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EDITORIAL.

IT gives us very great pleasure to have to record a considerable increase in the numbers of the School. Last term there were thirty-four boys; this term the numbers have advanced to forty-two. We sincerely hope that the rate of progress may be maintained, if not increased.

Of the boys who have left, we shall feel more deeply the loss of the two brothers Holmes and Anwyl. Their

places in the School boat and the cricket and football teams will, we are afraid, be hard to supply.

In another place we give an account of the Regatta, Old Boys' Cricket Match and the celebration of Founder's Day. All that we need say here, is that everything passed off most successfully. On the first two days we were favoured with beautiful weather, on the last a heavy shower of rain fell at the most critical time, and somewhat marred the day's enjoyment. The garden party was driven for a time in doors, but after tea the weather fortunately cleared up, and our large gathering of friends, which had filled the School room to overflowing, was enabled to listen to an excellent band in the open air.

We must congratulate the past members of the School on having succeeded in starting an Old Boys' Club. In our

last number we mentioned that such a club had been formed. A general meeting was called for the 3rd of August, to meet after the Old Boys' Cricket Match. This meeting was well attended; W. H. Richardson, the senior Old Boy present, was voted to the chair. After passing the rules adopted by the committee and prolonging the term, during which the committee should hold office, till August, 1894, and electing W. H. Richardson as London Secretary, the meeting proceeded to the consideration of that all important question, the Annual Dinner, without which no institution can continue to exist. The exact date was left for the committee to determine, but there appeared to be a general desire that it should be fixed for some time before Christmas, when money is plentiful and bills are few, before we have to submit to the unwelcome attentions of the butcher and baker and suchlike disturbers of public and private peace. When this all-important question had been settled, the meeting proceeded to the consideration of one almost equally important, viz. what colours would be the most suitable. The ribband chosen, black with a narrow stripe of white and then a broad stripe of cerise on either side, has a double merit, it is pretty and at the same time it retains the School colours. The question of a blazer was more difficult. The committee proposed a black one, trimmed with cerise and white, a useful smoking jacket, and one which they thought would suit the taste of the older members of the club. But the older members seemed far from satisfied; they

proposed a striped blazer, with practically the same arrangement of colours as in the ribband. The advantage of this would be that every one would know an old Abingdonian, when he was coming, even from afar. This matter was ultimately left for the committee to determine. The number of those present at the meeting was twenty-four. The club has, we believe, at the present moment nearly fifty members, a number which considering the short time that has elapsed since the formation of the club, is most satisfactory. We hope that all boys as soon as they leave will join the Club. The subscription for a life member is only a guinea; and that will enable an old boy to keep up his connection with the School for the rest of his life.

FOUNDER'S DAY.

In spite of somewhat inclement weather, the celebration of Founder's Day was on the whole a striking success. A general spirit of cheerfulness and satisfaction prevailed, and the formal and informal remarks uttered on all sides were full of hope of better times, long looked-for but now indeed at hand.

An innovation was made in the course of proceedings, the opening Service being held in the afternoon instead of the morning. The congregation compared favourably in point of numbers with those of former years, and the Service was hearty and well-conducted. The Head-Master intoned the Service, and the lessons were read by the Vicar.

The choir as usual was composed of past and present Abingdonians, their singing producing very favourable comments. The preacher was an old friend, the Rev. Cresswell Strange, whose Sermon was earnest, scholarly and appropriate.

An adjournment was made to the Schoolroom where a large and fashionable company assembled to witness the distribution of prizes. The Mayor (Mr. E. Morland), himself an old boy, took the chair. His introductory remarks embodied what were the sentiments of all present. This Founder's Day was an epoch of more than ordinary importance. The School with its many advantages has been passing through a stage of depression. No efforts, no good wishes, could be adequate when the material to work upon was wanting. But now there are good grounds for hope that brighter days are dawning. The merits and abilities of Mr. Layng have been well tried in other spheres, whence he comes with good reports, while during the short time he has been at the head of affairs at Abingdon he has shown that those reports were well-founded. He has shown himself well worthy of support, and, we are glad to say, signs of support have been plentiful. As the Mayor remarked strenuous and harmonious support from outside is essential to success, so that there seems every ground for mutual congratulations and hopefulness.

