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#### SCHOOL NOTES.

#### THE SCHOOL GOVERNORS.

We deeply regret to record the death, on February 27th, of Mr. C. W. Deacon, who for fifteen years was a Governor of the School as a representative of the Borough Council. Mr. Deacon was one of Wycombe's most prominent citizens, and brought into public life many excellent gifts, strong convictions and fearless expression. His death will be a great loss to the many public bodies on which he served, and to none more than to the Governing Body of this School.

#### NEW SCHOOL.

The problem of finding ways and means for carrying out the new building scheme is not yet solved. The present position is this: the County Education Committee has just recommended the grant of a further £1,000. This brings the total sum available to £15,850 (about). The Architect has drawn up plans, which would entail a total cost of £17,530, according to the report presented by him to the Governors in January. The Governors have asked permission from the Board of Education to sell sufficient property to meet the deficit. No answer has yet been received from the Board.

#### THE STAFF.

We welcome this term Mr. F. P. Fuller, B.Sc., A.R.C.Sc. (Lond.), who replaces Mr. R. B. Threlfall as senior mathematical master, and Mr. E. N. Farnell B.A. (Cantab.), who has replaced Mr. I. W. Jones on the modern language side.

The Rev. E. A. Newton, sometime Science Master in this School, has been appointed to the living of Chettle, Dorset. Mr. Newton left in July, 1906.

The School made presentations on the last day of the Christmas Term to Mr. R. B. Threlfall on the occasion of his leaving for the Headmastership of The Grammar School, Ludlow; and to Mr. R. Matthews on the occasion of his forthcoming marriage.

#### OLD BOYS.

The 2nd Old Boys' Dinner took place on Saturday, April 5th, at the Red Lion Hotel. In the afternoon an XI of Old Boys played the School. Accounts of both events will appear in the next issue.

F. W. Lever (O.B.) left England recently for Canada, where he is taking up ranching.

#### IN GENERAL.

The Worshipful the Mayor, R. T. Graefe, Esq., J.P., has presented a Cup to the O.T.C., to be held for one year by the most efficient cadet.

The periodic inspection by the Board of Education took place on April 1st and 2nd. The Inspectors were Mr. F. W. Westaway, Mr. Streatfeild and Miss Shearson.

W. Deane and H. B. Stephenson passed the London Matriculation in January, taking English, French, Mathematics, History and Geography, and Chemistry.

In February the cast of Twelfth Night saw the performance of the Comedy at the Savoy Theatre, and much appreciated the truly beautiful production. A criticism of the School performances will appear in our next issue. The total receipts were £39 10s. 6d., and expenses £13 10s. 6d., leaving a profit to the Games Fund of £26 0s. 0d.

On Feb. 14th the Headmaster addressed the School on the heroism of Capt. Robert Scott and his companions in the Antartic Expedition; and a sum of £2 15s. was collected in the School and forwarded to the "Daily Telegraph" Memorial Fund.

The following books have been presented to the School Library: "The Five Nations," "The Brushwood Boy" (Kipling), "Lorna Doone" (Blackmore), "Buckinghamshire" (A. Morley Davis), "The Island Race" (H. Newbolt), "History of our own Times" (Justin McCarthy), "The Book of Nature Study" (6 vols.), "Romance of Empire" (6 vols.), "A Book of Golden Deeds" (C. M. Yonge), "Great Men of the 16th Century" (Sidney Lee), "Count Antonio and Sophy of Kravonia" (Anthony Hope), "Light Freights" (W. W. Jacobs).

Many of the older boys were present at an interesting lecture on Physical Fitness, given on Feb. 26th by Mr. W. G. George, holder of the world's record for the mile.

The Annual Athletic Sports will take place on Thursday, May 29th.

J. R. Walton has been elected Captain of the Cricket XI for the coming season. The following cricket "colours" return next term: J. R. Walton, W. E. Brindley, and G. W. R. Banham. Second XI "colours" include Archer, Dadley, Goodearl, Harris, Hodsdon, Line, Spriggs, Stone, and Worley.

Numbers this term have been: Boarders, 14; Day Boys, 130. Total, 144.

