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EDITORIAL.

ANY of our readers will perhaps grumble at the late appearance of the Magazine. All we can say is that they have themselves to thank for it. The number of contributions have been so few and have come in so late that it has been impossible to bring it out before. We make one more earnest appeal to our many subscribers both past and present for a more plenteous supply of articles, assuring them that the *Shirburnian* must before long die out altogether if they will not come to its rescue.

A HASTY PEEP AT THE LIZARD, CORNWALL.

AS most of the readers of this Magazine no doubt know, the Lizard is situated on the south coast of Cornwall, about sixteen miles from the town of Penzance by sea.

The head which now bears the name "Lizard Head" gained its name in the last ordnance survey, when it was found to be a more southern point than the headland which up to that time was supposed to be southernmost point of England, and so until quite recently wore false laurels.

Well, on a beautiful day in the month of April, 1871, a friend

who was staying with me, and myself were aroused at an early hour in order to catch the train which left the town of R— at 7.15 a.m. We had to go from the town of R— to Truro, and thence to Penryn by train. We arrived at this latter place at about eight o'clock, and there mounted the omnibus which took us to Helstone, about eleven miles distant. Here we had to hire a dog-cart to take us to the Lizard, a distance of about ten or twelve miles. The drive was very pleasant as our route lay through a very pretty country. We could also obtain a view of the sea from many points on it, as well as the pretty little churches of Grade and Ruan. When about three quarters of a mile from the Lizard, we dismounted from the dog-cart, which we sent on to the town to await our arrival, and walked across the cliffs down a pretty valley, leading to that beautiful cove called Kynance cove. Here, after refusing the services of a guide, and the solicitations of the owners of a stall on which photographs, ornaments worked in steatite, serpentine, &c., are exhibited for sale, we went down on the beach, which is covered with lovely white sand, and examined the beautiful caves there. These caves, especially the largest, called the Drawing Room, and having two or three entrances, are well worth a visit. In the winter, owing to the sand being washed out, they are two or three feet deeper than they are in the summer. They are then more beautiful than ever as the floor of well smoothed boulders look almost like polished serpentine if wet. All the rock in the cliffs around this cove are serpentine, though closer to the Lizard a large quantity of hornblende comes to the surface. There used to be a serpentine arch on the beach here, but it was unfortunately washed away in a storm some few winters ago.

Just off the west end of this beach there is a large rock which, from the fact of wild asparagus growing on it is called Asparagus Island. We climbed to the top of this in order to search for wild asparagus as well as to look at the blowing hole near its base, which is a very good one to blow the water out, especially when the tide is in half-way and coming in. We however were here when it was nearly low tide, and so did not see it to advantage.

By this time we were feeling hungry as we had tasted nothing since an early and hasty breakfast, so we went into the cottage close to the beach, obtained some beer, climbed up on to the cliff, and eat our dinner (which we had brought with us) in the most sheltered spot we could pick out as there was a raw cold wind blowing.

From the top of this cliff a beautiful view can be obtained of the Lizard on the East, and Mount's Bay, Penzance, together with the land stretching away towards the Land's End on the West. After dinner was over we set out across the cliffs for the Lizard town which is about a mile and a half to the East of Kynance. Here we visited the serpentine specimens, ornaments, &c., in the various shops, some of which my friend bought to take away with him to shew his friends the nature of the rocks in this part of Cornwall.

We also visited the Lifeboat house, and the Lizard Lights, which are built on the edge of the cliffs a little to the East of the town. The lighthouse consists of two towers built near each other, the space between them being occupied by the buildings inhabited by the coast-guard men. We ascended one of these towers and examined the lights, which are each made up of fifteen lamps with strong reflectors behind them, each light being stationary. From this height we had a very good view of the Lizard town on the north, in the inland direction, whilst in a southerly direction we had a most beautiful peep at the English Channel, the colour of which at this point is a lovely deep blue, except where it is shallow enough to see the sand at the bottom, where it is sea-green. Unfortunately, we had not enough time to walk across the cliffs to the place called the Devil's Frying Pan, which is a large circular hollow on the cliffs, caused by the ground over the inner end of a cavern giving way, and the rubbish being washed out by the sea. We however visited a place near the Lights called the Lion's den which is the same sort of place only on a much smaller scale, went thence across country to the Lizard, and home the same way as we came in the morning.

