

below caps Moss (half-back), Brocklehurst (back), Campbell, and Langford distinguished themselves.

It was settled at a Levée of Caps that all Big-Side should this Term be voluntary.

#### BIGSIDE PAPER-CHASE.

There have been two Big-Side Paper-Chases this term, on Jan. 21st and 28th. On the former occasion Francis (Wilson's), Warner (S.H.), and Gardner (B. Smith's) went hares, starting from Whitehall, and going round by Hillmorton. On the 28th the hares were Scott and Bulpett (Wilson's). The course taken was by Dunchurch Tollbar, the fir plantations in Mr. Lancaster's park, Rainsbrook, and Hillmorton, coming in at the School Gates. A large field started, among whom was S. P. Bucknill (O.R.), lately head of the School Eleven.

At a Big-Side Levée, the Athletics were fixed for Monday and Tuesday, March 15th and 16th,—S. K. Gwyer being elected fourth Steward.

RUGBY HONOURS.—Mr. J. S. ff. Chamberlain (St. John's, Cambridge), 16th Wrangler.

Among the successful competitors in the late Examination for admission into Woolwich we notice the names of A. C. Bruce and F. W. Campbell (both formerly in the School House) and J. Hone (Rev. L. F. Burrows's).

We notice the publication, by Messrs. Macmillan, of a new edition of *Tom Brown's School-days*, profusely illustrated.

In place of Sir T. Gresley, Bart., whose death is noticed in our columns, another Old Rugbeian, Col. Henry Wilmot, has been elected M.P. for South Derbyshire. Col. Wilmot is the only Rugbeian who has, as yet, gained the Victoria Cross. This honour he obtained when Captain in the Rifle Brigade, for conspicuous gallantry at Lucknow, March 11, 1858, on which occasion he covered the retreat of two of his men who were bearing away a wounded comrade in the face of a large body of the enemy. Col. Wilmot is a Conservative.

We notice the return of W. J. Pinckney (O.R.), last year's stroke, to his place in the Cambridge boat. His place in the Eight was supplied at the beginning of the term by L. R. Wigham (O.R.).

#### THE SCHOOL MAGAZINES.

The *Cheltonian* gives a long account of Dr. Barry, who, during the six years of his Headmastership, seems to have thoroughly gained the affections of Cheltonians in general. The rest of the Number is principally filled up with Football.

The *Eton Chronicle*, in its review of last term, laments the bad support of the Field-Football, and the consequent weakness of the Field Eleven. The Wall game, however, has prospered. Mr. Drury's was cock house.

Our fame has penetrated to America.—We have received a periodical from Racine College, which, however, contains nothing of special interest.

#### OLD RUGBEIAN OBITUARY.

The death is announced of Sir T. Gresley, Bart., M.P. for South Derbyshire, in the 36th year of his age. He entered the School in August, 1845.

The death is announced of Capt. Bagenal, of the 16th Lancers. This gentleman is described in *The County Families* as "educated at Rugby," but we can find no mention of his name in the Register. Perhaps some of our readers can enlighten us on this point.

We hear on good authority, as an instance of the gratitude of a nation for a valuable discovery, that Major Palliser, the inventor of chilled shot, has received from the British Government, beside the empty title of C.B., exactly half as much as he expended in making his discovery known to the world.

#### 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,—Although there is very little chance of anything resulting from a continued duel with "Cosmopolitan" than mere contradiction on both sides, will you allow me this once to put in my plea?

In my former letter I asserted that the number of fellows who leave unknown or low in the School, "who are bright, brave, honest, and kindly," is very small. "Cosmopolitan," neglecting my limitation, in his next thrust