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School Notes.

We offer a hearty welcome to Mr. Morgan who has come to us this term to take charge of the Physical Training of the boys during Mr. Kendell's absence.

We congratulate the following on passing their examinations last July:—

Higher School Certificate.

A. R. Abson, C. Bletcher, J. Caswell, C. H. Cook, R. Coultard, G. Harrison, K. Hollingsworth, W. Leneham, M. Pickering, J. A. Shaw, D. Stewardson, D. W. Baker, B. Gill, H. R. Howard, D. Tunstall, and J. Wellens.

School Certificate.

M. Findlay, J. Hodgson, J. G. Lee, H. Lloyd, W. Sadler, F. Turner, D. Bouskill, A. S. J. Ellis, D. Ellis, M. Hames, M. Heeley, N. Langford, K. Parkin, P. Sander-son, H. Swift, N. Wells, C. Wenman, H. R. Andrews, D. Bassindale, A. Beasley, G. Collins, E. Fitch, F. Green- all, S. Hodgson, J. R. Horn, G. F. Howdle, H. Kent, B. Lake, K. Ridgeway, W. Rowlinson, H. Savage, G. Wain- wright, G. Wright, F. Youel, M. Charlesworth, P. Crockett, M. Gregory, M. Hayes, L. Horsfield, S. Johnson, N. Mid- wood, H. Rhodes, M. Wilkinson, E. Williams, V. C. Al- wyn, T. Hyland, K. Buckley, G. Goldthorpe, C. Groves, E. Hague, M. Naylor, A. Pammenter, P. Parkin, S. J. Lister, J. Maiden, F. Marsden, W. Preston, A. Chambers, F. Cooper, C. Jackson, M. Limb, H. Ottewell, G. Pryse, M. Rayner, V. Swift, and E. Trickett.

The first two hard courts are now completed, except for a final coat of paint which they are to receive in the Spring. We have now started to level the site for the next two courts, but the work is proceeding slowly. The plays are to take place as usual at the end of the term. We are again presenting two comedies, the Rivals, and Mon- sieur Perrichon. We hope for good audiences and then the Tennis Court Fund should be complete.

The School Prefects are: J. Caswell, D. Hanson, W. Abson, M. Smith, G. Ankers, T. Redgate, A. Beasley, D. Beckham, C. H. Cook, E. Bagnall, E. Harrison, J. Lock-

wood, W. Horner, E. Turner, R. Lake, D. Ellis, M. Thompson, M. Frost, G. Wainwright, N. Midwood.

The School Committees are:—

Games Committee: L. Peace, T. Redgate, M. Thompson, D. Ellis, W. Abson, H. Rhodes, W. Scholey, M. Charlesworth, E. Harrison, E. Lockwood, A. Beasley, and E. Turner.

Magazine Committee: O. Willis, M. Smith, M. Findlay, J. Lockwood, C. H. Cook, H. Swift, F. Youel, E. Williams, G. P. Illingworth, P. Crockett, C. Bletcher, M. Hayes.

Library Committee: O. Willis, M. Smith, G. Wright, D. Beckham, D. Wollman, E. Housman, H. Lloyd, M. Wardell, F. S. Wilson, E. Bagnall, G. Ankers, M. Naylor.

House Notes.

ATHENS.

We lost both our House Captains at the end of last term, along with several other senior members; we wish them every success in the future and hope the House will prosper under the guidance of the new captains. It is with regret that every July we have to say good-bye to at least one of our stalwart supporters therefore we trust all newcomers to responsible positions will try to counter-balance these annual losses by working hard for the benefit of the House. Also we have to welcome all new Athenians to the House, and hope they will prove staunch supporters in House activities.

On several occasions in the past, the work cup has eluded our grasp by a few points only, and although we had visions of gaining it this term, nevertheless we may be easily denied that honour on account of a number of detentions that have come from the Middle School.

Marvellous to relate, we have succeeded at last in obtaining House teams victorious on the sports field. In former years we have been easy prey for most of the other Houses, but fortunately for us, the tide has at last turned, and we are tasting the sweets of victory. The senior boys and girls have defeated both Sparta and Troy, and the junior boys have successfully overcome the Spartan juniors. Let it be our aim to continue in this manner, then perhaps the games cup may not be so difficult to capture as it has proved to be in previous years.

The House party will be held on December 6th, and we are anticipating a really successful evening.

CARTHAGE.

We are pleased to welcome all new members of the House and hope they will become staunch supporters.

With regard to games, the senior section of the House have won all their matches. The senior rugby XV is the best the House has had for some years. The junior boys have lost one match but have hopes of regaining lost prestige in the near future.

Good work has been done by the boys' 'navvying' parties on the hard courts, there has been no element of slackness in this respect, but detentions are too numerous if Carthage is to win the Work Cup.

ROME.

At the end of last term we looked forward to capturing the Work Cup again but by the end of the first month of this term our hopes were slightly dimmed. The number of detentions in Rome has increased abnormally, especially among those Roman girls in VB and Upper IVA. There is a fear in the House that corruption has set in. This fear must not be allowed to materialise. Every effort must be made to recover Rome's reputation for hard work.

We have been making an attempt to establish a closer co-operation between the boys and girls in the House and by the work of the House Captains and Games Captains, this co-operation has been largely achieved. Yet it has been noticed that when the House meets as a whole it seems rather an awkward body of people. This is especially so at the beginning of the House Party. In an effort to eliminate this preliminary stiffness a social has been held. We feel that considerable solidarity can be gained in the House by these gatherings.

It has also been noticed that dancing was not very successful last year. Several dancing practices were therefore held at which Miss Appleton and Mr. Morgan kindly consented to act as instructors. They were very successful.

Another new development is that an "entertainment" has been devised. Audrey Shaw and Lucy Senior will give a short sketch and several members of the House will sing songs in which the rest will be invited to join. We would like to acknowledge the invaluable assistance of Miss Knowles in organising this "entertainment."

As home-catering was so successful last year we decided to do the same thing this year and we are greatly indebted to Mrs. Cooper who has generously consented to arrange the supper. There are signs that the 1933 party will be more successful than ever, and we hope that this will prove to be so.

SPARTA.

Sparta, I am afraid, still persists in gaining a large number of detentions, for which but a small section of the House is responsible. As these unruly few amass so many negative points, it is to be feared that the positive points for good work required to balance these are too many to be easily attained. Let us hope the miscreants will reform.

This term we welcome Scholey as House Captain, along with Nancy Midwood, who was captain last year. May they be successful.

In the House matches Spartan boys are rather lax, as ever. They do not turn up, or turn up late, and it is very rarely that we play a full team.

They turned up in full force, however, to the House Party, which was a great success. A novel competition, and a whist drive after supper added to the interest.

Let us hope Sparta will regain the enthusiasm of former years, and thus be in a better condition to compete with the other Houses.

THEBES.