My friend found many species of wild plants on the cliffs either unknown to him, or fine specimens of species he already knew although of course we were too early for most wild flowers, amongst

which was that lovely heath which grows only in a soil with a substratum of serpentine called the Goonhilly heath. And now I must say good-bye for the time to the Lizard hoping that, to the minds of one or two of the readers of this Magazine at least, I have conveyed some slight idea of its beauties, and the conviction that it is well worth a visit.

A NATIVE OF CORNWALL.

THE ANTIQUATED SPECTRE.

 WAS noon : the summer sun was high
 In the vast azure vault of cloudless sky.
 Urged by the heat on the sea shore to roam
 I wandered onward far away from home.
 At length quite wearied out, I sit me down,
 Where the huge cliffs upon me proudly frown,
 Where stillness reigns and nought can break its sway,
 Save when a gull mews on its sea-ward way
 Or bright finned fish rises to seize the fly
 That foolishly has dared approach too nigh.
 In such a place as this I stayed to rest,
 Reclining on a boulder's shelving crest ;
 And as I sat I gazed across the sea
 And soon was lost in silent reverie.
 My thoughts began to wander far away
 Of the years past, when, as a boy at play,
 I made sand-castles at the ocean's brink
 And watched them 'neath the approaching waters sink,
 Whilst thinking thus, and gazing o'er the deep
 I turned me round and soon I fell asleep ;
 And thus I dreamt ; the tempest roared around,
 Dashing the waves with a loud rolling sound

Against the beetling crags, whose polished side
Seemed to beat back the fast approaching tide.
No cave, no shelter from the blast was nigh,
No call re-echoed to my lonely cry ;
But on each side the lightning's lurid flash
Was answered by the thunder's mighty crash,
When lo ! a figure seemed to stand before
My frightened vision, filling me with awe—
Half man, half beast, Darwinian to the core,
A donkey's head with blueish colored eyes
From a strange body slowly seemed to rise ;
His long and lanky limbs so loose and slim
Seemed as if they had nought to do with him.
Who art thou, curious being? aloud I cried,
And thus in dreadful tones the beast replied ;
Behold in me one of your kith and kin,
But now-a-days a somewhat ancient specimen
And a peculiar one no doubt you think,
In point of fact, I am the missing link.
You modern folks keep trying, but try in vain
To find out who you are, and whence you came.
I tell you, what I am, that once men were,
But now, I must confess we're getting rather rare,
Still as the years roll on, I make no doubt
Some of your learned men will find me out ;
But for the present, my best way it seems
Is never to appear except in dreams.

T. N.

OLD SHIRBURNIAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

The Annual General Meeting of the Subscribers for the year 1871-2 was held on January the 19th, 1872, at the Arundel Hotel, Arundel Street, Strand. Fifteen Members were present; and letters were read from others regretting their inability to attend.

Mr. Northmore Lawrence the Hon. Sec., having been called to the chair, the Treasurer, Mr. E. F. Henley, made the following statement of accounts, which, after having been laid upon the table, was adopted without discussion.

1870-71.

DR.	£	s.	d.	CR.	£	s.	d.
To 61 Annual Subscriptions				By Cash Payments	3	11	5
at £1 ls. Od.	64	1	0	31st October, 1871.			
,, 4 Donations at £1 ls. Od.	4	4	0	By Cheque to the Rev.H.			
,, Donation H. Beadon, Esq	14	0	0	D. Harper	31	10	0
,, Interest on £50 6s. 7d. on				31st October 1871.			
Deposit at London and				Balance on Deposit in Lon-			
Joint Stock Bank Chan-				don Joint Stock Bank	47	10	7
cery Lane, to 12th May,							
1871	0	7	0				
Total	£82	12	0				
Balance to carry forward	£47	10	7	Total... ..	£82	12	0

1871-72.

