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EDITORIAL.

THE most notable events of the term have been the Dedication of the Chapel and its opening for use by the whole School before the beginning of each day's work. It is as yet but scantily furnished, and the promised stalls are represented by chairs and benches; but the gifts of friends have done much already, and, though we may have long to wait, yet some day, we doubt not, in our Chapel's visible completeness we

shall find a true symbol of its high significance.

We are losing at the end of this term two Masters whom we can very ill spare. Mr. Wimberley will be missed, not only at Tesdale House, where Mrs. Wimberley's departure will be equally regretted, but by all sections of the School with which his many activities have brought him into sympathy. We wish him and his all happiness in their new home, and we trust we shall hear of them often. Mr. Rowland has been with us but a short time, but long enough to teach us many things and to amuse us not a little.

There has been a considerable rainfall this term,—sufficient in fact to obliterate the river for a fortnight and to damp the flannels, if not the ardour, of even the keenest cricketers. And this rainy record, astronomers tell us, is due to sun-spots; though, as there apparently was no sun for most of the early summer,

it is difficult to see how he can have had any spots on him. Statisticians, on the other hand, attribute it to the law of averages, (which, if their theory is true, is a law which obviously needs repealing). But whether the sun's face wanted washing, or a statistical vacuum wanted filling, the past month at all events has done much to make amends. *Mutat terra vices*,—the earth repents of her vices,—so that we can look forward, perhaps with more than average confidence, to a fine and genial holiday.

CONCERT.

Last term's concert took place on April 2nd, when a large audience filled the Schoolroom. The chief item on the programme was A. R. Gaul's cantata, "The Holy City," which was rendered by the choir, the solos being taken by the Rev. C. F. A. Wimberley and T. F. Bowman (tenor), Mr. A. M. C. Nicholl and H. Hughes (bass), and G. H. G. Shepherd (soprano).

The second part of the programme we give in full below. It will be seen that three of the items were of Mr. Young's own composing, and his setting of Mr. Percy F. Rowland's song, "When Australia Wakes," sung by Mr. Nicholl, was especially well received.

PART II. OF THE PROGRAMME.

1. Triumphal March *E. Walford Young*.
ORCHESTRA.
2. Soprano Solo .. "Sweet sings the Nightingale"
G. H. G. SHEPHERD. *Spohr*.
3. Tenor Solo "Beloved it is morn" *F. Aylward*.
REV. C. F. A. WIMBERLEY.

4. "Chanson de Matin" *Elgar*.
ORCHESTRA.
 5. Bass Solo .. "A psalm of life" .. *Cowen*.
H. HUGHES.
 6. "An Autumn Reverie" .. *E. Walford Young*.
ORCHESTRA.
 7. Tenor Solo "But thou didst not leave" *Handel*.
T. F. BOWMAN.
 8. Bass Solo and Chorus "When Australia Wakes"
Words by P. F. Rowland. Music by E. W. Young.
A. M. C. NICHOLL.
- GOD SAVE THE KING.

DEDICATION OF THE SCHOOL CHAPEL.

On Trinity Sunday, June 7th, the new Chapel was dedicated by the Right Rev. Bishop Mitchinson, Master of Pembroke College. A little before three o'clock, when the boys were already in their seats, the Mayor and Corporation entered preceded by the Mace. There were also present the Governors of the School, representatives of the Old Abingdonian Club, and other visitors, the numbers of those present necessitating the use of the Organ Loft—as yet unfortunately not fulfilling its ultimate purpose—for seating.

After the Clergy had entered, the service, which contained other portions also of that used at the laying of the foundation stone two years ago, began with Mr. Ross-Barker's hymn, "Be near, O God," sung to Mr. Young's tune. The first part of the service was taken by the Head Master, and the lesson (Rev. xxi., 15) was read by the Rev. C. F. A. Wimberley. The special Psalms were the 84th and the 122nd.

The dedicatory prayers were read by the Bishop after his Sermon, which he based on the last four verses of the 122nd Psalm. In the course of his most helpful address, he pointed out the central place a Chapel must and should occupy in public school life, and the influence it shares with Big School and the playing fields in binding boys together and forming character.

Three hymns from the "Public School Hymn Book" were sung in the service, Nos. 286, 207, and 115, and during the last two a collection in aid of the fund for furnishing the Chapel was made, which amounted to £16 3s. 1d.

A form of invitation was issued to parents and friends to attend the first Sunday Evensong in the Chapel on the following Sunday, June 14th; but the inclemency of the weather prevented more than a few from availing themselves of it.

OLD ABINGDONIAN CLUB.

The Annual General Meeting was held at the School at the conclusion of the Past *v.* Present Cricket Match on June 27th. Fifteen members attended and, in the absence of the President, B. Challenor, Esq., an Ex-President, was voted to the chair.

The business transacted was of a formal nature. The Minutes of the last General Meeting having been read and signed, and the accounts for the year passed, the Rev. T. Layng proposed that A. E. Preston, Esq., of Abingdon, be elected President for the ensuing

year. The Chairman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Mr. Preston has lately been appointed a Governor of the School, a position which very few O.A.s have occupied, at any rate in modern times.

The Vice-Presidents, Hon. Secretaries and Committee were re-elected without change.

The meeting also approved a recommendation of the Sub-Committee that the Annual Dinner should be held this year in London about the middle of November.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, moved by the Rev. T. Layng and seconded by W. T. Morland, brought the meeting to an end.

PAST *v.* PRESENT ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Annual Meeting between the Past and Present took place on April 4th. The weather remained fairly fine until the last event, and there was a fair number of visitors. The Present did rather better than in the previous year, winning three events, while the Past gained six. Several of the events were very closely contested. The results were as follows:—

LONG JUMP.