After reciting the honours gained during the past year, which have been noticed from time to time in these

columns, the Head-Master read the report of the Examiner (the Rev Lonsdale Ragg, M.A. of Christ Church, Oxford) who was unavoidably absent. The report was candid but satisfactory, and though bringing to light nothing of striking brilliance testified to the all-round soundness and promising nature of the School work. The staff may be congratulated on this, and also on the commendation accorded by the Examiner to the tone of the School. A creditable report was also given of the drill by Capt. G. H. Morland (1st V.B. Royal Berks Regiment). The Prize List is appended below.

Brief proposals of votes of thanks followed the speeches, all breathing encouragement and hope.

Suggestions were made that the custom of "speeches" should be revived. Such a custom is in force in most schools, and may well be commended as adding dignity to the proceedings, and being of no small educational value.

The company, before dispersing, was entertained by the Head Master and Miss Layng "at home." The string band of the 1st. V.B. Oxfordshire Light Infantry gave a charming selection of music. Some rain fell, but not sufficient to damp the pervading cheerfulness, and the Summer Term of 1893 came to a pleasant end.

The following are the names of the prize winners:—

CLASSICS—Form vi., J. H. E. Morland. Form v., A. W. Morland. Form iv., S. Brown.

GENERAL SUBJECTS.—Form iii., A. B. Collingwood. Junior Department, upper division, G. Winship; lower division, O. Couldrey.

MATHEMATICS.—Forms vi. and v., J. H. E. Morland. Forms iv. and iii., H. Graham. Junior Department, H. W. Anwyl.

FRENCH.—Forms vi. and iv., J. H. E. Morland. Juniors, A. B. Collingwood.

DIVINITY and English.—Forms vi. and v., J. H. E. Morland. Forms iv. and iii., C. Powell.

SCIENCE.—M. G. Hannay.

GERMAN.—W. O. Holmes.

DRAWING.—P. A. Holmes.

In addition to these prizes for school work, a bat for the best batting average was awarded P. A. Holmes, and a ball to W. O. Holmes for the best bowling analysis. All the prize-takers were loudly applauded. It was announced that the donors of prizes were the Mayor, the Recorder, Mr. Wroughton, M.P., the Vicar, the Master of Pembroke, Alderman J. T. Morland, Mr. J. C. Clarke, Mr. J. Heber Clarke, Mr. E. H. Bartlett, Mr. Herbert Young, and the masters of the school.

CRICKET.

June 17th. A.S.C.C. v. St. John's School. St. John's batted first and made 81 of which Wood made top score with 16. On going in to bat, the School made the very poor score of 22, Anwyl making 11 was the only one to reach double figures. H. Lovett took 4 wickets for 9 runs, and P. A. Holmes the same number for 32.

June 21st. A.S.C.C. v. St. Kenelm's College C.C. In this return match the School made better scores than in the first, but in spite of this we lost the match by an innings and 36 runs. In our first innings we made 39, A. W. Morland contributing 13, and in our second innings we made 53, Shopland leading with 14. St. Kenelm's made 130 of which S. Johnson made 31.

June 28th. A.S.C.C. v. Blewbury C.C. The School won this match by 40 runs, Rev. T. Layng and H. Anwyl made useful scores of 30 and 19. In the first innings V. Sladen took 5 wickets for 18 runs, and in the second Hannay took 4 at the cost of 1 run each.

BLEWBURY C.C.

1st Innings.

Rev. W. Baker b Sladen	4	W. Baker c Milman b P. Holmes	0
Napper c & b P. Holmes	1	Gill b Sladen	1
Humphrey c Anwyl b Sladen	1	Robinson run out	4
Kirby c Morland b P. Holmes	0	Smith run out	4
Pottinger not out	28	B. 5	5
Sims c Hannay b Sladen	0		
Greenough b Sladen	0		
		Total	48

2nd Innings.

