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THE Cricket week is over. For the last few days a considerable part of the 24 hours has been spent by some as performers, by some as spectators in the close. But it is over, and all that is left us—at least if the grim prospect of Long List in the future does not absorb us entirely, and prevent our having an eye for anything either present or past—is to talk over the doings of the great week, to recount over and over again the fortune which it brought us. And, surely, when the retrospect is so bright, we cannot be better engaged: nor can the *Meteor* do her duty better than in assisting the Rugby public in such pleasant recollections.

Certainly, whatever may be our other functions, to criticise, to reflect, to take deep council, all these must at such a time as this be laid aside, and we must appear in our simple character of chronicler. When every day has brought some fresh festivity, some fresh excitement, or some fresh deed of prowess in the field, our readers may justly claim that we should tell our tale simply, as a plain, though delightful, matter of history, without stopping to draw any recondite moral upon it.

Enough, then, we have said in these remarks. Let us to our duty: only adding our hearty congratulations to the Rugby public in general at the good fortune which has attended us in the last week, our heartfelt thanks to all, whether masters or boys, who have contributed to make the past week the bright time that it is to look back upon, and—just one word more—let us add a hope that Rugby may always have eleven as

goodly sons to represent her in the cricket field as have done so in the past week.

MR. POPE has endeavoured to console nervous humanity with the reflection that

“Whatever is, is right,”

and if we could but persuade ourselves of the truth of this sentiment, with our deep love of moral rectitude, we should at once advocate a state of quiescent immutability. But such is not the case; and the battle-cry of Grievance or Retrogression is ever stirring us up to a state of friendly antagonism to the Present. Now there is one subject which we have never yet had occasion to attack, though it has often been brought under our notice by aggrieved Old Rugbeians. They tell us that the Speeches are far more tame than they were formerly. The happy prizemen take no sort of interest in the proceedings. We are not speaking now of the recitation of those speeches or dialogues which are extracted from classical authors, whether modern or ancient—though here we think there is every room for improvement—but we allude only to the recital of the prize compositions. We are told by an Old Rugbeian, and one to whose advice we should pay as much attention as to anybody, that in his day the prizemen always bowed to the Headmaster as a kind of polite acknowledgment on receiving their prizes. But this custom may have been swept away as a relic of those semi-barbarous days when sons called their fathers by the dignified appellation of Sir. Be that as it may, there is one

point on which we entirely agree—that a change to the old system ought to be enforced. The winners of prizes used always to *recite*, and not to *read* their productions. In the case of the English, Latin, and Greek verse this was the rule only five years ago. Why the custom should have been dropped no one can tell. No one will allow that the change is for the better. The effort of learning by heart verses which have already taken their poet-authors some time to evolve, cannot be very difficult. Much more life is thus infused into the proceedings: the compositions are much more likely to be heard and understood: while the laziness and indifference of the author receives a salutary check. We sincerely hope that next year fellows will take the trouble to learn their productions by heart, and not read them in a tone so dull and monotonous that nobody can tell what language they are reading.

THE SPEECHES.

On Saturday week the annual Speeches were held in the Great School. We were glad to see that the example of last year was followed in this respect, and the Speeches held in the middle of the term instead of at the end, as on previous occasions. Besides securing the attendance of a large number of Old Rugbeians, from the fact of the Old Rugbeian cricket match having been played on the two days previously, a far larger number of the school were present than usual. The speeches were, as a whole, very good: the acting in some pieces was quite first-rate, and throughout showed great pains and energy. Perhaps we may be allowed to make a criticism on a subject above our notice: we fear some of the extracts read by the prizemen were rather too long. Few things, doubtless, are more edifying and grateful to hear to the classical mind than Latin Prose; but the less educated mind is apt to grow weary after a very short spell of such compositions. We give a programme of the speeches and dramatic performances below, from which our readers may learn the names of the prizemen and actors. One feature in the recitations, &c., deserves especial notice, and the highest commendation on those who introduced it: we mean French and German speeches. It must have caused wonder, we think, to many a visitor at our School speeches before, that at a school like Rugby—which has the reputation

among all Public Schools of being the most extended in its curriculum of study, and of adopting the most modern kinds of reading—Greek, Latin, and English should include all the recitations.

Independently of the novelty, the acting of the modern language pieces was exceedingly good, quite equal to anything in the course of the afternoon. Micholls and Haslam were both excellent in the German, and their acting, perhaps, was only surpassed by that of Soutter in the French.

The scene from the *Rivals* was given uncommonly well: the best, perhaps, being Soutter, who undertook the part at that morning's notice. Masterman, Moberly, and Barnwell entered thoroughly into the wit of *Aristophanes*, as did Rowden of *Sheridan*. The proceedings were introduced by a short speech from Dr. Temple; who concluded by reading the list of honours gained by Rugbeians during the past year, which were as follows:—

1867.—R. W. Ingham, First Class in Classical Moderations, Oxford; E. A. Were, ditto; S. W. Bromfield, First Class in Mathematical Moderations, Oxford; B. E. Hammond, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge; W. D. Allen, Demyship of Magdalen College, Oxford; J. B. Haslam, Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge; H. G. Hart, ditto, ditto; F. J. Jayne, First Class in Law and History, Oxford; A. Cordery, First Class in Classical Moderations, Oxford; T. Case, First Class Final Classical School, Oxford. 1868.—A. Barratt (late Scholar of Balliol College) elected to Open Fellowship, Brasenose College, Oxford; T. Case (Commoner of Balliol College) ditto, ditto; J. A. Godley, Hertford Scholar, Oxford; G. H. West, Miss Burdett Coutts' Geological Scholarship, Oxford; S. Haslam, First Class, Classical Tripos, Cambridge; J. S. Masterman, Open Scholarship, Corpus Christi College, Oxford; F. J. Jayne, Clerical Fellowship, Jesus College, Oxford; C. J. Peile, Foundation Scholarship, Trinity College, Cambridge; H. L. St.-Barbe-Browne, Open Classical Scholarship, Brasenose College, Oxford; H. Theobald, Taylorian Scholarship (German with French) Oxford; J. S. Parkin, Fellow of Clare College, Cambridge; J. A. Baines, D. O. Meiklejohn, and A. B. Steward, Indian Civil Service; T. G. W. Dymock, English Scholarship, King's College, London; W. E. Hart, Foundation Scholarship, St. John's College, Cambridge; G. L. Bennett, ditto; J. S. Chamberlain, ditto; A. A. Bourne, Exhibition at St. John's College, Cambridge; W. Phipson, First Class in Law and Modern History, Oxford; F. Baynes, Exhibition at St. John's College, Cambridge.

