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# RANDOM NOTES

Two free-halves have been given since the last Barrovian went to press—one on Monday, 26th November, and the second on Friday, 1st February.

A pianoforte recital was given in College on Saturday evening, 16th February, by Miss Yvonne Enoch.

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We extend a sincere welcome to Sergeant-Major Henderson who arrived at College this term, and hope that he and his wife will be with us for many happy years.

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We congratulate Peter Farrer (Hunt 1939-44) on his Casberd Exhibition in "P.P.E." at Oxford.

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We congratulate P. K. Conibear on passing the Army Entrance Examination. He will be going to Sandhurst in September.

# SCHOOL OFFICERS

Head of School: G. S. Moore.
Head of Hostel: L. C. Cowley.
Praepositors: G. S. Moore, L. C. Cowley, B. D. Galbraith, J. P. Watterson, P. J. Whitehead, P. K. Conibear, T. J. Corkill, D. Edmonds S. P. T. Keig, M. S. Perry.
Sub-Praepositors: G. K. Cooper, R. A. Merrill, P. J. Watson, A. M.

Watterson.

Captain of Rugby: G. S. Moore.

Captain of Steeplechasing and Athletics: B. D. Galbraith.

Captain of Hockey: L. C. Cowley.

Captain of Fives : L. C. Cowley.

Captain of Shooting: P. J. Whitehead.

Assistant Editor of the Barrovian: D. Edmonds.

Senior Librarian: D. Edmonds. Tuckshop Manager: S. P. T. Keig.

# **SALVETE**

# JANUARY, 1952

COLBOURNE HOUSE: Froggatt, J. D. (UIVb); Gamwell, J. E. (MIVb); Webster, D. D. (LIVb).

DICKSON HOUSE: Faruque, M. (UVa).

WALTERS HOUSE: Peacop, J. F. (UIVb).

JUNIOR HOUSE: Hoyle, M. D. (II); Jupp, R. R. G. (II); Vernon, P. J. (II).

HUNT HOUSE: Pedder, E. H. C. (III).

#### VALETE

#### DECEMBER, 1951

C. B. G. WOOD (1944-51). Junior-School. U.VI. Sub-praepositor. 1st XV Colours 1950, 1951. 1st XI Colours 1950, 1951. 2nd Athletic Colours 1951. Seven-a-side team 1951. Member of rugger sub-committee. House captain of Cricket, Fives. House crests for rugger, cricket, athletics and steeplechasing. House G.T. 1951. School Cert. 1950. Lance Cpl. in Hockey XI. Cert A. 1950. C.C.F. Gone to business.

Address: c/o Britannia Brewery, Bramall Lane, Sheffield, 2.

J. B. CAINE (1946-51). Hunt. Address: 7, Brighton Terrace, Douglas. I.o.M.

I. W. COLLISTER (1934-51). Hunt. L.VI. 2nd Colours Athletics. XL Colours 1949. Inter-Schools Sports (White City) 1951. House crest Rugger 1950. House crest Athletics 1951. House Steeple-chase Team 1950, 1951. House Shooting VIII 1951. Edgar

Heald Prize for General Knowledge (Junior) 1st Prize 1949. G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) 6 passes 1951. Leading Seaman R.N. Section C.C.F. Cert. A Parts 1 and 2. 1st Class Shot. Gone to business.

Home Address: Silverburn, Victoria Road, Castletown, I.o.M.

- J. A. CONDRA (1943-51). Junior-Colbourne. L.VI. House Prae. 1st XV Colours (1950-51). 2nd Athletics 1951. Seven-a-side team 1950-51. House crests Rugger, Athletics. School Cert. 1951. Cert. A 1951. Gone to New Zealand. Home Address: Douglas Hotel, North Quay, Douglas, I.o.M.
- W K. DALE (1946-51). Walters. Home address: Daytona, Sartfell Road, Douglas, I.o.M.
- R. C. DAWSON (1945-51). Colbourne. Home Address: 20, Kent Road, Harrogate, Yorks.
- R. A. HENRY (1943-51). Junior-Dickson. U.Vb. G.T. 1949-50.
  Committee member of Dramatic Society. G.C.E. 1951. Open House Cricket 1949-50-51. House Rugger 1950-51 and House Shooting VI 1951. Corporal in C.C.F. Cert. A Parts I and II. Ist Class Shot.

Home address: Beechleigh, Selborne Drive, Douglas, I.o.M.

- J. S. LIGHTFOOT (1946-51). Colbourne. U.VI. House Praepositor. 1st XV Rugger Colours 1950-51. 1st XI Cricket Colours 1951. 2nd Athletic Colours 1951. Open Cricket 1948-51. Open Steepechase VIII 1950-51. Rugger 1949-51. House Hockey XI 1950-51. House crests for Steeplechasing, Athletics, Rugger and Cricket. School Cert. 1950. Cert. A. Leading Seaman R.N. Section C.C.F. 1st Class Shot.

  Home address: Red Caps, Egremont Promenade, Wallasey, Cheshire.
- T. B. MILLS (1948-51). Dickson. LVI. 1st Colours Rugger 1951.
  XL 1948. Colts Colours Cricket and Athletics 1950 and 1951. Seven-a-side 1951. House crest Cricket 1950. House Steeple-chase 1949-50-51. House Fives 1950. G.C.E. at Ordinary Level 1951 (4 passes). Cert A Part I. Proficiency in R.A.F. Section of C.C.F. 1st Class Shot. Gone to business.

Home Address: 18, Royal Avenue, Onchan, I.o.M.

- D. MOYERS (1946-51). Walters. Home address: 100, Scarisbrick Road, Southport, Lancs.
- J. M. PEARSON (1949-51). Hunt-Colbourne. Home address: Engadine, Little Switzerland, Douglas, I.o.M.
- P. E. SOWERBUTTS (1946-51). Walters. L.VI. 2nd Colours for Rugger and Athletics 1950. Colts Colours for Swimming 1949. House crests for Rugger, Athletics and Swimming 1950. G.E.C. 4 passes 1951. Cert.A Part II 1951. L/Cpl. in C.C.F. Gone to business.

Home Address: 1, Pennine Grove, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancs.

# "THE MONKEY'S PAW"

(W. W. JACOBS, dramatised by L. N. PARKER)

# "TRIAL BY JURY"

(W. S. GILBERT AND ARTHUR SULLIVAN)

# DECEMBER 4th, 5th and 6th, 1951

In its long annals College Dramatic Society can rarely have undertaken so ambitious a task as the staging of these two plays, each a classic in itself, in one programme. Moreover, "Trial" is the first musical event in its records. This mingling of the dramatic and the light operatic, the macabre and the satirical, achieved a high degree of success, and three packed audiences signified their delight in very definite fashion.

It is no slight upon the other actors to say that "The Paw" was peculiarly Mrs. G. K. Bazett's triumph, for with her experience she set and maintained the necessary standard of dramatic tension and stimulated the action as it worked up to its eerie climax. This story was written by Jacobs, hitherto purely a humorous novelist, in response to a challenge, and in dramatising it Louis Parker and he most naturally set out to create the weirdest of stage atmospheres, in which they fully succeeded. Mrs. Bazett and her colleagues, D. Edmonds in particular as Mr. White, her husband, set the seal upon the authors' intention before the final curtain, even though in the early stages the timing was a little slow. R. Henry as the superstitious Sergeant-Major and H. Corlett as Herbert the sceptical son, whose tragic end is indicated as witness of the Paw's devilish influence, filled their rôles with competence, and there was a nice and fitting hesitancy and embarrassment in the brief performance of R. Merrill as the bearer of the unhappy tidings of Herbert's accident.

"Trial by Jury" was a fine testimony not merely to exuberance and enthusiasm, but to careful production and painstaking attention to details of dress and setting, while the Choir and its associates distinguished themselves in no small measure by their intelligent rendering of Sullivan's joyous music. If there was an understandable lightness of voice—i.e., as belonging mostly to boys— this was offset by clarity of diction and a virtuosity in inflexion, which would have undoubtedly pleased both Gilbert and Sullivan whose insistence that the audience must hear all that is afoot is still a byword. The stage movements and gestures were well in tradition, so important in these stylised works. "Of that there is no manner of doubt—no possible doubt whatever!" The rendering of the difficult "Nice Dilemma" was witness of a good blend of the four parts.

The principals acquitted themselves with credit. The Learnèd Judge of S. E. Wilson was fully in character. The voice is light, but Mr. Wilson made sure that his words reached the furthest corners of the Gymnasium. The geniality he imparted to the rôle, combined with that little touch of pompous dignity we have learnt to associate

with the professionals, set his performance in just the right key. The only feminine principal, Phyllis Kennaugh, as the Plaintiff, acted and sang with grace and charm—and she moves beautifully about a stage. The Defendant of W. Young gave the true impression of a Victorian roue, and his pleasing tenor enhanced a competent piece of acting. D. Carr, as the Usher, showed us that he possesses both a sense of humour and of theatre, though the voice is light as yet. Similar remarks apply to the Counsel for Plaintiff of P. Whitehead, whose defence of his "client" was conducted with considerable stage chivalry and charm, albeit he must learn to lend greater emphasis to his acting.

No account would be complete without a line of appreciation of the chorus, both jurymen and public. The former, blithely led by G. R. Parkinson, and with surprisingly humorous make-ups, contributed heartily to the evenings' success. (The gentleman with the ear trumpet was specially prized by amused audiences). The Bridesmaids, suitably gowned, were indistinguishable from the real "article" and these "ladies" deserve special commendation for their deportment, dancing and singing. D. C. Shillinglaw was suitably arch as the First Bridesmaid.

The whole production is a great tribute to the hard work, cleverness and enthusiasm of Mrs. Wilson and her assistants, and to her association with Mr. Sidney King in the production of "Trial." Her sterling services on the dramatic side at College can never be too highly valued. Mr. J. J. F. Watkins presided over a competent and representative orchestra with distinction, bringing out the essentials of Sullivan's clever score and, at the same time, achieving a nice aural balance between orchestra and artistes. Truly, a notable event altogether.

E. W. POTTERTON.

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Mr. White	D. Edmonds
Mrs. White	G. K. Bazett
Herbert White	H. Corlett
Sergeant-Major Morris	R. Henry
Mr. Sampson	R. Merrill

The action takes place in the living-room of Mr. White's cottage. Scene I, Evening. Scene II, Next Morning. Scene III, Night, ten days later.

# "TRIAL BY JURY" Characters:

The Learned Judge	S. E. Wilson
The Plaintiff	P. Kennaugh
The Defendant	W. Young
Counsel for the Plaintiff	P. Whitehead
Usher	D. Carr
Foreman of the Jury	. G. R. Parkinson
First Bridesmaid	

Other Bridesmaids: D. Bairstow, A. Edmonds, M. Kelly, J. Taylor, B. Vick.

Gentlemen of the Jury: B. Barwell, C. Casstles, P. Conibear, J. Corran, P. Crowe, R. G. Dickens, J. Gillespie, A. Harrison, A. G. Roche, D. W. Usherwood, L. Wallis.

Public: W. Caveen, R. Cowin, N. Crowe, D. Gibb, P. Osbaldeston, J. Riding, J. Wallis, W. Woods.

Scene: A Court of Justice.

Musical Director: J. J. F. Watkins. Producer: B. Wilson. Final Producer of "Trial by Jury": Sidney King

Orchestra: Misses Ridings, Avery, Baber, Messrs. Earle, Greene, Halsall, Miss Newman, Mrs. Pritchard, S. Scott, Mrs. Stokes, Mr. Taylor, P. Watson, Mr. Wheeler.

Scenery erected by C. Pritchard, assisted by J. Stott, C. Avery, J. Keig, A. Dunkerley, J. Lace.

Scenery Painted by R. Crabtree, assisted by P. Watson and F. Cowin.

Stage Management by J. H. Mogg, assisted by B. Van Issum, J. Meadows, M. Cregeen, D. Newbold, P. Newbold, P. Cretney and K. Maddrell.

Lighting by J. P. Honey, assisted by W. Christian, J. Howarth, C. Holmes, M. Dow.

House Manager: C. W. Jackson.

# THE SERVICE PLAYERS

# "A LADY MISLAID" by Kenneth Horne.

The Service Players came to College on Monday, 10th December, to present the play with which they won the Blackpool Festival last Autumn—"A Lady Mislaid," by Kenneth Horne (not the radio comedian).

The play is a very well-balanced comedy and gave the talented Service Players every chance to show us again just how good they can be.

Esther was most ably portrayed by Olive Tolfree, who carried the main burden of the play with great skill. In what was esentially a team effort, however, every single member of the cast had a vital part to play: Vera Craine interpreted Mrs. Small, the daily woman, to a nicety; Jennifer, the younger sister, and her fiancée George, were well portrayed by Jean Valentine and R. W. Craine. The bunglings of Bullock were very well acted by A. Robertson and the cratty, the cunning, the mysterious and the harmless sides of Smith's character were admirably put over by J. R. H. Bott. Anne Curphey's part was a small one, but good acting here and in every

part helped to create a fine total impression. The comedy is cleverly contrived, but it was the excellent timing of all the players which got the best out of every line and out of every situation.

P.B.S.

# CHARACTERS (in order of appearance)

Mrs. Small (daily woman)	Vera Craine
Jennifer (younger sister)	Jean Valentine
Esther (elder sister)	. Olive Tolfree
Bullock (detective)	A. Robertson
Visitor	. J. R. H. Bott
George (Jennifer's financée)	R. W. Craine
Young Woman	Anne Curphey

# Produced by W. R Prescott

Stage Manager (for Service Players)	R.	W. Craine
Asst. Stage Manager		K. Brown
Wardrobe Mistress Mrs. V	V. I	R. Prescott

#### Scenes:

The action of the play takes place in the living room at "Manor Cottage," the home of Esther and Jennifer Williams.

Act I: Scene I—Early Morning Scene 2—That Evening Scene 3—Some Hours Later

Act II: Scene 1—Early The Next Morning
Scene 2—Later That Morning
Incidental Music by Mrs. Freida Standen

# **CHAPEL NOTES**

A Memorial Sevice to King George VI was held on the day of the Royal Funeral at 2 p.m. to coincide with the service at Windsor. Special hymns, readings, prayers and music added to a most impressive service.

Large congregations attended the Carol Services at the end of the Winter Term. The collection in aid of Dr. Barnado's Homes amounted to £44.

We have had one visiting preacher, the Rev. Paul Rimmer, Vicar of St. Thomas', Douglas.

Three anthems have been sung, "Ave Verum" (Mozart), "Lead me Lord" (Wesley) in which Norris sang the solo, and "Sunset and Evening Star" (Parry).

There have been three organ recitals.

J.J.F.W.

#### HOUSE NOTES

# SCHOOL HOUSE

Head of House: G. S. Moore.

House Praepositors: R. W. Esson, M. L. Marshall, R. T. D. Stott, G. B. Trustrum.

In the sports world, the Junior Rugger shield was the only thing competed for last term—after a good start we were narrowly beaten by both Colbourne and Dickson, who now share the shield. Moore and Wood were reawarded 1st XV colours and Stott gained his for the first time. Marshall and Esson were 2nd colours and Burnley was a Colts colour. Our Open Rugger XV, this term, was a very mixed bag; nevertheless the side showed a lot of promise, especially in the Walters game. We beat Hunt in the 1st Round but lost 3-8 to Walters in the Semi-final. In the Steeplechase our Class I let us down badly after Class III had won and Class II had been placed 2nd. Our final placing was third. Howarth won the Class III race in the Inter-Schools event.