Rev. W. Baker absent	0	W. Baker run out	1
Napper c & b P. Holmes	9	Gill b Hannay	0
Humphrey b Hannay	11	Robinson b Hannay	3
Kirkby b Sladen	8	Smith not out	0
Pottinger c Milman b P. Holmes	11	B. 4 W. 2	6
Sims b Hannay	0		
Greenough c Sladen b W. Holmes	3	Total	52

A.S.C.C.

V. Sladen b Greenough	1	N. Shepherd l b w b Sims	0
P. Holmes c Napper b Greenough	2	H. Anwyl b Greenough	19
Rev. T. Layng b Rev. W. Baker	30	M. Hannay not out	7
H. Milman b Greenough	0	S. Midwinter run out	7
W. Holmes b Greenough	9	B. 9	9
A. Morland c Humphrey b Greenough	4		
H. Shopland b Sims	0	Total	88

July 1st. A.S.C.C. v. Magdalen College School. In this match the School lost by 37 runs. We made a better score in the second innings. The most successful bowler was P. A. Holmes who took in all 10 wickets for 43 runs. Hannay's 6 cost 29 runs.

1st Innings.

Harcourt b P. Holmes	10
Anketell b P. Holmes	0
Barnes c & b Hannay	11
Parham c Shopland b Hannay	10
Roberts b P. Holmes	1
Carter b Hannay	1
Dene b P. Holmes	0
Dundas c & b Hannay	1
Sheldon b Hannay	3
Hickey not out	4
Alexander c Shopland b Hannay	4
B. 9 L.B. 3 W. 2	14

Total 59

2nd Innings.

c Shepherd b P. Holmes	19
l b w b P. Holmes	3
b P. Holmes	2
c & b W. Holmes	0
c P. Holmes b W. Holmes	10
c Hannay b P. Holmes	4
Not out	0
b W. Holmes	6
b P. Holmes	1
b P. Holmes	6
Run out	8
B. 9 No balls 1	10

Total 69

A.S.C.C. 1st Innings.

P. Holmes b Carter	3	Lay c Harcourt b Anketell	0
A. Morland b Anketell	1	H. Shopland b Carter	4
W. Holmes b Anketell	4	S. Widwinter not out	2
M. Hannay b Carter	0	G. Winship c Parham b Carter	0
H. Anwyl b Anketell	0	B. 4	4
N. Shepherd c & b Anketell	1		
H. Graham b Carter	3	Total	22

2nd Innings.

P. Holmes c Harcourt b Parham	6	Lay not out	8
A. Morland run out	10	H. Shopland b Anketell	0
W. Holmes b Roberts	14	S. Midwinter not out	3
M. Hannay c Carter b Roberts	0	G. Winship did not bat	
H. Anwyl c Roberts b Parham	10	B. 10	10
N. Shepherd b Anketell	5		
H. Graham l b w Anketell	9		
		Total (8 wickets)	75

A.S.C.C. v. Abingdon 2nd XI. The School made a better show in this match than in the first one with the Town. V. Sladen, H. Milman, and Shopland reached double figures. W. Holmes bowled well. Scores :

A.S.C.C.

P. Holmes, b Glanville	6	H. Shopland, b Eagle	10
V. Sladen, c Kirkby, b Glanville	35	H. W. Anwyl, b Glanville	4
Rev. T. Layng, c Eagle, b Pryce	1	H. Lovett, not out	2
H. Milman, c Kirkby, b Eagle	16	S. Midwinter, b Eagle	0
W. Holmes, b Eagle	0	B. 9 L.B. 8	17
W. Morland, b Eagle	0		
N. Shepherd, b Eagle	0	Total	91

Abingdon 2nd XI.

Kirkby b Sladen	14	Pryce b W. Holmes	5
Septoe b Sladen	8	Buckle b W. Holmes	0
Hyde c Sladen b W. Holmes	3	Innes b W. Holmes	0
P. Morland c Aywyl b Sladen	13	Hunking not out	2
Eagle b Sladen	36	B. 16 L.B. 4	20
Gillet c Midwinter b P Holmes	9		
Glanville c Layng b Midwinter	34	Total	144

July 12th. A.S.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Abingdon Juniors. This was an easy win for the School; Midwinter contributed 35, and Graham and Lovett 13 each. When the score reached 100 for 6 wickets, we declared our innings closed. In their first Innings the Juniors made 16, of which Simmonds made 8, and following on they made 21. Hannay took 6 wickets for 7 runs.