Then were delivered the Speeches, in the following order:—

I.—Essay for the Queen's Medal—"Comparison of the English and French Revolutions."

HON. F. H. BARING.

II.—From the *Hippolytus* of Euripides.

GORDON *Theseus*.
LOMAX *Hippolytus*.

III.—Latin Essay—"Oratores veteres cum recentioribus comparantur."

L. F. BARNWELL.

- IV.—From Burke's Speeches.
PHILLIPS.
- V.—Latin Hexameters—"Galileo."
J. S. MASTERMAN.
- VI.—From "The Rivals."
W. W. FOWLER..... David.
J. T. SOUTTER Acres.
A. SCOTT Captain Absolute.
- VII.—Latin Lyrics—From "Chapman's Esther."
H. L. ST. BARBE BROWNE.
- VIII.—From "Aristophanes' Equites."
J. S. MASTERMAN..... Demosthenes.
W. O. MOBERLY The Sausage-seller.
INGRAM Nicias.
- IX.—Greek Prose—"Bacon's Orpheus."
H. L. ST. BARBE BROWNE.
- X.—From Benedix' "Die Countagsjager."
A. B. HASLAM.....
MICHOLLS
- XI.—Latin Prose (Upper Bench)—"Arnold's Character of Hannibal."
A. W. ROWDEN.
- XII.—From "Aristophanes' Aves."
EASTWICK..... Peisthetairus.
L. F. BARNWELL Prometheus.
- XIII.—Greek Iambics—"Byron's Marino Faliero."
INGRAM.
- XIV.—Latin Prose (Lower Bench)—"Arnold's Character of Hannibal."
N. MASTERMAN.
- XV.—From "The Critic."
A. B. HASLAM..... Sneer.
A. W. ROWDEN Sir Fretful Plagiary.
HON. F. H. BARING Mrs. Dangle.
- XVI.—Fifth Form Verse—"On Livingstone."
LEAN.
- XVII.—Fifth Form Latin Prose—From "Macaulay."
LEAN.
- XVIII.—From Boursault's "Le Mercure Galant."
H. L. ST. B. BROWNE..... Merlin.
J. T. SOUTTER la Rissolle.
- XIX.—English Poem—"Dante."
{ L. F. BARNWELL.
J. F. EADEN.

THE WINDSOR REVIEW.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

Never, since the happy day when we carried off the shield at Wimbledon, has the Rifle Corps gone through a more severe ordeal with success than it did on Saturday week. When it is considered that the rifles arrived on the previous Friday morning and the shakos on Friday evening, it must be granted that our officers had performed no small feat in turning out so smart a company as appeared on parade at nine o'clock on Saturday morning. Even the criticizing eyes of the School could find no fault with our appearance, and they sent us on our journey with three hearty cheers as we started at a brisk

pace from the School quadrangle, under command of Captain Phillipotts. We joined the Town Corps at the bottom of High Street, and had only just got into our train when the remainder of the Battalion came into the station. As soon as we were off, haversacks were turned out and the contents discussed with pleasure, at least by the occupants of our carriage. To be sure there was an absence of corkscrews and knives, but swords and bayonets proved efficient substitutes enough. The viands were devoured with rapidity, which seemed to imply that in the hurry of starting most had omitted to make a good breakfast. Bletchley being now reached and our repast over, there seemed a desire to get out of the heat and some tried the tops of the carriages, but finding the heat as bad and the dust worse than inside, they presently rejoined us. Arrived at Datchet at 2.15 we found two omnibuses waiting to convey us to Eton, and to those who had not seen the place before the drive must have been charming. Passing by the playing-fields we saw the Eton Eleven engaged in a match with Marylebone. After piling arms in the cloisters we marched into a large and most beautiful hall where the Collegians were seated at dinner, who cheered us heartily as we marched up to the top of the hall, where a most welcome dinner was prepared for us. At three o'clock we fell in again, and had a most tedious two-and-a-half miles march to re-join our battalion. Here we had a few minutes to look about us, and certainly the sight was most magnificent. In all parts of the park, dark masses of grey kept moving about apparently in dreadful confusion, but gradually getting more in order as the time for the review drew near; these dark masses were relieved by the bright scarlet of grenadiers, and on each side of the avenue were posted lancers, who elicited much admiration from our corps.

