. R. Bradshaw, W. P. Bradshaw, S. G. Cox and V. Cox quickly shewed to advantage, but in the last test R. Bradshaw handled the dummy with such skill that he thoroughly deserved the medal which was then awarded to him. S. G. Cox deserves special mention for the coolness and strength which he displayed in the first two

tests, and Blackstock and Norbury should do well next year. On the whole there was a marked improvement in the handling of the dummy this year; the approach was in all cases made from behind, the head of the dummy was well supported, and altogether greater respect for his feelings was shown. The medals were presented at the Town Hall by the Lord Mayor, on December 3rd, and we congratulate C. W. G. Hobdey and Bradshaw on their success.

The School races were well contested and the Beginners' race, for which Mr. Fison had offered a prize, and which took place for the first time this year, attracted an entry of 18 boys.

SIX LENGTHS, OPEN (120 yards). — There were originally eight competitors for this race, but for various reasons only four actually took part. G. H. Pearson won easily, Utley being second. Time, 2 min. 6 secs.

FOUR LENGTHS HANDICAP.—There were 28 entries for this, and the following were in the final heat:—Muth (scratch), P. L. Ford (II secs. start), G. H. Pearson (II secs.), H. P. Brown (I4 secs.), and C. Pattison (20 secs.). The race was won by G. H. Pearson. Muth made a capital effort to overtake him, but, as will be seen, he was heavily handicapped.

THREE LENGTHS, UNDER 15.—This race was swum in three heats, and in the final H. P. Brown beat W. P. Bradshaw after a good race. Time, 1 min. 5 sec.

BEGINNERS' RACE, ONE LENGTH.—There were 18 entries, and the race was swum in four heats, the winners in each being A. Brown, G. B. Brookes, E. C. Porteous, and E. C. Allen. The final was won by Porteous after an exciting struggle. Time,  $20\frac{1}{5}$  secs.

The racing on the whole did not show the improvement we expected to see this year. This was probably due to the fact that several of our best swimmers were unable to take part. The swimming season will commence next year in May, and we hope that all boys who have not learnt to swim will avail themselves of the opportunity which the School provides for acquiring the art. Our professional, G. Stearne, of the Islington Baths, has already been successful in teaching a number of boys to swim in a few lessons.

# Cricket, 1895.

#### AVERAGES OF THE FIRST ELEVEN.

#### BATTING.

Times Highest										
Innings. not out. Score. Runs. Average										
Wright, J. H	18		0		39		289		16.05	
Clarke, L. C	18		2		36		185		11.58	
Oddy, S. R	16		3		50*		143		11.00	
Green, C. J										
Lyall, F	13		2		29*		81		7.36	
Wihl, J									7.15	
Clarke, R. G									6.70	
Vlies, H. H	18		3		29		98		6.53	
Hobdey, C. W. G.	14		4		17		63		6.30	
Bennett, C. H									6.18	
Classen, E									5.41	
* Signifies not out.										

#### BOWLING.

	Overs.	Ma	ider	15.	Runs	. W	icke	ts.	Av'ge.
Hobdey, C. W. G.									
Lyall, F									
Wright, J. H	176.4		46		339		48		7.06
Wihl, J	84		28		184		25		7.36
Green, C. J	16		6		39		5		7.80
Bennett, C. H	128.3		33		286		33		2.00

#### MATCHES:

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.
17	 6	 4	7

Saturday, July 20th, v. Lymm Grammar School. Played on their ground in rainy weather. Lost. Lymm batted first, and put together 64, most of which came from one bat. We did not start well, three wickets being down for 13, but Lyall and Oddy assisted Wright to put a better face on the game. We wanted 10 runs to win when our last man Hobdey joined Wihl. After obtaining four of them, however, Hobdey was unfortunately given out leg-before. Score and analysis:

#### LYMM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

LIMM GRAMMING SOLZOOL
Farrington, b Wright       3         Fisher, not out       41         Deane, c Oddy b Bennett       5         Thorpe, I., c Wright b Bennett       3         Ferris, II., c Clarke, R. G., b Lyall       0         Ferris, I., c Clarke, L. C., b Wihl       0         Plunkett, b Lyall       0         Shelmerdine, c Green b Lyall       2         Parry, c Clarke, L. C., b Lyall       0         Thorpe, II., run out       3         Smith, run out       4         Extras       3
Total 64
THE SCHOOL.
Clarke, L. C., b Deane       0         Wright, J. H., run out       20         Clarke, R. G., b Farrington       2         Vlies, H. H., lbw b Farrington       2         Lyall, F., b Farrington       10         Oddy, S. R., st Fisher b Farrington       11         Classen, E., run out       0         Green, C. J., b Ferris       2         Bennett, C. H., b Farrington       4         Wihl, J., not out       4         Hobdey, C. W. G., lbw b Deane       4         Extras       4
Total 63
Bowling Analysis.
O. M. R. W.
Wright 9.2 3 24 1
Bennett 7 2 16 2
Lyall 7 2 12 4 Wihl 5 I 9
Will 5 I O I

