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## EDITORIAL.

THE one absorbing topic among all who have the interest of the School at heart is the progress of the Additional Buildings Fund. Lord Wantage has headed the first subscription list with a magnificent donation of £1000. Over sixty other well-wishers have already been not less generous according to their means. A public meeting was

held in the Council Chamber on October 18th, at which the Mayor, the Headmaster, the Member for the Parliamentary Division, and several other speakers addressed a numerous assemblage of our fellow-citizens. They explained fully the scope and objects of the proposed extension, and the advantages likely to accrue therefrom, both to the School and to the town and neighbourhood at large. The plans of the Architect were on view in the room, and copies of the Governors' appeal to the Public were distributed amongst the company. Perhaps the following extracts from the latter may still be of service to our readers, although we have already in these columns attempted to give an idea of what it is intended to do and of the probable cost.

“The proposed addition provides for:—

“i. A block of Class Rooms and

Laboratories, comprising Science Lecture Room, a Physical and a Chemical Laboratory, Art Room, Four Class Rooms, and an Office."

"ii. A Chapel and a Gymnasium."

"The total cost of the whole undertaking, including purchase of site, and furniture of Class Rooms, has been estimated at not less than £6000."

"To provide for the cost of the additional Teaching Accommodation the Charity Commissioners have sanctioned the expenditure of School Endowment to the amount of £3124 17s. 1d. Consols. This will exhaust that part of the School Funds which is available for building purposes and will only cover, it is estimated, the cost of the erection of the Class Rooms. A further sum of £3000 will be required for the completion of the buildings by the erection of a Chapel and a Gymnasium, and for the purchase of the site and the equipment of the Science and Art Rooms, and the Governors appeal to the liberality of Past and Present members of the School, and to the generous support of the Public, to enable them to raise this sum."

We publish at the end of this number a copy of the first subscription list, and we promise our readers a supplementary list in a future number. It remains for us, as the recognized organ of Abingdon School, to express the hope and the resolution that, when the new buildings are built and all has been done for us that generosity and loving forethought can do, we may prove ourselves

in no way unworthy of the high ambitions of our benefactors.

The School did fairly well in the examinations last term, the senior boys especially, two of whom have followed up their steady work here by gaining for themselves Scholarships at Oxford and Durham. The result of the Joint Board Higher Certificate Examination was very satisfactory, and the Lower Sixth also did well.

We publish accounts of Cricket Matches crowded out of our last number, or not played at the time of going to print. Our final score read:—16 Matches played, 12 won, 4 lost.

Football prospects are fair. So far we have played 4 matches, won 3 and lost 1. But good men have left us from all divisions of the team, and in several instances their places are hard to adequately fill.

A new "Comet" swum into our ken at the end of last term. It was certainly a brilliant specimen and "astounded the nations," as its Editorial Staff of Day Boys modestly hoped that it might. We note that "it makes no engagements as to its time of appearance," in which respect also it intends to live up to its title. At the same time we trust that its orbit will not prove too parabolical.

#### FOUNDER'S DAY.

We celebrated Founder's Day on Tuesday, July 31st. The day was fine, if somewhat sultry, and a large concourse of parents and friends had come

together for the occasion. In the Service at St. Helen's Church the musical portion was undertaken as usual by the School Choir, this year under the direction of Mr. E. W. Young, who presided at the organ. The Anthem selected was again by Goss, "O give thanks," and was prefaced by a solo of Mr. Young's own composition. The Magnificat sung was also by him. The Sermon was preached by the Vicar of Abingdon.

The School Room, gay with festoons and portraits and other decorations, was the next point of interest, and its powers of accommodation were severely tested. The distribution of prizes was very kindly undertaken by G. Herbert Morrell, Esq., M.P., who addressed the boys in a humorous and instructive speech.

Printed copies of the Examiners' Reports were distributed amongst the company. The School had been examined in Mathematics by Mr. A. E. Jolliffe, M.A., Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and the Classics of the two Sixths by the same examiner as last year, Mr. R. P. Brereton, M.A., late scholar of Jesus College, Cambridge. The reports on the whole were satisfactory, especially that of Mr. Brereton, who recorded considerable progress since last year.

