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SCHOOL OFFICERS:

Prefects: G. ARATOON.

J. McLEOD.

L. KEEP.

J. PULLIN.

Sub-Prefects : L. BLOORE.

P. COMPTON.

F. DEWHURST.

J. FENNINGS.

H. GREGORY.

D. LEWIS.

G. LAMPARD.

R. RIPLEY.

Football Captain : J. McLEOD.

Vice-Captain: R. RIPLEY.

Captain of Beatty House: L. KEEP.

Captain of Nelson House: G. ARATOON.

Captain of Rodney House: R. SMITH.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Examination Results.—The results of the School Certificate and Oxford Junior Local Examinations held in July are as follows:—School Certificate (Oxford).

P. A. Compton, Third Class Honours, Exemption from London Matriculation, Oxford Responsions, and Cambridge Previous.

L. Bloore, Pass, Exemption from Oxford Responsions and Cambridge Previous.

F. R. Dewhurst .. Pass. J. M. D. Fennings .. Pass. L. V. Keep .. Pass.

J. McLeod .. Pass.

R. E. Selwyn .. Pass.

OXFORD LOCAL JUNIOR.

O. B. Parker .. First Class Honours.

G. P. Drane .. Third Class Honours.
R. J. Ripley ... Third Class Honours.

G. G. Harris .. Pass.

C. K. Hodges .. Pass. J. S. Payne .. Pass.

R. W. Simpson .. Pass.

C. B. Stansbury .. Pass.

K. V. Stock .. Pass.

STORTFORD COLLEGE EXHIBITION.

G. P. Drane gained an open exhibition offered by Stortford College, being placed sixth out of fifteen competitors. His parents have, however, decided that he shall stay at Harlow.

War Memorial Prizes for English Literature.—The prizes this term were awarded as follows:—

Upper Fifth—(1) P. A. Compton; (2) R. E. Selwyn; (3) L. Bloore.

Lower Fifth—(1) B. Parker; (2) K. Hodges; (3) G. Drane.

Fourth Form—(1) G. C. Pearce; (2) H. J. Coats and F. R. Dick see.

Remove—(1) R. A. Cakebread; (2) H. E. M. Minett; (8) E. Judd.

Third Form—(1) M. Lawrence; (2) R. C. Constable; (3) E. A. J. Healey and N. S. Smith.

Second Form—(1) G. Jefferys; (2) P. Webster; (3) D. Frost and G. D. Chater.

Special Prizes.—The Seabrook Memorial Prizes established in memory of an old master, the late Lieutenant H. S. Seabrook, and awarded to the pupils who do best in Mathematics in the annual School Certificate and Oxford Local Junior Examinations respectively, were gained by P. A. Compton and B. Parker. The prize given annually by Monsieur H. Renauleaud to the best pupil of the year in French was won by L. Bloore.

Royal Drawing Society Examination.—There were 89 papers sent in this year. Of these, 19 passed with honours, 43 reached honours standard but were over age for the certificate, and 20 gained a pass. The winners of Honours Certificates were:—

PREPARATORY-J. A. Parker, J. W. Parker, P. Bennet, and K.

Constable.

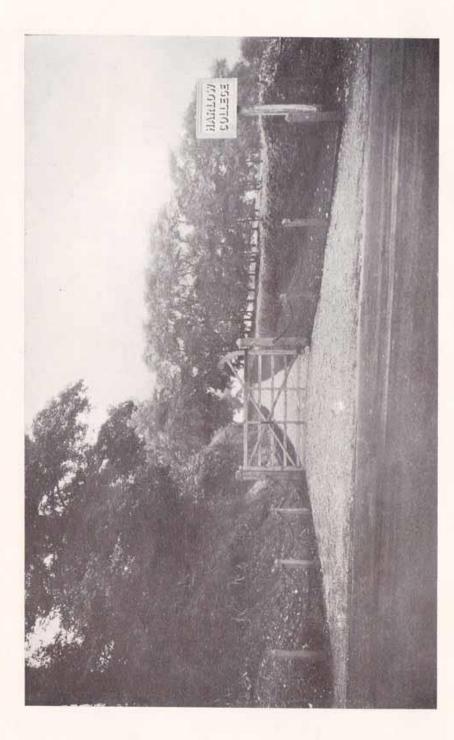
DIVISION I.—B. Browne, H. E. M. Minett, J. Bird, J. Seed, and G. Hill.

DIVISION II.—B. Browne, H. E. M. Minett, R. A. Cakebread, E. J. Copas, R. Westell, J. Ross, and A. Frank.

Division III.—B. Browne, K. A. Collins, and J. Hale.

Parting Gift to the School.—We acknowledge with grateful thanks a cheque for £2 10s. 0d. sent by Mrs. Bloore as a gift to the School on the departure of her second son, Leonard, and the termination of a connection which began with the entry of her elder son, R. G. Bloore, in January, 1919, and which lasted therefore 12½ years. The money will probably be expended partly on the wireless set and partly on the Library.

Harlow College Scholarship Examination.—There were this year 17 candidates for the free scholarship given annually at Harlow College. The examination was a written intelligence test devised by the National Institute of Industrial Psychology, and the marks ranged from 266 to 180, the winning candidate being M. B. Maskell, a pupil of Fawbert and Barnard's School.



The Headmaster is giving these scholarships partly as an experiment, to obtain evidence on the relative value of intelligence tests and the official examination held by the County Authorities. It will be very interesting to compare the scholastic career of Maskell, who failed in the County Examination, with that of another of the 17 competitors, who was lower on our list, but who was accepted by the County and will join us in September.

New Entrance to the College.—Ever since the College was built, it has been evident that the awkward, winding approach from the south formed an entrance altogether unworthy of a dignified building like the College, and we have long wished to have a drive made direct from the main London road. It has been impossible to do so, however, because the owners refused to sell the necessary strip of land. That difficulty has at length been overcome, and the roadway so long wanted is now actually in existence, as the illustration on the

adjoining page shows.

The road was constructed by Messrs. Mewburn & Co., of Burnt Mill, and is a sound piece of work. It is very solidly built, ample provision has been made for drainage, and the surface consists of tar and shingle. On either side there will soon be a strip of lawn, and at the entrance there is a handsome oak gate and extra width of road to allow easy approach and exit for cars. The drive turns into the garden of the Headmaster's House, and another gate gives access to the small field for cars whose drivers wish to go that way to the College. The new road has been much admired, and is undoubtedly a great addition to the School.

Proposed Bazaar in May.—We are hoping to organise a bazaar to be held in the College grounds in May, with the object of raising funds for the Harlow Young People's Sports Association, an organisation which has recently been formed in order to develop and properly equip the Harlow Recreation Ground. This field, presented to the parish by Captain Hoare, is excellently situated but is almost unusable in its present condition. The comment printed below from the Herts and Essex Observer will perhaps explain the object of the bazaar more clearly.

Praiseworthy Undertaking at Harlow.—The members of the Harlow Parish Council were asked at their meeting this week to give unofficial approval to a proposal to raise funds for forming a Young People's Sports Association and providing proper equipment for various games on the Harlow Recreation Ground. The proposal, which comes from Mr. E. P. Horsey, Headmaster of Harlow College, is indeed a commendable one, and the provision of good facilities for young people's games cannot have other than a beneficial effect upon the public in general. In this case, the expenditure of public money does not enter into the question, and it is hoped

to raise a sum sufficient for the purpose by appealing to representatives of interested organisations and to the public. Healthy recreation does a great deal towards forming healthy minds and bodies, and with proper organisation, such an Association as is here suggested should prove a splendid asset to the parish of Harlow. The Parish Councillors agreed to give their "blessing" to the project, and a circular letter is to be sent to representatives of the Churches, the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, and other young people's organisations. We hope the scheme will meet with the success it deserves, and congratulate Harlow upon once more setting a good example.

The plan is to utilise our boys' skill in handicraft work to make saleable articles of various kinds. The boys will be invited only to give their time and work; raw material will be supplied. We much hope that the idea that the "Old Coll." may be largely instrumental in conferring a lasting benefit on the town will appeal to them strongly. In the two Hobbies Exhibitions which have been already held they have proved conclusively that they are capable of making a great many things that would find a ready sale, and, given good will on their part, we have no doubt of the success of the undertaking.

In addition to articles made by the boys, we hope to have on sale various things presented by parents of pupils and by other friends; and if the proposal appeals sufficiently to any of our readers to induce them to send a money contribution to help on the good cause we shall be very grateful.