Wednesday, July 24th, v. Stand Grammar School. Played on our ground in wet weather. Drawn. Rain stopped play. Clarke and Wright both played well, and put on 35 runs before Clarke was unfortunately run out. Wright followed at the same total, and the wickets then fell quickly, and the innings closed for 62. Rain fell very heavily when they opened their innings, and the bowlers could not do much with the ball. They quickly

put on 22 for 0 wicket, although two chances were offered. The analysis was:—Wright, 8-3-8-0; Bennett, 7-2-13-0. Score:—

#### THE SCHOOL.

Clarke, L. C., run out	TR
Wright, c Walkden b Mather	10
Clarke, R. G., b Thorpe	
Vlies, lbw b Thorpe	6
Lyall, c Mills b Thorpe	6
Classen, c Thorpe b Duncan	
Oddy b Duncan	0
Oddy, b Duncan	6
Green, b Thorpe	0
Bennett, b Thorpe	7
Wihl, c Walkden b Thorpe	I
Hobdey, not out	1
Trobacy, not out	I
Total	-
Total	02

STAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—Walkden, not out, 17, Mather, not out, 5. Total 22.

Saturday, July 27th, v. Warrington Grammar School. Played at Warrington. Drawn. Rain again prevented any definite conclusion being arrived at. We batted first, and put on 62 runs for 9 wickets, Wright, Green, and Oddy reaching double figures. Score:—

#### THE SCHOOL.

Clarke, L. C., b Kidd	0
Wright, b Walton	
Clarke, R. G., b Wallace	2
Vlies, b Kidd	2
Lyall, b Kidd	4
Classen, b Kidd	8
Oddy, b Walton	10
Green, b Kidd	II
Wihl, c Walton b Kidd	2
Hobdey, not out	I
Extras	
	-
Total for 9 wickets 6	12
van der Veen did not hat.	

Wednesday, July 31st, v. The Masters. Played on our ground. Won. As usual an early start was made, and according to precedent the School batted first. The Masters were without Mr. Morley, who was unwell. A disastrous start was made, the first two wickets falling to Mr.

Franklin for only 4 runs. Thanks however to some good cricket by Wright and Vlies the score was raised to 62 before Wright was bowled by Mr. Kelsey for an invaluable 39. Lyall continued the scoring with Vlies, but the fourth wicket fell for 79, and the next four only added 5 runs. Eight for 84. Hobdey hit vigorously at the close and the innings realised 111. The Masters could do very little against Wihl and Wright, and Mr. Brown was the only one to attain double figures. The innings reached 41, of which Mr. Brown was responsible for a well played 16, and Mr. Barnes for 5 not out.

The teams lunched together as usual in the interval.

Score and analysis:-

#### THE SCHOOL.

Clarke, L. C., b Mr. Franklin	0
Wright, b Mr. Kelsey	39
Clarke, R. G., b Mr. Franklin	I
Vlies, b Mr. Brown	21
Lyall, c and b Mr. Brown	12
Classen, st. Whatmough b Mr. Brown	4
Oddy run out	0
Green, b Mr. Franklin	5
Wihl, c and b Mr. Franklin	0
Hobdey, b Mr. Franklin	17
van der Veen not out	6
Extras	6
	-
Total	III

#### THE MASTERS.

Mr. Franklin run out	0
Mr. Kelsey, b Wright	3
Mr. Brown, b Wihl	16
Mr. Fison, run out	2
Whatmough, c Wright b Wihl	5
Mr. Hewlett, b Wihl	2
Mr. Tristram, b Wihl	0
Mr. Barnes, not out	5
Mr. Brice, b Wright	4
Muth, C. O. G., b Wihl	0
Jones, E. T., b Wihl	2
Extras	4
	-
Total	43

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	0.	M.	R.	w.
Wright	11	2	24	2
Wihl	10.2	5	15	6

The Analysis of the Masters' bowling was not kept.

### The Games Club.

The constitution of the Games Committee this term has been as follows: -Ex-officio members: -Captain of First Football Team: C. O. G. Muth; Vice-Captain of First Football Team: E. Classen; Captain of First Lacrosse Team: J. Wihl; Vice-Captain of First Lacrosse Team: H. H. Vlies; Captain of Second Football Team: R. G. Clarke; Vice-Captain of Second Football Team: A. E. A. Searle; Captain of Second Lacrosse Team: P. Knoop; Captain of Lacrosse Flag Team: W. A. Hobbins. Form Representatives:-Science V.: R. G. Clarke and J. B. Young; Classical V and IV.: R. E. van der Veen and A. E. Hobbins; Science IV.: W. C. N. Lane and E. T. Jones; Modern V and Upper Modern IV.: H. H. Vlies and A. E. A. Searle; Lower Modern IV.: H. T. Silkstone and H. P. Brown; Latin III. and II.: C. W. G. Hobdey and W. A. Hobbins; French III.: R. Bradshaw and A. Birch.