Our Assistant House-Master has recently purchased a car and we are all looking forward to numerous excursions. The only other thing we have to report is that one of our members has achieved the height of fame by being made a Cub Mistress.

A number of Old Boys played for the Old Boys XV; they were M. F. Hosking, who captained the side, J. S. Southward, D. Clay and R. H. D. Phillip. We have also been pleased to have visits from R. G. Kneale, D. S. Pye, A. M. W. Leatham and D. A. Newby.

Members of School House will be sorry to learn that Martin A. (1946-49) is reported missing, probably in the hands of Chinese Communists. He, with two other boys, went sailing in Hong Kong at Chinese New Year and nothing has since been heard of them. We all sincerely hope that he will turn up in due course. In the meantime we extend our sympathy to his parents and to his brother Timothy (Hunt House 1946-47).

#### **COLBOURNE HOUSE**

Head of House: J. P. Watterson.
Praepositors: P. J. Whitehead, S. P. T. Keig.
Sub-Praepositors: P. J. Watson, A. M. Watterson.
House Praepositor: P. W. White.

At the end of last term we managed to share the Junior Rugger Shield. The Junior House matches are still run on a league system, and after drawing the first match with Dickson we won the remaining games, including Walters.

We would like to congratulate Wattersons J. and A., Condra, Lightfoot J., Watson P., and Keig P., on gaining their 1st XV Colours. Also Whitehead, Lace, J., Fick and Lee on their 2nd

Colours; Colvin and Crowe P. on gaining Colts Colours and Wightman and Lord M. on the XLs.

So far this term, two shields and a cup have been competed for. The first event was the Steeplechase, which was very deservedly won by Dickson. Despite injuries, we gained 2nd place, with no class being particularly outstanding.

However we were more fortunate in the Senior Rugger Competition. This year it reverted to the old knockout system, because it saves time. In the first round we beat Dickson, in a close game; and then met Walters in the final, which we won after a good clean game.

For some reason we have had no termly visit from our Blackpool O.K.W., and we cannot understand why we have lost favour; anyway we hope that his "AnTle' has by now allowed him to discard his walking stick.

We extend our good wishes to Condra, Lightfoot and Dawson who left us at the end of last term, especially to Condra who is about to embark for New Zealand.

# DICKSON HOUSE

Head of House: L. C. Cowley.

Praepositor: T. J. Corkill.

Sub-Praepositors: G. K. Cooper, R. A. Merrill.

House Praepositors: W. Young, R. E. Lewin.

This season has been the best Rugby season the House has known for many years. We had four first colours:—Corkill, Mills, Merrill R. S. and Cowley; three second colours:—Watterson, Young and Merrill R. A.; Horrocks was awarded his Colts cap.

Our junior fifteen retained the shield, but they now have to share it with Colborne. The senior team played well against the eventual winners of the shield, losing 11-3. We believe that Colbourne were lucky on having such a fine day to help their strong backs.

Much keenness was shown during the steeplechase practices throughout the House, even a few misguided members of No. 10 were known to have completed the course in under an hour, at the end of the practices. Thus when the final did arrive we were reasonably confident that the shield would stay on our wall. The following people are congratulated on their outstanding running:—Merrill, R. S., Lewin and Merrill, R. A., who were second fourth and fifth respectively in Class I and received House crests; Kneen W. R., Vick and Quirk, the first three in Class II; and the winner of the Class III race, Shillinglaw.

The success of one of the Class II runners was very surprising, because while he was busy talking to "his beloved," the remainder of the competitors started.

We were sorry to lose Mills and Henry at the end of last term, they were greatly missed in the open XV. We are still one over par

as we received two new boys Cowley, M. R. from Junior House, who joins his brother, and Faruque from Pakistan, but Burn will be leaving us at the end of this term.

#### WALTERS HOUSE

Head of House: D. Edmonds. Praepositor: P. K. Conibear.

House Praepositors: G. S. Nelson, R. O. White, D. P. Brown.

After a good start, our Junior Rugger team fell by the wayside and allowed themselves to be beaten by Colbourne, Dickson and School. In the interest of the House, it is to be hoped that they will know more about the game when they are more senior.

The fact that last term drew peaceably to an end was partly due to Nelson's keenness in volunteering to sleep at College on the last night—well done.

We congratulate Brown and Shackleton for being awarded their 1st XV colours, Edmonds and Sowerbutts for being reawarded their 2nd XV colours, Moyers and Christian for gaining their 2nd XV colours and finally Scott, Howarth and Wallis J. for being awarded their Colts XV colours.

This year the Senior Rugger Housematches were once more held on the knock-out system and, as usual, we reached the final. Our first match was against School House—we won. In the final we met Colborne House—we lost. House crests were awarded for meritorious play to Nelson, White, van Issum, Carr and Kneen—congratulations.

As usual, cross-country running provided no difficulties for the House and it was no effort (on our part) for us to regain our customary position. However, once again we were well represented in the inter-schools cross-country. Kneen ran in the senior class and Gibb in Class III. We congratulate Kneen for being awarded his House crest for cross-country running. It was partly due to hard luck that only one member of No. 11 qualified for the finals—let us hope there is no hard luck next year.

Hockey is still treated rather more lightly than other sports, but everyone who plays it enjoys it.

Owing to short-sightedness no captain of swimming was appointed in time for the swimming sub-committee, so R. O. White was unanimously elected as the House representative.

Thanks to the junior kickers, who gave the seniors a 9 pts. lead, we managed to win the Knowles' Cup Kicking Competition.

In spite of his natural tendency towards North Wales last term, Conibear was both successful at the written examination and the Regular Commissions Board for Sandhurst. He leaves at the end of term and goes to R.M.A. Sandhurst in September. We wish him the best of luck.

For some unknown reason (?), one member of the House took it upon his shoulders to retire from the Choir, in order to improve,

again there is some doubt, and increase the House singing.

We are still well represented in the more important societies. Last term, Edmonds convincingly acted the part of father in "The Monkey's Paw" and Carr made an admirable usher in "Trial by Jury." We hope that, owing to the influence of our Fire Brigade members, the next fire practice will not be held on a blowy night.

Since the arrival of the new Sunbeam-Talbot, rumour has it that if our Housemaster is prepared to WAIT, his new car may arrive in time for his present car's 26th birthday!

The new boys this term are Sarreti, who was in Junior House, O'Neill, who was in Hunt House and Peacop, who is entirely new—and the best of luck!

#### JUNIOR HOUSE

The period since the last issue of the Barrovian has not had many high lights or much to recommend it in Junior House. We have defied the winter with considerable success and illness has wasted very little of our time.

Rugger was somewhat better than last year and at least we had a very level game with Hunt House. The skill of Kerr and Corran and the tackling of the latter looked a bit too good for their opposite numbers, but with the perversity of juniors the forwards saw to it that they did not have the ball, so a game that should have been won was thrown away.

Against a stronger side from College we lost heavily, Crowe W. and Lord M. proving too thrustful. To make matters worse Kerr was crocked by half time and most of the team began to consider that the proceedings were no business of theirs. This left Corran with only a little support to prevent too big a cricket score and he produced a fine effort.

At the end of the term Miss Clague and a motley party of actors, songsters and musicians entertained us at a pre-Christmas party which was vastly enjoyed—together with the refreshments! After this we had to bid a sad farewell to Miss Parsons. She has been succeeded this term by Miss Shindler, who has quickly made her mark.

During the present term we have been getting into training for the sports. The general level has been improving, but we do not seem to have many stars, particularly in such events as the Class IV quarter mile, which has been a race for records three times since the war. However one or two surprises may yet occur.

#### **HUNT HOUSE**

Head of House: B. D. Galbraith.

Praepositor: M. S. Perry.

House Praepositors: J. T. Kelly, R. G. Harper.

However hard we try our walls seem to remain inexplicably barren of shields, our only present possession in this direction being the Junior Cricket Shield and, until last week, the Kicking Cup which we have just conceded to Walters House. In this sphere, however, it has been noticeable that there has been a decided falling off of the dinner-time kickers, who in previous years have graced the fields so regularly.

On a more cheerful note, we offer hearty congratulations to Farrer, who has gained an Exhibition at St. John's College, Oxford, and also to Karran who has recently passed the Intermediate examination for the accountancy profession.

In the Cross-country races this year, we once more produced some very fine individualists Galbraith again winning Class I, but the House as a whole was not able to win back the shield, being especially weak in the younger classes. In the Inter-schools competition, we had three runners in Class I but were unrepresented in the other groups.

For the Open Rugger shield we played School House in the first round and were defeated but not disgraced. The apparent reason for this is our singular lack of senior boys, the majority of promising people being snatched away by the boarding houses while in the middle forms.

In the Junior part of the House, the under 13½s once again defeated Junior House for the second year in succession, showing that there is plenty of promise for future years.

Our strongest point at the moment lies in shooting. Last term we won an unofficial scratch competition and have had four boys shooting for the School eight at various times. This term however, shooting has not been so prominent, for reasons beyond anyone's control.

Of old boys we have heard little this term; of our latest batch of National Service men, J. M. Nelson seems to have got farthest afield, being at the moment in Hong Kong. Hawkesworth, we hear, has had the unique honour of being one of the Naval guard lining the route at the King's funeral.

In conclusion we wish to bid farewell and 'bon voyage' to Collister I. and Caine J. B. who left us last term and also to welcome Pedder who this term joined the Happy Family.

# SOCIETIES AND CLUBS

# DRAMATIC SOCIETY

President: The Principal.

Chairman and Producer: Mrs. S. E. Wilson.

Hon. Secretary: J. D. Carr.

Most of last term was taken up with rehearsals for and performances of 'Trial by Jury' and 'Monkey's Paw,' reports of which can be found elsewhere. We should like to give our thanks to Mr. Potterton and Mr. King for all their help.

This term we have started rehearsing two guild plays—'Smugglers Cove' and 'The Poetasters of Ispahan,' the former by the seniors and the latter by the juniors. We hope to present both plays for College at the end of the term as a preliminary dress rehearsal for the guild.

This term W. Young and R. A. Merrill were elected to the committee at the general meeting; we have said farewell to R. A. Henry, and we wish him good luck in the future.

I.D.C.

# GRAMOPHONE SOCIETY

President: The Principal.

Chairman: D. W. Usherwood, Esq.

Hon. Secretary: P. W. White.

This term's programme has consisted of the usual fortnightly Wednesday night meetings. We have had one presented by the President and two given by guests, namely Messrs. Pritchard and Watkins. Mr Pritchard gave a programme in which he illustrated different choral and orchestral pieces with a very interesting batch of records. Mr. Watkins called his talk "Many Happy Returns," and as can be guessed, it dealt mainly with composers or artists whose birthdays fall some time this term. He also found many attractive records to illustrate his talk. The society continues to flourish and enjoys the patronage of about 20 members. P.W.W.

# JUNIOR DEBATING SOCIETY

President: J. Foston, Esq. Vice-President: W. R. Kneen. Hon. Secretary: P. R. Cretney.

Since the last Barrovian our main event has been a Quiz with a team of Juniors from Douglas High School. The Principal kindly came along as question-master and the result was a narrow victory for us. We have also had two cinema shows both consisting of a 3-film programme. Among our meetings yet to come this term, is a debate with the "Lit and Deb" society; and a play reading, both of which we are eagerly looking forward to.

P.R.C.

# LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY

President: W. L. Handyside, Esq. Vice-President: D. W. Usherwood, Esq. Hon. Secretary: D. Edmonds.

Since the last edition of the Barrovian there have been four meetings. To wind up last term P. K. Conibear gave an interesting paper on Thomas Hardy and this was followed by a general discussion on the author. It is hoped there will be meetings of a similar nature in the future. This meeting marked the introduction of Mr. Sherwood to the Society and it is sincerely hoped that his membership will be long, and profitable to other members.

The first meeting this term was a visit by the Manx Dilettante Society on 28th January. The subject for discussion was that "Men of wealth have been of more benefit to mankind than men of genius." Mr. R. Mayne, O.K.W., proposed the motion and the opposer was Mr. M. J. Shimmin, O.K.W. No vote was taken but it was generally thought that the genius was of more benefit to mankind.

On 30th January there was a short meeting to discuss this term's programme which includes a visit from Douglas High School, a report of which will appear in next term's Barrovian.

On 13th February a "Poet's Night" was held. Each member brought along his favourite poem and gave reasons for his choice. An interesting anthology resulted, poems varying from Gray's "Elegy" to the "Charge of the Light Brigade." The Poets also varied. These ranged from Collimachus to Kipling.

There are still four more meetings this term so it can be confidently said that the Society is as active and as profitable as ever.

D.E.

# MANX SOCIETY

President: The Principal.

Chairman: The Vice-Principal.

Hon. Secretary: G. S. Moore.

Only one meeting has been held this term and, as usual, short papers were given by two unfortunate members of the Society. Cowley spoke on "The Manx Parliament," but was troubled with a mysteriously acquired cough which he blamed on the President's cheroot. The other speaker, Lewin, dealt with Illiam Dhone. The Society hope to hold a number of expeditions next term, and are also hoping to visit the House of Keys in the near future.

The meetings are always of a lively nature and after the reading of papers, a wide range of topics is discussed; recently these have included the Chairman's new motor cycle; poaching—when the chairman assured us that all animals created by the Almighty could not possibly belong to the person whose estate the animals lived on; masters' nick-names and College fees.

G.S.M.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

President: The Vice-Principal. Chairman: J. J. F. Watkins, Esq. Hon. Secretary: D. Edmonds.

For the first half of this term the Society was without its enlarger, which was away for repairs. During its absence a new stock of equipment was built up. Now that the enlarger is back the darkroom is active once again. The new equipment should prove to be a stimulant for producing some good snaps for next term's competition.

Thanks are due to Mr. Watkins for his untiring efforts for the welfare of the Society. D.E.

# SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

President: The Vice-Principal. Vice-President: S. Boulter, Esq. Chairman: C. Attwood, Esq. Hon. Secretary: G. S. Moore.

The last meeting of the Winter Term was, as usual, held in the Chemistry Lecture Room, when three members of the Society gave short lectures. White talked on "The Production of Bacon," Whitehead presented "The Wimshurst Machine" with practical illustrations after liberal administrations of catsfur, and the Hon. Secretary held forth on "Blood."

During the first half of the term, two meetings have been held. Mr. P. R. Foulkes-Roberts of Andreas, gave a talk on "Birds and their Nests" and showed a large number of photographs. He illustrated and showed a large number of both sea and land birds. The second meeting was held in the gymnasium, when Mr. Harold Rowell, O.K.W., of Douglas, outlined the development of Motor Cycle raging on the Island. The Shell T.T. film was shown, and afterwards Mr. Rowell gave his impressions of the course. There was then a technical "Question time" after which the Society adjourned to room L to examine a "Feather bed" Norton.

The Society is to hold an expedition during the Easter holidays, when the Chairman will lead some senior members on a cycling tour of places of Industrial Importance and interest.

G.S.M.

#### CHESS CLUB

President: G. R. Parkinson, Esq. Hon. Secretary: R. E. Cooper.

This has been a good term with the enthusiasts turning up regularly and the club thinning out a bit to more manageable proportions. The weaker brethren have learnt quite a lot.