In view of the emphasis laid at Harlow on encouraging handicrafts and hobbies in spare time, the following extract from a recent number of *The Observer* seems appropriate. It is headed "The Obsolescent Hand," and runs thus:—

"The chief secret of boredom, according to Sir Arnold Wilson, at the Modern Churchmen's Conference, is useless hands. It is one of the mistakes of education to have given the brain all the work and all the dignity, for it is an excessive load for the average brain to carry. Those who do not depend on manual labour have all the more reason to keep their balance by manual recreation. Many of our modern devices rob the hand of its functions of self-expression: the very pen is going the way of the piano. It seems a sound contention that the school should do something to counter unhandiness."

The Small Field.—During the past term we carried through a big change in the small field. In former years the field has been roughly cut, and in summer time a few practice cricket pitches have been made on it. This spring, however, a combination of circumstances enabled us to make the greater portion as level as a tennis court, and to play our cricket matches on it instead of on the large

field. The boundaries, of course, are smaller, but there are great compensating advantages, particularly the nearness to the College and the better surface. The cricket should improve, too, as the level surface encourages hitting along the ground and gives opportunity for practising fielding.

During the winter and spring terms in future, the senior boys will have a part allotted to them on the outside for goal shooting practice, but no practice games will be played in the small field except at the tennis court end by the smallest boys. There is ample room in the large field for three games to go on at the same time. We hope, too, before next cricket season, to put the portion that is still uncut into perfect order. This will mean a certain amount of hard work, as the outer part of the field, having been little used before, is very rough. But to have a playing field adjacent to the School that can be regularly

mown all over is well worth the trouble involved, and no doubt we

shall have plenty of willing helpers.

St. Swithin.—Last year we commented on the fact that, for the first time within living memory, the legend about St. Swithin seemed to have some foundation in fact. Now it appears as if the angry saint was establishing a regular habit, and that we must, as a matter of course, expect the last half of the summer term to be a wash-out. We wonder whether our readers know the following doggerel verse which was popular years ago?

Dirty days hath September,
April, June and November;
From January unto May
The rain, it raineth every day.
And all the rest have thirty-one,
Without a blessed gleam of sun;
And if any did have two and thirty,
'Twould be just as wet, and twice as dirty!

However, in spite of St. Swithin, we had a very pleasant term on the whole. Whit-Monday was magnificent, we had a glorious fortnight before St. Swithin's Day, and the Cycling Club had several enjoyable rides between storms. The swimming sports took place without more wet than was absolutely necessary, and the tennis court, though slow, dried quickly and was usable far more often than one would have expected. Most of all, the levelling and mowing of the small field made play possible whenever it was not raining, and so added immensely to the happiness of the term. Still, we hope St. Swithin will take a season off next year.

The Cycle Club.—Notwithstanding the vile weather, the Cycle Club had quite a successful season and made several very enjoyable excursions. We started the term with what has now become quite a precedent—a ride to Mr. Horsey's old school at Waltham Cross, or rather to the place where the school once stood, as the grounds have now been converted into a public park and a war tank stands on its former site. On the second trip we roamed through Hatfield Forest, where the great attractions are the boating on the lake and the swimming pool at the Silk Mills. As last year, we ended by having tea in the charming Clipped Hedge Tea Rooms.

On one of our rides we had a great surprise. On going into a little, usually nearly empty church in the heart of Epping Forest, we found it packed with people, who had come to hear the Bishop of Chelmsford. However, we found seats, and at the end of the service we were warmly greeted at the porch door by the Bishop himself. On another occasion we witnessed a flying exhibition of gliders and aeroplanes; so the Club manages to combine quite a variety of interests with their efforts on the wheel.

K.W.

The Tuck Shop.—The tuck shop continues to flourish under the able management of Miss Ward. The profits for last term amounted to £5 5s. 9d., compared with £3 6s. 1d. for the Easter term, and £3 0s. 0d. of the debt of £4 15s. 0d. incurred for the wireless has now been repaid. The accounts are given below.

Receipts.				Expendit	ure.				
	£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.
Balance from last term .	0	11	2	Wireless			4	15	0
Profit on Sweets	4	1	10	Cycle Club		100	1	13	4
Profit on Biscuits	1	0	11	Hobbies			0	6	6
Tennis Balls	0	3	0	Wastage	• •		0	2	6
Due to Headmaster	1	15	0	Postage			0	1	21
				In hand			0	14	$4\frac{1}{2}$
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The School Library.—We gratefully acknowledge the following books—parting gifts to the School Library:—

From A. Cantor: The White Feather, by Wodehouse.

From K. Wickham Jones: Orange and Green, by Henty; Black Tulip, by Dumas; False Evidence, by Oppenheim; The Captains and the Kings, by Goodyear.

We have also received from "A Friend" a complete set of Macaulay's Essays and a copy of Weyman's Gentleman of France. Visit to the Zoo.—A party of twenty-seven junior boys, in charge of Miss Jessie, Miss Ward, Miss Salmon and Mr. Barraud, went to the Zoological Gardens on July 8th, travelling up by motor coach from door to door. The weather was fine and the party, armed with packets of lunch, started off at ten o'clock, in high spirits. The outing, as usual, proved full of enjoyment for everyone, and there was ample time to visit the various houses, the Aquarium, and Mappin Terrace, and to have rides on the elephants, before all met for tea, to which ample justice was done.

Tea over, good positions were secured for watching the chimpanzees' tea party, and this event was a very happy and amusing ending to a red-letter day. After buying many picture postcards to let our friends and relatives get some idea of all we had been seeing, we steered for the gates and boarded the coach, arriving back at Harlow in time to narrate our adventures before the ringing of the Curfew.

On Alexandra Day Roses were sold in the School and £1 11s. 8d. collected.

Salvete.

S. F. Brown, J. Filbee, E. Judd, M. Lawrence, L. M. Leapman, J. W. G. Parker.

Valete.

G. Calle, H. A. Cantor, F. G. Heat, B. James, K. W. Jones, A. Knight, B. Robinson, E. Selwood, V. Wellings, H. Wellings, C. Wellings.

OLD HARLOVIANS.

The Past v. Present Football Match will be played on Saturday, November 7th, when we hope to see a good muster of Old Harlovians and a well-fought game. Last year's meeting was the most enjoyable one we have ever had, thanks partly to the large number of Old Harlovians who were present, but chiefly, to quote the words of our reporter, O.J.M., "to the excellence and variety of entertainment which followed the supper, when everyone with a singing voice seemed to have brought his songs along with him." We greatly hope that history will repeat itself this year, with the trifling exception that we should like the victory to go to the Present. Will those wishing to play please send in their names as early as possible to F. Dutton, Churchgate Street, Harlow.

Hearty congratulations to F. Toms, D. H. Mason, and E. S. Curtis on passing the Higher School Certificate Examination. Toms and Mason won open entrance scholarships from Harlow to Mill Hill School, and Curtis to Stortford College, and they have all three brought honour to the "Old Coll." Curtis must have made a record. It is only just five years since he left the elementary school, and he is only a few weeks more than 17 years old.

Hearty congratulations also to Geoffrey Clark on winning a Kitchener Scholarship to Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, from Merchant Taylors School.

Hearty congratulations also to E. Dutton on passing the final examination of the Chartered Accountants Institute. He is now at Bognor Regis managing a branch of the business of H. Lillywhite, another Old Harlovian.

It is with much regret that we announce the death, in South Africa, of Doctor Hugh Towne, the younger son of Mr. Horsey's predecessor, the Rev. L. B. Towne. He was educated at Harlow College and on leaving school entered the medical profession, and went to South Africa. He paid a long visit to the College in 1906, and a shorter one in 1916, while he was over here with the South Africans during the war. We offer our sincere sympathy to Miss Towne and the rest of his family.

The following Old Harlovians have visited the College since our last issue:—R. F. S. Abbott, L. Abbott, B. Alexander, G. Adamson, R. Bloore, A. Cantor, D. Clark, G. Clark, B. Cohen, F. Dutton, H. Fenn, F. P. Hale, L. Hale, R. Heath, F. Horsey, R. Hills, W. Horley, R. Keep, J. Keigh, R. Lanking, H. Nelson C. Pullin, W. Rintoul, W. Roles, G. Rowe, B. Smith, N. Smith, and F. Vasey.

PAST V. PRESENT.

This year's gathering will always be a landmark in the Cricket History of the College, for in this match, batting for the Old Harlovians, P. Hale scored the first century ever made either for or against the School. Sixties and seventies have been fairly plentiful, eighties not unheard of, while Horley only a few seasons ago scored 94, but the magical hundred had not, until this occasion, been attained.

This mighty innings came as something of a shock to us, too, for,

with the useful total of 124 on the board, we thought we ought to be able to "put it across" the Old Boys. But as Hale's score went up, our hopes went down, disappearing altogether when he reached his hundred. It was, nevertheless, a most enjoyable game. The practice of playing on the small field, adjoining the College, was voted an excellent scheme by all the Old Boys. Here it is possible to get quite a good wicket and outfield, and since football is not to be played there this winter, next season should see some definitely good wickets. The effect on the batting of the School was very pronounced, almost every man, as the score shows, acquitting himself well. Aratoon scored a hectic 19. Tarling, a surprise packet, who is always getting runs when least expected, 17, two of his hits being sixes; while Ripley's 10 included a glorious square cut to the boundary, one of the finest shots of the game. "Nipper" Hale followed up a useful innings of 13 not out (several of these runs being made off his elder brother's bowling) by some fine wicket-keeping, dismissing Speake with a beautiful catch.

