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EDITORIAL.

THE new buildings were formally opened on October 22nd, and an account of the ceremony, which was an impressive one and in every way worthy of the occasion, will be found in the pages of this issue. The visitors, of whom upwards of eight hundred were present, were emphatic in their praises of the new structure: indeed the opinion

was expressed on many sides that, for teaching room and general accommodation, we can now compare favourably with any school of our size in England. Two of the class-rooms are already in use, and the Science rooms are shortly to be furnished; but there is still a large sum needed for the adequate equipment of the Chapel and gymnasium.

To enable Old Boys and friends, who live at a distance and are unable often to visit the scene of their past associations, to form some idea of what the old place looks like now, we propose to include in our Christmas Number, if possible, or if not in a future number, a photographic picture of the new extension. And this the prosperous state of our finances, an account of which will be found on our last page, will enable us to do this year without indebtedness to the generosity of friends for our illustration.

FOUNDER'S DAY.

Founder's day this year was fixed for Tuesday, July 29th. As there was no distribution of prizes the service took place in the evening instead of the afternoon as was customary. The choir was composed of members of the School assisted by a few Old Abingdonians, and was under the direction of Mr. E. W. Young, who presided at the organ. The anthem "Blessed is the man," of Mr. Young's composition, was sung again this year, by special request. The trio was sung by T. Lewington, Mr. G. W. Shepherd and H. Hughes. The Magnificat was Stainer's in A, and included a solo sung by L. C. Davies. The Service was conducted by the Rev. T. Layng, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. J. H. Sweet-Escott, Rector of Kingston Bagpuize, the lesson (the 44th chapter of Ecclesiasticus) being read by Mr. Romans.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AND
OPENING OF THE NEW
BUILDINGS.

As the Headmaster remarked in his opening speech, October 22nd was certainly an auspicious day for the Opening of the New Buildings, since it was exactly 39 years since the Tercentenary of the School was observed, on October 22nd, 1863. Of the weather there were no complaints to be made, and everyone pronounced the day's proceedings to be in every way perfectly successful. The first event in the programme was the procession from the Old School to the Corn Exchange, where already the guests and the Boys were assembled for the

Prize Distribution. The procession consisted of the Mayor (J. T. Morland, Esq.) and Corporation, accompanied by the Sergeants-at-Mace; of numerous Old Abingdonians; and of the School procession, which consisted of the Old Boys, of the Doctors in their robes, and all members of a University in cap and gown, and, in the case of Graduates, hoods. Four Doctors in their robes were present, Bishop Mitchinson (Master of Pembroke), Dr. Field (Warden of Radley), the Rev. J. Merriman, and the Rev. F. G. Haslewood; and the different coloured robes and hoods produced a brilliant and—to us—unwonted effect.

When all had taken their places, the Headmaster opened the proceedings by a speech, in which after referring to the Scholastic and other honours won by boys, past and present, during the year, he made especial mention, while touching upon the subject of School sports, of the generous present, which the Old Boys made to the School Rowing Club in April last. He then called upon Mr. Benyon to distribute the prizes, which were awarded as follows:

FORM PRIZES.—Upper VI., Classics (given by the Recorder) H. F. Shepherd, who also won the Divinity Prize (given by the Vicar). Lower VI., (given by the Mayor) F. L. England; V., H. L. Crudgington; Shell, R. Hewer; IV., C. E. C. Graff; III., R. O. Townsend; Commercial I., T. G. M. Lewington; Commercial II., H. Meredith; Juniors I., J. G. B. Fuller; Juniors II., G. S. F. Mann.

MATHEMATICS.—Div. I., E. R. George; Div. II., L. C. Davies; Div. III., R. T. Hewer; Div. IV., A. S. B. Payne; Div. V., H. S. Cannon; Div. VI., D. C. King; Div. VII., J. A. Cobb.

GREEK.—Div. II., P. H. Donkin; Div. III., L. C. Davies; Div. IV., H. S. Mathias.

GERMAN.—Div. I., J. C. Richards; Div. II., E. R. George; Div. III., H. W. Bate.

FRENCH.—Div. A., H. Hughes; Div. B., E. R. George; Div. C., G. F. Neligan; Div. D., C. E. C. Graff; Div. E., J. S. James; Div. F., T. M. Layng; Div. G., W. Cullen.

SCIENCE.—Div. I., E. F. Clarke; Div. II., J. E. A. Rant; Div. III., J. B. Purves.

MEREDITH COMPOSITION.—Latin, H. F. Shepherd; Greek, A. O. C. Pryce.

DRAWING.—M. E. Jones.

SOLO SINGING.—(Given by Alderman Shepherd), T. G. M. Lewington.

PIANOFORTE PLAYING.—(Given by the Rev. T. T. Blockley), N. Duncan.

The prizedistribution over, Mr. Benyon, in an interesting speech, discoursed on Education in general and Berkshire Education in particular, and made some reference to the Education Bill. He further congratulated the Headmaster on the large number of Old Boys present.