DR.	£	s.	d.	CR.	£	s.	d.
November 1st, 1871.				January 19th, 1872.			
To Balance carried forward				To Balance in hand	139	13	7
from last Account	47	10	7				
,, 63 Subscriptions at £1 ls.	66	3	0				
,, Donation by Rev. G. W.							
Griffith... ..	5	0	0				
,, Ditto by J. Parsons, Esq.	5	5	0				
,, Life Subscription by C.							
J. Upcott, Esq.	10	10	0				
,, Cash returned by Rev.							
H. D. Harper	5	5	0				
Total	£139	13	7	Total	£139	13	7

The chairman then briefly recapitulated the events of the past year in connection with the Fund, and stated that three Scholarships had been competed for in 1871, and obtained by

Attwater, aged 14, Form V A.

Upcott, mi., aged 13, Form V B.

Sanctuary, aged 12, Form IV A.

He concluded by congratulating the subscribers upon the present position and future prospects of the Fund. Mr. Lawrence then, as Secretary, brought forward a series of amendments, recommended by the Executive Committee, to the resolutions passed last year. The most important dealt with the disposition of donations, and with measures designed to place the election of executive officers and other powers in the hands of the general body of subscribers. After considerable discussion, in the course of which some of the propositions submitted to the meeting were modified and others abandoned, the following amendments to the resolutions of 1870 were carried :

1. Rule 3.—To add the words “and that a Donor of not less than Ten Guineas be a life subscriber.”
2. Rule 16.—To strike out Rule 16, and in lieu thereof to insert after Rule 3 the following Rule: “That all Donations be invested in such securities as are sanctioned by the Court of Chancery in the case of Trust Funds, or in Colonial Government securities, in the joint names of two Trustees to be appointed by the Subscribers in General Meeting.”
3. Rule 4.—To strike out the words “two Undergraduate Members” and in lieu thereof to insert the words “one in.”
4. Rule 5.—To strike out the words “of the other Members, three” and in lieu thereof to insert the words “five of the Committee.”
6. Rule 7.—To strike out from the word “Committee” (in the first line, inclusive) to the end, and in lieu thereof to insert the words “General Meeting.”
7. Rule 9.—To strike out Rule 9, and in lieu thereof to insert the following Rule: “That the General Meeting shall appoint annually an Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer, and three other members of the Committee to act as an Executive Committee.”
8. Rule 10.—For “months” to substitute “ten days.”
9. Rule 12.—To omit the words “the December number of.”
10. Rule 13.—To strike out Rule 13.

Instructions were thereupon made to the Secretary to convert the

resolutions in the amended shape, into the form of Rules. A copy of such Rules is now sent with this Report.

It was resolved "That the Annual retirements of the Committee be by alphabetical order." In accordance with this resolution and resolution 6 of 1870, Messrs. Beadon, Bennett, and Buchanan, the three first names on the General Committee were considered to have retired; all three were unanimously re-elected. Messrs. Lawrence and Henley were unanimously elected Trustees under (new) Rule 4.

A donation of five pounds was made at the Meeting by the Rev. G. W. Griffith, and a letter was read from Mr. J. Parsons offering a donation of five guineas, which has since been received by the Treasurer.

Mr. C. J. Upcott became a Life Subscriber by handing the Treasurer a donation of Ten Guineas.

A vote of thanks to the Executive Committee was proposed and carried unanimously. The Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

(Signed) T. NORTHMORE LAWRENCE, Hon. Sec.

RULES.

1. By means of the donations and subscriptions of Old Shirburnians, a fund is established for the purpose of founding Scholarships at Sherborne School.

2. The fund is called the "Old Shirburnian Scholarship Fund," and the scholarships "Old Shirburnian Scholarships."

3. The annual subscription is one guinea, and any sum exceeding that amount is treated as a donation. A donor of not less than ten guineas is a Life Subscriber.

4. All donations are to be invested in such securities as are sanctioned by the Court of Chancery in the case of Trust Funds, or in Colonial Government securities, in the joint names of two trustees appointed by the subscribers in general meeting.

5. The committee consists of fifteen members of whom not less

than two shall be residents in London, and one in Sherborne, Oxford and Cambridge respectively.

6. Five of the committee retire in rotation in each year, but are eligible for re-election.

7. All vacancies are filled by the ballot vote of the general meeting.

8. At a general meeting *ten*, and at a committee meeting *five* form a quorum. In both cases all questions are decided by the vote of the majority of members present; and the chairman has a casting vote.

