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LINES SUGGESTED BY THE RECTOR'S SERMON ON FOUNDER'S DAY, 6th MAY, 1909.

Be *ambitious*—to do right
And in Honour's Cause to fight,
Not for Self, but for the School,
Not for Wealth, which cannot rule
Noble men, but for the place
Which fits you for Life's earnest race;
For friends and comrades, and the name
Of that proud School, which shall remain
For ever on the Rolls of Fame—
Be ambitious !

Be *courageous*—that you may
Ever hold the foe at bay,
Who would tempt you to do ill,
Who would strive your heart to fill
With evil thoughts and deeds that may
Discredit on the old School lay.
Whate'er you do, in play or work,
Stick to it bravely—do not shirk,
And where'er the dangers lurk—
Be courageous !

Be *loyal*—to thyself: for then
Thou shalt be true to other men ;
Keep thy tongue from speaking guile,
Be free from every snare and wile ;
Protect the weak, if thou art strong,
Strive for the Right, eschew the Wrong ;
In every action play thy part
Loyally, manfully from the start :
To School, to God, to thine own heart—•
Be loyal!

SCHOOL NOTES (Boys).

The following boys have left us since our last issue :—

Burton, Cunliffe, Dobson, Foster, Hamilton, J. Howarth,
Matthew, Ramsbottom, T. T. Taylor, Yapp.

The following have joined us this term :—

S. Howard, W. Kay, F. T. M. Marks, J. Merriman, F.
Pickstone, H. Rothwell, H. G. Spencer, J. Spencer, R. P. Taylor.

Pueri Auctoritate Graves :—

Captains of the School.—L. Buxton and A. E. Wild.

Prefects:—Senior : Barlow i., Brown i., Buxton i., Chadwick,
Jones i., Lee, Wild i. Junior : Hall i., McFarlane, Wolstenholme i.,
Wood i.

School Champions :—Senior : Whittam. Junior : Roth-
well iii. A.

Cricket Captains:—First Eleven: Jones i.; Second Eleven:
Hall i.; Third Eleven : O'Neil.

The following Elementary School Scholarships to Bury
Grammar School have been awarded :—•

Hulme.—E. Heath and R. Mitchell, S. John's, Bury.

Kay.—J. Temperley, Radcliffe Hall, Church of England ;
S. C. Jackson, All Saints', Elton ; R. Morris, St. Chad's, Bury;
J. Baxendale, St. Luke's, Heywood; W. E. Rigby, St. Chad's,
Bury; F. Spencer, St. Mark's, Bury; H. Greenhalgh, St. John's,
Bury; E. Warrington, Benfield School, Heywood; W. Scholes,
Radcliffe British; J. Winterburn, Woolfold Wesleyan; J. Orrell,
St. Chad's, Bury.

Wolstenholme i. and Eatough have gained L.C.C. Senior
Exhibitions of £20 per annum, and Wolstenholme ii. and Singleton,
Junior Exhibitions of £6 per annum.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE INSTITUTES' EXAMINATIONS :—

Mathematics.—In the workshop mathematics of the second year of the preliminary technical course, Bury Grammar School sent in 38 candidates, who all passed, the average marks gained being over 82 per cent. The examiners reported:—"All excellent set of papers. The problems were worked out in an admirably practical manner." The successful candidates with marks obtained, out of the maximum of 100, were:—H. Barlow 100, J. Wolstenholme 100, F. A. Brooks 99, J. M. Maddox 99, A. Lowe 98, W. Wild 98, K. McFarlane 96, W. Wood 95, P. G. Simmonds 54, H. Pickup 92, H. Cartman 89, F. Slack 89, N. Hall 88, H. C. Smith 88, W. Morris 87, W. P. Rostron 87, K. Simpkin 87, B. Whittam 86, F. S. Harding 85, B. Taylor 85, A. J. Benson 83, H. Brickies 81, W. Howarth 80, H. T. Farrar 79, A. T. Ogden 79, E. L. Southam 79, T. Eatough 78, F. Jackson 77, A. Burton 76, F. Whittaker 76, T. Turner 75, F. Lund 73, E. Lord 71, S. W. Cornall 65, B. Noton 61, Ira Wild 58, J. B. Wood 54, F. Mason 46.

French.—(Maximum marks attainable 120). Advanced.—Class I.: A. E. Wild 110, distinction, second in the whole list; E. B. Lee 102, H. Barlow 100. Class II.: W. Wood 94, H. Brickies 91, K. McFarlane 88, C. E. Jones 80. Pass: J. Wolstenholme 74, N. Hall 62.

Intermediate.—Class I : T. Eatough and A. Lowe 107, F. Whittaker 103, W. Howarth, K. Simpkin and B. Whittam 100. Class II.: J. Y. Smith 94, A. Burton 93, H. Pickup 92, W. Wild 91, A. J. Benson and E. L. Southam 90, A. T. Ogden 89, J. B. Wood 87, F. Jackson 85, F. S. Harding 84. Pass : P. G. Simmonds 73, J. B. C. Lamburn 65, H. C. Smith 64, F. Lund and B. E. Minton 60.

Elementary.—Class I.: W. Morris 104, E. Wolstenholme 102, A. H. Bradley, J. M. Maddox and E. Singleton 100. Class II. : B. Noton and Ira Wild 94, W. P. Rostron 92, H. Cartman and T. Turner 90, S. W. Cornall 88, A. Boardman 83, W. Pickstone and F. Slack 81, H. H. Hayes, F. Mason, H. J.

Moroney, T. Oldroyd, W. G. Packman and J. C. Sharp 80. Pass r
 H. T. Farrar and N. Sinclair 71, E. A. Lees 70, G. A. Bradley and
 B. Taylor 65, G. H. I. Lees and C. Talbot 63, G. Allen, C.
 Crompton, F. Downham, P. Hargreaves and H. Howarth 60.
 First class 14, second class 29, pass 19, total 62. The examiner
 reported : Bury Grammar School (Boys)—“ A remarkably good
 centre.”

Mrs. Rothwell has presented to the school three photo-
 graphs which she brought with her from Jerusalem, last year. One
 represents Solomon's Temple, another Herod's Temple, and the
 third Haran Es Sherif (a Mohammedan structure on the site of the
 ancient temple). They have been framed and hung in the Head-
 master's room.

The Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society has
 asked J. Lister, Esq., Barrister, to write an article on the Rev.
 John Lister, a former Headmaster of the Grammar School. Mr.
 Lister has promised to do so next session.

The Rector of Bury, the Rev. J. C. Hill, has been been
 appointed President of Derby House, in succession to the late
 Archdeacon Blackburne.