Next term commences on Tuesday, May 6th. Boarders return the day before.

#### CHRISTMAS CONCERT.

The usual concert took place on the evening preceding the last day of term, and was characteristic of break-up concerts, with its indulgent audience and much encored performers. The first part consisted of a miscellaneous programme. B. A. Stacey, E. Dormer and G. E. Housden gave pianoforte solos, and H. Youens played the obligato to "Killarney" with considerable power of expression.

There seems to be a considerable dearth of musicians at this time. A School of this size ought to produce sufficient talent to form an orchestra. The few changes, however, were rung with duets, a topical song and carols, which gave just a Christmas flavour to the programme.

A novel feature of the Christmas Concert was a Latin Interlude, entitled "Ludus," given by some of the junior members of the School with much spirit. Humphreys ably acted the part of a pedagogue, and his pupils showed wonderful activities by merciless but characteristic interruptions. It gave ample proof of the vitality of Latin.

The second part consisted of a "Comedy for Schoolboys and such." "The First Day of the Holidays," by C. A. Pelanus, is an exceedingly clever farcical comedy. Many will remember "Too Clever by Half" by the same author. Though in structure the Christmas Play is inferior to "Too Clever by Half," it contains more

rollicking humour and grotesque situations, and it surpasses the latter in two well drawn characters: the absent-minded Naturalist, and the philosophical Boot-The Play turns on the misdemeanours of two schoolboys, the Bounders, "in nature as in name," in the house of a perplexed Naturalist, Professor B. Willdard. He does not understand the genus "boy:" centipedes or salamanders he could have welcomed, but He has to entertain them till their Father returns. In the meantime he seeks and obtains advice from the local bootmaker, who, we learn, has had experiences with his own family of 13, "two pair o' twins and nine singles." This excellent man, with the wisdom common to his craft, counsels a liberal use of the strap. "diamond cuts diamond and 'ide cuts 'ide." The luckless professor is shortly overwhelmed by the gusty arrival of the "dear boys," and is submitted to a merciless questioning on his "bugs and things." Infuriated by their impertinences he threatens them with hideous punishment—"I'll skin you, you-you-specimens!" words of terrible import; for meeting the inevitable Village Constable at the Shoemaker's in Act II, they let fall the professor's malediction on ears only too ready to receive rumours of villainy and crime. Perfessor," says Nobbler, "'as 'is eye on those innercents in a scientific manner and is for cutting of 'em up." He repairs to the Naturalist's without delay to prevent So through it all, we watched cold-blooded murder. the Professor bewildered, Shirker gammoned, and Nobbler made an ass, and laughed generously at all the ingeniously contrived contretemps. "Shirker" was really excellent. That contempt of learning, and that native wit of his was so expressively shown in his nose and chin; and his choice Buckinghamshire gave venom to his diatribes on the under payment of boot-makers.

F. H. Coles, with a pedant's geniality, driven to the verge of apoplexy, was most successful. But, then, R. V. Britnell and G. W. Banham, in the persons of the brothers Bounder, would have roused the wrath even of experienced guardians of youth.

J. R. Walton gave us an amusing Nobbler, with a sense of the importance of doing his "dooty," even though he was underpaid and under-esteemed and with an amazing respect for the "missus." Our Dogberry appears in every Christmas Play, and is as familiar a

character as the Constable of Harlequinade. It used to be Bushell, now it is Walton: the actor changes, but the part is there.

B. A. Stacey was the shoemaker's runaway son. He returns, and after strange adventures is the means of

bringing events to a fitting close.

The Play was stage-managed and produced by Mr. Griffiths, and went with splendid snap from beginning to end.

The performers were afterwards the guests of Mrs. Arnison at a feast of unusual revelry and delight.

