

and won, Gardner ma. being 2nd, Davies ma. 3rd.

For the Steeplechase under 5ft. 4in., there were about 16 starters. Gardner mi. held the lead for a good time, but being exhausted by his quick running at starting, gave way to Weston, who came in first by about 50 yards, Boyson 2nd.

In both Races a prize was given by J. S. Phillpots, Esq., for good jumping, a necessary requirement being that the holder should come in within $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes after the first. Gardner ma. won this in the open to all, but as he was second, Macmillan, who jumped very well, took the prize.

REV. C. B. HUTCHINSON'S.

STEEPLE-CHASES.—Over about three-quarters of the School Steeplechase course; ground heavy; open to all: 1 Welsh (won easily), 2 Mackinlay, 3 Hare.—Under 5 ft. 6 in.; about half-a-mile: 1 Eddis, 2 Halls-worth, 3 Cobbold. 16 started; won easily.

HOUSE RACQUETS.—Single: 1 Gwyer, 2 Hare. Double: Hare, and Isherwood.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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To the Editor of the *Meteor*.

OXFORD, March 10.

SIR,—I always thought Rugby School the finest place in the World, and now I am glad to find my belief confirmed, since the searching eye of the Editor of the *Meteor* can discover nothing to find fault with. Such perfection is, alas! unattainable everywhere; and I have a pet grievance which concerns Rugby. In your Number of Nov. 7th, you commented on the absence of a Rugby Club and Rugby Football at Oxford; but the matter has not been taken up. Now, I maintain that it is a grievance to all Rugbeians, and a disgrace to the leading Rugbeians here, that no steps have been taken to remedy either of these defects. Eton, Harrow, and Winchester all possess School Clubs; the two former are of long standing, but the Winchester Club has been formed within the last year. Harrow is not larger than Rugby, and Winchester is only half the size. The formation of a Winchester Club was vehemently opposed by the Wykehamists of New College. As far as I can see, a Rugby Club would meet with no great opposition; yet now Winchester College has

a Club of its own, while Rugby has none. Is not this a real grievance and a great disgrace to the School? Does it not seem as if School feeling was weak, and that our School, when left, was forgotten? I believe no attempt has yet been made to form a Rugby Club here, though every Rugbeian to whom I have ever spoken on the matter has expressed his wish that one should be formed; the ground is therefore open and favourable for a trial. I can see no obstacle to the formation of such a Club except apathy and want of proper School feeling on the part of the leading Rugbeians here; for I am convinced that the great body of Rugbeians is favourable to the project. It only requires to be started, and in less than a term I believe we should have a flourishing Club. The advantages of such a Club are obvious, so I need only mention a few. We should be able to practice our own football regularly, which is now impossible, as few care to play it except Rugbeians. It would tend to keep up School feeling and customs. The Eton and Harrow Clubs, I believe, frequently put an extra cricket professional on the School ground, so that the parent School might be a direct gainer by the formation of such a Club. These are only a few of the advantages; many more will occur to everyone. Apologizing for writing at such length,

I remain, truly yours,
S. Y. TALC.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Several important letters are unavoidably omitted.

* * * Correspondents are particularly, but still respectfully, requested to omit apologising for intruding on our valuable space.

"N. or M." Verbiage.

"Haggis." There is no chance of Boating ever being a School employment.

"T. O. Z." We have no doubt that every possible comfort will be provided.

"A Lover of Justice." Your primary assertion is unfounded.

The Pavilion Committee, hearing that some Old Rugbeians at present withhold their subscriptions for fear that the building will never be begun, request us to announce that promises of Subscriptions will be thankfully received—payable when the pavilion is in course of erection.

CAMBRIDGE.

RUGBY SCRATCH FOURS.

These Races were rowed on Saturday, March 14th.

The following is a List of the Crews in the order of starting. The Brackets indicate the Bumps.

| 1st Heat. | | |
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| 1 | J. D. Nicol | Trinity. |
| 2 | J. Wilkes | Lady Margaret. |
| 3 | R. Newman | 1st Trinity. |
| 4 | C. E. Tritton, Stroke | Trin. Hall. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> P. J. Ash | Caius. |
| 1 | T. A. De la Rue | Lady Margaret. |
| 2 | W. G. Archer | Trinity. |
| 3 | A. G. Kirby | Trin. Hall. |
| 4 | D. Collyer, Stroke | Clare. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> T. Buckmaster | 1st Trinity. |
| 1 | H. W. S. Kynnersley | Trinity. |
| 2 | T. Spilling | Peterhouse. |
| 3 | J. E. Backhouse | Trin. Hall. |
| 4 | C. J. Wanton, Stroke | Kings'. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> E. Farrer | Caius. |
| 1 | J. Peake | Lady Margaret. |
| 2 | F. S. Gwatkin | 1st Trinity. |
| 3 | J. E. Lloyd | Ditto. |
| 4 | F. E. Baynes, Stroke | Lady Margaret. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> H. Duberly | Trin. Hall. |
| 1 | W. J. Barber | 1st Trinity |
| 2 | F. W. Haslam | Lady Margaret. |
| 3 | J. W. Horne | Ditto. |
| 4 | A. Smythies, Stroke | Trin. Hall. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> J. Adams | Lady Margaret. |
| 1 | J. S. Holden | Trinity. |
| 2 | H. S. Jeffery | 1st Trinity. |
| 3 | R. M. Tillard | Ditto |
| 4 | W. Dixon, Stroke | 1st Trinity. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> A. W. Lambert | Lady Margaret. |
| 1 | C. Harrison | Trinity. |
| 2 | A. A. Bourne | Lady Margaret. |
| 3 | U. S. Robins. | 1st Trinity. |
| 4 | J. Collins, Stroke | Lady Margaret. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> J. H. H. Chamberlain | Ditto. |
| 1 | C. J. Peile | 1st Trinity. |
| 2 | C. W. Neild | Ditto. |
| 3 | W. Lee Warner | Lady Margaret. |
| 4 | T. Gemmell, Stroke | 1st Trinity. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> W. J. Pinckney | Ditto. |
| 1 | T. T. Paine | Trinity. |
| 2 | H. Stokes | Lady Margaret. |
| 3 | R. E. Whittington | Ditto. |
| 4 | B. G. Browne, Stroke | Emmanuel. |
| | <i>Cox.</i> C. J. Boden | Trinity. |
| 2nd Heat. Pinckney's boat bumped Boden's. | | |
| 3rd Heat. Lambert's boat bumped Adams'. Pinckney's bmpd. Buckmasters'. Duberly's rowed over. | | |

A fine race was then rowed between Lambert's, Pinckney's, and Duberly's, and after a good race Pinckney's won by several seconds, Lambert's being second.

In the Oxford University Athletic Sports, the only representative of Rugby among the winners was A. C. Tosswill (Oriel), who won the long jump, at the astonishing distance of 21 ft. 4 in.

At Cambridge, in one-third of a mile Handicap, A. Bros was first in his heat, and third in the final. In the quarter of a mile, A. W. Lambert was second in his heat, and second in the final. In half-mile race, A. W. Lambert was first.

CAMBRIDGE CHAMPION RACQUETS.—Among 16 competitors, four Rugby men are engaged. J. Wilkes (John's) and S. Chamberlain (John's) have won their ties; J. E. Lloyd (Trinity) has been beaten; and W. Lee Warner (John's) has not yet played off his tie.

In the Cambridge Tennis Handicap, B. F. Featherstone was second, having to give half 30.

In the Oxford Champion Tennis, W. E. Göschen (C. C. C.) was second.