1, H. J. A. Payne (O.A.); 2, T. F. Bowman (A.S.A.C.). W. T. Morland (O.A.) and A. W. L. Graham (A.S.A.C.) also competed. Payne jumped finely, clearing 19ft. 11in.

100 YARDS.

1, J. H. E. Morland (O.A.); 2, J. B. Hodgson (A.S.A.C.). W. Cottrell

(O.A.) and W. N. Hobbs (A.S.A.C.) also ran. Won by a couple of yards in good time. Time 10 4-5 secs.

PUTTING THE WEIGHT.

1, P. R. Taylor (O.A.); 2, R. G. Rice (A.S.A.C.). J. H. E. Morland (O.A.) and T. F. Bowman (A.S.A.C.) were the other competitors. Taylor won easily with a fine put of 31ft. 7in.

HALF MILE.

1, T. F. Bowman (A.S.A.C.); 2, H. J. A. Payne (O.A.); 3, A. A. Brown (A.S.A.C.) Bowman won by about twenty yards from Payne, who was closely followed by Brown and J. R. Hewer (O.A.) Time 2 min. 20 4-5 secs.

HIGH JUMP.

1, P. L. Deacon (O.A.); 2, R. G. Rice (A.S.A.C.). W. T. Morland (O.A.) and H. L. Crudgington (A.S.A.C.) also competed. This event produced a fine contest between Deacon and Rice, the Old Boy winning by half an inch. Height 4ft. 11in.

QUARTER MILE.

1, A. O. C. Pryce (O.A.); 2, P. L. Deacon (O.A.). J. W. Duncan and L. S. Mathias represented the School. Deacon was leading up to the last half-dozen yards, when Pryce passed him, winning by a little over a foot. Time 58 1-5 secs.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.

1, C. P. B. Montgomery (A.S.A.C.); 2, W. Cottrell (O.A.). S. W. Brown (O.A.) and R. G. Rice (A.S.A.C.) also threw. Distance 83 yards 2ft. 3in.

HURDLE RACE.

1, H. J. A. Payne (O.A.); 2, R. G. Rice (A.S.A.C.); 3, W. N. Hobbs (A.S.A.C.); P. L. Deacon (O.A.) was fourth. This was a splendid race, Payne and Rice taking the last hurdle together, but Rice unfortunately fell at the tape and Payne won by a few inches. Time 17 3-5 secs.

ONE MILE.

1, A. W. L. Graham (A.S.A.C.); 2, A. O. C. Pryce (O.A.); 3, J. R. Hewer (O.A.). Bowman cut out the pace for several laps and then retired, leaving Pryce just ahead of Graham. In the final hundred yards Graham spurred finely, winning by about ten yards. S. W. Brown (O.A.) and P. N. Graham (A.S.A.C.) also ran. Time 5 mins. 24 2-5 secs.

ROWING.

A. S. B. C. v. St. Mark's School, Windsor. This race, which had originally been fixed for June 20th but had to be postponed on account of the floods, was rowed on Friday, July 10th, on the Culham Reach. The St. Mark's boat was the first to get off and held a slight lead for some distance. Just before the half-way post Hughes called on his crew for a spurt. They responded well and shooting ahead maintained a good lead as far as the willows. Here the Windsor crew began to regain some of their lost ground, but the School stuck to their work well and won a good race by a length and a quarter. The crews were constituted as follows:—

A.S.B.C.

- (bow) G. F. Neligan.
- (2) H. W. Bate.
- (3) C. P. B. Montgomery.
- (str.) H. Hughes.
- (cox) R. Bayley.

ST. MARK'S SCHOOL B.C.

- (bow) W. Oldham.
- (2) K. Peddie.
- (3) A. S. H. Perry.
- (str.) F. E. Hotblack.
- (cox) R. Openshaw.

The Regatta, which was to have been held on June 24th, had also to be postponed. Indeed the swollen state of the river has sadly interfered both with boating and bathing this term; but in this respect we are far from being the only Thames-side school that has suffered. We hope to enjoy a successful Regatta on Thursday, July 23rd, and a full account of it, together with the usual characters of the Four, will appear in our October number.

CRICKET.

We have reason to look back on the season of 1903 as a very successful one. Our batting has been strong, nearly all the team having made runs at times; Bowman, Mathias i. and Mathias ii. being perhaps the most consistent.

The attack was weakened by the inability of Bowman to bowl much, but a capable substitute was found in Rice, who showed very good form in the later matches. The fielding has been keen throughout. Perhaps the best performances of the team were against Abingdon Town and Bloxham School on our ground. The latter match provided a

very exciting finish, the runs being hit off in the last over. Our defeats were at the hands of Magdalen College School, Mr. C.B. Good's XI., and New College Nomads. The Second XI. has been rather weak.

A.S.C.C. v. WALLINGFORD TOWN.

The School made a brilliant beginning in the season's work on May 9th in their first match, beating Wallingford decisively by 57 runs. Mr. Nicholl hit up 48 in good style, and was also successful with the ball, taking 5 wickets for 20 runs.

WALLINGFORD TOWN C.C.

A. C. Arding b H. S. Mathias	1
P. Slade b Bowman	12
S. Richings b Nicholl	24
E. Davis b Nicholl	1
R. O'Neill b Nicholl	6
M. Henman b Nicholl	7
W. Winter b Rice	5
T. Hanson b Nicholl	7
E. Bradford c Bowman b L. S. Mathias	3
E. Faulkner b L. S. Mathias	0
G. Parker not out	0
Extras	8
Total	74

A.S.C.C.

J. H. Franklin b Winter	10
T. F. Bowman b Richings	39
J. W. Duncan b Winter	9
A. M. C. Nicholl not out	48
J. B. Hodgson b Davis	2
A. W. L. Graham b Richings	7
H. S. Mathias b Winter	2
L. S. Mathias b Richings	2
H. L. Crudgington not out	1
P. N. Graham } did not bat	
R. G. Rice }	
Extras	12
Total	132

A.S.C.C. v. ST. CATHERINE'S, OXFORD.