The Master of Pembroke, whose speech was as brisk as it was inspiring, proposed a vote of thanks to the Lord Lieutenant, which was seconded by the Mayor, and accorded heartily by all present. After Mr. Benyon had responded, the visitors left the Corn Exchange for the School, and the procession was again formed—the Boys now joining in—and made its way by High Street, Bath Street, and Park Road to the School, the Lord Lieutenant and the Headmaster bringing up the rear as before. The guests had already assembled in the School grounds, and about forty of the Abingdon Company of the Royal Berkshire Volunteers were there to form a guard of honour. On the arrival of the Lord Lieutenant they presented arms, and then Mr. Benyon, accompanied on either side by Bishop Mitchinson and the Headmaster,

proceeded to unlock the door of the New Buildings with a key given him by the Architect, Mr. West, and then, turning round to face the company, in a loud voice he declared the buildings open. A verse of the National Anthem was sung, and cheers were given for Mr. Benyon, the New Buildings, and for the Headmaster. Then the visitors spent some time inspecting the New Buildings, after which they took tea in the School Room and the Gymnasium, as the guests of the Headmaster and Mrs. Layng.

OLD ABINGDONIAN CLUB. ANNUAL DINNER.

Usually held at the end of the summer term, the O.A. Club Dinner was this year postponed till the autumn, so as to take place in conjunction with the opening of the New Buildings. Accordingly Old Boys and their friends to the number of fifty-two assembled in the Council Chamber on October 22nd. This number shows an advance on those of previous years; but it is a pity that more Old Boys do not make use of such a good opportunity of renewing the friendships of their School days.

The chair was occupied by the President for the year, Mr. J. T. Harris, who was supported on either side by the Mayor of Abingdon and the Headmaster. Among the guests were included Mr. A. Barton, Vice-gerent of Pembroke College, Dr. Merriman, Dr. Haslewood, the Vicar of Abingdon (Rev. H. T. Maitland), Archdeacon Austin, Mr. H. C. Brooks (Head Master of Preston School) and Mr. Slade Baker; whilst several Past-

Presidents of the Club were present, namely E. H. Bartlett, B. Challenor, Herbert Young, G. H. Morland and W. R. Portal.

When the first part of the evening's entertainment had been brought to a successful conclusion, the President rose to give the first toast, "The King"; and it need hardly be said that it was received with enthusiasm. The President then proposed "The School" in very happy vein, coupling with the toast the name of the Headmaster. The speaker's apology for "posing at such length" was by no means necessary. Mr. Layng's reply was also excellent: indeed, this may be said of all the speeches. Next on the toast list came "The Governor," proposed by Mr. E. H. Bartlett. In his reply Mr. Barton alluded to the fact that, although he had not very long been a member of the governing body, he had been kept in touch with the School, having examined the candidates for the Abingdon Scholarships at Pembroke College for over thirty years. In response to repeated calls, the Mayor (Mr. J. T. Morland), who is vice-chairman of the Governors, also acknowledged this toast. The health of the President was then proposed by Mr. Portal, who was the head boy when Mr. Harris joined the School. Mr. Harris having suitably replied, the official speeches were at an end. However, Mr. B. Challenor proposed "The Visitors," thanking them for honouring the Club with their presence, to which Dr. Merriman replied. This brought the formal proceedings to a close; but it was some considerable

time before the company dispersed.

The arrangements were in the hands of a Dinner Committee consisting of H. S. Challenor, F. O. Townsend and the Hon. Secretary, who owe a debt of thanks to the Mayor for allowing the use of some of the Corporation plate; and to the ladies who arranged the floral decorations on the tables.

SURSUM CORDA.

October, 1902.

For these Thy gifts of human toil and care
 Ended in Thee, that did in Thee begin;
 For ample halls and comfort everywhere,
 New means of grace and godly discipline,
 Dear Father, take the thanks Thy children pay,
 Lifting their hearts on youth's high-hearted
 way.

Take Thou their thanks of trustful prayer and
 praise:

Yet more, while bright their boyish fancies
 break

Across the rosy morning of their days,
 Their full thank-offering of obedience take;
 Teach them the pride that only boasts to be
 About their Father's business faithfully.

So make them Thine, till manhood passing
 hence,

Generous and loyal, fain to prove its worth,
 Fulfilled with health and gallant confidence,
 Goes forth to battle with the things of earth;
 Strenuous to compass what the heart approves,
 And stoutly strike for that it strongly loves.

O then, sore pressed amid the shocks of sin,
 Or darkly staggering from the ranks of truth,
 Fightings without and bitter fears within,
 O if still beats the buoyant heart of youth,
 If still we faint not in the faith of old,
 Take Thou the thanks, whose arms alone
 uphold.

Through rout and failure purge our eyes to see;
 School our fond wills at length to consecrate,
 God of all gods, their every thought to Thee,
 Their hopes too human, loves too passionate;
 To seek along dull paths and difficult
 Toward the wide issues and the far result.