Football Results.—(Too late for insertion in our last
 issue).—Kay 2nd, 8; Derby 2nd, 1. Kay 2nd, 2; Hulme 2nd, 1.

The following choice morsel was recently picked up in
 Room 4 :—“ Do you often go rides with your cousin ? How old
 is she ? What is her name ? Where does she live ? Tell me
 quick or prepare for deth.”—Two Detentions !

Derby House retains the “ Whitehead ” Cup for Sports, and
 appropriates the “ Blackburne ” Cup for Cricket at the expense of
 Hulme.

MEMORABILIA.

Summer Holidays.—Thursday, 29th July, to Tuesday, 14th September.

“She Stoops to Conquer.”—Early in October.

Half-Term.—Monday, 1st November.

Christmas Holidays.—Wednesday, 22nd December, to Thursday, 20th January.

AN INARTICULATE ARTICLE.

Is there anything more calculated to dry up all ideas on any and every subject than to be commanded by your Editor to ‘write an article?’

‘What is an article?’ you ask yourself. There is a familiar ring about the question, and as a vision of a stuffy schoolroom arises, and the echo of a long-forgotten voice stirs in your memory carrying you back to the dry-as-dust grammar lesson of a prehistoric age, the answer comes automatically—‘An article is a word.....’ Surely there must be something more. What comes next? Try your Editor with ‘a word’ and see what he says about it: he will tell you that that definition won’t work: that it is a relic of the Middle Ages; and that what he wants is a modern article, something longer and more definite.

You point out that in those bygone ages articles were of two kinds—definite and indefinite, and that you prefer the latter. There is something hampering and narrow about the definite: it may appeal to the scientific and mathematical turn of mind, but to the would-be literary there is something more alluring in the imaginative possibilities of the indefinite: the one is ‘penny plain,’ and the other ‘two-pence coloured,’ and, like Stevenson, ‘we would go the length of two-pence every day of our lives.’ And why not? There is so much in life that is rigid and definite and can’t be avoided: answers to sums, time and money, all demand a disconcerting and tiresome exactness, which ought to be com-

pensated by a little go-as-you-please in other matters. Too much matter-of-factness is so deadening, and a little imagination so vivifying : the really interesting things are those that are left to the imagination, like my article.

But the Editor is importunate : he is one of those tiresome exact people, and he says it is high time I selected a subject and began. But what a task ! The range of subjects is so overwhelmingly large, and my literary capabilities so woefully small, that I feel inadequate to the task of selection : the variety of 'possible articles' is as great as those on a penny stall in the market, and how anyone ever decides how to spend a penny there is one of those things that I, for one, leave to the imagination.

What shall we choose ? 'Shoes, or ships, or sealing-wax, cabbages or kings?' Shoes seem too pedestrian for my muse, nothing less than a soaring Pegasus I need : 'Ships and cabbage.' Well, the combination, though frequently to be met with, is not one to be commended, and, to use a poetic licence, 'my 'bosom' does so heave' at the thought of it, that perhaps it would be safer to go on to 'Kings' Here again, what with history lessons and royal visits, kings appear to have been a little overdone lately, and it is as well not to strain the sentiment of loyalty too much in these democratic days.

Besides, can a king be a subject? It might be disloyal to consider him so. I don't want to get run in for *Ihe-majesti*, or high treason, or any thing political.

Perhaps, on the whole, I had better leave the subject out: after all, 'the style's the thing,' and there are times when I have brilliant flashes of wit and write glorious articles—this is chiefly when I am in bed and the ink is downstairs. These dream articles are quite good if only they did not 'dissolve like the baseless fabric of a vision and leave not a wrack behind.' Perhaps the wisest course would be to go to bed, and if I can only get up early enough to catch the dream I might write my article in the morning, and if not, well, as I said before—the most interesting things are those that are left to the imagination.

SCHOOL REGISTER (Continued).

	Age	Ent'd.	Left.
Thomas, son of Robert Holt, Farmer, Wood-Road, Rem ^d -	11	1829	1835
Isaac, son of Anne Bankes, widow, Langhorne, Cumberland. Rem ^d -	10	1829	Midsummer 1831
Thomas, son of the late Samuel Appleton. Removed.	11	1829	Drowned August 17th 1831
John, son of William Howarth, Innkeeper, Bury, Rem ^d -	10	1828	1831
Thomas, son of John Young, Draper, Bury.	11½	1829	—
Robert Harrison, son of the Rev. Rob ^t Bowness, Poulton, Lancashire.	14½	1830	Xmas. 1831
Samuel, son of Francis Mather, Draper, Bury. Removed.	11	1830	Xmas. 1831
Thomas, son of John Shaw, Shce-maker, Bury. Removed.	12	1830	Xmas. 1831
James, son of Joseph Wood, Overlooker, Bury. Removed.	12	1830	Midsummer 1831
Robert Andrew John Drummond, son of the Viscount Strathallan, Strathallan Castle, Scotland.	9½	1830	1833
Charles Gough, son of Charles Flint, Surgeon, Leek. B.A. of Magdalen College, Camb.	13	1830	183—
Edward Haycock, son of Peter Jackson, Esq., Keresley near Coventry.	10	1830	—
William Henry, son of the Rev. H. C. Boutflower, Bury. Surgeon to the East India Comp ^y Madras.	6½	1830	—
John, son of Robert Bradley, Esq., Solicitor, Kirby Lonsdale.	16	1831	1831
Henry Brock, son of Lawrence Brock Hollinshead, Esq., Cheadle, Cheshire.	12	1831	1836
George Kirkman, son of George Priestley, Esq., White Windows, Sowerby, near Halifax	9½	September 1831	1835
Thomas, son of the Rev. T. Selkirk, Bury. Removed from the Lower School. Went to Australia.	10	1831	—
James, son of Jeremiah Lord, Butcher. Re- moved.	12	1831	—

SCHOOL NOTES (Girls).

There were sixteen new pupils this term :—K. Howard, K. Collins, L. Lee, R. Ormerod, E. Ashworth, J. Hall, M. H. Hall, J. H. Preston, D. Hamilton, D. E. Pickup, E. H. Tinline, H. Peel, M. Blunt, J. Blunt, J. F. Gough, E. Holt.

Twelve girls left:—A. Ogden, M. Ogden, L. Lippman, G. Lippman, F. Barraclough, F. Holt, B. Lee, M. Lonsdale, M. Hall, M. Heap, N. Allen, A. Morris.

Our School number is now 233.

