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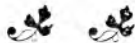
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SCHOOL NOTES.

This number completes the first volume of the Wycombiensian. It is pleasing to note that our circulation has steadily increased: last Term the number sold amounted to 186, an increase of 70 on our first issue. We still produce the magazine at a loss, but we hope shortly to form an Old Boys' Club, and thus get into touch with many former members of the School, who are not at present subscribers.

Mr. Threlfall, who for four years has held the post of Second Master, and has done so much for the School in many ways, is to be married to Miss Collister early in the summer holidays. We take this opportunity of congratulating them both very heartily, and wish them every happiness in their future life.

We offer our very hearty thanks to Mr. D. Clarke for his generous gift of a Cricket Challenge Cup for Inter-House competition. We are now well supplied with Cups for the various athletic events, and should be very grateful to anyone who would present us with one for excellence in Work. The latter would be awarded on the terminal results as published in the Class Lists at the end of each number of the Magazine.

The House Championship for Athletics was still undecided when the prizes were distributed at the Athletic Sports. This was owing to the fact that the Relay race had not been run. This race took place on the School ground on Thursday, June 10th, each House entering five competitors, who ran respectively one, two, three, two and one laps. West had only a weak team in the field, and the contest really lay between East and House. There was a very good race for the first lap between Weller and Bushell, but the former fell about thirty yards from home, and House thus obtained a substantial lead. This was increased by Jackson and Watson, and though Ruddy sprinted well in the final lap, House won easily by more than half a lap. Before the Relay race East were leading by half a point, with a total of 48 points, but on the result of this race House were awarded 3 points and East 2, so that the former finally won the cup by half a point. The teams were as follows:—House: Bushell, Gillett, Jackson, Norris,

Watson. East: Neale i, Rose, Ruddy, Weller, Wood.
West: Edgerley, Gardner i, Horwood, Toplis, Pearce i.

Owing to our steady increase in numbers, the Governors at their meeting in May last sanctioned the addition of another master to the staff. We shall thus be able to add an extra Form; this will enable us to reduce the numbers in the Forms in the lower part of the School. The difficulty of Classroom accommodation still remains, but we hope that the Governors will soon see their way to commence new buildings.

We heartily congratulate R. J. Stannard (O.B.) on becoming an Associate of the Royal College of Organists. He was placed first on the list of candidates and was awarded the Cart prize. He also won the Mercers' Scholarship of 50 guineas at the Guildhall School of Music.

E. A. Baker (O.B.) has been awarded the College prize for University students in Science at University College, Reading. We offer him our hearty congratulations on this success.

H. J. Carr and E. C. Day passed the Oxford Local Senior Examination, which was held last March, and were placed in the First Division. Carr passed in Arithmetic, Religious Knowledge, History, Composition, English Literature, Geography, Algebra, Geometry, Drawing. Day passed in Arithmetic, Religious Knowledge, History, Algebra, Geometry, French.

E. G. Worley and E. C. Richardson have passed the second part of the Preliminary Examination for the Elementary Schools Teachers' Certificate.

On Empire Day the Headmaster gave a half holiday, and most of the Masters and Boarders spent the afternoon in the Quarry Woods near Marlow. Whit-Monday was as usual a whole holiday. The Boarders celebrated the occasion by making an expedition to Hurley, some cycling and some by train and boat. The weather was ideal, and Hurley Backwaters delightful, and the expedition was much enjoyed by everyone.

Speech Day is fixed for Tuesday, July 27th. The arrangements will be the same as last year. A large

marquee will be erected in the School grounds, and after the Speeches our visitors will have an opportunity of inspecting the School buildings and taking tea in the orchard. Though it is impossible to send out invitations to all Old Boys, we shall be very glad to see all who are able to be present.

Cricket Colours have been awarded to R. H. Norris, G. J. Gillett, C. L. Ruty, and C. R. Watkins.

Our numbers this Term have been : Boarders, 10 ; Day Boys, 126, including 6 Pupil Teachers ; total, 136.

The prefects have been : D. J. Watson, C. R. Watkins, G. T. Jackson, A. W. Thomas, C. W. K. Neale, and A. H. Todd.

Next Term will commence on Thursday, September 16th. Boarders return the day before.

FOOTBALL.

The Soccer Eights provided some interesting games for the second football team, which is usually lacking in school matches. After the first few games, it seemed probable that the successful Eight would be Jackson's, Thomas's, Ruty's, or Worley's ; and, indeed, Jackson won all his ten matches rather easily. Ruty defeated Thomas, but could only draw with Worley and two weaker eights. Thomas obtained twelve points from eight matches, Ruty eleven from eight matches, and Worley seven from five, while the others were only moderately successful, though no eight was absolutely pointless. Jackson's eight included, besides himself, Sweatman, Gotch i, Stephenson, Hill iii, Howard ii, Stevens, and Britnell ii, who each received a " Soccer " medal.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The 20th Annual Athletic Sports were held on the Town Cricket Ground on Thursday, May 27th. The number of spectators was less than usual, owing to the unsettled state of the weather, but fortunately the rain held off, except for one short shower, until the final event of the programme. The results were as follows :

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (OPEN).

1st, G. J. Gillett. 2nd, J. R. D. Bushell. 3rd, C. W. K. Neale and D. J. Watson equal. Distance: 73yds. 1ft. 8in.

Decided Friday, May 21st.

LONG JUMP (UNDER 14).

1st, G. W. Gotch. 2nd, J. C. Harvey. 3rd, E. S. Griffin. Distance: 12ft. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

LONG JUMP (OPEN).

1st, D. J. Watson. 2nd, C. L. Ruddy. 3rd, R. C. Rose. Distance: 16ft. 7in.

Watson broke S. G. Stephenson's record of 1906 by half an inch.

HIGH JUMP (UNDER 14).

1st, J. C. Harvey. 2nd, G. W. Gotch. 3rd, T. H. Hetherington. Height: 3ft. 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

100 YARDS SCRATCH (UNDER 12).

1st, R. V. Britnell. 2nd, J. A. Leys. 3rd, C. Lord. Time: 15secs.

220 YARDS HANDICAP (UNDER 14).

1st, G. S. Paxton (35 yards). 2nd, E. S. Griffin (12 yards). 3rd, J. Clarke (13 yards). Time: 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ secs.

A very close finish. Paxton led by a yard, while inches only separated second and third.

HIGH JUMP (OPEN).

1st, R. C. Rose and C. L. Ruddy equal. 3rd, D. J. Watson. Height: 4ft. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

A better result than last year: had the ground been less damp, it would have been still more satisfactory.

SACK RACE (OPEN).

1st, B. A. Stacey. 2nd, G. S. Paxton. 3rd, F. Youens.

