

7 inches, Hall was first after a very good race; Richardson was second, till after the last jump, and was passed by Ringrose about 6 yards from the finish; Fletcher was fourth; Beevor, fifth.

### CRICKET.

On account of the weather, no cricket was played until Thursday, March 28, when a Scratch Match was begun, in the absence of the Captain of the Eleven, but was left unfinished.

The Big-side Piematch was played on Tuesday, April 2nd., the heads of the sides being B. Pauncefote, and C. H. Vivian. Gardner, F. Tobin, (ma.), and Clarke, played well for their runs; Arbuthnot kept wicket for Pauncefote's side. The score, as far as the match was played, was as follows:—

#### VIVIAN'S SIDE.

C. H. Vivian, b Pauncefote .. ..	0
J. Hone, b Pauncefote .. ..	1
F. S. Gwatkin, c Arbuthnot b Pauncefote	2
H. V. Gardner, b Pauncefote .. ..	88
J. Millington, c Radcliffe b Pauncefote	1
L. Spens, c and b Pauncefote .. ..	2
F. Tobin, ma., c and b Hall .. ..	21
C. H. Clarke, b Bicknell .. ..	10
B. Bushby, c Gwyer b Bicknell .. ..	0
A. Gray, c Arbuthnot b Bicknell .. ..	8
A. L. Oldham, (o.r.) c and b Pauncefote	1
— Warner, b Bicknell .. ..	4
W. Lucy, b Pauncefote .. ..	1
J. Hodgson, not out .. ..	1
J. Graham, b Bicknell .. ..	4
Byes 2, leg byes 3, wides 5, no ball 1	11
Total .. ..	105

#### PAUNCEFOTE'S SIDE.

A. L. Oldham, (o.r.) c Gardner b Vivian	5
H. Hall, b Gwatkin .. ..	1
C. K. Francis, b Vivian .. ..	2
G. E. Browne, b Gwatkin .. ..	0
A. W. Rowden, b Vivian .. ..	0
F. Maitland, c Gray b Gwatkin .. ..	4
W. Bicknell, c Clarke b Vivian .. ..	2
B. Pauncefote, not out .. ..	5
W. O. Moberly, b Vivian .. ..	0
S. Gwyer, c Gray b Vivian .. ..	0
J. F. Eaden, C. R. Tyser, H. W. Badger, F. Radcliffe, and G. Fitzgerald to go in	5
Wides 5 .. ..	5
Total .. ..	24

The XI and XXII now stand as follows:—

B. Pauncefote.	Ellis.
C. H. Vivian.	Stokes.
	Ringrose.
Bucknill.	Gemmell.
Yardley.	Arbuthnot.
Wilkes.	Sykes.

Bourne.  
Tobin, mi.  
Gardner.  
Roupell.  
Francis.  
Soutter.  
Tobin, ma.  
Gwatkin.  
Hall.  
Gwyer.  
Browne, G. K.

Bicknell.  
Rowden.  
Bushby.  
Gray.  
Steward.  
Collins.  
Radcliffe.  
Maitland.  
Millington.  
Eaden.  
Tyser.

The following account of our Chapel singing has been given us; it is an extract from *The Church Choirmaster and Organist* of April 1.

"About two years ago was formed from among the boys a volunteer choir, supplementary to a paid surpliced choir of long standing. Both choirs were supplied with Ouseley and Monk's Psalter, and efforts were made to bring about that unity of recitation and inflection in the chant which your Winchester correspondent desiderates. This, after twelve months' trial, was never accomplished—the two parts never became one. The voluntary members felt no responsibility; the paid members could not be held answerable for the infirmities of amateurs. When a verse was unintelligible from inattention to pointing, what more natural than to give the amateurs the chief blame of going astray? Or when all went smoothly, who so much entitled to praise as those who led so well? So, the voluntary choir languished—grew tired of seeking commendation which was never given to it, and became indifferent to censure which it did not always deserve."

"At length another plan was adopted. Unlimited leave of absence was given to the surpliced choir. Six of the masters joined the boys (about ninety), who now did their best to improve the service. At first timid, they were weak, but gaining confidence they grew strong; feeling responsibility, they saw the necessity of close attention; carefulness obtained its reward; and now the service is interesting alike to choir and congregation."

"The Psalms are chanted, and the listener finds no difficulty in following the words even without a book, as all read together and attend to punctuation no less than to pointing. The *Te Deum* is sung to Rogers in D, or to Boyce in A; to these Nares in F is about to be added. The Evening Services are Wesley in F and Arnold in A. The Confession, Creed, &c., are monotoned, but this part of the service is not of equal merit with the accompanied portion, which may be partly accounted for by the difficulty of preserving a steady tone in the choir when, as frequently happens, the priest reads in an ordinary tone of voice. Anthems have not yet been introduced, but will probably form part of the service so soon as confidence is felt in the ability of the choir to perform them properly."