If the match was better than usual, the attendance was worse, probably owing to the date, being very inconvenient for the many Old Boys who work in banks, and who are very busy at this time. This did not seem, however, in any way to damp the enthusiasm of those who were present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent in singing choruses and "swopping yarns."

T. LE CREN.

Scores :--

PRESENT.

C. K. Hodg	es, ct	. F. Vasey	, bowle	d Rev. A	bbott	0	
T. Le Cren,	ct. I	. Hale, b	owled V	V. Horley		23	
J. M. Harri	s, boy	wled W. I	Iorley	70.00		2	
G. Lampard	ct. I	Rev. Abbo	tt. bowl	ed W. Ho	rley	4	
J. McLeod,						12	
G. Aratoon,						19	
R. J. Riple					***	10	
R. Smith, c						0	
E. P. Horse						5	
J. D. Hale,						13	
R. Tarling,						17	
J. Cook, bo						172500 100000	
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W. Horley,							1	
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H. Speake,						- 900000	6	
J. Keigh, bo								
Rev. R. Abl				ed C. K	. Hodge	es	1	
R. Hills, bo						***		
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R. Smith	9		0	0	49	4		18
J. Cook		3	0	0	36	2		
R. J. Ripley	5	1	0	0	15	0		7.5
R. Tarling	2	0	0	0	13	0		
J. Harris	1	0	0	0	9	0		0.13
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THE CRICKET SEASON.

A moderate season must be the verdict on this summer's cricket. There have been no outstanding successes, no mighty innings or bowling efforts, but no disgraceful defeats, no terrible displays of bad fielding, bowling or batting.

The worst of our defeats were at the hands of Newport, who were, unfortunately, definitely our superiors this year. The best of our victories were those over Ongar, especially the home game, where Hale and Tarling retrieved a seemingly desperate situation, making a glorious stand for the ninth wicket. One of the most pleasant of our games was that against Epping Wednesday, which, although it resulted in a defeat for us, gave us some good cricket against very sporting opponents.

The team this term has had no outstanding players, but rather a good all-round level of skill. There have been one or two surprises and one or two disappointments. Of the latter, the greatest was the batting of Lampard, which did not live up to its promise of last year. This, however, is no rare phenomenon, and, provided that he does not lose heart, but keeps his keenness for the game, he should do much better next year. The most pleasant of our surprises have been the all-round excellence of Hodges, the great improvement in the batting of Aratoon and Ripley, and the wicket-keeping of Hale.

Our most crying need at the moment is for two good bowlers. We have one at present, Hodges. If any boy who fancies his bowling chances for the 1st XI. next year cares to spend some of his odd moments in the coming winter to developing a really good length, and can, by next season, bowl six good length balls per over, whether he be fast or slow, whether he can make the ball break or not, I guarantee him a place in the 1st XI.

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CRITICISM OF THE TEAM.

J. McLEOD: Captain.

R. J. RIPLEY: (Vice-Captain) Has shown more enthusiasm, with the result that he is a much improved bat and good fielder.

G. Aratoon: Another improved bat and fielder.

R. SMITH: A useful slogger and bowler, though very erratic.

C. R. Hodges: Has batted and bowled very well throughout the season.

J. D. Hale: Although small, is a good wicket-keeper and very promising bat.

N. R. Tarling: Has occasionally proved of great value in batting,

but loses heart in bowling.

J. Cook: Has been a useful change bowler, but a failure as a batsman.

G. LAMPARD: Has improved in the field, but batting rather disappointing.

G. H. GREGORY: Has been a run-getter, despite "poky" style.

Fairly good in the field.

F. R. Dewhurst: A hard trier, though not a very successful one with the bat; a very good deep field.

MR. LE CREN
MR. ROE
MR. ROBERTSON

Have rendered valuable assistance.

MR. BRIERLEY
TO MISS JESSIE, for the excellent fixture list, our sincerest thanks.

J. McLEOD.

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1st XI.	AVER	AGES.		
Batting.	Runs.	Innings.	Not Out.	Average.
1 J. D. Hale	83	14	5	9.2
2 R. Smith	118	14	0	8.4
3 T. B. Le Cren	61	8	0	7.6
4 C. K. Hodges	102	16	1	6.8
5 R. Tarling	88	16	3	6.7
6 G. Aratoon	89	15	0	5.9
7 R. J. Ripley	79	14	0	5.6
8 G. Lampard	85	16	0	5.8
9 J. McLeod	83	16	0	5.2
G. H. Gregory		8	0	5.2
10 J. Cook	35	12	4	4.3
11 F. R. Dewhurst	20	7	0	2.9
12 J. Roe	14	6	0	2.3

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Bowling.	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
1 C. R. Hodges	170	85	887	78	5.88
2 R. Smith	116	20	299	37	8.00
8 J. Cook		5	94	9	10.44
4 R. Tarling	84,6	4	119	9	13.22
CATCHES.					
R. Smith	18	C. R	. Hodge	s	4
J. McLeod		R. T	arling		8
J. D. Hale }	8	G. A	ratoon)	
G. H. Gregory				n}	2
R. J. Ripley	6	F. R.	. Dewhu	rst	
G. Lampard	5				1
Runs for	85		against		1088

J. PULLIN.

1st XI. FIXTURE LIST.

	Result at	Result
Opponents.	Home.	Away.
Ongar School	Won	Won
Newport School	Lost	Lost
Gilston	_	Won
Bishop's Stortford Postal Service	Won	
Harlow 2nd	Lost	Lost
Harlow Common	Lost	Lost
North Weald	Won	0 - 10
Old Harlovians	Lost	_
Great Parndon	1 (1 1)	Lost
Epping Wednesday	-	Lost
Played, 14; Won, 5; Drawn,		

2ND XI. FIXTURE LIST.

	Result	Result
0	Away.	Home.
Ongar		Won
Hertford School		Lost
Hatfield Heath	Won	_

Played, 4; Won, 3; Lost, 1; Drawn, 0.

2ND XI. AVERAGES.

Bowling.	Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
E. Clayton	5.6	8	6	1.3
D. Lewis	15	13	7	1.8
M. Rolph		52	15	8.5

BATTING.	Innings.	Not Out.	Runs.	Average.
R. Simpson	3	1	26	18
G. Fletcher		0	19	9.5
M. Rolph		0	80	7.5
E. Clayton		0	22	7.8
P. Compton		0	12	6
D. Lewis		0	16	4
D. Meek	2	0	7	8.5
C. Stansbury	2	0	- 8	1.5

SWIMMING SPORTS.

On July 4th the inter-house water sports were held. The weather, warm on the previous days, just to spite us, turned cloudy and cold. Nevertheless, the sports were much enjoyed.

Rodney was superior in this part of the House Competition. In Selwyn and Smith, they have two extremely able swimmers, and in Smith, the School's best diver.

Beatty were lucky in having a find in Constable, who won the Learners' Race easily, and did a great deal towards the winning of the Junior Relay Race.

The same Learners' Race provided Keep with the job of rescuing Scragg, who swam a few yards, and then gave up. Keep towed him the rest of the way, and Scragg retired to his shed cold but safe. The high diving, kindly judged for us by Mr. Falkner, of the Town Club, was quite a good show in both Senior and Junior Sections, with Smith and Aratoon both fighting hard for the first place, which was eventually won by Smith. The Junior Diving was won by Harris i for Beatty, Simpson being a good second.

The Plate Diving was won, amidst great excitement, by Cook. Both he and Selwyn returned to the surface with either all the plates or with only one missing. Amusement was provided by the fact that, twice, an old dirty plate (used for the plate diving last year) was brought up from the bottom.

There was a great rush for the hot tea at the end of the programme, which developed into quite a scramble. Our thanks are due to Mr. Roe, who organised and carried out this enjoyable programme without a hitch.

L. BLOORE.

	SWIMMING SPORTS R	ESU.	LTS.		
Event.	Result.	B	eatty.	Nelson.	Rodney.
LEARNERS' RACE	(1) Constable; (2) Browne (3) Cakebread	ii;	- 3		3
80 YARDS (Open)	(1) Selwyn; (2) Clayto	on;	3		3
40 YARDS (Under	(3) Harris ii	•••	0	0	6
High Diving	(I) Ross; (2) Stansbury		I	0	2
(Open)	(1) Smith i; (2) Aratoon		0	1	2
	(1) Harris i; (2) Simpson	n	2	1	0
	(1) Cook; (2) Selwyn		o	2	r
40 YARDS BACK STROKE	(1) Aratoon and Cook		0	4	o
SENIOR RELAY	(1) Rodney; (2) Nelson	377000	0	3	5
JUNIOR RELAY	With the contract of the contr		- 5	- 75 C21/1	100
RACE	(1) Beatty; (2) Rodney		4	0	2
	Total Points		10	11	21

HOUSE COMPETITION.