#### Programme:

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1.	PIANOFORTE SOLO "Dance" G. E. HOUSDEN.
2.	Song "The Veteran's Song" Mr. MORGAN.
3.	DUET "Flow Gently, Deva"   MR. MORGAN. Encore: "Tenor and Baritone"   MR. MATTHEWS.
4.	PIANOFORTE SOLO" Nell Gwyn Dances" B. A. STACEY.
5.	Song (Violin Obligato) "Killarney" E. LESTER.
6.	TOPICAL SONG "Is it to be" MR. MATTHEWS.
7.	Song "The Amateur Yachtsman"MR. THRELFALL.
	CAROLS "Noël"  "Good King Wenceslas"  MR. MATTHEWS. MR. MORGAN. H. YOUENS. E. LESTER.

#### "THE FIRST DAY OF THE HOLIDAYS." By C. L. Pelanus.

9. PIANOFORTE SOLO ... "Alice" (Ascher) ... E. DORMER.

#### Dramatis Persona.

Prof. B. Willdard (a Naturalist)	F. H. COLES.
Job Shirker (a Shoemaker)	A. C. SMITH.
Joe Shirker (his son)	B. A. STACEY.
Nobbler (a Constable)	J. R. Walton.
Bounder, major Bounder, minor (Schoolboys) {	G. W. BANHAM. R. V. BRITNELL.

Act I. The Professor's Study. Act II. Shirker's Workshop. Acts III and IV. The Professor's Study.

#### FOOTBALL.

R.G.S. "A" TEAM v. REV. F. C. LOAD'S XI. Played at Stokenchurch on Saturday, March 15th. Result, drawn, 1—1. A strong wind was blowing diagonally across the field, and this rendered it difficult

to control the ball. We had the better of the game throughout. In the first half it was only a combination of luck and good goalkeeping which prevented our scoring. In the second half, with the wind rather against us, our passing improved considerably. Five minutes from the kick-off Berry obtained a goal. A little later Hill ii beat the goalkeeper, but was given offside. Shortly before time Stokenchurch equalised. In spite of strenuous efforts on the part of our attack, we failed to regain the advantage.

Team: Goal, Hodsdon; full backs, Avery i (capt.), Corke; half-backs, Lester, F. S. Berry, Harris: forwards,

Hill ii, Brindley, Deane i, Sears, Stone.

#### CHARACTERS OF THE FOOTBALL ELEVEN.

H. H. Hill (capt.), centre-half. Set a good example to his team by his energetic work. Has improved wonderfully since last season, feeding his forwards much better. Weight, 8st.  $9\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.

S. E. Worley, inside right. Combines well and is a

good shot. Weight, 8st. 6½lbs.

H. B. Stephenson, right half. A good tackler, and hard worker, but weak at feeding his forwards. Has been awarded his colours. Weight, 9st.

J. R. Walton, goal. Played well in this difficult position. He should learn to punt with either foot. Has been awarded his colours. Weight, 9st. 334bs.

R. A. Harding, inside left. Combined well with his outside partner and shoots hard. Has been awarded his colours. Weight,7st. 12lbs.

r'. S. Berry, right half. A plucky player. Feeds his forwards well and can shoot well. Has been awarded

his colours. Weight, 6st. 71lbs.

- C. H. H. Archer, centre forward. Played a dashing and unselfish game, and is a most energetic worker. Helps the defence too much: has been awarded his colours. Weight, 9st. 8½lbs.
- H. E. Tipper, right back. Has a tremendous kick, and played a fine open game. Has been awarded his colours. Weight, 10st. 5 lbs.
- T. H. Hetherington, outside right. Is a very resolute player and a hard shot. Has been awarded his colours. Weight, 8st. 10lbs.
  - R. E. Dadley, left back. A solid defender, especially

against heavy teams, but slow in recovering. Has been awarded his colours. Weight, 9st.  $10\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.

W. Stone, outside left. Has improved, but centres before he has made enough headway. Weight, 7st. 1lb.

#### REVIEW OF THE FOOTBALL SEASON.

We have had a very successful season, only losing one match against other schools. Our record might have been still more brilliant, as we had three more home matches, which had to be scratched through illness. Our greatest victory was against Thame, where we won by eight clear goals. It is many years since we defeated Thame on their ground. The successes have been all the more remarkable, as the weight of the team is below the average.

We were lucky in finding our best eleven at the beginning of the season. They soon formed themselves into a fine dashing team. The defence was very solid, for, excluding the two matches against the Masters' XI and the Old Boys, only ten goals were scored against them. This was mainly due to the hard-working halves.