Played on the School ground on May 13th. The visitors brought over a weak team. They batted first and were soon out for 66, Graham accomplishing a very fine performance in taking 4 wickets for 8 runs. The School batted very consistently, six men getting into double figures. Duncan played very pretty cricket for his 24.

ST. CATHERINE'S, OXFORD, C.C.

W. H. Williams c Duncan b Bowman ..	6
H. Farrands b Bowman	2

C. Wood b A. W. L. Graham	21
C. T. Hilton b Nicholl	2
G. F. Bury lbw, b Nicholl	0
P. P. Darke b Bowman	3
E. E. Farquharson c & b L. S. Mathias	19
A. E. Sothorn b A. W. L. Graham ..	7
F. E. Flosein lbw, b A. W. L. Graham	5
C. F. Field not out	1
D. J. McEwen b A. W. L. Graham....	0
Extras	0
Total	66

A.S.C.C.

T. F. Bowman c Farquharson b Bury ..	17
J. W. Duncan c and b Bury	7
A. M. C. Nicholl c and b Hilton	3
J. B. Hodgson b Hilton	1
A. W. L. Graham c Field b Bury.....	15
H. S. Mathias c Darke b Bury	13
L. S. Mathias c Williams b Bury	25
N. Duncan b Bury	24
P. N. Graham c and b Bury	0
H. L. Crudgington not out.....	12
R. G. Rice c Darke b Bury	5
Extras.....	11
Total	133

A.S.C.C. v. C. B. GOOD'S XI.

Played on the School ground on May 20th. This match was very exciting, the School losing by only 23 runs. Field bowled well for the visitors, taking 6 wickets for 20 runs.

A.S.C.C.

J. H. Franklin c Montgomery b Field..	1
A. M. C. Nicholl run out	2
T. F. Bowman b Field	10
L. S. Mathias b Field	2
J. W. Duncan b Hubert	11
A. W. L. Graham b Field.....	10
H. S. Mathias b Canton	3
N. Duncan b Canton	0
P. N. Graham not out.....	7
J. B. Hodgson c and b Field.....	9
K. G. Rice c Montgomery b Field	0
Extras	7
Total	62

C. B. GOOD'S XI.

W. B. Canton b Bowman	10
H. Evetts c Duncan b Bowman.....	1
T. Canton b Bowman	0
J. E. Montgomery c Price b L. S. Mathias	22
H. A. Field c Franklin b Bowman	0
N. B. Dearle not out	39
C. Overy b Rice	3
O. E. Mannerling c Mathias b A. W. L. Graham	1
W. H. Griffith b A. W. L. Graham ..	1
J. D. Stuart b A. W. L. Graham	1
C. W. Dixon run out	1
Extras.....	6
Total	85

A.S.C.C. v. MAGDALEN COLLEGE SCHOOL,
OXFORD.

Played on the School ground on May 16th. The School batting was feeble in the extreme, only Mathias making any stand. When Magdalen went in, the School bowling was soon collared and our opponents hit off the runs for the loss of only four wickets. The weather was most unpropitious, rain falling heavily during the greater part of the game.

A.S.C.C.

T. F. Bowman b H. Wiggins.....	8
H. S. Mathias c Gadney b Venables....	8
J. W. Duncan c Gadney b Venables ..	9
L. S. Mathias c Gadney b H. Wiggins..	28
A. W. L. Graham c Archibald b H. Wiggins	2
N. Duncan b Venables	3
J. B. Hodgson b Dawes	3
A. A. Brown c Scott-Tucker b Dawes..	0
P. N. Graham b Wiggins	6
A. W. Miller not out	6
R. G. Rice b Dawes.....	0
Extras	5
Total	83

M.C.S.C.C.

H. B. Wiggins b Bowman.....	2
C. F. Gadney not out	34
H. H. Dawes b H. S. Mathias	0
E. M. Venables b Bowman	9
G. K. Archibald b Miller	38
S. Scott-Tucker not out	8
A. D. Keith	
A. E. Rambant	} did not bat
R. V. Wiggins	
W. E. de Sawya	
A. P. Bell	
Extras.....	9
Total	100

A.S.C.C. v. BLOXHAM SCHOOL C.C.

Played at Bloxham on May 23rd. Bloxham went in first and compiled 124 by very steady cricket; Lightbody played well for his runs. For the School L. S. Mathias and J. W. Duncan hit hard for 28 and 23 respectively.

BLOXHAM SCHOOL C.C.

G. Lightbody c Hodgson b Rice	31
M. Holdom b Rice	2
T. Ferguson b Rice	6
L. Davies b A. W. L. Graham	7
G. Malet c Rice b L. S. Mathias	1
G. Stanley b Rice.....	13
E. Hennessey not out	12
J. Davies b Rice	0
G. Yonge c J. W. Duncan b Bowman..	5

H. Edmonds b L. S. Mathias	14
H. Reader b A. W. L. Graham	10
Extras	23
Total	124

A.S.C.C.

H. S. Mathias lbw, b Lightbody	3
L. S. Mathias lbw, b Edmonds	28
T. F. Bowman b Davies	1
J. W. Duncan run out	23
A. W. L. Graham not out	19
J. B. Hodgson not out	1
P. N. Graham	} did not bat
N. Duncan	
A. W. Miller	
A. A. Brown	
R. G. Rice	} did not bat
Extras	
Total	81

A.S.C.C. v. LEIGHTON PARK SCHOOL.

Played at Reading on May 27th. The School gained a hollow victory, to which L. S. Mathias was chief contributor, hitting magnificently for 81, and bowling splendidly, taking 4 wickets for 5 runs.