This term the competition resulted in rather a surprise. Beatty, who had not won for many terms, managed to wrest the cup from the hands of Nelson, the holders, but the wooden spoon again went to Rodney, who have won it every term since the formation of their House.

The Fives, both Footer and Hand, were won by Nelson. In the Footer, their Captain, Aratoon, had a surprise victory over Gregory, considered, until now, the best player in the School; whilst in the Hand Fives Ripley i and Aratoon had a great struggle in the first Singles, Ripley eventually winning by a small margin. The other games were mediocre, as Rodney had no say in the matter.

To make up for this, however, became the work of Selwyn, Smith and Ross, in the Swimming Sports, where they obtained nearly as many

points as Beatty and Nelson together.

In the Tennis, Nelson romped home with the points, thanks mainly to Bakhtiar, the School champion, and Aratoon, who, in his game with Gregory, with great determination brought the score from 5-2 in the final set, to 6-5 and eventually won.

But it was chiefly through the cricket, in which they obtained the maximum of points, that Beatty were enabled to carry off the cup. Against Nelson, Lampard made a spirited seventeen, and the rest managed to knock up twenty-one. Nelson started out as if they would get them very easily, but steady bowling by Ripley i dismissed them, to their surprise and chagrin, for 26. Against Rodney, Lampard failed, and the most meritorious events were 22 knocked up by Ripley,

and a very fine catch by Dewhurst, which disposed of Rodney's prize "slogger," Smith. Nelson also gained an easy victory over Rodney, aided by Hodges and Aratoon, who made 35 and 19 respectively.

In the Junior Cricket, Beatty, who had three good men in their team, thanks to some good batting by Harris, who was top scorer with 46 not out, and Stansbury who got 21 in the match against Rodney, won both their matches; whilst the much despised Rodney team beat Nelson. Pearce got 11 of Rodney's 37 runs. In the Nelson innings Pearce took six wickets for one run apiece. The chief scorers for Nelson were "Mr. Extras," who had 10 to his credit, and Barnes, who got 7. Of the other players, only four scored at all.

Our sincere thanks are due to Mr. Robertson, Mr. Le Cren and Mr. Brierley for their help in carrying out and managing the competition.

P. A. COMPTON.

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	HOUSE COMPETIT	ION	J.		
Event.	Result.	1	Beatty.	Nelson.	Rodney.
IST HOUSE MAT	CHES.		57		200
Beatty v. Rodney	Beatty won 56-21		12	0	0
Rodney v. Nelson	Nelson won 95-36		О	12	0
Nelson v. Beatty	Beatty won 36-26		12	0	0
2ND HOUSE MAT	CHES.				
Beatty v. Rodney	Beatty won, 119 for 6-	-14		7	
AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PERSON	and 30		9	0	0
Rodney v. Nelson	Rodney won, 37-27	***	0	0	9
Nelson v. Beatty	Beatty won, 45 for 1-32	2	9	0	. 0
FIVES (FOOTER).					
1st Singles	Aratoon beat Gregory		0	3	0
	Hale beat Smith		3	o	0
	Aratoon beat Smith		0	3	0
2nd Singles	Hale beat Tarling		3	0	0
The state of the s	Harris ii beat Gregory		0	0	3
	Harris ii beat Meek i	•••	0	0	3
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	Tarling and Meek i		. 4	0	0
	Harris and Paddick ii b		- 1	10.55	154
	Lewis i and Ridley		0	0	4
		eat			
	Harris ii and Paddic	755 STORTON	0	4	0
Junior Singles	Ripley beat Gray		0	3	0
Junior Dingres	Gray beat Collins		3	o	0
	Ripley ii beat Ross	***	0	3	o
Junior Doubles		eat	No.	3	- 77
Junior Doubles	Gray and Healey		0	4	0
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	Ross and Collins		4	0	0
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FIVES (HAN	D).					
Singles		Ripley ii beat Aratoon	***	3	0	0
		Aratoon beat Rolph		0	3	0
	74	Harris ii beat Ripley i		0	0	3
Doubles	***	Aratoon and Tarling	beat			
		Ripley i and Keep		0	4	0
		Aratoon and Tarling	beat		742	
		Smith and Rolph	***	0	4	0
		Hale and Ripley i	beat		77-6	
		Smith and Rolph	***	4	0	0
TENNIS.		85 74 (2.40) 33 (2.40)				
1st Singles		Aratoon beat Gregory	***	0	3	0
		Not Played.				
		Not Played.				
2nd Singles		Bakhtiar beat John		0	3	0
		Not Played.				
		Not Played.				
1st Doubles		Aratoon and Bakhtiar	beat			
		John and Ripley i	***	0	5	0
		Not Played.				
		Not Played.	Washington and American			
2nd Doubles			drew			
		with Bloore and Gr	egory	21	21/2	0
		Not Played.				
		Not Played.				
SWIMMING SP	ORTS.	(See separate Table.)		10	11	21
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		Total		861	751	43

THINGS SEEN AND HEARD.

We have long wondered who was responsible for the noble edifice which appeared towards the end of the term in the small field, and who kept it safe from possible marauders. The following document would appear to offer a solution:—

Fletcher .. Captin Parker i .. V. Captin Tustin i .. Drill Master Gard Lewis ii Tustin ii Neale Spy Donnley Man of Arms Smart Charter i Charter ii Harris Coats

Coats' task, we notice, is not mentioned. Perhaps he had just been signed on as spelling instructor.

(ADVERT.) A smart new line in impositions. Slow in execution and remarkably effective. Guaranteed to cure all bad habits in the class-room. Interested parties apply Mr. Brierley, Staff Room. Sample effort by George Drane herewith,

COMPOSITION ON EATING.

Eating is perhaps a school-boy's best pleasure (especially in class when the boy next to him gives him a toffee). How should we live if we did not eat? After a hard hour's work it is indeed refreshing to the spirit when one's jaws are working.

Perhaps in the days of the Stone Age boys ate in class, but I cannot tell you what reward they got for it. But I can certainly tell

you mine, I had to write this composition.

Maybe some of our Masters ate in school when they were young!

One never knows.

When I was caught eating I was enjoying a piece of toffee, and unfortunately at the moment when the Master looked up my jaws were stuck.

I wonder why such a lot of fuss is made when one is caught eating.

If one did not eat, where would the tuck shop be?

I think it is wonderful how Masters can catch boys when they are eating. Perhaps it is their sixth sense.

Lear with his nonsense rhymes seems to have found two worthy successors in Form 3, for the following efforts of Strouvelle and Constable are excellent mixtures of sense and nonsense in the approved style:—

There was an old man named Knight, He said "I am ready to fight."

He went into the ring,

Biff! Wallop! Bang! Ping! And now he's a terrible sight.

-F. STROUVELLE.

There was an old man of Rye, Who tried to go up in the sky. He fell down with a crash, Which settled the hash, Of that silly old man of Rye.

-K. Constable.

English as she is spoke! It is very comforting when we think of our own horrid efforts at German compositions to read the following extracts from the letter of a German girl to a boy in the Upper Fifth. "To New Year I had been two days by my friend, we have had

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a pleasure and fun how long not, than we were in movies as was it lovely. Last time that I was to go skating, I find that skating sport a fine sport is, can you also skate. But now the sun do shine and all is water."

"I have heard that German to write difficult is, is it really so? I find that English not so difficult is how Francais. I am pleased that soon Christmas is, I have heard that in England Christmas not so is now in Deutschland. I will write in the next time how Christmas is by us.

"Do you understand me. When not, to do written it me, I please at answer. I would be pleased if you write German. I shall

not laugh.

If his German is anything like as funny as your English, Fräulein, we are inclined to doubt your last statement.

O.J.M.

WHAT THE SCHOOLROOM WANTS TO KNOW.

Where Mee obtained his astonishing insight into married life, as shown by his description of Coriolanus. "Coriolanus was a very harsh man. He had a wife."

How Ross knows that the density of beer is one over eight?

What happened to O.J.M. last term?

The author of this alteration to a well-known rhyme?

30 days hath September,

All the rest I can't remember.

The name of the boy who translated "La haute Taille" as "the tall hat?"

If "Nipper" is ever going to grow?

Whether a certain boy in the Remove doesn't deserve a prize for the devastating logic of this answer in an exam, paper.

"Moses came behind him, but he was before him, because those

came before him but was still behind him."

