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EDITORIAL.

ON re-assembling after the Xmas holidays we found that there had again been a substantial increase in the numbers of the School; in fact we believe that we are right in saying that they have reached a higher point than has been attained during the last twelve

years. For a number of terms past we have had to record an addition to our numbers; but never has the increase been so marked as at the commencement of this year, and we are justified in drawing therefrom the happiest omens for the future.

The Easter term generally so quiet, has been this year rendered remarkable by Floods, Frost and Influenza. Misfortunes, we are told, never come singly; but to quote another proverb, it is an ill wind that blows nobody any good, and though to the floods, which our high position enabled us to escape, and to the Influenza, about which we write feelingly, there are no counterbalancing advantages; yet the frost while it put a stop to football, provided some passably good skating to take its place. After the frost which lasted for three weeks, football was resumed; but the ground

for a long time was in a terrible condition, for the thaw was slow and nearly every night the frost returned.

In the few matches played the School team showed up well, and we have no hesitation in saying that they have in them the making of a good team. The football season has been wound up as usual by Scratch Sixes, an account of which, together with the other matches, will be found elsewhere. Writing of football reminds us of a paragraph that we saw the other day in a newspaper about the game as played in America, which shows that football is not equally suited to every nation and every temperament. It appears that all Inter-University football has been forbidden on account of the crippled state of the teams after a representative match; the authorities have come to the conclusion that it is Thuggery pure and simple, and the Thugs it will be remembered, are or rather were—for they were not appreciated,—a sect in India, who evinced their devotion to their goddess by killing anyone, whom they might be fortunate enough to meet with, and whose piety was gauged by the number of the murders they had committed. Of the possibilities of Rugby Football, an American critic thought that we in England were unaccountably ignorant.

The School seems to be acquiring quite a musical tone. When this magazine was first started, a concert was about the last thing we ever hoped to chronicle. Except the mutilated air of a popular song, nothing in the nature

of music had been ever heard within the walls of the School, since the days of an enthusiast who hired a 'cello to practise on. His efforts however were not kindly received, and what might have been a musical renaissance was prematurely nipped in the bud. A change however in the right direction was made, when over a year ago a permanent musical master was appointed. Since that time there has been a steady advance. Starting with a Ballad Concert, which made it evident that among the younger boys there was more than an average quantity of good material, we have gradually progressed until at the end of last term a Sacred Oratorio was performed, which was really well and tastefully rendered by the School Choir. An account of this Concert, and an impromptu one which followed, will be found elsewhere; we cannot however miss the opportunity of heartily thanking those friends who by their aid so largely contributed to the success of our two entertainments.

RETROSPECT OF THE FOOTBALL SEASON.

This season has been one of extraordinary success, especially the Christmas term, in which only one match was lost, viz.: Abingdon "A" team, and three drawn, viz.: Old Abingdonians, H. E. Mallam's XI. and the Factory F.C. The teams which we defeated included Lincoln and Pembroke Colleges, Thame School, Oxford High School and St. John's School, Oxford.

The season began in a very encouraging manner, when Thame School were defeated by 9-2. The good form shown by the School team then was maintained throughout the term. The team from the Town, which beat us by 3 goals to 1, was a strong one, and besides the weather was terrible and forbade all scientific play. Another match, that with Lincoln College, was also marred by bad weather, such a dense fog prevailing, that one could not see the players a few yards off.

At the end of the Christmas term the team sustained a sad blow on the leaving of their energetic and successful captain, N. P. Shepherd. It was to him that the School owed most of their success. On the field he was all that could be desired, himself doing the work of two or three ordinary men. His work as a captain, also, was beyond reproach.

A. W. Morland was appointed to succeed him. The first match under the new management, was against St. Catharine's. In this match Mr. Izard made his first appearance for us and rendered us valuable help. The game was a capital one, although we suffered defeat by 2 goals to one. After this there were several weeks of enforced idleness, owing to the frost; when it broke up we were able to defeat Pembroke by six goals to love. The last match was against Reading School, who only beat us by one point; last year, it will be remembered, they won by considerably more.

With regard to individual players, Shepherd of course was the mainstay of the side; besides him Hannay was very useful at back, Powell has the making of an excellent half, in spite of his slowness. Deacon and Brown played capitally on the right wing, Lovett was useful in the centre, and during the first term Lay did some excellent work.