# football, 1895=6.

## FOOTBALL NOTES.

Matches Played.		Won.		Lost			
			2		1	···	4

Our football season thus far has not been very successful. Of last year's Eleven only three were available, so that we had practically to make up a fresh team. We began the season disastrously, the first three matches being lost. At mid-term, however, the Eleven showed marked improvement, and after playing a drawn game with the Old Hulmeians, won successive victories

over Warrington and Lymm Grammar Schools. Throughout the terms the halves, backs, and goal-keeper have done their work well, our great deficiency, as in the past two years, being the want of a set of fast forwards. The forwards are disappointing, and fail to impart that life and dash so essential to the game; they are slow on the ball, and fail utterly when the game is against them. There has also been a tendency to dribble on the ball too much, but they have lately improved in this respect, and now play a better combined game, and encouraged by their late victories, should greatly improve their record during the remainder of the season.

On December 7th, the day of the St. Bede's match, which we lost 0—4, five of the First and two of the Second Team had played in the morning in the Lacrosse Shield Tie, and were unavailable. We had therefore a very weak First team, and had to cancel the Second match.

The Second and Third Elevens have played several matches, defeating Bowdon (2nd) and Albert Park School, and losing against Manchester Grammar School, Nicholls and Chetham's Hospital. The match with the Hulme School, Oldham, resulted in a draw.

#### FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

Saturday, October 12th, v. Bowdon College. Lost. Played at Bowdon, with a strong wind blowing down the field during the first half, against which we had to play. The game was in our quarters up to the interval, but Bowdon only scored once, from a corner kick. We had luck against us in the second half, for the wind soon dropped, and we were playing only ten men most of the time. They added another point from a long shot, after which Wihl rushed down and succeeded in scoring our only goal. Wihl and Classen were the best on our side; the forwards showed great lack of combination. Final score-Bowdon College, two goals; the School, one goal. Our team was as follows-Jones, E. T., goal; Hobdey, C. W. G., and Muth, C. O. G., backs; Brewer, G., Classen, E., and Lane, W. C. N., half-backs; Young, J. B., Birch, A., Wihl, J., Adshead, J. D. M., and Golding, C., forwards.

Saturday, October 19th, v. Manchester Grammar School. Lost. Played on our ground. We had the choice of position, and decided to play down the slope,

with the sun behind us. In the earlier part of the game our opponents played two substitutes, and we pressed steadily till the arrival of their two men, after which the game took a turn in their favour, and so continued. Manchester scored their first point from a corner, and the game was hardly contested till half-time, which was called with the score 3—0 against us. In the second half our opponents pressed hard, and had several shots, adding three more goals, one of which was very uncertain. Better combination among the forwards was needed, and perhaps also quicker decision on the part of the backs. Final score—Manchester Grammar School, six goals; the School, nil. Our team in order of position was—Jones, Muth, Hobdey, Classen, Lane, Brewer, Young, Birch, Wihl, Golding, and Charlton.

Saturday, October 26th, v. Sandbach School. Lost. Played at Sandbach. Winning the toss, we played with the sun at our backs, but a slight wind against us. On the ball being started we at first pressed, and Hobdey kicking the ball down and rushing after it, broke through the Sandbach defence and scored our only goal. Their forwards now got the ball, and Rigby shot several goals from corner kicks, which were frequent. Our opponents had the game in their hands, and ten goals were registered against us before half-time was called. At this stage some alterations were effected in the position of our men, Wihl going half-back and Brewer forward. After starting off our opponents continued pressing hard, but did not score for some time. Our forwards made several rushes down the field, and perhaps might have scored. It may here be mentioned that one of our team not having turned up, we were obliged to play a substitute during the game. The splendid combination of the opposing forwards was too good for our defence. Wihl played well at half-back, and kept back their forwards to some extent, but they added six more goals before the end of the game. Final score-Sandbach School, sixteen goals; the School, one goal. Our team was as follows-Goodier, Muth, Classen, Hobdey, Lane, Wihl, Birch, Golding, substitute, Brewer, Young.

Saturday, November 2nd, v. Old Hulmeians Second. Drawn. Played on our ground. We won the toss, and played down the slope during the first half. After the kick-off our backs were at once called upon to clear, when our forwards by good combination several times

visited the Old Hulmeians' goal, but the ball was always returned. Both ends were frequently visited, but nothing resulted, our halves successfully keeping back the Old Boys' forwards, of whom there were only four. They had a great many "hands" in addition to several corners, but up to half-time neither side had scored. The Old Hulmeians now steadily pressed, but our defence cleared repeatedly, and Young on our right wing centred, and Charlton knocked the ball through for us. Not long after, Williams, on the left wing, equalised the score. More shots were put in, but Jones saved well. About ten minutes before time a scuffle in goal enabled our opponents to force the ball through, but the point was disallowed, an appeal for "hands" having previously been given to the Old Boys. Time arrived with the score even. In this match a most marked improvement was shown in the combination of the forwards, especially Charlton and Birch, whilst among the backs there was also great improvement, and Jones in goal saved well Final score—the School, one goal; Old Hulmeians Second, one goal. The teams were as follows-

THE SCHOOL.—Jones, E. T., goal; Muth, C. O. G., and Hobdey, C. W. G., backs; Wihl, J., Classen, E., and Lane, W. C. N., half-backs; Birch, A., Charlton, H. J., Golding, C., Brewer, G., and Young, J. B., forwards.