Of course, if Mose comes, can Alexander be far behind?

The name of the boy in the Remove who said Leonardo da Vinci was a celebrated film star? Perhaps it was because he had heard that da Vinci "made some pictures?"

Who wrote "Navies drink their tea out of a blue mug?"

Perhaps this would be a Blue Peter-Pan?

What chivalrous thoughts were in the boy's head who translated "contendit ad hostes de tertia vigilia" as "he fought the enemy for a third maiden?"

If Bennet still thinks that a triangle is a square with three corners?

And Smart that "Soviet" is a thing you use at table ?"

The boy in Dorm. 3 who asked a member of the Staff, "Please sir, if the silence bell has gone, will it come back to-morrow," and what happened to him?

Whether a certain day boy in the Upper Fifth uses Olive oil to keep his side-whiskers in trim?

O.J.M.

THE PLACE OF GEOGRAPHY IN THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

In a speech before the Geographical Association at Manchester a few months ago, Sir Halford Mackinder said that "for the Statesman, the soldier and the business man, no subject had greater educational value than geography." It is my purpose here to put forward a few statements in support of that assertion.

In the first place, no other branch of study has experienced such rapid and sweeping changes in its mode of presentation as a school subject. My own early training in geography—less than fifteen years ago-consisted chiefly in the learning of long lists of capes, rivers, and counties. I was taught that Birmingham was famous for its iron and steel works, but I was not told what a blast furnace looked like. I could point on the map to several coalfields, but I knew very little about the conditions under which the miners lived and worked. I recall a conversation about a coal strike, in which a lady, resident in the South of England, and having no knowledge whatever of industrial conditions, remarked, "These men are always making trouble about wages. Any miner should be capable of living on thirty shillings a week." I venture to suggest that had that lady's schoolwork included a lesson or two in which she learned something of a miner's work, she would never have made that comment. But unfortunately her knowledge of mines and miners was confined to some dim recollection of such things as "Newcastle noted for coal." That was the "old" Geography.

To-day it is our task in the schools to teach a very different kind of Geography. We no longer live in an age when we can afford to disregard the rest of the world outside our own immediate sphere. No country in the world is more vitally concerned in foreign affairs than England. For the generation which is growing up now, there must be no such talk as "Oh! foreign affairs! I'm not interested. Turn to the cricket news." They will find it very necessary to be interested in foreign affairs. And to make that interest intelligent and useful, there must be sound instruction in the principles of the "new" Geography. Boys and girls must not think of the Chinese coolie, the Argentine cattleman, and the South African miner simply as

"people in books." They must be taught to realise that they are learning about real, living men and women, who face and solve problems as surely as they themselves will have to face problems when they grow up. It is not sufficient for them to know that China is "somewhere in the Far East," and that Chinamen "are yellow and speak an outlandish language." They must know something of the surroundings in which the Chinaman lives; something of his ways and habits; and something of the manner in which he makes a livelihood. And their knowledge must be as clear and as definite as verbal instruction, good books, and especially pictures and photographs can possibly make it. Few pupils will ever actually visit more than two or three of the countries about which they learn. That being the case, it is of paramount importance that their mental pictures of the rest of the world shall be clear and definite. Any blurring in those pictures must be reduced as far as is humanly possible. Of such is the essence of the "new" Geography.

It is amazing what a difference knowledge of our neighbours makes even here in England. We may at first think it very remarkable that the man next door loathes gramophones, even ours, which is a very good one. When we discover that he is a night-worker, and that our gramophone has very frequently kept him from his well-earned rest during the day, we perceive that his objection is no longer remarkable; we begin to understand. . . . And under-

standing is the mightiest power on earth.

To the children who are growing up now, all the peoples of the world will be neighbours—modern transport will see to that. What has been said of the "man next door" applies equally well to the nation next door, and to the nations farther afield. World Peace, World Trade, and World Progress alike demand understanding between the peoples, and it is in the Geography Class that the foundations of that understanding must be laid.

D. BRIERLEY.

GUY FAWKES.

When, in the course of History, it fell to be the turn Of James the First to be our King, this caused intense concern To Rule Britannia who had left her cosy place upstairs To act as Goddess in control of England's state affairs.

She called a special meeting of her fellow gods and said "Look here, you nibs, I'm not a girl who's just a figure-head

"I run this show of looking after England, but of late

"When good Queen Bess packed up her traps and went to join the choir

"I found the next one on the list the sort I don't admire.

"But what the deuce was I to do? The choice was none of mine, "Hard fate decreed that England should endure the Stuart line."

The gods conferred and then one said "It seems to me, old thing, "That all your thoughts should be on England, not on England's king.

"We know that for sheer wickedness these Stuarts win the cup" If I were in your shoes, my dear, I'd blow the blighters up."

Britannia smiled and thanked him saying "Yes, that should suffice "If James gets up to monkey tricks I'll act on your advice." Now, goddesses are feminine, the simple female mind Is apt to take things literally, when it's so inclined.

That's just what Rule Britannia did, impressionable minx, She sniggered to herself and said "This Jimmie little thinks "That if I find in any way he isn't running straight "I'll so arrange that he's blown up as high as Heaven's gate."

It never crossed her girlish mind, whilst listening intent To what the other gods advised, that stern rebuke was meant, The little goose thought blowing up assuredly must mean The firing of explosives hidden underneath the scene.

There never was a Stuart yet who bowed to honour's claims
And so it wasn't long before Britannia found that James
Required a little blowing up. She therefore thought she'd try
The services of one named Fawkes whose Christian name was Guy.

How Guy contrived to make a mess of things we don't propose To enter into here. The story every schoolboy knows. We ask that you will kindly shed a sympathetic tear For Rule Britannia who was thus disturbed in her career.

We all can do this much, at least, for poor Britannia's sake
We'll pardon her for making such a natural mistake
And anyone who realises what the Stuarts were
Must feel regret that James was not sent sailing through the air.

If this had happened I, for one, should hail with all my heart
The knowledge that the dynasty had finished at its start.
Such nuisances as Puritans, Nell Gwynne and civil war,
All these we should have dodged and goodness knows how many more.

F.S.H.

[&]quot;My job has been no sinecure. It's tough, I tell you straight."

LETTERS FROM OLD HARLOVIANS.

c/o The Bank of London and S. America, Caixa Postal No. 20, San Paulo,

Brazil.

August 21, 1931.

DEAR MR. HORSEY.

What will you think of me for not answering your most acceptable letter of 1st of March last? It arrived not so long ago as might be thought, as my brother held it up in Canada some considerable time.

I have a surprise for you with regard to my brother (for I don't suppose he has written to tell you). He is once again out here in Brazil! I met him in Santos last Sunday week looking A.I., and using a broad Canadian accent—which may have been American, as he stayed a short while in New York before sailing for here.

He tells me he wrote to you telling of his various adventures. Aren't they just such as the average boy dreams of? No wonder I am a little jealous of him when the most I can tell of is hauling on the sheets of a small sailing boat, or cranking a motor boat, and now and again a small revolution, which is so well run that business is not interfered with, except, of course, the Exchange does antics, which makes one's eyebrows go up and down.

I have, of course, from time to time paid visits to my people and on one occasion witnessed a camp fire. These fires are most terrifying affairs, and this particular one had a remarkable set off, starting just before dark, and going on well into the night. The first advice we had of it was from a man riding up on horseback. My father immediately ordered the alarm to be given, and to have men transported to the scene of action. He jumped into our car and took along the rider, who was one of the foremen. Before we arrived, however, men were already at work along the boundary roads and setting counter fires. The grass was very dry and the flames reached a terrific height, and heat, so hot, in fact, that we had to get out of the car and walk the last 200 yards.

You can well imagine that the farmer out here lives in dread of these incidents, and goes to considerable trouble to make guards and preventives; but when the time comes, what good are they?

My people have now bought an estate of their own—that is the reason my brother has returned. It is one of the nicest places I have ever seen, and perfection in the economical line, as it has its own water power, electric light and drinking water, and the land and situation are A.I.

I think I may have told you, but I am not sure, that I am now working for the Bank in the address, and am doing fairly well. I had a great deal of luck in getting the job, and later a contract entitling me to leave and a sterling salary. The place I was with went into liquidation. This is rather remarkable, as the place I started my commercial life in did the same.

I was pleased to read that you finally fixed up the Vicarage; it must be very nice. How well I remember looking longingly at some trees in its garden—walnut trees I believe.

How are you, Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie and Mr. Huthwaite? (Does the latter still keep in touch with the School?) Please give them all my kind regards.

Your sincere ex-pupil,

DAVID WOODHOUSE HOPKINS.

P.S.—Please remember me also to Margaret. I don't suppose she has the faintest remembrance of me, but I remember her correcting the result of a dictation lesson in which I think every word was wrongly spelt. Lamentable as it may sound, it is nevertheless true, as you have probably noticed, my spelling is still V.B.

