

THE VOLUNTEERS.

The Corps—formally enrolled on the 16th ult.—put in a first appearance at the Battalion drill at Warwick on Monday, the 1st June, under the command of Captain Phillips, with a total of 51 of all ranks. The drill was said to have been the most severe the Battalion had done since its formation, yet our Company went through the day to the end, and was very highly commended for the way in which it worked. The evolutions consisted of marching past in open and quarter-distance column (the latter at the "double"), deploying into line, firing volleys, forming close column, changing front, and a severe hour's skirmishing, which latter—the day being intensely hot—was capital training. The proficiency to which we had attained was owing partly to very hard work at drill since the enrolment, and partly to two or three evenings' drill with the Town Corps in the close. The next Battalion drill is to take place at Stoneleigh Abbey on the 29th instant.

Busy as we have lately been at drill, shooting has not been altogether neglected, and on the whole the 500 yards scoring has been very creditable, but there is still plenty to be done at 200 yards before we can call ourselves in Wimbledon form.

The first match, that against Christ Church, was shot on our ground, and its numerous disadvantages seem to have told against the strangers especially, though the strong wind caused a good deal of missing at 200 yards on both sides. The School shooting at 500 yards was good. The Oxonians kindly offered a cup for the highest scorer on the Rugby side, which was won with a good score by Capt. Tobin, who had to make a bull's eye the last shot to secure it. We would here thank our opponents for coming so far to shoot against us, as such matches are far more interesting than simultaneous ones. We hope the match will now become an annual one. Score :

12TH WARWICK.

	200yds.	500yds.	TL.
Captain Tobin	14	16	30
Lieutenant Graham .. .	12	8	20
Colour-Sergeant Baynes ..	8	13	21
Sergeant Humphry .. .	15	14	29
Corporal Penrose .. .	7	6	13
" Botfield .. .	14	15	29
Lance-Corporal Stuart Wortley ..	7	10	17
" Chaplin .. .	8	8	16
" Whiting .. .	11	11	22
Private Peel .. .	8	13	21
" Cobham .. .	13	13	26
" Selous .. .	11	2	13
Total	128	129	257

CHRIST CHURCH COMPANY, OXFORD.

	200yds.	500yds.	TL.
Captain Jermyn	12	9	21
" Doyle	10	3	13
Ensign Eyton	6	9	15
" Rogers	12	11	23
Sergeant Bannerman .. .	10	11	21
" Arburthnot .. .	9	8	17
Corporal Carnigie .. .	6	2	9
Private Trotter	8	0	8
" West	15	5	20
" Stewart	10	12	22
" E. C. Williams .. .	2	6	8
" Fison (o.r.) .. .	12	4	16
Total	113	80	193

Our next expedition was to Lutterworth, and an exceedingly pleasant one it was. Captain Fox entertained the Eleven most hospitably after the match, and we returned home well pleased with our victory. Lance-Corpl. Stuart Wortley was highest scorer, though no one was very prominent. The shooting at 200 was again shady. Score:—

12TH WARWICK.

	200yds.	500yds.	TL.
Captain Tobin	15	10	25
Corporal Botfield .. .	12	13	25
Lance-Corporal Stuart Wortley ..	14	13	27
Private Peel .. .	11	14	25
" Selous	10	10	20
" Tubb	9	5	14
Lieutenant Graham .. .	12	7	19
Corporal Penrose .. .	13	10	23
Lance-Corporal Chaplin .. .	7	11	18
" Whiting .. .	12	12	24
Private Cobham .. .	12	14	26
Total	127	119	246

7TH LEICESTER, LUTTERWORTH.

	200yds.	500yds.	TL.
Captain Fox	12	7	19
Ensign See	10	13	23
Sergeant Brown	12	8	20
" Lea	3	8	11
" Smart	13	3	16
Corporal Smith	10	4	14
Private Burdett	8	10	18
" Green	14	4	18
" J. Smith	2	6	8
" Miles	12	4	16
" Fowler	15	12	27
Total	111	79	190

Our last match took place last Tuesday, when we suffered a defeat by 11 points at the hands of the two Trinity Companies of the Cambridge. Our low score must be attributed to the fact that nine of the Eleven had attended battalion drill the day before; and we would here caution them that absolute steadiness on such occasions is necessary for good shooting. For Cambridge, Corpl. Kinlock and Priv. Templer were the highest scorers; for Rugby, Capt. Tobin made a somewhat lucky 30. The weather at Rugby was good, though a strong breeze got up towards the end of the shooting. Score:—

12TH WARWICK.