A knock-out competition has been held and the ladder competition continued. W. D. Christian has reached the final of the Manx Junior Chess Championship after beating H. S. Corlett in the first round. It is hoped to arrange a match against Douglas High School this term to consist of 4 boys over 15 and 4 under 15. R.E.C.

# **MUSIC CLUB**

President: The Principal.

Vice-President: J. J. F. Watkins, Esq.

Hon Secretary: P. J. Watson.

At the end of last term we had to cancel our last meeting owing to pressure of work on "Trial by Jury," and so have only had two meetings since our last report. The first, which was about 3 weeks from the end of term, was a talk on Musical Curiosities, given by the Vice-President. He began by describing how music was first invented, and then continued, dealing with old styles of music, until the present day was reached. He was unable to finish his talk during the meeting, and because of its popularity, he continued and finished it during the first meeting of this term.

We hope, in the near future, to have a talk on opera, and an evening on works by Gilbert and Sullivan.

P.J.W.

#### LIBRARY NOTES

Since last term's Barrovian the Walker Library has had twenty books added to it, and the Fiction Library twenty-seven, Mr. W. L. Handyside has presented six books to the Libraries. From Metro-Vickers has arrived a Register of ex-apprentices and trainees, whilst from Accles & Pollock Ltd., Birmingham, we have received a book entitled "Have you a trumpet handy?"

The periodicals now have special covers and they will soon have their respective shelves. Mr. Crabtree is to be thanked for this and for other work he has done for the Libraries.

D.E.

# COMBINED CADET FORCE

The Annual Camp period this year will be from July 29th to August 6th. The Royal Naval Section will probably be going to Londonderry aboard a ship of the Ulster station. This has not been confirmed yet, but is a strong possibility. The Army and Basic Sections will be camping at Castlemartin, near Tenby, and the Royal Air Force Section will be at 63 Group Headquarters at Hawarden. Cadets are reminded that attendance at Camp is expected of the whole Contingent, with the exception of certain junior Cadets whose names have been posted in recent Orders.

#### ARMY AND BASIC SECTIONS

The Certificate 'A' Examination held last term produced very good results. Of the 35 Cadets for Part I, 31 Passed; and in Part II, of 28 Cadets entered, 19 Passed.

The day of the Whole-Day Exercise was February 5th and although rather cold was at least dry. The Section was profitably employed in an instructional exercise centred on Silverdale.

This term we again have an Examination of Certificate 'A' on 24th and 25th March. We are hoping for the same high standard and an even higher proportion of Passes.

Congratulations are due to all Cadets who have been promoted this term or have passed Certificate 'A' Examinations.

#### ROYAL NAVAL SECTION

Our Cutter has arrived at last and we are busy getting her ready for next term when we hope to have some excellent sailing in her.

A Proficiency Examination for Leading Seamen was held this term and we are hoping for good results.

It is very gratifying to note that as many as II Cadets have volunteered for a General Seamanship Course in H.M.S. 'Dido,' to take place in the Easter Holidays. We hope they will have a thoroughly interesting week's training and return to the Section having gained much information.

Congratulations are due to all Cadets who have passed Examinations, and in particular to Whitehead and Perry who passed for Petty Officer last term.

# ROYAL AIR FORCE SECTION

We would like to congratulate Watterson A on having been chosen to fly to Germany with the Royal Air Force during the Easter Holidays. He was chosen from a large number of candidates from C.C.F. units and we hope he has a very pleasant week with the R.A.F.

A very full flying programme has been arranged for us this term, and we spent a useful day at Jurby on February 5th. Work for the Proficiency Examinations goes on apace, but we are endeavouring to give the Cadets more chances for Leadership training.

We would like to welcome to the C.C.F., R.S.M. J. Henderson M.M., who is taking over from S/M Roberts as S/M of the Contingent. Mr Henderson is late of the Queen's Royal Regiment and of the Buffs, and we take this opportunity to wish him and Mrs. Henderson a long and happy stay at College.

Miss Heaslett is again to be thanked and congratulated on the excellence of the rations she prepares for our Field-days.

R.C.

#### SCOUTS

We are now getting past that period of the year when it is impossible to indulge in outdoor scouting except at a gallop, or else in arctic kit. In fact in the past week we have been tempted to look forward to a season of spring and camping to follow. Obvious, perhaps; but it is a sore trial to make winter scouting programmes really satisfactory, and a great relief to see the signs of spring.

This term we had a field day on 5th February and were lucky to get a tolerable day compared to last year. The seniors undertook hikes to explore the ground for first-class journeys. 'A' troop hiked by patrols as a training in map reading and logs. 'B' troop set up kitchens and camp gadgets at Mullin-y-Cartee. Junior studied trees and firelighting at Port Soderick, followed by a wide game, while the cubs paid a visit to the Manx Museum.

On the badge work side, we hear that four seniors are near their King's Scout badge. Best of all, 'A' troop have all passed the second-class tests.

Over twenty patrol leaders attended a Patrol Leaders' Parliament on 17th February at Cunningham House.

A Preliminary Training Course for Scouters is due to be held at College on the first two week ends in March.

B.C.A.H.

# RUGBY FOOTBALL

K.W.C. v. Wallasey G.S. (Won 8-o).

Played on Big Side, Saturday, November 17th. A gale was blowing from the sea. College were without Whitehead and kicked-off with the gale behind them. This was Moore's first match for a month. Whitehead was absent injured.

College quickly pressed and should have scored in the first minutes when on the Wallasey line. College continued to press but the centres were poor and starved their wings. Then came a rather ragged stage in the game until Wood made a powerful run to score an excellent unconverted try. Watterson A. M. made a good run but Mills knocked on the inside pass. Some good passing by the backs gave Stott the chance to cut-through well to score, Watson converting. Two more chances were thrown away in this half when the forwards kicked dead twice.

Half-time score : K.W.C. 8 pts. Wallasey 0

College began the second half well, the backs finding it easier to pass against the gale. Watson had now gone to fly-half. Mills going into the centre. Two good moves should have brought further tries but in each case the centres made mistakes. Wallasey made a powerful thrust and just failed with a drop at goal. Watterson A. M. made a strong run down the wing and made a good cross-kick, Lightfoot being up to take the ball, but Wallasey saved well. Then the weather deteriorated, severe rain storm driving down the ground. Wallasey found the ball difficult to handle but pressed hard and College defended dourly in the teeth of the storm in their own 25. College did well to hold Wallasey out here. The rain eased and Watterson A. M. made a fine run, but was judged to have hit the corner-flag on going over.

Final score : — K.W.C.—1 goal 1 try 8 points. Wallasey G.S. — Nil.

Team: —J. S. Watterson; A. M. Watterson, Watson, Stott, Condra; Mills, J. Watterson; Brown, Merrill, Corkill, Cowley, Sowerbutts, Wood, Moore, Lightfoot.

# K.W.C. v. Old Boys (Won 40-0)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, November 24th in fine weather. College took Lightfoot out of the forwards and played him in the centre in place of Whitehead who was still injured.

Lightfoot immediately put College in a strong attacking position with a long kick which went into touch near the Old Boys' corner flag. From subsequent presskick which went into touch near the Old Boys' corner flag. From subsequent pressure the forwards got the ball out and Watterson A. ran strongly to score, Watson converting. The College line was working well but the centres at this stage were too inclined to kick or try to burst through. Watterson J. P. broke round the blind side to send Condra over for an unconverted try. Watterson A. M. ran well and Mills, playing in his proper place at full-back in this match, came up to score the try. The Old Boys could not get going and Stott cut through to score another unconverted try. Soon afterwards Watterson J. P. broke away round the open side of the scrum to score a fine solo try, Watson converting.

Half-time score :- K.W.C .- 19 points Old Boys 0 ..

The Old Boys gained more of the ball this half but the College score mounted steadily. Watson cut through well, passing to Lightfoot who sent Watterson A, off for a good run and a try which was converted by Watson. Watterson J. P. made a splendid break round the scrum, Wood backing up well to score an unconverted try. The forwards enjoyed some interpassing, Corkill getting a try which was not converted. Some promising moves were ruined by bad passing. Then Watterson A. M. got away again for Watson to convert and soon afterwards, on another good run Cubbon made a spectacular tackle to bring Watterson A. down short of the line. The forwards then attacked, Moore scoring a good try.

Final score: -K.W.C.-5 goals, 5 tries, 40 points. Old Boys Nil.

Teams: — K.W.C.—Mills; A. M. Watterson, Lightfoot, Stott, Condra; Watson, J. P. Watterson; Galbraith, Merrill, Corkill, Brown, Sowerbutts, Marshall, Moore, Wood.

Old Boys XV—G. Cubbon; J. R. Arthur, J. H. Radeliffe, J. Southward, J. M. Connal; P. W. T. Dracup, D. Clay; Freer, I. J. Qualtrough, A. B. Acton, D. Phillip, R. Crellin, P. Kneale, G. S. Weston, M. F. Hosking (Capt.)

We are grateful to Stuart Adcock for again taking so much trouble in getting together a side and to Hosking and Connal for making the long journey from Cambridge. If the Old Boys were a little weaker than usual, the College XV was certainly in grand form. It was good to see Radeliffe playing, still a fine tackler, if not so ubiquitous as of yore, and Hosking, Connal, Qualtrough and Cubbon showed glimpses of their old skill. Dracup and Arthur also acquitted themselves well.

#### K.W.C. v. R.A.F. Jurby (Won 37-6)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, December 1st. An even game was expected as Jurby were reported to have a good side.

The first try came when the halves got the ball out to Condra on the wing, The first try came when the halves got the ball out to Condra on the wing, the latter passed back inside to Scott who after a good run, scored a good unconverted try. The backs handled well again, Watterson A. scoring an unconverted try after a good run. College continued to press, the spasmodic R.A.F. attacks being stopped by good tackling. Watson kicked a long penalty goal for College. Another good movement came from the backs; Watterson J. broke away with a good dummy passing to Lightfoot, who was up, and the latter gave to Stott who scored. Watson converting. The forwards were heeling the ball splendidly and the backs were throwing the ball about in fine style. From a scrum the ball went out to Condra on the wing who was nearly over, and then back came the ball across to the other wing. Mills coming up to make the man back came the ball across to the other wing, Mills coming up to make the man over and score an unconverted try near the corner flag.

The second half began with a strong R.A.F. attack near the College line. After some wild College play the forwards came away and College attacked the R.A.F. line. But at this stage the XV were not together and the R.A.F. forwards were the better pack. College then settled down to combined play and the machine began to work smoothly again. Moore got his forwards to work well once more and a good heel let the backs get Watterson A. away for a good try which Watson converted. Then Watterson J. made another of his characteristic open-side breaks on the half-way line to run right through the R.A.F. side for a grand solo try which Watson converted. Some moderate mid-field play followed but was relieved by a lovely swerving run by Watterson A., Watson converting the try. Offside by the forwards enabled P/O Warburton to kick a very good penalty for the R.A.F., the same player repeating his success shortly afterwards. After a good cut-through by Stott all the backs handled before Lightfoot scored, Watson converting.

Final score: —K.W.C.—6 goals (1 penalty) 3 tries 37 points. R.A.F. Jurby 2 penalty goals 6 points

K.W.C.:—Mills; A. M. Watterson, Lightfoot, Stott, Condra; Watson, J. P. Watterson; Brown, Merrill, Cowley, Corkill, Keig, Galbraith, Moore, Wood.

This was probably the best game of the season. The R.A.F. XV was a much more useful one than the score would suggest. The College forwards were excellent, particularly Moore, Wood, Merrill and Brown, and the backs ran fast and combined very well. Stott and Lightfoot were a thrustful and dangerous pair in the centre and gave their wings many chances to show their paces. Watterson J. and Watson at half were in great form.

# K.W.C. v. Merchant Taylors, Crosby (Won 21-0)

Played on Big Side, Saturday, December 8th. In spite of the fact that Merchant Taylors had a good reputation this season the XV was quietly confident before the game. Weather conditions were very moderate, the ground being sticky and there was a S.W. wind. "The Sunday Times" had decided to feature this match in its Schools Rugby. R. L. Thomson, (O.K.W.) kindly agreed to write the following report for the "Sunday Times":

"King William's College defeated Merchant Taylors by three goals and two tries and deserved their success. Both teams had only been beaten once this season and a close game was expected.

The winners were, however, far more speedy in the backs and, had conditions been more firm underfoot, might have scored more than they did. The first movement of note produced a try after 14 minutes when, following a passing movement by Lightfoot and A. M. Watterson, on the right wing, the ball swung across the field and Lightfoot was in a position to score. Watson converted.

Five minutes later Watson broke through a gap in the centre and Stott scored an unconverted try. Good work by Goater, Merchant Taylors' scrum-half, was foiled by slow centres and he was hurt when stopping Condra near the line. Lightfoot hung on too long when a quick pass would have brought a try and hc, too, retired hurt.

Just on half-time, a long pass by J. P. Watterson sent Condra over in the corner and Watson converted with a fine kick.

Both injured players resumed soon after the interval, but the play for the first 20 minutes of the second half was mainly confined to the forwards. Merchant Taylors, trying to keep the ball close, foiled the home team's attempt to open the game up.

J. P. Watterson broke through well and was pulled down just short of the line. From the ensuing scrum he dived over, for Watson to convert.

In the closing minutes, Condra scored an unconverted try after running very strongly. For the winners J. P. Watterson, Watson and Stott were outstanding in the backs. The wingers, A. M. Watterson and Condra, who played excellently were well marked by Trainer and Webster. Moore, who led the side splendidly, was ably supported by Wood and Merrill.

The Merchant Taylors' centres had an off day and this threw a lot of work on K. J. Roberts, at full-back. Goater, at scrum-half, worked hard but the chief credit for keeping the score down must go to forwards Porritt (capt.), P. Roberts, Blackburn and Harper. On this showing, King William's College would be a difficult proposition for any school side."

Team:—Mills; A. M. Watterson, Lightfoot, Stott, Condra; Watson, J. P. Watterson; Brown, Merrill, Cowley, Corkill, Keig, Shackleton, Moore (capt.), Wood.

#### CHRISTMAS TOUR

The XV crossed on Friday, December 14th and were the guests of Stonyhurst College on the nights of December 14th and 15th. We are most grateful to Stonyhurst for their hospitality. On Sunday morning the tourists travelled to Chester by motor coach where our headquarters were again at Blossom's Hotel, Chester, for the rest of the Tour. The XV travelled to Ellesmere and back by motor coach on Monday, there was a free day on Tuesday and on Wednesday the side played Liverpool College. The same evening the Annual K.W.C. Rugger Dinner was held at Blossom's Hotel, the chief guests being Mr. Percy Wallis (O.K.W. and Trustee), Mr. R. W. H. Boyns (Master), Mr. A. Roche (Master) and Mr. M. F. Hosking (O.K.W.).

The Tour was a difficult one, as bad weather in England gave us grounds which were quagmires on which to play. It was a great disappointment that this speedy XV which combined so well on dry grounds, should be bogged down on bad grounds, particularly as there is no doubt that our backs were superior to any opposition we met. In spite of such adverse conditions, three matches were played in five days, one was lost and two won, points for being 35 and points against 11. We are most grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Hayter, of the Blossom's Hotel, for the splendid arrangements which they have made for our comfort on tour during the last ten years.