Although the forwards were lacking in combination, they made up for this by fine dashing work, and made good use of opportunities by scoring 53 goals in 10 matches.

The 2nd XI have been particularly successful again, only losing one match against Amersham 1st XI. Their best performance was a victory of 2—1 against the same team at Amersham.

#### 1ST XI FIXTURES.

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" 5thMaidenhead Collegeaway won 8	
" 17thLord Williams's School, Thameaway won 8	. 0
" 26thCounty Boys School, Maidenhead.homedrawn, 1	. 1
Nov. 2ndBorlase School, Marlowaway lost 2	. 4
,, 14thMaidenhead College home won 14	
,, 19thMasters' XIhome lost 1	
,, 28thAylesbury Grammar Schoolaway won 3	. 2
Dec. 14thOld Boyshomelost 0	. 5
April 5thOld Boys away lost 1	4
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#### THE FOOTBALL TEAM.



T. H. HETHERINGTON. H. E. TIPPER. J. R. WALTON. R. E. DADLEY. H. B. STEPHENSON. S. E. WORLEY. H. H. HILL (Capt.) C. H. H. ARCHER. R. A. HARDING. F. S. BERRY. STONE.

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CRICKET FIXTURES.	
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Sat., May 17th. Parish Church Cricket Club         II.           Sat., , 31st. Borlase School, Marlow         A           Thurs., June 5th. Lord Williams's School, Thame         H           Thurs., , 12th. Maidenhead College         H           Tues., , 17th. Masters XI.         H           Sat., , 21st. Borlase School, Marlow         H           Thurs., July         3rd. Lord Williams's Grammar School, Thame. A           Sat., , 5th. Parish Church Cricket Club         A           Sat., , 12th. Maidenhead College         A           Sat., , 19th. Old Boys         H	way. ome. ome. ome. way. way. way.
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#### OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS.

Sat., June 21...Borlase School, Marlow, 3rd XI......Away

There have been five recruits this term, making our numbers 41. Below is given our return of strength. I have also given the numbers in the School eligible for membership in the Corps. It is perhaps not sufficiently well known that in the greater number of our Public Schools, service in the Corps is universal, and that this

is due, not to any system of the press-gang order, but to a natural public-spirited feeling, expressed paradoxically by harmless grousing. For while the British school boy at heart is genuinely patriotic, he is at pains to avoid the slightest suspicion of priggishness, and, like all young soldiers, disarms suspicion by growls. But there are not wanting signs that the old spirit of sacrifice, so fresh in our fathers, is awakening, and the renewing virility of our gallant neighbours the French is acting upon us like a Revolution.

The work this term has been of a more individual nature, progressing from squad drill to section drill

towards Company drill.

The Corps took part in some interesting field operations at Oxford on February 21st, with the University Corps and contingents from the Midlands and the South. The operations were of an instructive nature, and illustrated the dangers of precipitating an attack before the opposing fire has been beaten down and advance thus rendered possible.

The Annual Inspection will take place next term, on June 24th.

Return of Strength: -

Eligible for service, 88.

A. H. Watson has been promoted to the rank of Lance-Corporal vice H. E. Tipper, resigned.

O. C.

#### LECTURES.

#### COAL MINES.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 20th, Mr. Bartle, with the aid of the lantern, took the schoolroom full of us on a visit to a South Staffordshire Coal Mine.

We first of all inspected the winding machinery on the surface, and then, descending in the cage with the miners, thoroughly explored the underground workings. We saw and had explained the ventilation, pumping, and haulage arrangements, then visited the men at the coal face, and saw them timbering the roads, drilling and blasting the rock, and, finally, hewing the coal itself.

After Mr. Arnison had dwelt on certain features of the Northern mines, Mr. Bartle was accorded a hearty vote of thanks, on the proposition of Stephenson, seconded by Willott, and we all separated feeling a much greater interest in the obtaining of our chief fuel.

