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School Notes and News.

The School was inspected on behalf of the Governors by the Oxford and Cambridge Schools Examination Board, on April 1st, and the following days. The inspectors were Professor Turner, Professor Weekley, Mr. Nagel, Mr. Hendy, Mr. Marten, and Mr. Rigby.

Mr. H. Anderson, late captain Royal Engineers, has been appointed Senior Chemistry Master at Oakham School.

We are glad to welcome back Mr. I. Johnson, late C.S.M., Army Gymnastic Staff, who has returned to us after military service since August, 1914.

In the School Certificate examination of the Joint Matriculation Board, held last July, of which we published the results in our last number, the following boys obtained the standard of distinction in the subjects named (Arithmetic, English Literature, English History, Geography, Greek, Latin, French, German, Physics, Chemistry):—

Sixth Forms: Allman, A. H. (Arith., Germ.); Heathcote, F. W. L. (Phys., Chem.); Land, W. W. (Arith., Phys.); Marsden, G. L. (Arith., Phys., Chem.); Needham, G. F. (Germ.); Templar, G. B. (French, Germ., Geog.); Walshaw, R. (Arith., Eng. Hist., Greek, Lat., French); Warburton, E. J. (Arith.); Willson, W. S. (Arith., Eng. Lit., Chem.).

Removes: Berry, W. (Arith.); Bottrill, A. L. (Arith.); Lea, T. R. (Arith., Phys., Chem.); Pankhurst, W. (Arith.); Seddon, H. J. (Phys., Chem.).

E. J. Warburton has passed Parts I. and II. of the First M.B. and Ch.B., Manchester University.

K. Thompson has obtained an entrance scholarship of £20 at King William's College, Isle of Man.

We are glad to hear that A. D. Williamson, who left us for King William's College in 1914, gained the senior classical scholarship last year at Hertford College, Oxford.

Cyril W. Bailey, B.A., St. Chad's Hall, University of Durham, was ordained deacon

on Advent Sunday, to the curacy of St. John Baptist, Hulme.

Dr. L. Haden Guest, who contested a London division at the General Election, has just been returned as a Labour member for the London County Council. He has recently served in Egypt as captain in the R.A.M.C.

An annual prize for Science has been given by Mrs. Williamson, in memory of her son, the late Sergeant Ernest Williamson, R.F., who fell in action on July 20th, 1916. The memorial is especially appropriate in the case of one who showed such brilliant promise in Science as he did. He took the degree B.Sc.Tech., in the First Division, at the early age of 20, gaining a Research Fellowship, and taking his Master's degree in 1914. He was a member of the University O.T.C. for four years, and joined the army in 1914.

An interesting lecture on "China" was given on January 27th, by the Rev. J. B. Martin, of the China Inland Mission.

The War Savings Association has now been wound up. The total receipts since its formation amounted to £857. 14s. 6d.

A First Team Lacrosse Cap has been awarded to Walshaw, R., and Second Team Football Caps to Nelson, M., and Walker, A. A.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of "Ulula."

Our thanks are due to the following contributors of School news: R. E. Howard, R. Walshaw, H. J. Seddon, D. P. Wilson, T. R. Lea.

BIRTHS.

ALLEY.—January 15th, at 26, Ellesmere Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, to Mrs. and the late Mr. E. A. Alley, jun., a son (Philip Edwin).

BAZLEY.—January 23rd, at 10, Victoria Avenue, Cheadle Hulme, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bazley, a son.

BECKER.—January 23rd, at Court Bleddyn, Llangibby, Mon., to Major W. T. L. Becker, York and Lancaster Regiment, and Mrs. Becker, a daughter.

REDFERN.—January 18th, to Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Redfern, Birch House, Cheadle Hulme, a son.

MARRIAGES.

GILLIAT—STOTT.—March 3rd, at St. Edmund's Church, Whalley Range, by the Ven. Archdeacon Aspinall, George N. E., second son of the late G. H. Gilliat, and of Mrs. Gilliat, Whalley Range, to Marjorie Florence, eldest daughter of A. P. Stott, Finchley, and grand-daughter of the late Chas. H. Stott, and of Mrs. Stott, Whalley Range.

DEATHS.

CARTWRIGHT.—Missing, March 22nd, 1918, now officially presumed killed on or about that date, at Savy, near St. Quentin, Second Lieutenant Frank Cartwright, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright, 28, Darley Road, Whalley Range, aged 27.

ELLIOTT.—January 7th, Second Lieutenant Albert E. Elliott, R.A.F., of Rowan Avenue, Whalley Range, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Elliott, Wellington Road, Whalley Range, accidentally killed while flying in Egypt, aged 29.

FOX.—Killed in action on or before August 16th, John R. Fox, Officer Observer, R.A.F., only son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Fox, Reynard Road, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, aged 20.

HIGGINBOTTOM.—Fell in action on March 25th, 1918, at Peronne, Frank Higginbottom, Corporal, 2/7 Manchester Regiment, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Higginbottom, aged 21.

HUDSON.—March 6th, after a short illness, Frederick Charles, aged 39, beloved husband of Dorothy Hudson, Holly Bank, Hale, son of the late Thomas Hudson, and Mrs. Hudson.

OLIVER.—February 16th, at Havre, France, Eric George, youngest son of the late F. A. and Mrs. Oliver, of 183, Preston New Road, Blackburn (formerly of Manchester), in his 30th year.

SPENCER.—December 1st, at Droylsden, Thomas Spencer, aged 22. (At the School from January, 1910, to April, 1913.)

The Hulme Lads' Club Collection.