We are pleased to welcome all new members and hope that they will prove valuable additions to the House. Early this term the girls had an enjoyable social, which was quite well attended. If we are ever to win the Work Cup, the conduct of the House must be greatly improved, as we figure far too prominently on the detention list. There is still a deplorable slackness about turning up on Saturdays for matches. We hope this will have completely disappeared before next term. Our House Party, which was held on November 24th, was a great success, thanks to the efforts of Miss Swift and Mr. Collister. We hope all Thebans will have a good holiday, and will return next year with renewed appetites for both work and sport.

TROY.

According to custom the number of detentions this term has been vast. This is by no means the fault of the boys,

the girls have more than contributed their share; so much so that no merit badges have been issued to them this term. as the detention lists have been very long, we will be very optimistic and hope that other Houses are as bad.

This term we elected our new House Captains, Edith Turner for the girls and Caswell for the boys. We sincerely hope they will not die under the strain.

We also welcome all new members and we are sure they will be a credit to the House, and not swell our long detention lists.

The House Party will be held on December 4th, and every effort is being made to make it brighter and better than ever, although Caswell, who was going to help by his vocal efforts will be missed.

Games do not seem to be very good this term; in fact our chances of either the Work Cup or Games Cup seem very remote. The senior girls have lost both their matches, largely through people not turning up, and the junior girls have lost the one match played. The senior boys, usually the mainstay of Trojan sport, have lost both matches, and it has been left to the junior boys to save our fall by winning their one match.

Trojan seems to have a shortage of seniors and has great difficulty in getting senior teams together without weakening the juniors.

The boys wish to be mentioned as good and willing "navvies" and have done some good work in this direction this term.

We congratulate all who were successful in outside exams, and we hope it is the beginning of a brilliant career.

School Societies.

THE ARTS AND CRAFTS SOCIETY.

This has been a good average Autumn term, with its influx of new members bringing our total up to approximately seventy-five. Attendance has also been good, averaging about twenty or twenty-five each meeting.

Regarding work however, there has been a distressing lack of novelty, and members are content to jog along doing the same old things over and over again. It is almost impossible to mention any work done which marks a departure from old ideas, or shows any desire to experiment and explore. Coupled with this we have the usual large number of people

who, though apparently willing, "don't know what to do." In short, we lack initiative and pioneer spirit.

Apart from leatherwork, in which an attempt has been made to raise the standard of design, and cane trays, our time has been fairly well filled designing posters for the Health Competition and House Parties, engraving blocks for the magazine, and painting scenery.

We shall look forward to a greater liberty in choosing our tasks next term, and hope that this liberty will encourage experiment and originality.

Woodwork Section.

As is usual in this term many new boys have joined the society, and attendance has been moderately good. The chief articles of manufacture are stools and trays; nothing unusual has been attempted. For some time there has been considerable activity in the Woodwork Shed in the making of hurdles for the School Sports, and scenery for the plays.

Metal-work Section.

There is a noticeable lack of attendance from the Upper School. Some sixth Form boys attended the meetings early in the term but they soon ceased to appear; we shall be pleased to see them next term. The same lack of initiative which is noticeable in the other branches of the society is here present also, and apart from the steam engine which one member is making, there has been no departure from the usual pokers, ash trays and toasting forks, or articles of a kindred nature.

The Field Club.

Three indoor and one outdoor meetings have been held so far this term. On Saturday, October 7th, a party from UIIIA and B set out from school at about 2-15 p.m. in the direction of Hoover, intending to make a collection of wild fruits. We had not got much beyond Newhill when heavy rain set in and sent us running to catch the first available 'bus home from Brampton.

At the other indoor meetings papers have been read by: R. Lake on "Some Theories on the Origin of Life."

M. Mann on "The Composition of Milk," with demonstration experiments performed by E. Rawlin.

D. Higgins on "Some Wild Animals of the Neighbourhood."

The last meeting for this term is due to take place on Monday, December 11th, when J. Bailey will give a lantern lecture on "The Solar System."

A pleasing feature of this term's activities has been the keen interest shown by a number of boys from UIIIA and B in the work in the garden. They have already put in a considerable amount of very useful work.

Several boys from UIVA and B have also been busy during dinner hours cleaning skeletons of small animals. They are becoming quite proficient at this work.

Literary Society.

The first meeting of the Literary Society this term took the form of a debate between the Fifth Forms on the motion that "The Cinema does more harm than good." It was proposed by Bennett, K. Buckley, Scholey, and J. Turgoose and opposed by Higgins, M. Mann, Scott, and S. Fletcher. The speakers on both sides spoke quite strongly but the motion was lost by sixteen votes to thirty-nine. Cook, of Upper Sixth took the chair.

The second meeting of the session was held on October 11th, when Cook gave a paper on "Poetry." The audience consisted of a mere thirty people who could tell those who were absent what an interesting paper they had missed.

A Sixth Form debate on the motion that "The legalisation of Sweepstakes would result in more evil than good." took place at the third meeting on October 25th. The speakers for the proposition were E. Williams, K. Parkin, and Peace, and those for the opposition E. Bagnall, Collins, and H. Swift. Some good speeches were given on both sides and when the motion was opened to the House a number of people wishing to speak had to be disappointed because time would not allow. The motion was lost by twenty votes to twenty-three, but six people refrained from voting on the motion at all.

The fourth meeting can be recorded as one of the most successful and entertaining of the season, in spite of the fact that it took the form of a "Snap Debate." A new idea was successfully introduced. Every member present was given a letter of the alphabet and had to choose a sub-

ject for debate which was opposed by someone with the same letter. The attendance was poor, only twenty-six being present, which limited the number of speeches for debate to thirteen. The three subjects which aroused most interest were as follow: "That Japanese should be taught in schools instead of Latin," "That Jazz should be abolished," and "That Sports to Kill should be abolished." These three subjects were, therefore carried over into the next meeting and were debated more fully in the fifth meeting of the term. The motion that Japanese should be taught in schools instead of Latin," was dealt with by Greenall and Alwyn and was won by 4 votes. The speaker for the opposition on the motion, "That Jazz should be abolished" was not present but Bletcher volunteered to oppose Preston. The debate met with great enthusiasm and the motion was defeated by an almost unanimous majority. One of the speakers in the debate, "That Sports to Kill should be Abolished" was also absent but E. Bagnall in support of the motion gave a very convincing and well delivered speech. There was little opposition from the House and the motion was won by a large majority.

Sixth Form Society.

At a meeting of the Sixth Form, held on Thursday, 14th, September, the following officials were elected for the session: President, C. H. Cook; vice-President, D. Hanson, Secretary, D. C. Wollman; Committee: J. Caswell, W. Abson, G. Collins, N. Midwood, and G. Howdle.

The first meeting of the Christmas term was held on Tuesday, September 26th, at which the Rev. A. Brockway gave a lecture on "Instinct."

Mr. Brockway opened by demanding whether such a thing as instinct existed. He gave several examples of the wrong use of the word in popular fiction. To arrive at the correct application of the term, the lecturer quoted Professor Macdougalls definition of instinct as "A native or inborn capacity for purposive action." He said that instinct had two main characteristics. In the first place it is never taught. It comes by itself and appears unheralded. Secondly it belongs to the species rather than to the individual. Only those instincts which have a bearing on the behaviour are important.