July 15th. A.S.C.C. v. Thame Grammar School. The School made a better match of it than they did a month earlier. Thame won the toss, and going in first, only succeeded in making 60 runs, of which Corbett contributed 34. Abingdon responded with 45, of which Morland made 11, and Anwyl, who was only in a few overs, 18. In the 2nd innings, however, Thame, by scoring 117, put themselves well ahead, whilst Abingdon made one less than in their first innings. Hannay contributed 24, and W. O. Holmes, 10, but of the rest five failed to score. In the first innings Holmes and Lovett bowled well.

PAST v. PRESENT.

This annual match was played on Wednesday, August 2nd, before an attendance of parents and friends that showed a considerable increase on that of former years. Splendid weather favoured the match, which produced some good cricket, and resulted in favour of the Old Boys by 24 runs on the first innings, a result in some measure due to the missing of several catches by the school fieldsmen.

The past took first innings, commencing with W. T. Morland and P. J. Martin, to the bowling of P. A. and W. O. Holmes. Off the very first ball Morland was missed at long slip, a mistake which proved somewhat costly. Martin gave little trouble, and was followed by A. B. Morland, who was not dismissed until 42 runs had been added, being then bowled by Hannay. H. Challenor next came in, but soon lost Morland, who was caught by Shepherd.

The next feature of interest was a smart catch at point by A. W. Morland, which got rid of Challenor. The rest of the innings was for the most uneventful, the only point worthy of notice being a catch by the captain at long-field-on, and a little before one o'clock the last man was run out.—Total 91.

A. W. Morland and P. A. Holmes then opened the School innings, Mallam and Pryce bowling. Morland did not stay long, and Holmes was given out stumped, but recalled, of which he took full advantage, afterwards scoring 24. At luncheon time the brothers Holmes were together with the score at 29 for two wickets.

After lunch, the School XI and Four were photographed, and the match was then continued.

The first ball, after resuming, saw the captain dismissed, and upon the arrival of Shepherd the play became extremely slow, that batsman seeming very little inclined to run. With the score at 50, P. A. Holmes was caught in the long field, and soon after Shopland was run out in attempting an impossible run. Shepherd was at last out l.b.w., the 8th, 9th, and 10th wickets all falling at the same total, and the whole side was out for 67.

When the past commenced their second innings, the batsmen (W. T. Morland and Challenor) did just as they pleased with the bowling, and abandoned all caution. At last, when the score was at 53, Morland was caught, and Challenor retired for a freely hit 34. Very few of the side seemed to find much to trouble them in the bowling, and the innings realised 114.

After the teams had partaken of tea, the Present started their second venture, but did not fare quite so well, and the score, at the call of time, being 21 for the loss of three wickets.—Scores :

Past 1st. Innings.

P. J. Martin c and b W. Holmes	1	P. H. Morland, not out	4
W. T. Morland, c Shepherd, b Hannay	24	N. G. Powell, b Hannay	0
A. B. Morland, b Hannay	18	E. F. Shepherd, b Lovett	0
H. Challenor, c Morland, b P. Holmes	4	J. Townsend, run out	2
H. E. Mallam, c W. Holmes, b Hannay	14	Extras	12
F. H. Pryce, b Lovett	4		—
F. J. Robinsón, b Hannay	6	Total	91

Past 2nd. Innings.

P. J. Martin, c Shopland, b P. Holmes	2	P. H. Morland, c W. Holmes, b P. Holmes	16
W. T. Morland, c Morland, b W. Holmes	17	N. G. Powell, not out	7
A. B. Morland, b Lovett	3	E. F. Shepherd, b Lovett	1
H. Challenor, retired	34	J. Townsend, c Anwyl, b Lovett	3
H. E. Mallam, c Morland, b P. Holmes	22	Extras	9
F. H. Pryce, b P. Holmes	0		
F. J. Robinson, c and b P. Holmes	0	Total	114

Present 1st.