This year's collection on behalf of the Procter Gymnasium and Hulme Lads' Club again beat all previous records. It amounted to £88. 11s. 2d., which is £10. 12s. more than last year.

This result is again mainly due to the excellence of the collections made in the lower part of the School. The highest collections were made by Lower Third B, £9. 6s. 5d., and 2 A, £11. 13s. 6d., which is only 2s. 6d. short of the record established by First Form last year. We are doubtless much indebted to the energy and enthusiasm of Mr. Tyson and Mr. Powell, himself an Old Hulmeian, who helped in the collection in former days, for the excellence of these results. Next year there will not be so many conflicting claims on our generosity, and we must determine to make a united effort and bring the collection well over £100.

The amounts collected by the various forms were as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Science Sixth and Remove	3	7	0
Modern Sixth and Remove	0	14	0
Classical Sixth and Remove	1	1	9
5 A	3	2	10
5 B	2	15	3
5 C	1	8	3
4 A	3	9	10
Transition 4	4	10	7
4 B	1	5	6
4 C	1	0	0
Upper Third A	5	10	0
Upper Third B	6	13	9
Upper Third C	3	9	0
Lower Third A	4	12	1
Lower Third B	9	6	5
Lower Third C	4	3	3
2 A	11	13	6
2 B	7	5	9
First Form	4	12	0
	£80	0	9

To this were added contributions of £3. 3s. from the Head Master; £2. 10s. from the Staff; and £2. 17s. 5d. from the Preparatory; making a total of £88. 11s. 2d.

The Scientific Society.

President, The Head Master; *Vice-President*, Mr. Adams; *Hon. Secretary*, H. J. Seddon; *Hon. Treasurer*, G. Richardson.

On November 28th, Mr. H. G. Willis gave a most interesting lecture on "Beetles." Many of the crimes attributed to the beetles, he said, are committed entirely by cockroaches, whom people so easily confuse with the former. However, some beetles are very destructive, for out of several tons of grain attacked by the weevil, hundredweights of these little creatures have been sifted. Is it therefore true to say that we are not an insect-eating nation? On the other hand, in lands where sanitary systems are lacking, the beetles act as very useful scavengers, as the once-sacred scarab beetle does in Egypt.

On December 5th, M. D. Pearson gave a lecture on the "Panama Canal." About 48 lantern slides were shown of the canal in course of construction, and the machinery used. Maps and plans on the screen also helped the audience to comprehend the great difficulties which lay in the way of the engineers. The Vice-President being unable to attend, Mr. Brockbank presided at the meeting.

On December 12th, H. Lunt gave a lecture on "Cinematography." He showed, by means of lantern slides, the various processes in the manufacture of the film, and also gave an explanation of the mechanism of the camera. After the lecture many questions were asked, which were ably answered by the lecturer. Twenty-nine members were present.

On December 19th, G. A. Kemp gave a lecture on the "Work of the Navy in the Great War." He gave accounts of the various duties of the Navy, and of the many famous events in its history during the war. During the few minutes' interval before tea, Mr. Adams showed several slides of the moon. After tea, Lunt gave a cinematograph show in the lecture theatre. A concert was then held in the New Hall, the programme being opened by Mr. Davies with a song. After which Miss Gordon gave a violin solo which was greatly appreciated by the company. A humorous sketch entitled "The Dentist's Den" was then given, followed by sundry songs and recitations, and finally another sketch called "The Doctor's

Patients," very successfully played by the Prefects. The proceedings were greatly enlivened by the presence of about a dozen old members.

On February 6th, G. A. Kemp gave a lantern lecture on "Submarines." He described the various parts of the vessel and explained the submerging apparatus. After the lecture several very interesting questions were asked by the Vice-President.

On February 6th, G. Richardson gave a lecture on "Aviation." He gave an excellent description of the various machines that have been used in the war, illustrating his lecture with lantern slides. He also showed us by means of an excellent model of his own construction how an aviator may loop the loop. Many questions were asked at the close of the lecture.

On February 27th, a miscellaneous meeting of the Society was held. Mr. Adams gave a demonstration on electric brush discharge, dealing specially with their effect on matter suspended in the atmosphere. He succeeded in clearing a large bell jar which had been filled with dense smoke within a few minutes, his current being supplied by a Wimshurst machine. He also pointed out the great difficulties in the way of Sir Oliver Lodge's suggestion for thus clearing away fogs.

L. Edmondson then read a paper on "Coal Tar Products," dealing chiefly with the separation of its constituents and not with the chemical changes involved. He gave the various classes of products and the processes by which they were separated. He also described the process for tanning and preserving wood.

H. J. Seddon then gave a short lecture on "Horology." He classed the various instruments for time-keeping under four headings, sun-dials, water-clocks, or clepsydrae, burning time-keepers, and the weight pendulum clock, illustrating the principle of the water-clock with an instrument made from laboratory apparatus.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the three contributors by the 14 members present.

On March 6th, K. Sambrook gave a lecture on "Motor Cars." He explained very clearly the parts of the engine, aided by good drawings of each part. Slides were shown of cars in course of construction at the Argyle Works. Many questions were asked after the lecture, and answered ably by the lecturer.

Natural History Society.

President, The Head Master; *Vice-President*, Mr. A. A. Dallman; *Hon. Secretary*, D. P. Wilson.

On December 17th a tea and concert was held, the evening opening with two short papers illustrated by lantern slides. The first of these, by J. C. Beggs on "Bees and Bee-keeping," gave some interesting information about the habits of hive bees and the manner in which they are kept. G. F. Burne then read a paper on "Birds by the Sea and Shore," dealing with many of the chief varieties of bird life to be found along our coasts.