The Headmaster made reference, in the course of his report, to the following successes by Abingdonians:—M. G. Hannay obtained his full qualification as Doctor, both in medicine and surgery, in minimum time. W. G. Cam obtained

a classical scholarship at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. P. L. Deacon and O. J. Couldrey, 1st Class Honours Oxford Senior Locals; H. F. Shepherd, J. E. Montgomery, A. O. C. Pryce, 2nd Class Honours; Deacon also obtained a distinction in Latin, being 27th; and Deacon, Shepherd, and Montgomery Distinction in Greek, being 16th, 19th, and 31st respectively. Montgomery was 19th in Mathematics. In the Juniors, A. M. Austin, H. Hughes and J. C. Richards gained Second Class Honours; T. F. Bowman, Third Class; Austin and Hughes were 6th and 14th in Latin respectively. Gerald Graham had recently passed the preliminary examination of the Incorporated Law Society.

The Headmaster also alluded to the prospects and ambitions of the School, and more especially to the proposed building extensions, with which, it was to be hoped, another year would find considerable progress made.

#### PRIZE LIST.

FORM VI. A., CLASSICS.—P. L. Deacon.

DIVINITY AND ENGLISH.—O. J. Couldrey.

FORM VI. B., CLASSICS.—H. Hughes.

DIVINITY AND ENGLISH.—A. W. Stevens.

FORM PRIZES.—V. Form, R. A. Sparkes; Shell/P. H. Donkin; IV. Form, P. R. Hatton; III. Form, R. Hewer; Commercial I., J. Chambers; Commercial II., W. Meredith; Junior I., C. Graff; Junior II., W. J. Crudgington.

MATHEMATICAL PRIZES.—Mr. Herbert Young's Prize, J. E. Montgomery; Division I., H. F. Shepherd; Division II., C. B. Good; Division III., E. F. Clarke; Division IV., E. R. George; Division V., M. E. Jones; Division VI., N. Duncan.

GREEK.—Division III., G. S. Deacon; Division IV., P. H. Donkin.

GERMAN.—Division I., J. C. Richards; Division II., G. S. Saxby.

FRENCH.—Division A., P. L. Deacon; Division B., F. L. England; Division C., C. P. B. Montgomery; Division D., P. R. Hatton; Division E., E. J. C. Philipps; Division F., C. Graff.

SCIENCE.—Division I., R. N. Turnbull; Division II., E. F. Clarke; Division III., E. P. George; Division IV., R. W. Sells.

MEREDITH PRIZE FOR LATIN AND GREEK COMPOSITION.—P. L. Deacon.

DRAWING.—H. P. Herdman.

SOLO SINGING.—T. G. M. Lewington.

AVERAGE BAT.—W. Cottrell.

AVERAGE BALL.—T. F. Bowman.

The donors of Prizes were the Mayor, Recorder, and Vicar of Abingdon, the Master of Pembroke, Sir W. Anson, Rev. W. M. Meredith, Mr. Herbert Young, Mr. John Tomkins, Mr. E. H. Bartlett, Mr. C. A. Pryce, Aldermen Morland, Harris, and Shepherd, the Headmaster and the Assistant Masters.

#### HIGHER CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION.

There was a new departure this year in the Examination line, when the Upper

Sixth, consisting of P. L. Deacon, O. J. Couldrey, H. F. Shepherd, W. Cottrell, and A. O. C. Pryce, entered for the Oxford and Cambridge Higher Certificate Examination. All passed successfully with the exception of Couldrey, who unfortunately failed in Elementary Mathematics. He, however, gained a Distinction in Ancient History. The Examination took place during the last fortnight of July at the New Schools, Oxford.

#### OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

SENIORS:—Second Class, A. M. Austin, H. Hughes, A. W. Stevens; Third Class, J. C. Richards. T. F. Bowman and C. B. Good also passed. Austin and Hughes are excused Responsions, and Austin gained Distinction in Greek (9th).

JUNIORS.—The following passed:—H. L. Crudginton, P. H. Donkin, J. W. Duncan, F. L. England, W. E. Gall, P. R. Hatton, C. P. B. Montgomery, R. N. Turnbull, H. W. Weaving, A. B. West.