A. W. Morland, c and b P. Holmes	1
P. A. Holmes, c P. Morland, b W. Holmes	24
M. Hannay, b Mallam	8
W. O. Holmes, b W. Morland	7
H. W. Anwyl, c Martin, b Mallam	1
N. P. Shepherd, l.b.w., b W. T. Morland	14
H. Shopland, run out	4
H. J. Lovett, b W. Morland	0
S. B. Midwinter, b A. B. Morland	0
H. F. Graham, st. Challenor, b W. Morland	0
W. Lay, not out	0
Extras	8
Total	67

Present 2nd

A. W. Morland, c and b Mallam	5
P. A. Holmes, not out	3
M. Hannay, b Mallam	1
W. O. Holmes, b Challenor	2
S. B. Midwinter, not out	6
Extras	4
Total (3 wks.)	21

Of the School batsmen may be mentioned P. A. Holmes (24), and N. P. Shepherd (14); of the past (1st. innings), W. T. Morland (24), A. B. Morland (18), H. E. Mallam (14); 2nd innings, W. Morland (17), Challenor (34), Mallam (22), and P. H. Morland (16).

REVIEW OF THE CRICKET SEASON.

It may seem somewhat paradoxical at the close of a season, in which defeats largely out-numbered victories, to describe the general result as hopeful and encouraging. But we are bold enough to apply these epithets to the past cricket term. There were, beyond doubt, serious breakdowns in batting. The bowling was often insufficient to cope with the players opposed to it. Smartness and accuracy of fielding were

even more markedly deficient. But still, though this is all too true, we think that the standard of cricket throughout the school, as a whole, was distinctly higher at the end of the season than it was at the beginning. The juniors net was well attended, and the practice there should bear fruit in future years.

The main difficulty, against which all had to contend, was the bad state of the ground. For this the early drought, which rendered spring-rolling futile, was largely responsible. The Old Boys'

match, in which alone we played after practice upon a slower and more true wicket, gave evidence of considerably improved form, and this seems to point to much higher possibilities, if the eleven could have enjoyed longer the more favourable conditions. Upon individual performances we have but few remarks to offer. P. A. Holmes proved himself to be much the most valuable member of the team, and gives promise of developing into a cricketer of more than ordinary ability. Anwyl's hitting was powerful, and opportune if not very orthodox in character. W. O. Holmes improved greatly in bowling as the season advanced, and won the average ball. Hannay, though new to the game, developed into a useful fast bowler, and played, at least, one good innings. Midwinter was perhaps the most improving cricketer in the team. He and A. W. Morland and Lovett should all do good things next year. The best fielding was shown by P. A. Holmes, Midwinter and Lay.

In conclusion, we would say that a little more heart and practice when batting, and an increase of smartness and energy in the field, should combine to bring about a more satisfactory record next season. Perhaps we might ask too for a little more good fortune, for luck was on more than one occasion somewhat hard upon us. There is no reason why Abingdon boys should not play cricket with as much spirit and enthusiasm as they have hitherto thrown into football, and the tradition that cricket should always be of a lower

standard in the school than its winter rival may well decline henceforth. For the games are of equal importance, and of equal worth, and call for very similar qualities in their adherents: and foremost among these qualities are patience, unselfishness, courage, and the power of acting with others.

CHARACTERISTICS OF CRICKET XI.

W. O. Holmes (capt.). The most successful bowler in the team; sometimes, however, he sacrifices accuracy to pace. Unreliable in the field, dropping several catches. Moderate bat.

P. A. Holmes. Decidedly the best bat of the eleven, sometimes making very fair scores. Useful bowler and good field; but in no department has he improved so much as was hoped upon last year's form.

A. W. Morland. A promising batsman, but is much too fond of one stroke, and seems to imagine that he has collared the bowling if he makes a few runs. A smart field at point or mid-off.