The charge of admission to the tea and concert was 9d., and we are pleased to be able to record the fact that about 45 members took advantage of this opportunity of spending an enjoyable evening. Several members of the staff were also present at our invitation, and we were especially favoured by the presence of the Head Master.

After tea a cinema exhibition was given by H. F. Lunt in the lecture theatre. The drama shown, entitled "Flaming Diagram," was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

A concert in the Hall followed, in which several members performed, entertaining us with songs, recitations, and pianoforte solos, the chief feature being a display of conjuring by G. F. Burne, who performed some very interesting and mystifying tricks, highly appreciated by the audience.

The evening, as a whole, was a great success, and we take this opportunity of thanking all those who helped to make it so, either by assisting in the concert or by helping in a variety of other ways.

The first meeting of the Easter term took place on January 21st, when Mr. Dallman, in a lecture entitled "A Border Pilgrimage," gave an attractive account of a long ramble or tour, covering several hundred miles of Scottish borderland, which he had undertaken on foot before the war. The numerous lantern views were from photographs which he had taken *en route*, and depicted Border towers, castles, old ruins, and tombstones bearing quaint inscriptions, besides many subjects from wild life, two of which were exceedingly fine, one

showing a dipper perched on a stone in mid-stream, the other showing a dipper perched on a branch by its nest.

On January 31st the Society was favoured with a lecture by Miss A. Dixon, F.R.M.S., on "Attack and Defence in the Animal Kingdom." During the lecture stings and stabbing instruments, poison fangs, spines, horns, the suckers of the octopus, and many other means of attack were discussed, while among the many methods of defence may be noted protective coloration, armour, and the fortress of the mole. The lecture was illustrated by many lantern slides, and was exceedingly interesting, covering as it did both the vertebrates and invertebrates from the tiny hydra of our ponds to the lion of the jungle. A vote of thanks, proposed by the Head Master, was heartily passed by the meeting.

At our next meeting on February 18th, Mr. E. D. Davies contributed a talk on "Rock-making and Rock-breaking," the practical nature of which gave it an added interest. Several experiments were performed to demonstrate the structure of various kinds of rocks, such as showing how the different particles in sandstone are bound together by iron. The lecturer then showed some photomicrographs of sections of stems of plants both living and fossil. Several questions were answered at the conclusion of the lecture. Members were then allowed to handle the different kinds of rocks, and have a closer look at the photomicrographs.

D. P. W.

Literary and Debating Society.

President, The Head Master; *Vice-Presidents*, The Masters; *Hon. Secretary*, T. R. Lea; *Committee*, L. Edmondson, R. Walshaw, R. E. Howard, C. M. Nelson.

The first debate was held on Tuesday, December 10th, Mr. Hewlett in the chair, when the motion that "this meeting pledges its hearty support to the Coalition Government," was proposed by R. Walshaw, who briefly outlined the Coalition programme. W. S. Willson, who opposed, pointed out that the election was being rushed through before the army was de-

mobilised. Mr. Meere and Mr. Powell also opposed the motion, which, however, was carried by 22-10.

On Tuesday, January 28th, an interesting debate was held, the subject being "That a Channel tunnel is desirable." The Head Master presided. G. Seal, who proposed the motion, gave a short summary of the advantages to be gained by constructing such a tunnel. L. Edmondson opposed, and recounted some of the dangers which would be incurred, and questioned its usefulness with the increase of air service. The motion was rejected by 8-3.

On March 25th, a debate was held on the motion "That a League of Nations is desirable." A. L. Bottrill proposed, Mr. Thomson opposed, and Mr. Meere and R. Walshaw also spoke. The motion was carried by 6-4.

Old Hulmeians and the War.

CORRECTION.—In our last number the name of J. D. Slinger was included in the list of casualties. We are very glad to say that this was an error.

The Rev. J. R. P. Sclater, Hon. D.D. (St. Andrews), who has been for 11 years minister of the New North Church, Edinburgh, has been Chaplain to the 9th Royal Scots, and was mentioned in despatches, 1918. He served also as lecturer at G.H.Q. for the Y.M.C.A. in France. He is the author of "God and the Soldier," and "The Enterprise of Life."

We are glad to hear of the safe return of the following Old Boys who have been prisoners of war: Lieutenant G. F. Buckland, Second Lieutenant H. Palmer, F. Ashworth, Sergeant P. Cox, J. Mason, Lieut. S. W. Keys, Lieut. K. Mudie, Lieut. F. W. Caswell.

Second Lieutenant F. G. Mills, R.A.F., who was in a German hospital, is now making satisfactory progress at Whitworth Street Hospital, Manchester.

DEATHS.

Second Lieutenant FRANK CARTWRIGHT, 19th Battalion (attached to 17th Battalion) Manchester Regiment, who was posted missing on

March 22nd, 1918, is now officially presumed to have been killed on that date. Joining up in 1914 with the Royal Fusiliers, he went to France in 1915, and received his commission in 1917. He was at the School from January, 1904, to December, 1905, and before the war was on the staff of the Alliance Assurance Co., Manchester, and was a member of the Manchester Clifford Cricket Club.

Second Lieutenant A. E. ELLIOTT, R.A.F., who died on January 7th from injuries received whilst flying at Cairo, was at the School from January, 1904, to December, 1905.

Second Lieutenant J. R. FOX, Manchester Regiment, officer observer 55th Squadron Independent Air Force, who was reported missing on August 16th, 1918, is now known to have been killed in combat with enemy planes when returning from a raid on Cologne. He was at the School from April, 1907, to April, 1914, and before joining up, at the age of 18 years, was with Messrs. John Dugdale & Bros., Sackville Street, Manchester.

