

there is an annual cup value £2, and money-prizes for 2nd and 3rd. There were six at the start, of whom Walker took the lead from the first, accomplishing the distance in 4m. 55sec., the second place being kept throughout by Lefroy. The rest all ran it under six minutes. The order was—1st, Walker; 2nd, Lefroy; 3rd, Byrne; 4th, Stokes; 5th, Buckland, ma.—House Single Racquets: 1st, Walker; 2nd Peel. Double Racquets, 1st, Walker and Peel. House Double Hand-Fives, 1st, Buckland, ma., Heather.

REV. L. F. BURROWS'S.—The House Steeple-chases were run on Saturday, 27th February. There were eight starters for the open one. Soon after the commencement Riley, Michell, and Bigg, ma. took the lead, and continued in that order until the last jump, where Bigg passed the other two, and won by about ten yards: Riley second. For the one under 5ft. 3in. six started. Bigg, mi., owing to his mistaking the course, lost a considerable distance at the beginning, which, however, he soon made up, and won easily by fifty or sixty yards; Holland second.

SCHOOL HOUSE.—The House Steeple-chases took place on Saturday, February 27th. In the open one a very fair number came to the scratch. Sidgwick, mi. took the lead at first, and made the pace very hot; he was closely followed by Moberly, Warner, and Gooding. About half way Gooding came to the front, but unfortunately diverged slightly from the course, and gave up the race. Warner and Moberly then led, and, after twice changing places, the latter eventually won by about ten yards. Warner second; Ellis a good third. In the small one Taylor ma. kept the lead for about three quarters of the way, when he missed the course and dropped out of the race, which was pluckily won by Masterman; Field ma. second, and Bertran De Lis third.

#### OLD RUGBEIAN OBITUARY.

DEATH OF THE OLDEST RUGBEIAN.—The death is announced of Sir Arthur Benjamin Clifton, K.C.B., Knight Companion of the Royal Guelphic Order: Lieutenant General, and Colonel of the 1st Royal Dragoons. He was entered at Rugby in 1783, and in his first half-year fought a battle with the celebrated Walter Savage Landor. He entered the army in 1794, and was present at the engagements of Talavera, Busaco, Fuentes d'Onoro, Vittoria, and Toulouse: and was

one of the twenty-five Rugbeians engaged at Waterloo. Peninsula Medal with three clasps, Gold War Medal for Vittoria and Fuentes d'Onoro, and Waterloo Medal. His two elder brothers, seventh and eighth baronets, were also educated at Rugby.

#### SCHOOL MAGAZINES.

The *Cheltonian* has the temerity to begin its number for March with a novel on School life. There is hardly any School news at all; none of importance.

The *Etonian* for February 25th contains an account of the Steeplechases; the winner was Johnstone. The floods have again interfered with the rowing. The same publication for March 11th gives an account of the procession of boats. The mile was won in 4 min. 45½ secs. by Forbes, Patton being second. The two mile walking race was won by Moss, the time being 17 min. 50 secs. The cricket ball was thrown 100 yards by Parker. The beagles have met several times, and they have had some good runs.

The *Marlburian*, in the absence of school news, is filled chiefly by the doings of the Marlborough Nomads. There are only three members of their XI. left, viz., R. Leach, W. E. Leach, and H. B. Carlyon.

The *Oxford Undergraduates' Journal* gives an account of the Torpids.

The Report of the Debating Society reached us too late for insertion.

OXFORD HONOURS.—J. A. Godley, Balliol College, *Proxime accessit* for the Ireland Scholarship.

We omitted to state in our last Number that S. Lupton (C.R.) Ch. Ch., was *Proxime accessit* for the Christ Church Physical Science Junior Studentship.

Hon. F. H. Baring, Scholar of Corpus, Oxford: *Proxime accessit*, A. B. Haslam.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

We cannot be answerable for the opinions of our correspondents.

Contributions will be received at the *Advertiser Office*, or at Mr. Pepperday's under cover to the "Editor of the *Meteor*."

To the Editor of the *Meteor*.

SIR,—Before proceeding to the main object of my letter, allow me to make one remark on a subject discussed in your two last numbers. It seems to me that the only fault that