OLD HULMEIANS SECOND.—Brown, E. A., goal; Payne, A., and Miller, J. M., backs; Tyson, J. C., and Hardie, J. A., half-backs; Durden, A., Baird, A., Green, C. J., Green, P. E., and Williams, F. O., forwards.

Saturday, November 9th, v. Warrington Grammar School. Won. Played on our ground. We won the toss, and played down the slope during the first half, with a slight wind in our faces. On kicking off some even play resulted, both ends being visited frequently. Our forwards kept well together and had several shots at their goal, which, however, were cleared. After about a quarter of an hour from the start we scored our first goal as a result of repeated long shots by Classen, one of which enabled Golding to put the ball through. Even play succeeded till half-time. Restarting we began to press hard, and kept the ball well within their quarters. In spite of this we only scored once more before time was called. Birch and Charlton played well on the left wing, and as for the backs, they had not much to do

except just after the start in the first half. Final score—the School, two goals; Warrington Grammar School, nil. Our team was—Jones, Hobdey, Muth, Wihl, Classen, Lane, Birch, Charlton, Golding, Brewer, and Young.

Saturday, November 23rd, v. Lymm Grammar School. Won. Played on our ground. A strong wind blowing diagonally across the field considerably hampered us, and rendered scientific play impossible. We had the advantage in point of size, and all through had the game in our hands. From the start we ran the ball up to their goal mouth, and several shots were put in, some of which would have taken effect but for the good play of their goal-keeper. Before the interval we had only scored twice, Classen shooting one and Charlton the other. The second half was very much a repetition of the first, except that we were perhaps better off now with regard to the wind. Our halves pressing together with the forwards enabled us to put on three more points. Final score—the School, five goals; Lymm Grammar School, nil. Our team was as follows-Jones, Muth, Booth, Classen, Lane, Brown, H.P., Birch, Charlton, Golding, Pilcher, and Young.

#### SECOND TEAM MATCHES.

Saturday, October 12th, v. Bowdon College Second. Won. Played on our ground. From the kick-off we had the best of the game, our team being much too strong for them. After scoring our first point a few minutes from the start, we had many unsuccessful shots at their goal, a strong wind blowing straight across the field. Our second goal was from a free kick five yards from the Bowdon goal. At half-time the score was 2-0 for us. In the second half their team made some plucky attempts at scoring, but were prevented by the superior weight of our defence. Searle and Pilcher each added one for us this half. The play was good on the whole, but more combination and straighter shooting were Our opponents played well for their size, wanted. Final score—the showing excellent combination. School 2nd, four goals; Bowdon College 2nd, nil. Our team was as follows-Goodier, E. A., goal; Barton, J. S., and Silkstone, H. T., backs; Dickinson, J. T., Clarke, R.G., and Booth, N., half-backs; Pilcher, H. R., Brown, H. P., Searle, A. E. A., Vlies, H. H., and Bradshaw, R., forwards.

Saturday, October, 19th v. Manchester Grammar School Second. Lost. Played on their ground. From the kick-off the game was very uneven, our opponents having it all their own way, and scoring repeatedly. The score was 11—0 against us at the interval. After crossing over the rate of scoring was somewhat lower, only two more goals being added to our opponents' total during the first half-hour. Just at the end, however, they put on five more in quick succession. For us, Booth and Silkstone were undoubtedly the pick of the team. Final score—Manchester Grammar School 2nd, eighteen goals; the School 2nd, nil. Our team was as before, except that Vlies played centre, and Searle on the wing.

Saturday, November 9th, v. Hulme Grammar School, Oldham. Drawn. Played on our ground. We were without five of our usual team. Our opponents won the toss, and kicked off down the slope. Play was even for a time, and then we pressed and gained a corner, but nothing resulted. Both ends were then visited in succession, but the backs were too strong for the forwards on both sides, and neither had scored at the in-On resuming, Oldham had the best of matters for a short while, but our backs defended well. We now gained several corners in succession, but without result, and though good play on our left produced some strong attacks on their goal, we were unable to score. Final score: o-o. Our team was as follows-Widdowson, J. H. S., Silkstone, H. T., Barton, J. S., Dickinson, J. T., Booth, N., Green, F. E., Carse, J., Green, C. R., Searle, A. E. A., Bradshaw, R., and Vlies, H. H.

#### OTHER MATCHES.

Wednesday, October 16th, The School (under 14), v. Chetham's Hospital. Played on our ground. Lost. A close game resulted in a defeat by one goal. Score—Chetham's Hospital, three goals; The School (under 14), two goals. Our team was as follows:—Rowland, P., goal; Baker, A. F., and Tyrer, P., backs; Wilkins, A., Bradshaw, W. P., and Black, G., half-backs; Barrett, F., Baker, C. S., Bradshaw, R., Dawson, W. J. O., and Derbyshire, E., forwards.