And now we must take this opportunity to thank those of the masters who rendered us such valuable help in the club matches, both by their play and also by their useful advice.

A. W. M.

FOOTBALL.

On Dec. 5th, we journeyed to Oxford to play our return match with St. John's School. Our team was without Shepherd and Lovett, (both away at examinations) and this made the game more even. The score, however, of 2 goals to 1 does not give a true idea of the game, as we had considerably the best of the play.

Dec. 15th, v. the Factory F.C. In this match Messrs. Orpwood & Cousins could neither help us. The School team never played in their true form, throughout the whole match, which resulted in a draw, neither side scoring.

Dec. 19th. Past v. Present. The Old Boys came with a fairly strong team, whilst we were without Challenor, absent through illness, and a capital game resulted. During the first half the game was very even, the only point being scored by Lay who headed the

ball through off Brown, an appeal for "off-side" being disallowed. In the second half the Old Boys' forwards broke through the School defence and P. Morland notched a goal. No other point being made the result was a tie of one goal all. Teams. School:—H. Morland (goal) M. G. Hannay and F. L. Dunlop (backs) A. W. Morland, N. P. Shepherd and W. R. Powell (half backs) P. L. Deacon, G. Brown (right wing), H. G. Lovett (centre) W. R. Noble and W. F. Lay (left wing). Old Abingdonians—W. Morland (goal), H. E. Mallam and G. Winship (backs) A. Shepherd, R. G. Brown, F. Robinson (half backs) P. H. Morland, S. Greenwood (right wing) F. H. Pryce (centre) H. Shopland, C. Powell (left wing).

Jan 26th, v. St. Catharine's, Oxford. This term we were obliged to do without Shepherd, our Captain, who was indefatigable at half back. St. Catharine's brought over a strongish team and returned victorious by 2 goals to one.

Feb. 27th. Pembroke College came over to play a return match; this being the first match since the long frost, the ground was very soft and consequently the game was rather slow. Mr. Orpwood and Lovett were both on the sick list, but we had matters all our own way, and greatly owing to the efforts of Mr. Izard as centre forward, won by six goals to none.

March 2nd. v. Reading School. This was the only match with Reading this season, the first being scratched owing to the frost. Reading were

without two or three of their best men, and we were without our goalkeeper. The ground was very soft. The School team seemed to have lost all its smartness and the passing was rather wild. A pleasant game ended in our defeat by 5 to 4.

THE SIXES.

This year the sixes were not so even as usual; Lovett's six carried all before them.

The first match was between Lovett's team, (Lovett, Mr. Orpwood, Aldwinckle I, Gale I, Gale II, Payne II), and Morland's team, (Morland, Coxeter I, Fruin, Chesterman, Rogers, McCreery). Lovett had everything his own way and won by 13 to 3.

Hannay v. Challenor. Challenor's team proved considerably better and won by 4 to 3. Teams—Hannay, Challenor III, Coxeter II, King, Englebach, Aldwinckle II. Challenor, Mr. Izard, Eagle II, Russell, Drewe, Challenor II.

The other six teams had byes.

Noble v. Powell. Noble's team were much smarter and won by 5 to 1. Teams, Noble, Mr. Wilson, Pryce, Saxby, Iles I, Graham. Powell, Montgomery, Shepherd, Couldrey, Hewer, Aldwinckle III.

Lovett v. Deacon. Lovett won by 13 to 1. Deacon's team consisted of Deacon, Griffith, Caudwell, Deacon II, McCreery, Lord II.

Challenor v. Dunlop. Challenor was without Mr. Izard who injured his back in the former game, but won by 6 to 1.

Dunlop's team—Dunlop, Baker, Johnson, Martin, Bradfield, Daly.

Brown v. Greenwood. Brown carried all before him and scored 12 goals to 1. Teams—Brown, Mr. Cousins, Taylor I, Winship, Townsend III, Lawrence. Greenwood, Payne I, Brown II, Lodge, Poole, Taylor II.

Semi-finals. Lovett v. Challenor. This was another very uneven game, Lovett winning by 9 to 1.