Corporal FRANK HIGGINBOTTOM, 2/7 Manchester Regiment, reported missing, is now known to have been killed in action at Péronne, on March 25th, 1918. He was at the School from September, 1906, to July, 1912, and before joining the Army was on the staff of the London, Liverpool, and Globe Insurance Company.

DISTINCTIONS.

D.S.O.

Major (A./Lieut.-Col.) E. Harvie Cox, M.B., 2/3 E. Lancs. Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C. (T.F.).

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS.

Second Lieutenant H. I. Birchall (R.E.), (France).—"During the recent operations this officer has rendered exceptional service. Sparring no effort to press his balloon forward, he was twice compelled to parachute. On August 27th his balloon was hit by shell fire; nose-diving from about 600 feet he, with great presence of mind, tried to save his balloon by ripping. Although half-stunned by the fall, he at once re-ascended in a fresh balloon. A fine example of determination and devotion to duty."

MILITARY CROSS.

Lieutenant (A./Capt.) George Frederick Till, 9th, att. 1/6th, Battalion Manchester Regiment, T.F.

"For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during an attack on the Hindenburg line on September 27th, 1918. He led his company in the attack over 3,000 yards, the latter part being exposed to enfilade fire. He reached his objective and established himself there. Later in the day he was compelled to withdraw owing to fire from his right rear, but as soon as it was possible he again advanced."

MILITARY MEDAL.

Private A. Brooks, Manchester Regiment, for gallantry during the retirement of March, 1918.

MEDAL OF BRITISH EMPIRE.

Captain H. L. Palmer, Lancashire Fusiliers, for bravery when acting as bomb instructor in 1916. He picked up and attempted to clear a badly-thrown bomb, saving several men but receiving severe wounds himself.

Roll of Honour.

Pro Patria Mortui. PREVIOUS TOTAL, 92.

CARTWRIGHT, FRANK.

ELLIOTT, ALBERT E.

FOX, JOHN ROBERT.

HIGGINBOTTOM, FRANK.

OLD HULMEIANS WHO HAVE SERVED. (TOTAL, 652).

BROOKS, A.	..	..	..	..	..	Manchester Regiment.	MILITARY MEDAL.
McKEEVER, GEORGE	..	..	..	..	..	Manchester Regiment.	
NORQUOY, F.	..	..	..	..	..	Royal Fusiliers.	

PROMOTIONS, CORRECTIONS, &C.

BENTZ, F. C., M.B.	..	..	..	..	Major, R.A.M.C.
CANN, J. P.	..	..	..	..	Interpreter, R.N.V.R., attached R.N.A.S.
DICKINSON, S.	..	..	..	..	Captain, M.G.C. (<i>discharged</i>).
EVANS, H. O.	..	..	..	..	Second-Lieutenant, R.F.A. (<i>discharged</i>).
GUEST, L. HADEN	..	..	..	..	Captain, R.A.M.C.
HANNAH, J. D.	..	..	..	..	Corporal, Battalion Gas N.C.O., King's Liverpool Regt. (<i>discharged</i>).
HILLMAN, E. R.	..	..	..	..	Captain, R.E.
McKEEVER, GEOFFREY	..	..	..	..	Lieutenant, R.F.A.
McKEEVER, R. B.	..	..	..	..	Labour Corps.
MASON, C. M.	..	..	..	..	Major, R.F.A.
MURDOCH, E. H.	..	..	..	..	Lieutenant, Manchester Regiment.
PALMER, H. L.	..	..	..	..	Captain, Lancashire Fusiliers.
PENDLETON, V.	..	..	..	..	Captain, A.S.C.

Cadet Corps.

We regret that it has not been possible to get some shooting practice on one of the East Lancashire Territorial Association's open ranges this term, as we intended, owing to the fact that our application for permission has not yet been granted.

Very satisfactory work has been done both on the parade ground and at the miniature range this term, and much greater keenness has been noticeable at the range. The competition for the Silver Spoon presented by Mr. Paulson will close on April 12th. The cadet returning the best three cards will be declared the winner, and the cards will qualify for the Shooting Cup.

There will be another competition for a Silver Spoon next term on the same conditions. For the first time in the Corps' short history a team was entered in the Cadet Spring Competition, and although the results are not yet declared, it is feared that much better cards will have to be returned in future to bring the Corps any successes. The conditions, certainly, were new to the members of the team, and the cards in the time-limit stage at the Double Bisley Figure will easily be beaten on the next occasion. It was unfortunate that no member of the team had had any practice at rapid firing or firing at the Double Bisley Figure, but now a start has been made, it is hoped future teams will get more practice. Sergt. Lea, Sergt. Edmondson, Corpl. Lister, and Cadet Lunt represented the Corps.

The Army Council instruction raising the age at which a cadet can be enrolled to 14 years of age has been cancelled, and Cadets may now be enrolled at 13 years of age as formerly.

A Corps dance was held in the Assembly Hall, on March 1st, instead of the usual mid-term route march, and proved highly popular. The cry seems to be for more.

Members of the Corps are reminded that attendance at the Whitsuntide Camp this year is very important, as the order cancelling official inspections of Cadet Corps has now been removed, and the period in camp is so very valuable for raising the efficiency of the Corps.

It is also proposed to take a very strong contingent to the Northern Counties Secondary Schools Combined Camp, at the end of Mid-summer term.

Both these camps would be more successful if each cadet introduced a recruit now.

J. A. BARBER, Cadet Captain,
Officer Commanding.

The Scout Troop (165th Manchester).