QUARTER-MILE SCRATCH (OPEN).

1st, G. T. Jackson. 2nd, D. J. Watson. 3rd, C. G. W. Gardner. Time: 57 secs.

This was a remarkably good race. Jackson beat the school record, made by H. G. McCoy in 1906, by 2 secs.; while Watson and Gardner got home not a second behind him.

100 YARDS HANDBICAP (UNDER 11).

1st, L. F. Watkins (2 yards). 2nd, J. Hill (5 yards)
3rd, E. R. Coles (4 yards). Time: 15 secs.
Well run and a close finish.

220 YARDS HANDBICAP (UNDER 12).

1st, T. W. Harris (4 yards). 2nd, E. R. Coles (9
yards). 3rd, F. S. Berry (8 yards). Time: 34 secs.
Harris won easily.

120 YARDS HANDBICAP (OPEN).

1st, E. S. Griffin (18 yards). 2nd, K. Gibbons (12
yards). 3rd, G. S. Paxton (30 yards). Time: $13\frac{1}{4}$ secs.
This race was one of the closest of the afternoon;
scarcely six feet divided the first from the last of those
who ran in the Final.

HALF-MILE HANDBICAP (OPEN).

1st, B. R. P. Wood (56 yards). 2nd, T. W. Harris
(120 yards). 3rd, G. T. Jackson (scratch). Time:
2 min. $14\frac{1}{4}$ secs.

Jackson started from scratch in this race in order to
attack the record; Wood came home first fairly easily,
but there was a hard struggle for second place; Jackson
made a grand spurt in the last 150 yards, but just failed
to catch Harris; he completed the whole distance in
2 mins. 18 secs., thus beating the record made in 1893
by J. R. Cave by 8 3-5th secs.

100 YARDS SCRATCH (UNDER 14).

1st, E. S. Griffin. 2nd, J. C. Harvey. 3rd, J.
Clarke.

100 YARDS HANDBICAP (UNDER 10).

1st, R. B. Gotch (2 yards). 2nd, G. H. Baker (2
yards). 3rd, F. J. S. Britnell (scratch) and A. V.
Britnell (4 yards). Time: 15 secs.

A good race and a very close finish.

MILE HANDBICAP (OPEN).

1st, G. W. Gotch (170 yards). 2nd, E. R. Coles
(240 yards). 3rd, G. J. Gillett (22 yards). Time:
5 min. 10 secs.

A very great improvement on last year, when the
(194 yards) starter won in 5 mins. 35 secs.

OLD BOYS' RACE (120 YARDS HANDICAP).

1st, Mr. P. C. Skull. 2nd, Mr. S. G. Stephenson.

There was a good entry for this race; Mr. Skull won a fine race by 2 yards from Stephenson.

100 YARDS SCRATCH (OPEN).

1st, G. T. Jackson. 2nd, C. L. Ruddy. 3rd, D. J. Watson. Time: $12\frac{1}{2}$ secs

This was the closest finish of the afternoon.

OBSTACLE RACE (OPEN).

1st, C. W. K. Neale. 2nd, A. J. S. Read.

For the third year in succession Neale won this race. Spectators as usual took such an interest in the net that they themselves constituted a supernumary obstacle in the course of the competitors.

CONSOLATION RACE (220 YARDS HANDICAP).

1st, D. G. Leys. 2nd, C. Lord. 3rd, A. V. Britnell.

TUG-OF-WAR.

House beat West easily, two pulls to none.

East and House were much more evenly matched, the former winning, amid great excitement, by two pulls to none.

The Sports Championship was won by D. J. Watson, with $7\frac{1}{2}$ points; G. T. Jackson and C. L. Ruddy were second and third, with 7 and $6\frac{1}{2}$ points respectively.

At the conclusion of the events, the Mayoress, Mrs. W. Wharton, gracefully presented the prizes and cups to the successful competitors.

The Head Master, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Mayoress, said how glad they were that so many parents and friends of the School had defied the weather and come to the Sports that afternoon. He offered them a hearty invitation also to attend the Cricket and Football matches. After thanking the donors of prizes and subscriptions, the officials of the sports, and others who had helped to make the gathering a success, he finally thanked the Mayoress for her great kindness in coming to give the prizes away. He called upon the boys to show their appreciation of the Mayoress' kindness, and the Sports Champion, D. J. Watson, presented a bouquet to Mrs. Wharton and called for three cheers, which were vigorously given.

The Mayor, in replying on behalf of the Mayoress, said he knew she felt it a great honour and compliment to be invited there that afternoon. School sports were excellent things, developing, as they did, just the kind of spirit which they should strive to put into their work. He thanked them for the bouquet the boys had presented to his wife, who would remember that afternoon as one of the most pleasant functions she had attended.

We take this opportunity of thanking the following for subscriptions—received too late for acknowledgment on the Sports Programme: F. Haddock, Esq., Mrs. R. J. Howland, W. G. Humphreys, Esq., J. Nutt, Esq., L. W. Reynolds, Esq., E. Sweetland, Esq., T. Thurlow, Esq., H. J. Watson, Esq.

FIVES COMPETITIONS.

1909.

Considerable interest has been taken in the Fives Competitions this year. A record number of entries were received the total number being 46, of which 12 were Juniors. There were several close games, the Semi-Final of the Championship, in which Butler beat Neale, being the most exciting. The champion this year is Butler, who has also won the Open Senior Handicap, while Butler and Wood won the Doubles. Appended are the results:—

CHAMPIONSHIP.

Butler	}	Butler	}	Butler	}	Butler
Gillett						
Neale i	}	Neale i	}	Butler		
Rutty						
Watson i	}	Watson i. bye	}	Butler		
Rose						

SENIOR HANDICAP.

Butler (0)	}	Butler	}	Butler, bye	}	Butler
Wood (4)						
Neale i (0)	}	Neale i	}	Butler, bye		
Sweatman (5)						
Flint (10)	}	Gibbons i	}	Richards		
Gibbons i (9)						
Gillett (5)	}	Richards	}	Richards		
Richards (7)						
Bushell (9)	}	Rose	}	Rance		
Rose (2)						
Watson i (0)	}	Rance	}	Rance		
Rance (6)						

spouse to the demand for an encore, he sang the popular favourite "She sells sea shells." Mr. Austin sang "The Yeoman's Wedding" in his usual finished style, and was encored.