Brown v. Noble. This was the most even match of all, both sides played well, the score at half-time being 2 to 1 in favour of Brown. In the second half Noble's side put on 3 goals to 1, and won by 4 to 3.

The final between Lovett and Noble was played on Friday 22nd. The game was very rough throughout. In the first half Lovett scored the only point. In the second half Lovett's team, who lasted better than their opponents added 5 more, and won by 6 to 1.

LIST OF MATCHES.

Played, 14; Won, 8; Drawn, 3; Lost, 3.

Date.	Opponents.	Gr'nd.	Goals.	
			For.	Ag.
Oct. 24	Thame School ..	Home	9	2
„ 31	Oxford High School ..	Home	8	2
Nov. 3	Mr. H. E. Mallam's XI.	Home	1	1
„ 7	Abingdon 2nd XI. ..	Home	1	3
„ 10	Pembroke College ..	Home	5	3
„ 21	St. John's School, Oxford	Home	7	0
„ 24	Oxford Temperance ..	Home	7	0
Dec. 1	Lincoln College ..	Home	3	2
„ 5	St. John's School, Oxford	Away	2	1
„ 15	Factory F.C. ..	Home	0	0
„ 19	Old Abingdonians ..	Home	1	1
Jan. 26	St. Catharine's ..	Home	1	2
Feb. 27	Pembroke College ..	Home	6	0
Mar. 2	Reading School ..	Home	4	5

CHARACTERS OF FOOTBALL XI.

J. H. E. Morland. A good goalkeeper, when in form. Though at times uncertain, he can generally be safely relied upon.

M. G. Hannay (back). Did not play much till late in the season, on account of a bad ankle, but soon recovered his last year's form. He should learn to combine more with his fellow back.

B. Challenor (back). Has, to a certain extent, got over his nervousness, though it is still apparent at times. Has improved in kicking but is still uncertain.

A. W. Morland (half-back). In the latter part of the season could safely be relied on, but should learn to play and pass to his own forwards more.

N. P. Shepherd (capt.) (half-back). If only he was a little faster, he would be all that could be desired. His tackling and attacking are both superb. He has captained the team with great success.

W. R. Powell (half-back). A plucky half-back, though very slow. He improved as the season advanced. He passes well but cannot kick corners. Should make a very useful player.

H. G. Lovett (centre forward). A good centre who has been of very great service to the eleven: is inclined to get out of his place and might with advantage pass sooner. Shoots well.

W. R. Noble (outside left). A very hard-working player, though his centres are uncertain and he is inclined to keep the ball too long.

W. F. Lay (inside left). Has greatly improved on last year's form. He passes with judgment, and is a good shot at goal.

G. Brown (inside right). A hard-working forward, plays well with Deacon on the right, his passing and rushing both being very noticeable. He is also very smart in getting on the ball, more so than any other member of the team.

P. L. Deacon (outside right). Plays extremely well for one so young and small. Though he is inclined to hesitate, his passing is very neat. He should try to centre harder. With more experience he should become very good.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Sports on Wednesday, April 3rd went off very successfully, in spite of in one or two cases a falling off from last year's form. To their success the weather largely contributed, which, though still dull and cold, was a distinct improvement on the experiences of the last week or so. And considering how much havoc influenza and kindred ills have wrought of late, the performances all round were highly satisfactory.

The only alterations made in the programme were the insertion of another Junior Hundred Yards Race (under 11), and making the Consolation a Sack Race instead of a Tripod. The 220 Yards, last year under 12, was this year under 13. The same system was followed of previously weeding out some

of the too numerous entries in such events as the jumps, &c. The programme was therefore got through promptly, and was not protracted to a tedious length by any delay between the various events.

The Committee of Stewards was composed as follows:—Chairman, Rev. T. Layng; ex-officio, A. W. Morland, H. Morland, G. Brown, M. G. Hannay; elected, F. L. Dunlop, B. Challenor, W. R. Noble, M. H. Daly. The other officials were C. W. Cousins, Esq., Starter; W. F. Watson, Esq. and H. C. Izard, Esq., Judges; H. C. Orpwood, Esq., Referee; and W. M. Wilson, Esq., Timekeeper.

Details are given below:

I.—Long Jump (under 15). First Prize presented by J. W. Anwyl, Esq.—A. T. J. McCreery, 14ft. 8in. 1st; C. A., W. Payne, 14ft., 2nd.