Saturday, October 26th, The School (under 14), v. Nicholls Hospital. Played on our ground. Lost. Score—Nicholls, five goals; The School (under 14), two goals. Our team was as follows:—Rowland, goal; Tyrer and Clegg, backs; Wilkins, Bradshaw, W. P., and Crawford, half-backs; Bradshaw, R., Dawson, Allen, E. C., Derbyshire and Barrett, forwards.

Wednesday, November 13th, The School (under 14), v. Albert Park School. Played on our ground. We had the best of the game, and won easily. Score—The School (under 14), nine goals; Albert Park School, one goal. Our team was as follows:—Rowland, goal; Atkins and Swindells, backs; Crawford, Bradshaw, W. P., and Black, half-backs; Dawson, Baker, C. S., Bradshaw, R., Allen, E. C., and Green, C. R., forwards.

Saturday, November 9th, The School Third v. Grafton House School. Played on our ground. Lost. The first half was very even, both custodians saving finely. At half-time the score was 0—0. After the interval Swindells scored the first point for us, but Grafton House equalised soon after from a scrimmage in the goal mouth. Even play followed, but towards the end Clegg had the misfortune to put the ball through our goal Score—Grafton House School, two goals; The School Third, one goal. Our team was as follows;—Rowland, goal; Clegg and Atkins, backs; Allen, H. S., Bradshaw, W. P., and Wilkins, half-backs; Allen, E. C., Barrett, F., Dawson, Baker, C. S., and Swindells forwards.

#### THE FORM MATCHES.

#### UPPER DIVISION.

The present state of the competition is as follows:—Science V. and IV. beat Latin III. and II., 8—0; Science V. and IV. beat Classical V. and IV., 16—0; Science V. and IV. beat Lower Modern IV., 1—0.

Molern V. and Upper Modern IV. beat Classical V. and IV., 8—0; Modern V. and Upper Modern IV. drew with Lower Modern IV., 2—2.

Lower Modern IV. beat French III., 2-1; Lower Modern IV. beat Latin III. and II., who scratched.

French III. beat Latin III. and II., 4-0; French III. beat Classical V. and IV., 9-1.

	Won.	D	raw	n.	Lost.	P	oints.
Science V. & IV	3		0		0		6
Lower Modern IV	2		I		1		5
French III	2		0		I		4
Modern V. & U. M. IV.							
Classical V. & IV	0		0		3		0
Latin III. & II	0		0		3		0

#### LOWER DIVISION.

French II. beat Latin I., 2-0; French II. beat French I., 4-0; Latin I. beat French I., 4-0.

	Won.	Lost.	Points.
French II	2	 0	 4
Latin I	I	 I	 2
French I	0	 2	 0

# Lacrosse, 1895=6.

#### LACROSSE NOTES.

Our prospects at the commencement of the season were not very bright, but we have no cause to be dissatisfied with the results of our games up to the present. Our first team are about as skilful a company as we have ever been able to put in the field, and they have for the most part practised diligently to render themselves as efficient as possible. Unfortunately several of them suffer from a defect beyond their power to remedy. No amount of taking thought can add cubits to their stature. In most cases those cubits will arrive in due season, and when they do we venture to prophesy that there will be searchings of heart even amongst that stalwart body, the Old Boys, to whom we offer our sincerest congratulations on their success (Ashton, of course, was a grievous mistake).

We did not win the Shield this season. We very nearly did; in fact, after our first match with the Manchester Grammar School nobody seemed quite to know whether we had or whether we had not. The competition was supposed to be "on the principle of a league," and since we had won one match and drawn another, and the Manchester Grammar School had drawn two and Chorlton High School had drawn one and lost one, it appeared to some that after the manner of ordinary league competitions we must be at the top of the league. But the Schools Committee of the North of England

Lacrosse Association sat upon the question, and came to the conclusion that their league competition was not after the manner of ordinary leagues, but a special kind of league, and they ordered the drawn games to be replayed. And on the day appointed for our match with the Manchester Grammar School there was a great wind and much rain, and the referee decided, much to the disgust of our opponents, that it was not fit to play, and postponed the match. In the end the match was actually played in a heavy snowstorm, which seemed to suit our opponents' style of play better than it did ours, and we were defeated. As the Manchester Grammar School has now won the shield outright, this will probably be the last Shield Competition. Next term the Flags Competition is to be played, and we hope that all boys in the School who are eligible will do their best to have the School represented by a team worthy of our former reputation in this competition. Our second team has not been quite so successful as usual this season, but it must be remembered that they have had to play against schools which in former years have played our first.