N. P. Shepherd. A fair field at cover-point. Steady and persevering as a batsman, but very slow in running, and has a way of getting his leg in front of the stumps.

H. Shopland. An uncertain bat, and not particularly brilliant in the field. Should learn to keep his bat straight, and judge the ball better.

M. Hannay. Shows considerable promise all round, especially as he has not played much before this year. Has

bowled with fair success throughout the season ; not at all bad in the field.

H. W. Anwyl. Seems to consider fielding hardly worth the trouble, though he has improved a little towards the end of the season. As a bat, he goes in for slogging pure and simple, but has at last learnt to hold his bat correctly.

H. G. Lovett. A promising left-handed bat, particularly strong on the leg side. A very useful bowler, though he sometimes over-bowls himself. A moderate fieldsman.

H. F. Graham. Plays with a straight bat and has a good style, but has not been very successful. Rather variable in the field, where he is inclined to be somnolent.

S. B. Midwinter. A smart wicket-keeper or back-stop, taking the ball with confidence. A left-handed batsman, with a promising style.

W. Lay. A very promising young bat ; also fields well at long leg or long off, though he cannot judge a dropping ball. Throws in smartly and straight.

The brothers Holmes, Morland, Shepherd, and Shopland were in last year's eleven.

PROSPECTS OF THE FOOTBALL SEASON.

All things considered, our XI this season, with plenty of practice, should do pretty well. Of course we cannot expect to be able, at the close of the season, to look back upon an unbroken series of victories, but at the same time

we shall be greatly surprised if the series is one of defeats.

We shall experience considerable difficulty in finding worthy successors to those of last year's eleven who have left us. Of these, the two we shall miss most are W. T. Morland, the late captain (half-back), and H. W. Anwyl (back), the latter of whom is indeed a heavy loss.

The other absentees are the two Holmes' and Batten (forwards), and S. Forster (goal). Perhaps the most useful of these was the younger Holmes, and we are all extremely sorry to lose him.

To proceed to those old cerises that remain, so far they have not been playing quite up to last year's form ; this, however, may be due to want of practice, and it is to be hoped that this is the case.

Shepherd, who has been elected to the vacant post of captain, and Morland should both prove very useful at half-back ; Lovett and Brown, though small, are active and tricky forwards, whilst Shopland, in the few scratch games we have played, has been a good deal more active and energetic than was his wont in former times.

With regard to the new boys, there is evidently among them good material in considerable quantities. Greenwood, and the elder Deacon, have evidently played before, and play a good game ; Hannay and Noble are keen and with cultivation should make very fair players. No one else amongst either freshmen or seniors calls for special mention.

What we want is not too many matches, but plenty of scratch games and picks-up, in which every boy has a chance of playing. This would afford the team the practice they need, and would also give the smaller boys abundant opportunities of getting a game, for there are several youngsters who are keen on playing, and show that they will make very useful players in the course of a season or two.

One great thing there is that every boy would do well to attend to, and that is to pass sooner and oftener. A selfish player almost always loses the ball, whilst by passing from side to side he can run the ball right up the field. This applies as well to half-backs, and even backs, as to the forwards, and we advise all to pass often, pass soon, and pass straight.

THE REGATTA.

The Regatta was the first of the three days' festivities, with which the term was brought to a close. In every way, financially as well as otherwise we have a success to record,—a success which was due in a great measure to the assistance of Old Boys; and we here take the opportunity of thanking them for their active interest, our thanks being especially due to H. G. W. d'Almaine, who entertained every one most hospitably, and to Mrs. d'Almaine, who kindly consented to give away the prizes. We were favoured with a fine day and a large concourse of spectators. The programme too was interesting; for the

numerous sculling and pair-oared races of last year the Committee substituted, with a view to winning popular applause a canoe race and a water tournament. The most important event of the day was of course the Old Boys' Race. The course was from the end of Culham Reach to the willows. The present with a trifle the best of the boats gained an easy victory. They led from start to finish; in the last hundred yards though they had the race well in hand, they spurted and drawing away won by at least half a dozen lengths. As far as style goes, they are perhaps hardly the finished crew of last year. Anwyl showed that he had not fallen off from last year's form; Hannay is strong and willing, and considering the little experience he has had, shows great promise. W. Holmes worked very hard, whilst his brother is, though not strong, a very neat oar.