O best thanksgiving, sacrifice supreme!
 O strength in weakness throughly perfected!
 And O calm light above life's turbid stream,
 Calm light upon the lonely summits shed!
 How sweet their service, how complete their
 meed,

Whose God is light, whose God is love indeed!
 R-B.

EXAMINATIONS.

**OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE BOARD:
 HIGHER CERTIFICATE.**

The following passed:—

H. Hughes, J. C. Richards, and T. F. Bowman.

OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

The following passed:—

SENIOR:—P. H. Donkin, F. L. England, C. P. B. Montgomery and H. W. Weaving.

Donkin and England are excused Responsons.

JUNIOR:—L. J. Anns, H. W. Bate, E. F. Clark, L. C. Davies, E. R. George, G. F. Neligan, E. J. T. Philipps, J. E. A. Rant, R. G. Rice, J. L. West and T. S. Wilding. Davies obtained Third Class Honours and Clark distinction in Mathematics.

SWIMMING RACES.

The Swimming Races this year took place on Monday, July 28th, in the Culham Reach. Though the water was somewhat cold, there was no lack of competitors, and both the races were keenly contested.

In the Junior Division N. Duncan came in first; and in the Senior C. S. Louth was the winner, though G. S. Deacon gave him a close race from the start to the finish.

The Beginners' Race, (prize given as in former years by Mr. W. H. Richardson) was swum at the Bathing Place over the usual short course, C. A. Hancock proving the winner.

CRICKET.

Below will be found the records of last season's 2nd and 3rd XI. matches, which were omitted from our July number through lack of space.

A.S.C.C. 2nd XI. v. Oxford High School. This match was played on the School ground on May 14th, and resulted in a win for our opponents by the narrow margin of 3 runs. Both innings were played out, and the bowlers had the best of it all through, Miller being the only batsman to achieve anything like success.

O.H.S.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Jones b Daw	9	b Rice	0
Bright c Miller b Daw	2	b Rice	3
Gibson b Daw	4	b Rice	0
Price lbw b Rice	2	b Rice	0
Pemberton c Davey b Rice	0	b Rice	11
Pearson b Rice	5	b Rice	4
Parker b Rice	10	b Rice	5
Lewis b Rice	7	b Rice	0
Cockburn lbw b Rice	1	c Miller b Daw	7
Ellis c Graham b Rice	2	not out	3
Breakspere not out	8	b Daw	1
Extras	7	Extras	4
Total	57	Total	38

A.S.C.C. 2nd XI.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
P. C. Miller c Ellis b Price	23	not out	16
H. L. Crudginton lbw b Price	5	b Price	0
E. F. Daw b Gibson	1	b Gibson	1
J. B. Hodgson c and b Price	3	b Price	4
P. H. Donkin b Price	1	b Gibson	5
P. N. Graham b Gibson	0	run out	4
A. F. C. Davey b Gibson	0	b Price	0
R. G. Rice b Gibson	0	b Price	10
A. A. Brown b Price	0	b Gibson	1
M. H. Betteridge b Gibson	1	c Price b Gibson	8
T. S. Wilding not out	0	b Gibson	0
Extras	5	Extras	4
Total	39	Total	53

A.S.C.C. 2nd XI. v. BLOXHAM SCHOOL 2nd XI.

Played on the School ground on May 24th. Bloxham batted first and compiled 54, of which 29 were extras. Rice's analysis was phenomenal,—4 wickets for 3 runs. Our innings realized 99, Graham playing well for 23 not out.

BLOXHAM SCHOOL 2nd XI.

Reader c Daw b Mathias	4
Whiting lbw b Daw	0
Yonge c Crudgington b Rice	6
Hennessey b Rice	6
Boissier b Mathias	2
Taylor b Mathias	0
Campbell b Rice	0
Langdon c Wilding b Mathias	5
Davis b Rice	0
Malet c Betteridge b Mathias	1
Friend not out	1
Extras	29

Total 54

A.S.C.C. 2nd XI.

P. H. Donkin c Davis b Yonge	0
H. L. Crudgington b Yonge	19
L. S. Mathias b Yonge	7
J. B. Hodgson c Langdon b Yonge	5
E. F. Daw b Malet	18
P. N. Graham not out	23
R. G. Rice b Boissier	3
A. A. Brown b Boissier	5
M. H. Betteridge b Boissier	6
V. Bayley b Boissier	3
T. S. Wilding b Malet	1
Extras	9

Total 99

A.S.C.C. 2nd XI. v. MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL 2nd XI.

Played at Oxford on May 28th. The home side made 84, Dawes being chief scorer with 23, while Rice for us took 4 wickets for 37, Mathias 6 for 31. We replied with 216 for 6 wickets, Mathias making 108 not out. We then declared our innings closed and again disposed of Magdalen for 30 runs. In the 2nd innings Daw took 3 wickets for 18 and Rice 6 for 6. We thus won by an innings and 92 runs.

MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL 2nd XI.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Dawes c and b Mathias	23	b Rice	3
Wiggins c Brown b Mathias	6	b Daw	7
Robertson b Mathias	1	b Rice	3

Bell b Mathias	1	lbw b Daw	3
Miller b Mathias	8	not out	9
Ward b Mathias	6	b Rice	0
Gough c Mathias b Rice	2	b Rice	0
Williams b Rice	9	b Rice	0
Tough b Rice	0	b Rice	0
Feith b Rice	0	b Daw	0
Salisbury not out	9	absent hurt	0
Extras	13	Extras	6

Total 84 Total 30

A.S.C.C.

H. L. Crudgington lbw b Robertson	1
P. H. Donkin b Dawes	7
L. S. Mathias not out	108
J. B. Hodgson b Robertson	17
E. F. Daw b Feith	34
P. N. Graham b Feith	17
R. G. Rice b Feith	2
A. A. Brown not out	16
M. H. Betteridge	} did not bat.
V. Bayley	
T. S. Wilding	
Extras	14

Total (6 wks.) 216

A. S. C. C. 2nd. XI. v. OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL.

In this the return match, played at Oxford on June 4th, we were able to turn the tables upon our opponents, defeating them easily by 60 runs in the 1st innings.

A.S.C.C.

P. H. Donkin c & b Price	16
L. S. Mathias b Gibson	11
P. N. Graham b Price	3
E. F. Daw b Gibson	2
J. B. Hodgson b Gibson	0
A. A. Brown b Gibson	3
R. G. Rice b Price	22
M. H. Betteridge run out	1
V. Bayley c & b Gibson	0
F. H. Edev not out	2
T. S. Wilding b Price	0
Extras	14

Total 74

OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL.

Gibson b Rice	1
Cockburn b Mathias	0
Robertson b Rice	2
Bright b Mathias	3
Price c Daw b Rice	2
Lewis c Hodgson b Mathias	0
Paine c Betteridge b Rice	1
Parker not out	0
Breakspere b Mathias	0
Price c Donkin b Mathias	2
Pearson b Mathias	1
Extras	2

Total 14

The 3rd XI. played two matches, both of them against the Christ Church Choir School. The first, played at Oxford on May 14th, resulted in a win for the 3rd XI. by 25 runs (45 to 20), to which N. Duncan was the chief contributor with 13. Bayley took 7 wickets for 7 runs, and Purves 3 for 7. Our team consisted of V. Bayley (capt.), N. Duncan, J. B. Purves, E. A. R. Nicholl, F. H. Edey, J. E. A. Rant, R. F. Baker, A. S. B. Payne, A. W. Miller, R. Louth, A. G. C. Rice.

The return match was played on July 9th. The only notable features of the visitors' innings were the batting of Goodwin, who made 33 out of a total of 54, and the badness of the 3rd XI. fielding. Rain put a stop to the play after 2 of the home wickets had fallen for 24 runs (Davey not out 12). In this match A. F. C. Davey, V. Adams and G. F. Neligan took the places of Bayley, Purves and Baker; otherwise the team was the same as in the first match.

SUMMARY OF MATCHES.

DATE.	OPONENTS.	SCORE. For Agst.
May 7	St. Catherine's, Oxford..	Wks—136 (6)
" 10	Wallingford ..	82— 68
" 17	Abingdon Factory ..	134— 24
" 24	Bloxham School ..	109—204 (4)
" 28	Magdalen College School Oxford ..	108—127
" 31	Leighton Park School ..	29—116
June 2	New College Nomads ..	97— 57
" 4	A. G. Bartlett's XI. ..	93—149
" 7	Abingdon Town ..	125—131
" 11	Wallingford ..	102(9)—260(6)
" 21	Old Abingdonians ..	96— 98
July 12	Abingdon Town ..	91(7)—215 (6)

2nd XI.

May 14	Oxford High School ..	92— 95
" 24	Bloxham School 2nd XI Magdalen College School 2nd XI. ..	99— 54
" 28	Oxford High School ..	216(6)—114
June 4	Oxford High School ..	74— 14

3rd XI.

May 14	Christ Church School ..	45— 20
July 9	Christ Church School ..	24(2) 54

FOOTBALL.

A.S.F.C. v. Abingdon Town. This, the first match of the season, took place on the Town ground on October 4th. At the outset, the School played with great dash and pluck. Their efforts were soon rewarded, and after an exciting scrimmage, Deacon netted the ball. This however aroused the Town, who equalized towards the close of the first half. The second half consisted of the continual bombardment of the School citadel. The forwards tired considerably, the backs failed completely, with the result that the School retired well beaten by 8-1. On the whole the School played very fairly, but weight told its inevitable tale against an untrained team. School team:—Goal, J. H. E. Morland, Esq.; Backs, A. M. C. Nicholl, Esq., S. Ingrams, Esq.; Halves, C. P. B. Montgomery, T. F. Bowman, A. W. L. Graham; Forwards, P. C. Miller, A. B. Taylor, Esq., G. S. Deacon, W. N. Hobbs, L. S. Mathias.