	200yds.	500yds.	Tl.
Captain Tobin	16	14	— 30
Lieutenant Graham	13	10	— 23
Sergeant Baynes	6	6	— 12
" Humphry	13	12	— 25
Corporal Penrose	9	11	— 20
" Botfield	11	12	— 23
Lance-Corporal Stuart Wortley	14	5	— 19
" Whiting	10	13	— 23
Private Cobham	11	6	— 17
" Peel	12	5	— 17
" Selous	9	10	— 19
Total	124	104	228

TRINITY COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE.

	200yds.	500yds.	Tl.
Captain Tomlinson	14	7	— 21
Ensign Mackintosh	18	2	— 15
Sergeant Carlisle	16	5	— 21
" Ingham	12	11	— 23
Corporal Bouverie	12	12	— 24
" Kinlock	14	13	— 27
Private Reid	11	4	— 15
" Templer	15	13	— 28
" Ingram	12	8	— 20
" Barber	14	10	— 24
" Buxton	12	9	— 21
Total	145	94	239

THE RACQUET COURT.

A novelty was introduced at the Racquet Court, on a certain wet Saturday afternoon; a handicap being played among the Eleven and Twenty-two. This limitation was made, in order if possible to get it finished that afternoon—only one round, however, could be got through. A committee acted as handicappers. The numbers indicate the number of points given.

Tobin ma.	} 0	beat	Francis	} 12
Gwyer		Badger		
Walker	} 0	"	Lambert	} 0
Graham		Lloyd		
Yardley	} 0	"	Rowden	} 6
Gray		Gardnermi		
Moberly	} 0	"	Walsh	} 7
Neilson		Hudson		
Gardner ma.	} 0	"	Mawdsley	} 0
Fitzgerald		Lushington		
Sidgwick	} 0	"	Tobin mi.	} 2
Maitland		Botfield		
Bucknill	} 6	"	Eaden	} 0
Baring		Pearson		
Mr. Wilson	} 0	"	Mr. B. Smith	} 4
Mr. Sidgwick		Mr. Potts		

SECOND TIES.

Mr. Wilson	} 3	"	Tobin ma.	} 0
Mr. Sidgwick		Gwyer		
Sidgwick	} 0	"	Graham	} 7
Maitland		Walker		

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To the Editor of the Meteor.

DEAR SIR,—On the supposition that your article on Debating Societies has found the same favour in the eyes of the School as in mine, I should like to suggest two ideas for putting it into successful operation.

The first is—That, if the Masters do not object, the meetings of the School Debating Society should be held successively in the halls of the different Houses.

The second is—That either alternately with the Debate, or in addition to it, there should be held meetings of a Shakspeare Club, or Literary Society; *i.e.*, that a play of Shakspeare, or some chosen pieces from the Poets—such, for instance, as the *Ancient Mariner*, or the *Morte d'Arthur*, or one of the *Idylls*, or some of the finer pieces of less known authors (of which notice shall have been given the week before), should be read aloud by the fellows, and discussed either then or at the next meeting of the Debating Society.

The grounds for suggesting the first idea are: that, as you pointed out, a School Debating Society would be a great means of opening up Houses; and the adoption of this plan would render it a still greater means. These are my reasons for thinking so: If the debates are held in the Vth. or VIth. School, fellows will probably walk there and back with their own House, just as they do to lessons; and that the chances of acquaintance with men of other Houses would not be very greatly increased, while the ugliness of the Schools themselves, or rather, I should say, the "schooliness" of them, would take away from the pleasure of the Debate.

If the fellows can be brought together into House halls, the novelty of their meeting-house (I'm strictly orthodox) will prevent the Debates from feeling like lessons; and the fellows to whom the hall belongs will, or ought, to feel put on their honour to show a certain amount of cordiality and friendliness in their reception of comparative strangers. More reserved fellows will often have almost *forced* upon them the opportunity of talking to fellows of other Houses whom their reserve alone has prevented them from getting to know before. The hanging