II.—Long Jump (open). First Prize presented by R. Prowde, Esq.—W. R. Noble, 16ft. 1in., 1st; A. W. Morland, 15ft. 6in., 2nd. This was a poor performance. Morland took second last year with 16ft. 11in. Hannay, who won last year, could not jump owing to an unsafe ankle.

III.—Quarter-Mile Open Handicap. Prizes presented by the Ladies of Abingdon.—H. G. Lovett (10 yds.), 1st; G. Brown (10 yds.), 2nd; J. B. Robertson (25 yds.), 3rd. All the placed men ran well and with considerable judgment, but more especially Lovett. B. Challenor (scratch), looked like winning but ran himself out about thirty yards from home. Time, 64 secs.

IV. Throwing the Cricket Ball (open). First Prize presented by the Mayor of Abingdon, (E. J. Harris, Esq.)—M. G. Hannay, 92 yds., 1st; F. L. Dunlop, 2nd. Hannay won last year with a throw of just under ninety yards.

V.—High Jump (under 14). First Prize presented by T. Townsend, Esq.—H. Taylor, 4ft., 1st; C. A. W. Payne, 2nd. Taylor showed a slight improvement on his winning jump of last year, but was very closely pressed by Payne and Johnson.

VI.—High Jump (open). First Prize presented by E. M. Challenor, Esq.—M. G. Hannay, 4ft. 10½in., 1st; W. R. Noble, 4ft. 7in., 2nd. Hannay's style was far the prettiest, and he won easily.

VII.—Hurdle Race (under 15). First Prize presented by Rev. J. H. Jukes, Second by A. H. Simpson, Esq.—Final Heat, H. E. Johnson, 1st; S. Greenwood, 2nd.

VIII.—Hurdle Race (open). First Prize presented by the Head Master.—Final Heat, A. W. Morland, 1st; H. G. Lovett, 2nd. These two ran a dead heat, but in the deciding race, Morland won easily. Time, 21 secs.

IX.—Hundred yards (under 11). First Prize presented by E. L. Shepherd, Esq.—H. L. A. Payne, 1st.; N. B. Challenor, 2nd. Payne runs very well for his size.

X. Hundred yards (under 12). First Prize presented by W. M. Wilson, Esq.—Final Heat. H. L. Harris, 1st; P. R. Taylor, 2nd. Payne would

probably have been placed if he had had a longer rest between his two races.

XI.—Hundred yards (under 14). First Prize presented by H. C. Izard, Esq.—Final Heat. C. A. W. Payne, 1st; A. T. J. M'Creery, 2nd. As in all the junior races, some very promising form was shown.

XII.—Hundred yards (open). First Prize presented by W. F. Watson, Esq.—Final Heat. B. Challenor, 1st; A. W. Morland and G. Brown, dead heat, 2nd. They ran off later for second place, and Morland won easily.

Challenor won with something to spare. Time, 11½ secs.

XIII.—220 yards (under 13). First Prize presented by H. C. Orpwood, Esq., Second by A. H. Simpson, Esq.—A. T. J. M'Creery, 1st; P. L. Deacon, 2nd. There were twenty-two entries, and those under 12 received ten yards start.

XIV.—Putting the Weight (16 lbs.) (open). M. G. Hannay, 25 ft. 6in., 1st; F. L. Dunlop, 23 ft. 4in., 2nd. An advance of about a foot upon Hannay's winning put last year.

XV.—Half-Mile Open Handicap, First Prize presented by J. T. Morland, Esq., Second by J. B. King, Esq.—H. G. Lovett (20 yds.) 1st; M. G. Hannay (scratch) 2nd; A. F. Eagle (80 yds.) 3rd.

All three ran very well, Hannay and Lovett shewing great judgment in passing their men and managing their powers. Eagle stuck to it very pluckily.

XVI. Consolation Sack Race. First Prize presented by Mr. W. Glanville.—C. T. Baker.

XVII.—Old Abingdonians' Race (100 yds.) P. Morland, 1st., after running a dead heat with F. O. Townsend. This race is run in ordinary clothes.