On falling in again we were marched to the front and took up our position in line, having the Grand Stand considerably to our left. In this position we had to wait for a most tedious hour, sadly in want of water, but not being able to fall-out and get any—warned possibly by the desperate resistance made by an officer of a neighbouring corps to two privates who were decamping. While here the Robin Hoods marched past us and were loudly praised for their excellent marching and appearance in their beautiful green uniform. At last the firing of the Royal salute notified the approach of the Queen,

who drove past in an open carriage drawn by four greys, with the Princess of Wales by her side. After driving slowly past the whole line the Queen went to the Grand Stand and the march-past began. Among the first was the Eton and Harrow Battalion, whose light grey uniform afforded a pretty contrast to the dark colours around; their marching and general appearance was exceedingly smart, and they were loudly applauded by the spectators. At last our turn came, and with the Adjutant's last caution "keep your heads up, and step like rocks" sounding in our ears, off we went. It would have needed a sharp eye to have found much fault with our line as we marched past the stand, and though there was a slight wavering at the third wheel, we may, without being said to boast without cause, congratulate ourselves on having gone through the ordeal most successfully. After the march-past, I could not follow the plot further: some skirmishers opened fire, artillery followed their example at intervals, cavalry charged, we ourselves advanced and opened a most deadly fire on some unseen enemy—deadly enough to have cut to pieces any foe, or at any rate to prevent our seeing ten yards in front of us. On ceasing fire, the battalion formed close column, and the officers went to the front to see the Queen drive off amidst most hearty cheers from all the Volunteers and spectators. The next question was without doubt where to get provisions. The majority marched to some booths and there obtained a pitiable meal. We, that is, three of us, including our gallant left-hand man, went to forage in Eton, a provident father having forwarded to a shop there some cider and sandwiches; after some difficulty our request was granted and strapping the hamper to a rifle off we doubled to Datchet, arriving ten minutes after our train should have started. After waiting an hour our hunger required satisfying, and we attacked the sandwiches. Then a snooze on the grass, constantly broken by the arrival of various battalions, but never a Warwickshire man appeared. At length some stray shots close to our ears brought us to our feet, and an officer in grey asked if we had seen who fired them. After some talk we asked him to take a glass of cider, but he "was afraid it would not agree with him." And this officer was Lord E—o. Shortly afterwards Colonel Hughes' (Tom Brown's) Corps marched in, and we spoke to him for a few minutes, but he was too busy for a long interview. Mean-

while the 12th Warwickshire had finished their meal and marched through Windsor to the Pontoon bridge, where, owing to the confusion, they had the pleasure of stopping about three hours, some amusing themselves by singing songs, others by drinking Thames water. At one o'clock, dusty and tired, they arrived at Datchet. At ten minutes to two we started homewards, and after getting as much sleep as we could in the train arrived at Rugby at a little before seven; marched through the town as smartly as such a dirty and tired body could, and fell out after being twenty-two hours under arms, and spent as pleasant a day as I for one ever remember; and may many such occur in the future of the 12th Warwickshire.

CRICKET.

THE MARLBOROUGH MATCH.

Various as are the arrangements for playing this match alternately on the Rugby and Marlborough grounds, it is our humble opinion that it is a mistake to remove its locality. There is always more interest in a match played at Lords' than in the country; and the fact that Lords' is the ground were all aspire to play, and which is strange to both elevens alike, causes us to deprecate the change which had been made this year. The eleven arrived at Rugby on Monday last, having had a long journey from Marlborough that day. Arrangements had been made to quarter the team in the various master's houses, to which they immediately repaired. Ten o'clock next morning saw the "Edge" lined with the representatives of the dark and light blue, eagerly criticised by their backers. Soon it became known that the Marlborough had won the toss and were about to assume the defensive. This was soon done by Gordon and Baggally, to the bowling of Francis and Walker. At the very commencement runs came fast, and it was a little time before our bowlers settled down to their work. When 27 runs had been accredited to the Marlburians, a most excellent piece of cricket between Soutter and Yardley disposed of Baggally, who had played well for his 12. W. E. Leach was the next to appear, and both players seemed on their mettle. A change of bowling seemed necessary, Soutter and Gwyer taking the ball *vice* Francis and Walker. Up to this time, it may be stated, Francis had been

bowling very steadily, having delivered 10 overs (4 maidens) for 9 runs. The changes proved by no means beneficial, and the original assailants resumed their places. Leach, after a very good innings of 31, presented a ball to Francis at slip, which was retained. Cummings and R. Leach (the captain) were soon after bowled by Francis and Walker respectively. Hodgson was then taken by Francis, and in two more overs Gordon was "leg before" to the same bowler. This gentleman played a most admirable innings, and had the rest of his comrades been of like stuff our tale might have been different. The other wickets fell in speedy succession, Macgregor being well caught by Tobin at leg, and Dayman by a clever left-hand catch by Francis. The innings amounted to 124, the wickets falling thus—one for 27, two for 95, three for 96, four for 99, five for 104, six for 105, seven for 114, eight for 118, nine for 121, ten for 124.

At half-past one Gwyer and Maitland represented Rugby at the wickets, and at lunch time the score stood at 15 for no wickets. After lunch Maitland was run out. Gwyer was soon after caught off the slows, and the captain succumbed for 5. Yardley and Tobin now got together, the score standing at 44. Change after change in the bowling department was resorted to without avail, both batsmen seeming quite at home. At last, after very quick run-making, Yardley was caught at square leg. (4 for 132.) His innings comprised a five, 5 fours, 5 threes, 4 twos, and singles. Soutter was the next to take the vacant wicket, and both batsmen settled down to their work. To narrate in detail the whole innings would be tedious, suffice it to say that Tobin was foolishly run out when the score had risen to 265. His 107 was indeed a fine innings, although some spectators aver that he was stumped out when his score was about half its final size. His principal hits were 4 fives, 4 fours, 10 threes, &c. Soutter, not long after his companion, was easily taken at point (six for 268.) Francis made 37 in very good style, besides making nearly, if not quite, the two best hits in the match, driving Gordon twice in the same over to the "Three Trees" for six and five. At the close of the day's play Gardner and Walker were still in, the score at 364.

On Wednesday morning play was resumed, and after some good play, in which Gardner made a splendid hit for six, followed by

another for eight, which, by the way, might have been "lost ball," the innings closed for 384, Gardner being "not out" with 39.