The lecturer passed next to the Scope of Instinct. He gave several examples of instinct in the lower forms of

animals. He said it is now open to criticism whether instinct is so fixed a thing as was believed formerly. It is now generally accepted that instinct and intelligence overlap and that animals possess the latter and are capable of using it.

Not many people agree on what the instincts in human beings are. In the lower animals they are nature's stock in trade, by which the fittest are enabled to survive. In the higher animals they are the raw materials from which character is moulded. Character cannot be developed on intelligence alone. Emotional life is the expression of instincts, and character is developed by making the correct use of instincts in the right channels.

A meeting of the society was held on October 3rd, when Mr. Hattersley, of Swinton, gave an address on "Economics."

The lecturer opened by stating that it was only in modern times that people had begun to realise that the study of Economics is "a science of our daily bread." He continued by drawing a contrast between the England of 1770 and that of to-day. There had been a change from an era of comparative scarcity to one of plenty. To-day the problem concerning the economists is not how to produce but how to sell.

Mr. Hattersley continued by saying that all money comes through industry which at the present time is completely stagnant or is only partly working because there are no orders. The lack of orders is due to the fact that buyers do not possess the money to turn their requirements into orders. Thus the problems of the present age form a complete circle.

There have been many attempts to solve the problems of to-day. The idea of the old economics was to equate the production with the power to buy. The aim now is to stimulate the power to buy until it is equal to the power to supply.

On October 26th, Canon Sorby lectured to the Sixth Form Society on "Birds and their Migration."

The lecturer first explained why birds migrate north in order to nest. The first part of the earth's surface that would be cool enough for animal life would be the region around the North Pole. As the earth cooled, an ice-cap had come on the North Pole and this ice-cap had extended southwards, driving all forms of animal life south in order to find food. Birds being driven south by the ice would return north in summer in order to nest. This theory was known as the Arctic Theory.

Canon Sorby continued by explaining that birds possess barometric sense. They have a wonderful knowledge of changes in the weather and regulate their migration accordingly. Birds indulge in fast long distance flights in Spring but not in Autumn.

The age of the birds is ascertained chiefly by ringing. Golden Eagles have been known to live for eighty years. In 1869 a curlew was ringed in Sweden. In 1927 it was shot in Ireland in perfect condition at the age of 58 years.

The lecturer then closed by showing slides of cliff-climbing experiences.

Junior Literary Society.

As we have only been able to meet each fortnight the number of meetings has been few.

Our first was on October 4th, when there was a debate on the subject, "That Hiking is a foolish Pastime," proposed by Curran, Hargreaves, and Simpson, of Upper IIB. The chair was taken by Anstess. The motion was defeated easily.

On the 18th. of October a meeting was held in the Gym. when a play, "Rebel's Revenge," written by J. B. Taylor, Upper IIIA was produced. It was an excellent piece of work and the cast of 17 players afforded an hour's good entertainment. There was a large audience, several members of the staff also being present.

The next meeting was on November 1st, when there was a debate on the motion, "That the high speed of modern Life is more of a curse than a blessing," proposed by Horner, Joan Wood, and Cutts, of IVA, and opposed by Howitt, Mouzer, and Annie Hill, of IVB. Phillips was the chairman. The motion was defeated easily. At the meeting on the 15th. of November we called upon our audience to use their imagination. They were supposed to be captain of a rescue ship, and could save only one more person from a sinking ship in mid-Atlantic. Hargreaves, Upper IIA spoke in favour of Marconi, Annie Hill, IVB, for Gracie Fields, Howitt, IVB, for Lloyd George, and Mouzer, IVB, for Leyland. Hawke took the chair. Gracie Fields was easily the most favourable, with Leyland a weak second.

Our next meeting will be held on November 29th, when there will be a debate on the motion that "The barbarian is happier than the civilised man," to be proposed by

Firth, Milburn and Nash, of Upper IIIB and opposed by Higgs, Robinson and Petch of IIIA.

Scout Notes.

The annual camp was this year at East Runton Gap, near Cromer. A glorious though scorching sun gave many backs, legs and arms much more than a healthy tan. Olive oil was a grave necessity to remove the boiled lobster appearance. The camp, however, provided a pleasing contrast to that at Pately Bridge last year, where we saw more rain at one time than ever before.

The bathing left nothing to be desired, while this and clock-golf, along with meals of course, passed the time very pleasantly. Visits to a Zoo, to Cromer Lighthouse and to the Lifeboat provided great interest, while a gift of thirty shillings from "Mrs. White, of London," was the cause of great rejoicings.

A new trek-cart, built by the Scouts, and a stove, designed by Langford, R., were very useful. The culinary efforts of the juniors were very amusing, and the untimely end of a certain amount of custard also caused great hilarity.

This term opened with a good attendance, which has been well maintained. New patrol leaders have been appointed, who are very keen. Langford, R., has gained his Engineer's and Electrician's badges. Hollingsworth has passed his Debater's, while several more are waiting to be tested in ambulance work.

Friday evening has been enlivened by a boxing competition organised by Hames, K., in which everyone has been pleased to participate. This has partly atoned for the loss of the gym, which is keenly felt in the winter term.

Guide Notes.

The Guide Camp was held during the second week in August at Skipsea, a little village five miles from Hornsea. The weather was ideal and everyone was sunburnt. Camp fires were held each night, and several hours each day were passed on the quiet beach. It was a great surprise to meet people from school at so small a place. Some of the Guides attended the village dance which was held in the barn in the next field and had a very enjoyable evening. The camp was a great success and everyone is looking forward to the next camping holiday.

This term the patrol leaders and seconds have been to a Leaders' Conference at Ardsley. The evening was spent in discussions and games, during which many new ideas were put forward. A Ranger and a Guide Party are also to be held at Dodworth this month, most of the Guides hope to be able to accept the invitation to one of these parties.

Several new methods of working have been tried on Guide evenings. One Health badge has been won, and two Guides intend to take part of the First Class examination in December.

Orchestra Notes.

The Orchestra is now busy practising for its appearance at the School Plays, at the end of this term.

Four new pieces are being learnt in honour of the occasion. "The Fire Music," by Handel, "Mazurka," from "Coppelia," by Delibes, "Gavotte" from "Mignon," by Thomas, and "The Valley of the Poppies," by Ancliffe.

Hancock, who has left the school, has been attending the practices regularly, and is a great aid to the now comparatively inexperienced orchestra, for only three of the old members are left with us.

We have some new members this term and the orchestra now consists of: Miss Deeks, pianist, Miss Knowles, 'cellist, and Hancock, Maiden, Atkinson, Taylor, Ormondroyd, Longbottom, Potts, Thorpe, S. Searle, and the new members, Ardron and Mann, violinists.

At the end of last term, the Orchestra played as usual at the Choir's rendering of "The Princess of Kensington," and also had an Orchestral Recital of its own, at which were played: "The Water Music," by Handel; "The Magic Flute," by Mozart; the "Minuet," from the "Bourgeois Gentleman," by Lulli; and the Dance from "Comus," by Dr. Arne. Some gramophone records were then played: "Who is Sylvia?" by Schubert; "Drinking Song," by Schumann; "Come Away Death," by Brahms; "Dance of the Coachmen," by Stravinsky.