Of the remaining items of the musical programme, the most noteworthy was a song from W. H. E. Timms, which succeeded a good performance by E. S. Griffin. It provided just the right amount of humour at the right moment, and the more sedate performance of the violin trio was needed to soothe the audience into a proper mood to grasp the mystification in the play that followed. Vice Versa, the main incidents of which are indicated in the foot-note of the appended programme, was as successful a dramatic entertainment as we have yet seen on these occasions, and reflected great credit on all concerned. To draw distinction between the different actors, all of whom displayed great histrionic talent, would be invidious. In conclusion, we wish to thank most heartily all those who assisted us in any way, both on and off the stage. Despite heavy expenditure in connection with the play, we were enabled to hand over £11 13s. 11d. to the Games' Fund.

The following was the programme:—

PART I.

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|--------------------|---|--|
| 1. Violin Trio | March | (H. J. CARR.
G. T. JACKSON.
V. SUTTON. |
| 2. Song | "The Amateur Yachtsman" | MR. THRELFALL. |
| 3. Song | "Oh! The Oak and the Ash" | (R. V. BRITNELL.
E. L. GRAEFE.
J. A. LEYS.
A. F. STANNERS. |
| 4. Song | "The Veteran's Song" | C. G. PEARCE. |
| 5. French Scene | (Grand'maman
Bébé
Un Mendiant
Un Sergent de Ville | (D. G. LEYS.
A. V. BRITNELL.
F. S. BERRY
E. G. EDGERLEY. |
| 6. Song | "The Yeoman's Wedding" | MR. AUSTIN. |
| 7. Pianoforte Solo | "Festival Polonaise" | E. S. GRIFFIN. |
| 8. Song | "He was a Careful Man" | W. H. E. TIMMS. |
| 9. Violin Trio | Gavotte | (H. J. CARR.
G. T. JACKSON.
V. SUTTON. |

PART II.

"VICE-VERSA."

Characters:

Dick Bultitude's Body (inhabited first by Dick Bultitude's Spirit, afterwards by Mr. Bultitude's) ... B. R. P. WOOD.

" VICE-VERSA."



D.L. Robertson. F.H. Turner. H.D. Griffin. E.S. Griffin. R.C. Rose. C.W.K. Neale. F. Youens. A.H. Todd.
J. A. Leys. C. L. Ruddy. B. R. P. Wood.
J. B. Lloyd.

Mr. Bultitude's Body (inhabited first by Mr. Bultitude's Spirit, afterwards by Dick's)	R. C. ROSE.
Dr. Grimstone (of Crichton House, Rodwell Regis)	C. L. RUTTY.
Mr. Shellack (Merchant of Canton)	C. W. K. NEALE.
Clegg (Cabman)	A. H. TODD.
Tipping	E. S. GRIFFIN.
Chawner	H. D. GRIFFIN.
Biddlecomb (Schoolboys)	J. B. LLOYD.
Coggs	D. L. ROBERTSON.
Coker	J. A. LEYS.
Dulcie (Dr. Grimstone's Daughter)	F. H. TURNER.
Eliza (Mr. Bultitude's Servant)	F. YOUNG.

Act I. Scene:—Mr. Bultitude's Dining Room.

Act II. Scene:—The Schoolroom at Rodwell Regis.

NOTE.—Mr. Bultitude, a prosperous City man, and his son Dick change bodies as the result of a wish uttered inadvertently by the former while he was holding the Garuda stone. This stone fulfils one, and only one, wish of any person who may gain possession of it. For the greater part of the play, therefore, Mr. Bultitude is inhabiting Dick's body, while Dick is inhabiting his father's. The play deals with the complications which ensue.

CRICKET.

1st XI MATCHES.

R.G.S. v. MAIDENHEAD COLLEGE.

Played on our ground on May 15th. We batted first, but gave a poor exhibition, Jackson, who batted well, and Yeoman alone reaching double figures. Maidenhead College had little difficulty in passing our total. Scores:—

R.G.S.	
D. J. Watson, b Organ 0	Weller, not out 3
G. T. Jackson, run out ... 19	Gotch i, b Organ 0
W. J. Butler, b Brodie ii... 0	Wood, c Mitchell, b Organ 0
Gillett, b Brodie ii 1	Avery i, c Brodie ii, b Organ 0
T. R. Yeoman, b Organ ... 11	Extras 14
Norris, b Brodie ii 2	—
Watkins i, c Brodie ii, b Organ 1	51
MAIDENHEAD COLLEGE.	
Dickson, b Yeoman 2	Brodie ii, b Avery 8
Rosado i, run out..... 7	Organ, c Norris, b Yeoman 0
Mitchell, b Gillett 0	Butler i, b Gillett..... 0
Brodie i, b Gillett 12	Rosado ii, b Gillett 0
Inglis, not out 26	Extras 8
Murdock, c and b Gillett... 6	—
Naylor, c Yeoman, b Butler 5	74

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
T. R. Yeoman.....	9	2	13	2
Gillett	13.3	4	23	5
W. J. Butler	6	2	7	1
Watkins i	4	0	12	0
Avery i	5	0	11	1

R.G.S. v. MAIDENHEAD MODERN SCHOOL.

Played at Maidenhead on May 20th. Maidenhead batted first, and were dismissed for 22. We only just managed to pass this score. We lost our first five wickets for one run, but Butler kept steady, and it was entirely due to him that we led on the first innings. We won easily on the second innings. Watson and Yeoman made a good stand, the former batting particularly well. Yeoman and Gillett had good bowling analyses. Scores:—

MAIDENHEAD MODERN SCHOOL.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
Bolton, run out	1	b Yeoman	0
Giblett, run out	1	c Watson, b Gillett	0
Tipper, c Todd, b Yeoman ..	2	b Yeoman	7
Upson, b Gillett	6	c Yeoman, b Gillett	0
Hall, run out	4	b Gillett	1
Richards, run out	0	b Gillett	0
Ingameils, b Gillett	0	c Butler, b Gillett	2
Jones, b Yeoman	3	b Yeoman	3
Spindlow, c and b Yeoman...	1	run out ..	1
Cooper Smith, c Watkins, b Gillett	0	not out	1
Rayner, not out	2	b Gillett	4
Extras	2	Extra	1
	<u>22</u>		<u>20</u>

R.G.S.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
D. J. Watson, b Jones	0	c Rayner, b Jones.....	35
G. T. Jackson, b Tipper	0	b Tipper	3
W. J. Butler, b Tipper	11	did not bat.	
T. R. Yeoman, b Tipper	0	hit wicket, b Upson	13
Gillett, c Rayner, b Tipper...	0	not out	1
Watkins i, b Tipper	0		
Neale i, c Giblett, b Hall.....	4	} did not bat.	
Sweatman, b Hall	0		
Bushell, b Hall	2		
Todd ii, b Hall	1		
Avery i, not out	1	not out	1
Extras	5	Extras	4
	<u>24</u>	(For 3 wickets)	<u>57</u>

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.				
	o.	m.	r.	w.
Gillett	6.1	2	9	3
T. R. Yeoman	6	1	11	3
2nd Innings.				
Gillett	5	0	10	6
T. R. Yeoman	4.2	0	9	3

R.G.S v. AMERSHAM G.S.