THE SCOUT MOVEMENT.

As Carlyle observed long ago: "When an oak is felled the whole forest resounds, but a thousand acorns are sown unnoticed by the passing breeze." Rarely is it given to any

generation to recognise in their small beginnings the really significant events of its day. Attention is liable to be distracted by the noisy and dramatic things, which may, or may not, have consequence; but sometimes it does happen that a movement gathers momentum so rapidly that it forces itself on observation while it may still lack adequate and complete recognition of its possibilities. It becomes "a presence not to be put by," even though as a portent it is not understood; and such a case is surely to be seen in that most remarkable phenomenon which has swum into our ken within the last dozen years—the Boy Scout Movement.

Perhaps when the historian of this age comes to review its salient events he will point to the Boy Scout Movement as an acorn, sown by the passing breeze, from which a mighty oak has sprung. After ten years of strenuous effort this splendid organisation for the promotion of good citizenship has spread into most countries where the capital value of childhood is recognised, and to-day there are three-quarters of a million scouts in training throughout the world. No greater or far-reaching movement has been launched in our generation.

The world is to the young, and whoso captures the imagination and the allegiance of the young achieves a conquest wider than any of Cæsar or Napoleon. That is what Sir Robert Baden-Powell, that distinguished soldier, organiser, sportsman, and writer, has done. As Chief Scout to-day his domination is one that Emperors might envy, and it is one not merely of the day, but of enduring and extending power, one destined clearly "to live, and act, and serve the future hour." Scouts in the British Empire, in the United States, in Greece, and other Balkan countries, and in countries still nearer home in Europe, look up to R. B. P. for guidance and inspiration. And it lives and grows by embodying a great and fruitful idea.

The schoolboy, with shining morning face, creeping unwillingly to school, is a recognisable figure in all ages. But whoever saw a Boy Scout creeping unwillingly to the rally of his troop? That uniform, so familiar now to the eye in every corner of the Kingdom, seems

to transform the wearer; to give not only a new joy in life, but a new spirit, a new outlook.

"Two men looked out through prison bars,
One saw mud, the other stars."

The adventures which Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn invented for themselves he shares in a manner more regular and not less satisfying.

It is not surprising that already employers have begun to realise the value of this training, and to look out for boys who have gone through it. The trustworthiness, the alertness of mind, the handiness and resource of the Boy Scout are qualities worth coveting, and worth paying for. A little while ago a certain person had a very important letter to dispatch to the General Post Office, and the only available messenger was a strange youth. "Can I depend on you absolutely?" was the question put to him. "Sir," replied the youth, saluting, "I am a Boy Scout." That settled the question absolutely, and the reply could not have been prouder or more confident if it had been *Civis Romanus sum* of an earlier civilisation. If through all schools there were to blow the fresh air of scouting and the Scout spirit, mutual misunderstandings and suspicions, from which spring hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness, would disappear.

The proposed concert for January has, unfortunately, not come off, but has been changed for a bazaar, which was held on March 29th. It was for the purpose of benefiting the Camp Fund, which provides tents and the other paraphernalia of camp equipment, and was quite a success, over £28 being raised.

A patrol of Rover Scouts has been formed, and in consequence thereof the following promotions to Patrol Leader have been made: Sec. Brown (Swifts), Sec. Coe (Owls), Sec. Forrest (Hawks), Sec. Rogers (Eagles), Sec. Smith (Peewits).

We hope soon to have back amongst us, and working for the good old cause, A.S.M. Eric Wilde, from Egypt, where he is serving with the R.E. Records at G.H.Q. at Alexandria. In spare time he is assisting with a troop of Boy Scouts, and we hope soon to publish an account of what he has been doing. A.S.M. Morley has

been granted his Assistant's Warrant, and is in charge of the Rover Patrol. The troop now boasts three Warrant Scout Officers. A Troupe of Pierrots has been formed, and is in charge of P. L. Forrest, a ventriloquist of no mean capabilities. The magazine belonging to the Troop has seen three editions, and a fourth will be out shortly. As its printing improves its demand will greatly increase. Owing to the re-organisation of the Proficiency Badge examinations, no scouts have been able to enter, but before the publication of the next report we hope to have gained many badges. Many scouts hold the Thriftyman Badge. P. L. Appleton holds his 100-days' War Service Badge.

PELHAM TOLL,
Scout Master.

Football, 1918=19.

NOTES.

The weather this term has not been conducive to good football. We have played on frozen grounds and in mud, and rarely has the turf been in good condition. As far as results go the season has been quite satisfactory though hardly up to expectation. The weakness of the halves has been to some extent remedied, but they have been handicapped by having too often to play a defensive game. The backs lack experience, and as a result the halves have frequently been forced to hang back in support, thus robbing the forwards of a good deal of help. Of late, however, this has not been quite so noticeable. Jones in particular is playing a much-improved game and is using his head more, in a double sense. Of the others, Walker is perhaps the most improved player on the team and should prove very useful.

In one respect we have surpassed last term by beating our neighbours from the Manchester Grammar School for the first time.

In Club matches we have had the support of Mr. Barber, Mr. Meere, and Mr. Tyson, who assisted materially in defeating the R.A.F.

The weakness of the forwards mentioned before in these pages has been brought out clearly this term when Howie was not playing.

After developing the short passing game, which relies finally on the player who finishes up with the shot, the forwards seemed powerless when they were without the player mentioned. If they had played as a line with long passes this would not have been the case.

The 2nd XI. have held their own but need a lot of practice in combining and, perhaps more important, in controlling the ball. Ackroyd and Marson have proved useful substitutes on the 1st XI. when required.