# K.W.C. v. Stonyhurst College (Lost o-8)

Played at Stonyhurst, Saturday, December 15th. Days of rain followed by keen frosts, with a final layer of rain on top of frozen ground thawing-out, reduced the ground to something quite unbelievable. In spite of this College tried to play open and attractive Rugby. Stonyhurst, with a fine pack, quite rightly tried to keep the game close, using their ubiquitous wing forwards to their full nuisance-value.

College pressed hard from the beginning, the backs moving well but Watterson and Condra found their natural swerves nullified by the mud, and they were well tackled. At this stage the game remained in the Stonyhurst half. Watson made a good attempt at kicking a penalty goal. There was a dangerous move by College, Watson kicking ahead and Watterson A. following up well, but the ball went into touch-in-goal. Stonyhurst were heeling with monotonous regularity, but when they got the ball they could do little with it. It was quite clear that the Stonyhurst pack was better than the College eight but that on a dry ground the College backs would be yards faster than their opponents. Deslisle of Stonyhurst made a fine attempt at a drop at goal with the heavy, mud-encased lall. The half-time score was nil—nil.

Early in the second half, the Stonyhurst left-wing scored an unconverted try. The College backs made great efforts and Condra was only kept out by fine tackling. Stonyhurst made a dangerous attack on the left wing but a splendid tackle by Watterson A. saved the situation. Condra made a dangerous run on the other wing but was well held by his opponent. College were trying very hard and the ball moved from one wing to the other. There came a moment when the ball passed along the College line, but Stott failed to accept an easy chance when his opposite number was down on the ground. By this time the game was being played in semi-darkness and a snow-storm seemed imminent. Stonyhurst pressed and a penalty try, which was converted, was awarded. The light was so bad it was quite impossible to see what happened. Once again a College XV, as have other schools, found the mud of Stonyhurst something to be feared. We have no hesitation in congratulating Stonyhurst on running out worthy victors on the day.

Final score :--Stonyhurst-1 try, 1 penalty try (converted). K.W.C.--Nil.

Team: -K.W.C.-Mills; A. M. Watterson, Lightfoot, Stott, Condra; Watson, J. P. Watterson; Brown, Merrill, Cowley, Corkill, Keig, Shackleton, Moore, Wood.

# K.W.C. v. Ellesmere College (Won 21-0)

Played at Ellesmere, Monday, December 17th. Conditions were mixed. A weak, wintery sun shone from a cloudless sky, but the ground was a sticky morass. There was a fine following of Masters, O.K.W.'s and parents. For the first fifteen minutes the enthusiam of the Ellesmere XV and its vociferous supporters upset the College XV, which took a long time to settle down. A series of penalties to Ellesmere looked dangerous but the kicking was poor. College pressed but penalties removed all danger. At last the College machine geared itself up and began to look like a XV which had built up a reputation for fine open Rugby. After twenty-five minutes, Stott cut-through beautifully and Watson converted. Watterson J. broke away beautifully, the backs handled very well, and the ball went to Condra, who being hemmed in, passed back to Lightfoot who scored near the posts, Watson converting. This was a delightful move which clearly indicated the merit of this competent College XV.

Immediately after half-time College attacked strongly again and again, but were driven back by a series of penalty kicks. The College XV was going great guns and pressing hard. Condra made a splendid run and kicked, and Watterson A. and Lightfoot were up for a dribble. Then Lightfoot was injured and retired to full-back, Mills taking his place in the centre. It was all College at this stage. Finally Moore broke away on his own and scored a grand try which Watson converted. Further pressure by College saw Watterson A. and Condra fail by inches. Watterson J. broke away again and scored a lovely try on his own, which was not converted. Lightfoot returned to the centre, and immediately afterwards he handed on to Mills who was in great form at full-back, and the latter scored an unconverted try. Just before the end Mills made a fine cross-kick which Corkili gathered, but failed to pass.

Final score:—K.W.C.—3 goals, 2 tries, 21 points Ellesmere—Nil.

Team: -K.W.C.-Mills; A. M. Watterson, Lightfoot, Stott, Condra; Watson, J. P. Watterson; Brown, Merrill, Cowley, Corkill, Keig, Shackleton, Moore, Wood

# K.W.C. v. Liverpool College (Won 14-3)

Played at Liverpool College, Wednesday, December 19th. A very tired College XV, who had fought in the mud for two days, found yet another ground deep in mud with rain or sleet threatening. A lively Liverpool College pack dominated the game for the first quarter of an hour.

The following report by the well-known Rugby Correspondent of "The Liverpool Post" is worth recording:—

"King William's XV, who were playing their third game in five days, were slow starters at Greenbank Road, yesterday, but there were few signs of legweariness; they won a splendidly contested match by a goal, a penalty goal and two tries to a try.

The lighter and smaller Liverpool forwards were as determined and nearly as skilful as their opponents and it was their early dash which set ur a position for the first score, made possible for Taylor, their left centre, by a smart piece of handling by Bell and the finely balanced running of Herring; but they could not do enough in the tight to keep the ball from the visitors' dangerous outsides.

Bond, whose enthusiasm cost a penalty or two, Fitzpatrick, Simpson and Dwar were all first-class, as were Wood (a back row man of whom more may be heard), Moore, Corkill and Keig for King William's. With the ball out, the Island backs always looked the more competent, as their efforts were smooth and continuous, whereas those of Liverpool were jerky and more individualistic.

J. P. Watterson, at the base of the winners' scrummage, was excellent and Watson, who made the opening for his side's first try which went to Wood, and who converted it, was a safe, if at times an over deliberate pivot. Both King William's centres did well, with Lightfoot a shade more constructive than Stott, but neither was so impressive as Condra, who scored a good second try before half time, and A. Watterson on the wings.

Liverpool's halves had a more difficult time and faded after a good start, while their defence was not as good as that of Taylor who took the man on

either wing, or of Herring and Cannell, whose despairing last breath efforts storped Watterson and Condra again and again.

Jackson, for Liverpool, was more spectacular than Mills. He had to be, but there was little fault with the work of either full-back.

In the second half, when rain fell heavily, play was generally at the Liverpool end but the all-out effort of the defence and a little good fortune saved the line until Watson went through unmarked from a long line out.

The enthusiasm of the College side and their fine defence must have pleased Mr. H. A. Fry, an Old Lerpoolian who refereed the game, but it did not prevent him from awarding a late penalty from which Watson kicked a goal when a too keen Liverpool forward found himself on the wrong side of the King William's pack."

Final score :—K.W.C.—1 goal, 2 tries, 1 penalty, 14 points.

Liverpool College—1 try, 3 points.

Team: K.W.C. - Mills; A. M. Watterson, Lightfoot, Stott, Condra; Watson, J. P. Watterson; Brown, Merrill, Cowley, Corkill, Keig, Shackleton, Moore, Wood.

# SECOND XV

	F.	A	
Saturday, October 13th, I.O.M.R.F.C., 1st XV (H)	3	24	Lost
Saturday, October 20th, R.A.F., Jurby, 2nd XV (H)	22	11	Won
Saturday, October 27th, I.O.M.R.F.C. "A" (H)	14	14	Drawn
Saturday, November 3rd, R.A.F., Jurby, 2nd XV (H)	17	0	Won
Saturday, November 17th, R.A.F. Jurby 2nd XV (H)	10	0	Won
Saturday, November 24th, I.O.M.R.F.C., 1st XV (H)	8	14	Lost
Saturday, December 1st, R.A.F., Jurby, 2nd XV (H)	37	0	Won
Saturday, December 8th, R.A.F., Jurby, 2nd XV (H)	22	0	Won

The side was the best we have had for some considerable time. Conibear was an excellent captain.

All the matches against Jurby resulted in wins for the 2nd. In the first match the R.A.F. managed to score eleven points, but through teamwork, combined with hard play, the 2nd doubled their score, and the result was 22-11. These were the only points the R.A.F. managed to score during the rest of the scason. The next two matches were reasonable and the 2nd's successes were due to an effective and intelligent combination of forwards and backs. The fourth match was the best and the 2nd broke through their defence time and time again, to take 37 points from them. In the last match the R.A.F. were reinforced again by some of their first members and the score was only 22-nil.

The three matches against the I.O.M.R.F.C. were not quite so successful. The first match, which incidentally was the first match of the season, was a defeat for College. The 2nd played very hard against a much bigger side and were beaten by weight and speed. In the second match they were very near to a win, but the final result was a draw. The third match was also a defeat, but it was the best match of the three. The Island side found it very hard to penetrate the 2nd XV's defence and towards the end of the game the 2nd XV were pressing very hard but they were stopped by the final whistle.

The 2nd XV this year were more determined to win their games and as the term progressed, their confidence also did. As usual at the beginning of the season there were many changes in the team, but once the wheat was sorted from the chaff, the team settled down to a successful season. The threquarters, on the whole, were rather small, but were quick to see and make openings. Their defence was seldom in doubt. The forwards were a big robust pack, who played hard and spared no-one. The hooking in the tight and loose was good.

# THE COLTS XV

Played 7	Won 4	$_{3}^{\mathbf{Lost}}$	For 68	Against 44	
Sat., 13th Oct.,	1951, I.O.M.R.F.	.C. Colts (Home)		Won	320
Sat., 27th Oct. 1	951 *Liverpool	College Colts (Av	way)	Lost	0-9
Sat., 24th Nov.,	1951, I.O.M.R.F.	C. Colts (Home)		Won	210
Sat. 1st Dec., 19	51 Liverpool Co	ollege Colts (Hor	ne)	Won	6-3
Sat., 8th Dec., 19	951 *Merchant T	Taylors Colts (Aw	ay)	Won	93
Christmas Tour.					
Sat., 15th Dec.,	1951, Rossall Co	olts (Away)		Lost	0 - 19
Mon., 17th Dec.,	1951., Birkenhe	ad Colts (Away)		Lost	0 - 10

\*Team travelled by air and returned same day.

The College Colts XV this year was a very ordinary side and seemed to be on the small side, as their opponents, particularly in the forwards, were always much bigger physically. After a comfortable win against a very inexperienced I.o.M.R.F.C. Colts side they lost to Liverpool College and showed grave weakness in all departments. However, they were tremendously keen and after working hard for the ensuing four weeks they played a much sounder game against Liverpool College to avenge their previous defeat. The away fixture at Merchant Taylors' School showed College at its best and the players selected to go on the Christmas Tour were confident of giving a good account of themselves. Scott S. made an admirable captain on and off the field, and was a most efficient 'ground' captain.

The Christmas Tour—An enjoyable time was had at Rossall where the team saw an excellent gymnastic display and heard a charming Carol Service in the Rossall School Chapel. We thank Rossall for their generous hospitality. The game played in the morning, was a hard one with Rossall superior in all departments, but College Colts' defence was great and the team played through to the end without "letting-up" for a single moment. Against Birkenhead School Colts we were unlucky not to draw, but two defensive lapses in the first five minutes gave the home team a lead of ten points. It was a well worth-while tour, the younger members of the side having gained valuable match-experience for the future. A few boys were the guests of Birkenhead School Colts after the match and once again we thank our hosts for their kind hospitality.

#### K.W.C. Colts v. Liverpool College Colts, Sat., 1st Dec., 1951 (Home)

This was the return match between both Schools, the earlier one having been won by Liverpool College. College were soon in arrears through a penalty goal kicked by Lloyd, the Liverpool left wing, after Colvin had failed to play the ball after a tackle. Colts forwards were well led by Scott and showed a clear ascendency in the loose. Colvin, a few seconds before half-time, dropped a beautiful goal from the twenty-five yards line, and against a stiff breeze. College were unlucky not to score from promising threequarter movements during the second half. Right on time Ashton, the Colts fly-half dropped a goal to give College a victory.

Result:—K.W.C.—2 goals (dropped)—6 points. Liverpool College—1 penalty goal—3 points.

Referee: Mr. A. J. Bailey.

Merchant Taylors' Colts v. K.W.C. Colts, Sat., 8th Dec., 1951 (away)

The game was played in atrocious conditions and it quickly developed into a forward battle. Colvin, the College full-back, was in good kicking form and kicked three penalty goals. Merchant Taylors obtained a try late in the first

half, after a well-controlled forward rush; indeed there were some great foot rushes on both sides. The three-quarters did very little and must have had a thoroughly miserable time; the forwards however really enjoyed themselves.

Result:—Merchant Taylors' Colts—1 try—3 points. K.W.C. Colts—3 penalty goals—9 points. Referee: Mr. H. L. Nice.

#### Christmas Tour.

Rossall Colts v. K.W.C. Colts, Sat., 15th Dec., 1951 (away)

Rossali were indeed a grand side, but it was College that went close to scoring as a result of a forward rush. The home side soon settled down however and scored a try after a grand bout of passing; they were getting the ball from the lines-out and set scrums regularly, and their half-hacks were a very sound pair of players. College defended stoutly but were soon another three points down through a well taken penalty by the Rossall right centre; the same player burst down the centre a few moments later to let his wing in for a converted try. College attacked by loose forward rushes and Kneen went close to scoring on two occasions. Rossall hammered the College line for a full quarter of an hour in the second half, but the College defence weathered the storm. Rossall completed the scoring with two more tries, one of which was converted; back came College and the final whistle saw them exhausted but in the unusual rôle of attackers.

Score :—Rossall Colts—2 goals ; 2 tries and 1 penalty goal—19 points. K.W.C. Colts—nil. Referee : Mr. J. Ellis,

Birkenhead School Colts v. K.W.C. Colts, Mon., 17th Dec., 1951 (away)

For the first time in the season College met opponents of comparable physiquite; however within five minutes Williams, the Birkenhead centre, scored two grand tries which were converted. Scott rallied College and exchanges were even. The College backs moved smoothly and ran well. Kelly on the left wing once got away only to be brought down near the line, and Wallis, on the other wing, jinked by several opponents but put a foot in touch when clear. The second half witnessed no change in the scoring, although the spectators were frequently roused to great enthusiam as play swept from end to end; first one pack would gain ground, only to retreat, before the renewed efforts of their opponents.

Score :—Birkenhead School Colts—2 goals—10 points. K.W.C. Colts—nil.

In addition to the final Colts XV the following also played :-

Bregazzi, Kneen, R., Quirk, George, Foulds R., White P., Kelly, Brown, Donaldson.

#### KNOWLES KICKING COMPETITION

	Junior		Senior				
	Place	Drop	Punt	Place	Drop	· Punt	Total
Walters	12	4	3	3	4	I	27
Colbourne	4	3	3	7	5	2	24
Dickson	6	0	3	4	5	4	22
Hunt	5	3	2	5	3	3	21
School	I	4	4	3	4	0	16

The total of the winners, Walters—27 points out of a maximum of 80 was not a good one. Walters gained a lead of 9 points from the Junior competition on the first day, for which Black and Johnston are to be congratulated, as every one of their place kicks was successful. Once again punting proved to be the main stumbling block.

J.L.R.