The following Scholarships have been awarded by the Governors:—

1. Hulme Scholarship.—M. Clay Radcliffe.

7. Kay Scholarships to

E. Stoneley Smith, Benfield School, Heywood.

F. Ogden, " "

A. Yardley, St. Mark's.

L. Smith, British School, Radcliffe.

M. Mellor, St. John's.

B. Booth, St. Luke's.

G. Burgess, Peel Brow, Ramsbottom.

We regret to announce that Miss Livingstone is not coming back next term, and we are the more sorry that the state of her health compels this step. We understand that she is going to take a long rest, and trust that she will soon be strong again. She will be much missed, especially amongst the elder girls.

Miss D. Adams has been appointed Modern Languages Mistress in place of Miss Livingstone. We offer her a hearty welcome to the School.

At the Bury Musical Festival our girls again did very creditably. Not only did Mr. Williams' Choir succeed in bringing back the Challenge Shield, and were complimented on their sweetness of tone, but Miss Hardman's pupils gained a first and second prize in Pianoforte playing, and another of her pupils, Agnes Raw, an old girl of the School, gained two first prizes.

Annie Lord is also to be congratulated on her enterprise in following up her success in the Intermediate Local Royal Academy Examination by a like success in the Advanced Grade after such a short preparation. She has worked hard and deserves great credit.

Dorothy Bedford, Form IV. Up., gained a C.C. Junior Exhibition at the recent Examination.

O. G. A. NOTES.

Our old girls at the University have done well again this year. P. Auty and M. Wrigley have taken the M.A. degree.

In the *Final B.A.* E. Sutcliffe gained a first class in Latin, English Language, Roman History, and II. in Ecclesiastical History.

R. Fairhurst and B. Hardman have completed the B.A. course.

In the Intermediate, A. Catton has passed in Mathematics Class I. Latin II.

Isabel Ashton in English Literature, Language, I., and G. Ramsden in the Faculty of Medicine in Biology.

May 6th.—The Annual Re-union of the O.G.A. was held, as usual, on May 6th, at the School, from 3 to 5 o'clock. The first hour was given up to business, and in consequence of a decision that the Committee should stand for one year only instead of three, as has been the case in former years, a new committee was appointed. After the meeting was over we adjourned to the dining room for tea, and spent a pleasant hour in renewing school friendships and in picking up broken threads of intercourse.

Congratulations to :

Hilda Parks—on her marriage.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Jelly—on the birth of a son.

We are always glad to receive information of the doings of our old girls. It has recently come to our knowledge that twice old girls have been successful in gaining the highest nursing award at St. Bartholomew's Hospital—the Gold Medal. We congratulate E. Elliott and M. Nuttall, although it is somewhat 'after the fair.'

HENRY WEBB, Esq., J.P.

It seems to me to be but right and fitting that there should be some reference to Mr. H. Webb in that part of the Bury Grammar School Magazine which is assigned to the Girls' side.

Some twenty-five years ago, in the year 1884, the Bury High School for Girls was founded. From its inception Mr. Webb was deeply interested in it, and took the chair at its first prize giving in the autumn of 1885. On the death of Alderman Duckworth he became Chairman of the Directors and continued to fill that office till the Girls' School was merged with the Boys' School in 1900. The School passed through many vicissitudes : gradually growing as the years went on, and Mr. Webb guided it and watched over its interests with the most assiduous care. His time and energies were always at its disposal, and he was never too busy or too tired to discuss a moot point or to give wise and kindly advice. Since the amalgamation of the two schools his work was given equally to boys and girls, but it must always be felt that the education of the girls of this town owes almost everything to him. When the present Girls' School was built he chose, and in some cases designed, its furniture, and no point was too small to escape his attention. His power of attending to and understanding detail was wonderful, but at the same time he never lost sight of wider and larger issues.

Though we shall and do miss him on the girls' side, still we cannot help feeling glad that he saw the accomplishment of one, at least, of the objects to which his life was devoted. He began the girls' School in an uncomfortable private house ; he left a School of 230, in one of the most beautiful and well-equipped buildings in the country.

J. P. KITCHENER.

TENNIS NOTES. (Girls).

All our readers will admit that, as far as weather is concerned, this has been a bad season for tennis. We owe much to the Governors for the excellent asphalt courts they have

provided for us, which enabled us to begin play earlier and to practise much more regularly than if we had been limited to grass ones.

Our first task was to choose match players. We were fortunate in still having at school two of our keenest players of last year, M. Hardman and O. Budden. After hard struggles, E. Glenday and B. Woodcock proved their superiority as tennis players over M. Clay and S. Lucas, who, however, showed much promise and made an excellent reserve. Matches had been arranged with Withington, Manchester, Pendleton, Whalley Range and Blackburn High Schools, with the following results :—

Withington (at home), a draw, 3 setts all; Withington, 28 games; Bury, 27 games.

Blackburn (away), Bury won ; 4 setts to nil.

Pendleton (at home), Bury won ; 2 setts to nil.

Withington (away), Bury lost; 4 setts to nil.

Manchester (at home), Bury won ; 4 setts to nil.

Of course the great day of the tennis season was Saturday, July 10th, when the " Lancashire Girls' Schools' Lawn Tennis League Tournament" (Manchester Centre) was played on the Northern Tennis Ground at Old Trafford.

The Bury champions were Marie Hardman and Olive Budden, whose play had improved so much during the season that we secretly cherished great hopes of reaching the finals, or possibly, even carrying off the shield once more, and thus realising our dreams of last year.

The keenest fight in the whole tournament was between Manchester High School and Bury, in the semi-finals. Manchester won the 1st sett, after hard play, by 10 games to 8. Bury recovered their lost ground by winning the second sett, 6-4. In the 3rd and final sett Bury started badly, allowing Manchester at one time to lead 3-1, and only succeeding in adding one more game before Manchester reached 5. By this time our chance of winning seemed almost hopeless, but as our champions always believe that " A game is never lost until it is won," (and possibly

the advice given on the 6th of May had something to do with this), we did not despair; and to our great joy our girls recovered themselves and won the set 7-5. This brought us into the finals against Withington, the winners of the shield last year. Over these we gained an easy victory, 6-4, 6-2 ; probably owing to the fact that they were without one of their best players. Immediately after this match the shield was presented to the Bury Grammar School (Girls) and a badge given to each of the players by Miss Patterson, Headmistress of Pendleton High School.

In conclusion we congratulate our girls on their victory ; especially as we had assurances from Miss Ellis, Secretary of the League, that experts (unconnected with any of the schools) who had watched the game, had admired their style and commented on their good play.