#### CRICKET.

##### ABINGDON SCHOOL v. ABINGDON TOWN.

The Town had their revenge on July 7th for the defeat we had inflicted on them earlier in the season. They had a strong team for that very purpose. They only won however by the last ball of the match, A. C. Croome, the Berkshire player, causing Austin to play on. The most pleasing features of the match on our side were Bowman's batting and the particularly smart fielding.

Abingdon Town.	
W. Morland c Ross-Barker b Montgomery	10
J. Scott c Cottrell b Ingrams	5
D. Mercer c Payne b Bowman	30
A. C. M. Croome st Cottrell b Montgomery	24
H. A. Lowe c Shepherd b Austin	13
E. F. Simpkinson c Stevens b Bowman	0
W. F. Lay b Bowman	2
H. N. Brackett not out	38
V. G. Kibblewhite not out	15
W. G. Rant } did not bat.	
H. A. Steptoe }	
Byes 5, Wides 2	7
<b>Total (7 wkts)</b>	<b>144</b>

A.S.C.C.	
P. L. Deacon b Croome	1
A. W. Stevens b Lay	9
W. Cottrell b Croome	0
Mr. Ingrams c Mercer b Croome	27
T. F. Bowman c and b Lay	35
R. Talbot c Mercer	0
J. E. Montgomery c Morland b Mercer	11
Mr. Ross-Barker b Lay	0
H. F. Shepherd c and b Croome	0
A. M. Austin b Croome	0
A. H. Payne not out	1
Byes	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

PAST v. PRESENT.

The annual match was a good one this year. The Old Boys batted first and made 91. Of this score W. T. Morland made 29, and P. J. Clayton stayed in while many were added, stealing several runs in a hare-like manner. The Present made 110. Deacon and Austin played very well. The second innings of the Old Boys was a short and merry one, 120 runs were made, to which the Present replied with 73 for 2. Cottrell hit hard for 27. The match was thus won by the School by 19 runs.

		Past.		
1st Innings.			2nd Innings.	
W. T. Morland c Deacon b Bowman	29	c Cottrell b Bowman		19
A. R. Thorn b Bowman	0	c Montgomery b Austin		9
P. J. Martin b Montgomery	2	b Bowman		0
P. J. Clayton c Payne b Montgomery	12	b Bowman		7
S. W. Brown b Bowman	10	c Sells b Montgomery		12
N. P. Shepherd b Montgomery	5	b Bowman		7
H. S. Challenor b Bowman	16	c Montgomery b Deacon		33
C. A. W. Payne b Montgomery	8	b Bowman		8
G. H. Morland b Montgomery	1	not out		3
B. Challenor c Shepherd b Bowman	0	st Cottrell b Deacon		6
F. Morland not out	0	b Austin		0
Byes 6, Wides 1, No balls 1	8	Byes 13, Leg byes 1, No balls 2		16
Total	91	Total		120

Present.

		Present.		
1st Innings.			2nd Innings.	
P. L. Deacon b Brown	23	b Challenor		16
A. W. Stevens lbw b Challenor	10	c Sub. b Morland		25
W. Cottrell c Challenor b Brown	8	not out		27
T. F. Bowman c B. Challenor b Brown	2	} did not bat		
R. Talbot b Challenor	16			
J. E. Montgomery b Brown	8			
H. F. Shepherd b Brown	5			
A. M. Austin c Payne b Brown	20			
A. H. Payne b Brown	10			
A. J. Sells b Challenor	0			
L. Bayley not out	0			
Byes 6, Leg byes 2	8	Byes 4, Wides 1		5
Total	110	Total (2 wks.)		73

ABINGDON SCHOOL v. BRIGHTWELL.

Two County men opened the Brightwell innings and put up 48. The rest then did nothing against Bowman who took 7 for 24. The School made 126, and are indebted to Cottrell and Talbot for saving the game. E. R. Morres of Oxfordshire fame performed the hat trick to the disgust of Montgomery, Shepherd and Austin. Played on July 11th.