A.S.F.C. v. S. Ingrams' XI. On October 8th, Mr. Ingrams brought a scratch team against the School. The game was a very pleasant one, both sides during the first half pressing in turn. The interval came with the score 3-2 in favour of the School. Eventually the School completely out-played their opponents, with the result that they won easily by 8-3. Deacon, Hobbs, Miller, and Mathias all found the net, whilst

Graham, although he did not score, was certainly not the worst of the forwards. School team:—Goal, A. A. Brown; Backs, R. G. Rice, T. F. Bowman; Halves, C. P. B. Montgomery, J. W. Duncan, E. F. Daw; Forwards, P. N. Graham, P. C. Miller, G. S. Deacon, W. N. Hobbs, L. S. Mathias.

A.S.F.C. v. Magdalen College School. Played at Oxford on October 11th. The School lost the toss and in addition had to play for the first time this season on a slippery ground. For the first 10 minutes they were very bad, but after a time got together splendidly. Hobbs was the first to score with a grand shot, and Miller soon after followed his example. Deacon repeated the performance and half-time came with the score 4-0. On resuming, the play was much more even. Magdalen made strenuous efforts to score and in a very few minutes had notched two points. The School, however, soon woke up again and still further increased their lead. The whistle blew leaving us victors by 6-2. Considering the wet state of the ground, the team played quite up to its best form, Hobbs being especially good. School team:—Goal, P. H. Donkin; Backs, R. G. Rice, T. F. Bowman; Halves, C. P. B. Montgomery, J. W. Duncan, E. F. Daw; Forwards, F. H. Edey, P. C. Miller, G. S. Deacon, W. N. Hobbs, L. S. Mathias.

A.S.F.C. v. A. O. C. Pryce's XI. Pryce brought a strong team to play the School on October 15th. Unfortunately the visitors were a man short in the first half, but Randall, the Town centre,

afterwards filled the vacancy. It was a close and exciting game. At one time our opponents led, but the School played well together and won by 3-2. On the whole, the forwards were not so good as in the Magdalen match. Their shooting was poor and they seemed to lack dash. The back division on the contrary was considerably better, and it was due to them principally that our School won. School team:—Goal, P. H. Donkin; Backs, A. M. C. Nicholl, Esq., T. F. Bowman; Halves, C. P. B. Montgomery, J. W. Duncan, E. F. Daw; Forwards, F. H. Edey, P. C. Miller, G. S. Deacon, W. N. Hobbs, L. S. Mathias.

A.S.F.C. v. Dorchester College. On October 25th the School drove over to play Dorchester College for the first time. Their opponents were hardly of equal calibre and were well beaten by 15-0. School team:—Goal, P. H. Donkin; Backs, R. G. Rice, T. F. Bowman; Halves, C. P. B. Montgomery, J. W. Duncan, E. F. Daw; Forwards, F. H. Edey, P. C. Miller, G. S. Deacon, W. N. Hobbs, L. S. Mathias.

A.S.F.C. v. Mansfield College, Oxford. The School went to Oxford on Wednesday, October 29th, where they sustained their second defeat by 4 goals to 3. At the outset the game was very fast and exciting, both goals having narrow escapes. Eventually Bowman scored with a long shot and soon afterwards Mr. Taylor also netted the ball. These reverses aroused Mansfield and their forwards by some very pretty combination quickly put on 2 goals. Deacon however placed the School ahead with a

soft shot, and at half-time they led by 3-2. On resuming, both sides attacked in turn and at last Mansfield netted the ball. After this play quieted down, but on the verge of time the home team scored from a penalty. It was an unfortunate lose and the School had very hard luck in failing to draw. School team:—Goal, P. H. Donkin; Backs, T. F. Bowman, A. M. C. Nicholl, Esq.; Halves, C. P. B. Montgomery, J. W. Duncan, E. F. Daw; Forwards, F. H. Edey, A. B. Taylor, Esq., G. S. Deacon, W. N. Hobbs, and L. S. Mathias.

A.S.F.C. 2nd XI v. Magdalen College School 2nd XI. The 2nd XI. played this, their first match, on October 11th, the team being fairly strong, but not quite so strong as last year. Magdalen got away in the first five minutes and scored, but after that play was more even, both teams having their goals visited. At half-time the score stood, Magdalen 1, School 0. Soon after changing ends Miller twice succeeded in netting the ball. Then play became more even, but just before time Miller scored once more and the School were thus left victorious by 3-1 School team:—Goal, A. A. Brown (Capt.); Backs, H. L. Crudgington, H. S. Mathias; Halves, M. H. Betteridge, H. W. Bate, J. B. Hodgson; Forwards, A. S. B. Payne, P. N. Graham, A. W. Miller, H. G. Habgood, T. S. Wilding.