9. The general meeting appoints annually an Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer, and three other members of the committee to act as an Executive Committee.

10. The secretary, by at least ten days notice, must call not less than one general meeting of the Subscribers in every year.

11. The secretary must at the request of any three members of the committee convene a Committee Meeting, and one such meeting must be called in every year.

12. The annual subscription becomes due on the first day of November in each year, and the treasurer must send for publication in the *Shirburnian Magazine* a list of the subscribers for the current year and a statement of his accounts.

13. The sum offered in scholarships at any one time must not exceed the amount then at the disposal of the committee.

14. The treasurer hands over to the Head Master by half-yearly instalments the amount to be given in scholarships in each year; power being reserved to the general committee to withdraw any scholarship upon the representation of the Head Master.

15. The scholarships are held by boys whilst at the school; and the annual value of any one such scholarship must not exceed the amount of the yearly tuition fees. With these reservations, the disposition of the sums received by him is left to the discretion of the Rev. H. D. Harper, so long as he remains Head Master of Sherborne School.

MUSIC.

 T steals by the old church wall ;
 It sits in the whisp'ring tree ;
 It answers the light winds' call ;
 Now like to the troubled sea
 With waves uplifted roar,
 That sweep from shore to shore.

Now 'tis like some gentle stream
 Which, down from the mountain side
 Flows fast, where waters brightly gleam,
 And babbling onwards glide,
 And dart from hill to glen
 Till lost in milky fen.

Now in mutters sweet and low ;
 Now in thunder's mighty sound,
 Armies rushing on the foe,
 To some death or honour bound ;
 But now, in solemn strain
 It dies away again.

Now with gentle notes it pleads ;
 Now so softly murm'ring prays ;
 Now it tells of glorious deeds
 Heroes wrought in olden days,
 In loud majestic song,
 Of voices grand and strong.

It soothes a mortal's dying pain ;
 It turns a heart of stone to tears ;
 It cools a hot and fevered brain,
 Many an angry brow it clears ;
 And whispers to the young
 Their Creator's praises sung.

A. L. Z.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I write to propose that one or two pages of your Magazine should be devoted to Science, and to ask why should not all its readers have the advantage of the Science lectures given to various parts of the School? I have no doubt that some fellow in each form, or perhaps the lecturer himself would willingly supply you with a short sketch of the lectures given during each month. I for one should like to see this change in the Magazine, and I believe many others would like it equally.

Believe me,

Yours &c.,

P. G. L.

Dear Mr. Editor,

I think it would be a great improvement if there were a few more races at our Athletic Sports, such as a sack race, throwing the hammer, jumping with the pole, or such like things. I am sure there would be a fair amount of competitors for these I have mentioned, especially for the first; and they would afford greater variety and amusement to the spectators and those engaged in them, than seeing flat races and hurdle races only.

Hoping that these observations will meet with due consideration,

I am,

Dear Mr. Editor,

Yours truly,

U. R. U.

Sir,

I have a grievance which I venture to hope is shared in by every member of the School, it is this—we have no Bathing-place at Sherborne.

In this respect we are inferior to almost every other Public School and to a great many Private ones also. Letter after letter has been written to the *Shirburnian* on this subject, and half after half has passed away and yet nothing has been done. Some time ago there was a proposal to make a bathing-place and the ground was actually marked out for it, but some difficulty arose in the negociations and the plan was given up, and from that time to this no steps have been taken apparently, as if forsooth because it could not be made in one place therefore it could not be made at all. No one will deny that swimming is a most necessary accomplishment and one which ought to be well learnt by every member of the community, and that while one is young is the time to learn it,—the instances must be rare in which a person has attained to any proficiency in the art who has not learnt it when young, at least it is so with almost every other active acquirement. It is a manly exercise, it is a healthy exercise, and it is conducive to cleanliness, and yet in spite of all this we go on improving in every other respect and leave this crying want unsatisfied. In no other respect are we a whit behind any School but so long as we have no bathing-place we shall be far from perfect.