Brightwell.		A.S.C.C.	
J. A. Gibbs c Shepherd b Bowman	20	P. L. Deacon c Gibb b Brown	12
E. R. Morres c Stevens b Montgomery	22	A. W. Stevens b Brown	16
A. J. Brown c Talbot b Bowman	4	Mr. Ingrams b Brown	5
C. White b Montgomery	0	W. Cottrell b Tarry	40
D. Hazel b Bowman	18	T. F. Bowman b Gibb	4
W. Chaplin lbw b Bowman	0	R. Talbot not out	28
T. R. Hedges b Bowman	5	J. E. Montgomery b Morres	3
R. W. Wells b Bowman	4	H. F. Shepherd b Morres	0
T. Hammond b Montgomery	1	A. M. Austin b Morres	0
E. Wells not out	6	Mr. Romans not out	4
F. Tarry st Cottrell b Bowman	2	A. H. Payne did not bat	
Byes 9, Leg byes 2	11	Byes 12, Leg byes 2	14
Total	93	Total (9 wks.)	126

## ABINGDON SCHOOL v. BLOXHAM SCHOOL.

Poor batting, indifferent bowling, and bad fielding will explain the loss of any match. But how can we explain these three things? We would fain excuse ourselves on the score of examinations, but suffice it to say that we were beaten on July 14th by a team in no way better than ourselves. Montgomery made 28 not out, and Deacon bowled with some success after Bloxham had won.

A.S.C.C.		Bloxham School.	
P. L. Deacon b Holiday	2	T. Y. Horner b Montgomery	41
A. W. Stevens b Holiday	0	H. B. Tordiffe c and b Austin	11
W. Cottrell b Holiday	0	W. G. Holiday c Stevens b Austin	4
T. F. Bowman b Tordiffe	4	G. St. J. Knight not out	25
R. Talbot c Horner b Holiday	1	L. E. Courtney lbw b Montgomery	0
J. E. Montgomery not out	28	C. H. Hardy c Payne b Montgomery	0
H. F. Shepherd c Courtney b Tordiffe	1	M. W. Holdom b Deacon	0
A. M. Austin c Courtney b Tordiffe	0	W. E. Bury lbw b Deacon	0
A. H. Payne c Bury b Tordiffe	0	A. L. Watson b Deacon	9
A. J. Sells b Holiday	0	L. E. Croome b Deacon	16
L. Bayley b Holiday	10	T. L. Troughton b Montgomery	0
Byes 10, Leg byes 2, Wides 1	13	Byes 7, Leg byes 1, Wides 1	9
Total	64	Total	116

## ABINGDON SCHOOL v. CYGNETS C.C.

Played at Abingdon on July 21st. The Cygnets brought over a very strong team, while the School were weakened by the absence of Cottrell, Deacon and Shepherd. The Cygnets batted first and ran up the large score of 185 for 6 wks., the School bowling and fielding being weak. To this total H. T. Baines contributed a vigorous innings of 77, including many powerful drives. The School batsmen were out of form and failed utterly before the bowling of Mercer and Fox.

Cygnets.		T. Mercer c Ingrams b Bowman	
E. D. Compton b Ingrams	23	T. H. French not out	16
M. B. Baines b Montgomery	10	H. M. Eldridge	} did not bat
H. F. Fox b Montgomery	5	C. H. Stockdale	
H. T. Baines b Ingrams	77	H. D. Swan	
P. V. Rogers b Austin	8	Extras	10
F. S. Gaekwar not out	35	Total (6 wks.)	185

A.S.C.C.			
A. W. Stevens c Baines b Fox	3	A. H. Payne b Mercer	1
Mr. Ingrams b Mercer	5	L. Bayley st Baines b Fox	9
T. F. Bowman c and b Fox	0	Mr. Romans c Baines b Fox	3
R. Talbot c Gaekwar b Fox	6	A. J. Sells run out	0
J. E. Montgomery b Mercer	8	R. W. Sells not out	0
A. M. Austin b Mercer	3	Extras	14
		Total	52

ABINGDON SCHOOL v. BRIGHTWELL.

This, our last match, was played at home on July 25th, when the School won comfortably by 28 runs and with 3 wickets in hand. Abingdon were again without Cottrell, Deacon and Shepherd. Brightwell batted first and Hazel and Chaplin made a useful start, which was followed well, the 100 going up for the loss of 5 wickets only. Then Montgomery finished off the innings in sensational style, in 3 overs taking 4 wickets for 5 runs. Bowman also bowled well. Stevens and Mr. Ingrams put up 40 for the first wicket, when the latter was bowled for a well hit 20. Stevens then slowed down and play became dull. Matters were in a critical state when Montgomery came in and played a capital forcing game. He left after hitting up 34 in a few minutes and Stevens soon afterwards followed, after playing a very patient and useful innings of 36. The School hit off the runs just before time.