Played on our ground on May 22nd. We made 73, for which Jackson, Gillett and extras were chiefly responsible. The Amersham team compiled 27, Yeoman, Gillett, and Watkins dividing the wickets. Scores:—

R.G.S.		AMERSHAM G.S.	
D. J. Watson, b Whiteside	0	Watkins i, b Whiteside.....	0
G. T. Jackson, b Woodcock	23	Weller, b Whiteside	3
W. J. Butler, b Woodcock	6	Avery i, c and b Tyrrel ...	5
T. R. Yeoman, b Orton.....	3	Todd ii, not out	0
Gillett, b Tyrrel	16	Extras	16
Norris, b Woodcock	1		—
Neale i, c and b Woodcock	0		73

AMERSHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Earnes, b Yeoman	0	Grimsdell, run out	1
Stratford, b Gillett	2	Orton, b Gillett	3
Whiteside, b Yeoman	0	Tyrrel, c Norris, b Watkins	2
Woodcock, c Gillett, b		Crowhurst, b Watkins	6
Watkins	6	Woodstock, not out.....	2
Dodd, lbw, b Gillett	0		—
Gill, c Watson, b Watkins	5		27

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Gillett	7	1	12	3
T. R. Yeoman	3	2	6	2
Watkins i	3.1	0	9	4

R.G.S. v. WOOBURN PARK "A."

Played at Wooburn on May 29th. We won this match by an innings and 10 runs. Gillett and Mason had little difficulty in disposing of the Wooburn team in both innings, but our batting, with the exception of that of Mr. Threlfall and Norris, was weak. Scores:—

WOOBURN PARK "A."

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
E. Coleman, c Mason, b		c Yeoman, b Gillett	2
Gillett	2	b Mason	8
Platt, c Watson, b Mason ...	4	c Yeoman, b Gillett	2
Ludgate, b Mason	5	c Butler, b Mason	5
Dodd, b Mason.....	0	not out	1
White, b Mason	0		
Howard, c Watson, b Gillett	2	c Jackson, b Mason	1
Castle, c Yeoman, b Gillett...	0	c and b Mason	4
W. Coleman, b Mason	0	b Mason	1
Bickerstaffe, b Gillett	0	c Butler, b Mason	2
Fryer, not out	0	b Gillett	0
Fowler, c and b Mason	2	c Gillett, b Mason	3
Extra	1	Extra	1

16

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R.G.S.

D. J. Watson, lbw, b Dodd	0	Mason, c Fowler, b Cole-	
G. T. Jackson, b Platt	4	man	5
Mr. Threlfall, c & b Platt	13	Gillett, c Howard, b Platt	0
W. J. Butler, b Dodd	0	Norris, run out	19
Mr. Bartle, b Platt	0	Rutty, not out	4
Mr. Griffiths, b Platt	3	Extras	7
T. R. Yeoman, c Coleman,			—
b Platt	1		75

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		1st Innings.			
		o.	m.	r.	w.
Mason	7	1	13	6	
Gillett	6	4	2	4	
		2nd Innings.			
Mason	8.5	2	18	7	
Gillett	5	0	10	3	
T. R. Yeoman	3	2	1	0	

Gillett bowled one wide.

R.G.S. v. WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Played on our ground on June 2nd. We batted first, but only Watson and Butler made anything like a stand, and we were all out for 50. We might have won, had our fielding not been so faulty. Scores:—

		R.G.S.	
D. J. Watson, run out	15	Weller, b Standing	0
G. T. Jackson, c Adams, b Standing	1	Avery i, not out	0
W. J. Butler, b Standing...	19	Todd ii, b Abbot	0
T. R. Yeoman, b Standing	5	Wood, c Standing, b Abbot	0
Gillett, b Abbot	3	Extras	7
Neale i, b Standing	0		
Rutty, b Standing	0		50

WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Abbot, c Avery, b Butler...	30	White, c Watson, b Butler	0
Dean, c Watson, b Gillett...	0	Burge, not out	6
Witney, b Avery	10	Hearn, b Avery	1
Adams, c Watson, b Gillett	1	Tilling, c Yeoman, b Gillett	5
Burges, lbw, b Avery	13	Extras	4
Ely, b Butler	0		
Standing, b Butler	10		80

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		o.	m.	r.	w.
Gillett	8.4	1	22	3	
T. R. Yeoman	6	0	22	0	
Avery i	6	1	17	3	
W. J. Butler	7	1	15	4	

R.G.S. v. REV. E. D. SHAW'S XI.

Played on the School ground on June 8th. The Vicar brought a strong team against us, which won very easily. We did well to dispose of them in the first innings for 64, but we batted very poorly, and were all out for 13, no one being able to do anything with the bowling of the Vicar and Mr. Baker. In their second innings Mr. Keen and Mr. Baker both batted well. Scores:—

REV. E. D. SHAW'S XI.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
R. H. Berney, c Watson, b			
Mason	3	} did not bat.	
H. Stratford, c and b Mason	2		
T. Thurlow, b Mason	3		
W. A. Bliss, c Watson, b			
Mason	14		
W. H. Birch, run out	0	not out	1
A. W. Keen, b Mason	0	c and b Gillett	46
G. Brocklehurst, b Butler...	11	} did not bat.	
T. Brocklehurst, c Mr.			
Bartle, b Mason	18		
H. Baker, c and b Butler...	8	b Butler	28
T. Redrup, not out	0	b Norris	9
Rev. E. D. Shaw, b Butler...	1	b Mason	3
Extras	4	Extras	2
	64	(For 4 wickets)	89

R.G.S.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
D. J. Watson, c G. Brockle-		c Berney, b Stratford	0
hurst, b Rev. Shaw	0	b Berney	5
G. T. Jackson, b Baker...			
Mr. Threifall, lbw, b Rev.		Shaw	1 absent, hurt.
Shaw	1	W. J. Butler, b Baker	2 run out
W. J. Butler, b Baker	2	Mr. Bartle, b Baker	3 b Berney
Mr. Bartle, b Baker	3	T. R. Yeoman, b Baker	0 c Redrup, b Stratford
T. R. Yeoman, b Baker	0	Norris, c Berney, b Rev.	1
Norris, c Berney, b Rev.		Shaw	0 c Birch, b Berney
Shaw	0	Mr. Griffiths, c G. Brockle-	
Mr. Griffiths, c G. Brockle-		hurst, b Baker	1 not out
hurst, b Baker	1	Mason, b Rev. Shaw	0 not out
Mason, b Rev. Shaw	0	Gillett, b Baker	0 did not bat.
Gillett, b Baker	0	Rutty, not out	1 c T. Brocklehurst, b Strat-
Rutty, not out			ford
		Extras	1
Extras	5	Extras	4
	13	(For 7 wickets)	13

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Mason	16	2	34	6
Norris	6	3	4	0
Gillett	2	0	5	0
T. R. Yeoman	5	0	11	0
W. J. Butler	2.1	0	6	3

Norris bowled one wide.