A.S.F.C. 2nd XI. v. Oxford High School. Played at Oxford on October 15th. The 2nd XI. were without Brown, whose place in goal was taken by George. Otherwise the team was the same as in

the last match. The High School scored in the first five minutes, but after that they hardly attacked our goal at all. The visitors had most of the play, but the high wind spoilt their shooting; just before time, however, Habgood scored, the match thus ending in a draw (1-1).

A.S.F.C. 2nd XI. v. Christ Church Choir School. Played at the School ground on October 25th. The visitors were a particularly small set and the superior weight of the School easily carried them through. Altogether the game was very one-sided and we won comfortably by 11-1. Christ Church are to be congratulated on the plucky game they played. School team:—Goal, J. F. Hertslet; Backs, E. A. R. Nicholl, G. F. Neligan; Halves, A. G. C. Rice, N. Duncan, C. E. Graff; Forwards, L. J. Anns, F. D. Smith, R. Louth, C. M. Crosse, R. T. Hewer.

LIST OF MATCHES.

DATE.	OPPONENTS.	GROUND.
Oct. 4	Abingdon Town	Away
" 8	S. Ingrams' Esq. XI. ..	Home
" 11	Magdalen Coll. School, Oxford	Away
" 15	A. O. C. Pryce's XI. ..	Home
" 25	Dorchester College	Away
" 29	Mansfield College, Oxford ..	Away
Nov. 5	Leighton Park School	Home
" 8	Queen's College, Oxford ..	Home
" 15	Pembroke College, Oxford ..	Home
" 19	Abingdon Town	Home
" 22	Dorchester College	Home
" 26	Leighton Park School	Away
" 29	Magdalen Coll. School, Oxford	Home
Dec. 3	Mansfield College, Oxford ..	Home
" 10	Bloxham School	Away
" 17	Cygnets	Home
" 20	Old Abingdonians	Home

SECOND XI.

Oct. 11	Magdalen Coll. School 2nd XI.	Home
" 15	Oxford High School	Away
Nov. 26	Oxford High School	Home
" 29	Magdalen Coll. School 2nd XI.	Away
Dec. 10	Bloxham School 2nd XI. ..	Home

THIRD XI.

Oct. 25	Christ Church School	..	Home
Nov. 22	Christ Church School	..	Away

SCHOOL NOTES.

We record with much regret the death of Mr. A. F. Blandy, which took place on Saturday, October 25th, in his 59th year. He joined the Governing Body last year on the nomination of the County Council of Berkshire, and was present at the opening of the new buildings only three days before his death.

We beg to offer our congratulations to Sir W. R. Anson, D.C.L., M.P., one of our Governing Body, on his appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education.

Also to the Rev. Cresswell Strange, O.A., Vicar of Edgbaston, on his appointment by the Crown as Canon Residentiary of Worcester Cathedral.

We have this term lost Mr. Romans and Mr. Armstrong from the staff, and their places have been taken by Mr. A. M. C. Nicholl, late Choral Scholar of St. John's College, Cambridge, as Science Master, and by Mr. A. B. Taylor, late Scholar of Brasenose College, Oxford, who teaches Mathematics.

Mr. H. G. Belcher is again helping us with our classical work this term.

The Bishop of Oxford will hold a Confirmation Service in St. Helen's Church on the first Sunday in Advent.

At a Masters' Meeting held on September 30th, P. H. Donkin and J. C. Richards were appointed School Prefects.

P. H. Donkin and J. W. Duncan

have been elected members of the Abingdonian Committee, in the places of H. F. Shepherd and F. L. England.

The Rev. W. K. Stride is again delivering a course of University Extension Lectures in the Town Hall, the subject this year being British India. The lectures are given on alternate Monday evenings, and are attended by most of the senior boys.

Mr. Wood, of Oxford, is holding weekly dancing classes in the School-room this term, as he has done in previous years. The usual School Dance is to be given at the end of the term.

Mr. S. J. Forster of Merton College, Oxford, has taken his M.A. and B.C.L. Degrees. Mr. Forster was a pupil at the School under Mr. Cam.

We congratulate P. L. Deacon on playing Football in the Seniors' Match and in the Varsity Trial Match at Cambridge, and A. W. Stevens on playing in the Seniors' Match at Oxford.

We have to thank the Warden of Radley College for his kind invitation to the Sixth Form to witness the performance of the "Captivi" at Radley on November 3rd. Several of us hope to avail ourselves of the Warden's kindness.

At the request of Mr. Benyon, the Lord Lieutenant of Berkshire, the School enjoyed a half-holiday on Thursday, October 23rd, the day after the opening of the new buildings.

Our sincere thanks are due to Mr. Arthur M. Shepherd, O.A., for his generous gift of 100 hassocks for the furnishing of the new Chapel.