Let us set about making a bathing-place at once and let us make it, as suggested by one of your correspondents some months back, in the field opposite Mr. Digby's stables, immediately where the river leaves the lake. We could draw the water from the lake itself by means of pipes and thus be independent of the river altogether for a supply. If we made it here the bottom of it would be higher than the water in the river below the fall by the bridge, so that we could easily empty the bath by having a sluice and pipes to carry off the water into the river below the fall. By these means we should avoid surreptitious drains, of which there must be some even above the mill, and should have no fear of finding unpleasant dogs and badgers and such like nastinesses just where we are going to jump in.

Sir, the subject of my letter may seem very stale, but I venture

to suggest that if we cannot get what we want because it is our due, we may get it through our importunity.

I beg to apologize humbly for taking up so much of your valuable space, not because I do not think the object of my letter warrants my doing so, but because I feel that my unaccustomed pen can do but scant justice to the subject. Hoping however that you will agree with my sentiments and insert my letter,

I remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

NATATOR.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

 WILL it be wet or will it be fine? is the question every one asks himself and his neighbour on taking the first peep out of window this morning. Since yesterday the wind has got round to the South so there is *some* hope.

Well, we have not got 'seats' so we must take our chance, and to insure a good view must start early. The troops are to go down the Strand at nine, so if we can get there before them there is some chance of locomotion. Regent Street is fairly decorated, any one can see there is something going on. S. James' Hall displays a flag from every window, and nearer Oxford Street two strips of bunting flutter from side to side. We wish to see the Queen 'go', so *we* go down Tichborne Street, into Leicester Square, which National Monument looks, through the absence of cabs, and shops being shut up, more decayed than ever. In the Strand the scene is brighter. Already the stands are nearly filled by those who think from one to three guineas not much for a morning's enjoyment, and already there is a line of vehicles the

whole length of the journey there. We pass through Temple Bar ; looking back the Strand is a blaze of colour, and a mass of thanksgivers. The Bar itself is gorgeous, gold predominates. Red drapery is freely used, and the lights are lit up, which in the daylight have the effect of gilt. The Mayor and Corporation are to meet the Queen here, so we take up our position at the corner of Chancery Lane. Here come the Life Guards. Colonel Henderson is busy with the police and a plan for clearing the thoroughfare is adopted. This of course makes the crowd rush to the pavement which is pro tem. barricaded, and for a time a lively struggle is kept up between those trying to make their exit and the new comers. Near the Bar a long pole and a barrel are lying in the street ; they must be put somewhere ; the door is opened through which they ought to go, but the ground in front is fully, too fully occupied. Some one who knows that self-preservation is the chief object on such an occasion heaves up the barrel on to the heads of the people, who naturally raise their hands in self-defence, and so it is passed in. The pole follows, but not until the people and the police have had a 'shoving' match. Every one is good-tempered, hard knocks are taken in good part. A band is posted near Temple Bar, which makes the time pass pleasantly. Here comes a post cart, and the man causes a good laugh by bowing in the most formal manner from side to side as he goes along. There is an Officer in a hansom, whose driver amuses himself by jumping up and down as he sees the Life Guards do. The 'military fare' is quite innocent of being the object of amusement.

There are the Provincial Mayors, easily distinguishable by the local mace on the top of the carriage and the curiosity which the servants evince at what is going on.

There are the Ambassadors : French, German, and Turk. The people do not cheer a show, although they look at it with interest. Nobody has brought a watch so we want to know the time. Somebody calls out to an old gentleman in a balcony, who does not vouchsafe a reply, so the people make observations on his personal appearance, but presently he thunders out, 'five minutes to eleven',

for which kind action he is cheered. The band strikes up "God Bless the Prince of Wales", in which the crowd join all along the street. The question naturally arises, Where are the Republicans; have Odger and Sir Charles Dilke taken a holiday with their supporters? Do the thousands who crowd every window, roof, and step, look like Republicans, and the flags which, at short intervals, cross the street, and the red drapery, bear the stamp of disloyalty? "Rule Britannia" is indulged in, and the effect of such a crowd singing is wonderful. The air is taken up all along the line and we can hear it in the distance. The lamp posts are blue and white; the glasses are gone, and crowns and Prince of Wales' plumes for illuminations, occupy their place. Some little boys are getting crushed, so presently they are lifted up and 'passed on' to the street, glad enough to endure the journey over-head in preference to the crush. Of course the everlasting dog turns up, and when the thoroughfare is all clear a hooting is heard and the unhappy animal tears along the street: where will he be this evening?