2nd Innings.

Mason	10	1	27	1
W. J. Butler	6	0	24	1
T. R. Yeoman	1	0	5	0
Norris	4.2	0	30	1
Gillett	1.1	0	1	1

Yeoman bowled one wide.

R.G.S. v. WYCOMBE BANKS.

Played on our ground on the evening of June 9th. We batted first, but Butler and Norris were the only ones to reach double figures. The Banks passed our total with five wickets in hand, Couche and Lyford both batting well. Scores,—

R.G.S.		WYCOMBE BANKS.	
D. J. Watson, b Lyford.....	2	Mason, c Dean, b Scantle-	0
G. T. Jackson, b Scantle-	2	bury	0
Mr. Bartle, c Couche, b		Gillett, c and b Lyford	0
Andrew	9	Rutty, b Lyford	2
W. J. Butler, run out	14	Neale i, c Vick, b Lyford ...	0
T. R. Yeoman, b Blore	3	Extras	9
Norris, c and b Lyford	10		
Mr. Griffiths, not out	8		
			39

WYCOMBE BANKS.

W. O. Scantlebury, b Mason	0	H. J. Vick,	} did not bat.
R. T. Andrew, b Mason.....	3	L. S. Wint,	
P. J. Couche, c & b Gillett	25	N. Moon,	
P. Blore, b Mason	5	H. Dean,	
J. Lyford, b Gillett	19	Extras	2
E. W. Adams, not out	7		
W. P. Hambly, did not bat.		(For 5 wickets)	61

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Mason	12	2	27	3
Norris	5	0	14	0
W. J. Butler	1	0	9	0
Gillett	5	0	9	2

R.G.S. v. THE MASTERS' XI.

Played on the School ground on June 15th. We batted first, and chiefly due to Watson, Norris, Rutty and Neale, totalled 115. The Masters started well, Mr. Threlfall soon scoring 32, and later on a splendid stand by Mr. Read and Mason nearly won them the match. Yeoman came back to his best bowling form for this match. Scores:—

R.G.S.		THE MASTERS' XI.	
D. J. Watson, b Mr. Bartle	33	Avery i, b Mr. Threlfall ...	0
W. J. Butler, c Mr. Read,		Weller, run out	9
b Mr. Taylor	9	Todd ii, c Mr. Threlfall.	
Norris, c & b Mr. Arnison	16	b Mr. Arnison	0
T. R. Yeoman, c Mr. Arni-		Wood, not out	0
son, b Mr. Bartle.....	2		
Rutty, b Mr. Read	15	Extras	9
Neale i, b Mr. Arnison	20		
Gillett, c Mr. Read, b Mr.			
Threlfall	2		
			115

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Mr. Threlfall	18	1	37	2
Mr. Arnison	7.1	0	21	3
Mr. Taylor	8	1	25	1
Mr. Bartle	4	1	8	2
Mr. Read	5	0	15	1

Mr. Arnison bowled one wide.

THE MASTERS' XI.

Mr. Arnison, b Gillett	8	Mr. Read, b Yeoman	19
Mr. Threlfall, c Butler, b		Mr. Gardner, b Gillett	1
Yeoman	32	Mr. Austin, b Yeoman	1
Mr. Winter Taylor, c		Mason, b Butler	22
Norris, b Yeoman	4	West, not out	1
Mr. McCoy, b Yeoman	5	Extras	11
Mr. Bartle, run out	8		
Mr. Griffiths, b Yeoman ...	0		112

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Gillett	7	1	24	2
W. J. Butler	9	1	36	1
Norris	4	0	19	0
T. R. Yeoman	11.4	3	22	6

Norris bowled one wide.

Yeoman bowled one no-ball.

R.G.S. v. MR. MAWER'S XI.

Played on our ground on June 17th. Mr. Mawer's team batted first, and were out for 44, Mason bowling well. Mr. Threlfall and Mason made a good stand for us, and afterwards Watkins and Avery both batted well. Scores:—

MR. MAWER'S XI.

1ST INNINGS.	2ND INNINGS.		
T. M. Brocklehurst, b Yeoman	21	c Mason, b Yeoman	11
E. Rysdale, b Mr. Threlfall	0	c Avery, b Yeoman.....	23
T. Redrup, c Todd, b Mason	0	did not bat.	
C. R. West, b Mason	0	b Butler	0
E. S. Mawer, b Mason	6	not out	0
H. Haslam, b Mason	0	b Yeoman	2
Bushell, b Mason	3	run out	6
D. C. Way, b Mason	1	b Yeoman	2
West, b Mason	0	did not bat.	
Gwillim, run out	1	did not bat.	
Wood, not out	6	not out	11
Extras	6		
	44	(For 6 wickets)	55

R.G.S.

D. J. Watson, c Gwillim, b Brocklehurst	2	Neale i, c Way, b Brocklehurst	0
Mr. Threlfall, c C. West, b Brocklehurst	25	Watkins i, b Mawer	11
W. J. Butler, b Brocklehurst	4	Weller, b Mawer	1
T. R. Yeoman, b Rysdale...	2	Todd, ii, run out	2
Norris, retired hurt	0	Avery i, not out	12
Mason, lbw. b Brocklehurst	9	Extras	8
			76

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		1st Innings.				
		o.	m.	r.	w.	
Mason	11.5	6	.....	8	.....	7
Mr. Threlfall	6	2	.....	20	.....	1
T. R. Yeoman	5	1	.....	10	.....	1
		2nd Innings.				
T. R. Yeoman	13	3	.....	24	.....	4
W. J. Butler	4	0	.....	17	.....	1
Watkins i	4	1	.....	9	.....	0
Avery i	4	2	.....	5	.....	0

R.G.S. v. KING ALFRED'S SCHOOL, WANTAGE.

Played at Reading on Tuesday, June 29th. Drawn. Owing to heavy thunder showers, it was impossible to play this match to a finish. Wantage won the toss and scored 78 for 7 wickets. They then declared, but after we had been batting for about half an hour, another shower began and stopped play about 10 minutes before time. The bowling and fielding were very fair, considering the adverse conditions, and Gillett displayed commendable self-restraint in his batting. Scores:—

KING ALFRED'S SCHOOL, WANTAGE.