The under 14 team has played several matches and upheld their good reputation. They include several promising players and it is hoped that their keenness will not disappear as they grow older.

The House matches and side games have been seriously interfered with by the weather, and latterly have been replaced by House runs. For the same reason there has not been as much play in the evening as one would like.

CHARACTERS OF FIRST FOOTBALL TEAM.

HOWARD, R. E. (goal).—Has kept goal consistently well throughout the season and made a good captain.

EDMONDSON, L. (centre half).—Works hard and plays a keen game. A good tackler and controls the ball well.

SWINN, W. (right back).—A fairly safe back, and can use his head well, but is apt to miskick. Should try to control the ball better.

JONES, J. A. W. (left back).—A very useful and safe back. Has a good kick and generally beats his man.

WALKER, A. A. (right half).—A great support to the half-back line. A very useful player with a good kick. Can generally beat his man.

WALSHAW, R. (left half).—Possesses two useful features, weight and speed, which are not forgotten. A good hustler, but might be a little neater with his feet.

SWINN, R. (left inside).—Only recently placed in this position, but has played some good games at left outside. Uses his weight to the best advantage.

ACKROYD, C. B. (left outside).—Only recently promoted to the First. A promising forward.

HOWIE, A. F. (centre forward).—A very good forward. Has made an excellent leader of our attack. A strong shot and has scored some very good goals.

NELSON, C. M. (right inside).—A good forward. Has a good shot and works hard. Has improved this season, and now has an excellent control over the ball.

LISTER, G. L. (right outside).—Should learn to control the ball. Has plenty of speed but does not always use it to the best advantage.

RESULTS FOR SEASON.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.
17	10	4	3	110	36

FIRST TEAM REPORTS.

v. STAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—November 27th. Home. Won, 6-3.

v. THE AERODROME.—December 4th. Away. Drew, 5-5.

v. THE AERODROME.—December 11th. Home. Lost, 6-4.

v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY "A."—January 22nd. Away. Lost, 3-4. We lost the toss and kicked with the sun in our eyes. From the start we attacked their goal, but our forwards could not break through their defence for some time, until Nelson scored with a good shot. After this the game was scrappy, and on the touch-line, but Swinn centred and one of their men put the ball through his own goal. This caused the University to attack, and their right outside ran down and centred, and they scored. About five minutes before the interval they equalised. Half-time score, 2-2. After half-time the game livened up, but the condition of the ground prevented either side from scoring for some time, until Edmondson shot and Nelson rushed it through. Two more goals to our opponents made the final score 3-4. Our team was as follows: Howard; Swinn, W., Jones; Walker, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Meere; Lister, Nelson, Howie, Edmondson, Swinn, R.

v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—January 25th. Home. Won, 5-3. We lost the toss and kicked against the rain. From the centre we rushed down, and after about ten minutes' play Lister scored. From the centre Manchester attacked, and our goal had some narrow escapes; Howie, however, raced down and added a second goal. Manchester next scored, and before half-time they equalised, 2-2. After the re-commencement we rushed their goal and Ackroyd scored twice. Manchester now had the best of the game, but the defence held them for some time until they scored. Even play followed until Ackroyd added another, making final score 5-3. Team: Howard; Swinn, W., Jones; Walker, Edmondson, Walshaw; Lister, Nelson, Howie, Ackroyd, Swinn, R.

v. OLDHAM SECONDARY SCHOOL.—February 1st. Away. Drawn, 3-3. Our opponents won the toss and decided to play against the wind. The ground was very hard and slippery, a slight mantle of snow covering it. Soon after the start they scored twice. Perhaps the condition of the ground was more familiar to them than to us. However, the interval brought the score to 1-3. We were now somewhat acclimatised, and Marson scored our second goal. Later he hit the cross-bar with a shot, and the ball bounced back and baffled their goalkeeper, and appeared to be a goal. The referee, however, did not think so, so it was left for Swinn to add our third goal. Team: Richardson; Swinn, W., Jones; Walker, Edmondson, Walshaw; Lister, Nelson, Marson, Ackroyd, Swinn, R.

v. THE AERODROME.—February 12th. Home. Won, 8-5. We won the toss and kicked with the sun and wind. Our forwards soon began to attack their goal, and after about ten minutes' play Howie raced their backs and scored. A few minutes later Mr. Meere scored. We then kept up a continual attack on their goal, scoring three times, while our opponents secured their first goal just before half-time (6-1). The Aerodrome had now most of the game, and scored four times in succession. Nelson, however, scored for us, and Mr. Meere added another just before the whistle blew. Final score, 8-5. Team: Howard; Swinn, Jones; Walker, Mr. Tyson, Edmondson; Mr. Meere, Nelson, Howie, Mr. Barber, Swinn, R.

v. THE AERODROME.—February 19th. Away. Won, 4-0. We lost the toss and kicked with the wind. Owing to the bad condition of the ground our forwards could not control the ball until Howie ran through and scored. This caused the Aerodrome to attack our goal, and we had some very narrow escapes. A few minutes before half-time Mr. Tyson scored. Half-time score, 2-0. After the interval the defence had plenty of work to do, but succeeded in keeping them out. Mr. Tyson scored again, and Mr. Barber rushed the goalkeeper from a shot of Swinn's and scored our fourth point. Team as before.