The Challenge Cup was won by M. G. Hannay for the second year in succession. He scored 35 pts., A. W. Morland being next with 23 pts. J. H. E. Morland, who was runner up last year, had unfortunately injured himself in practice. For this Cup a First counts 10, a Second 5, and a Third 3 pts. in every open event.

At the end of the afternoon the prizes were presented from the Pavilion by Mrs. S. I. Baker, and the company broke up with the usual cheering.

The Sports Committee take this opportunity of thanking those who have so kindly assisted them with prizes or donations.

SPECIAL PRIZE DONORS.

The Ladies of Abingdon	R. Prowde, Esq.
The Head Master.	Rev. J. H. Jukes.
W. F. Watson, Esq.	T. Townsend, Esq.
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Thanks are also due to Y. J. Aldwinckle, Esq. for kindly lending sacks and hurdles; to J. Matcham, Esq. and the Abingdon C. & F.C. for lending posts and ropes.

CONCERTS.

On Dec. 18th, the School Choir, with the kind assistance of friends, was able to give a very creditable performance of John Farmer's "Christ and His Soldiers." The room was well filled with visitors and from every point of view the concert may be considered a success.

Great praise is due to Mr. Cousins for the trouble and care he spent on the numerous practices during the term, and his excellent teaching and the good work done by the choir was shown by the spirited and precise rendering of the choruses.

The tenor solos were sung tastefully and with expression by Mr. Brooks. Mr. H. Sunman acquitted himself well in the bass songs and his rendering of the solo "Oft in danger, oft in woe," well seconded by the choir in the truly

inspiring chorus, may be regarded as the success of the evening.

The soprano and alto solos were well sung by Winship, Deacon and Greenwood.

Mention must also be made of the very valuable assistance rendered by the Orchestra, consisting of Miss Harding, Miss Baker, Miss N. Baker, Mr. E. L. Shepherd. A greater fullness and solidity was thus given to the accompaniment of the voices by piano and organ. Our thanks are also due to Messrs. Brooks, Sunman, Murray, Phillips, Kingerlee, Evans, Clarke, Robinson and A. Shepherd, who so kindly assisted the choir.

The concert we may hope will inspire the choir to advance to yet greater things in the future, and keep the interest in music alive in the School.

On the evening of Wednesday, December 19th, after the Old Boys' match, a company of Old Boys and friends collected in the School Room, and were entertained with an impromptu concert.

A very enjoyable programme was arranged, and thanks are due to Miss Payne, Miss Blaker, Miss Fryer, and Messrs. Brooks, Orpwood, Cousins, Thomas, Shepherd, Robinson, Greenwood, and Deacon, for the kind assistance they rendered.

Judging by the spirit, with which the choruses were sung by the whole room, we might well think the evening was successful.

THE O. A. CLUB.

The Annual Dinner of the O. A. Club was held this year on Thursday, January 17th, at the "Crown & Thistle" Hotel, Abingdon. We must congratulate the Committee on their selection of Abingdon pro hac vice, for by doing so they gave an opportunity to members living at a distance of revisiting their old school. The chair was taken by Mr. Herbert Young, the President, who was supported on one side by Mr. E. J. Harris, the Mayor of Abingdon, and on the other by the Head Master, the Rev. T. Layng. In all about thirty sat down to dinner. After dinner there were songs and speeches, both of them like the dinner excellent. Both the Club and the School were deservedly congratulated on their increased prosperity during the past year, and good omens were drawn for the future. As it may be of interest to some, we give the Toast List.

THE QUEEN

(The President).

Song—"God Save the Queen."

THE SCHOOL

(The President).

Song—"Auld Lang Syne."

REPLY

(The Headmaster).

SUCCESS TO THE CLUB

(The Headmaster).

Song—"The River of Years."

REPLY

(E. H. Bartlett).

THE GOVERNORS

(E. H. Bartlett).

Song—"The Old Folks at Home."

REPLY

(The Mayor).

Song—"The Lads in Red."

THE PRESIDENT

(B. Challenor).

Song—"The Young British Soldier."

REPLY

(The President).

After the authorized programme was completed, other speeches and other songs brought to an end a most enjoyable evening.

OXFORD LETTER.