The names of the crews are:—

PAST.

PRESENT.

P. H. Morland (bow)	P. A. Holmes (bow)
E. F. Shepherd (2)	W. O. Holmes (2)
F. J. Robinson (3)	M. Hannay (3)
W. T. Morland (st.)	H. W. Anwyl (st.)
A. B. Morland (cox)	A. W. Morland (cox)

From want of space we are precluded from giving a full account of each event. Here we can give only the names of the winners, with a brief notice of the most important events:

School Sculls. H. W. Anwyl.

The preliminary heats were rowed off on the previous day, and occasioned in more than one instance, a good deal of amusement; one or two of those who

entered had never been in a light boat before, and found, rather to their surprise, as it seemed, that it was, easier to turn over than row over. Anwyl was so far the best, that in the final his opponent scratched; in the row over, as in the heats, he showed that he was a powerful as well as a neat sculler.

Water Tournament, P. A. Holmes.

Scratch Fours, M. G. Hannay (bow); H. W. Anwyl (2); H. S. Challenor (3); H. A. d'Almaine (st.); C. Griffith (cox.)

Of the four crews that entered, the winners and E. Shepherd's crew which consisted of N. P. Shepherd, W. O. Holmes, P. A. Holmes, E. F. Shepherd, A. W. Morland (cox.); were decidedly the strongest. The final in which they rowed against one other was a most exciting race; a couple of feet was all that separated the boats when they passed the winning post.

Swimming Race (under 15) B. Challenor; (open) P. A. Holmes.

The open race, by the kind permission of J. T. Morland, Esq., was held on the next day in the bath in his grounds. Holmes swam well, and gained an easy victory.

After the Regatta there was an illuminated procession of boats, in which every one was invited to join. A large number was good enough to do so; and though rain began to fall before the procession started, little harm was done, except that the lights in our own punt were extinguished, and we rowed home unnoticed in the dark.

SCHOOL NOTES.

We sincerely regret the loss of V. H. Sladen, Esq. who was for the last two terms Mathematical Master in the school. We shall miss him much, especially on the football field, where his assistance would have been invaluable.

Just before the end of last term, Captain G. H. Morland reviewed the school squad. No public notice of the review had been given, and consequently not many spectators were present, but those who were, saw a very creditable performance, as the report, which was read on Founder's Day, testifies.

The following boys have left the school: W. O. Holmes, P. A. Holmes, H. W. Anwyl, and H. F. Graham. Anwyl is, we believe, learning to farm, and Graham has gone to Oundle. We give a list of the new boys who have joined the school this term, and the forms in which they have been placed: Fourth form, P. L. Deacon, S. C. Greenwood; Third form, J. W. Montgomery; Commercial class, T. S. Collins, E. S. Coxeter; Juniors, (first division), C. L. Coxeter, G. S. Deacon, S. B. King, and H. A. Taylor; Juniors, (second division), N. B. Challenor, H. V. McCreery, and H. J. A. Payne.

The officers appointed this term for the drill squad are J. H. E. Morland, captain; A. W. Morland, M. Hannay, guides; G. Brown and N. P. Shepherd, markers.

At a meeting held at the beginning of the term, the following officers were elected: N. P. Shepherd, captain of football, J. H. E. Morland, secretary, and A. W. Morland, treasurer. These three, with Mr. Layng as chairman, form the games committee for this term.

The Editorial committee consists of R. Prowde (chairman), J. H. E. Morland, captain of the school (secretary), N. P. Shepherd, and M. Hannay.

We have to congratulate A. W. Morland and H. Shopland on having successfully passed the Oxford Junior Local Examinations. Morland took a third class, and he gained besides distinction in Greek, in which subject he was awarded the 21st place.

We regret exceedingly the delay in sending out our last number, and hope that our subscribers will have no future ground for complaint.