#### HOLLAND.

On Tuesday, March 4th, we had a most enjoyable lecture from the Rev. Marchant Pearson, Head Master of Ardingly College. To the uninitiated, Holland may perhaps suggest merely a number of flat, dreary roads, all carefully defended from the inroads of the sea, and of so monotonous a nature that even motorists, eminently negligent of the picturesque, find them insufficiently attractive. To others more industrially minded, a further image of innumerable rubicund cheeses, rolling along these direct and regular highways, may possibly be evoked. After the very entertaining lecture of Mr. Pearson, most of us must have felt a strong desire to follow his advice, and spend a holiday at that most attractive and almost ludicrously inexpensive hostelry.

Then, too, what an incalculable boon to the average Briton (notoriously indolent in adopting the manners and customs of another country, to say nothing of its language) to hear that all the Dutch speak the King's English, whatever that particular form of English

may be.

He shewed us a most delightful variety of slides, representing mainly scenes of social life, but including also a number of views of places. It was a thousand pities that the lantern "made default," as our allies across the Channel would say, especially as Mr. Pearson was intending to show us various pictures of a side of Holland, about which most of us know only too little, and of which all of us should want to know more—we mean her Art. No other painter of any other country (though, as Mrs. Malaprop would say, "all comparisons are odorous") has ever been held to have surpassed Rembrandt.

Indeed, there is so much of interest to learn about Holland, which Mr. Pearson would have liked to tell us, that we must look forward to hearing him again, and hope to learn more about the two most notable things to know of any country (one of which is indeed contained in the other)—its Art and its History.

At the close of the lecture, a vote of thanks to Mr. Pearson was proposed by L. S. Fraser, seconded by H. H. Hill, and carried with great unanimity.

#### PATHWAYS INTO THE UNKNOWN.

On Tuesday, March 18th, Mr. W. H. Marsh, B.Sc., gave us a most interesting lecture, illustrated with views and experiments.

The lecturer began by pointing out that small and apparently unimportant discoveries are often the beginning of a whole sequence of useful and valuable inventions. Long centuries ago, a party of Phoenicians lit a fire on the sandy shore of some Mediterranean land. They burnt seaweed, and when the fire went out, among the ashes they found a brittle, transparent substance. The soda of the seaweed and the sand had been fused together, and the result was glass.

The transparency and refractive properties of glass have rendered it possible for man to read, by means of the telescope, the face of the heavens, and hence learn something of the formation of the universe. The navigator determines his position with the help of the sextant, and of that accurate measurement of time which only the astronomical telescope renders possible. The Chemist detects adulteration of food and other material with the microscope, and the doctor uses it to find the minute germs that are are cause of infectious and contagious disease. The photographer, with his camera, takes a picture of the flash of lightning in the hundred thousandth part of a second, or of a vase of flowers, or of a sunset in all its glowing colours. All these, and many other inventions, we owe to glass.

Next, the lecturer sketched locomotion from the horse to the aeroplane. Primitive man, dissatisfied with his own locomotive powers, caught a horse and mounted it, or, possibly, not caring to risk it himself, put a boy on The invention of the wheel was another step forward along the pathway. Wheel and horse united in the child's toy horse. In 1819 appeared a prototype of the safety bicycle, the hobby horse, which was propelled by the rider thrusting on the ground with his feet. Some fifty years later pedals were affixed to the front wheel, and the boneshaker came into existence. Soon this was displaced by the tall 52 inch wheel bicycle, whose riders involuntarily often became flying men. Flights were not lengthy, but were usually painful, and, therefore, cyclists welcomed the advent of the safety. In 1888 Mr. Dunlop, a veterinary surgeon, invented the pneumatic This so lessened vibration that it became possible to affix light petrol engines to cycles.

The petrol engine has been so improved that it is possible to obtain 100 horse-power from an engine weighing less than 300lbs. Such great power from so small a weight has made the aeroplane a reality.

Mr. Marsh then sent forth three models of aeroplanes on their erratic flight, much to the delight of his

audience.

The lecture ended with some experiments with vortex risings, which also caused a good deal of amusement.

J. R. Walton moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Marsh for his excellent lecture. The motion was ably seconded by B. A. Stacey, and carried with loud applause.