Speech Day.

Speech Day was held at the end of the Summer Term, on Thursday, July 20th, when the Very Rev. Dr. A. C. E. Jarvis, Provost of Sheffield, presented the certificates and

prizes. Mrs. A. Poiner, Chairman of the Governors, presided, and began by giving a hearty welcome to the parents.

After the School Choir had sung their first song, "Down in a Flowery Vale," the Headmaster gave his report, which Dr. Jarvis later described as the most sensible report he had ever listened to. In his Report the Headmaster mentioned that the School would be celebrating its tenth birthday in September. At this stage the character of the School is still unformed, and is not yet static. Present students, should therefore remember this and do their best to raise the tone of the School. After giving a list of the School successes, the new subjects introduced during the year were mentioned—biology, housecraft and engineering. The Headmaster then touched upon what he declared was a sore point with children, parents, the staff, and himself, i.e., the question of Home-work. The sacrifice made by parents for their children, which is so often praised, is not always appreciated by the children, who in return should also make sacrifices by doing their utmost and making the best of the opportunities provided by the School. Complaints about Home-work had often been made, but in the career of the School only in one case had a complaint about insufficient Home-work been lodged. The parents were asked not to be too indulgent towards their children. Home-work done in a well ventilated and well lighted room would do no harm if work ceased before 10.0 p.m. Over-indulgence to a young child produces weakness of character and may wreck its career.

The Headmaster thanked Dr. Jarvis on behalf of the School for his presence. Dr. Jarvis had done the School a great honour by asking permission from the King and Queen to absent himself from a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace in order to speak to the School. He congratulated Mrs. Poiner on being appointed first woman Chairman of the Governors, and concluded by paying tribute to the extremely efficient staff.

The School Song followed the Headmaster's Report, after which the Certificates were presented by Dr. Jarvis, who followed by giving perhaps the most direct and useful address ever given since the School began. His speech was full of wise maxims and advice given from his own experience. School, he declared, is the second stage in the battle of life. All things learned at school should be learned thoroughly and well. In order to do our work well we should try and be interested. We should make it our duty to be interested in every phase of school life. The background

of life is home, but the things learned at school we should remember the longest. Dr. Jarvis declared that the School was crossing the threshold of life at the most critical and interesting period of the country's history. "You are the future citizens of this country and empire. Every one of you has great possibilities for good and for evil." Some, he continued would become leaders. Do not despise the work of your ancestors, for they were worthy and admirable men, and the heritage they have passed on to us is "a goodly heritage." We should be proud of the freedom which we have inherited. We are not grovelling in servitude under a foreign power, but we are free citizens of the greatest empire the world has ever known. Be worthy of that great honour, and enhance the glory and prestige of the Empire.

Dr. Jarvis then went on to give advice as to how we should prove our worthiness as inheritors. He placed discipline before anything else. "Do not play with life. Do not fool with it, and do not let it fool you." Always face all difficulties square, standing erect. It is a mark of man's dignity that he stands erect. Only animals and reptiles crawl and creep. Character counts. "Stickability counts more than ability." Do not trust to luck, but put a big P. in front of it. Pluck will carry you through most difficulties. Do not give in. Always remember how the postage stamp sticks until it reaches its destination. Never allow the wish-bone to take the place of the back-bone. Finally, one's greatest standby in life is a good friend. Charles Kingsley, when asked the secret of his success, declared, "I had a friend." Remember, therefore, to cultivate friends.

In conclusion, Dr. Jarvis quoted from Tennyson's *enone*:

"Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control,

These three alone lead life to sovereign power."

The choir sang two more songs—"Cargoes" and "I attempt from love's sickness to fly."

Finally, Mr. A. J. Thompson proposed a vote of thanks to Dr. Jarvis, which was seconded by Mrs. Spencer.

Football.

1st XV. RUGBY REPORTS.

1st XV. v. Hemsworth Secondary School (October 7th).

Result: Lost by 6 points to 3.

At Hemsworth, after a keenly contested game, the School lost its first match of the season, and were unlucky not to make a draw. Passing was difficult owing to the wet

ground; only the Hemsworth threes handled the ball with any success. The School forwards were on the whole slightly superior to their opponents. The School opened the scoring with a very good penalty goal by Beasley, and no more points were added to either side during the first half. During the second half Hemsworth took the lead with tries by Hemstock and Wainwright, neither of which were converted. A draw would have been a better result.

1st XV. v. Rotherham H.S. (October 14th).

Result: Won by 57 points to nil.

At Wath. This proved a very easy task for the School. The School played well uphill in the first half, at the end of which the score was 14 points to nil. During the second half Rotherham was routed, and added 43 more points to the first half score. The passing and handling of the ball by the home three-quarters had improved, and the home forwards were easily superior to the Rotherham pack. Points scored for the School were as follows: Beasley 21, Lee 17, Caswell 10, Harrison 3, Ankers 3, Oades 3.

1st XV. v. Castleford G.S. (October 21st).

Result: Lost by 13 points to 10.

During the first half the School team attacked strongly, and after several unsuccessful attempts at scoring Scholey crossed the line for a try, which Beasley converted, to give the School a lead of five points. During the second half the Castleford three-quarters passed well, to score three tries, two of which were converted. Then the School forwards attacked vigorously, and Horn scored a try, which Beasley again converted. The sides were fairly evenly matched, although the Castleford three-quarters were slightly superior. The extreme strictness of the referee had a detrimental effect upon the School team, who were unused to his methods.

1st XV. v. Thorne G.S. (October 28th).

Result: Won by 39 points to nil.

The School gained an overwhelming victory over Thorne Grammar School at Thorne by 39 points to nil. Bad weather and ground conditions rendered effective passing movements difficult; during the second half it hailed. The scoring was opened by Lake, and then Horn ran over the line for three successive tries, of which only one was converted by Beasley. The Wath forwards carried all before them. In the second half Oades scored from a line out, following which Beasley scored and converted a try. Greenall added another, then Bunn, after running from full back position, scored a try and also improved on it. Prominent among the Wath forwards were Harrison, Lake, and Wainwright.

1st XV. v. Old Hilmians (November 4th).

Result: Draw, 6—6.

At Hemsworth the School fielded their usual side against the Old Boys of Hemsworth Grammar School. The Hilmians opened strongly, and after five minutes scored an unconverted try. Wath retaliated strongly and Horn equalised after a smart run down the right wing. Half-time arrived with the score three points all. After the interval Wath pressed hard, with the forwards playing well. This pressure resulted in an unconverted try by Beasley. Wath succeeded in retaining the lead for 15 minutes, until King scored for the Hilmians. Wath still attacked strongly and narrowly missed scoring on several occasions. The result was good, both sides being evenly matched.

1st XV. v. Goole G.S. (November 11th).

Result: Lost by 16 points to 24 points.