This excellent result is largely due to the unselfishness and devotion of Miss Hardman and Miss Alcock, who, evening after evening, have given up their own pleasure and time to play with the champions and to coach them. The thanks of the whole School are due to them, and we hope they find their reward in the honour brought to the School.

HOWLERS.

A great many amusing ' howlers ' having lately been published, the thought occurred to me that a few *true* ones might afford a little change. When I say true ones I mean what I say, and if anyone disputes the accuracy of any of my examples he may inspect the originals at the offices (?) of this journal. All these examples have actually been perpetrated in this school, either by boys in the school or by candidates competing for scholarships with which to come to the school.

To begin with, a short description of ' government ' is here presented just as it originally appeared:—" The government is composed of all classes of poeple though they all wark in different offercies as a King is the head of the Lords help him to govern all what they do help one another and end in the same thing."

No, my dear readers, he does *not* mean the present government.

The same boy gave Henry V's great saying as :—" O God of battle, steal my steal my soldier's hearts."

I can picture the above boy getting two det—scholarships.

Amongst the definitions of an acid are the following :—" An acid is a sort of chemical use for doing chemical work." " An acid is a liquid or a gas containing some chemicals as Neutric acid." " Carbon di-oxide is an acid and vinegar."

A budding Kelvin said that " it was difficult to walk on ice because it was smooth and *slipy*."

Another in answer to the same question stated :—" The water is very smooth but when it freezes and made hard it becomes exceptionally so."

Really now! Thanks *so much* for the information !

A young mathematician stated that " In the Metric System, all the weights and measures circulate round the metre." This sounds terribly like a kind of pinwheel.

The following may be of interest to many—"The word rainfall means that when the rain as been falling from the clouds and falls to the ground that is what we would call a rainfall."

This is the long-sought explanation of the terrible weather we had in June.

The following definition of Dew-point is, to say the least, very ingenious. " Dew-point means to be at a place at the time stated."

A candidate once stated in an examination paper that the *first* great event in Queen Victoria's reign was the death of Gladstone, Boer war, and ist penny postage."

It was fortunate the examiner did not ask for the ninth great event, it would have filled a book.

A few geographical statements :—It (Egypt) was a very fine country in the early days of the world. The religion of the

majority of the people is Mohomeden. The British are doing an excellent work in Egypt, and since they took the work civilisation there have been less famines. When the Nile overflows its banks the water is stored in reservoirs and it can be made to go over the land any time."

"The eclipse of the sun is when the earth has revolved round the sun once in a year."

"The term phase of the moon is that part which is passing the earth." Oh!

To conclude I append an interesting historical account:—

"James after became James I of England. He was James VI of Scotland when he ascended the English throne. He was a disliked man to the Roman Catholics at London. These men included Guy Fawkes who was captured at the utmost point of setting the powder afire." The word "utmost" is a beautifully delicate touch.

"Bristles."

VISIT TO HORWICH.

On Wednesday, May 12th, a party from the school paid a visit to the L. & Y. Railway works at Horwich. The number was rather limited as the company will not allow anyone under 15 years of age to go through their works. The visit was arranged by Mr. Sprankling, those in charge being Mr. Sprankling, Mr. Spivey and Mr. Hamer.

We left Knowsley Street Station by the three o'clock train, changing at Bolton and Blackrod. On arriving at the works we were shown into a nicely-furnished waiting-room, where certain formalities were gone through. In a few minutes our guide appeared, and we followed him along the corridor, across the yard and into the first of the large workshops.

What a change from the quiet of the offices, with their green shaded lights and polished desks, into the roar of whirling wheels and flying sparks!

Passing down this shop we see on all sides boilers : big boilers and little boilers in every stage of development.

In one, men are drilling holes by means of drills suspended from above by moving belts. At the next we are nearly deafened by the thud of the rivetting machine, driven by compressed air.

The next shop is perhaps the most interesting, with its huge furnaces, heated by gas, its showers of sparks, almost equalling the pyrotechnic display in the playing fields of the Grammar School on the fifth of November, its steam hammers which smash down huge masses of metal as if they were butter, and yet are under such perfect control that they will stop at any desired point in their downward rush.

In one part a circular saw is cutting its way through a mass of red hot metal weighing several tons ; in another, masses of iron are brought from the furnace to the steam hammer, and in a few seconds are turned out as buffer heads.

In the next room, we come across writhing worms of red-hot metal, squirming across the floor as if alive, as they pass from roller to roller, in the making of chain links.

There is neither time nor space to describe all the different departments visited, such as the joiners', turners' and fitters' shops, but we finally come out into the open air to where the finished articles are standing ready for their trial trips on the morrow.

Leaving as the men quit work, at half-palf five, we have just nice time to catch our train for the straight run home, via Radcliffe, highly delighted with all we have seen and with our stock of knowledge greatly enlarged. Our best thanks are due to Mr. Sprankling for his trouble in arranging the visit.

THE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Annual Athletic Sports were held at Buckley Wells on Thursday, June 24th. Unfortunately the afternoon was very wet. This militated against the attendance of spectators and also the keenness exhibited by the competitors, of whom only a small propor-

tion of those entered actually took part in the various events. As a whole the results do not call for much comment. The Championship for the best Athlete was taken by B. Whittam, (Hulme). Derby House was easily the Champion House, with Kay Second and Hulme a poor third. No times were taken officially and perhaps it is as well they were not, as 7 minutes for the Mile does not suggest undue hurrying over the course.

It is to be hoped that next year the sports will take place at the end of July as suggested, when possibly more congenial weather will favour us.

We were glad to welcome the new Rector of Bury on the field acting as one of the Judges, and have to thank Mrs. Hill for kindly presenting the prizes. The Rector was successful in persuading the Head Master to give a half-holiday for the following morning, which was taken advantage of by the various contestants after their arduous labours.

Appended is the list of winners :—

Long Jump (open).—i, Whittam, H. (16 ft. 6 ins.) ; 2, Buxton D.; 3, Harding, D.

Long Jump (under 15).—1, Morris i, K. (14 ft. 5ins.) ; 2, Wild iii, D. ; 3, Meadowcroft, D. ;

Long Jump (under 13).—1, Morris ii, K. (11 ft. 5[^] ins.) ; 2, Buxton ii, D. ; 3, Dykes, H.

High Jump (under 13).—1, Buxton ii, D. ; 2, Askew, H ; 3, Greenhalgh iv, K.

100 Yards Scratch (under 15).—Heat winners: I, 1, Rothwell iii, K.; 2, Howarth, H.; 3, Wild iii, D. II, 1, Morris i, K. ; 2, Mason, H. ; 3, Marks i, H. Final : 1, Morris 2, Rothwell ; 3, Howarth. Won by 3 yards ; ditto.

