

been, at the time when most fellows resort to it, perfectly sunless: it has been peculiarly cold, partly from this cause, partly from its structure, containing as it did hardly a single seat out of a draught; and being quite beyond the powers of the fires at the end. The books, if we except the magazines, which belong to the Masters, were hardly of a nature calculated to attract even on a wet half-holiday; altogether it was a very miserable place.

But luckily the Arnold Library has not escaped the march of universal improvement which marks the year of grace, 1867, in the history of Rugby; the fault has grown and grown in the eyes of the Masters till it has become so great as imperatively to demand removal: or to speak what is, we expect, nearer the truth, they have at last seen their way to a better state of things. The aspect of the room cannot, as yet, be changed, but screens have been put up which will keep off the draughts; the room has been fitted up with everything necessary for comfort, with easy chairs, with ample tables, with abundance of writing paper for any one who may have a happy thought to send to the *Meteor*, or elsewhere; and it is hoped that soon there may be abundance of magazines and papers awaiting the intending speaker at his Debating Society. And now comes the most important point of all. "You speak of this Elysium," says one close to us, "how can we gain admittance to it? I'm only in Sidgwick's, and no one but upper-school fellows can go to the Arnold Library."

In future the rules of admittance are, we are told, to be as follows:—

Any VIth. fellow can have a key and take two fellows with him at any time.

Any one in the Upper School can have a key on getting a note from his Tutor.

Any one in the Middle School can have a key on getting a note from the Doctor, his Tutor, and Form-master.

How far these rules may serve to increase the attendance we can hardly venture to predict. Our duty will have been done in stating what improvements have been made, and what the state of the Library now is, and when we have recorded our own opinion that few places will be found more comfortable for passing a spare hour on a whole school day.

No Reports have yet reached the *Meteor* Office of any doings of the Natural History Society this Term.

FOOTBALL.

BELOW CAPS MATCHES:—

SCHOOL-HOUSE v. WILSON'S.—Played Oct. 10, in which School-House were easily victorious by two goals, besides numerous tries, &c.

BLAKE'S v. MOBERLY'S.—Played Oct. 12. The former were victorious, by two goals to one. The game was continued after the winning goal was kicked, when Moberly's kicked a goal.

FOOTBALL COMMITTEE.—The Committee met on Tuesday morning, when A. Davenport (School House) was elected President, and the time for the weekly meeting fixed, for the present, for Tuesday, at 2:15 p.m.

Up to the time of our writing we have heard of the following New "Caps" to play in the Sixth Match on the School side:—
Blake's: Hornby. Wilson's: Badger, Botfield, Selous. Hutchinson's: Welsh, Isherwood. Arnold's: Delarue, Sharp. Burrows': Russell.

The Committee had their first meeting last night to draw the House-Match Ties. The lots fell as follows:—

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| 2. Wilson's | play | Blake's. |
| 3. Burrows's | " | Bowden Smith's. |
| 4. Hutchinson's | " | Town. |
| 1. Arnold's | " | School-House. |

Moberly's.

The numbers before the ties indicate the order of "Grounds."

CRICKET.

[We fear that so many Cricket scores may seem out of season at this time of year; but we think nevertheless many of our readers may wish to preserve accounts of the following School matches.]

M. C. C. AND GROUND v. RUGBY SCHOOL.—This annual match was commenced at Lord's on Thursday, August 1st, when Marylebone scored 75 in their first innings and 63 for the loss of three wickets in their second, Rugby's first innings amounting to 109. On Friday, at 11:30 a.m., Biddulph (not out 23) and Capt. Parnell went to the wickets to the bowling of Messrs. Bourne and Ellis. Both batsmen hit hard and well, and notwithstanding the splendid fielding of the light blues, the scores rose rapidly, so Mr. Francis took the ball from Mr. Ellis, and Mr. Soutter