Brightwell.		A.S.C.C.	
D. R. Hazel b Talbot	17	A. W. Stevens b R. W. Wells	36
W. R. Chaplin c Holiday b Ingrams	17	Mr. Ingrams b Tarry	20
A. J. Brown b Bowman	21	T. F. Bowman lbw b Tarry	1
F. R. Hedges b Bowman	8	R. Talbot c and b Brown	2
R. W. Wells c Sells b Montgomery	18	J. E. Montgomery c Day b Greenough	34
J. Greenough lbw b Bowman	0	Mr. Ross-Barker lbw b Greenough	3
E. Bradford b Montgomery	11	L. Bayley b R. W. Wells	4
E. S. Day b Montgomery	0	A. H. Payne not out	11
F. Tarry run out	0	A. J. Sells not out	1
E. Wells b Montgomery	0	G. S. Deacon } did not bat	
H. Scott-Smith not out	2	G. H. Holiday } did not bat	
Extras	21	Extras	31
Total	115	Total	143

CHARACTERS OF THE CRICKET XI.

J. E. Montgomery (captain). A very successful slow bowler, keeps a good length and varies his pace. Has also a good batting average, often making runs when they were wanted. In many ways set a good example to his team. Bowling average 80 wks. for 7.7 runs apiece, batting average 19.

P. L. Deacon. Has not done so well in batting this year as last, but has been very useful as a change bowler. Is a very safe field. Batting average 13.

H. F. Shepherd. On several occasions has

stopped a rot by careful batting. Would do well to correct his fault of playing forward to a ball without stepping out to meet it. A good field. Batting average 6.66.

A. W. Stevens. Without doubt our most brilliant bat, playing sound cricket all round the wicket, though chiefly making his runs in the slips. Was unlucky towards the end of the season. Ought to be of valuable service to his college. Batting average 27.11.

W. Cottrell. A very powerful hitter with a quick eye. Has proved himself a first-rate wicketkeeper. Will be greatly missed next season. Batting average 27.35.

T. F. Bowman. A medium-paced bowler with a neat, easy action. Has met with great success, fulfilling the promise which he showed last season. Bowling average 67 wickets for 7 runs apiece. Batting average 10.

R. Talbot. Very serviceable run getter. Has grown out of that stiffness which characterized his batting in the first few matches. A smart out-field. Batting average 10.

A. M. Austin. A promising change bowler with a curving delivery. Is developing into a very pretty bat and shows great all-round promise for next season. Batting average 4.

A. H. Payne. Another promising player. Took great pains at the nets in improving his batting. A good field. Batting average 11.

L. Bayley. Is rather inclined to hit before he is set. Should learn to be more patient. Batting average 9.

A. J. Sells. Failed to acquit himself with the bat but was useful in the field. Batting average .42.

## FOOTBALL FIXTURES.

### FIRST XI.

DATE.	OPONENTS.	GROUND.
Oct. 17	Wallingford ..	Home
" 27	Bloxham School ..	Home
" 29	S.W. Brown's Keble Col. XI.	Home
" 31	Pembroke College, Oxford ..	Home
Nov. 3	Abingdon Town ..	Home
" 7	Mansfield College, Oxford ..	Away
" 10	Queen's College, Oxford ..	Home
" 14	Wallingford ..	Away
" 17	Wadham College, '98 club ..	Home
" 19	A. E. Cannon's XI. ..	Home
" 21	Mansfield College, Oxford ..	Home
" 24		
" 28	Bloxham School ..	Away
Dec. 1	St. Catherine's, Oxford ..	Home
" 5	Cygnets ..	Home
" 15	Abingdon Town ..	Away
" 19	Old Abingdonians ..	Home

### SECOND XI.

Oct. 6	Leighton Park School ..	Away
" 27	Bloxham School 2nd XI. ..	Away
Nov. 28	Bloxham School 2nd XI. ..	Home
Dec. 8	Oxford High School ..	Home
Feb. 2	Leighton Park School ..	Home
Feb. 23	Oxford High School ..	Away

### THIRD XI.

Nov. 14	Christ Church Choir School	Home
Feb. 16	Christ Church Choir School	Away

### FORM FOURS.

The Four-Oared Races between crews of the different Forms, announced in our last number, took place on Saturday, July 14th. After the preliminary heats, which were easily won, the Shell beat the Fifth Four in the Finals. It was a pity that only six oars could be procured to row with, the deficiency being somewhat inadequately supplied by a pair of sculls.