A.S.C.C.

T. F. Bowman run out	18
L. S. Mathias c Backhouse b Lloyd	81
H. S. Mathias b Backhouse	11
J. W. Duncan c and b Goodbody	10
A. W. L. Graham c Backhouse b Goodbody	9
J. B. Hodgson c Harvey b Woods	1
V. Adams c Cudworth b Goodbody	1
P. N. Graham not out	10
N. Duncan not out	0
A. W. Miller	} did not bat
R. G. Rice	
Extras	20
Total	161

LEIGHTON PARK SCHOOL.

O. F. Davies b L. S. Mathias	13
B. W. Doncaster run out	1
K. D. Backhouse b Rice	14
F. M. Woods c Graham b Rice	0
R. M. Goodbody b L. S. Mathias	12
G. B. Lloyd b L. S. Mathias	0
H. B. Clark b Bowman	6
W. F. Harvey b L. S. Mathias	0
C. W. Knott b Rice	5
J. E. Goodbody c N. Duncan b Bowman	1
W. C. Cudworth not out	6
Extras	21
Total	79

A.S.C.C. v. NEW COLLEGE NOMADS.

Played on the School ground on June 3rd. The visitors won a very enjoyable match after

a close finish. They owed their victory to the plucky batting of their tail. Hodgson, who compiled a stylish 30, was the only batsman on our side to offer any serious resistance.

NEW COLLEGE NOMADS.

A. M. Asquith c N. Duncan b L. S. Mathias	8
W. F. Johnson b H. S. Mathias	2
M. G. Nicholls b Rice	11
C. F. Bowman b L. S. Mathias	12
W. H. Samuel b Rice	6
H. E. Butler b Nicholl	10
R. Vandrez c N. Duncan, b Nicholl	3
F. T. Atkinson b Nicholl	0
H. Lloyd-Baker b Nicholl	10
H. C. Birt not out	17
G. A. Hope lbw, b Rice	16
Extras	11
Total	106

A.S.C.C.

T. F. Bowman b Hope	1
L. S. Mathias b Nicholls	8
A. M. C. Nicholl b Nicholls	17
H. S. Mathias c Birt b Hope	1
J. W. Duncan b Hope	2
P. N. Graham b Hope	2
A. W. Miller lbw, b Nicholls	6
V. Adams c Butler b Birt	11
J. B. Hodgson c Vandrez b Nicholls	30
N. Duncan not out	6
R. G. Rice b Hope	3
Extras	10
Total	97

A.S.C.C. v. LEIGHTON PARK SCHOOL.

Played on the School Ground on June 6th. The School had very hard luck in drawing, as their opponents had only one wicket to fall when time was called. The Team batted well throughout, and Graham bowled well, taking 4 wickets for 9 runs.

A.S.C.C.

T. F. Bowman b Goodbody	11
L. S. Mathias c Goodbody b Loyd	37
H. S. Mathias b Backhouse	33
J. W. Duncan b Backhouse	20
A. W. L. Graham b Goodbody	0
J. B. Hodgson not out	25
A. W. Miller c Loyd b Goodbody	8
J. Adams c Clark b Loyd	20
R. G. Rice b Doncaster	8
N. Duncan	} did not bat
P. N. Graham	
Extras	12
Total	174

LEIGHTON PARK SCHOOL C.C.

B. W. Doncaster not out	36
F. W. Woods b A. W. L. Graham ..	4
K. J. Backhouse b A. W. L. Graham	1
G. B. Loyd b Rice	2
R. M. Goodbody b A. W. L. Graham	4
O. F. Davies b L. S. Mathias	4
H. B. Clark b L. S. Mathias	0
A. S. Loyd b L. S. Mathias	0
W. F. Haney b A. W. L. Graham ..	3
C. W. Knott not out	1
B. Bington not out	0
Extras	12
Total	67

A.S.C.C. v. J. H. FRANKLIN'S XI.

This match was played on the School ground on June 24th, Mr. Franklin bringing a strong team, and after an exciting game ended in a draw. Bowman hit up a spirited 59 and N. Duncan played well for 29 not out. Jackson batted well for the visitors, making 55. Rice bowled splendidly in his first three overs, taking 4 wickets for 5 runs, and ended with an average of 5 for 35 for the match.

A.S.C.C.

T. F. Bowman st Franklin b Nicholl ..	50
L. S. Mathias run out	20
H. S. Mathias c Deacon b Hutchings..	41
J. W. Duncan b Franklin	3
A. W. L. Graham b Nicholl	1
J. B. Hodgson b Nicholl	10
N. Duncan not out	29
V. Adams c Jackson b Nicholl	1
P. N. Graham b Franklin	13
A. W. Miller not out	3
R. G. Rice did not bat	
Extras	13
Total	190

J. H. FRANKLIN'S XI.

W. E. C. Hutchings b Rice	11
R. A. O Niell b Rice	0
P. C. Slade b Rice	1
P. L. Deacon b L. S. Mathias	6
H. F. Shepherd b Rice	0
J. F. C. Jackson b H. S. Mathias ..	55
Rev. W. M. Austin c H. S. Mathias	
b A. W. L. Graham	8
Rev. C. F. A. Wimberley b Rice ..	0
A. M. C. Nicholl run out	35
J. H. Franklin not out	14
W. H. Gillett not out	6
Extras	10
Total	138

A.S.C.C v. OLD ABINGDONIANS.

Played on the School ground on June 27th, the School winning a good match by 27 runs. L. S. Mathias made a good 30, and H. F. Shepherd batted in fine style for the Old Boys, making 26. R. G. Rice was in form with the ball and took 3 wickets for 12 runs.