At Goole. This match proved to be one of quick scoring, each side obtaining the lead, only to lose it again. Both sides were fairly evenly matched, with Goole's threes slightly superior. The Wath pack failed to use all their weight in the scrums, although in the loose they easily overwhelmed the Goole forwards. In the first five minutes Goole scored, Wath replying ten minutes later. This succession of tries continued until Goole cemented their lead by scoring two doubtful tries. For Wath Caswell scored two tries, Peace one try, Horn one try, and Beasley converted two tries. In the Wath side, Ankers, Harrison, Lake and Bailey were prominent.

1st XV. v. Old Hilmians (November 18th).

Result: Lost, 13—0.

The School entertained the Old Hilmians, who fielded a powerful side. Wath won the toss, and Harrison elected to play uphill. The Hilmians attacked strongly the whole of the first half, and their forwards dominated the play owing to their extra weight, making the School forwards play on the defensive. The Hilmian scrum half scored two tries from scrums, and another one followed, of which two were converted. On the resumption Wath attacked, but the heavier Hilmian forwards prevented the School pack from playing an impressive game. There was no addition to the score during the second half. There was a poor crowd attending the match.

1st XV. v. Castleford G.S. (November 25th).

Result: Lost, 22 points to 8 points.

Wath fielded a weakened team, with Caswell, who broke a bone in the previous match, Harrison, and Thompson

absent. The Wath pack played fairly well during the first half, and after the first ten minutes Horn scored an unconverted try. Castleford retaliated with a converted try, but the School regained the lead after Oades scrambled over in a forward rush. Beasley converted the try, so that School were winning at half-time. After the resumption, Castleford played downhill and carried all before them. After having levelled the score with a penalty goal, they registered four tries, of which only one was converted, without reply from the School. Castleford deserved their win against the depleted home side, who could not cope with the superior team.

October 7th—2nd XV. v. Hemsworth G.S., at Home.

Result: Draw, 3—3.

The School lost the toss, and Hemsworth chose to play uphill. The field was almost hidden under a blanket of fog, and so much time was wasted in finding the ball. However, the School managed to confine play to the Hemsworth half, and if the home forwards had passed the ball out to their three-quarters the score would have been greater than 3-nil at half-time. That one try was scored by Scholey, who crossed the line skilfully after a scrum. In the second half the School superiority was again well marked, the forwards playing particularly well. However, Hemsworth managed to equalise by a well-taken penalty kick, and as the School did not score again the match ended in a draw.

October 21st—2nd XV. v. Castleford G.C., at Home.

Result: Won by 6 points to 3.

In this, their second match, the School again lost the toss, and Castleford chose to play downhill. Yet despite the handicap of the slope the School pressed for the greater part of the half. A number of kicks were awarded against Castleford, one of which Findlay placed over the bar from a narrow angle. Guy then broke through the Hemsworth defence after a scrum, and scored a good try near the corner flag; the kick failed. After half-time Castleford improved, but despite their superiority in weight the School forwards held them well. A penalty kick against the School resulted in Castleford scoring a goal, but the whistle came shortly afterwards, so that Castleford had to be content with threats of vengeance in the return match, seeing that they 'had not time' to beat the School.

Nov. 18th—2nd XV. v. Barnsley G.S., at Home.

Result: Lost by 10 points to 3.

For this match, with Barnsley 1st XV., the School were weakened considerably by having to fill three vacancies in

the 1st XV. that was to play in the afternoon. However, this handicap was not very apparent, and against a much older and heavier team the School played very well, only conceding a converted try in the first half, although playing uphill. Even then the score was nearly equalised, a good effort by Ridgway being disqualified because he had gained possession of the ball from a forward pass. In the second half a misunderstanding helped Barnsley to score another try, which was converted. After this, however, play was practically all inside the Barnsley twenty-five. Then, after some dogged defence, the Barnsley backs allowed Schofield to break through from a scrum almost on the try-line. Although losing this match, the School easily played their best game of the season, keen tackling and long kicking being noticeable features of the play.

1st XI. v. Penistone 1st XI., at Penistone.

Lost: 1—0.

This match was played under difficult conditions. The ground was wet, after heavy rain, and made dribbling difficult. Wath won the toss and the game was very even during the first half, there being no score. In the second half the Penistone forwards, however, speeded up their game considerably, and E. Hague was called upon to save many good shots. Eventually the Penistone right inner took a flying shot at goal, scoring for the first and last time in the match.

1st XI. v. Doncaster 1st XI., at Doncaster.

Lost: 4—1.

Wath won the toss, and Doncaster scored within ten minutes of the start. R. Rodger, however, retaliated for Wath with a goal from a clear pass by N. Langford. Doncaster shot one more goal in the first half. In the second half, after a hard fight, Doncaster scored yet another goal, and just before the end they scored again.

1st XI. v. Mexboro' 1st XI., at Wath.

Lost: 2—1.

Wath won the toss, and during the first half played down the hill. They were able to get the ball down the wing to the circle often enough, but were slow at shooting Mexboro', who were much quicker on the ball, scored twice during the first half. In the second half Wath speeded up considerably, but the half-backs were inclined to muddle the forward line. Nevertheless, D. Ellis succeeded in scoring the only goal for Wath.

1st XI. v. Rotherham 1st XI. at Rotherham.

Drawn: 4—4.

Wath won the toss, and the match started amidst rather dense fog. Rotherham scored a few minutes after the start, but after the following bully Wath forwards cleared the ball away quickly, and E. Clarke scored. Rotherham scored again, and towards the end of the first half I. Todd scored for Wath. In the second half C. Jackson scored for Wath, and Rotherham scored twice again, and just before the end the last goal was shot from Wath. Judging from the score the backs on both sides must have been weak or the forwards extremely quick. The latter situation is unlikely.

1st XI. v. Hemsworth 1st XI., at Hemsworth.

Won: 2—1.

Hemsworth won the toss, and their forwards having taken the ball up quickly the centre-forward shot sharply. E. Hague "leapt" to the rescue in time and the goal was saved. A few minutes later I. Todd dribbled the ball from the centre line to the goal circle and shot a goal for Wath. During the second half there was a long "scuffle" in the goal circle, and I. Todd managed to score again. Shortly before the end Hemsworth scored their only goal.

2nd XI. NOTES.

Oct. 7th, v. Rotherham 2nd XI., at Home.

Result: Wath won, 7—0.

The visiting team were at a disadvantage because of the fog, which made it impossible to see even half-way down the field. An especially good game was played by R. Rodger and F. Doherty, the captain.

Oct. 21st, v. Mexboro' 2nd XI., Away.

Result: Wath won, 2—0.

This was a hard game for the School, because most of the play was near our goal. M. Limb, however, proved equal to the occasion. The School were inclined to get off-side too much, but E. Davis and E. Clark scored goals.

Nov. 11th, v. Doncaster 2nd XI., at Home.

Result: Drew, 1—1.

Both sides were determined to win, so there was a keen struggle, as the result shows. E. Davis scored our only goal.