The Marlburians followed with 260 to get to save the innings. The same gentlemen represented Marlborough as in the first innings, and began as well as before, except that the School bowling was considerably better than then. Baggallay was again run out, and Gordon bowled by a trimmer from Francis, and the hopes of saving the innings were gone. Leach and Baggallay, however, raised the score from 14 to 67 before they parted company. The other batsmen contributed a few each, the wickets falling three for 74, four for 79, five for 84, six for 90, seven for 97, eight for 98, nine for 126, and ten for 127. Rugby thus winning in one innings, and 133 runs.

From the fall of the first two or three Marlburian wickets in the first innings it was plain they were over-matched. They had one really good player, Gordon, who is really useful in any part of the game. Their fielding was not so good as that of Rugby, which, we may remark, is better than for many years. The Rugby bowling was indeed good, as the analysis will show. The Marlborough bowling was certainly their weakest department: there was no difficult bowler, and the ground certainly gave no advantage. This is our ninth victory, as the following table will declare:—

- 1865. At Lords', June 27 & 28. Rugby won by 10 wickets. Rugby, 130 and 3; Marlborough, 87 and 44.
- 1856. At Lords', June 26 & 27. Rugby won by 5 wickets. Rugby, 168 and 52; Marlborough, 128 and 91.
- 1857. At the Oval, June 25 and 26. Rugby won in one innings and 83 runs. Rugby, 234; Marlborough, 79 & 72.
- 1860. At Lords', June 28 & 29. Rugby won in one innings and 50 runs. Rugby, 152; Marlborough, 36 and 66.
- 1862. At Lords', June 27 and 28. Marlborough won in one innings and 17 runs. Rugby, 135 and 58. Marlborough, 210.
- 1863. At the Oval, June 25 and 26. Rugby won by 83 runs. Rugby, 87 & 161; Marlborough, 86 and 79.
- 1864. At the Middlesex Ground, July 4 & 5. Rugby won by one innings and 33 runs. Rugby, 301; Marlborough, 106 and 162.
- 1865. At Lords', July 3 and 4. Rugby won

by nine wickets. Rugby, 199 & 46; Marlborough, 117 and 127.

1866. At Lords', June 29 and 30. Drawn. Rugby, 233 and 180 (seven wickets down); Marlborough, 224.

1867. At the Oval, June 25 and 26. Rugby won by six wickets; Rugby, 241 and 92; Marlborough, 91 & 238.

1868. At Rugby, June 23 and 24. Rugby won in one innings and 133 runs.

The following is the full score of the present match:—

MARLBOROUGH COLLEGE.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
C. S. Gordon, lbw, b Francis 53	b Francis..... 12
E. Baggallay, run out	12 run out
W. E. Leach, c Francis, b Walker	31 b Gwyer
H. Cummings, b Francis	0 b Francis
R. Leach, b Walker	0 c Moberly b Walker 4
G. A. Hodgson, b Francis....	5 c and b Soutter .. 5
E. S. Garnier, c Moberly, b Walker	1 c and b Walker .. 4
H. B. Carlyen, b Francis	14 c Francis b Walker 6
J. P. Macgregor, c Tobin, b Walker	8 c Gardner b Francis 1
G. P. Owen, not out	0 not out
F. S. Dayman, c Francis, b Walker	2 b Francis
Byes 2, 1-b 3	5 B 2, 1-b 8, w 1 .. 11
Total	Total..... 127

RUGBY SCHOOL.—1st Innings.

S. K. Gwyer, c Macgregor, b Gordon	21
F. H. Maitland, run out	5
W. Yardley, c Dayman, b Owen	62
S. P. Bucknill, b Cummings	5
F. Tobin ma., run out	107
J. T. Soutter, c Baggallay, b Gordon	59
C. K. Francis, c Cummings, b Dayman	37
A. G. Botfield, c Hodgson, b Dayman	7
W. O. Moberly, b Garnier	17
J. W. Gardner, not out	39
J. R. Walker, c R. Leach, b Dayman	9
B 8, 1-b 2, w 6	16
Total	384

ANALYSIS OF THE BOWLING.

Marlborough. — First Innings. — C. K. Francis bowled 132 balls for 30 runs, 19 maidens, and 4 wickets; J. R. Walker, 100 balls, 42 runs, 8 maidens, 5 wickets; S. K. Gwyer, 44 balls, 25 runs, 3 maidens; J. T. Soutter, 12 balls, 11 runs.—Second Innings. —C. K. Francis, 170 balls, 46 runs, 19 maidens, 4 wickets; J. R. Walker, 142 balls, 36 runs, 17 maidens, 3 wickets; J. T. Soutter, 12 balls, 1 run, 2 maidens, 1 wicket, 1 wide; S. K. Gwyer, 40 balls, 30 runs, 4 maidens, 1 wicket.

Rugby.—First Innings.—F. S. Dayman bowled 141 balls, for 60 runs, 12 maidens, 3 wickets, and 1 wide; H. Cummings, 108

balls, 62 runs, 8 maidens, 1 wickets; C. S. Gordon, 100 balls, 73 runs, 4 maidens, 2 wickets, 3 wides; E. S. Garnier, 80 balls, 28 runs, 6 maidens, 1 wicket; J. P. Macgregor, 40 balls, 38 runs, 1 maiden; G. A. Hodgson, 72 balls, 55 runs, 4 maidens; G. P. Owen, 36 balls, 29 runs, 2 maidens, 1 wicket, 1 wide; E. Baggallay, 32 balls, 12 runs, 4 maidens, 1 wide; R. Leach, 4 balls, 10 runs.

THE SCHOOL v. BRASENOSE COLLEGE, June 6th.—Owing to the immense scores this College had made at Oxford, The School went out into the field with the anticipation of a day's outing. By four o'clock, however, all the wickets were down, Pouncefote, who played a fine innings of 100 without a chance, being the only one who stayed long. Gwyer and Soutter played well for their runs, the former seeming most at home with the slow, the latter with the fast bowling. The match ended in a draw, there being two wickets to fall on the School side when time was called. Score:—

BRASENOSE COLLEGE.—1st Innings.