#### FINAL TEAMS

IST XV

G. S. Moore (Captain)

J. P. Watterson

A. M. Watterson

C. B. G. Wood J. T. Condra

P. J. Watson J. S. Lightfoot T. J. Corkill T. B. Mills

R. S. Merrill

R. S. Merrin R. T. D. Stott D. P. Brown S. P. T. Keig L. C. Cowley D. G. Shackleton

2ND XV \*P. J. Whitehead

\*B. D. Galbraith

\*D. Moyers

\*P. K. Conibear (Captain)

\*A. C. A. Fick

\*D. C. W. Lee

\*J. S. Watterson

\*D. Edmonds

\*R. A. Merrill

\*W. Young

\*R. W. Esson

\*W. D. Christian

\*J H. Lace \*M. L. Marshall

E. Bashforth

N. Howarth Johnson M. Lord

D. Shillinglaw

Wightman

Burgess

Cullen

Ward

\*P. E. Sowerbutts

XL Colours

# \*2nd XV Colours.

COLTS XV

\*B. K. Colvin

\*J. A. Wallis

\*P. A. Crowe \*I. R. Horrox

\*D. C. Miller

W. J. W. Ashton

G. B. Cowley

\*B. C. Kneen

\*J. R. Howarth J. S. Gillespie

J. E. Goldsmith \*C. J. Burnley

\*R. G. Harper

\*S. G. S. Scott (Captain)
\*W. F. Griffin

\* Colts Colours.

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# SENIOR HOUSE MATCHES

These were played on the knock-out system this term. In the first round School defeated Hunt by 19 points to 6 points. It was a scrappy game. In the next round Walters defeated School 8 points to 3 points in a poor, rather too robust game, and Colbourne defeated Dickson II points to 3 points.

The Final was a delightful game to watch. The ground was sticky but the day was fine. Both sides opened up the game. The Colbourne backs included three 1st XV colours, two seconds and a Colt, and were the faster and more dangerous. Walters forwards were dangerous and active in the loose. Colbourne kicked off and within twenty seconds Bregazzi scored for Colbourne after a Walters pass had gone astray. Watson converted. Play was quite even with Walters doing better in the tight but in the loose there was little between the two packs. Half way through the first half Watterson J. cut through and passed to Whitehead who scored an unconverted try. Walters then retaliated and Maddrell sent Carr over for a try. Watson kicked two very good penalty goals when Walters forwards were caught off side. Shortly before half time, Watterson J. broke away from his own 25 and after a long swerving run was brilliantly tackled by the corner flag by Johnston, the Walters right wing.

Half time Score: Colbourne, 14 points; Walters, 3 points.

There was no further scoring in the second half. Colbourne's knocking back in the line-out paid dividends, but the corner flagging of the Walters forwards kept the Colbourne backs at bay. Shortly before the end Walters were awarded two penalties but they proved too difficult.

Final Score: Colbourne, 14 points. Walters, 3 points.

# JUNIOR HOUSE MATCHES

Generally the standard of play was improved this year and Dickson, Colbourne and School all produced good, well-balanced sides.

The Shield was shared by Dickson and Colbourne.

	School	Golbourne	Dickson	Walters	Hunt	Total
School		L	L	W	W	4
Colbourne	W		D	W	W	7
Dickson	W	D		W	W	7
Walters	L	L	L		W	2
Hunt	L	L	L	L		0

# REVIEW OF SEASON, 1951-1952

Played 13; Won 11; Lost 2; Drawn o. Points:—For 229, against 57.

#### SCHOOL MATCHES

School matches		
Matches at College:—		
Sat., Oct. 20th—Rossall	Lost o-5	,
Tues., Oct. 30th—St. Bees	Won 11-3	5
Sat., Nov. 3rd—Birkenhead School	Won 14-6	)
Sat., Nov. 17th—Wallasey G.S	Won 8-0	)
Sat., Dec. 8th—Merchant Taylors' School (Crosby)	Won 21-0	)
Christmas Tour:—		
Sat., Dec. 15th—Stonyhurst College	Lost o-8	3
Mon., Dec. 17th—Ellesmere College	Won 21-0	)
Wed., Dec. 19th—Liverpool College	Won 14-3	š
Club Matches: —		
Sat., Sept. 29th—I.o.M. 1st XV	Won 12- 9	,
Sat., Oct. 6th—Chester R.F.C.	Won 35- 3	5
Sat., Oct. 13th—Waterloo R.F.C.	Won 16-14	ı
Sat., Nov. 24th—Old Boys		
Sat., Dec. 1st—R.A.F. (Jurby) 1st XV	Won 37- 6	,

G. S. Moore, the Captain of the XV may well be proud of such a record. He proved to be an excellent Captain on and off the field. He must have been disappointed that in a Big Side practice, just before the needle game against Rossall, the first school match of the season, severe concussion sent him off to Noble's, and kept him out of the game for the next month. It was lucky for the XV that in J. P. Watterson there was such a capable V-Capt. to take over.

There is no doubt that this year's XV can stand comparison with some of the best that College has had. The absence of Moore in the Rossall game upset the side. In the St. Bees game College rose to great heights, P. J. Watson's kicking being the deciding factor. A confident Birkenhead School XV was vanquished 14-6, as was Wallasey 8-o.

The Old Boys, thanks to F. S. Adcock, helped by M. F. Hosking, produced a useful side. But the XV, with Moore back to lead the side, and the forwards, gained a convincing 40-0 win.

The best game and the most worthy win of the season was gained at the expense of the R.A.F. (Jurby) 1st XV. An even game was expected, but the College XV played as a team and overwhelmed their opponents to the tune of 37 points to 6 points.

The last match of the term at College was against the Merchant Taylors' XV, who had lost only one match, as had College. The XV made it quite clear that the superiority in the back division was a decisive factor and College ran out winners by 21 points to nil.

The Christmas Tour was an unqualified success. As had been expected, three matches in five days proved to be a strenuous

proposition, particularly as all the grounds were heavy with mud after much rain. In this way the XV was a little unfortunate as, good as the pack was, the backs were better, and the speed of the latter was to some extent nullified, though they handled the greasy ball well. As a result the scores were kept down. In the first game the Stonyhurst forwards adapted themselves better to the conditions on the day. The backs ran and passed well but swerving was quite impossible. Stonyhurst won by a try and a penalty try to nothing. Against Ellesmere the XV gave a fine exhibition of open rugby in spite of the mud, backs and forwards combining splendidly and we ran out winners by 21 points to nil. For the first twenty minutes of the last match, which was against Liverpool College, the XV was slow and looked tired but then the machine worked well in spite of driving rain in the second half and the match was won 14-6.

The composition of the XV was interesting. The backs almost picked themselves. Mills proved to be a most valuable full-back fielding and kicking splendidly, and he was always ready to come up and make the extra man over in attack scoring four tries during the season in this way.

Stott and Whitehead were the centres earlier in the season but repeated injuries to Whitehead's shoulder forced him to drop out and Lightfoot was converted from wing-forward; this proved to be a happy solution. Stott improved every match and his dangerous cuts-through and Lightfoot's powerful running made many openings for the two fast strong runners on the wing, A. M. Watterson and Condra—all four weighed over 11 stone each. The halves picked themselves too; Watson at fly, a big and strong runner, had excellent hands—his greatest fault that he was too unselfish—and took J. P. Watterson's stream of passes which came at all angles and heights from the base of the scrum, with the greatest of ease. Watterson was a power of strength in defence in spite of his lack of weight, and withstood a tremendous hammering from attentive wing-forwards. In attack he was probably the most elusive player on the field, his breaks on the open side, followed by a long swerving run, usually led to a solo try. It is interesting to note that he was equal top try-scorer in the XV (9) with A. M. Watterson followed by Stott (7), Condra (6) the other tries being shared by nine other members of the XV, the total being 50 tries for the season, a pointer to the excellent combination and all-round handling of the side. P. J. Watson converted 25 tries and kicked 6 penalty goals.

The forwards were a great problem. There were at least twelve good players to choose from but only Moore, Wood, Lightfoot and Merrill were outstanding, and Lightfoot had to go to threequarter. Marshall, though good in the lines-out could not retain his place through lack of scrummaging ability—probably due to his height, and Galbraith lacked the necessary physique. To add to the problem, Moore was injured before the Rossall game and did not play again for a month. In addition all those useful forwards who had claims to inclusion in the pack had to be given trials in matches and it is therefore small wonder that the forwards did not settle down as a pack until the second half of the term. Fast

in the loose, good handlers, but lighter than some of our opponents, it was a long time before they gave the backs the ball from the lines-out, the tight and the loose scrummages. The final eight became a very good one indeed, with Wood and Moore outstanding in the loose.

The Second XV had one of its best seasons for many years and was very ably Captained by Conibear who towards the end of the season showed that he had made a complete recovery from his operation. The Colts were rather on the light side but improved considerably by the time they went on Tour.

With two centres, one wing, the fly-half and the second XV scrum-half, plus several 1st and 2nd XV forwards returning next year we can look forward to a perhaps even better season next year.

It remains now only to thank all those Masters who, in all weathers, have given so generously of their time in coaching and refereeing, particularly Mr. Boyns and Mr. Roche, and Mr. Jackson for his splendid refereeing of the 1st XV matches. Copley, Eagleton and Roberts must not be forgotten for the splendid work they have done to make our grounds what must be the best in the North of England.

We hope to take a VII to London in April and are most grateful to the London O.K.W.s whose generosity makes this possible and to Mr. H. G. W. Hughes-Games for a subscription towards that tour.

#### 1St XV CHARACTERS

G. S. MOORE (1950, 1951) (11st. 5lb.)—Back-row forward. Captain.

He has been most unfortunate with injuries. He is to be congratulated on the success of his XV which is in no small measure due to his inspiring leadership on the field, and his wisdom off the field. His own game has developed splendidly; he is fast and he handles well, tackles vigorously, and knows the theoretical side of the game. He should do well at Cambridge.

J. P. WATTERSON (1949, 1950, 1951) (9st. 6lb.)—Scrum-half, V-Captain.

A loyal deputy who did a fine job during his Captain's incapacity. He has developed into a first-class player who should go a long way in good company. His break-aways from the scrum on the open in mid-field, make good defences look silly, the secret being his elusive swerving run which looks slow because his stride is long and he is fast. Has shown the greatest courage in defence both in tackling and falling. His pass from the scrummage is apt to be wild when under pressure. Equal top-scorer of tries (9).

A. M. WATTERSON (1950, 1951) (10st. 12lb.)—Right-wing-three-quarter.

Has done a splendid job as Hon. Sec. On a dry day he is a very dangerous attacker, but he has not yet learned to adapt himself

to muddy conditions. Has a fine easy stride when in full cry and has scored some fine tries. His defence has improved but he has still to learn to take the man head-on when necessary. Kicking much improved. Equal top-scorer of tries (9). Very promising.

# C. B. G. WOOD (1950, 1951) (12st. 1lb)—Back-row forward.

Has had a splendid season. His powerful physique, allied to considerable speed, make him a most dangerous attacker in the loose. Good in the lines-out, his tackling was as good as ever. Should go a long way in good company on the mainland.

# J. T. CONDRA (1950, 1951) (11st. 7lb.)—Left-wing-three-quarter.

He fulfilled all his earlier promise developing into a powerful and dangerous wing. Could be relied upon to go all-out for the line in attack, or his opponent in defence; scored some impossible tries through great determination. Handling much improved. Very promising, he should do well in New Zealand.

# P. J. WATSON (1951) ((11st. olb.)—Fly-half.

A most reliable but too unselfish pivot. His height and splendid pair of hands enabled him to take high and low passes with equal certainty. His powerful physique and raking stride, enabled him to burst through weak tackling with ease. An excellent punter but an even better goal-kicker having converted 25 tries (half the season's total tries) and kicked 6 penalty goals, a total of 68 points. Tackling and falling much improved. Should be very dangerous next year.

# J. S. LIGHTFOOT (1950, 1951) (11st. olb.)—Right-centre threequarter.

An excellent back-row forward, he transferred to the three-quarters in an emergency and settled down there quite easily. His strong running gave added thrust to the backs and he soon learnt to make openings for his wing. His kicking was invaluable in defence. A good tackler. Should do well in good company but would be wise to return to the forwards.

# T. J. CORKILL (1950, 1951) (13st. olb.)—Front-row forward.

One of the toughest forwards in the pack, he never spared himself. His lack of height was a handicap in the lines-out but he made-up for this in his tackling. He is still more a fighter than a skilled player; he should yet learn to combine and give and take passes with ease. Should be a great asset next year.

# T. B. MILLS (1951) (9st. 13lb.)—Full-back.

Was always a joy to watch being a natural footballer and neat in everything he did. Was equally at home on the wing, though not really fast enough. Has excellent hands and fields and kicks under pressure with great coolness. He gave confidence to his side in defence and was always up to make the man over in attack. Has a bright future if he sticks to the game; might make a fly-half.

R. S. MERRILL (1951) (10st. 6lb.)—Hooker.

Has had a very good season as a forward. He is quite fast in the loose and handles well. His hooking improved as the season advanced. Works hard in the lines-out, tackles and falls well.

- R. T. D. STOTT (1951) (11st. 7lb.)—Left centre-three-quarter.
- Was slow at the beginning of the season but he developed into a dangerous attacker with his strong running and cuts-through, making openings for his wing. His kicking improved too. A weak tackler to begin with, he could be relied upon at the end of the season not to let his man come through. He should have a splendid season next year but must make his tackling deadly. Very promising.
  - D. P. BROWN (1951) (11st. 6lb.)—Front-row forward.

Has played with enthusiasm throughout the season. He enjoys the more robust side of the game in the tight, but has a turn of speed and good hands which makes him useful in the loose. A good tackler, he should now improve his kicking. Very promising.

S. P. T. KEIG (1951) (11st. 12lb.)—2nd-row forward.

A little on the slow side in the loose but he was one of the best scrummagers in the side and gave power to the second-row. Could always be relied upon to go all out. Must concentrate on increasing his speed and improving his handling. Promising.

- L. C. COWLEY (1951) (11st. 4lb.)—Front-row forward.
- A good scrummager who always pushed hard. Dribbled and tackled well. Must now improve his handling in the loose. Good in the lines-out.
- D. G. SHACKLETON (1951) (11st. 7lb.)—Back-row forward. One of the best tacklers in the side, he improved his handling and dribbling. Uses his intelligence as the blind-side forward and improved rapidly during the season. Promising.

J.L.R.

# STEEPLECHASE 1952

An account of steeplechasing is almost invariably accompanied by angry mutterings against an unkind fate which has compelled boys to battle against icy hurricanes, into tenacious quagmires and through the roaring torrents of a swollen Silverburn. This term has been a glorious exception and it has been possible to carry through an uninterrupted programme under good conditions. Due to the usual kind co-operation of neighbouring farmers, Classes II and III ran over the usual courses while the change which was made necessary over the Class I course was doubtless popular to those built for comfort rather than speed—it removed a stretch of bog which has often proved a handicap to the heavy.

The Inter-House race was held on Saturday 9th February. In Class III, Shillinglaw D. (Dickson), a neat and compact runner, completed the course in the new best time of 26 mins, 27 secs. and is to be congratulated on an extremely promising performance. He was followed home by Howarth, N. and Robinson, both of School House who won the team race. Colbourne House were runners-up The general standard in this class was high and due credit must be given to House Captains for their encouragement, advice and stimulation.

The Class II race proved to be a triumph for the city of Peel and Dickson House: together they supplied the first three to finish. Kneen W. had trained assiduously and well deserved his comfortable win in 29 mins. 17 secs. Vick, running for the first year in this class, was second home with Quirk S. third. The team race was won by Dickson with Colbourne again runners-up.

In Class I the victory of Galbraith (Hunt), the Captain of Athletics and Steeplechasing, was not entirely unexpected. His time was 36 mins. 32 seconds and he must be accounted extremely unfortunate in not having had the opportunity this year to beat the previous best time over the normal course. On the other hand, his record of having won four consecutive inter-House Class I races is one which perhaps may conceivably be equalled but surely never beaten.