#### CHESS CLUB.

The meetings of the Chess Club have been well attended this session. We have a membership of 20, and the majority of members have been present every Monday evening, either to play in the various competitions or for practice games.

During the Christmas term great interest was taken in the various matches in connection with the Order of Merit, when any member may challenge the member immediately above him, and, if successful, take his place. This term has been occupied by the Tournaments. The American tournament was won by Adams, who beat Jones in the Final. Adams also obtained the highest number of points in the second tournament, but as he could not gain both prizes, the prize for the second passed to Dormer, who was next on the list.

The standard of play this session has been much higher than in previous years, and quite a number of our members are developing into sound chess players.

## METEOROLOGICAL AND NATURE NOTES.

Spring this year has been remarkably forward. At the time of writing March is only half gone, but already the Elms are in full flower, and the brushwood sheaf round the boles is in tiny leaf. More remarkable still, in sheltered spots, Ash buds are bursting with their crowd of purple stamens, and the black leaf-buds are swelling. The Ash, you know, is one of the last to come

into leaf. "Bread and Cheese" has appeared on the

thorn bushes days ago.

The birds have not been backward, either, in preening their feathers or clearing their throats. I heard a Spring-song of the Missel-thrush early in January, and have seen for weeks the congregating of tits, finches,

and buntings along the hedgerows.

There are two particularly favourite haunts of hedge birds near. The watercress beds beyond the Rye is a watering place, while the hedges by the Rifle-butts are invariably alive with finches and yellow hammers. have often wondered why the latter has become a birds' highway. Is it, perhaps, an old watercourse, to which generation after generation of birds return, though the waters have long since gone beneath the surface?

The season of nesting will soon be here. suggest that all activities in these directions should be devoted to making the Museum a source of information

on the birds of the neighbourhood.

The term's weather has been reported on each month on the Meteorological Notice-board. It remains here to summarise the reports. Rain fell on 19 days of the month January, the greatest fall being .64 on the 19th.

February was exceptionally dry, a result of the prevalence of Easterly winds.

Summary:

Thermometers. Barometer, Tl. Rainfall.

	Av. Max.	A	v. Min.	Average.	Inches.
January					
February	$46.2^{\circ}$		34.40	 30·165in	·892
March	. 51.40		$37.8^{\circ}$	 29 49in	2.59

R. M.

#### PAPER CHASES.

Several enjoyable paper chases were arranged on Saturday afternoons at the beginning of the term. of from five to ten minutes was allowed to the hares, then the junior pack started in pursuit, followed by the seniors about five minutes later.

The first run took place on Feb. 8th, with Hill i and Harris as the hares. Starting from the top of Keep Hill, the hares made for Flackwell Heath, but before reaching the village turned down to the left, crossed the Marsh and ascended to Tylers Green, returning home through King's Wood and Totteridge.

Hill ii, Sears and Bartlett i were the first hounds to arrive home, 12 minutes after the hares.

The following Saturday, Bartlett i and Coles iii undertook to be the hares. The trail was again started from the top of Keep Hill, but turned to the right and passed through Winch-bottom this time. The route then led the hounds across the Marlow Road, where the junior pack dropped out, and round by the Isolation Hospital, returning home by Tom Burt's hill. Harris reached the School  $2\frac{1}{2}$  minutes after the hares, Britnell ii 5 minutes, and Watkins 6 minutes.

On Feb. 2nd the hares, Hill i and Hill ii, started from the site of the new School, and then made for Downley, via Squire Newman's and Hughenden Church, returning home across country. On this occasion the pack was much hindered by three false trails. Harris, Watkins and Sutton arrived home first, 17 minutes after

the quarry.

The following Saturday was a very gusty day, and, consequently, the trail was very difficult to follow. The hares, Spriggs and Britnell ii, made a bee line for Flackwell Heath, and then returned home through the woods above the railway. The pack had a little adventure when nearing home: A farmer expressed his disapproval at "everybody tramping over his fields," and tried to cut the hounds off before they reached the further side of the field. In this he was only partially successful, catching the whole pack, with the exception of the leading hound, and forcing them to return to the other side of the field and make a detour. This naturally delayed the greater part of the pack.