A.S.C.C

T. F. Bowman b Deacon	13
L. S. Mathias st Cottrell b Morland ..	30
H. S. Mathias b Morland	12
J. B. Hodgson c Sub. b Morland	1
N. Duncan c Sub. b Austin	2
J. W. Duncan c Austin b Deacon	6
A. W. L. Graham not out	15
P. N. Graham c Morland b Deacon ..	1
V. Adams c Cottrell b Deacon	3
A. W. Miller c Payne b Austin	2
R. G. Rice b Deacon	12
Extras	16
Total	103

OLD ABINGDONIANS.

H. F. Shepherd c Adams b Miller	26
A. W. Morland b Rice	0
P. L. Deacon b A. W. L. Graham	14
J. E. Montgomery b Miller	1
W. Cottrell b Miller	5
Rev. W. M. Austin c & b Mathias ..	7
P. J. Clayton b Rice	6
N. G. Powell b Rice	4
A. O. C. Pryce b Rice	0
C. Powell b Rice	0
J. H. E. Morland not out	4
Extras	9
Total	76

A.S.C.C. v ABINGDON TOWN C.C.

This match was played on the home ground on July 1st. The visitors brought a very strong team but the School proved too much for them. The match would however have remained a draw had it not been for the sporting behaviour of the town, who allowed us extra time in order to arrive at a decision. H. S. Mathias batted well for 63, while Rice was again in good form with the ball, taking 5 wickets for 15.

A.S.C.C.

J. H. Franklin run out	16
L. S. Mathias lbw, b Clarke	3
T. F. Bowman lbw, b Clarke	17
A. M. C. Nicholl c & b Jackson	16
H. S. Mathias lbw, b Jackson	63
J. B. Hodgson b Lock	0
J. W. Duncan b Lay	12
N. Duncan c Hutchings b Clarke	1
V. Adams b Clarke	11
A. W. Miller b Lock	6
R. G. Rice not out	0
Extras	15
Total	160

ABINGDON TOWN C.C.

A. W. Morland c H. S. Mathias b Rice	2
A. E. Lock b Rice	8
W. E. C. Hutchings b L. S. Mathias ..	7
H. A. Lowe b Rice	1
J. F. C. Jackson c Bowman b Nicholl	26
W. F. Lay b L. S. Mathias	10
E. F. Simpkinson b Rice	1
C. M. Moorson not out	0
R. J. Clarke b L. S. Mathias	6
S. H. Matcham b Bowman	15
W. H. Gillett b Rice	3
Extras	16
Total	99

A.S.C.C. v BLOXHAM SCHOOL C.C.

Played on the School ground an July 4th. This match was a remarkable win for the School. When they went in, they had scarcely an hour to hit off the required runs, but thanks to an admirable 37 on the part of Adams they were able to accomplish the task. Lightbody again played well for the visitors, causing the School bowlers considerable trouble.

BLOXHAM SCHOOL C.C.

T. Ferguson b L. S. Mathias	1
G. Lightbody c Adams b H. S. Mathias	40
L. Davies c Miller b L. S. Mathias	3
E. Hennesey b Rice	4
G. Yonge c Miller b Rice	0
G. Malet hw, b Mathias	11
A. Campell hw, b A. W. L. Graham	11
H. Reader b A. W. L. Graham	12
M. Holdom b H. S. Mathias	6
R. Campbell b A. W. L. Graham	0
O. Malet not out	0
Extras	28
Total	116

A.S.C.C.

L. S. Mathias lbw, b Ferguson	19
V. Adams c Reader b Yonge	37
R. G. Rice b Ferguson	0
T. F. Bowman c Davies b Yonge	17
H. S. Mathias not out	17
J. B. Hodgson not out	1
J. W. Duncan c Reader b Ferguson	18
N. Duncan	} did not bat
P. N. Graham	
A. W. Miller	
A. W. L. Graham	
Extras	11
Total	120

A.S.C.C. v. ABINGDON FACTORY.

Played on the School ground on July 11th. The result was an even draw. Clarke played excellent cricket for his 40, but the methods of the later batsmen rather demoralised the School bowlers. Adams again played well for his runs, and the rest of the team backed him up well. The School fielding was good, two very remarkable catches being made by J. W. Duncan and Hodgson.

ABINGDON FACTORY C.C.

R. J. Clarke c Hodgson b Rice	40
T. Pratley c H. S. Mathias b Miller	17
G. Lay b Miller	0
G. Fisher b Bowman	39
A. West not out	41
C. R. Powell b Bowman	1
G. Thatcher b Bowman	2
H. Brind b J. W. Duncan	8
T. Franklin c J. W. Duncan b Bowman	5
H. Gills } did not bat	
Z. King }	
Extras	22
Total	175

A.S.C.C.

H. S. Mathias b West	20
J. B. Hodgson b Clarke	9
T. F. Bowman b Pratley	21
J. W. Duncan c Lay b Pratley	17
N. Duncan b West	12
V. Adams c Thatcher b Fisher	32
A. W. L. Graham b Clarke	0
P. N. Graham not out	11
A. W. Miller not out	11
A. A. Brown } did not out	
R. G. Rice }	
Extras	7
Total	143

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

The first 2nd XI. match was played on the home ground on May 23rd and resulted in an easy win for the 2nd XI. Adams was very successful both with bat and ball.

BLOXHAM SCHOOL C.C. 2nd XI.