T. Case, c Gardner b Ellis	1
E. Matthews, c Bucknill, b Francis	24
B. Pouncefote, b Soutter	100
W. Evetts, c Tobin (mi.), b Walker	10
E. L. Fellowes, c Francis, b Soutter	15
F. Crowder, lbw, b Francis	22
W. Fanning, b Francis	8
H. S. Hull, b Francis	5
J. T. Rider, not out	13
J. O. Lav, c Soutter, b Ellis	11
C. Entwistle, c Maitland, b Francis	0
Byes 5, 1-b 2	7
Total	216

THE SCHOOL.—1st Innings.

F. Tobin (mi.), c Rider, b Matthews	12
S. K. Gwyer, c Lav, b Matthews	32
W. Yardley, c and b Matthews	2
S. P. Bucknill, st Hull, b Matthews	0
F. Tobin (ma.), c Fellowes, b Matthews	12
J. T. Soutter, c Crowder, b Fellowes	34
C. K. Francis, b Fellowes	7
F. H. Maitland, c Evetts, b Pouncefote	15
J. W. Gardner, not out	9
J. R. Walker, not out	1
V. Ellis to bat.	
Bye 1, 1-b 2, w 3, n-b 2	8
Total	132

RUGBY CLUB v. THE SCHOOL (Return). —June 12.—Although only one day's match another victory was gained by the School over the Club. When the match was any one's—time, 7 p.m.—last wickets in—state of the game, “a tie”—Maitland hit a ball on his leg, which quietly rolled to his wicket, dislodging the bail from the niche in which

it lay, but leaving it on the upper part of the stump. All the fields crowded round amid intense excitement, but the bail kept its place notwithstanding. Off the next ball was the winning hit. Score:—

THE CLUB.—1st Innings.

D. Buchanan, c Tobin (mi.), b Ellis.....	3
D. Campbell, b Walker	2
J. M. Masefield, b Warner	44
G. Fitzgerald, c Tobin (mi.), b Walker	0
G. Millington, run out.....	5
A. C. Thewles, b Gwyer	56
R. P. Smith, c Yardley, b Gwyer	9
T. R. Miller, c Bucknill, b Gwyer.....	6
C. W. Carles, b Gwyer.....	10
F. Paget, not out	16
W. O. Moberly, c Soutter, b Walker.....	13
Byes 3, 1-b 2, w 1	6

Total..... 170

THE SCHOOL.—1st Innings.

F. Tobin (mi.), b Millington	6
S. K. Gwyer, c Carles, b Buchanan	29
W. Yardley, c Moberly, b Millington	8
S. P. Bucknill, lbw, b Masefield.....	23
F. Tobin (ma), st Carles, b Buchanan	35
J. T. Soutter, st Carles, b Buchanan	46
F. H. Maitland, not out	10
J. W. Gardner, b Buchanan	0
E. H. Warner, b Buchanan	0
J. R. Walker, b Buchanan	4
V. Ellis, not out	1
Byes 6, w 7.....	13

Total..... 175

ANALYSIS OF THE BOWLING.

Rugby Club.—First Innings.—V. Ellis bowled 60 balls for 36 runs, 5 maidens, and 1 wicket; J. R. Walker, 114 balls, 61 runs, 8 maidens, 3 wickets; J. T. Soutter, 36 balls, 29 runs; E. H. Warner, 20 balls, 13 runs, 1 maiden, 1 wicket; S. K. Gwyer, 64 balls, 26 runs, 7 maidens, 4 wickets, 1 wide.

THE SCHOOL.—First Innings.—D. Buchanan bowled 136 balls for 67 runs, 12 maidens, and 6 wickets; G. Millington, 62 balls, 45 runs, 5 maidens, 8 wickets, 5 wides; J. M. Masefield, 34 balls, 19 runs, 3 maidens, 1 wicket, 2 wides; D. Campbell, 16 balls, 14 runs, 1 maiden; T. R. Miller, 8 balls, 8 runs; R. P. Smith, 44 balls, 10 runs, 8 maidens.

OLD RUGBEIAN MATCHES.

Our great cricket week began on Thursday and Friday, the 18th and 19th, with the usual Old Rugbeian matches. There was rather a scarcity of O.R.'s at first on Thursday morning, and a good many of the faces of the Third Eleven of the School began to grow rather dark as towards 12 o'clock it began to be whispered about: There are really only about 20 O.R.'s down. However, the arrival of the Captain served to give

things a better turn, and about 12.15 the First Eleven match began. The School, as in the other two elevens, lost the toss, and J. Wilkes and H. V. Ellis appeared at the wickets as representatives of the O.R.'s. A very short career, however, awaited the latter as he was bowled by Francis' second ball. No great stand was made against the bowling until E. Davenport came in; he played a very finished innings of 67, and the efforts of bowlers and fielders alike failed to oust him from his position at the wickets. We must not, however, omit to mention that Francis succeeded in clean bowling D. Buchanan. Their innings closed for 165. The first innings of the School amounted to 229, and a great deal of good play was shown in Yardley's 53, Bucknill's 27, and Tobin ma.'s 36. The younger Tobin was from an injury unable to play. In the 2nd innings of O.R.'s Ellis and Bennett made good scores. The following is the score:—

OLD RUGBEIANS.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	
J. Wilkes, b Francis	31 b Francis	1
H. V. Ellis, b Francis	0 b Francis ..	43
D. Buchanan, b Francis.....	11	
L. Novelli, b Francis	0 not out ..	23
E. K. Browne, c Maitland b Francis	15 c Ellis b Francis..	26
E. Davenport, not out	67 run out	7
S. Linton, c Maitland b Walker ..	8 run out.....	9
R. G. Venables, c Gwyer b Soutter	20 b Gwyer ..	1
A. A. Bourne, lbw, b Soutter ..	0 not out	0
F. H. Francis, b Francis	1 b Yardley.....	9
G. Bennett, lbw, b Francis....	5 b Yardley.....	45
Byes 3, leg byes 4.....	7 Byes 9, lb 2, w 1..	12

Total.....165 Total.....176

THE SCHOOL.—1st Innings.