D.W.H.

Isvorul-de-Sus,

Prin Costesti,

Jud. Arges (Roumania).

July 21st, 1931.

DEAR MR. HORSEY

Although I dislike writing to somebody after a long time with the sole object of asking something, the circumstances are such that I have to do it.

I wish to ask you to recommend me a school suitable for sending a girl of about 16 with the chief object of learning English perfectly.

If I may, I will use this same occasion to tell you a few things about myself. I do not recollect quite well when I last went to Harlow, and I'm afraid I haven't written since. Certainly it must have been a long time ago, and in the meantime I got married and have now two little daughters, aged 2½ and 1. Of course I am very happy and pleased about all this, and everything would be quite perfect were it not for the general outlook, which, despite conferences, treaties and so forth, does not look too bright. Things are much the same here as in the industrial countries: we have fewer unemployed, but fewer resources for feeding those we have. Also we have to bear in mind the Bolsheviks, only 500 miles away. Personally I am, thank Heaven, above actual need, but one has to work three times harder than a few years ago. I don't wish to complain about the extra work, but one should see some profit from it, whereas one does it only to be able to keep afloat.

At the present I'm engaged in agricultural work, which seems to have been my pre-destined career, as both my wife and myself own large properties of that nature. Here it is the custom, arising out of necessity, for the landowner to work his own land, and that is what I'm doing.

Living as you do in an agricultural part of England, you may have learned that in the last three years prices dropped to 30 per cent. of what they were, so we are very hard hit. England is a protected market, so that maybe her farmers don't feel the world crisis so much, but we are an exporting country, so that our prices are forced down to the limits imposed by American and Bolshevik sellers. In spite of having introduced as soon as I took it in hand, the most modern machine equipment, mostly of U.S.A. origin, because conditions there closely resemble our own, and having made drastic economies in all departments, I hardly can keep it going, and that in spite of two most excellent crops. Those of us who did not modernise their tools, which of

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course implies a large outlay of capital, or those who worked with borrowed money, are long since in the Bankruptcy Courts. In fact, as things are going, it seems as if it were a fight as to who should be the last to enter there, but not to avoid it.

My wife brings me two photos which I include as part evidence for what is stated above. The first represents the two girls in their nursery, last winter, and please to believe me that they are much nicer than that. The second is our house, in the country of course, for we live there all the year round, except for three months of summer. The house was re-built and modernised by me last summer.

From this letter you may have learned, besides what I say, that I have forgotten a good part of my English and have the same tendency as at the College to arrange half-page phrases.

I wish at the same time to send my respectful greetings to Mrs. Horsey and Miss Edwards, and to you, Sir, the very best of wishes, in all departments, from one who does not often write, but who begs to remain all the same a faithful Old Harlovian.

M. GHICA-CANTACUZINO.

The Nook.

Towcester,

Northants.

Thursday, August 20th, 1931.

DEAR SIR,

First I must apologise for not writing to you before, but I thought it would be better to leave it until I had been on the Worcester one year. I was very sorry to leave Harlow so unexpectedly, for I did not have even time to say good-bye. As Whittall was joining the ship the same time as I was, things were not so bad as if I had been alone.

When I first arrived on the ship, I naturally found things very different from boarding school life. At the beginning I found it very strange to have to "fag" for fellows my own size, and in some cases smaller, after I was used to being a senior at Harlow, because fellows who have been in the ship one year (and over) are entitled to "fag" first, second and third termers. I have finished my year's "fagging" now and I can "fag" other chaps.

Another thing I found rather hard to get used to was sleeping in hammocks, especially entering them. I shall always remember my first night on board. I could not for the life of me get in, and one wretched cadet kindly volunteered to help me. I no sooner managed to get into the hammock than I promptly rolled out on the other side, for that wretched cadet had taken good care to loosen the other end of the hammock. I had about four hours' sleep that night.

The reveillé is sounded at seven o'clock in the morning. We then turn out and stow hammocks, after which the fore part of the ship go for ard to wash, followed ten minutes later by the after part. At seven thirty we muster on the upper deck for fifteen minutes' physical jerks. Five minutes later "Fall in" is sounded on the bugle, and we are then inspected by the Chief Officer. At eight o'clock the "General Salute" is played by the Ship's Band and the Ensign hauled up. Then we go to breakfast, which consists of porridge, marmalade, brown bread and coffee (Wednesdays

and Saturdays eggs). Eight-thirty the ship is generally tidied up, and at nine o'clock we muster on the main deck for school.

We have a quarter of an hour break at eleven o'clock; at twelve o'clock school finishes, and we muster in different parts of the ship for seamanship At twelve fifty we finish seamanship, and at one o'clock dinner. From halfpast one to two o'clock is spare time. From two to four we have school again. At four o'clock we "clear up decks." Five o'clock meat tea, after which in the winter we have lectures, talks, and boxing, &c., and in the summer we go ashore for cricket practice and tennis. At eight thirty we sling hammocks, prayers follow at eight forty, and we turn in at a quarter to nine, the Petty Officers (same as Prefects) remaining up until ten o'clock. That finishes the week-day's work.

On Saturday there is no school work or seamanship. In the morning we scrub the whole ship. In the afternoon there is a cricket or football match, and cadets not playing may either watch the match or go for a free walk.

On Sunday there is church in the morning and evening, and we are inspected in the morning by the Captain in our best uniforms. In the afternoon Petty Officers may go for a free walk, and other cadets write letters or read books, &c.

The ship is divided up into six forms for school work and seven sections for seamanship. As there are no partitions between the various forms I found it very difficult to fix my attention on the master, taking our particular form. At first I started with the ordinary school work minus German and Latin. But when I got into a senior division we stopped History, French and Arithmetic, taking up in their stead Trigonometry, Astronomy, Stability, Navigation and Meteorology.

Seamanship is taken by the Captain, Chief Officer, and instructors. Some cadets do written seamanship on the main deck, and others signals, bends and hitches, knots and splices, and boat pulling, heaving the lead, &c.

The ship is divided into Port and Starboard, which are the same as houses at a school, and we compete for a cup, the same as at Harlow. We have Port and Starboard cricket matches, boat races, swimming contests. Port and Starboard are sub-divided into "tops," which consist of fifteen cadets in each top, and a Petty Officer over them. There are eight "tops', in the ship, and they act as kind of dormitories.

Ashore the Worcester owns a certain Ingress Abbey, and in the large grounds of this building are our tennis courts, cricket pitches, rugger pitches, and swimming bath, &c. Our principal games include rugger, cricket, hockey, tennis, swimming, boxing, boat racing, &c. Colours are given for all these sports.

One of the principal events in the Summer Term is the Worcester v. Conway boat race, which is now becoming very popular, and as you probably saw in the papers, we won this year's race. We are now one up on the Conway, and next year's race will be a keen struggle.

Strict discipline is always maintained on the Worcester, and every order given is promptly obeyed. There are no lines given on the ship as punishment, and each offence is dealt with by a rope's end called the "Bimster." The Petty Officers are allowed to beat cadets, but serious offences are dealt with by the Captain and Chief Officer.

In my first year on the Worcester I have done fairly well in both work and sport. I am in a senior form and section, and managed to get into the Second Cricket XI, last season. I have one more year on the ship and then

I have to serve three years at sea as an apprentice before I can sit for my Board of Trade exam. So I have quite a long time before I think about a job yet.

I have no need to ask you about the old School, as I hear all the news from my brother. The Col. must be quite a changed place without Mr. Huthwaite and Jones! I was very glad to see my brother managed to get into a cricket team last season, and I hope that you have a long list of candidates that have passed the Oxfords.

I am sure you must be rather tired of this letter by now, but anything further you wish to know about the ship you will find in the enclosed magazines. If any of the staff would care to see the magazines would you please hand them on, and when you have all quite finished with them would you kindly return them.

Please remember me to Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie, and the members of the staff that I know, and with all best wishes to yourself for the coming term,

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

P. STANSBURY.

Waipava,

Gisborne,

New Zealand.

4/8/31.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

At last I am writing you a few lines to catch the next mail, having had it in my mind for several weeks, or is it months?

You may have heard from my brothers that my wife and I landed safely in this country, and were well received by Mr. and Mrs. Shanks.

The voyage out was fairly uneventful, since we came by the Panama Canal route. We called first at Curacao, a Dutch possession island off the coast of South America. We had a trip across the island by moonlight in an old 'bus to the principal town, Wilhelmstadt. The houses were quaint, reminding one of dolls' houses. The island appeared very barren, being chiefly used as an oil station.