#### FIRST TEAM MATCHES.

Wednesday, October 9th, v. Chorlton High School. Played on our ground. Won. At the start play was very even, although our team did not work very well together. Chorlton High were the first to break away, Hargreaves running down, and after some good shots, which were well cleared by our custodian, finally scoring with a splendid ball from the wing. Even play prevailed until the interval, Wilson being conspicuous at point for our opponents. On changing sides we at once began to press, but it was some time before Wihl was able to pass their defence and score our first point. The game was now chiefly in our opponents' half, though they made some good runs down. Silkstone had a chance of giving us the lead, but did not avail himself of it. However, Goodier shot a second goal for us, and so ended a very fast game. Wihl and Clarke played well for us, and for Chorlton High, Hargreaves, Wilson, and Furnival. Final score—the School, two goals; Chorlton High School, one goal. Our team was as follows :- Clarke, R. G., Brewer, G., Birch, A., Hobdey, C. W. G., van der Veen, R. E., Wihl, J., Hobbins, A. E., Vlies, H. H. Jefferis, P. J., Hawkins, C. H., Goodier, E. A., and Silkstone, H. T.

Wednesday, October 16th, v. Manchester Grammar School. Played on our ground. Lost. Our opponents won the toss, and elected to defend the School goal. On facing, the ball at once travelled to our quarters, and was put through in less than a minute's play. Two more goals followed almost immediately. This was a bad start, but the game then turned more in our favour. Our shooting was bad, however, and it was some time before Hawkins scored for us. After this Manchester had it pretty much their own way till half-time, when the score was 6-1 against us. Our field was slightly changed in the second half, Hawkins going 1st home, and Hobbins, W. A., taking his place on the wing. Play was much more even now; our attacks combined better, and by good passing our second goal was added after about 20 minutes' play. When our opponents had scored again our attacks woke up, and shot three goals in quick succession, and if the shooting had improved like the passing we might have drawn ahead, but shot after shot went yards over the net. Manchester scored again just before time. Birch, van der Veen, and Wihl worked hard on the defence, and there was a distinct improvement in our combination. Final score--Manchester Grammar School, eight goals; the School, five goals. Our team was as follows:-Clarke, Brewer, Charlton, Birch, van der Veen, Wihl, Hobbins, A. E., Vlies, Jefferis, Hawkins, Hobbins, W. A., and Silkstone.

Wednesday, October 30th, v. Woodlands School. Played on our ground. Won. As Woodlands had given our second a crushing defeat, a match with our first was arranged, but, as the result shows, the game was one-sided throughout. Birch not turning up, his place was taken by Robinson, B. From the face the ball at once travelled into Woodlands' quarters, but through the excellent play of their goal-keeper we were unable to score for some time. Though we pressed through the whole of the half our shooting was not accurate, and only five goals were scored. The second half we pressed as before, but with more success in shooting, and when time was called we had won an easy game by 20-0. Both passing and shooting showed improvement on previous form. Our team was as follows :- Clarke, Hobdey, Brewer, van der Veen, Robinson, B., Wihl, Goodier, Hawkins, Vlies, Hobbins, A. E., Hobbins, W. A., and Jefferis.

#### SCHOOLS SHIELD TIE.

Wednesday, November 6th, v. Chorlton High School. Played on our ground. Won. As we had only won the previous match with Chorlton High by one goal, and were now without the services of Wihl, our chances in the first match of the Shield Competition did not seem very bright. Silkstone played for Wihl and went third man, whilst A. E. Hobbins took Wihl's place at centre. Winning the toss for the first time this season, we took advantage of the very strong wind blowing and defended the School goal. On facing, the ball remained about centre for some time, until W. A. Hobbins, taking possession, worked down the field with Hawkins and by good passing enabled the latter to shoot a goal. Chorlton High now assumed the attack, and put in several shots, which Clarke cleared gamely. Soon after. however, Furnival took advantage of an open field and equalised. Play was then chiefly in our favour, but we failed to make the most of our advantage. After Goodier had put us ahead, Furnival again equalised, but Goodier gave us the lead once more just before halftime. We had now to face the wind, with only one goal to the good, and we lost that advantage very soon after the re-start, when our opponents scored their third goal. The play, however, continued even, and we drew ahead once more, Goodier scoring. Soon after this an unfortunate fall compelled Furnival to retire from the field, Brewer standing off to equalise. After this disaster to our opponents we had the most of the play, though Hargreaves put in some very good runs. Just before time Jefferis added our fifth and last goal, and thus we won a very hard fought game. Our whole team without exception played well, while Wilson, Hargreaves, and Furnival were again the pick of Chorlton High. Final score—the School, five goals; Chorlton High School, three goals. Mr. J. D. Mounsey acted as referee. The teams were as follows:-

THE SCHOOL:—Clarke, R. G., goal; Hobdey, C. W. G., point; Brewer, G., cover point; Silkstone, H. T., 3rd man; Hobbins, A. E., centre; Birch, A., and Hobbins, W. A., defence wings; Vlies, H. H., 3rd home; Jefferis, P. J., 2nd home; Hawkins, C. H., 1st home; Goodier, E. A., and van der Veen, R. E., attack wings.

CHORLTON HIGH SCHOOL:—Atkinson, G. M., Atkinson, H. M., Cooper, Furnival, Griffiths, Hargreaves, Lloyd, Lowe, Platt, Smith, A. W., Smith, J. P., and Wilson.