S. K. Gwyer, c Davenport b Francis	14
F. H. Maitland, c Davenport, b Francis	5
W. Yardley, c Davenport b Buchanan	53
S. P. Bucknill, c Francis b Bourne	27
F. Tobin, ma., b Francis.....	36
J. T. Soutter, b Buchanan.....	17
C. K. Francis, st Davenport, b Buchanan ..	9
A. G. Botfield, b Francis.....	26
J. W. Gardner, c Davenport b Francis	8
J. R. Walker, b Francis	6
V. Ellis, not out	8
Byes 8, leg byes 5, wides 7	20

Total.....229

SECOND ELEVENS.—A victory for the School, after a very close match. Moberly played a first-rate innings, proving himself too much for the Old Rugbeians. Tower, also, was a very good second. The Old were 68 behind by the first innings. Very small scores were made on the second day, except by Spens, Newnam, and Haslam, in whose

innings were some good smacks. The School went down with amazing rapidity, but, through some steady play at the close, triumphed over their adversaries. Score:—

OLD RUGBEIANS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
T. M. Davenport, b Warner..	2 c Warner b Graham	1	
A. Smythies, b Warner	24 c Tower, b Graham	6	
J. E. Lloyd, b Warner	7 b Graham.....	8	
G. S. Millington, c Rowden, b Graham	7 c Tower, b Graham	7	
J. Edwards, c Eaden, b Warner	12 b Moberly	9	
F. Haslem, lbw, b Graham ..	27 run out	4	
R. Newman, b Warner	39 run out	5	
L. Spens, not out	50 lbw, b Warner....	37	
R. S. Lea, b Warner	0 c Sedgwick, b Graham	21	
H. A. Rickard, absent	0 c Walsh, b Graham	11	
T. W. Isherwood, b Moberly..	19 not out	5	
B 3, 1-b 2, w 2, n-b 1 ..	8 B 10, w 10	20	
Total	195	Total....	134

THE SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
C. Sidgwick, b Millington....	0 ht wkt, b Lea	9	
G. Walsh, c Spens, b Lea	18 c and b Millington	8	
W. O. Moberly, st Davenport, b Spens	125 b Millington.....	4	
E. H. Warner, run out	0 run out	3	
A. W. Rowden, b Millington..	2 run out	7	
J. F. Eaden, b Lea	5 b Millington	2	
J. C. Lambert, b Spens	9 c Rickard, b Millington	12	
B. Tower, not out	54 st Davenport b Lea	2	
F. H. Baring, b Spens	0 not out	7	
J. Graham, c Davenport, b Spens.....	6 not out	13	
W. F. Neilson, c Lloyd, b Spens	12 c Davenport b Lea	1	
B 12, 1-b 6, w 12, n-b 2 ..	32 B 3, w 3	6	
Total	263	Total.....	74

THIRD ELEVENS.—The Old Rugbeians, by the able assistance of some of the School Fourth Eleven, managed to win. Peile ably showed his men how to play, by scoring 83 in fine style, including 2 sixes, &c. Hudson played a hard-hitting innings for the School, in which were 1 five, 5 fours, &c.; in the second innings Pearson made 45 (not out) by good steady play. Old Rugbeians won by 56 runs. Score:—

OLD RUGBEIANS.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
V. Fitzgerald, b Lushington mi.....	31 c Hare, b Lushington mi.	4	
E. A. Were, run out	3 c Hudson, b Lushington mi.	2	
G. L. Oldham, b Lushington mi.....	0 run out.....	7	
K. R. Fletcher, b Lushington mi.....	19 (McGregor) not out	11	
J. A. Curling, b Lushington mi.....	0 b Heath.....	0	
E. E. Montagu, b Lushington mi.....	4 c Hudson, b Lushington mi.....	4	

G. R. Westfeldt, c & b Lushington ma.....	27 b Heath.....	31	
E. A. R. Benham, b Heath ..	39 c Heath, b Lushington mi.	61	
C. J. Peile, b Lushington mi.	83 run out	8	
R. T. Bassett, not out	15 b Lushington mi. 10		
C. S. Morris, b Lushington mi.	0 run out	0	
B 20, 1-b 4, w 2	26 B 12, 1-b 1, w 4	17	
Total	247	Total....	155

THE SCHOOL.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
G. H. Lloyd, c Bassett, b Montagu	25 b Bassett	4	
T. G. Hare, c Oldham, b Montagu	4 c Sub., b Montagu	0	
H. W. Badger, c Fitzgerald, b Bassett	21 c Bassett, b Montagu	19	
S. Pearson, b Bassett	4 not out	45	
A. H. Hudson, b Montagu....	58 b Bassett.....	25	
J. Penrose, c Curling, b Montagu	0 b Mantagu	4	
H. W. Gardner, b Bassett ..	14 run out	0	
T. G. Lushington, c Westfeldt b Montagu	6 lbw, b Montagu ..	4	
W. H. Mawdsley b Montagu	8 lbw, b Fitzgerald	4	
R. Heath, b Montagu.....	3 c Peile, b Oldham	24	
A. J. Lushington, not out....	10 c Westfeldt, b Bassett	1	
B 21, 1-b 3, w 5	29 B 21, w 11, n-b 2	34	
Total	182	Total.....	164

BARBY ROAD V. HILLMORTON ROAD.—Played May 14, 16, and 28. Won by Hillmorton by one innings and 6 runs. Score:—