Merrill R. S. of Dickson was a creditable second and Watterson J. third. A feature of the race was the splendid packing of Dickson House who supplied 2nd, 4th and 5th and 11th, 12th and 13th places, thus easily winning the team race. Hunt House were the runners-up.

For the second year in succession, Dickson won the House Shield and the other Houses again finished in the same order:

Dickson House	TOT points
Colbourne House	
School House	
Hunt House	314 points
Walters House	372 points

On the following Saturday, February 16th, a Cross Country match was held over the College courses between teams from the Manx A.A.A., R.A.F. Jurby, Douglas High School, Castle Rushen School and College. In the Class I event, Castle Rushen entered individual runners only, while the races in Classes II and III were naturally between the schools only. The weather was again propitious—almost springlike—and Canon Stenning got the field away in good cheer after his traditional address.

The pundits had decided that the race lay between Parsons (R.A.F.), apparently a runner of experience, Kelly (Manx A.A.A.) of marathon fame, Harrison (Manx A.A.A.), a very promising junior, and Galbraith. Oddly enough, they were right. Parsons and Galbraith fought out the later stages of the race and provided what must have been one of the most exciting finishes seen at College: Galbraith, having slipped at the Silverburn, sprinted down over Big Side but was unable to catch Parsons who won by two seconds in the excellent time of 34 mins. 43 secs. Kelly and Harrison satisfied the prophets if not College supporters by finishing in third and fourth places.

Galbraith claimed to be more disappointed in not feeling tired than in not recording his eighth consecutive win! The Manx A.A.A. packed very well and thoroughly deserved their win with the R.A.F. in second place. K.W.C. were third in the event but not by a great margin and it was no disgrace to be beaten by seniors in an event where maturity is all important. The result was:

Manx A.A.A	
R.A.F. Jurby	57 points
K.W.C	
Douglas High School	

In the Class II event, Kneen (K.W.C.) repeated his win of the previous week in the excellent time of 28 mins. o secs., only 9 secs. off the record which has stood for some time. Kneen is not a runner to catch the eye but his performances this year have shown him to be a steeplechaser of the highest promise. Vick (K.W.C.) again had to be content with second place, with Kelly from Douglas High School third. With seven runners in the first eight to finish, College pulverised the opposition and won handsomely. The results were:

K.W.C	25 points
Douglas High School	66 points
Castle Rushen School	80 points

Howarth (K.W.C.) was able to turn the tables on Shillinglaw (K.W.C.) in Class III but did not dislodge him as record holder. However, the time was a good one and Robinson (K.W.C.) ran well to finish in third place. Douglas High School's packing was commendable but they never looked like overcoming College's initial advantage of having the first three home. The full results were:

I.	K.W.C	33 points
2.	Douglas High School	53 points
3.	Castle Rushen School	85 points

The whole afternoon was most enjoyable and thanks are due to the visiting teams for their helpful co-operation, to the Masters who most kindly and ably officiated, to Galbraith as Captain of Steeplechasing for his splendid example and admirable efficiency and last, but by no means least, to Cooper and his gallant band of course marshalls who had some cheerless and uninteresting afternoons, but who invariably returned with the flags and themselves intact.

The following represented College in the Inter-Schools Race:

CLASS II CLASS III CLASS III	
B. D. Galbraith  R. S. Merrill  J. P. Watterson  R. E. Lewin  R. A. Merrill  B. B. Vick  M. D. Robinson  M. J. Lord  J. R. Skillicorn  J. E. Goldsmith  B. C. Kneen  J. E. F. Harper  R. Q. Cannell  D. C. Shillingl  N. J. Q. Howar  M. D. Robinson  M. J. Lord  J. D. Gibb  R. D. Bull  J. A. Duncan  J. C. Harrison	rth n

# GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PAPER

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In 1851

- 1. What change of rôle was witnessed on the French stage.
- 2. What British Foreign Minister witnessed it too sympath-

3. What Anglo-German King died.

4. What Chancery suit began in a fog.

5. Who proclaimed operatically the inconstancy of women.

6. At what London terminus did Cantabs arrive.

7. What Public School welcomed Clerical sons.8. What assessor of a "situation excellente" was born.

9. Who conducted at Covent Garden.

- 10. In what did Prince Henry first sing Amen.
- 1, Napoleon III's seizure of power; 2, Palmerston; 3, Ernest (son of George III) of Hanover; 4, Bleak House (Jarndyce); 5, Duke of Mantua (Rigoletto); 6, Shoreditch; 7, Leatherhead; 8, Foch; 9, Da Costa; 10, Longfellow's Golden Legend.
- 1. What Exhibition induced fears in whom that the entente might be worn threadbare.

2. What Exhibition was marred by what assassination.

- 3. With what monument did the Dijon engineer commemorate what Exhibition.
- 4. What Exhibition was described as "calm and classical."
- 5. To what Exhibition did Offenbach contribute—with what.
- 6. What Exhibition is connected with what ducal gardener. 7. Who complained that what Exhibition had been only half described.
- 8. What Exhibition was opened "by wireless."
- 9. What Tantalus Exhibition is for export only.
- 10. What is the Exhibition of domestic content.
- Buffalo, The Franco-British, Edward VII; 2 McKinley; 3, Eiffel Tower, Paris, 1889; 4, Jarley's Waxworks; 5 Paris (1867), La Grande Duchesse; 6, Crystal Palace, Paxton— Duke of Devonshire's Gardener; 7, Queen of Sheba, Solomon's glory; 8, Wembley; 9 Motor Exhibition Olympia; 10, Ideal Home.
- 1. What is Odic Force. 3.
  - 2. What is Aira Force.
  - 3. What Force raised water to the Hanging Gardens,
  - 4. What Force was instituted in 1814.
  - 5. What Force startled Newton.
  - 6. What Force clothes the Diane chasseresse.
  - 7. What Force does Billiards afford.
  - 8. Of what Force did Verdi write.
  - 9. What is the French House of Force.
  - 10. What Force raised Sunny Jim.
- 1 Animal Magnetism; 2, Waterfall at Ullswater; 3, Archimedian screws and bullocks; 4, Royal Irish Constabulary; 5, Of gravity; 6. Of habit; 7, A screw-back; 8, Of Destiny; 9, House of Correction, 10. Breakfast Food.

- 1. What divides men of Kent from Kentish men. 4.
  - What Kentish knight "Stood for his King."
  - What Kentish rebel kissed what Kentish maid.
  - What Kentish Duke added Strathearn to his title.
  - What Kentish watering place inspired what artist.
     What Kentish coast feature recalls "the dread summit of this chalky bourn."
  - What Kentish Queen eased the first Archbishop's task.
     What is Kentish fire.

  - 9. What Kentish railroad was credited with smashing and turning over.
  - 10. "Kent sir-everyone knows Kent-" Why?
- 1, The Medway; 2, Kentish Sir Byng; 3, Wat Tiler, Joan of Kent; 4, Edward—Father of Queen Victoria; 5, Ramsgate, Frith; 6, Shakespeare's Cliff; 7, Bertha; 8, Rapturous applause; 9, London, Chatham & Dover Railway; 10 Apples, Cherries, Hops, Women.
- 5. Where would you study
  - 1. What they are saying.
  - 2. Misleading cases.
  - 3. Points from letters.
  - 4. Inside information.

  - 5. Far and near.6. Sitting on the fence.
  - 7. Marginal comment.
  - Atticus.
  - 9. Profile.
  - Sportlight.
- 1, The Listener; 2, Punch; 3, Times; 4, Daily Graphic; 5, Daily Mail; 6, Sunday Express; 7, Spectator; 8, Sunday Times; 9, Observer; 10, Green Final.
- 1. From whose name is derived that of succeeding tombs. 6.
  - 2. To whom did we carve not a line nor raise a stone.
  - Where is Tombland.
  - 4. Who directed her tomb to be inscribed "By the wrath of God, Queen of England.
  - Whose tomb is described as "a dream in marble."
  - 6. Who rests in a porphyry sarcophagus "aux bords de la Seine."
  - 7. Who forbade 'Mr.' or 'Esquire' on his tomb.
  - 8. Whose family tomb was forced to open its rotten jaws.
  - 9. Whose tomb was the cave of Macpelah.
  - 10. "Drive him fast to his tomb; this from ——"?
- 1, Mausolus; 2 Sir John Moore; 3, Norwich; 4, Eleanor of Aquitaine; 5, Shah Jehan and Nour Mahal (Taj Mahal); 6, Napoleon; 7, Dickens; 8, The Capulets'; 9, Abraham and Sarah; 10, "Jacques" (Tale of Two Cities).

- What Thomas was 7.
  - 1. turbulent.
  - 2. rhythmical.
  - 3. cold.
  - 4. cast.
  - inquisitive.
  - 6. larcenous.
  - 7. dubitant.
  - 8. long
  - 9. pensive.
  - 10. this and that.
- 1, Becket; 2, The Rhymer; 3, Fool in King Lear; 4, Great bell at Oxford; 5, Peeping Tom; 6 The piper's son; 7, St. Thomas; 8, Gun in Boer War; 9, Ingoldsby ("As I laye a-thynkynge"); 10, Tommy Atkins.
- 8. 1. Who played the organ at Salisbury.
  - 3. What made the banjo strings play out of tune.
  - 3. Who questioned Ben Bolt in a hypnotic condition.
  - 4. Who entertained her guests with an improved grand piano and an improvable voice.
  - 5. What hired musician meditated an attack on the bride-
  - groom. 6. What did we do with our harps.
  - 7. Who with what made the trees bow their heads.
  - 8. Who used saucers for castanets.
  - 9. What air made the place start swaying.
  - 10. Who was inventress of the vocal frame.
- 1, Tom Pinch; 2, The damp; 3, Trilby; 4, Mrs. Perker (Pickwick); 5, The Lute Player; 6, We hanged them up; 7, Orpheus with his lute; 8, Carmen; 9, Yip-i-addy-i-ay; 10 Cecilia.
- In what works do the following perform what eponymous function
  - 1. Backbite.
  - 2. Poundtext.
    3. Filgrave.
    4. Howler.
    5. Dauntless.
    6. Prosee.

  - 7. Worldly Wiseman.
  - 8. Shallow.
  - 9. Bones.
- 1, Society figure in "School for Scandal"; 2, Itinerant Preacher in "Old Mortality"; 3, Doctor in "Barchester Towers"; 4, Ranting minister in "Dombey and Son"; 5, Sailor in "Ruddigore"; 6, Barrister in "Pickwick"; 7, Character in "Pilgrim's Progress"; 8, Justice in "Merry Wives of Windsor"; 9, Butcher in Card Game "Happy Families"; 10, "Foolish Gentleman" in "Measure for Measure." Measure.

- Whose murderess
  - visited Horsemonger Lane in black satin,
  - disregarded bathroom etiquette.
  - 3. gave him eels boiled in broo.

  - 4. practised window dressing.5. left him with the Roman pointing from the ceiling.
  - 6. first offered refreshments on superior plate.
  - 7. did not stop short at parricide.
  - 8. expressed her opinion that he was dying.
  - 9. never heard the roll of the tumbrils "nor anything else in this world."
  - 10. turned a quaternity into a trinity overnight.
- 1, Patrick O'Connor; 2, Marat or Agamemnon; 3, Lord Randall; 4. Naboth; 5, Tulkinhorn; 6, Sisera; 7, D'Aubray; 8, Young Jemmy Groves; 9, Mme. Defarge; 10, Marie Hamilton's babe.
- 11. What person or class do you connect with
  - 1. G.O.M.
  - 2. V.I.P.
  - 3. P.V.P.M.P.C.
  - 4. D.P.
  - 5. A.L.
  - 6. W.G.

  - B.P.
     R.L.S.
  - K. of K.
  - 10. Three B's.
- 1, Grand Old Man (Gladstone); 2 Very Important Person; 3, Perpetual Vice-President Member Pickwick Club (Joseph Smiggers);
- 4, Displaced Person; 5, Amelia Lehmann, Composer; 6, W. G. Grace; 7. British Public or Baden Powell; 8, Robert Louis Stevenson; 9. Kitchener of Khartoum; 10, Bach, Beethoven, Brahms.
- 1. Whose tiny hand was frozen. 12.

  - Who was not a beauty not a lady.
     Whom did bright eyes fondly regard.
  - 4. Who counselled himself to laugh.
  - 5. For whom was room demanded.
  - Who had sighed to rest him.
  - 7. What shall we notice one fine day.
  - 8. Who were the Star of Renown and the Flower of the Earth.
  - 9. Whose heart softly awoke.
  - 10. Who depended for apparent juvenility on the position of the light.
- 1, Mimi (La Bohème); 2, Marguerite (Faust); 3, The Toreador (Carmen); 4, Pagliacci; 5, The Factotum (Barber of Seville); 6, The Troubadour or Manrico (Il Trovatore); 7, A thread of smoke (Madame Butterfly); 8, Lohengrin and Elsa; 9, Delilah (Samson and Delilah); 2, Pick Atternov's deughter in Tried by Luvry. 10, Rich Attorney's daughter in Trial by Jury.

- 13 Who sailed in the
  - 1. Castor and Pollux.
  - Royal George.
  - 3. Mora.
  - 4. Montrose.
  - Screw.
  - 6. Pelican.
  - Hampshire.
  - 8. Empress of Scotland.
  - 9. Bacchante.
  - 10. Cautious Clara.
- 1,St. Paul; 2 Kempenfeld; 3, William the Conqueror; 4, Crippen; 5. Martin Chuzzlewit; 6, Drake; 7, Kitchener; 8, Princess Elizabeth; 9, George V; 10, Jack Bunsby (Dombey and Son).
- 14. Who or what
  - 1. made a lunatic vault.
  - 2. belied the promise of caudal completeness.
  - 3. found rationing a problem in canine feeding.
  - 4. would have saved a crown by domestic plumbing.
    5. obviated washing up.

  - 6. could sing after the ordeal by fire.
  - let fear triumph over entomology.
  - 8. insisted on ranine courtship.
  - 9. was premature in his East-Anglian progress.
  - 10. was recalled from the northern suburbs.
- 1, The cow; 2, Bopeep's Sheep; 3, Mother Hubbard; 4, Jack (and Jill); 5 Jack Sprat; 6, Four and twenty blackbirds; 7, Miss Muffet; 8, A frog who would a-wooing go; 9, The Man in the Moon; 10, Dick Whittington.
- Of what tragedies were the following the scene 15.
  - r. Gallion's Reach.
  - Sarajevo.
  - 3. Silvertown.
  - 4. Tay Bridge.
  - 5. Kabul.
  - Algoa Bay.
  - Les Couronnes.
  - The Longstones. 9. Marche les Dames.
  - 10: Phœnix Park.
- 1, Loss of "Princess Alice"; 2, Murder of Austrian Crown Prince; 3, Explosion in Chemical Factory; 4, Railway disaster 1879; 5, Massacre of British Garrison; 6, Loss of "Birkenhead"; 7, Paris Underground Railway disaster; 8, Loss of "Forfarshire" (Grace Darling); 9 Death of King Albert of Belgium; 10, Murder of Lord Frederic Cavendish and T. H. Parish Frederic Cavendish and T. H. Burke.

- 16. Who stigmatised whom as
  - Bald head.
  - Cream faced.

  - 3. Butcher's cur.
    4. Twined serpiant.
    5. Full of all subtilty.
    6. Proud Prelate.