The passage through the Panama Canal was very interesting and the scenery beautiful. The boats are drawn through the locks by electric mules We landed this end at Balboa, and were on shore for several hours. We inspected Panama City, and there a taxi followed us about until he induced us to let him drive us round. We were a party of seven, and were very glad, for the driver was a splendid guide. He drove us round everywhere and explained many things about the places, eventually showing us the ruins of Old Panama. Panama State is very prosperous and up-to-date, having gone ahead tremendously during the recent years, and all owing to the Canal. Well, we finished up there by going to the market and loading the car up, inside and out, with fruit, which was remarkably cheap. The bananas were very special,

We anchored off Pitcairn Island, which, as you may know, is populated by descendants of mutineers from "H.M.S. Bounty." The islanders came on board to sell fruit, &c. Their oranges were large and the most delicious I have ever tasted.

On the morning after arriving at Wellington we boarded what is known as the "Napier Express," with which we were highly amused, after our own railways. They run on a 3ft. gauge, as they are continually going round sharp bends, the country here being very hilly. We stayed in Napier a night and went on to Gisborne by service car, since the railway does not go through yet. This was a very thrilling ride up and down steep hills and twisting round continually, sometimes very narrow passes, where, if you should slip over the edge, you would not stop for a few hundred feet. This road was described by an American as "like a snake got fits." There was some very beautiful scenery.

We stayed with Mr. Shanks several weeks, and he was very good, introducing us to N.Z. ways. Afterwards I worked for a Mr. Bridge about six months. He was a very nice man and well connected, having a son, a doctor, in London. However, he died recently, and then Mr. Shanks offered me a berth with him, as he was wanting more help. We have quite a nice little house to live in, and are getting settled to the country.

Well, that is about enough of myself. New Zealand, no doubt, contains a large store of wealth; but it is yet very far from producing to its fullest capacity. The population is still very small, less than 1½ millions, and as it increases, the country will be developed accordingly. It has remarkable natural facilities for producing cheaply. The North Island is mainly pastoral, sheep and dairying, also maize is grown in parts. The South Island grows cereals in certain districts. We are quite up-to-date here. The telephone and electric light are used in country districts more than at home.

You will have heard of the Hawke's Bay earthquake. It was a horrible experience, though we were out of the worst. We have had a large number of smaller shakes since, but one gets used to them. It makes us smile when we read of the earthquake at home and what is called severe. Napier suffered very badly, and it was such a pretty place.

Of course we are experiencing out here something of the world-wide depression. There has been a big slump in prices this last year, but it is anticipated that N.Z. will recover far more quickly than most countries. People here have no love for the Labour Government at home. They look to the home market for disposal of their produce, wool, frozen meat, butter, cheese, &c., and in return are ready to buy manufactured goods from Great Britain. There is much to be said for trade within the Empire.

Will you please ask Miss Jessie to send me on copies of the "Harlovian" as they are issued? If possible I should like back numbers from December last. I am enclosing an English 10s. note, which I think will cover several issues. The above address will find me.

I must close now. I am very busy these days.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie, Margaret, and, of course, yourself. Hoping you are all well and the School still flourishing.

Yours very sincerely,

JOHN E. LIVERMORE.

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Canadian Pacific, S.S. Melita,

Aug. 14, 1931.

Father Point.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

Here we are on our return from England. I was sorry it was impossible for me to get in touch with you while I was over. I made a rush trip, was only in London a few hours, and every minute was taken up, hence my not wiring you. However, we hope to come over again in a year or two, and shall probably take my car and drive to Harlow.

We have had a very pleasant trip over and met some very delightful and prominent people who are returning to Canada. Please convey our united kind regards to Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie.

Yours very truly,

W. F. T. CHEESMAN.

4, Lyndhurst Gardens,

Jesmond,

Newcastle-on-Tyne.

9th July, 1931.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

I think Mr. Huthwaite's Geography lessons have had the effect of turning me into a compass-needle. I seem to have been continually seeking the North since leaving the College.

I left Rugby last March, being transferred to the Firm's Newcastle office, where I endeavour, with the help and guidance of two stalwarts who have been up here slightly longer—eighteen months and two years, to be exact—to sell anything that comes under the heading of Electrical Power Apparatus one can think of. Unfortunately, just lately, Durham and Northumberland have been feeling the depression acutely—more so than more southern areas—but no doubt the North-East Coast will return to its wonted prosperity when I really get going.

Mother and I have—or rather, are in the process of—digging ourselves in up here, and are looking forward to having New and Le Cren staying with us next week. It is really this last fact which "screwed my courage to the sticking point" and positively forced me to write to you to-day. I had toyed with the idea (I am afraid one is inclined to treat many letters thus) for some time.

I find that, further to being unable to get down for Old Boys' Day myself, I have committed the felony of stealing New and Le Cren from the ceremony, too. They are travelling on Saturday, and as their berths are booked, and there are only two steamers per week, it would be impossible to change now.

I do hope you will excuse my own absence and forgive me for causing that of the other "two musketeers."

I hope that we shall be in full force for the Dinner next year—I intend to go to that if I'm still in England, anyway.

I'm sure New and Le Cren would join me in hoping that you will have a very enjoyable game and week-end. I know it's too much even to think of an Old Boys' victory, but still

Please remember me to Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie, Miss Ward, and any (if any!) others of the staff whom I know, and believe me, Sir,

Yours very sincerely,

FRANKLIN SCOTT.

"Lindisfarne,"
Ozone Terrace,

Lyme Regis,

Dorset.

27th July, 1931.

DEAR MRS. HORSEY,

In answer to your letter received to-day. It was a good idea of the Private Schools' Association to select Salisbury as their headquarters and thus give members an opportunity of seeing some of the beauties of Wiltshire!

Of the hotels you mention, I should prefer the Old George, in the High Street, as it is smaller than the County. You will in any case be near the Cathedral itself, and you will find this well worth visiting. Quite near Salisbury is Old Sarum, the original site of the city, and easily get-at-able, with a walk of about one mile. You will also fine convenient 'bus

routes for Stonehenge, and many trips to New Forest, &c.

If your visit to Salisbury coincides with my stay at Martin, you must come over. It is about nine miles out, but I could run in and fetch you. So far I am not quite sure of the time. I shall be staying at home, but as far as I know at present I shall be there for the first week of the holidays at least. My time seems pretty well divided nowadays; some of it is to be spent in Essex, from August 22nd to 29th on the East Coast, and possibly a short period after I return home early in September at Bournemouth. If I am at home it will be no trouble at all to come and fetch you.

I am feeling quite end-of-the-termish, as this has been rather a long term with, on the whole, rather unsettled weather. I have done a good deal of work on my own account in Latin, French and English, quite new subjects to me, in the hope of taking a London Inter. Exam. next June. I must confess Latin to be my bug-bear at present! I believe Mr. Horsey considers the mental training I am getting to be invaluable. It is quite a new subject for me, and so far it has appeared to be one long grind. However I have managed to write out every exercise in Elementa Latina and reached about Ex. 40 in North and Hillard! My French and English are progressing well, and I am enjoying them immensely. My 4th subject (Physics) I have let slip so far, as this is one of my own subjects.

Lyme Regis is now becoming full of holiday-makers, as just at this time the busy season begins. We break up on Thursday. Please let me know if you would like me to make further enquiries about these smaller hotels. I should be pleased to do so. Kindly remember me to Miss Jessie and Mr Horsey. I hope you are all keeping fit and prepared to enjoy a good holiday. I hope you will not be disappointed in Salisbury!

Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM E. TAYLOR.

c/o H. R. C. Lillywhite,

11. Arcade Chambers,

Bognor Regis,

Sussex.

DEAR MISS JESSIE.

I am addressing this to the Secretary, just in case you are on holiday,

and I don't really want it left until your return.

I trust that you, and, of course, Mr. and Mrs. Horsey, are in the best of health, and that you will all have the best of the weather for your holidays.

I enclose herewith a P.O. for 3s. 6d., and I should be very much obliged if you will let me have an Old Boys' tie as soon as possible. At the same time, will you please make a note of the address and send me the Mag, as it comes out each term.

I believe Mr. Lillywhite has written to Mr. Horsey to tell him of my astounding luck in my exam., but in case you have not heard, I am still with him, managing his office here.

It's quite a good job, and you can imagine how I'm enjoying life by the

sea, after working in London for nearly six years.

It doesn't seem so long, do you think, since I used to come trotting into

"Ma J.'s room" for notebooks, &c.

Please give my very kind regards both to Mr. and Mr. Horsey and to all whom I knew in "the good old days."

Believe me, dear Miss Jessie,

Yours very sincerely,

E. G. DUTTON.

The Poplars,

Charlbury,

Oxon.

June 23rd.

My DEAR MR. HORSEY.

I found this book in a list of books I had sent me from Booksellers in London, and I thought you might like it as it is to do with the County of Essex. It was written by the Rev. Gepp, who was at Felsted School, and my brother was in his form and house as well. My brother says he is quite an authority on the Essex dialect.