#### SCHOOLS SHIELD TIE.

Wednesday, November 20th, v. Manchester Grammar School. Played on our ground. Drawn. There was a good muster of spectators to see this important match when the game began at 2-30. Winning the toss our opponents chose to play against the wind first half, and defended the School goal. From the start we pressed hard, and kept it up through most of the first half. After ten minutes' play Jefferis scored our first goal from a scrimmage in front of the net. Once or twice Manchester broke away but were quickly stopped, Hobdey being conspicuous on the defence. Keeping well together our attacks worked in again, and Jefferis scored another, and Vlies soon after followed his example. At half-time we were leading by three goals to none. Crossing over we once more took up the attack, but not so vigorously, and our opponents began to attack in turn, having now the advantage of the wind. They scored their first point about half way through the second half. Our defence now began to fall to pieces rather, and rain came on to add to their discomfiture. Our opponents shot another goal about ten minutes before time, and equalised during the last minute of play. This was a very disappointing result after we had had all the best of the game up to the middle of the second half. The whole team played well, especially Hobdey. Final score-three goals all. Our team was as follows:-Clarke, R. G., goal; Hobdey, C. W. G., point; Brewer, G., cover point; Goodier, E. A., 3rd man; Wihl, J., centre; Birch, A., and van der Veen, R. E., defence wings; Hobbins, A. E., 3rd home; Jefferis, P. J., 2nd home; Hawkins, C. H., 1st home; Hobbins, W. A., and Vlies, H. H., attack wings. Mr. Mounsey again acted as referee.

## SCHOOLS SHIELD TIE (Replayed).

Saturday, December 7th, v. Manchester Grammar School. Played on our ground. Lost. Winning the toss we decided to play against the wind and attack the School gcal. Facing at 10-30 a.m. in a perfect storm of snow and wind, the game at once was centred about

goal, very little being done on the attack, as play was practically impossible against the wind and snow. After about ten minutes' play Manchester scored, having matters generally their own way, although our defence was thus far playing well. Our attacks several times worked in, but the shooting was very poor, as they could scarcely hold their crosses. At half-time Manchester had scored three goals to nil. Changing over we at once began to press, our first goal being scored by W. A. Hobbins within a short time of the restart, but unfortunately for us the wind dropped considerably, and enabled our opponents once more to attack, and two more goals were added. Facing again the ball visited both ends in turn, when Wihl took the ball at centre, ran round their defence, and scored our second and last goal. By this time both teams were fairly frozen, but Manchester had still their weight to fall back upon, and put on one more goal before time. It is only fair to our team to say that if the weather had been fine they would have made a much better show, as the previous match proved. For us Hobdey and Wihl worked hard, while Smythe was the mainstay of the Manchester Grammar School, Final score -Manchester Grammar School, five goals; the School, two goals. Our team was the same as before. Mr. G. H. Nield, Honorary Secretary of the North of England Lacrosse Association, was referee.

### SECOND TEAM MATCHES.

Wednesday, October 9th, v. Woodlands. Played at Fallowfield. Lost. This was our first match, and we had a weak team, but we were not prepared for so decisive a defeat. Our attacks hardly ever had the ball in the first half, which resulted in a score of 10 goals to our nil. After the interval Dickinson and Robinson managed to relieve the monotony of the game by scoring for us, but when time was called the final score was:—Woodlands, twenty goals; the School 2nd, two goals. Our team in order of position was:—Gilliat, C. B., Thomson, Jones, E. T., Knoop, D., Ilderton, F. G. P.,

Mc.Chlery, Dickinson, J. T., Knoop, P., Robinson, B., Brelsford, Dearden, and Clegg.

Wednesday, October 16th, v. Manchester Grammar School 2nd. Played on their ground. Lost. Each side scored a goal soon after the start, after which the play went against us for the rest of the half. Flinn did not seem comfortable in goal, and they got four more shots past him before half-time, when the score was 5-1 against us. The second half was more even than the first, but our attacks did very little. We scored once from a very long shot by Silkstone, which their goalkeeper misjudged. Flinn was now playing well, and our opponents only scored twice this half. Thomson, Jones, and Ilderton also played well for us. Final score: - Manchester Grammar School 2nd, seven goals; the School 2nd, two goals. Our team was :- Flinn, W. L., Thomson, Jones, E. T., Knoop, D., Pilcher, H. R., Ilderton, F. G. P., Silkstone, H. T., Barton, R. E., Gilliat, H. M. E., Dickinson, J. T., Dearden, and Knoop, P.

Wednesday, October 23rd, v. Albert Park School. Played on their ground. Lost. The game was very even at the beginning, and it was some time before either side scored. At last, however, one of their men kindly put the ball through for us, and then Albert Park took the lead, putting on two goals before the interval. Clegg soon made the score level, and it remained so till two minutes before time, when their captain got past our defences and shot the winning goal. Birch defended very well, and Flinn and Ilderton were also good. Final score:—Albert Park School, three goals; the School 2nd, two goals. Our team was:—Flinn, W. L., Birch, Barton, R. E., Knoop, D., Ilderton, F. G. P., Pilcher, H. R., Dickinson, J. T., Charlton, Clegg, Gilliat, H. M. E., Brelsford, and Knoop, P.