BARBY ROAD.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
W. Yardley, c Moberly b Soutter	1 c Warner b Soutter	36	
S. Gwyer, c and b Francis....	1 c Eaden, b Soutter	0	
S. P. Bucknill, c Moberly, b Soutter	20 c Moberly b Francis	70	
F. H. Maitland, c Moberly, b Soutter	12 b Francis	11	
J. W. Gardner, st Tobin ma., b Francis	4 b Moberly	11	
G. Fitzgerald, lbw, b Soutter	3 c Warner b Francis	1	
V. Ellis, b Francis	2 c and b Moberly ..	4	
J. R. Walker, c Sidgwick, b Francis	5 b Francis	0	
A. W. Rowden, absent	0 run out	2	
J. C. Lambert, not out	2 not out	1	
B. Tower, absent	0 b Francis	5	
B 2, 1-b 3	5 B 11, 1-b 2, w 2	15	
Total	55	Total.....	156

HILLMORTON ROAD.—1st Innings.

C. Sidgwick, b Fitzgerald ..	42
F. Tobin (mi.), b Walker	4
F. Tobin (ma.), c Badger (-ub.), b Yardley..	62
C. K. Francis, b Fitzgerald	48
A. Gray, b Fitzgerald	34
J. T. Soutter, b Yardley	4
A. G. B. field, c Fitzgerald, b Walker	10
W. O. Moberly, b Walker	0
G. Walsh, c Badger, b Fitzgerald	0
E. H. Warner, b Walker	3
J. F. Eaden, not out	0
Byes 3, 1-b 4, w 2, n-b 1	10
Total	217

CORRESPONDENCE.

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,—I had always imagined that the *Meteor* was a paper designed for the friendly interchange of sentiments among Past and Present Rugbeians, and not for the bandying of hard epithets. Your correspondent "Scrutator" seems to think otherwise, and I can only hope that the spirit of his letter has not met with the approbation of many of your readers. If he wishes to transform the *Meteor* into a polemical magazine, I can tell him that he has set the right way to work; and I would only advise him to reflect whether he is not more likely than most people to lose by a contest in which quarter is neither given nor taken. The style and the arguments of my letter are of course fair game for his criticism. I sincerely trust that I can stand without finching the fire of his very small shot. I hope he felt unbounded satisfaction in delivering himself of his courteous remarks. I tender my humblest thanks to him for his surpassing condescension in declining to be "too hard" upon me. And, if I do not follow his example, I can assure him it is most certainly not because I consider either the matter or the manner of his epistle to be above criticism.

"Scrutator" seems to object to my definition of the races. Does he mean to imply that it is erroneous? I defy him to prove it. Or does he mean that he could give us a more satisfactory definition? Then by all means let us have it. Any definition from his pen would be indeed a treat.

I am told that the opinions I quote are "various and contradictory." The opinions I quoted were the opinions of your correspondents. If, then, the opinion of one correspondent was in contradiction to that of another, the conclusion which would suggest itself to any ordinary mortal, "Scrutator" excepted, is that they were meant to be contradictory. But, "Scrutator" continues: "so constantly does he appear to change his opinions, that it is really hard to arrive at his general drift." Nothing less will content him than to give an instance of my constant change of opinion which is, that I "affect to make light of the 1,760 yards run upon a hard high road." Where is the proof of my "constant change of opinion"? That

I affect to make light of the 1,760 yards? Or in my assertion that it is run on a hard high road?

After some further observations, not worth noticing, "Scrutator" finds fault with my remark that toil and energy are needed for perfection in Racquets. I would only observe that what I said on that point has been endorsed by all the Racquet-players I have ever spoken to.

The next point on which "Scrutator" touches is whether Cricket and Football should count for the Cup. He decides in the negative, because "there is no real athletic contest involved." But your correspondent "E" goes to the heart of the matter when he asks what the Cup is given for. He will pardon me if I venture to think that in defining "Athletics" and "Athleticism" he has been drawing a distinction without a difference. Surely "Athletics" and "Athleticism" mean the same thing, viz., "the performances of Athletes;" and "Athlete," according to the etymological signification of the word, denotes "a combatant, or one who contends," though in Greece, as in England, the word was restricted to the special notion of "physical" contention as opposed to "intellectual." It is for this reason that I think Cricketing, Football, &c., ought to count for the Cup. Is not the Cricketer "a combatant as much as the Mile-racer? And is not the Football-player "one who contends" as much as the hurdle-racer? What reason is there (apart from practical difficulties) for excluding the one and including the other?

"Scrutator," indeed, has discovered a most sapient reason. It would (it seems) degrade "such a noble game" as Football to reward excellence in it by making it count for the Cup. Apparently, however, it does not, in "Scrutator's" opinion, degrade such a noble game as Cricket to reward excellence in it by a presentation bat. If this be not inconsistency I know not what is.

This much I am fully prepared to allow, that it would if possible be far nobler to reward all athletic distinctions, as the Greeks rewarded the greatest athletes the world has ever seen, with a simple olive-wreath. Glory and honour ought in all cases to be the ruling motives. But we moderns are not as high-minded as the old Greeks, and therefore we must make the best of our more sordid inclinations. This I contend we shall do if we exalt our Athletic Cup, if we lead fellows to strive to live for posterity and not for the

mere acquisition of guinea and half-guinea pots. The cardinal fault of all Athleticism, such as Running and Jumping, in my opinion is, that it is apt to become personal, selfish, gain-seeking. And I think that it should be our object, to the best of our power, to root out from our School Athleticism all such unworthy motives as these, to teach our Athletes to enter into the feelings of the Greeks of old, who valued their paltry wreath, withered as soon as won, more highly than the most costly gifts of conqueror and king, and who were rewarded for their self-abnegation by a deification such as in modern times has rarely been awarded to generals and statesmen.