I also enclose a Postal Order for 3s. 6d., so would you please be so kind

as to send me a Harlovian tie.

I would like to have come and seen you for the Old Boys' Cricket Match on July 4th, but unfortunately I am going with a friend to the Annual Rose Show held in the Royal Hospital Gardens at Chelsea. I am a member of the Rose Society, and if you care to go to the show of new roses which is held on July 17th in the same grounds, I should be very pleased to give you and Mrs. Horsey two tickets. They always hold an extra show for the new roses each year.

Thank you very much for the "Harlovian Magazine." I was delighted with the speech you made at the dinner, and my only regret is that it was not put in the Daily Mail. I was very amused over some of the things you

said.

What a wretched summer we have had so far, with nothing but rain nearly every day. We had a dance on our tennis lawn for funds for the new building for the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, but a heavy shower came on just before seven in the evening. It kept many people away, and we only

just managed to make a small profit; but we are not going to be beaten

by the weather, so we are having another on July 17th.

I went to Cambridge last March with a clergyman I was staying with at Sutton Rectory, near Potton, Bedfordshire. We had our luncheon with Dennis Robertson in the Commons Hall at Trinity College, Cambridge. I expect you heard him speak on " Economics" a little time ago on the wireless. His father was Headmaster of Haileybury College some years ago. He used to live only three miles from here. He is now a Don at Trinity. Dr. Warre said he was the cleverest boy he had under him when he was Headmaster of Eton. In some ways I like Cambridge better than Oxford, and the Colleges at Cambridge are nicer.

I hope all goes well with you and the College. I was glad to read Näf's letter, as I was confirmed with him at Waltham. I must write to him if

you would kindly let me have his last address.

Please give my love to Mrs. Horsey and kindest regards to Miss Jessie, and with all best wishes to yourself,

I remain,

yours very sincerely,

GRAY CROLY.

64, Rue Gambetta,

Jarnac (Charente).

August 15th, 1931.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

I am sorry not to have written to you before, but it was difficult to do

so, as I only arrived in Jarnac the day before vesterday.

Leaving Harlow, I went to London, and next to Paris, where I spent about twelve days, visiting the Colonial Exhibition and entertaining myself. In my opinion this Exhibition is very nice, but does not deserve a special long journey; it is too much like an Exhibition.

I am in Jarnac till now the end of the present month. In September I'll travel, and on the 22nd of October I've to join the Army; it's not so nice.

You'll find enclosed two snaps; one is yourself, and the other Georgette and her kitten. Please hand this one to Miss Jessie. I hope she will like it!

I've heard of English financial situation through the French newspapers. I do hope, in spite of the facts, everything will get on better soon, without the poor taxpayer having to pay any more.

Before closing my letter I will thank you for your kindness and everything you did for me during my stay in England. . . When I am in barracks I'll regret Harlow College!

With my compliments to Mrs. Hrosey, Miss Jessie and Miss Horsey,

I remain, sincerely yours,

JACQUES BARRAUD.

6. Henleage Gardens,

Westbury-on-Trym.

Bristol.

July 30th, 1931.

DEAR SIR,

Please forgive me for not having written to you for such a long time. I am afraid I ought to have done so long before now. Still. "Better late than never." At present I am on holiday from Clifton, having broken up

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for the summer holidays on Tuesday, July 28th, and I return to school on Friday, September 18th.

I went to Clifton in September, 1929, where I was placed in the Lower Fourth Form. I have subsequently, somehow or other, managed to make my way to the Middle Fifth, and last term I took the School Certificate Examination, which, if I happen to pass before I leave, will enable me to move into the Upper Fifth, where I shall be able to specialise in any subjects (which, for me, will be Mathematics and Physics, as I hope to become a Civil Engineer), instead of, as I have hitherto done, pursuing a general course of study.

I have joined the O.T.C. at Clifton, and, at present, I should be at camp with the Clifton contingent, together with the contingents of various other Public Schools, at Gielworth Penning, in Wiltshire, but owing to the recent outbreak of cerebro-spinal-meningitis (a disease to which schoolboys are known to be specially susceptible) all the Public Schools' O.T.C. camps have been cancelled, to the great joy of the majority (if not at the other schools, at any rate at Clifton), myself included.

During about the first year I was at Clifton there was in the School another boy, David Rintoul, with whom I was at Harlow, although only for a very short time, with whom, I believe, you have some connection. Although I recognised him, he did not know me, and I never had anything to do with him while he was there with me, owing to the great distance which separated us, as he was not only in the Sixth Form, but also he was not in the same boarding-house as I. He was in Calveley's House, and, although I originally contemplated going there, I eventually entered Brown's House.

My parents are at present in Nigeria, where my father, although formerly engaged on the construction of the Nigerian Eastern Railway Company, is now on the permanent staff of that body, and holds the position of Secretary to the General Manager. They will probably be returning home in April of next year, when my father will enjoy the six months leave which he obtains every two years. The last time they were over here was during the summer of last year, when I was, unfortunately, not able to see very much of them, as, for three weeks at the end of the summer term, and for about half the summer holidays, I was in quarantine for diphtheria, which had broken out in Brown's House.

A few unfortunates like myself who, after "swabbing," had been found to be positive, were sent to the School Sanatorium, where, although we were allowed unlimited freedom, being placed under the surveillance of only one or two nurses, but we were nevertheless kept isolated from other people. The disease had, fortunately, not spread anywhere else in the School. As it was the Shooting VIII. were not allowed to go to Bisley to take part in the Ashburton Shield Shooting Competition, and the annual cricket match between our School XI. and Cheltenham was cancelled. Both these events were due to take place soon after the diphtheria had broken out, and their cancelling was due to fears being entertained by the authorities as to whether the disease would spread over the rest of the School, a fear which, however, subsequently proved to be groundless.

I hope that the School continues to do well. Please give my kind regards to Mrs. Horsey and Miss Jessie.

I remain, dear Sir,

Yours sincerely,

E. HARPER.

3, St. Mary's Road,

Golders Green.

N.W.11.

19/6/31.

DEAR MR. HORSEY,

I'm awfully sorry, but Douglas and I will not be able to come down on July 4th, as our own Old Boys' match takes place on that day, and we shall both be playing in one of the Elevens. But I at least shall certainly see you in February, if not before.

We all enjoyed ourselves immensely on Friday; it's impossible to say these things in a letter, but I'm sure you know how much we appreciated seeing you again.

Mother has asked me to give Mrs. Horsey two messages: First, that the flowers brightened our house for many days; and second, that "she is to hold out for the drive and imposing gates"—which I suppose means something intelligible to Mrs. Horsey.

We all send our best wishes,

GEOFFREY CLARK.

Vienna.

17/8/31.

DEAR SIR,

I was a pupil (boarder) in your College during the years 1926-27. I went to France then, and returned to Austria after a short time. I am considered as a foreigner here in Vienna, and the Austrian Home Office wishes to have a confirmation about my residence in England and that I have studied there. It is in order that I may get permission to work in this country. Will you therefore be so kind and send me a confirmation about the time I stayed in Harlow College? Also send me, please, a copy of my School results—all under my real name, Georg Krintzberger—and not Cross. I am awfully sorry that I have to bother you with these things, but I have to.

I often think of the jolly time I had in Harlow College. It was perhaps only my continental ideas about things which did not quite make me realise the superiority of English education and College life. Well, I think differently to-day. Fate has played some bad tricks with me the last three years. I am not having the best time here. Still, after rain comes sunshine, and better times will come yet.

Please give my kind regards to all the masters if they should be still with you and remember me. Also best greetings and wishes to Miss Jessie and Mrs. Horsey.

Thank you in advance for sending me the papers and remain, with best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

GEORG KRINTZBERGER,

Oak Wharf,

Ravensdale Road,

Stamford Hill,

London, N.16.

1/9/31.

DEAR SIR,

I hope you will forgive me for not writing for such a long time, but I don't get away from the office until late, and I have to go to Night School twice a week, and I have to do prep. another two nights, so I don't get over much time as you see. I am taking up book-keeping and typewriting just at present.

How are you keeping, Sir, in this vile weather? Quite well I hope; and also Mrs. Horsey, Miss Jessie and Miss Horsey.

I saw the results of the Senior Oxford in to-day's Morning Post. They were very good I think. Compton was splendid. Do you think you could send me the results of the Junior, please, Sir?

I hope you will forgive the countless number of mistakes, as I am not supposed to know about the spacing, but I have managed to teach myself well enough for writing letters.

I am afraid I must close now, so I will leave off with hoping you are having a good holiday and a well-earned rest.

Hoping to see you and everybody fit and well on Old Boys' Day, and hoping to hear from you in the meantime, I close, still

Your affectionate pupil,

H. A. CANTOR.

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