Nov. 25th, 2nd XI. v. Hemsworth 2nd XI., Away.

Result: Won, 4—0.

A large group of enthusiastic spectators considerably added to the excitement of this game. Everyone played well, and the forward line pushed its way well down the field. Our defence was kept busy during the second half, but it proved too strong for the other side. Goals were scored by M. Mann, E. Davis, E. Clark, and C. Bennett.

Impressions of London.

8 a.m. on Saturday, July 22nd, saw a happy party of about twenty-three boys and girls safely installed in the train at Wath L.N.E.R. station, under the guidance of Miss Killoch and Mr. and Mrs. Grear.

Feeling very elated and important in our reserved compartments, we made our way to Doncaster. Boarding the second train on its eventual arrival, we tried to suppress our excitement and appear as though a journey down to London were an everyday occurrence, continuing our way studying maps and looking at guides and other books about London.

We arrived in King's Cross station at 11-25 and—keeping close together for fear of being unsuspectingly transported downwards by lifts or upwards by escalators—we made our way to Hyde Park Corner by Underground Railway.

Walking through Hyde Park and thence down Constitution Hill, we eventually came in view of Buckingham Palace. The grey front was enlivened at intervals by the vivid red uniforms of the guards who appeared at the entrance of their tiny boxes at the most unexpected corners.

Hence we made our way along Pall Mall and, passing St. James's Palace, looking very picturesque with its covering of creeper, we arrived in Trafalgar Square, through the curved Admiralty Arch. Nelson's Monument, 174 feet high, with his Landseer lions keeping guard around the base, was the chief figure of interest here.

Entering Whitehall we viewed many of the Government buildings which had, hitherto, existed for us only in history books.

We now directed our steps towards Downing Street, where all eyes turned instinctively towards Nos. 10 and 11, returning possibly disappointed at the ordinariness thereof. Looking beyond Downing Street, we saw the Cenotaph in the centre of Whitehall.

At this time we found ourselves close to the Houses of Parliament, with Westminster Hall in the foreground, and the Houses of Lords and Commons to the right and left respectively. Victoria Tower flanks the buildings to the right and the Clock Tower on the left. This latter was not looking at his best, however, being encased from head to toe in steel scaffolding—"Big Ben in splints," an august voice was heard to say!

The thrones of the King and Queen with the Woolsack—the Lord Chancellor's seat—were viewed with interest.

The Speaker's Chair replaced the thrones in the House of Commons, with the Clerk's Table before it. The places assigned to the Ministers, the gallery for pressmen, and the women members' seats—situated behind a substantial stone screen!—verified the information we had received beforehand.

We now made Westminster Abbey our object—"the richest acre in the world." Here we were fortunate in having a most efficient guide who conducted us to the tombs of kings, queens, statesmen, and poets of bygone ages. A feature affording much interest was the display of funeral effigies which had been made to traverse the route to the abbey placed on the coffins of the kings and queens. How gaunt Queen Elizabeth looked! How rakish Charles II, not to mention William III who stood on a cushion to be equal in height at least to his queen! Leaving the Abbey, we paused to notice the tomb of the Unknown Warrior.

The Tower of London held interest for us all. As we entered we noticed the Traitor's Gate through which captives were brought down the river Thames. The glittering display of the Crown Jewels—all behind iron bars!—was such as would have held us for hours. The collection of armour and weapons typical of that used through various centuries was very enlightening. Henry VIII's girth seemed to have increased with the years, judging from his suits of armour—no henpecked male was he! The axe and block added to the more gruesome relics.

Everybody enjoyed their visit to Madame Tussauds, where the wax figures were uncannily life-like. Indeed, we were often deceived by wax Beef-eaters and policemen! The braver souls of the party ventured into the Chamber of Horrors surviving the experience excellently.

A general move was now made towards the station, where we boarded the homeward-bound train at 5-45.

We were glad to have Miss Holt with us for the day, and were pleased to find her in better health.

Thus ended a perfect day, and if to be taken as an omen we were to look forward to seven more weeks of a perfect holiday.

Old Wathonians Rugby Club.

The Club's fifth season has opened very prosperously and everything points to a repetition of last year's success, when we played 20 matches—winning 18 and losing 2. This year's results so far are—played 8, won 7, lost 1, with 112 points for and 18 against. These figures show that great improvement has been made in the team's play.

In the last issue of this magazine the hope was expressed that our fifth season would see an end to our troubles through lack of players. Unfortunately this hope has not yet been fully realised. It is appreciated that many of the Old Boys who left school recently may be deterred from joining the Club since they think it unlikely that they will be given an opportunity to play for the Club. We appeal to them to join without delay as definite proposals are being considered for running an "A" team so that all members will have an opportunity of playing in one team or the other.

Fortune has favoured us in the selection of our opponents for the Challenge Shield Competition. This year we are to play Goole S. S. Old Boys—a team more our equals than our previous opponents. The match is to be played at Wath on 13th January, 1934.

An Alphabet for the V. Forms.

A is for Atkinson, a good violin player,
 B is for Bunn, who for dinner's a stayer;
 C is for Clarke, a shy young man,
 D is for Davison, a football fan;
 G is for Gledhill, a well-known shirker,
 H is for Hocking, a thorough young worker;
 K is for Kitson, a big Latin swot,
 L is for Lamb, who does things he ought not;
 M is for Moore, who never gets thinner,
 O is for Oliver, who brings his own dinner;
 P is for Painter, a Theban by birth,
 R is for Reader, of very small girth;
 S is for Scholey, a regular swell,
 As for the girls, well, well!—well, well!

FORM 5A.

Columbus in the West Indies.

Week after week, with weary eyes,
They watched the sun rise in the skies;
Followed its course from east to west,
Thought of home, of peace, and rest.
Would it never end—this barren scene,
This desolate waste of swirling green?
The sea they feared, but they heard tell
That the earth was bordered by a fiery hell,
Where poly-headed demons with forked tongues,
Spat white-hot fire from devilish lungs,
Where men and ships went up in smoke
To mix with hideous infernal folk.
Some men cursed their captain bold,
Others, fearing, cried in the hold
Like kidnapped children away from home;
While Columbus, undaunted, searched the foam.
A shout! He points; they follow his hand,
To see a flock of gulls from another land
Wheel past the shrouds in desperate flight
To reach their shores before the night.
The morrow dawned, a happy day,
For an emerald isle before them lay,
With green-topped hills, enchanting trees,
A gem set in the crystal seas:
Columbus, praying, kissed the shore,
And called his land San Salvador.

R. LAKE, VI.Science.

The Awakening.

You too at midnight suddenly awaken,
Surrounded by deep gloom;
The very walls by the shrill wind are shaken,
No light shines in the room.
Ceiling and floor seem very strangely near,
How the walls close around;
The cold wind wails outside; within you hear
A sharply cracking sound.
And having conquered your most unseemly terror,
You sit alert in bed,
But now it seems that by some mysterious error,
The roof rests on your head.
And the chill touch of a shadowed groping hand

Makes you shiver and quake,
 And a voice from a seemingly far-off land
 Calls, "I say, are you awake?"
 You realise as memory puts fears to flight,
 Why all the walls seem bent,
 And crawling into the dark and windy night,
 You re-erect the tent.