Stephenson, b Butler	11	Cowie, lbw, b Gillett	0
Brooke-Smith, c Norris, b	12	Rich, not out	6
Yeoman	6	Lawrence, } did not bat.	
Dalziel, c Watson, b Wat-	6	Budd, } did not bat.	
kins	6	Beard, } did not bat.	
Everard, b Gillett	25	Extras	2
Fletcher, b Yeoman	5		
Heaton, b Avery	11		

(For 7 wickets) *78

* Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

		o.	m.	r.	w.	
Gillett	4	1	.....	14	.....	2
T. R. Yeoman	6	0	.....	23	.....	2
W. J. Butler	8	2	.....	25	.....	1
Watkins i	3	0	.....	5	.....	1
Norris	4	2	.....	6	.....	0
Avery i	1	0	.....	3	.....	1

R.G.S.

D. J. Watson, c Stephen-	0	W. J. Butler, } did not bat.	
son, b Brooke-Smith.....	0	T. R. Yeoman, } did not bat.	
G. T. Jackson, b Brooke-	1	Norris, } did not bat.	
Smith	1	Neale i, } did not bat.	
Ruttv, b Brooke-Smith.....	6	Avery i, } did not bat.	
Watkins i, c Fletcher, b	0	Todd i, } did not bat.	
Rich	0		
Gillett, not out	8		

(For 4 wickets) 15

R.G.S. v. LORD WILLIAMS'S SCHOOL, THAME.

Played at Thame on July 8th. Thame batted first, and in the early part of their innings scored rapidly. Jackson changed our bowling frequently, and after the fall of the first wicket runs were much more difficult to

get. The innings closed for 153. We replied with 47, Jackson playing a splendid innings of 20, and only just failing to carry his bat. Following on, we did worse, making 29 for 7 wickets. Scores:—

LORD WILLIAMS'S SCHOOL, THAME.

Briars, b Yeoman	67	Stone, run out	5
Wagner i, c and b Avery...	37	Blake, run out	4
Jones, run out	6	Clarke, not out	0
Sear, b Butler	0		
Sprenger, b Gillett	14		
Wagner ii, lbw, b Watkins	1		
Turner, c and b Gillett ...	9	Extras	8
Sprenger, c Ruttly, b Yeoman	2		
			153

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Gillett	10	0	34	2
T. R. Yeoman	7.1	0	25	2
Norris	5	1	11	0
Watkins i	4	0	13	1
W. J. Butler	11	0	47	1
Avery i	9	5	15	1

R.G.S.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
G. T. Jackson, c Sprenger,			
b Jones	20	not out	5
W. J. Butler, b Briars.....	0	c Sear, b Jones	0
Ruttly, b Jones	0	not out	1
T. R. Yeoman, c Wagner i,			
b Briars	3	c and b Jones	1
Norris, c Briars, b Jones.....	4	b Wagner ii	1
Gillett, b Briars	0	c Sear, b Briars	8
Ticheuer (sub.), c Sprenger,			
b Jones	0	c Blake, b Wagner ii	2
Watkins i, c Wagner i, b			
Jones	3	did not bat.	
Todd ii, c Turner, b Jones ...	3	b Briars	3
Neale i, not out	11	c Sear, b Briars	2
Avery i, b Briars	0	did not bat.	
Extras	3		
	47	(For 7 wickets)	29

R.G.S. v. WOOBURN PARK "A."

Played on our ground on July 10th. We had the first innings, but were easily disposed of, the batting being very weak all through. Wooburn compiled 77, Winter Taylor being the top scorer with a nicely played 17. Scores:—

R.G.S.

Mr. Threlfall, c Crawley, b		Ruttly, b Platt	0
Dow	7	Gillett, run out	8
D. J. Watson, b Dow.....	3	Mason, c Child, b Dow ...	3
Mr. Bartle, c Child, b Dow	4	Watkins i, b Platt	0
W. J. Butler, b Dow	4	Todd ii, not out	0
Norris, c Taylor, b		Extras	3
Platt	3		
T. R. Yeoman, b Platt	1		36

WOORBURN PARK "A."

Wheeler, b Mason	1	Winter Taylor, c & b Mason	17
Castle, c Yeoman, b Mason	8	Ludgate, b Yeoman	2
Coleman, run out	8	Child, c and b Mason	2
Platt, b Mason	10	Stone, not out	3
Crawley, b Yeoman	13	Extras	8
C. Dow, c Gillett, b Butler	5		
D. Dow, lbw, b Butler	0		

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Mason	14.3	4	23	5
Gillett	6	0	13	0
Mr. Threlfall	4	0	15	0
Butler	3	1	9	2
Yeoman	3	0	9	2

Butler and Yeoman each bowled one wide, and Mason two no-balls.

2nd XI MATCHES.

R.G.S. 2nd XI v. MAIDENHEAD COLLEGE 2nd XI.

Played at Maidenhead on May 15th. Maidenhead batted first, and compiled 75, Sweatman bowling very effectively. We started badly, but Sweatman and West made a good stand, which brought victory within our reach. Gwillim, Griffin i, Bushell and Gibbons all helped to swell the total, which reached 117. Scores:—

MAIDENHEAD COLLEGE 2ND XI.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
Hutchins, run out	11	b Sweatman	3
Bruce, b Sweatman	4	run out	11
Stuchbery, b Gibbons	7	c Gibbons, b Thompson	0
Humpherson, c Rance, b Gibbons	0	did not bat.	
Stearne, b Sweatman	7	not out	0
Spink, c Griffin ii, b Sweatman	12	c Griffin ii, b Thompson	3
Slade, c Gibbons, b Sweatman	0	} did not bat.	
Maddick, b Sweatman	4		
Boyer, not out	15	not out	0
Butler ii, b Sweatman	4	} did not bat.	
Beattie, b Griffin ii	8		
Extras	3	Extras	7
	75	(For 4 wickets)	24

R.G.S. 2ND XI.

Todd ii (capt.), b Stuchbery	0	Gwillim, c Spink, b Butler	11
Rance, b Butler	4	Griffin i, not out	8
Todd i, b Stuchbery	0	Bushell, b Stuchbery	13
Griffin ii, lbw, b Butler	0	Gibbons i, b Butler	16
Sweatman, b Butler	44		
West, b Bruce	18	Extras	2
Thompson i, c Hutchins, b Butler	1		
			117

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.					
	o.	m.	r.	w.	
Sweatman	15	6	32	6	
Gibbons	8	3	10	2	
Griffin ii	3.4	0	11	1	
Thompson i	3	0	19	0	
2nd Innings.					
Sweatman	3	1	4	1	
Thompson i	3	1	13	2	
Thompson bowled one wide.					