The winning crew consisted of:—

J. R. Hewer (bow)  
R. N. Turnbull (2)  
L. Bayley (3)  
G. S. Saxby (stroke)  
A. W. W. Ardagh (cox)

### BEGINNERS' SWIMMING RACE.

There were fifteen competitors for Mr. Richardson's prize. The race was swum at the Bathing Place in the River on Monday, July 30th, over a course of about twenty yards. The prize was secured by C. S. Louth, who was well ahead of F. L. England, H. P. Herdman being third. It was encouraging to find that so many had learnt to swim during the term, and that there was so much keenness about the competition.



## A USEFUL INSTITUTION.

As many of our readers and their friends and relatives are users of the River Thames, it may be of interest to them to know that a society has been formed calling itself the Thames Preservation League. We have received a letter from the Secretary asking us to draw attention to its work and objects through the medium of the Abingdonian. A few extracts from the letter will be enough to make these clear.

“The League is an organization composed of representatives of a number of Open Space, Right of Way, Natural History, Aesthetic and Historical Societies, together with various Rowing, Swimming and Fishing Clubs, delegates from Riparian towns, and members of the Public interested in matters affecting the River Thames and its borders.”

“The objects of the League are, generally, the preservation for the National enjoyment of the existing public rights and privileges in the Thames, and, so far as possible, of its Tributaries, with its Backwaters, Tow Paths, Ferries, Landing Places, Ancient Buildings, and features of Natural Beauty.”

“The League has further set before itself the consideration, with a view to the prevention of the disfigurement of the River, of all proposals for Buildings, Bridges, and other works affecting the Thames, the prevention of pollution, and the preservation of the native Flora and Fauna of the River.”

“We trust that those of your readers

who are in sympathy with the objects of the League will support its work, either by acting as local correspondents, or by becoming subscribers.”

We are anxious to do what we can to assist so public spirited an institution. Anybody therefore who has, or thinks he has, any ground for complaint regarding the way in which the River is used by others, or he is himself prevented from using it to the full extent of what he takes to be his legitimate rights, is requested to mention the same either verbally or by letter to the Editor of the Abingdonian, who will lay the matter before the Thames Preservation League: or he may communicate directly with the Secretary of the League at 1, Great College Street, Westminster, S.W.

## COMEDY.

It's a very serious thing, is comedy. When you think of it, a grave face is sure to be yours; likewise an expression of anxiety and responsibility realized, if you know what that means. When we come to *read* comedy it is extremely hard work to see the jokes, (when they are in Greek especially), but think of the poor man who had not only to see the jokes, but to make them before they could be seen at all. We may picture him sitting at his writing desk, a prey to wracking brain and an enormous litter of waste paper, with wrinkled brow, and hair which every minute seems grayer than the last, gazing into infinity or the back volumes of Punch, to find something to

make people look grave and cough. It must be awful work. There's one part about it, which he ought to be thankful for, and that is that most of the jokes he makes himself are obvious to him, and he has not got to puzzle over them as the general public has when they come out in due course. To be sure there are some which he does not quite see the point of, but he puts them in on trust, like the little trifles Sir John Falstaff used to put away, for passing the time between meals withal: it all helps to fill up. I must say I would sooner write tragedy; it is so much more amusing to the audience. When the actor who does the killing has been plunging his avenging steel with great energy between his rival's right ribs and the arm to correspond, it is so edifying for the audience to see his hand appear behind his opponent's back at every thrust; "he does it so thoroughly" you know. The farcical element, the genuine article at least, I am sure can only be found in a right-down thorough-going tragedy. In an article of this description you can find any amount of mirth-raising incidents, showing the truly humorous nature of the authors and the marvellous manner in which actors enter into the true spirit of their parts. Of course there are a large number of people who patronize the comic pieces of the day; but these are the class of morbid individuals, who have not had their share of the sweets of life, or who have eaten them too fast and got indigestion in consequence: we can sympathize.