I will not trouble you with further observations on "Scrutator's" arguments. He wonders why I wrote my letter. I beg to tell him that I was prompted to do so by a motive which will doubtless appear absurdly strange to him,—Patriotism, pure and simple. He wonders how I expected it to be received. As I took time and trouble over it, I certainly did not expect to be rewarded for my labours by unstinted abuse. I expected that what I had written in good part would be read in good part, as I trust it has been by everyone except "Scrutator." And in conclusion, let me assure him that if his object is to damp the enthusiasm of Present and Past Rugbeians for Rugby, he has only to continue the career of malcontent censoriousness which he has so successfully inaugurated.

One word with respect to "E.'s" charge against me. I am afraid that I did not make my meaning with regard to the long running quite clear. What I meant to say was this: there are two courses open, either to keep the Athletic Cup as it is, or to introduce alterations; if the Cup be kept as it is, then I think that the long running counts too high: but if the whole system be changed, if *all* the long running, for instance, counts 10 points, then surely it does not matter whether Hare and Hounds be introduced, provided the sum total of 10 be not exceeded.

I am, Sir, yours, &c.,

TREBLA.

To the Editor of the Meteor.

SIR,—There have been times when a few words from an influential mouth, a few notes from a powerful organ of the press, have

turned the current of human events, and have guided the broad stream of history into a channel far other than that in which it would naturally have flowed. Such an hour as this has arrived, and such an organ is, Sir, the *Meteor*.

A letter appeared in your last impression, the tone of which was as juvenile and flip-pant as the principles which it instilled were radically pernicious. I need not say that I allude to that referring to the Pavilion Dinner.

To all the sincere students of human nature, to all the deep thinkers of the present age, the profligate extravagance of the day is simply *appalling*; and to all such it seems evident that the climax of England's prosperity has been reached, and that nothing but certain destruction, more or less rapid, awaits her. Shall we then, by sowing the seeds of a fresh generation of spendthrifts, hasten our country to her unhappy doom? Shall we, in short, pay for the Pavilion Dinner?

I fear, Sir, that, in contemplating the abstract principle, with its deadly results, I have been led away from the consideration of the more important details. To return then, my proposals are few, simple, and practical. Let each visitor pay for his own dinner: let Fell continue to supply water to exhausted batsmen, but at one halfpenny per glass, a very moderate price for so first-rate an article: let strangers be admitted to the Close at a charge of one penny per head (children half-price); and to the Racquet Court at two-pence: and, lastly, I would impose a duty of, say, 13½ per cent. on all fruit or confections hawked, or otherwise traded in, in the Close.

"Tudor" moans piteously under the blows administered to his pride; but surely no blows can be too severe for this, the most unpractical of moral sins. He talks of "*honour*." Will our honour get us scholarships at the Universities? will it make us men of business in the world? Why, Sir, the word is out of place in the mouths of those whose proudest boast is that they belong to a "*nation of shopkeepers*."

Let us, then, fling our honour to the winds, and receive our ignominy and our half-crowns as true economists and men of business should.

I am, Sir, yours obediently,

£ s. d.

To the Editor of the Meteor.

SIR,—I think your correspondent "Tudor's" proposal is susceptible of a slight improvement; namely the addition of 1s. to the annual subscription of members of the School, which would raise their contribution to 1s. each Term, and obviate the necessity of calling on the XI., who already contribute largely to the honour of the School. It is the least we can do for them in return to relieve them from this demand, which falls rather heavily on them, and almost imperceptibly on us.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

BELOW XI. & XXII.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"R. S. V. P."—Your letter arrived just too late.

"Joseph."—Your meaning is so delicately couched that we doubt if the proper authorities would guess it.

"Cæsar."—The subject had better be dropped.

Our Rugby readers will be sorry to hear that we are to lose the services of one of the most popular Masters. The Rev. T. W. Jex Blake has been elected Headmaster of Cheltenham College. He will, we need hardly say, carry with him the good wishes of all Rugby to his new sphere of work.

The following Honours have been gained by Old Rugbeians since the Speeches:—J. A. Godley, First Class in Classical Moderations, Oxford; H. S. Theobald, First Class in Classical, and Second Class in Mathematical Moderations, Oxford; S. W. Bromfield, First Class in French Mathematical Scholarships, Oxford; J. Temple, First in order of Merit of Cadets, nominated by the Secretary of State for India.

R. S. R. V.

On Thursday last, June 25th, an XI. went over to shoot a match against the Daventry Corps. Owing to the absence of some members of the proper Wimbledon XI. the Rugby scoring was not quite so good as usual. The result was a victory for the Rugby eleven by 18 points, the Daventry shooting not being very brilliant at 500 yards, though they were ahead at the end of the first range shooting. Score:—

RUGBY.

	200yds.	500yds.	Tl.
Lieutenant Graham	10	5	— 15
Sergeant Humphry	14	11	— 25
„ Penrose	11	13	— 24
Lance-Corporal Stuart-Wortley ..	15	7	— 22
„ Chaplin	9	8	— 17
„ Whiting	14	11	— 25
Private Barratt	10	5	— 15
„ Brocklehurst.....	11	7	— 18
„ Cobham	11	11	— 22
„ Courtenay	9	9	— 18
„ Peel	14	12	— 26
Total.....	128	99	— 227

DAVENTRY.

	200yds.	500yds.	Tl.
Ensign Willoughby	13	11	— 24
Sergeant Marriott	13	7	— 20
„ Barrett	11	7	— 18
Corporal Simpson	13	6	— 19
„ Horne	15	7	— 22
„ Carvell	14	8	— 22
Private Hence	13	5	— 18
„ Burgess	12	10	— 22
„ T. Ashwell.....	11	4	— 15
„ W. Watson.....	12	0	— 12
„ Potter.....	9	8	— 17
Total.....	136	73	— 209

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