Senior 220 Yards Scratch.—Heat winners : I, 1, Buxton i, D. ; 2, Coupe i, D. ; 3, Hall i, H. II, 1, Whittam, H. ; 2, Harding, D. ; 3, Wolstenholme i, D. Final : 1, Whittam ; 2, Buxton ; 3, Wolstenholme. Won by 3 yards ; 10 yards.

440 Yards Scratch (under 15).—1, Morris i, K.; 2, Rothwell iii, K.; 3, Mason, H.

100 Yards Scratch (under 13).—Heat winners : I, 1, Mark ii, H.; 2, Rothwell ii, K.; 3, Packman ii, H. II, 1, Kay v, K.; 2, Kay iii, H.; 3, Sutcliffe, K. III, 1, Wolstenholme ii, K.; 2, Greenhalgh iv, K. Final 1, Rothwell; 2, Marks; 3, Packman. Close.

Senior Half-mile Scratch.—1, Whittam, H.; 2, Coupe i, D.; 3, Wild i, D. Won by 6 yards.

440 Yards Scratch (under 13).—Heat winners : I, 1, Rothwell ii, K.; 2, Marks ii, H.; 3, Buxton ii, D. II, 1, Packman ii, H.; 2, Crompton ii, H.; 3, Wild iv, D. Final : 1, Rothwell; 2, Packman; 3, Marks. Won by 10 yds.; 20 yds.

Senior 100 Yards Scratch.—Heat winners : I, 1, Buxton i, D.; 2, Hall i, H. 3, Wild i, D. II, 1, Harding, D.; 2, Wolstenholme i, D.; 3, Whittam, H. Final : 1, Whittam; 2, Buxton; 3, Wolstenholme. Close.

Half-mile Scratch (under T5).—1, Morris i, K.; 2, Rothwell iii, K.; 3, Howarth, H. Won by 10 yds.; 2 yards.

Obstacle Race.—Heat winners : I, 1, Wild iii, D.; 2, Rostron ii, K. II, 1, Taylor ii, K.; 2, Rostron i, H.; III, 1, Hamer, K.; 2, Aspinall, D. Final: 1, Rostron ii.; 2, Wild; 3, Rostron i.

High Jump (under 15).—1, Rothwell iii, K.; 2, Mason, H.; 3, Wild iii, I).

440 Yards Scratch open.—1, Harding, D.; 2, Coupe i, D.; 3, Wild i, D. Won by about 12 yds.

Potato Race (under 10).—1, Wallace, H.; 2, R. P. Taylor, K.; 3, Dearden, D.

440 Yards Handicap (under 15).—1, H. Howarth, H. 18 yds. start : 2, Mason, H., 15; 3, Wild iii, D, 23. Won by 1 yd.; 6 yds.

Relay Race.—1, Derby House; 2, Kay House; 3, Hulme House.

220 Yards Handicap (under 11).—i, Brown ii, D., 2 yards start; 2, Anderson, K., 5; 3, R. P. Taylor, K., 18. Won by a yard; 2 yards.

Half-mile Open Handicap.—1, Wolstenbolme, D., 15yds. start; 2, Eatough, K., 40; 3, Taylor iii, K., 45. Won by 20 yds.

High Jump (open).—1, Buxton i, D.; 2, Rothwell iii, K.; 3, Wolstenholme i, D.

One mile Scratch (open).—1, Coupe i, D.; 2, Wolstenholme i, D.; 3, Eatough, K. Won by 30 yds.; 6 yds.

100 Yards Scratch (under 11).—1, Barker, K.; 2, Anderson, K.; 3, Brown, D.

Tugs of War.—House Tug, Derby House; School Tug, Jones's team.

Old Boys' Race, 220 Yards Handicap.—1, F. Hopkinson, scratch; 2, Pye, scratch; 3, W. Wilkins, 8 yds. Won easily.

House Championships.—1, Derby, 187 points; 2, Kay, 161 points; 3, Hulme, no points.

Senior Championship.—Whittam, 44 points. (Buxton i, 35 points).

Junior Championship.—Rothwell iii, 45 points. (Morris i, 44 points).

School Challenge Cup, Whittam; "Haworth" Challenge Cup, 220 yards (open), Whittam.

FROM BEHIND THE SPEAKER'S CHAIR.

SATURDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1909.

Members, having been previously entertained to tea by the Speaker and Deputy Speaker, took their seats at 7-15 for the final meeting of the session.

Introducing a motion on behalf of monarchy, Mr. J. Wolstenholme talked for some time about kings, commons, aristocrats and democrats. A monarch, he declared, was above

the petty jealousies of party politics, and ensured a continuity of policy so desirable for the peace and welfare of a nation.

In opposing, Mr. B. E. Minton declared for a republic ; he quoted history in somewhat copious doses, and decried monarchies, past, present and future, as despotical and tyrannical.

Mr. K. McFarlane, in proposing an amendment, outlined a middle course which, by modifying the fanaticism of a democracy by means of the legislative veto of an aristocracy, would produce, he claimed, a practicable, desirable and ideal constitution. (Ahem !)

The hon. proposer and his party were visibly perturbed, and the Leader of the Opposition expressed a desire to cross the floor.

After the amendment had been seconded the Monarchists urged the Speaker to apply the closure but the proposal was rejected by the House. The debate continued and the House was subjected to the witticisms of the hon. member for York. At length the House divided on the amendment, which was carried by 27 votes to 5.

By the unanimous wish of the House it was then decided to hold an impromptu debate on that all-important and urgent question, so dear to the heart of every loyal citizen of this town, "Should Bury have a Pump?"

As Member for Bury, Mr. S. V. Brown led off in a manner which would have brought tears of shame to the eyes of any Town Council that could allow its dutiful and well-deserving citizens thus to suffer through its oversight.

After speaking about pumps, their varieties, uses and abuses,, with several *slight* (we will not be too harsh) divergences, the Hon. Member was rudely awakened by a startling revelation — "Bury had a Pump!"

Mr. E. Jones, in an awe-inspiring whisper, disclosed the terrible secret to the hushed and trembling house. Beside the playing fields at Buckley Wells, shunned by some but forgotten by most, stands that instrument of torture, a water pump, inert and crumbling, creaking at the touch, and eking out its miserable existence all swathed in bandages.

A strange silence fell on the whole House and the members, overcome by the awful possibilities which this revelation had suggested, painfully picked themselves up and stumbled out into the darkness.