H. F. S.

#### SCHOOL NOTES.

We record with much regret the death of Mr. E. J. Trendell, which took place on September 24th, in his ninetyeth year. Past generations of Abingdonians will remember not only his many activities in the Borough, but also that he was for several years a Governor of the School.

We have also to record the death of James de Blois Bayley, a Bennet Foundationer at the School from 1825-31, who died on September 10th, aged 81.

C. H. Dixon, O.A., unsuccessfully contested the Harborough Division of Leicestershire at the recent General Election.

From "*The Times*":—

COUSINS—MURRAY. On October 31st, at the Congregational Church, Sea Point, Cape Town, by the Rev. Dr. Cameron, Clarence Wilfred Cousins, B.A., Colonial Civil Service, third son of the Rev. W. Cousins, M.A., late of Madagascar, to Ethelwyn Edith Agnes Ruthwen (Winnie), second daughter of Dr. J. A. H. Murray, of Oxford.

We heartily congratulate A. W. Stevens upon his election to the David Thomas Scholarship at Oxford and upon his Exhibition from Mansfield College: also W. Cottrell upon his success in gaining a Classical Foundation Scholarship at Durham.

Both the above have gone into residence, Stevens having matriculated at Wadham College. J. E. Montgomery also has entered Pembroke College, Oxford, as holder of the School Scholarship.

We are glad to note that S. W. Brown has passed the Divinity Examination at Oxford; also that Brown, Montgomery and Stevens have all been playing football for the first elevens of their several colleges, while Cottrell has figured in the trial match between Durham and Newcastle.

We heartily congratulate W. M. Austin on his recovery from a severe attack of enteric fever in South Africa, where he is serving with the Berks Imperial Yeomanry.

The thanks of the School are again due to Mr. W. H. Richardson, this time for a generous gift of books to the library.

J. C. Richards has been awarded the Intermediate Scholarship of £50 for three years offered by the County Council of Berkshire.

At a Masters' Meeting held on Oct. 9th H. Hughes and A. M. Austin were elected School Prefects.

The Magazine Committee consists this term of the following:—Mr. Ross-Barker (Chairman), O. J. Couldrey (Secretary), P. L. Deacon, A. O. C. Pryce, A. M. Austin, H. F. Shepherd, H. Hughes and F. L. England. The three last are newly elected.

T. F. Bowman is Secretary of the Games Committee, and G. S. Saxby Captain of Rowing.

Tubbing has been continued during the first part of this term.

Dancing Classes have been resumed this term under the direction of Mr. Wood.

The Rev. E. J. Wood will give a Lecture on "Canada" in the Big School

on Thursday, November 15th, and Mr. W. Slater will Lecture upon the "Abbeys of England," on Wednesday, Nov. 28th.

The mid-term exeat has been fixed for Nov. 3rd to 5th. Term will end on Thursday, December 20th. The School Dance will be given on the 18th and a Concert on the 17th, and the Old Boys' Match, as the Fixture List will show, is fixed for the 19th.

The following boys have left:—Upper VI., W. Cottrell, J. E. Montgomery; Lower VI., A. W. Stevens; Form V., R. Talbot; Shell, A. J. Sells; Form IV., W. P. Harragin, H. P. Herdman; Form III., R. L. Hett, G. H. Holiday; Comm. I., J. Chambers, A. Slater; Juniors, C. J. Ellison, C. C. Hett.

The following new boys have come:—School House, L. T. Anns, H. W. Bate, T. M. Layng, T. S. Wilding; Tesdale House, H. S. Cannon, A. Dunn; Day Boys, O. Challenor, T. C. Cowburn, W. Cullen, J. S. James, D. King, E. Rant, T. H. G. Shepherd, C. F. P. Smith, W. J. Wearing, J. E. Weaving.

The name of M. C. Festing, of Form IV., was accidentally omitted in our last number from the names of those who left at Easter.

M. G. Hannay has been appointed one of the House Physicians at Charing Cross Hospital.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of our contemporaries, the Aldenhamian, the Bloxhamist (2), the Chigwellian, the Ipswich School Magazine, the Leightonian and the Sedberghian.