Wednesday, October 30th, v. Stockport Grammar School. Played on our ground. Won. Both teams were obliged to play substitutes. We lent them Derby-

shire and Brelsford, and Baker, Knoop, D., and Whiteside filled up the gaps on our side. The game was even throughout, and at half-time the score was one goal all. After the re-start they again scored, but Silkstone with a long shot brought us level. We then scored two goals in quick succession, and they got past Flinn again just before time. Final score:—The School 2nd, four goals; Stockport Grammar School, three goals. Our team was:—Flinn, Jones, E. T., Merchant, Knoop, D., Pendleton, Whiteside, Silkstone, Baker, C. S., Clegg, Gilliat, Stubbs, and Knoop, P.

Wednesday, November 13th, v. Woodlands. Played on our ground. Won. We had a far better team than in the first match with these opponents, and were able to avenge our early defeat. We won the toss, and took advantage of the wind blowing from goal to goal. In spite of this Woodlands scored two goals before we began. Even play followed, and then Charlton scored from a lob on and Brookes put us level before half-time. In the second half we had the wind against us, but the game mostly in our favour. Charlton and Silkstone each scored. Then Woodlands added another, which proved their last, and two more points for us brought the score to 6-3 in our favour. Our team was the best we have had this season, and Silkstone and Charlton played well for us. Our team was:-Flinn, Merchant, Jones, Robinson, Silkstone, Ilderton, Phibbs, Charlton, Clegg, Brookes, Stubbs, and Knoop, P.

Wednesday, November 27th, v. Stockport Grammar School, Played on their ground in rainy weather. Lost. From the start we attacked but failed to score, Stockport clearing well. Then they began to press, and at last broke through our defence and scored four goals. Charlton then put through one for us. Crossing over with the score 4—1 against us, we had rather more of the play, but our opponents, who were rather heavy for us, put on two more, and a pleasant game ended in their favour. Flinn was not in his usual form, but Jones was good on the defence, and Charlton and Dickinson on the

attack. Final score—Stockport Grammar School, six goals; the School 2nd, one goal. Our team was:—Flinn, Jones, Merchant, Phibbs, Ilderton, Silkstone, Clegg, Robinson, B., Charlton, Dickinson, J. T., Stubbs, and Dearden.

#### THIRD TEAM MATCHES.

Wednesday, October 9th, v. Woodlands Played on our ground. Won. We won the toss and decided to play with the wind and slope in our favour. From the face the ball was carried into our opponents' quarters, but it was some time before we scored our first point. We added another, and then Woodlands began to press, and by good combination scored. At half time the score was 5-2 in our favour. Crossing over, we added three goals to our opponents' two. For us, Pilcher and Gilliat played well, and Megson for Woodlands. Score: - The School 3rd, eight goals; Woodlands 2nd, four goals. Our team was: -Sargent, H. E., Pilcher, H. R., Pendleton, B., Ilderton, H. W., Whiteside, E., Flinn, O. S., Gilliat, H. M. E., Wihl, E. T., Brown, H. P., Bailey, L., Baker, C. S., and Searle, A. E. A.

Wednesday, November 13th, v. Woodlands 2nd. Played on our groun l. Lost. Our opponents won the toss, and we had to play against the sun and wind in the first half. They were the first to score, putting on three goals before the interval. We failed to score in the first half, for though we pressed somewhat, their goalkeeper was not to be beaten. After crossing over Woodlands added a fourth, which seemed to wake us up, for within three minutes we put on as many goals. Our opponents, however.

again began to press, and shot two more goals, which might have been stopped by our custodian. Whiteside played well for us. Final score:—Woodlands 2nd, six goals; the School 31d, four goals. Our team was:—Barton, R. E., Pilcher, H. R., Ilderton, H. W. L. P, Hobdey, T. G. M., Whiteside, E., Knoop, D., Gilliat, H. M. E., Astley, H., Brelsford, W. O., Bailey, L., Holgate, G. F., and Baker, C. S.

# The School Library.

The Library has this term enjoyed a great increase of popularity, the number of members being now more than double of what it was last term. The subscription is one shilling a term, and books may be borrowed for one week. The accession of members has enabled the committee to increase the stock of books, and amongst those recently added we notice the following:—Cleopatra, Nadia the Lily, Montezuma's Daughter (Rider Haggard); The Wrecker, Catriona (R. L Stevenson); Study in Scarlet (Conan Doyle); Held Fast for England, One of the 28th (Henty); Black Blood, Real Gold (Manville Fenn); The Big Otter (Ballantyne); A Hardy Norseman, Won by Waiting (Edna Lyall); My Lady Rotha, A Gentleman of France (Stanley Weyman); and The Honour of Savelli (Lovett Yeats).

# STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ON THE SCHOOL FIELD,

For the Year ending December 24th, 1895.

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