When at last the Speaker had sufficiently recovered from the force and suddenness of the shock he rose to divide the House : the leader of the motion had fled and only two members remained to register their votes—the dazed and fainting Secretary, who was absent-mindedly gathering up his papers preparatory to an ignominious flight, and the Leader of the Opposition with a smile of triumph on his countenance, but apparently quite unconscious of the awful havoc and consternation which his revelation had wrought.

HON. SEC.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

CONGRATULATIONS.

C. G. Ainsworth, Class I. in the Mays; Foundation Scholarship of £50 per annum in Science, Downing College, Cambridge.

Dr. H. Ashton has been awarded the title of "Officier d'Academie" by the French Government.

J. A. Bleakley, Class III., Natural Science Tripos, Part II., at Cambridge.

A. Coupe, 1st Exam., Dentistry, Physics and Zoology, Manchester.

C. E. Diggle, B.A., Durham, Curate of St. John's, Pemberton.

VV. R. Douglas, M.B., Ch.B., B.Sc., Junior Demonstrator in Anatomy, Manchester University.

N. Greenhalgh, 2nd Class Honours in Chemistry, Manchester.

H. C. Greenwood, elected by the Royal Commissioners for for the Exhibition of 1851 to a Special Science Research Scholarship.

W. H. Hardman, 2nd Class Honours, History Tripos, Part I., at Cambridge.

W. L. Heaton, M.Sc., married to Miss B. Wilkinson, of Bolton.

H. Hope, Inter B.Sc., Manchester.

F. Hopkinson, Preliminary Science Exam., L.D.S., England.

J. S. Lee, 2nd Class Honours in Chemistry, Manchester.

C. G. Lees, 1st M.B., Ch.B., Part I., Chemistry and Physics ; Part II., Biology, Manchester.

G. P. Nuttall, of Lord Derby's Estate Office, Bury, Final Exam, of the Surveyors' Institution (F.S.I.)

J. W. Smith, Assistant Engineer, Bury Water Works.

Dr. Vincent Southwell, late of Summerseat, married to Miss Marian Heywood.

E. Temperley, Head Master of St. Peter's School, Bury.

J. C. Wrigley, Class I. in the Mays, Prize; Foundation Scholarship of £70 per annum in Classics, Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

OWENSIA.

The King and Queen formally opened the new Royal Infirmary on July 6th. There was 'some rain,' which is usually interpreted in Manchester as a heavy downpour for the greater part of the day. Their Majesties also stopped at the University and received a loyal address, the King afterwards inspecting the guard of honour formed by the University O.T.C.

There is little College news to record this term. Three Old Boys are leaving this Summer and, like Oliver Twist, we ask for more. Our sympathy to all those now in the toils of examinations, and best wishes for the vacation.

Mr. Tom Darney, of Walmersley, who was at the School from 1851-4, is now living at 11, Viola Street, Astley Bridge, Bolton, where he would like to hear from old schoolmates. He mentions as Master of the " Higher Division " the Rev. C. H. Boutflower, Rector of St. John's, and as pupils Rev. J. T. Openshaw, Rev. Russell Walker, Micah Barlow, Tom Nuttall, Tom Bott, Sam Hall. As Masters of the " Lower Division " he mentions Mr. John Just, Rev. J. Masheder, and Messrs. Harrison and Littlewood, and among the pupils Tom Kay, James Wajmsley, George and Allan Speight, William Hall, Robert Kay, William Price, Clem. Mitchell, Sam Horrocks, Peter Topping, James Sellers, Richard Whitehead, James Sugden, Jonah Kay, James and Harry Bird, Edmund Kay, James Kay, Richard and James Nuttall, Will Hill, George Morris, James Hall, Richard Howarth.

F. E. Hildyard has been appointed sub-manager at the head office in Manchester of the Manchester and Liverpool District Bank. He is a son of Rev. C. F. Hildyard, Head Master of Bury Grammar School from 1858 to 1876.

We regret to have to record the death of a famous Old Boy in the person of Mr. Edmund Simpkin, J.P., aged 80. Mr. Simpkin was entered for admission to the Grammar School soon after he was born, and at the age of eight a place was found for him in the School, the Rev. Henry Boutflower being Headmaster, Mr. John Just, Second Master, and Mr. Harrison, Third Master.

Two other Old Boys have died recently, Arthur Rostron and Frederick Howarth. To the relatives of all three we beg to extend our sympathy.

Dewhurst and the two Isherwoods, all of Ramsbottom, have gone out to settle in British East Africa. They were at the School about 1901.

*LUSUS PUERILES SCHOLL BURIENSIS.

[CONCLUDED].

Sliding. Arridet multis glaciem perstringere fabris
 Laevatam pedibus, quae vultum lubrica fulget.
 Undique conve'niunt pueri, gaudentque ruentes
 Ordine quisque suo ; missas stridentibus alis
 Tot Scythicas volitare putes per inane sagittas.

Planta fugax sumum quam mire navigat aequor.
 Per mare sic fertur non t *flumine* tincta Camilla.
 Incubat hie humero alterius calcemque prioris
 Calce terit; quin ne cui sit victoria curae,
 Radis iter liquidum qui primus, ovare volatu
 Te nimium nollem, ne tu puer Icarus esses
 Fata eadem inveniens, et te quoque pontus haberet.

Hobby-Horse. Dulcis amor puero est equitare in " arundine " longo
 Cui latus est pictum, fulgentque in vertice cristae :
 Gaudet equo et numero sociorum, hunc vincere cursu
 Nunc alium certans, et habet victoria laudem.
 Dum puer Ascanius mentitur proelia ludo
 Ipse aciem ducens, quam sese ostendit in armis
 Egregium ! Heroem sic fingens anglicus Infans
 Emicat acer equo; tennes molitur habenas
 Sublimis, latisque exultim ludit in arvis.
 Ille suum quin portat J Venerisque columbae
 Quando jugum subeunt, divae tolluntur in auras
 Numine, vique sua volitat super aethera currus.

Fine carent ludi, quot Tybris fundit arenas,
 Tot studiis sese solet exercere juvenus.

" Aedificare " casas plostello adjungere mures
 Communis labor est. Hominem describere in " uda "

Clay-baby. Nunc placet " argilla, " ***ludit puer atque Prometheus.*

Archimedes. Ille velut quondam Geometres (ft *utier audax*
Grandibus exemplis) terrae caelique Satorem
 Descripsit radio totum qui gentibus orbem.
 Quo me Musa rapis ? Librorum funera dicam
 Densa, meis chartis quod fatum impendet ineptis.
 Scribere quin mens grata jubet, solatia vitae
 t J *Versus* habet tenerae, memor et puerilia charta
 Gaudia testatur, votivae more tabellae.