  - 7. Cornet of Horse.
  - 8. Unkind, untrue, unknightly.
  - 9. Imperfect ablutioner.
  - 10. Vermin.
- 1, Children—Elisha; 2, Macbeth—Servant; 3, Buckingham—Wolsey; 4 Mrs. Gamp-Mrs. Prig; 5, St. Paul-Elymas; 6, Elizabeth-Bishop of Ely; 7, Walpole—Pitt; 8, Arthur—Bedivere; 9 Pooh Bah—Nanki Poo; 10, Bevan-Tories.
- On what revels did who write the following 17.
  - There was a sound of revelry by night And Belgium's capital had gathered then Her beauty and her chivalry.
  - 2. Sweet remembrancer! Now, good digestion wait on appetite, And health on both!
  - We'll usher him in with a merry din That shall gladden his joyous heart, And we'll keep him up, while there's bite or sup, And in fellowship good, we'll part.
  - 4. Then fill up your glasses as quick as you can, And sprinkle the tables with buttons and bran; Put cats in the coffee and mice in the tea
  - The feast was over in —— tower,
  - And the Ladye had gone to her secret bower.
  - 6. The feast was over the board was cleared, The flawns and the custards had all disappeared.
  - 7. Bacchus, ever fair and young, Drinking joys did first ordain; Bacchus' blessings are a treasure, Drinking is the soldiers' pleasure.
  - 8. I said to the rose, "The brief night goes In babble and revel and wine.'
  - Then on pemican they feasted, Pemican and buffalo marrow, Haunch of deer and hump of bison And the wild rice of the river.
  - For eatin' and drinkin' there's heaps of bin-jean, And milk for the women and jough for the men.
  - Waterloo Ball, Byron; 2, Macbeth's feast, Shakespeare;
- 3 Christmas at Dingley Dell, Dickens; 4, Alice's banquet, Carroll; 5, Feast at Branksome, Scott; 6, Banquet at Rheims, Ingoldsby;
- 7, Alexander's Feast, Dryden; 8, Dance of the Flowers, Tennyson;
- 9, Hiawatha's Wedding Feast, Longfellow; 10, Manx Wedding, W. H. Gill.

18. In 1951

1. How has Joab's task been repeated.

2. What made a "fence" of Arbroath.

3. Where has the Playboy's play been stopped.

4. Who did not find the simian graft infallible.

5. Where did Cavaliers and Roundheads re-open the feud.

6. Who has emulated Blondin.

7. Who has shaken Manyfingers.8. Who has made a final return to her capital.

9. What wilderness is no longer Paradise enow.

10. How has St. Crispin re-edified the Cinque Ports.

The Census; 2, The Scotch Stone; 3, Abbey Theatre, Dublin; 4, Voronoff; 5, Boscobel and Worcester tercentenary; 6. Elleano crossed the Thames on a tightrope; 7, Princess Elizabeth and Indian Chief; 8, Queen Amélie of Portugal; 9, Persia; 10, The Lord Warden became Prime Minister, October 25th.

## CAREERS NOTES

In the Christmas holidays, the Careers Master attended a four day course in London under the auspices of the Shell Oil Company. About twenty representatives from Public Schools were very well entertained at the Company's delightful Shell Lodge, Teddington, where a very detailed picture was given us of the Company's world wide activities, and the opportunities open to boys of the right type. A most interesting visit was paid to their great refinery at Thameshaven, and we saw various excellent films.

We also visited the Ford Works at Dagenham, where in the course of four hours' steady walking we watched the whole process of manufacture from the unloading of the iron ore to the departure of the car on test, and went to Heath Row, after a talk on openings in B.O.A.C. There we saw that impressive sight, the take off of a Comet, and went over a Boeing Stratocruiser. In addition, there was a talk on the Retail Trade by a senior representative of Marks and Spencer.

To deal with them briefly in detail: there are openings in Shell for boys of the right sort in almost any line from expert scientist, physicist, or geologist, to sales representatives at home with Shell BP, and in every part of the world. Generally speaking a University degree is needed, but the main requisite is character—as in almost every business.

For those who wish to go to sea, there are excellent chances with their tanker fleet, Anglo Saxon tankers. Boys can be accepted up to the age of 18, which is older than in most lines, conditions are excellent, and the ships modern. A new departure is planned in the introduction of Engineering Cadetships, which may provide a chance for those whose eyesight is not up to the standard required

for Deck Officers. There is, of course, the objection raised by many that tankers spend very little time in port, and are apt to visit only out of the way places and to miss the more romantic seaports. This does, however, mean that the necessary sea time for promotion is rapidly acquired, and a regular period of shore leave is given, instead of the uncertain leaves of other types of ship.

Fords have various types of opening for those who wish to learn motor engineering but the firm stress that boys entering their works will have to work their way through the factory the hard way, and will need determination, ability, and strength of character to make good. Given these qualifications, there are very good openings.

B.O.A.C. have now started serious recruiting for aircrew. The pay is high, and the standard required is also high. It must be remembered that one reason for the high pay is that the highest health standards are essential, and that failure in the twice-yearly medical examination inevitably involves 'grounding.' National Service in the R.A.F. is a prerequisite, and as 300 hours flying must have been done, a short service commission must be taken.

It may be a shock to those who feel that, though they are unlikely to pass many examinations, they can at least 'go into a shop,' to learn that for any form of retail trade, except perhaps in a family concern, it is nowadays necessary to pass a series of examinations in order to get on.

Finally, reasonably good academic qualifications are becoming increasingly essential; but much more essential is character. Without testimonials to reliability, enthusiasm, and straightforwardness, no important firm will consider a boy. It is also, perhaps, wise to remember that after the '14-'18 war there was for a time a boom, and jobs were easy to get. This did not last. We shall be fortunate if it is possible to maintain 'full employment' in the next few years. Jobs may well become much harder to get, and the wise boy of 15 or so will already try to fit himself, both intellectually and in character, for winning a post against serious competition.

#### CONTEMPORARIES

The Editor acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following magazines:—

The Brightonian, The Bromsgrovian, The Blundellian, The Canturian, The Crosbian, The Dovorian, The Draconian, The Edinburgh Academy Chronical, The Edwardian (Malta), Faraday House Journal, The Gresham School Magazine, The Journal of the Royal Air Force College, The King Edward's School Chronical, the Laxtonian, The Liverpool College Magazine, The Novocastrian, The Rossallian, The Rydallian, The St. Bees School Magazine, The Sedberghian, The Stonyhurst Magazine, The Worksopian.

# O.K.W. SECTION

# Dbituary.

## JOHN FRANK ASHTON (K.W.C. 1893-95)

Died August 25th, 1951, aged 73.

J. F. Ashton entered School House in 1893 and left in 1895. He spent his whole business life in Manchester, and became head of one of the largest firms in the country importing mahogony. He was President of the Manchester Timber Trades Association from 1944-1946.

# THE REVEREND HERBERT MARSH CORLETT (K.W.C 1881-88)

Died January 17th, 1952, aged 81.

H. M. Corlett, son of Parson Corlett the famous chaplain of St. John's, Isle of Man, entered Trafford's (Walters) House in 1881. He was a Praepositor. He went to Trinity College Dublin, and after winning the Downes Divinity Prize in 1892 was ordained in 1893. After serving in many curacies in Lancashire and Yorkshire became vicar of Bawtry in 1911, and Edingly 1935. He retired to the Isle of Man in 1944, and was a constant visitor to College Chapel. He was present at the Old Boys' dinner and K.W.C. Society meeting last July. We offer our sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Corlett, to his brother Arthur (O.K.W.) and his sister.

## MAXWELL CRESSER JONES (K.W.C. 1911-18)

Died November, 28th, 1951, aged 51.

Max Jones came to the Junior House in 1911, with his brother A. U. He was a typical youngster of Yorkshire. He was extraordinarily popular alike with boys and masters all through his school career, the result of a cheerful and optimistic temperament, a charm of manner, and considerable athletic ability. He went to Colbourne House, was given his Rugby colours 1917-18, Cricket colours 1916-17-18. He was a strong swimmer, a first rate shot, and a member of the "Country Life" VIII. He left school for No. 14 Officer Cadet Battalion, but saw no service though he received an Honorary Commission. In Word War II he developed heart trouble which was the cause of his early death. But he took up Civil Defence, and at the time of his death was Deputy Controller of the Huddersfield Civil Defence Centre. Those of us who remember him will always be grateful for the memory of his light-hearted happiness.

#### ERIC LEYLAND MELLOR (K.W.C. 1901-8)

Died October 13th, 1951, aged 61.

Eric Mellor entered School House January 1901. He was the son of Mr. Horace Mellor, J.P., of Beach House, Castletown. His brother P.H. and step-brother F. H. are also O.K.W.s. E. L. was a member of the XI in 1907 and 1908. He left College for Christ

Church, Oxford. He worked as a private tutor for the remainder of his life. In the first World War he joined the Sherwood Foresters, but was invalided out in 1916. At the time of his death (following a serious operation) he was coaching in Kirkwall, Orkney. We extend our sympathy to his brothers and to his step-mother who still live in Castletown.

# THOMAS EVANS MORRIS (K.W.C. 1879-82)

Died January 29th, 1952, aged 88.

Mr. Thomas Evans Morris, for many years a well-known figure on the North Wales and Chester Circuit, died at Portmadoc on Tuesday, 29th January, at the age of 88.

Born in 1863, he was educated at King William's College, Isle of Man, and Queen's College, Cambridge, and was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1890. His intimate knowledge of the Welsh language proved a great asset to the assize courts in North Wales and with cases heard in Welsh at Chester. He held appointments as assistant charity commissioner and Home Office commissioner, and during the 1914-18 war he was a civil liability commissioner.

He was a prominent figure in London Welsh life and an active supporter of Welsh movements in the Metropolis. For 40 years he was honorary secretary of the London Welsh Charitable Aid Society, and was a vice-president of the Cymrodorian Society and the Cambrian Archaelogical Association; and at one time he was honorary secretary to the Council for the Preservation of Rural Wales. He was regarded as an authority on Welsh surnames. About 50 years ago he was Liberal candidate for Lichfield; and for 50 years was a member of the Welsh National Eisteddfod, Gosedd, and in London he was an active member of King's Cross Congregational Church. He retired in 1945.

## NOEL CHARLES PARKES (K.W.C. 1901-10)

Died October 9th, 1951, aged 59.

Noel Parkes was the eldest of four brothers who with their parents and sister lived on the Promenade at Castletown, one family of the many from the Promenade who made up the greater part of "Day Boys" in the early years of this century. He was a tall, handsome, dignified boy, who became Head Boy of his House, by whom he was very much respected. He became Head Praepositor in 1910, was a member (forward) of the XVs of 1908-9-10. He gained entrance to Woolwich, leaving Woolwich with a commission in the Heavy Artillery, but received serious chest wounds, and was invalided out. Since then he lived a very quite life in Somerset. To his sister still living in Castletown, his brothers Revd. F. W.; R. S. S.; and E. L. we extend our very sincere sympathy, as well as to his wife.

## JAMES PRESTT (K.W.C. 1905-10)

Died December 11th, 1951, aged 57.

Jimmy Prestt was a completely irrepressible, and cheerful school boy who entered the Junior House, and joined his brother later in Colbourne House. He was scrum-half in 1909-10 XV. His home was in Wigan, and to that town he returned and spent the rest of his life. In World War I he served successively in the R.A.S.C., the Motor Transport, and the Garrison Artillery. He leaves a widow and family to whom we extend our sincere sympathy.

WILLIAM BERNARD RUSSELL MYLCHREEST (K.W.C. 1902-5)
Died in 1951.

FRANCIS FORBES GERMAN (K.W.C. 1902-5)

Died 22nd January, 1952.

JAMES PERCIVAL CRITCHLEY (K.W.C. 1896-99) Died January, 1951.

ERNEST ORR (K.W.C. 1901-05)

Died 5th January, 1948.

### O.K.W. NEWS

- MAJOR F. H. MELLOR (School, 1905-15) now lives in Morocco, where he is Editor of the English paper "Tangier Gazette."
- A. HARVEY JONES (Walters, 1925-28) has been appointed Brigadier in command of 96 A.G.A. (A.A.) T.A., with Headquarters at St. George's Buildings, Liverpool.
- J. D. DYSON (Hunt, 1938-42) received his M.A. at Cambridge last Easter. He is at present working with the Naval Construction Research Establishment at Rosyth Dockyard as an Assistant Experimental Officer, and reports that the work is most interesting. He is also Scoutmaster of a Troop of 48 scouts in Rosyth. Despite his activities, however, he bewails the fact that O.K.W.s seem very scarce in that part of the country.
- T. B. WEBB (Colbourne, 1928-32) was appointed Chief Research Engineer of Babcock and Wilcox Ltd. last October.
- P. B. FARRER (Hunt, 1939-44) has been awarded a Casberd Exhibition in "P.P.E." at St. John's College, Oxford. This success follows the similar award to Peter Nelson a year ago.
- NOTICE:—This year the K.W.C. Society are publishing a new list of MEMBERS. If any member has recently changed or is about to change his address, will he please notify R. L. THOMSON, c/o The Bursar's Office, K.W.C., as soon as possible, in order that the list may be as accurate as possible.
- D. C. BARDSLEY (1943-49) (Junior-Walters) has been awarded his Rugby Colours for Maintenance Command, Royal Air Force. This team was the runner-up in the Inter-Command Championships, 1951.

DR. M. S. FRASER (1932-37) (Walters) has been appointed lecturer in Child Health in the University of Aberdeen.

#### ENGAGEMENT

G. H. RAMSDEN (1927-37) to Inez Barbara Nye of Belgrano, Buenos Aires.

#### BIRTH

M. S. FRASER (1932-37)—on 25th November, 1951, twin sons.

## KING WILLIAM'S COLLEGE SOCIETY

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We have no addresses for the following members and would request O.K.W.s who can give any information about these "dead letters '' to send it to R. L. Thomson, c/o Bursar's Office, K.W.C.