Three of the new rooms have been named respectively the Wantage Room, in memory of Lord Wantage, the Pembroke Room, to commemorate the connection of the School with Pembroke College, and the Strange Room. The last, so named in honour of Dr. Strange and the fund raised eight years ago to equip the then science rooms in his memory, is the new Science Lecture Room on the ground floor.

The heraldic designs for the Coats-of-Arms in the Chapel, Wantage Room and Pembroke Room, are the work of Mr. W. H. Richardson, O.A. The Armorial Bearings represented are as follows:—in the Chapel, those of Bishop Mitchinson, Chairman of the Governing Body and Master of Pembroke College; Mr. J. T. Morland, Vice-Chairman and Mayor of Abingdon; the late Lord Wantage, representing subscribers, as the largest donor; Mr. J. H. Benyon, Lord Lieutenant of Berkshire; Archdeacon Hayward, representing the Old Boys; and the present Head Master: in the Wantage Room, those of Roysse, Bennett, Blacknall, Young and Summers, as founder of School Scholarships; and of the Town, as founders of Municipal Scholarships: in the Pembroke Room, those of Tesdale and Wightwick, Old Abingdonians and Co-founders of Pembroke College: of Dunch, the founder of a School Scholarship, now lapsed, at Balliol College; and of Kent and Orpwood, benefactors to the School through the Master and Governors of Christ's Hospital.

The mid-term exeat has been fixed

for November 1st to 3rd. The date of the Old Boys' Match is December 20th, and term ends on December 23rd.

The following boys have joined the School this term:—School House,—K. P. Stevens; Tesdale House,—H. L. Neligan; Day Boys,—V. G. H. Cox, G. C. Crook, H. M. L. Lewington, F. Parker, F. D. Smith, R. J. Weaving.

V. Adams, S. Adams, and G. C. Rice have become boarders in the School House.

The following boys have left:—Upper VI., H. F. Shepherd; Lower VI., F. L. England; Fifth, A. F. C. Davey, P. R. Hatton, H. J. A. Payne, J. E. A. Rant; Shell, G. S. King, R. W. Sells; Fourth, H. S. Cannon, F. C. B. Keitley, C. S. Louth, J. B. Purves; Third, V. Bayley; Commercial I., C. A. L. Brasher, M. E. Jones, W. P. Meredith.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the following contemporaries: Bloxhamist, Chigwellian, Ipswich School Magazine (2), Leightonian.