O. Malet lbw, b Adams	1
R. Campbell c Anns b Wilding	6
A. Campbell b Wilding	0
C. Boissier b Adams	1
J. Lynch-Blosse b Adams	0
G. Perkins c Wilding b Anns	19
F. Hennessy b Adams	0
W. Wilkinson c and b Adams	1
H. Miles b Adams	5
A. Cowan c and b Baker	27
W. Hunter not out	2
Extras	5
Total	67

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

V. Adams c Campbell b Malet	37
F. H. Edey b Malet	15
H. G. Habgood c Miles b Malet	2
R. F. Baker c Miles b Malet	2
C. P. B. Montgomery c Campbell b Perkins	0
C. M. Crosse not out	13
T. S. Wilding b Perkins	6
H. L. Neligan c Campbell b Malet	1
C. E. C. Graff b Malet	3
L. J. Anns not out	16
A. S. B. Payne (did not bat)	12
Extras	12
Total (8 wkts)	107

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

This match was played on the home ground on May 27th, the 2nd XI. obtaining a severe defeat through bad fielding. Baker batted well for Oxford High School!

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

F. H. Edey b Gibson	3
L. J. Anns b Gibson	22
A. A. Brown c Dale b Willmott	17
C. M. Crosse c Willmott b Gibson	0
T. S. Wilding b Baker	3
C. P. B. Montgomery b Gibson	1
R. F. Baker b Dale	0
H. G. Habgood b Willmott	9
C. E. C. Graff c Burley b Dale	1
A. S. B. Payne b Willmott	3
H. L. Neligan not out	0
Extras	17
Total	82

OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL C.C.

Cockburn b Wilding	9
Dale c Montgomery b Wilding	22
Baker b Wilding	52
Bright c Graff b Edey	4
Gibson b Wilding	28
Breakspear i. b Montgomery	10
Breakspear ii. b Wilding	15
Willmott b Wilding	4
Burley c Habgood b Wilding	11
Lewis b Wilding	0
Kerry i. not out	0
Extras	6
Total	161

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

This match was played on the Oxford High School ground on June 6th. The 2nd XI. received a severe defeat, owing in part to the very wet wicket.

OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL C.C.

Cockburn c Shepherd b Anns	1
Dale b Payne	42
Baker c Brown b Anns	0
Bright b Wilding	16
Gibson lbw, b Anns	1
Breakspear c Anns b Wilding	4
Willmott lbw, b Wilding	3
Burley b Payne	10
Breakspear c Wilding b Payne	0
Lakin not out	9
Harrison b Anns	1
Extras	7
Total	94

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

L. J. Anns c Breakspear b Gibson	0	c and b Gibson..	4
G. H. G. Shepheard c Lakin b Baker	0	c Lakin b Baker	0
A. A. Brown lbw, b Gibson	0	b Baker	2
T. S. Wilding b Baker	1	not out	0
H. G. Habgood c Lakin b Baker	0	b Baker	0
J. P. H. Fitzgerald c Bright b Baker	2	b Baker	0
S. C. Adams b Gibson	2	c Cockburn b Baker	3
A. S. B. Payne run out	3	c and b Baker	13
E. A. R. Nicholl c Cockburn b Baker	0	b Baker	0
A. G. C. Rice b Gibson	0	c Lakin b Baker	0
E. A. H. Nicholls not out	0	b Baker	1
Extras	2	Extras	2
Total	10	Total	25

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

Played on the Bloxham ground on July 4th. Through slackness and clumsiness in the field on the part of most of the team

the 2nd XI. again lost badly. Lynch-Blosse and Dixon batted well for Bloxham, the former making 91, and the latter 78. Perkins took six wickets for 15 runs for Bloxham.

BLOXHAM SCHOOL C.C. 2nd XI.

A. Cowan c Habgood b Payne	17
G. Stanley b Payne	5
J. Lynch-Blosse b Anns	91
G. Perkins c Brown b Payne	4
C. Boissier c and b Payne	1
H. Dixon not out	78
I. Taylor lbw, b Anns	7
F. Hennessey	} did not bat
N. Hunter	
G. Ward	
H. Wilkinson	
Extras	11
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Total	214

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

F. H. Edey b Boissier	0	b Wilkinson	10
L. J. Anns c Dixon b Perkins	6	run out	0
A. A. Brown c Cowan b Perkins	3	c Hunter b Perkins	6
A. S. B. Payne c Cowan b Perkins	0	b Boissier	7
H. G. Habgood b Perkins	3	b Wilkinson	19
C. E. C. Graff b Perkins	0	b Boissier	0
T. S. Wilding b Boissier	9	c Dixon b Perkins	0
C. M. Crosse c Ward b Perkins	9	c Ward b Perkins	0
R. F. Baker c Wilkinson b Boissier	4	b Perkins	8
H. L. Neligan b Boissier	0	not out	1
D. F. Mortleman not out	0	c Taylor b Wilkinson	8
Extras	0	Extras	9
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Total	34	Total	68

A.S.C.C. 3rd XI. v. CHRIST CHURCH SCHOOL, OXFORD.

Played on the Merton Meadows on June 17th. Of the 3rd XI. Fitzgerald played well for his 22, while Nicholl's 19 was rather fluky. Of their opponents nobody succeeded in reaching double figures except Extras.

A.S.C.C.

G. H. G. Shepherd run out	4
S. C. Adams b Davy	0
E. A. R. Nicholl run out	19
A. G. C. Rice b Cooke	0
D. F. Mortleman b Cooke	0
I. E. Griffin b Davy	1
E. A. H. Nicholls c Simpson b Davy	5
J. P. H. Fitzgerald not out	22
F. D. Smith c Simpson, b Davy	3
R. R. Parker b Davy	4
H. R. Burge b Simps n.	5
Extras	0
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Total	63

C.C.S.C.C.

Cooke b Nicholl	7
Davy b Fitzgerald	4
Williams b Nicholl	0
Thomas b Fitzgerald	9
Jones c Smith b Fitzgerald	0
Simpson b Nicholl	1
Karn c Griffin b Nicholl	0
Squire b Fitzgerald	3
Richards c Parker b Fitzgerald	0
Lacy not out	0
Hammond b Nicholl	1
Extras	10
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Total	35

CHARACTERS OF THE CRICKET XI.