R.G.S. (AVERAGE AGE 12½) v. PARISH CHURCH JUNIORS.

Played on the School ground on Saturday, June 19th. Won by 12 runs. The Juniors turned up one man short, so it was agreed to play 10 a-side. Gotch won the toss, and we batted first. We started badly, Turner and Gotch being quickly dismissed. Leys ii, however, played a steady game, and with Griffin's assistance improved our position. After they were separated wickets fell rapidly, and we were all out for 38, Pierce's bowling proving very effective. Our opponents' first innings was very brief. Gotch and Griffin, backed up by good fielding, dismissed them for 22. In our second innings, Griffin was again top scorer, and though no one reached double figures, the whole team helped to knock up the respectable total of 63. The Juniors were thus left with 80 to get to win. R. Nash made a vigorous attempt to save the game, and hit the bowling all over the field before he was well caught by Horwood. After his dismissal wickets fell rapidly, and they were all out for 67. Scores:—

R.G.S. (AVERAGE AGE 12½).					
1ST INNINGS.			2ND INNINGS.		
Turner, c Cabbage, b R. Nash	1	b Pierce	7		
Leys ii, c Cabbage, b R. Nash	10	c Nash, b Cabbage	7		
Gotch i (capt.), b R. Nash	0	c Nash, b Pierce	5		
Griffin ii, c Hopkins, b Pierce	14	b Pierce	8		
Edgetley, b Pierce	0	b Cabbage	2		
Leys iii, c Nash, b Pierce	0	c Cabbage, b Pierce	7		
Gotch ii, b Pierce	0	b Pierce	1		
Horwood, st Lance, b Cabbage	3	c and b Pierce	6		
Spriggs ii, b Pierce	0	b Cabbage	1		
Berry, not out	7	not out	4		
Extras	3	Extras	15		
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	38		63		

PARISH CHURCH JUNIORS.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
Pierce, c Griffin, b Gotch i...	2	run out	4
Cabbage, b Griffin	0	c Leys iii, b Griffin	2
R. Nash, c Edgerley, b Griffin	0	c Horwood, b Edgerley ...	41
Hopkins, b Gotch i	5	c Gotch i, b Edgerley	3
Lance, c Edgerley, b Gotch i	0	c Horwood, b Gotch i.....	6
Howard, b Gotch i	1	c Turner, b Edgerley	0
Cutler, c Gotch i, b Griffin...	0	c Turner, b Griffin	3
Harris, not out	4	c Griffin, b Spriggs ii	1
Dent, c Griffin, b Gotch i ...	0	c sub., b Edgerley	3
N. Nash, c Spriggs ii, b			
Griffin	5	not out	1
Extras	5	Extras	3
	22		67

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

2nd Innings.					
	o.	m.	r.	w.	
Griffin ii	6	0	13	4	
Gotch i	5	2	4	5	
Gotch bowled four wides and Griffin one.					
2nd Innings.					
	o.	m.	r.	w.	
Gotch i	4	0	15	1	
Griffin ii	4	0	24	2	
Edgerley	5	2	14	4	
Spriggs ii	4	0	11	1	

R.G.S. (AVERAGE AGE 12½) v. PARISH CHURCH JUNIORS.

Played on our ground on July 3rd. We batted first and wickets fell very quickly at the start. Griffin ii was the only one to make any prolonged stay, and he carried out his bat for 28. Pierce stood out conspicuously on the other side, and we were 14 runs in arrears on the first innings. Gotch i played very well in the second innings, but we were beaten by 8 runs. Spriggs and Edgerley were the most successful bowlers. Scores:—

R.G.S.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
Griffin i, c Boreham, b Cabbage	0	c Cabbage, b Boreham.....	5
Turner, c Hopkins, b Cabbage	0	b Pierce	3
Edgerley, c Cabbage, b R. Nash	1	c Harris, b Pierce	4
Leys ii, c Pierce, b R. Nash	0	c and b Boreham	5
Griffin ii, not out	28	c R. Nash, b Boreham	0
Gotch i (capt.), b Cabbage... ..	2	hit wicket, b Pierce	20
Spriggs i, b Cabbage	0	c R. Nash, b Boreham	0
Leys iii, c Howard, b R. Nash	2	c Hopkins, b Boreham	1
Horwood, c Pierce, b Cabbage	4	c Cabbage, b Merrick ...	4
Gotch ii, c Howard, b Pierce	5	c and b Pierce	2
Berry, c Boreham, b Pierce	0	not out	1
Extras	3		
	45		45

PARISH CHURCH JUNIORS.

1ST INNINGS.		2ND INNINGS.	
Hopkins, b Spriggs	0	not out	2
Lance, c Gotch i, b Spriggs	3	b Gotch	3
Boreham, b Gotch	7	b Spriggs	9
R. Nash, b Berry, b Gotch... ..	1	c Griffin ii, b Gotch.....	1
Cabbage, c Turner, b Spriggs	0	run out	0
Pierce, not out	27	b Edgerley	14
Cutler, b Edgerley	5	b Edgerley	4
Howard, c Berry, b Edgerley	2	c Turner, b Spriggs.....	2
Harris, c Griffin ii, b Gotch	4	hit wicket, b Spriggs.....	0
Merrick, c Gotch i, b Spriggs	1	c Gotch i, b Spriggs	0
N. Nash, b Gotch	2	c Leys ii, b Spriggs	0
Extras	7	Extras	4
	59		39

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.				
	o.	m.	r.	w.
Spriggs i	9	0	17	4
Gotch i	10.2	0	21	4
Griffin ii	3	1	5	0
Edgerley	5	0	9	2
Gotch bowled four Griffin one, and Spriggs two wides.				
2nd Innings.				
Spriggs i	6	1	15	5
Gotch i	7	1	14	2
Edgerley	3	0	5	2
Griffin ii	1	0	1	0
Spriggs bowled three wides and Edgerley one.				

EAST v. WEST.

Played on June 26th. East had a very easy victory.

Scores:—

WEST.		2ND INNINGS.	
1ST INNINGS.		b Butler	3
Worley, b Yeoman	2	c Watkins, b Butler	2
Carr, b Yeoman	0	b Yeoman	0
Gardner i, b Watkins	2	c Ruddy, b Butler	2
Thomas (capt.), b Watkins... ..	0	c Weller, b Butler	1
Horwood, b Yeoman	2	c and b Yeoman	3
Keen, b Watkins	0	b Butler	0
Gardner ii, c Flint, b Yeoman	0	c Gotch, b Butler	1
Stephenson, b Yeoman	0	c Yeoman, b Butler	0
Edgerley, c Wood, b Watkins	2	not out	0
Berry, not out	1	b Yeoman	1
Stacey, b Watkins	0	Extras	4
Extras	4		
	13		17

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

1st Innings.				
	o.	m.	r.	w.
T. R. Yeoman	7	4	3	5
Watkins i	6.3	3	6	5
2nd Innings.				
T. R. Yeoman	6	3	6	3
W. J. Butler	5.5	2	7	7
Butler bowled one wide.				