v. SALFORD SECONDARY SCHOOL.—February 26th. Away. Won, 8-1. Salford won the toss and kicked against the wind. We immediately attacked, but even when in front of their goal our forwards could not score. Salford, however, scored just before half-time. Score, 0-1. After half-time we livened up a bit and Howie ran through. Goals then followed in quick succession, while our defence kept them out. Team: Howard; Swinn, Jones; Johnson, Edmondson, Walshaw; Lister, Nelson, Howie, Swinn, R., Ackroyd.

v. SALFORD TECHNICAL SCHOOL.—March 5th. Home. Lost, 2-3. We lost the toss and defended the Pit goal. Salford took up the attack, but were held by our defence until following a scrummage in the goal mouth they scored. Our forwards, without Howie and Nelson, were a complete failure, and missed several open goals. Edmondson, however, scored before half-time (1-1). Salford again began to press our backs, and scored after about 15 minutes' play. Edmondson equalised again, but Salford kept up a bombardment of our goal, and were given several corners, which, however, proved fruitless. Final score, 2-3. Team: Howard; Swinn, Jones; Johnson, Edmondson, Walshaw; Lister, Walker, Marson, Swinn, R., Ackroyd.

v. STAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—March 12th. Away. Lost, 1-3. We lost the toss and kicked against the wind and snow. Our forwards were again at fault, and could not make any headway. Stand, however, scored, and Swinn equalised. Half-time score, 1-1. After changing over our forwards seemed to go worse, probably owing to the snow, which was now

falling fast, and the condition of the ground caused the defence to allow Stand to score two more goals. Final score, 1-3. The whole game was scrappy, and the forwards missed several open goals. Team: Howard; Swinn, Jones; Johnson, S., Edmondson, Walshaw; Lister, Walker, Marson, Swinn, Brown, G. S.

SECOND TEAM MATCHES.

Nov. 27 v. Stand Grammar School (2nd)	Draw	2-2
Dec. 7 v. County School, Altrincham	Won	3-1
Feb. 26 v. Salford Secondary School	Won	7-0
Mar. 5 v. Salford Technical School	Lost	0-4
„ 15 v. St. Margaret's	Won	4-0

Captain, A. H. Marson. Team: Richardson, G., goal; Briggs, C. S., Johnson, S., backs; Redshaw, Lea, Allman, half-backs; Tinker, Brown, G. S., Marson, Pitty, and Kelly, forwards. Fowler, G., reserve.

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals For.	Goals Agst.
7	4	1	2	21	9

UNDER 14 MATCHES.

Feb. 8 v. Manchester Grammar School	Lost	2-3
„ 19 v. Nicholls Hospital	Won	3-1
„ 26 v. Salford Secondary School	Drawn	6-6

Team: Smith, J. S., Campbell, G. B. (captain), Horrocks, Whittingham, Caldwell, Williams, A., Steele, Williamson, W., Glover, Smith, M. W., Twemlow. Alston, Mawdsley, and Watson, H., have also played.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

The results for the season are as follows:—Beta, 34 points; Heywood, 30; Alpha, 18; Gaskell, 12; Dalton, 10; Byrom, 8.

Lacrosse, 1918-19.

NOTES.

It is pleasant to notice the awakening enthusiasm in the lacrosse world. After a period of nearly five years, during which its life's blood seemed to have been gradually oozing out, there is now some of the old keenness for the game, and several clubs are making praiseworthy efforts to get teams together. These efforts will materially help us at school, as more fixtures will be possible next year.

Although this year's fixtures have been very limited in number, the team has had quite a successful season. There is no outstanding player, but Walshaw, Lea, Edmondson, and Howard have contributed largely to the team's success.

CHARACTERS OF THE FIRST LACROSSE TEAM.

WALSHAW, R. (captain, defence wing).—A very steady and most reliable defence man; has rarely been beaten. A capable and conscientious captain.

EDMONDSON, L. (vice-captain, wing attack).—A most improved attack, fast and elusive. Has scored some very good goals.

HIGGINBOTTOM, A. (goalkeeper).—Began the season very well, but has rather fallen off in his play.

BROADBENT, R. B. (point).—A strong and vigorous point. Rather uncertain in his 'crosse handling, but very difficult to pass.

JONES, J. A. W. (cover point).—A neat and finished 'crosse handler, but too "nervy" for a sound defence man.

LEA, T. R. (third man).—The most improved man on the defence. Intercepts well, and uses good judgment in supporting the attack.

PEARSON, M. D. (defence wing).—A good 'crosse handler, but hardly vigorous enough to make a first-class defence man.

HOWARD, R. E. (centre).—A good hard-working centre, handles well, and is not afraid to shoot. His speed has been invaluable to the team, and he is not afraid to check.

TINKER, A. R. (wing attack).—Rather disappointing. Always trying hard, but unaccountably fails at the critical moment.

NELSON, C. M. (third home).—A player with a future; his play improves in every match.

BRIGGS, C. S. (second home).—A finished 'crosse handler, and a good shot, but should learn to place himself better during an attack.

REDSHAW, C. V. (first home).—Enthusiastic, and a capable 'crosse handler, but suffers too much from nerves to be a successful first home.

MATCH RESULTS.

Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Goals For	Goals Against
12	6	4	2	126	81

FIRST TEAM REPORTS.

v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY.—November 30th. Home. Won, 8-6. In the first half we had most of the play, but made little use of it. The University scored twice. At this point Mr. Barber went on the attack, and opened our score. Half-time, 1-2. In the second half our attacks got going and brought the score up to 5-3 in our favour. Play then continued evenly, both sides obtaining three goals. Final score, 8-6. Team: Mr. Barber, Lea, Richardson, Howard, Pearson, Broadbent, Walshaw, Redshaw, Tinker, Nelson, Briggs, and Edmondson.

v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY.—December 14th. Home. Lost, 5-6. A rather disappointing game. The University opened the scoring, but we retaliated with a good goal by Edmondson. Our opponents maintained their lead until the interval. Half-time, 3-4. On resuming, our attack pressed hard, and for the rest of the game we had most of the play. Mr. Barber and Edmondson scored, but University managed to break through twice and score. Higginbottom played very well in goal, but the defence men were erratic.