A. W. L. Graham. A most energetic Captain who has done much towards improving the team. A very steady bat, and an excellent change bowler, often effecting the desired separation. His fielding is very safe.

T. F. Bowman. A brilliant bat, who would make a lot more runs if he was not in such a hurry to begin hitting. Smart at the wicket.

J. W. Duncan. A very good bat who has been unlucky this season, though he has played some very useful innings. Smart in the field.

H. S. Mathias. Completely gone off in bowling, but has come on immensely as a bat, and has made a lot of runs. Should get out of the way of walking right across his wicket to hit a leg ball. His catching has been safe, but his ground fielding slovenly.

L. S. Mathias. Though handicapped by an extraordinary style he has made more runs than anybody else. A useful bowler, and an energetic field.

J. B. Hodgson. A stylish bat with a good defence, which has saved a collapse on more than one occasion. A very smart field.

R. G. Rice. Has improved immensely in his bowling, and has accomplished some very fine performances. Slovenly in the field.

N. Duncan. A neat bat who has quite fulfilled the promise he showed at the beginning of the season. Smart at times in the field.

P. N. Graham. A steady bat, who would make more runs if he had a freer style. His ground fielding has been smart, but his catching unsafe.

A. W. Miller. A very fair bat who would improve with more confidence in himself. A useful change bowler, and a fairly smart field.

V. Adams. A plucky and resolute hitter, who has played more than one useful innings. Slow in the field.

The batting and bowling averages well be given in our next number, as at the time of going to press we have not yet come to the end of our card.

THE BATHING POOL.

There was a couple of dragon-flies frisking over the water. The sun was shining, intense, in a blue sky. The reeds were rustling, and the rushes swaying. And I was alone. It was this morning I took refuge from the heat in that refreshing pool. It was this morning I smelt again that same dank moist earthy smell by the river side that I knew so well as a schoolboy, and have hardly come across five times since. It was this morning I swished and swirled, and floated and swam, and gathered mussels from the river's bed, yes, and an old iron cauldron too, sunk there and rotting these many years I suppose, since it "come in 'arf in my 'ands" like our china cups in Harriet's when she was "a-washing up the tea." It was this morning I found myself surrounded by willows, and high grasses, and reeds,

with the ragged-robins, and the butter-cups and forget-me-nots bejewelling the bank. It was this morning, to put it briefly, that I was bathing in the Cherwell, and that is why I write about it now, "lest," as the poet says, "lest we forget."

How old days and old scenes came back to me! And what could be more natural, for here was I actually diving in the same stream that at Oxford bears the puntsman on its bosom, the very stream up which, in undergraduate days, I propelled my father, who lay in his clericals on cushions in the stern and watched his 'flannelled' son, deft and nimble, pilot the gliding boat under the over-arching trees. The very stream where in those happy sunny days we undergrads lay the long afternoon through and smoked and read—Thucydides or—novels, or watched the water rats, proud of our college ribbons, our boating ribbons, our success in the Christ Church Fours, or what not, at a time in our lives when Oxford was the world, and the world was Oxford.

This is the same stream, too, within whose waters, at the same Alma Mater, is the Parson's Bathing Place, where we used to leap into the water over the jumping bar, or swing dizzily, until we dropped, upon the gay trapeze. Do the Oxford undergraduates of to-day thus disport themselves? This is the self-same stream which meanders where I, like so many others, have walked with awe-inspiring dons, trying my best to follow their metaphysical analyses and subtleties of wisdom.

How quickly does my memory run to those old days! Aye, and how much further back, in time, just as it follows the river so much further down its course, for the Cherwell joins the Isis, and the Isis becomes the Thames; and there, just at the Black Bridge, where in its training days the Varsity Eight so often ends its spin, there was the ordinary terminus of our school journey in the pair-oar, or the four. Was it not "Grinder," now a lawyer, whom I saw dive from that high brick wall amid the willows by that same Black Bridge? Was it not just below, in that curve they called "The Bay of Biscay," because it was so exposed to sudden gusts of wind, that poor E. met his death? Ah! how vividly I remember it all. The whispers and notes in Prep. when those three fellows did not return, Hughie W., Piggy II., (as we called him), and poor E. And then by-and-by the tragic news that *two* of them had returned and had an interview with Charles C., (now at Melbourne Cathedral, Canon or Precentor or what not), who was our Head Prefect at the time, just as I was Head Prefect subsequently when the time of my glory was. Do I not vividly remember the hushed awe of the time, the horror of the inquest, the funeral, the stained-glass window put up in E's memory in his father's church?

Why, Major E. F. Taylor, mentioned lately in Kitchener's despatches as deserving of the D.S.O., was nearly drowned in that same river, if I remember rightly. It was a little lower down near the Lasher by the Lock Pool. He

had variegated red hair at that period of his life, and so little euphonious was his nickname that I cannot here repeat it; but he was a boy whose head I well remember smacking at the time of the celebrated school-boy conspiracy against the giant Ellis, when the present Major Taylor, of the Royal Engineers, D.S.O., was found with a weighted club under his bare-worn tweed coat, with other implements of rebellion.

The white flower that has just floated by me may be destined to float down to the very back-water where was our school bathing place, and which, I believe and always have believed, is the fairest, loveliest bathing place in England. How entrancing were the surroundings, how musical the birds! Why, coming as I did from Brighton on my first school term, I had never heard the thrush and blackbird sing, I had never found a bird's nest. And the impression made upon me was so vivid, so lasting, that I cannot bathe to-day in this fresh water pool without a loving tender remembrance of the old place, its spring board, its grassy banks, its willows, grasses, birds, and bees, its 'first' pool for beginners, its 'second' pool for the swimmers, its 'third' pool, dark, mysterious, full of cold springs, and of unknown depth, where rumour (school rumour) told how a barge full of precious metal had once been sunk and had never been recovered.