FAWKES.

Some youth has written " R. Nuttall 1745 " at the bottom
 of the copy.

**Ludi, J.L. t Fluctu, J.L. \equum, J.L.*

***puer atque Promethea ludit, J.L.*

ft *Parvula magnis si conferre licet, J.L. J J Carmen, J.L.*

THE LATE MR. HENRY WEBB.

No cause secured greater sympathy and enlisted more energy in the strenuous and useful life of the late Mr. Henry Webb than our Grammar School. It was chiefly through his persistent advocacy in asserting the claims of Bury to its fair share of the Hulmeian Funds that we now enjoy the fine Buildings and generous Endowment necessary to the work of our re-constituted Foundation. Mr. Webb for 19 years as Chairman of Directors of the Girls' High School (founded 1884) so successfully guided its career that no less than 100 pupils were ready in 1904 to form the girls' side of our School, which has since so steadily increased in numbers and efficiency under Miss Kitchener and her able staff. We therefore have good cause to lament the loss of one who, as Vice-Chairman and Governor, was the most active and untiring of the Governing Body. To the various details of his public work he gave the same conscientious attention which he devoted to his private business ; and in this public spirit, adorned with a character of deep though unobtrusive piety, he offers to us all, and especially to all our boys and girls, an example of a life of unselfish usefulness which it would be highly culpable to neglect. The oft-quoted saying that genius is " the capacity of taking pains " found in our late friend a notable illustration, and as the writer of this notice knew him for 35 years, he can testify how, from his youth, Henry Webb disciplined himself in the Christian life to become what for many years his many friends recognised in him " a man faithful in all things."

THE LITERARY ASPIRATIONS OF THE APPRENTICE. —[Concluded (?)].

Castleton Athletic Temperance Society v. Deansgate Old Gymnastic Society, at Bury, July 1st, 1910.

This match was played in most favourable weather. The light was splendid all day, the sun was warm and we had promise of a very enjoyable time. A goodly number of spectators were present by 11 o'clock, the stands being fairly full, while other parts

of the accommodation were filled to overflowing. I secured a very good post on the grand stand, when the ticket collector was not watching. The wicket seemed perfect and the cricketers were having a bit of quiet practice. The Castleton youths wore navy blue caps with white initials, C.A.T.S., neatly printed. The Deansgate chaps had scarlet caps with gold letters, D.O.G.S. Playing, as they did, on neutral ground (for it was a cup-tie) the two teams were quickly dubbed Cats and Dogs. At 11-~~25~~ bell rang and the little boys ran for ice-cream while the cricketers went into the pavilion. It was while they were in the pavilion a rather funny sight was seen. A great fat man came along the seat in front of me, and seeing space enough between two persons to hold a bottle of ginger beer, he remarked most genially, "There's just room for one here." I was alarmed, for I felt sure I must soon be a witness at a coroner's inquest. Human nature, however, is very plastic, and so is human flesh. The genial gentleman sat, commencing the operation at the level of his neighbours' shoulders, and gradually sinking in much the same manner as a spoon sinks into a jar of treacle until he reached the board and gained a round of applause. This applause was mistaken by the cricketers as being meant for them so out they came, the Cats having won the toss. The captain of the Dogs was a long sleek fellow like a grey-hound and the wicket keeper was very suggestive of a bull-dog. They got into their places. The attack was shared by two Irish-terrier-looking fellows who were opposed by two Persian Toms, judging from their whiskers. The Dog at the pavilion end bowled at a great rate and kept a good length the whole time. Once, indeed, the ball never touched anything until it reached the bull-dog's head and bounced so far that the Cats ran a two bye for it. The last ball of the over, however, got through the defences and Tom-cat number one returned to the pavilion. The next Cat was a sleek individual who bounded through the window and over the railings as if after a mouse. He got his bat in position and was attacked by the other terrier with a yorker, and his day's work was done. For the rest it was mostly a procession to and from the wicket. The Castleton supporters were gnashing their teeth on sundry

pork pies. The language and drink were equally bad, and tempers got worse when the Cats were all dismissed for nine runs, seven of which were extras. But I had faith yet in the Cats.

As usual the pitch was well rolled before the Dogs came in to bat. Many spectators went away. It was a foregone conclusion that victory was with the Dogs, but I did not feel at all sure. The game recommenced.

The Cats were keen, the Dogs were confident, and so was I—that they would lose. “How’s that?” asked the attacking Cat. “In this time, but if he does it again he’ll be out,” said the umpire. Another ball! “How’s that?” again from the Cat. “Out,” says the umpire. “Nonsense,” says the Dog, “It wasn’t out. I’ll not come out. You don’t know the rules.” “Oh, don’t I? But I know you’ll come out,” and out he came. Next time the Dog appealed for a throw because he was out first ball, and he was reckoned the best dog. The umpire said, however, that it was a jolly good throw and he must come out. He wouldn’t, and a pretty quarrel followed. Nobody would give way, and the match came to a disgraceful end—a free fight. Even there I backed the Cats. My opinion of them was well founded for they gained a great victory that day. They scored more runs than the Dogs, and they literally drove the Dogs off the field—a regular sporting finish! May there never be such another, unless I am there—as a spectator, of course!

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Playing Fields.—We think they are sheep but wilt make enquiries.

“AURORA.”—We believe it rained on June 24th last. The objects you saw at Buckley Wells were probably water-nymphs. We cannot tell what they meant by shouting “Goon kaye.”

“QUIDNUNC.”—The correct way to determine the direction of the wind, by means of the school weathercocks, is to note the

way each one points and take the mean. As a matter of fact they are both stuck. We think a little encouragement in the shape of oil or, better still, a brick might be beneficial.

"PRIVATE."—No, sir, Sergeant Bois did *not* wear three pairs of puttee leggings at the last parade. He had only two pairs. The idea ! How could you suggest such a thing ?

"SPA."—You *really* think you were out l.b.w. ? Had you not better see a doctor ?

"ARDUPPE."—"Amare et sapere vix deo conceditur."

STOP PRESS NEWS.

"PLAYING FIELDS."—Yes, they are sheep.

KAY HOUSE SOCIAL.

Thanks to the victorious keenness of our Second Eleven on the football field, the House enjoyed a Social on Wednesday, April 21 st.

Though the time for preparation was short, an excellent little musical programme was put together. The performers were, Morris i, W., France, Clay, Lund and Coupe. Jones ii, C. E., provided the comic items. Pickstone was the accompanist, a task he fulfils with exceptional sympathy and self-effacement.