### HOUSE NEWS.

REV. C. T. ARNOLD'S.

The Debating Society has had several more meetings. The subjects discussed have been "Big-side Levées," "Yorkists v. Lancastrians, in the Wars of the Roses," and "The right of Women to the Franchise."

Messrs. Steward and Radcliffe, of this House, are among the new members of the XXII.

The first part of the third series of the "Crescent" has been published, and can be obtained from the Editors. Price 1s.

## REV. T. W. JEX BLAKE'S.

The Debating Society met on Friday, March 22nd, when Mr. Lupton moved "That the Royal Navy has done more good to England than the Army." Mr. Tobin seconded. Mr. Graham, seconded by Mr. Stuart-Wortley, opposed. Ayes, 6; noes, 7.—On Friday, March 29th, Mr. Graham moved "That Oxford is a superior University to Cambridge." Mr. Lupton seconded. Mr. F. W. Haslam, seconded by Mr. Tinkler, opposed. Ayes, 6; noes, 5.—On Friday, April 5th, Mr. Graham moved "That a Statesman has more influence upon his country than a Warrior or Poet." Mr. Gray seconded. Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. H. S. Kynnersley, opposed. Mr. Babington, *o.e.*, made an eloquent speech for the motion. Ayes, 13; noes, 3. The Society will not meet again until the Autumn.

The House Steeple-chases will probably be run next week.

## REV. C. E. MOBERLEY'S.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—The motion "That no further extension of the Franchise is needed," brought forward by Mr. Philby, occupied the attention of the Society for three successive meetings. The motion was very strongly opposed by Mr. Tyser and Mr. Eaden, and after a most animated debate, was carried by a majority of four.

Richardson ran very well for the Small School Steeple-chase, and had it not been for several mistakes he made in the course, would probably have been better placed.

## SCHOOL HOUSE.

The praiseworthy efforts of Messrs Eastwick and Oldham were at length crowned with success, and to-night the School House held its first debate. Mr. Eastwick proposed "That Oliver Cromwell was a bold, bad man;" a sharp debate ensued, Mr. Watkins leading the opposition, but the motion was negatived by 4 votes.—April 5th.

APRIL 6.—Mr. Oldham, seconded by Mr. Ringrose, proposed "That backbiting, though so common, should be sternly repressed." Mr. Fowler opposed; this motion was carried by 9 to 1.

It is proposed to continue the meeting next Saturday, when Mr. Ormerod will propose that "True humour is preferable to mere wit."

## TOWN.

On Saturday, March 23, Mr. Fitzgerald moved "That an extension of the suffrage is desirable, coupled with plurality of votes for those possessed of large property." Mr.

Tunnard seconded. Mr. G. R. Thornber, seconded by Mr. Bucknill, opposed. The result was—ayes, 6; noes, 4. On Saturday, March 30, Mr. Tunnard, seconded by Mr. Reader, moved "That the introduction of railroads into England was a detrimental measure." Mr. H. Thornber, seconded by Mr. G. E. Browne, opposed, and on a division carried their opposition by a majority of 10 to 3.

## NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

The Rugby School Natural History Society had its second meeting last Saturday, at the Rev. T. N. Hutchinson's House. The President, F. E. Kitchener, Esq., was in the chair. After the rules had been read, and commented on, the President suggested that one of the objects of the Society should be to form a library of Natural History books. Several objects of interest were then exhibited; such as plants, minerals, fossils, eggs, and insects.

Papers were then read, by G. B. Longstaff, "On collecting and preserving insects;" and by A. S. Scott, on "Local Nomenclature."

It was settled that the next meeting of the Society be on Thursday, April 18th, in the Sixth School.

UNIVERSITY HONOURS.—Mr. J. A. Ormerod, Scholar of Corpus Christi College; Oxford.

We hear, on good authority, that Mr. J. A. Godley, who has been in residence only since October last, was fourth for the late Hertford Scholarship.

THE BUTTERFLIES.—This Club, originated by and chiefly composed of Old Rugbeians, held its annual meeting on March 18th at Oxford, A. Wilson, in the chair, when Messrs. R. B. Wilson, (Sc. H.) and J. A. Godley, (Blake's) were elected. A. Wilson was re-elected Captain, and R. G. Venables, Secretary in Oxford.

In the University Sports at Oxford the only two Rugbeians we find victorious were, T. C. Colmore, 1st. in 100 yards, and W. Hedley, 2nd. in Putting the Stone.

We hear the new rule about Double Racquets and Double Handfives is not considered good or expedient amongst Old Rugbeians at Oxford.

O. F. Walton (Bowden Smith's), has just gained the Terminal Prize Foils at the Gymnasium, Oxford.

Two new Racquet Courts are about to be built at Eton, to cost £1,895, subscriptions