I never did it myself, but I remember how some of our school-boy poets chanted the place in song, and that not clumsily. And yet again, to finish my remembrances,

how well I recall how on a certain "Founder's Day" Canon Strange, now Canon of Worcester, and a son of the former Head Master of my old school, came to St. Helen's Church to preach the sermon of the Day, and how he discoursed *con amore* of the river.

But, see! the blossom I descried has drifted into this hidden nook which I notice as I ascend the bank. There perhaps it will remain, still, remote, unseen, until the end! What of it? It has fulfilled its mission, and let me sing a prayer to the music of the waters that, wheresoe'er life's stream may carry me, it may bear me to my God-appointed end.

OLD BOY.

SCHOOL NOTES.

We have to offer our best congratulations to the Rev. Professor Knowling, D.D., who has been appointed Boyle Lecturer by the Bishop of London, and Examining Chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

We have also to congratulate the Rev. C. F. A. Wimberley on his appointment to the Head Mastership of Gillingham School, Dorsetshire.

We shall all be very sorry to lose Mr. Wimberley from the School, and also Mr. Rowland, who is returning to Australia next month. We have to congratulate Mr. Rowland on the success which his book "The New Nation" has met with at the hands of the reviewers.

Mr. Ross-Barker has been offered and has accepted the management of Tesdale House in succession to Mr. Wimberley,

where we wish him and his sister, Miss Ross-Barker, all success in their new departure.

Our best thanks are due to Mr. W. H. Richardson, O.A., for a large and interesting parcel of books presented to the School Library; and to Mr. H. G. Rice, O.A., for a copy of Jeans' "Life and Letters of Cicero." We have also to thank Mr. J. T. Harris, O.A. (President of the O.A.C. for 1902) for a gift of five guineas to the Games Fund, which is to be spent on seats for the Playground.

We are glad to learn that a movement is on foot for restoring the old Eagle lectern. For this purpose a fund is being raised among the senior old boys, those, that is, who were scholars at the old school and knew the Eagle on its original site. A representative committee has been formed, of which our untiring friend Mr. W^{ll}. H. Richardson, O.A., is acting as Hon. Secretary and his brother Mr. Walter W. Richardson as Hon. Treasurer.

The following gifts to the Chapel are already received or have been promised:

The Altar, The Vicar and Churchwardens of S. Helen's. 100 Kneelers, Mr. Arthur Shepherd, O.A. Harmonium and Chaplain's Desk, The Head Master. Altar Frontal and two kneeling-mats, Miss Caley. Prayer-book, Miss Layng. Book Marker, Mrs. Reynolds. Carpeting for the aisle, Mr. George Shepherd, O.A. Carved Altar Chair, Mrs. Steane-Price. Chant Books for the Choir, Rev. C. F. A. Wimberley.

S. W. Brown has taken his degree. W. Cottrell obtained third-class honours

in his Final Schools at Durham University, and has since taken his degree. O. J. Couldrey has obtained a third in Classical Mods. A. H. Davey has obtained a first class in his General at Cambridge.

The Oxford Locals have been held at the School from July 13-18. The Rev. T. T. Blockley has been in charge.

Alderman Shepherd's prize for Solo Singing has been adjudged by the Rev. T. T. Blockley to G. H. Shepherd, while Mr. Blockley's prize for Pianoforte Playing will be competed for at the end of this term, Mrs. Fairthorn having kindly consented to act as judge.

The following have obtained their Cricket Colours:—J. B. Hodgson, R. G. Rice, L. S. Mathias, N. Duncan, A. W. Miller, P. N. Graham, V. Adams.

The following have obtained their Boating Colours:—G. F. Neligan (bow) and R. Bayley (cox).

On May 25th we had a half-holiday, and a large party of us went to see the Eights at Oxford. The Summer Exeat was from May 30 to June 1. On July 8, permission was given for the Sixth and other boys below who had obtained their Colours in any branch of sport to go to Henley.

H. S. Mathias has been elected Secretary and P. N. Graham Treasurer of the Games Committee for next season.

The Regatta will be held on Thursday, July 23rd, the preliminary heats taking place on Monday the 20th.

Founder's Day will be kept on Tuesday, July 28th, when the prizes will be presented by W. H. Dunn, Esq., Chairman

of the Berkshire Higher Education Committee. The Sermon will be preached by the Rev. Douglas Maclean, late Fellow and Dean of Pembroke College, Oxford.

J. E. Montgomery has been elected Captain of the Pembroke College C.C. H. F. Shepherd has obtained his Cricket Colours for Pembroke. O. J. Couldrey was rowing 5 this year in the Pembroke Eight. N. V. H. Riches has been making runs for Glamorganshire: he also made a century for Cardiff against Clifton. P. L. Deacon has been elected Secretary of the Jesus College Association Football Club, Cambridge.

G. F. Moore has been elected to the Young and Summers Scholarship.

We publish below the Eleventh Subscription List of the Additional Buildings Fund, and we have, moreover, to thank Mr. John Tomkins, jun., O.A., for a gift of one guinea to the Chapel Furnishing Fund.

The School has been examined this term in Mathematics by A. E. Jolliffe, Esq., M.A., Fellow and Lecturer of Corpus Christi College, Oxford.

The following new boys have joined the School this term: (School House), D. M. Johnston and P. J. Aldridge; (Day Boy), R. Ballard.

The following boys have left: (Shell), W. N. Hobbs; (Third), O. B. Challenor and H. M. Stevenson.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the Bloxhamist (2), the Chigwellian, the Laxtonian, the Leightonian, the Lily, the Maidenhead Modern School Magazine, the Oxford High School Magazine.

ADDITIONAL BUILDINGS FUND.

ELEVENTH SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

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