We were delighted to have an opportunity of hearing Mr. Spencer again, and in future no Social will be complete without him.

After supper a Whist Drive was held, and also a "Buried Towns" Competition. The latter was tackled with great vigour, Turner and Lees i. both gaining full points. The Whist Drive was won by Taylor iii, B.

THE GIRLS' CLUB.

The report of the work of the Club, read on May 6th, showed that good work had been done this past session, and that the Club is in a fairly good way financially.

The General Meeting was held on May 13th, and the following Officers and Executive Committee were appointed :—
President: L. Ashworth (re-elected). *Treasurer:* Ada Shaw.
Joint Secretaries: L. Wild, K. M. Ashworth. *Committee:* F. Maxwell, J. Downham, M. Bentley, J. Webb, L. Hardman, H. Bentley.

This Committee will be augmented later by three of the girl members of the Club.

THE CLUB GARDEN PARTY.

On July 3rd the Committee of the Girls' Club arranged a Garden Party in the School grounds. There were games of all kinds : Aunt Sallie, Skittles, and Bumble-puppy being provided for those who did not care to enter for the Tennis Tournament. The Shooting Range, kindly placed at our disposal, and presided over by Mr. Scott, proved a great source of attraction.

It was unfortunate that another garden party was given on the same day, as our numbers suffered somewhat in consequence: it was likewise unfortunate that the rain did not keep off for one half-hour longer, and allow our guests to return home in comfort.

The proceeds were given to the Relief Fund of the Girls' Club. Owing to the many calls upon it during the winter, for cases of illness, the Fund had got into rather low water. It does an excellent work in helping girls during illness or providing the means of sending away those who are recovering—to Sanatoriums and Convalescent Homes; and this work deserves all the help we can give it, and donations towards it would be gladly received by the Committee.

Any Old Girls who are willing to help at the Club during the autumn and winter months should send in their names to K. Mabel Ashworth, Bankfield North, Bury.

CRICKET, 1909.

FIRST ELEVEN.

The team this season has been a distinct improvement on that of the previous year in every department of the game. We have certainly felt the loss of Ramsbottom (who, we are glad to hear, is now doing great things in local cricket), but we have discovered a very good substitute in Harding, whose batting has improved greatly since last season. Though our scores have not been very great, they have never been poor, and we have certainly not disgraced ourselves as we did once or twice last season. We have beaten both Manchester and Salford Technical Schools, without assistance from the Masters, but have suffered heavy defeats at the hands of Bolton and Hulme. The batting of the team is only moderate, and we have no really good man in this department. The chief ambition of our players seems to be to get double figures, and when they have attained this object they play recklessly, with the usual result. Harding has been our most consistent bat, but he has very few good scoring strokes. The striking feature of the batting is our inability to hit good length balls pitched off the wicket. Our batsmen score more runs from balls pitched on the wickets than from balls pitched well to the off or on.

The bowling has certainly been better than the batting. Chadwick has been a tower of strength in this department and has been well seconded by Harding. The latter is, however, very variable, and not quite so consistent as he might be. We have no really good first change, however, and this accounts for the huge scores made against us by Bolton and Hulme.

Our fielding is probably well up to the average of the last few years, and in the case of the match versus Manchester Technical School, was specially commended by members of the Bury Cricket Club.

The main fault, to which all the players are addicted, is slackness in backing up between the wickets. We have not learnt the secret, how to make runs easy.

CRITIQUE.

CHADWICK.—Has done excellent service with the ball. Fair bat. Good field.

BROWN.—His batting was very disappointing in the early part of the season, but lately he has shown a return to his old style. Would do well to guard against the ball that keeps low, for this has often proved his undoing. Very fair field.

BUXTON.—Stylish though not reliable in his batting. He should learn to raise hi"s bat well up behind him with his wrists before making a stroke. This would improve his batting very much. Has kept wicket very well generally, though he is not so quick to take advantage of a batsman's mistakes as he might be.

COUPE.—Rather disappointing. Gets very reckless when he has made a few runs. Rather slow at times in the field.

JONES.—Fair bat but rather unreliable. Very fair field.

EATOUGH.—A very nice bat, but lacks power. Rather weak on the leg side. Fielding needs attention.

HARDING.—A very patient bat with a good defence, but rather lacking in forcing strokes. Fair bowler, rather inclined to get balls on the short side. Good field.

BRICKLES.—Batting only moderate. Would be a good bowler if he did not get too many balls on the leg side; he also lacks pace ; is a very fair field.

LEE.—Forceful batsman, but has a poor defence. A very good field. Can throw a ball in very cleverly.

FOSTER.—Has a nice style of batting, but lacks power; very fair field.

SOUTHAM.—Wants plenty of practice both in batting and fielding.

HALL.—A very promising player. Should be of service to the School in the future if he stays on. Fair field, good bat, promising bowler.

WOLSTENHOLME.—A slogger of the first water. He should learn not to back out of his wickets, however. A very useful field with plenty of speed.

WILD.—Wants practice, and plenty of it. Has a bad habit of poking at the off ball. Should learn to give the ball the full face of the bat. □ Fair field.

SCORES.

Hulme Grammar School, 155 for 5 wickets (declared); School, 85. School, 91 ; Manchester Technical School, 87. Bolton Grammar School, 178 for 5 wickets (declared); School, 51. School, 81 ; Manchester Technical School, 72. School, 70; Salford Secondary School, 42. School, 47 ; Hulme Grammar School, 23 (for 1)*. *Rain stopped play.

SECOND ELEVEN.

The team has done very well, under the circumstances, for it is practically a new side, as most of the best players have been drafted into the First Eleven. The younger players have come on extremely well, and are very keen : if they can play together another season they will develop into quite a good side. Taylor iii. B. by his steady play has proved very valuable. Hall i, N., who captains the team, has played several useful innings. The bowling has been fairly equally divided. The weaknesses are, undoubtedly, indifferent fielding and slackness in running between the wickets. The latter fault has been responsible for the loss of several wickets and many runs.

THIRD ELEVEN.

There are some very promising young cricketers in this Eleven. The batting has been much steadier, the players are watching the ball better, and " Blind Hitting " which is so prevalent among young players has practically disappeared. A few have the very bad habit of poking at a ball on the off side, the result, of course, being easy catches to point and slips. We hope to get more matches next year for this Eleven, and feel sure they will give a good account of themselves. O'Neil has been a good captain; he is very popular with the team, and is a thorough sportsman.