Nursery Rhymes of the Lower VI. Lit.

Sing a song of homework,
 In writing nurs'ry rhymes
 About the Lower Lit.
 We mostly spend our times.
 We all know we can act,
 And some who think this most,
 Are two young men—Hamlet,
 And Hamlet's father's ghost.
 The king and queen do very well,
 The soldiers, Laertes,
 Polonius, Ophelia,
 Are all quite at their ease.
 Hamlet's a determined youth,
 Sworn to revenge his dad.
 E'en the Upper Sixth admit—
 "Well, they are not too bad."
 Airy Mary, gentle fairy,
 What would you like to know?
 With hair so fair,
 And eyes so blue,
 And little teeth all in a row.
 I could cry,
 She was so shy,
 She daren't look
 Sir Peter in the eye.
 Who is she?
 Our "sub. pre.,"
 But never mind.
 You will find
 That when she has braver grown,
 On the stage she'll hold her own.
 The exams. draw near,
 And we start to fear,
 And what will the idlers do then, poor things?

They'll start to revise
 Until black are their eyes,
 And find that they now know much less, poor things!
 Our old friend, the parson's son,
 Heard the bell, and off did run;
 His dad was there, also the car,
 So in he jumped, and laughed "Ha, ha."
 By Members of the Lower VI.Lit.

The Tassel.

(With apologies to Longfellow).

The shades of night were falling fast,
 As through a Yorkshire village passed,
 A youth who bore, upon his cap,
 A tassel which did wave and flap.
 His brow was sad, that tassel fair
 Caused passers-by to stand and stare;
 It cut him off from fellow-men,
 Who'd never call him "pal" again.
 The tassel was a mark of rank,
 But still the owner's spirits sank.
 A prefect's lot he did not love,
 Since now he must his ways improve.
 He must give lines to other boys,
 Indulging in his own past joys:
 He must no longer break the rule,
 But set the tone for all the school.
 A prefect's lot is not all fun,
 Unpleasant jobs have to be done.
 A tassel may look very fine,
 But not on school-caps to recline!

The Scholar.

The boy sat in the classroom, lone,
 From which his schoolmates all had flown;
 But yet his wish was not to swot,
 O no, a "ditto" he had got.
 In class that day, so sad to say,
 His thoughts had wander'd far away:
 'The master's voice rebuked him,
 "Boy! Your knowledge of Greek is dim."
 Yet later, to this self-same boy,
 His joy in Greek again did cloy,

And when his turn came to construe,
 He could not do it; O 'tis true.
 So now, when all his schoolmates home have gone,
 He translates Homer, from page number one.

P.C.J.B.

Time Tongue Twister.

Time tries triers,
 Tests their talents true,
 Tells them troubles to triumph,
 Tempts their trials to tire too.
 Though tied to time,
 Then 'tis the time, to
 Take time's twirling thongs, then, thine,
 Tie them tightly to thyself.
 Time, through tutelage,
 Thought 'twill tell,
 To them that theorise.
 Then, though time-tied thy task,
 Though tongue-tied thy thought,
 Tell this to Time, "Task thine,
 This task to temper thoroughly."

Will Old Wathonians please note that the Club's Annual Dance will be held in the Pavilion, Wath-on-Dearne, on Friday, January 26th, 1934. Admission 2/6d.

Written Geographically.

Said Sir Peterboro give me a Bedford my Morris Oxford wants Paignton. When we get back from London I will have a drink of Bourneville and I will have some Hampstead of bacon. All morning I shall be Reading the London Times, and later I shall go and see the Newmarket at Rotherham and the Newchapel, the Newchurch, the Newcourt and the Newhall Bridge at Sheffield. At four o'clock I shall be waiting by the Sevenoaks for you to take me to Grimsby to see the New Ferry and the New Haven.

To-morrow the York family are going to Devon and I am going Witham. While I am away you Maston no account leave the house, there is neither spook Norwich at the house of Sir Peter Bradshaw. When we take the new

Cowley for a trial run to Doncaster, remind me to have a new Lincoln the skid chains. When you are driving through my Parkgate do not scrape the Gateside, you must learn to appreciate the Parkmore. Next time you are out buy a new Kirton for the window of the Coventry from Jim Bradford, the man who sold us the Leyland. Do not forget that when I send you for the Fishguard against buying Fleetwood herrings, they are so salty that the Saltburns your mouth. Next time we go to Wath stop in Sandygate so that I may watch the boys playing Rugby. Those are your orders."

Cherchez !

What wonders Science has in store
 For those who would its depths explore;
 Each passing hour brings something new,
 The distant goal is ne'er in view.
 The past we always leave behind,
 And, pressing onwards, bear in mind,
 Though much has been, much is to be,
 Though much has been seen, there is more to see.
 We explore the depths of this earth of ours,
 The animal world and the world of flowers,
 We can tell you the why, the wherefore, the how,
 And when we arrived at what we are now.
 What a glorious life is this we lead!
 Two eyes, our hands, and a brain we need,
 Then who, we cry, shall stop us, who?
 Though much has been done, there is more to do.
 When the world goes wrong, and we get a change,
 Instead of the ordinary, something strange,
 The man in the street, with nothing to do,
 Says, "Whatever is this world coming to?"
 Whatever it is, whate'er it may be,
 The literary man says, "Wait and see,"
 We know better, so we just shout,
 "Don't be afraid to run and find out."
 We follow this path where'er it may wind,
 And this we nearly always find,
 Is sure to lead us to something new,
 The "unknown quantity" we call "mu."
 This motto, in French, we always apply
 If we don't know a word, we don't pass it by;
 Not to understand, is more than we can bear,
 So we say "Cherchez dans le dictionnaire."

A Visit to the "Brontës."

On Thursday, October 16th, forty members of the Sixth Forms took advantage of the Merit-half and accompanied by Miss Deeks, visited the Lyceum Theatre at Sheffield to see a presentation of "The Brontës."

Alfred Sangster, the author of the play, has succeeded in presenting a true description of the home life of the famous sisters at the Rectory at Haworth. The difference in the characters of the three sisters, Charlotte, Emily and Anne was successfully brought out by the players.

Charlotte expresses her determination to create a heroine who will be unusual and yet, who will serve to commemorate her creator. She resents her father's attitude to the talents of her sisters and herself, and the Rector's affection for his erring son.

Throughout her life, Charlotte is rebellious to the tyrannical attitude of her father, yet her character is entirely different from that of the other rebel, Emily. Even to the time of her death, Emily hides her real emotions. She seems devoid of ambition, of sympathy, yet her character is compelling, dominating. Emily, alone, is capable of subduing alike the passion of her dissipated brother and the fury of the dog, Keeper.

Anne, the youngest sister, is gentle and meek. She returns Charlotte's affection for herself and she often strives to reconcile her two elder sisters.

The spirited scene at The Pensionnat Héger was well presented, and the typical excitable, gesticulating Frenchman and his Madamæ were successfully portrayed.