Team as before, with Higginbottom in place of Richardson.

v. HEATON MERSEY.—December 21st. Away. Lost, 5-9. Heaton Mersey turned out a strong team, and broke through our defence at the start. The defence gave their men too much freedom, with the result that we were losing 2-4 at the interval. In the second half we improved considerably, the attack working together very well. In spite of this we failed to retrieve our bad start, and the whistle blew with the score at 5-9.

Team as before, with R. L. Thomas in place of Briggs.

v. AN OLD HULMEIANS TEAM.—January 18th. Home. Draw, 7-7. Our opponents played a strong team, including three old school captains. We opened the scoring, but Old Boys soon retaliated, and, with poor shooting and some weak defence play on our part, we found ourselves two goals behind at one point. We managed, however, to bring the score up to 4-4 at half-time. The defence were now settling down, and after missing countless opportunities of scoring we obtained the lead. Old Boys resumed their pressure, and succeeded in scoring twice. We added another goal, but Woollam equalised close on time.

Team as before.

v. MANCHESTER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.—February 5th. Home. Won, 29-0. Manchester Grammar School turned up with a very weak team. Once started, the game became a shooting practice for our attacks, who made full use of their opportunities, more especially Nelson, who got in some brilliant shots. Half-time, 14-0. The second half saw no difference in the play, the final score being 29-0. The whole team played well.

Team: Edmondson, Higginbottom, Broadbent, Jones, J. A. W., Lea, Moores, Walshaw, Nelson, Briggs, Redshaw, Tinker, Pearson.

v. WAREHOUSEMEN AND CLERKS' SCHOOL.—February 8th. Away. Won, 15-1. We lost the toss, but had the advantage of playing downhill. Some time elapsed before we scored, but after the first goal others came fairly regularly. Warehousemen scored just before half-time. Half-time, 6-1. In the second half Warehousemen made several rushes, but failed to score. In spite of this they played hard up till the close, their goalkeeper playing extremely well.

Team as before, with Swinn, R. C., and Howard in place of Higginbottom and Moores.

v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY.—February 15th. Home. Lost, 9-12. In the first half the School attack was powerless, Pearson scoring our only goal. Half-time score, 1-6. Mr. Barber went on the attack in the second half, and there was a marked improvement in the game. As the result of some good work we were only one goal behind at one point. The University then began to press their attack, and ran out winners by 12-9.

Team: Mr. Barber, Higginbottom, Broadbent, Lea, Howard, Pearson, Walshaw, Tinker, Edmondson, Nelson, Briggs, Redshaw.

v. MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY.—February 22nd. Home. Lost, 3-15. The first half was played in semi-darkness. The team played a wretched game, and never looked like winning. Half-time score, 1-8. There was no improvement in the second half, the University obtaining further seven goals. Mr. Barber obtained all our goals. Final score, 3-15.

Team as before, with Jones, J. A. W., in place of Briggs.

JUNIOR LACROSSE MATCHES.

Nov. 23	A Team <i>v.</i> Heaton Mersey Juniors	Won ... 11-10
Dec. 17	Under 14 <i>v.</i> Heaton Mersey Juniors	Won ... 6-1
Feb. 22	Under 14 <i>v.</i> South Manchester School ...	Won ... 7-3
Mar. 15	Under 14 <i>v.</i> South Manchester School ...	Won ... 11-0
„ 22	Under 14 <i>v.</i> South Manchester School ...	Won ... 5-0

2ND TEAM:—

Henderson, A. (capt.), Richardson, G. C., Paulson, G., Jackson, R., Moores, B., Bushell, A. F., Seddon, H. J., Simms, H. G., Trafford, A. S., Simkiss, J. L., Dillingham, H. V., Jones, W. N.

UNDER 14:—

Barber, N. A. (capt.), Hansford, L. (vice-capt.), Pogson, A. H., Horrocks, G., Steele, R. G., Jordan, J. H., Mitchell, E., Sidebotham, A. J., Crompton, F., Orr, G. W., Sharples, H., Broadbent, N.

House Runs.

The Runs have never really had a fair chance on account of the weather, but they have proved very useful when the ground has been unfit for football. The younger boys are much keener than the older ones. It is a great pity that boys who do not play football or lacrosse show such lack of interest in this branch of athletics. The points gained up to date are as follows:—

House.	Juniors.	Seniors.	Total.
Alpha	10	9	19
Gaskell	2	9	11
Beta	5	5	10
Heywood	5	4	9
Byrom	3	2	5
Dalton	5	0	5

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By Materials for Games	19	13	7			
„ Travelling Expenses of Teams ...	23	1	0			
„ Hire of Horse	22	0	0			
„ Groundsman's Wages	8	16	11			
„ Caps for Presentation	17	7	0			
„ Half-cost of Roll of Honour (Christmas, 1917)	12	18	9			
„ Postages and Telegrams	0	6	7			
„ Match Teas	1	3	9			
„ Printing	2	0	0			
„ Sports Prizes	12	15	0			
„ Sundries	0	8	8			
„ Balance :—						
Invested in War Saving Certificates (Pavilion Fund)	85	5	0			
Balance in Bank	1	15	11			
	—	—	—	87	0	11

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