Hill i arrived at School first, gaining 5 minutes on the hares, followed 5 minutes later by Walton and Rogers.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of:—
"The Ardingly Annals," "The Aylesburian," "The Bridlingtonian," "The Ludlovian," "The Zamorin's College Magazine," "The Wycombe Abbey Gazette."

#### CLASS LISTS.

This List contains the names of the two boys in each Form, except Form VI, who are most worthy of praise in the respective Subjects:

	worthy of praise in the respective Subjects.—								
Form.	Scripture.	Maths.	French.	Latin.	English.	$\it History.$	Geography.	Science.	Art.
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VL.	Lester (E) Youens (W)	Adams (H) Mackenzie (H)	Youens (W) Freeman (W)	Freeman (W) Brindley (E)	Banham (E) Lester (E)	Coles ii (W) Adams (H)	Thorp (H) Brindley (E)	Lester (E) Brindley (E)	Thorp (H) Evans i (W)
IV u.	Jones i (H) Housden ii (W)	Jones i (H) Hill ii (H)	Housden ii (W) Castle i (E)	Housden ii (W) Watkins (E)	Dormer (H) Lisley (W)	Dormer (H) Watkins (E)	Jones i (H) Dormer (H)	Jones i (H) Housden ii (W)	Housden ii (W) Dormer (H)
IV 1.	Ballantyne (W) Deane ii (H)	Evans ii (E) Thompson i (E)	Davies (H) Evans ii (E)	Deane ii (H) Evans ii (E)	Thompson i (E) Ballantyne (W)	Deane ii (H) Day ii (E)	Ballantyne (W) Sutton (E)	Milner (W) Day ii (E)	Ballantyne (W) Day ii (E)
	Blaikie (E) Prosser i (E)	Castle ii (W) Lacey (E)	Bass (H) Humphreys(H)	Humphreys (H) Bass (H)	Lacey (E) Castle ii (W)	Lacey (E) Bartlett i (E)	Lacey (E) Ludbrook (H)	Harris (E) Miles (W)	Castle ii (W) Keen (W)
Shell.	Matthews ii (W) Fowler (H)	Tyrrill (E) Davis (W)	Tyrrill (E) Matthews ii(W)	Tyrrill (E) Matthews ii (W)	Matthews ii (W) Tyrrill (E)	Matthews ii (W) Tyrrill (E)	Donaldson i (H) Tyrrill (E)	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Matthews ii } (W) \\ \text{Donaldson i } (H) \end{array}$	Tyrrill (E) Donaldson (H)
II.	Freeth (H) Lewis ii (H)	Stevens (E) Partridge (E)	Vernon (E) Lewis ii (H)	-	Freeth (H) Kightly i (E)	Vernon (E) Lewis ii (H)	Vernon (E) Partridge (E)	Chanot i (H) Partridge (E)	Shepherdson (E) Stevens (E)
	Prosser ii (E) Chapman (E)	Prosser ii (E) Woods (W)	Prosser ii (E) Woods (W)	-	Prosser ii (E) Samuells (H)	Woods (W) Chapman (E)	Kightly ii (E) Samuells (H)	Pitcher (H) Prosser ii (E)	Pitcher (H) Trace ii (H)
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### Old Wycombiensians' Club.

This Club was formed in December, 1909, with the following objects:

- 1 To promote social intercourse among former Members of the School by organising meetings at suitable places and times.
- 2 By printing and circulating a Register of the Names and Addresses of all Members of the Club, to keep Members in touch with one another.
- 8 To arrange matters connected with Athletics, such as Cricket and Football Matches, and Prizes for School Sports and Swimming.
- 4 Generally to maintain the connection between the School and its past Members.

"Old Boys" are invited to become Members immediately on leaving School. The Subscription is 2s. 6d. annually, or on payment of 21s. a person becomes a Life Member of the Club.

The Annual Meeting is usually held in December. It is hoped that Old Boys will assemble in large numbers on such occasions as the School Sports and the Old Boys Cricket and Football Matches

All who wish to join should apply to

Hon. Sec., Old Boys' Club.

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