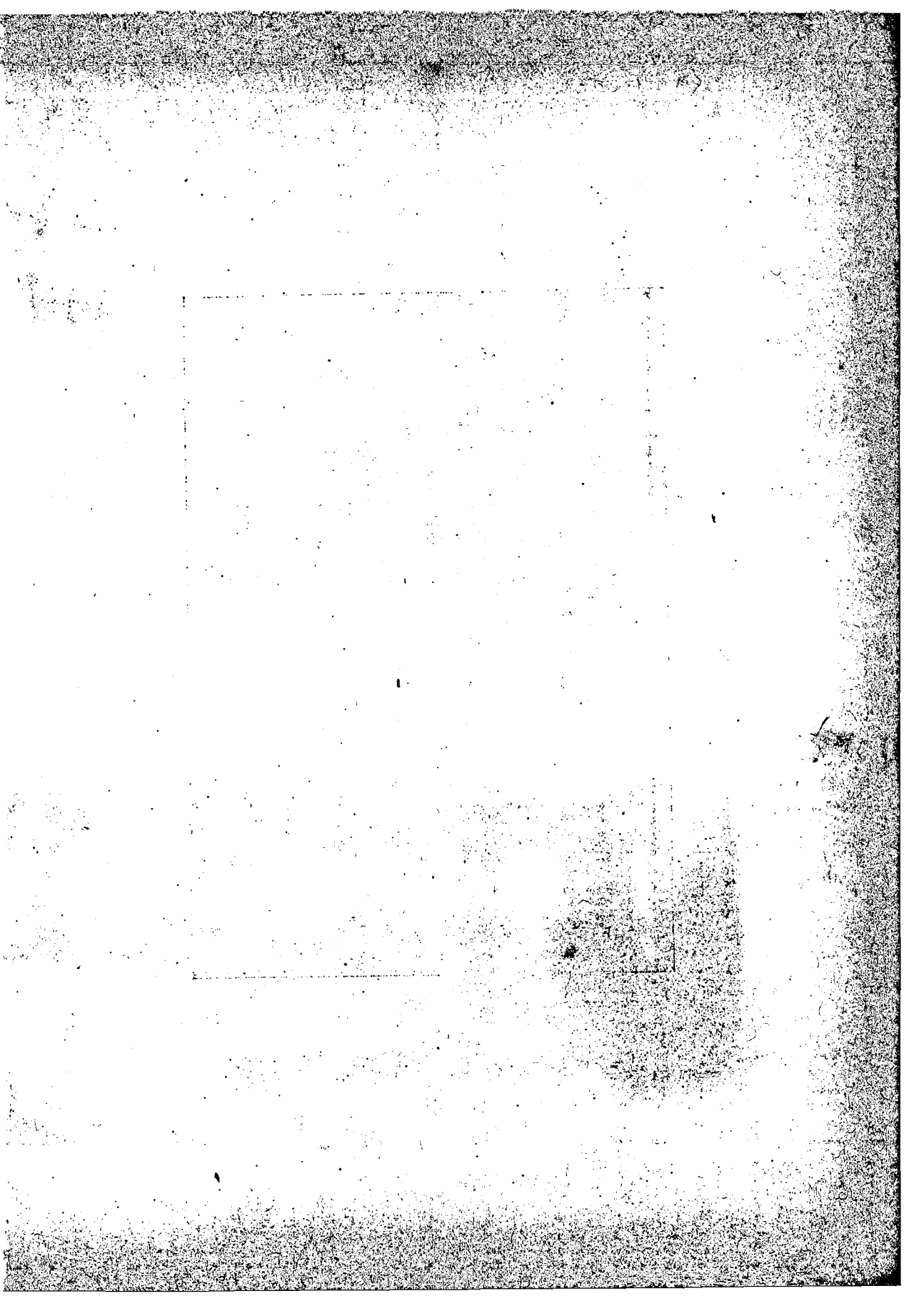
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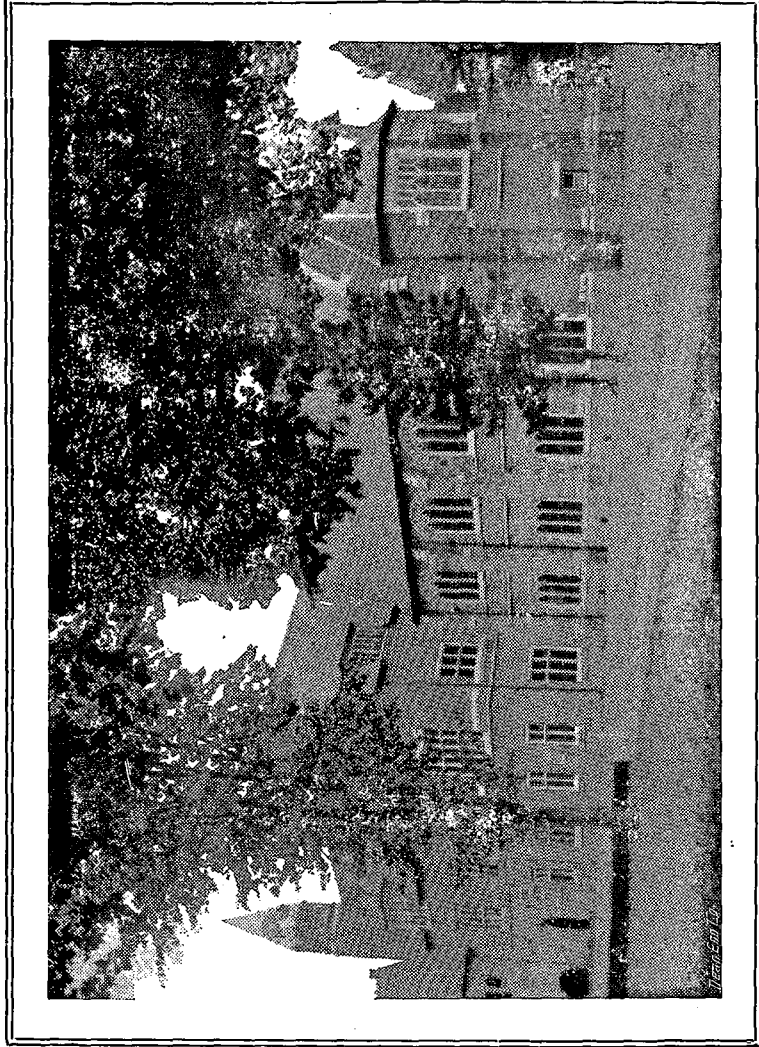
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Amount previously acknowledged ..	3,378	3	10
Berkshire County Council (for equipment)	175	0	0
The Lord Lieutenant of Berkshire ..	50	0	0
Miss Payne (The Mill House)	5	5	0
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*Mr. J. H. Meredith	5	0	0
*Mr. H. Redfern	5	0	0
Mr. L. W. Stone	5	0	0
Mr. J. Mortleman (2nd donation) ..	2	2	0
Mr. M. T. Tatham (2nd donation) ..	2	2	0
*Mr. N. B. Challenor	1	1	0
*Mr. O. S. Challenor	1	1	0
Rev. E. C. Graff	1	1	0
Mr. G. J. Hill	1	1	0
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*Mr. O. J. Stockton	1	1	0
Mr. J. Brown (2nd donation)	1	0	0
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Subscriptions towards the above Fund should be sent to the Rev. T. Layng, M.A., at the School, Abingdon, who will duly acknowledge the same.





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