A. C. H. Adams, 1931-33 K. A. Arends, 1939-45

J. E. T. Asbury, 1919-23 J. A. Ashworth, 1893-4

A. V. Aston, 1941-43 T. V. Brenan, 1901-06.

The Ven. Archdeacon P. H. Chapman, 1881-5

G. H. Charleton, 1901-07

C. C. Clarke, 1927-31 A. F. Corvin, 1943-46

I. D. Crompton, 1930-34

W. R. Danby, 1901-03 D. R. Ding, 1927-29

A. C. Draycott, 1924-27

K. E. Dunford, 1917-21

F. J. Elvy, 1939-41 W. D. Evers-Swindell, 1939-42

G. A. P. Gray, 1934-37 E. S. Hitchen, 1934-37

F. W. Hobdey, 1899-01

J. R. Harvey, 1920-24

L. Adamson, 1903-05

G. Anderson, 1895-99 A. D. Asbury, 1930-34

R. E. W. Asbury, 1927-29

T. H. Barklie, 1924-29

J. Buchanan, 1919-21 A. Bennison, 1925-28

Group Captain G. E. Church, 1916-17

W. P. A. Clough, 1930-34

Lieut. /Col. P. G. W. M. Coke,

M.B.E., 1925-29 S. Danby, D.S.O., M.C., 1897-

99 R. W. E. Day, 1925-30

D. W. Drucquer, 1918-19 W. G. Edmondson, 1926-28

G. M. Evans, 1946-48

M. J. Fowler, 1945-46

J. A. Hilton, 1910-19 J. Hammond, 1899-04.

H. P. Harvey, 1922-27

N. E. Heinje, 1936-40
P. L. Hardy, 1929-31
M. P. Hilditch, 1927-33
J. H. Hudson, 1930-35
S. G. Jackson, 1922-27
E. H. Jonson, 1929-30
R. Kermode, 1926-29
I. B. Kerrison, 1941-42
D. B. Kirkpatrick, 1932-35
P. J. C. Lace, 1944-47
W. Lister, 1919-23
A. J. G. R. Mack, 1946-48
G. N. Makinson, 1948-50
J. L. McArthur, 1929-31
C. Mellor, 1905-12
R. B. Mellor, 1921-23
S. H. Midgley, 1924-26
J. E. P. Nelson, 1927-31
Lt./Col. G. L. Peace, 1908-12
R. D. Pendlebury, 1922-31
H. D. Pickering, 1904-07
E. D. Pringle, 1924-28
E. W. Riley, 1924-25
E. W. K. Sidebottom, 1919-22
C. H. Simm, 1918-22
J. G. Smith, 1897-06
G. Tattersall, 1924-29
J. E. Tonkin, 1934-38
Dr. R. Whitehead, 1917-21
N. W. E. Wight, 1936-41
H. W. Williams, 1937-40
L. Wyatt, 1921-27

G. W. Hoyle, 1920-22 H. Hay, 1930-34 J. Higginbotham, 1941-47 G. B. Hobson, 1927-31 G. B. Housell, 1927-31
G. C. Hunter, 1937-41
T. L. Johnson, 1936-37
H. T. Kennaugh, 1936-41
H. C. Kewley, 1924-28
J. E. Kneen, 1940-47
F. L. Lees, 1924-26 Capt. A. W. Lowis, R.N., 1886-88 A. P. Mansfield, 1932-41 H. McCombe, 1925-32 J. G. Moorcroft, 1934-37 D. G. Muir, 1940-45 C. K. Nelson, 1927-31 J. A. Nickson, 1946-49 R. E. Ost, 1898-1900 H. Peacock, 1931-34 G. C. Poland, 1933-39 W. F. Prestwich, 1928-33 F. D. Redmond, 1925-27 B. A. Rothwell, 1930-33 J. D. Sheard, 1936-40 I. J. Sladen, 1932-37 M. Swain, 1929-32 T. A. Stewart, 1928-35
B. E. Tomlinson, 1905-12
J. R. Troop, 1922-26
A. A. Whiteside, 1892-97
C. R. Williams, 1926-28 Rev. F. G. Wood, 1926-30

The Old Boys Cricket Match will take place on Saturday and Monday July 26th and 28th. Anybody wanting to play in the team should write to S. Boulter, Esq., at K.W.C.

# MANCHESTER O.K.W. SOCIETY

The Annual Dinner of the Society was held at The Reform Club, Manchester, on Friday, 4th January, 1952. The President of the Society, R. H. Woods (1923-28) occupied the Chair. The guests on this ocasion were the Principal, Vice-Principal and C. P. Yates (1895-1902), the President of the Liverpool Society. The toast of "College" was proposed by W. R. Cubbon (1916-26) and responded to by the Vice-Principal. The toast "Our Guests" was proposed by R. L. Ellis (1929-32) and responded to by C. P. Yates.

A most enjoyable time was had and, in addition to those mentioned above, the following were present:—

Officials and Committee:

Past Presidents: J. G. Brown (1917-22); E. W. Potterton (1912-20); R. L. Thomson (1915-19).

Officials: G. Aplin (1928-30) Hon. Secretary & Treasurer.

Committee: A. Aplin (1924-27); W. Ball (1921-23); R. K. Clough (1923-27); R. Crellin (1944-46); R. C. Shepherd (1918-21); R. Shillinglaw (1913-17); F. Withnall (1909-16).

Members and Guests: F. R. Abraham (1943-46); A. B. Acton (1943-49); H. Burgess (1919-24); G. S. Barlow (1942-47); J. M. Buxton (1916-21); P. D. Burton (1924-31); R. Burton (1937-41); J. M. Cowan (1922-27); E. Craven (1908-18); E. M. Chadwick (1912-16); W. S. Davies (1919-23); K. Darwent (1912-19); A. N. Dewhurst (1918-29); J. L. Darwent (1939-47); H. C. Easton (1917-22); R. N. P. Holt (1927-35); J. T. Hyde (1923-27); C. K. Hill (1935-43); A. Harvey Jones (1925-28); P. B. Jones (1941-47); T. Kirkpatrick (1919-21); R. B. Kelly (1926-29); D. V. D. Marshall (1908-12); J. L. Moulton (1940-48); P. S. Nelson (1939-48); J. C. A. Ormrod (1928-31); P. Padfield (1926-29); J. H. Preston (1913-17); N. S. Smith (1913-18); R. Sugden (1919-23); W. Stonex (1908-10); J. J. Shepherd (1943-46); L. G. Slack (1939-41); N. A. Thompson (1926-29); J. R. Tweedale (1925-26); G. K. Tutton (1924-31); F. Wood (1903-08); J. Whitehead (1926-30); S. L. Williams (1910-17); N. S. Worthington (1916-20).

### LIVERPOOL AND DISTRICT O.K.W. SOCIETY

The Annual Dinner was held at The Constitutional Club, Liverpool, on Friday, December 14th, 1951.

The President, Mr. C. P. Yates (1895-1902), was in the Chair and the following guests were there:

The Principal; S. Boulter, A. J. Bailey, D. W. Usherwood, R. W. H. Boyns (Staff); J. P. Honey (Secretary and Bursar); A. J. Grant; The President of the Barrovian Society, Canon E. H. Stenning; The President of the Manchester Society, R. H. Woods (1923-28); and E. C. Wheeler, son of one of our oldest Old Boys.

Apologies were received from the Presidents of the K.W.C. and the London Societies.

Members of the Liverpool Society present were as follows: -

C. E. Locke (1896-03); R. A. Chandler (1900-04); R. H. Richardson (1901-05); G. Batcheldor (1901-07); G. W. Graves (1917-20); N. D. Rycroft (1918-22); G. C. Humphreys (1918-24); P. E. Walls (1919-22); K. Griffiths (1920-25); W. S. Wicks (1920-25); C. Munro (1921-23); J. de H. Erricks (1921-24); S. W. Caldwell (1922-24); K. H. Porter (1922-25); R. K. Evans (1922-26); J. S. Skeaping (1922-29); F. S. Adcock (1922-30); F. Griffiths (1923-27); J. R. Walker (1924-30); H. W. Corkhill (1926-31); J. M. Miller (1927-29);

D. B. Wallis (1927-32); A. M. Poole (1925-28); G. F. Harnden (1928-31); J. C. D. Dixon (1928-33); E. B. B. Smith (1929-32); A. J. Schofield (1929-37); G. Porter (1930-33); D. C. Parsons (1931-33); H. L. Storey (1931-39); F. C. Gaskin (1931-40); K. R. Imlach (1932-44); W. G. Petty (1933-38); A. R. Hack (1934-41); G. B. Read (1934-43); H. D. Ross (1935-40); C. R. Wilson (1935-47); J. C. Cain (1936-45); D. M. Kent (1937-40); M. E. C. Bemrose (1938-44); I. R. Lowe (1938-44); K. J. Meadows (1938-45); D. B. Roberts (1940-44); D. Dixon-Phillip (1940-44); D. G. Muir (1940-45); M. F. Hosking (1940-49); R. Dixon-Phillip (1941-44); P. B. Jones (1941-47); P. Wilkinson (1942-45); G. Bussey (1943-48); B. Stoner (1944-49); W. I. Graham (1944-49); M. Graham (1944-50); J. I. Turner (1945-50); J. Stoner (1945-50); J. R. Arthur (1946-49); J. M. Kniveton (1946-49).

The Toastmaster, G. F. Harnden, used during the evening a suitably engraved Board and Gravel, made from the oak newel posts from the old hostel of College and very kindly presented to the Society by Major K. S. S. Henderson.

There were sixty-eight members and guests present, which was a very good muster considering the nearness of Christmas.

## LONDON O.K.W. SOCIETY

As final arrangements were being made for the London Dinner, fixed for 8th February, news was received of the sudden death of H.M. the King, on 6th February. The Committee considered cancelling the Dinner immediately, but as there was no means of notifying the many O.K.W.s who were known to be coming from distant parts of the country, it was eventually decided to carry on with the arrangements. Moreover it was felt that O.K.W.s in general regarded the Dinner not as an ordinary social function but as their primary means of maintaining or renewing their contact with the school.

The others invited from College were however advised, with regret, to defer their visit until the next occasion. The Principal, who had already left for London, and the Presidents of the K.W.C. Liverpool and Manchester Societies were present as guests, and the total number attending the Dinner was about 50,

The proceedings were kept formal, without the usual speeches, and before grace a minute's silence was observed in His Majesty's memory.

The Society accepted gratefully the gift from Major K. S. S. Henderson of a handsome gavel and board, made of oak from an old Hostel newel-post.

The Dinner took place at Brown's Hotel, Dover Street, W.I. The following officers were elected for the year 1952-53:—

President: L. Shingleton, Esq., O.B.E. Proposed by W. L. Kelly; Seconded by B. Cullen. (for 2 years)

- Vice-President: W. L. Kelly, Esq., O.B.E. Proposed by B. Cullen; Seconded by C. G. Barnes.
- Committee: E. H. Allen, C. J. W. Bell (Hon. Sec.), A. Child, J. B. Cullen, D. Teare, W. R. Williams.
- Retiring Committee Members: Messrs, R. T. Foulds, R. M. Glass and D. C. Greenfield, who received a hearty vote of thanks for their good offices.

The Toasts were as follows: -

- "The Royal Toast" ...... President of the Society.
- "The College" W. L. Kelly, Esq., O.B.É.
  "Reply" The Principal,
  "Our Guests" H. F. Anderson, Esq. F.R.C.S.
- " Reply " ...... N. G. Thomson, Esq.

The following guests and members were present:—

W. L. Kelly (1919-25) President, The Principal, N. G. Thomson (1907-14) President K.W.C. Society, R. H. Woods (1923-28) President Manchester Society, C. P. Yates (1896-1902) President Liverpool Society.

College entry pre 1914: C. T. Butler, G. H. Hudson, H. W. P. McMeekin, S. L. Quine, L. Shingleton, E. F. J. Sharp, W. Watterson, C. P. Veter son, C. P. Yates.

College entry 1915-30: E. H. Allen, A. Aplin, H. Anderson, G. Bowman Smith, G. Brown, C. G. Barnes, R. W. Barnes, R. C. Berry, R. V. Bradshaw, A. Child, B. Cullen, R. W. Clough, T. F. Dodd, R. M. Glass, G. F. Harnden, J. M. Howard, A. W. Kerruish, L. Roe, J. H. Sherwen, B. B. Swylie, N. A. Thomson, R. D. Teare, E. S. Tiddeman, A. Walton-Smith.

College entry 1931-on: C. J. W. Bell, M. W. Bond, G. T. Davy, J. S. Fitt, P. Fitt, M. F. Hosking, D. G. D. Haws, J. J. Kewley, H. G. Mullins (master) B. I. D. McMeekin, C. K. S. Moore-Browne, J. G. Podmore, W. Quine, G. Shimmin, W. R. Williams.

# OXFORD LETTER

This term, as last, there are 15 O.K.W.s in residence at Oxford. Over half of us are in our final year, and since it is a time honoured Oxford custom to cover a three-year syllabus in one's last two terms, we have reached the stage of having firmly to put pleasures aside and spend some, at least, of our time in libraries or at lectures. An exception to the general rule is John Moulton, whose day begins at noon and ends about 4 a.m. and is spent dispensing a large variety of little-known wines to his many friends either in his room or at the Carlton and in arranging presumably shady but none the less profitable dealings in stamps and shares. He plans to spend Easter in Spain, and though the reason for his visit is not quite clear, it is

certain that a country whose bars do not close until 2 or 3 a.m. inevitably has its attractions for him.

Also at St. Peter's Hall is Noel Turner, who this term has won golden opinions for his acting in his College play—the "Isis" did not mention him in its "crit' and that is praise indeed. Charles Caine has, we understand, accepted the post of conductor of a choir, and also that of captain of St. Peter's Hall 2nd XV, but other information about him is difficult to obtain except from publicans and barmaids.

At St. John's Peter Farrer, now in his fourth year the doyen of Oxford O.K.W.s and so far the only married man amongst us, divides his time between work and house-hunting. He has been awarded a Casberd Exhibition, and while no one outside St. John's seems to know what this is, we nevertheless understand that it is a considerable achievement. Gordon Craine, to the best of our knowledge and belief, remains buried in the Clarendon Lab. or wherever scientists do bury themselves, while Robin Cain's favourite pastime seems to be regaling his friends with tales of the bodies he cuts up in the Medical School; he has perfected his technique for making the flesh creep. Geoffrey Crellin, when asked about his doings, assured us that he had done nothing, which seemed difficult to believe, so we concluded that he must have something discreditable to conceal, but exhaustive enquiries have so far failed to elicit what it is. Peter Nelson is another who is reticent about himself; he moves in philosophical and other highly intellectual circles and even has some idea what philosophy is all about.

At Keble Neil Scott is still hobbling about with a stick, and his leg injury has kept him off the river for two terms now but he hopes to be able to row in Eights in the summer; we all join in hoping that his recovery will not be long delayed. Stephens is something of a mystery man, and very little about him is known, but Stoner boasts of having celebrated the end of a merry party by carrying off a trophy in the form of a name-plate at the end of a street; but beyond the fact that the plate in question is indeed missing we have no means of checking his account, the more so since neither he nor his companions are quite sure how it all happened. Philip Jones has now retired from active participation in University politics, but even four months of Conservative government have not shaken his adherence to his party's cause. Prominent on his mantelpiece is the photograph of a young lady to whom he is reported to be devotedly attached, but in love nothing is certain, and all rumours have been firmly denied.

At Exeter Ian Stewardson is in his last year before going on to the Theological College where, we understand, it is the custom to have two years of riotous living before entering upon the slavery of the dog-collar. At Magdalen is Paul Piehler, who is frequently to be seen in the restaurants frequented by the élite of undergraduate society, but who none the less stood for election to the committee of a near Communist organisation without, however, being successful. Last, but not least, is Ian Scott, at Merton, who is stroking his

College's first boat in Torpids later in the term, and who is at present undergoing the iron régime of training, dieting and abstinence inseparable from such an honourable but onerous position.

The only O.K.W meeting so far this term has been a beer-party in Ian Scott's rooms, at which your present correspondent was commissioned in his absence to write this letter, but next term, when so many of us will be going down, it is hoped to arrange a dinner before we scatter to jobs in the four corners of the earth and start the grim business of earning our living and of looking back on these happy days when we are

OXONIENSES.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Colbourne House,
King William's College,
Castletown,
Isle of Man.

25th February.

To the Editor of the Barrovian.

Dear Sir,

For many years there has been a 'tapestry' in Hostel study No. 1. This consists of a brown background emblazoned with 5 'College Crests,' a large one in the centre, and 4 smaller ones, in each corner. Just below the main crest is a monogram consisting of a 'W' superimposed on a 'G.' We are interested in its origin—can any Old Boy help us in our quest?

Yours faithfully,

"the occupants of No. 1."