Dear Sir,

The "Great Frost," the abandonment of the Torpids, and the scourge of the influenza have combined to distinguish this term from any that have gone before, and I hope from any that may come after. The abundance of skating scarcely made up for the discomforts of the cold, and for the other athletics which were stopped. The Football Match with Cambridge had to be postponed, but we pulled it off eventually, as was expected, after a good game. The Sports are also postponed until July, and look like being very closely contested. By the time this is published Oxford will probably have won the Boat-race, and on present form the time will be fast. The Oxford Dramatic was fairly successful, although a play like "The Merchant of Venice" invites comparison with professional companies.

Old Abingdonians here have done little that is famous or notorious this term; the reason being that their numbers are small, and their habits studious.

N. A. Saunders has been earning laurels as the Secretary and Sphinx of the Pembroke Debating Society. We were glad to see that the Pembroke Scholarship was awarded to J. H. E. Morland. Among minor matters Mr. York Powell has been elected to the Regius Professorship of Modern History.

I am, etc.,

Old Abingdonian.

SCHOOL NOTES.

It is with much regret that we record the death of J. C. Clarke, Esq., who was for a number of years, one of the Governing Body of this School.

Mr. H. C. Izard, B.A., of Trinity College, Oxford, who played in the Oxford University Association Team in 1889-90, has taken a temporary mastership at the School in the place of Mr. C. W. Cousins, who is reading for his degree at Oxford; and during the last week or two Mr. J. Townsend, O.A., Scholar of Pembroke College, Oxford, has also been giving some valuable assistance with school work.

We must congratulate the Rev. T. S. Toolis, B.A., Corpus Christi College Cambridge, and O.A., on being presented to the Rectory of Croxton with Eltisley near St. Neots.

We must also congratulate J. H. E. Morland on his election to the School Scholarship at Pembroke College, Oxford, and N. P. Shepherd on his having passed successfully the College of Preceptors.

The names of the boys who have left the School are N. P. Shepherd and W. Lay, both of them members of the School Football and Cricket Teams.

A. W. Morland has been elected Captain of Games in the place of Shepherd, and G. Brown has taken Morland's place as Treasurer.

B. Challenor and S. Brown have been elected members of the Editorial Committee.

The names of the new boys are, A. S. Hes, and H. F. Johnson, IV. Form; M. N. Cookson and C. E. Englebach, III. Form; S. C. Chesterman, R. J. S. Lawrence, C. Lodge, B. Rogers, A. J. Russell, J. C. Strange, W. C. Townsend, Commercial; A. J. Pritchard, and W. A. Strange, Juniors, II.

Mr. W. Esson, M.A., Deputy Savilian Professor of Geometry in the University of Oxford, has been appointed Governor of the School in the room of Mr. H. F. Pelham, the Camden Professor of Ancient History.

The half holiday which the Governors ask for according to custom after their annual meeting was given on Monday, March 4th.

We must congratulate Mr. H. C. Orpwood on being elected to play for Oxfordshire against the United Counties Berks and Bucks.

Our thanks are due to the Rev. W. M. Meredith, O.A., 1863-1868, for his gift to the School Library of a Translation of Aeschines in Ctesiphontem and Demosthenes de Corona by Andrew Portal, Lecturer of St. Helen's and Usher of the Free Grammar School at Abingdon, first Edition, Oxford, 1755.

The subjects for the Meredith Prize are for Latin Prose, Macaulay's History of England, Vol. I. ch. 9. "It was not merely by argument"—"justifies rebellion," and for Greek Prose, Burke's French Revolution p. 293, (Payne's Edition). "I have told you candidly" to the end.

The following are the end of term arrangements:—

Wednesday, April 3rd, at 2 p.m. School Sports.

At 8 p.m. Concert in the big School Room.

Saturday, April 5th, at 2.30 p.m. Sports, Past v. Present.

Monday, April 8th, at 2 p.m. Steeple-chases, Senior and Junior, to be run over last year's course on the common.

Wednesday, April 10th, the School breaks up for Easter Holidays.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of the following. The Peterite, the Laxtonian and the Reading School Magazine.

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On Wednesday, Feb. 6th at Marylebone Parish Church by the Rev. S. G. Edwards. H. S. Challenor of Abingdon, Surgeon, to Katharine Blaker, third daughter of the late Edward Blaker of East Hill, Portslade, Sussex.