The scene at the publishers was especially interesting, since it introduced Thackeray. Charlotte Brontë showed her understanding of human vanity, when she addressed the publisher as "Rochester."

The close of the play was very effective. All the three sisters had died. Charlotte had not lived long enough to enjoy the small portion of happiness which she had struggled to gain. In spite of his infirmity, the Rev. Patrick Brontë still retained his uncompromising attitude, he was still the "Patriarch" of the family.

We English are Lucky.

Not long ago, a young French beau
 In England came to stay,
 With the English language he did wish
 To make himself "au fait."
 He had a look in many a book
 To learn more English words,
 He found that the past of "take" was "took,"
 And the plural of "bird" was "birds."
 He learnt that the plural of "mouse" was "mice,"
 That the past of "to sit" was "sat,"
 That the plural of "house" was "houses," not "hice,"
 That the past of "to hit" was not "hat."
 But pronunciations were his bane,
 Pronouncing "plough" like "rough,"
 While "daughter" and "laughter" made him think
 That he had had quite enough.
 However, he went to the theatre one day,
 And he had a most fatal surprise:
 "Cavalcade—Pronounced Success!" he read.
 He fell down from the shock, ne'er to rise.
 The moral is plain to be seen:
 Be thankful to your star
 That it's Frenchmen who "apprennent l'anglais"
 While "nous ne le devons pas."
 "Englishman."

A Visit to Madeira, Casablanca and Gibraltar.

Having embarked at Liverpool on the Saturday, we reached Madeira the following Wednesday, and anchored in Funchal Bay at approximately five o'clock in the evening. Almost before the anchor had been dropped, a large flotilla of small boats had approached the side of the ship. In some of these native boys encouraged passengers to throw six-pences into the water in order that they might dive for them. The remainder of the boats contained fruit and other merchandise, which native merchants were endeavouring to sell.

The following morning, at approximately nine-fifteen, we left the boat for the shore. The town itself was exceedingly interesting. We were first conducted round wine and

sugar factories where we were shown the processes of manufacture. Next we visited the Cathedral, the architecture of which is in Arabic style, and where there is a very fine cedar roof inlaid with mother of pearl. The rest of the town was then explored, especial interest being taken in the bull ring. The chief means of conveyance in the town is by means of the bullock carosse, which is a kind of sledge drawn by two bullocks. The cobbled streets of the town, worn smooth by constant friction, render it easier for the vehicles to move if they have runners instead of wheels.

After having thoroughly explored the town, we proceeded to the railway station where we caught the train which ascends the Tereiro da Lucta, the 3300 ft. high mountain at the foot of which Funchal lies. From the top of the mountain a perfect view could be obtained of the town and the bay. After lunch we descended the mountain by wicker sledges, each controlled by two natives. As we had only a short time left, we then returned to the ship.

The following Saturday, at approximately seven o'clock in the morning, we berthed alongside the quay at Casablanca. At nine o'clock we began to explore the city. Casablanca is rapidly becoming a modern city. Everywhere the French are striving to destroy the primitive civilisation of the city and to rebuild Casablanca as a modern city. We passed warehouses, granaries, and huge electric power stations. The centre of the city had wide paved streets, and contained branches of most of the large stores of Paris. This part of the city is served by trackless cars of a most modern type. We were soon to be greeted by a very different picture when we visited the native quarter of the city. Here are narrow streets, evil-smelling houses and shops. Through the open doors of the hovels native women could be seen engaged in weaving cloth by means of primitive looms. Transport in this part of the city is mainly by means of donkeys. Having thus explored both the modern and the ancient parts of Casablanca, we returned to the ship.

Gibraltar was reached at eight o'clock the following day. The chief interest in this town was the visit to the Galleries, which are tunnels blasted out of the solid rock. These tunnels are pierced by numerous embrasures, in which guns were placed during the siege of the town. After the Galleries, we visited the Alameda Gardens, one of the most picturesque gardens in the world, in which there are an abundance of beautiful flowers, pine, and other trees, the statue of General Elliot (the Defender of Gibraltar during the four

years' siege), and the bust of the Duke of Wellington. We next visited the Roman Cathedral, which was originally a Moorish Mosque. The arms of Ferdinand and Isabella granted to Gibraltar can be seen on one of the walls of the Cathedral.

After visiting Main Street, the business and shopping centre of the town, we returned to the ship, which sailed at five o'clock in the afternoon. Gibraltar being our last port of call, we reached Liverpool on the following Thursday.

D. C. WOLLMAN, U.VI., Lit.

Caught.

Oh, Phyllis, fling the window wide,
 Oh, fling the window wide,
 And help me bring the brute across
 And hustle him outside.
 He dared to murmur in my ear,
 He dared to touch my pearls,
 He even dared my neck to kiss,
 And disarrange my curls.
 Oh, Phyllis, fling the window wide.
 Oh, fling the window wide,
 I've caught the spider in a towel,
 Ah, there he goes—outside.

W. PRESTON, Lower VI. Lit.

The Night Terror.

She could not think why she was unable to go to sleep. On coming to bed she had been tired, but now, count sheep as she may, she was more restless than ever. It was true she had not done her English homework, but that did not trouble her. "Sufficient unto the day . . ." She was not fool enough to be troubled by a guilty conscience. She drew up the bankets over her head, and with a sigh again began counting the numberless flock.

What was that moving shape. It seemed to be creeping stealthily—or was it the window curtain wafted by the night breeze? No, it was something advancing towards her. Oh! Heaven! Its hands were lifted, and it stared at her with glazed, unblinking eyes—

"Oh! whence and what art thou, execrable shape?" she cried, flinging out her arms in terror at the sight.

"Thou canst not deceive me," came the low and terrifying response. "Thou hast not learnt thy Milton. I am the Ghost of Homework Left Undone, come to haunt thee until the dawn!"

"Oh, no! oh, no!" she cried. "I mean to do it, but—" She scrambled out of bed in terror. To her relief the Ghost vanished. Would it come back? No—she was awake now. She had been dreaming—and yet if she slept again? She did not know.

She crept downstairs in the dim light of four o'clock in the morning. She recovered from her fright sufficiently to spend at least the allotted half-hour with Milton. Only then did she feel sure that the ghost would not return.

E. BAGNALL.

Lines Written in the Dinner Hour.

The noon was shady and soft airs
 Swept o'er the smooth converted lea,
 When, 'scaped from literary cares,
 I sought a friend to stroll with me.
 Two scholars freed from cloistral care,
 We gazed upon a scene of zeal,
 And watched where busy, debonair,
 A scout collected littered peel.
 Others we saw on purpose bent,
 Deep lost in Virgil's virile verse,
 Which furrowed brows and patience spent
 Would seem to call the student's curse.
 And over by yon stately oak,
 Reclining in its chequered shade,
 The carefree share a merry joke,
 And what care they for lessons staid!
 The noon was shady and soft airs
 Swept o'er the smooth converted lea,
 As strident clanging brought back cares
 And vistas of the toil to be.

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