EAST.

W. J. Butler, b Carr	11	Gotch i,	} did not bat.
Neale i (capt.): b Worley	0	Gwillim,	
T. R. Yeoman, b Edgerley	41	Leys i,	
Rutty, not out	24	Flint,	
Weller,	} did not bat.	Extras	6
Wood,			
Watkins i, J			(For 3 wickets)	*82

* Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	o.	m.	r.	w.
Worley	8	0	33	1
Carr	5	0	18	1
Thomas	4	0	15	0
Edgerley	3.4	0	10	1

Worley bowled two wides and Carr one.

Worley and Thomas each bowled one no-ball.

ASPIRATIONS.

We are told by psychological experts that there is no limit to the latent potentialities a young person may possess. Early environment and hereditary influence may count for something, but, if they do count, they are so complex a quantity that no means have yet been found of gauging them.

The boy may become anything.

This is a fact that fond parents remember with gratification when they notice some sign of incipient talent in their offspring. "Ah," pater-familias will say, "You can never tell how they will turn out. Depend upon it, that boy will make a name for himself some day or other."

Then, between the puffs of his post-prandial pipe—it is generally in the after dinner hour of the evening that these parental confidences are made—he will proceed to map out the things that may happen, and the glories that John or Willy may attain to.

But it is the boy himself who is chiefly occupied in building those ethereal châteaux d'Espagne which he will inhabit. With him imagination is the strongest, as it is certainly the earliest developed faculty. The future is all before him, and as yet there are no failures in the past to teach him the limits of its possibilities. Every soldier carries a field-marshal's baton in his knapsack, and with every boy there is the chance that he may achieve greatness. He must be something. What more natural than to give the reins to his imagination,

and dream that he will be something great. If ambition be the last, it is also the first infirmity of noble minds. But youthful ambitions are rarely altogether selfish or ignoble. They arise very often from the desire to imitate someone, and are only another manifestation of hero worship. Moreover, all ambitions are associated with the momentous question of deciding upon the choice of a profession.

With some, the desire to follow some particular calling or other shows itself very early. But these precocious aptitudes do not, as a rule, mean much. A boy may make up his mind about what he will be a dozen times or more before he arrives at a permanent decision. Every change of environment or circumstance in his life alters the course of his aspirations. Now it is the reading of "Westward Ho!" or "Treasure Island" that makes him mad to become a sailor; now the summer holidays spent on his uncle's farm that makes him think an agricultural life is the only one worth living; and now it is the gift of a model steam engine that gives him for the moment a mechanical turn of mind, and makes him decide to become an engineer. Almost all of us have had these spasmodic infatuations at some time or other. We have all passed through the Robinson Crusoe and Red Indian phases, and made up our minds to begin life as cabin boys and have our share of those blood-curdling adventures that always befall cabin boys—in books.

I have often wondered what would have happened if only we had really had the courage of our convictions, and had run away to sea. I suppose that a career of glory might have opened out for some of us if—there are always a good many "ifs"—only we had had the necessary physical stamina and energy. It generally happens, however, that the boy with the most blood-thirsty dreams is physically the least likely person to carry them out. I wonder what becomes of all his dreams and phantasies? Perhaps he lives to become a lesser kind of Kipling, and amasses great wealth by writing those soul-stirring narratives of hair-breadth escapes that appeal so readily to the youthful mind. I think it must be so from what I know of authors in general. The outer and the inner man are opposites, and you will find, for instance, that the writers of sentimental love stories, such as appeal to young ladies, are bluff, beery-looking individuals, with apparently not a spark of romance in

their composition. But, of course, it may be that the fire-eating youth grows up to adorn some peaceful calling. I think this is generally the case. How many mild, easy-going country parsons are there who once had wild dreams of death or glory on the high seas, and the free and vicious life of the bold buccaneer! Alas! the years have crept on and damped their youthful ardour, and the iron hand of a cold conventionality and reality forbids them to let their imaginations run riot. Yet were not those dreams of war and glory altogether vain. They make, perhaps, the one touch of romance that many a humdrum, prosaic life is ever to know, and give a wider sympathy with the world of men than the erstwhile dreamers realise.

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<i>Form.</i>	<i>Scripture.</i>	<i>Maths.</i>	<i>French.</i>	<i>Latin.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>History.</i>	<i>Geography.</i>	<i>Science.</i>	<i>Art.</i>			
V u	Pearce i (W) Reid (H)	Youens (E) Rose (E)	Richards (H) Weller (E)	Youens (E) Wood (E)	Richards (H) Youens (E)	Youens (E) Pearce i (W)	Pearce i (W) Richards (H)	Youens (E) Rose (E)	Reid (H) Weller (E)			
V l	Rance (H) Rutty (E)	Gotch i (E) Bushell (H)	Yeoman (E) Coles i (W)	Coles i (W) Flint (E)	Norris (H) Bowler (E)	Norris (H) Coles i (W)	Norris (H) Bushell (H)	Norris (H) Griffin ii (H)	Norris (H) Sweatman (II)			
IV.	Hill ii (II) Stephenson(W)	Stephenson(W) Deane (H)	Deane (H) Avery ii (H)	Stephenson(W) Deane (H)	Stephenson(W) Leys ii (E)	Deane (H) Long i (II)	Stephenson(W) Sutton (E)	Stephenson(W) Hill ii (H)	Sutton (E) Stephenson(W)	33 31		
III.	Kibbels (W) Lever (H)	Fraser (E) Stammers (W)	Fraser (E) Morris (H)	Fraser (E) Stacey (W)	Fraser (E) Willott (E)	Fraser (E) Morris (H)	Fraser (E) Kibbels (W)	Fraser (E) Neale ii (E)	Stammers (W) Fraser (E)			
II.	Berry (W) Hill i (H)	Berry (W) Harman (W)	Berry (W) Edgerley (W)	————	Berry (W) Munday (W)	Berry (W) Harman (W)	Berry (W) Willis (E)	Edgerley (W) Lord (W)	Spriggs ii (H) Goodchild (W)			
I.	Britnell ii (W) Gotch ii (E)	Coles ii (E) Britnell iii (E)	Gotch ii (E) Coles ii (E)	————	Britnell iii (E) Gardner iv (W)	Coles ii (E) Gotch ii (E)	Britnell ii (W) Coles ii (E)	Lloyd ii (H) Graefe (W)	Coles ii (E) Graefe (W)			
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