The Lord Mayor and Corporation on horse-back now come in sight. Do they feel safe. His Lordship bows pleasantly as he passes along. Amid the cheers of the people, followed by the Aldermen, the Pearl Sword is conspicuous, and the Mace looks heavy. Soon the advanced guard come along, the Mayor being 'West of the Bow' with his sword and mace. The Aldermen in vain try to look as if it was all 'right', but it is not, and the people see it and make 'very rude' remarks on their appearance. Some one says they will be more at home at dinner. An Artilleryman is appointed to each horse of the civic body, and as the advanced guard come along they place their 'heavy charges' in position, who do not look 'military' in their long robes. The speaker goes by in his old state coach presenting a very curious appearance. The Duke of Cambridge is loudly cheered. Then there is a halt—The Queen is receiving the sword. She *has* confidence in her Lord Mayor, and accordingly returns the weapon. His Lordship must get into his place at the head of the procession, likewise the Mace-bearer. The Artillerymen at their horses' heads run along, which makes the

Mace-bearer with his Mace on his shoulder look *very warm*, and the picture of misery. He evidently can not rise in the saddle, and is *very stout*. The Lord Mayor too can not bow as gracefully as he could wish, and *jerks* his head in somewhat undignified a manner. The noise now is tremendous. The last carriage with *the people* of the day raises the enthusiasm to the highest pitch. No handkerchiefs but what are waved, hats and umbrellas also. The band strikes up "God Save the Queen". A new flag is hoisted on Temple Bar, and the Queen goes along at a steady trot amid the cheers and congratulations of all. The rear guard passes on, and people move about. We have been standing over three hours, and so do not care to run across to Oxford Street to see the return, but we do run to lunch.

FOOTBALL.

School-House *v.* The School.—The School-House winning the toss commenced with the wind in their favour, and kept the ball well down in their opponents goal, till a fine run down of Game's secured them the first goal. For the rest of the game they were over-matched by the superior weight of the School, who kicked five goals to three. The back play of the School-House was especially weak. For the School Reader kicked three goals, Collier one, and Barnes one. For the School-House Game kicked two, and Whitehead, mi., one.

Sides of the Chapel.—This resulted in a very even game, though the attendance was somewhat small owing to the unpropitious state of the weather. The Organ-Side had slightly the advantage for the first half-hour, and succeeded in obtaining two goals, one by Andrew, the other by Game. During the latter half of the game the play of the Pulpit-Side became decidedly more spirited, and

they shortly succeeded in kicking two goals, one by Peter, ma., and one by Whitehead, ma. Just before time was called, Andrew kicked another goal for the Organ-Side by a good piece of dribbling, thus obtaining a victory for them by one goal.

First Seven *v.* next Thirty.—The First Seven had decidedly the best of it all through the game. On the other side the play of Shettle, Weir, Fortescue, and Collier, were very good. For the First Seven Game made some capital runs, kicking five goals, Peter, ma. also kicked two goals, and Whitehead, mi., one. For the next Thirty Fortescue kicked two goals, and Collier one.

Sixth *v.* the School.—The Sixth mustered in full force and played up well. Though greatly outnumbered they succeeded in beating their opponents by five goals to three. The School forwards played well throughout, but their backs were by no means brilliant, to which their defeat was in a great measure owing. For the Sixth Game kicked two goals; the rest were obtained by Whitehead, mi., Peter, mi., and Andrew. The goals on the School side were kicked by Finch, Fortescue, and Weir.

On Saturday, February 19th, a match was played between the Day boys and Mr. Curteis' house according to our old rules. The Day boys though playing against a strong wind and deprived of the services of one of their best men were victorious by four touches to one, after a more stubborn resistance on the part of their adversaries than had been anticipated. For the Day boys Venn obtained two touches, and J. and E. Tanner one each; the forward play and running of the latter throughout the game was very good, as was the back play of Finch and H. M. Twynam. Leggatt's play for Mr. Curteis' house was exceedingly good, but he was unfortunate in not obtaining any touches; Lacey obtained the only one for that side, but Brown twice endangered the Day boys goal by his good place-kicking, aided by the wind. The plucky forward play of McCaul, Adams, and L. Watkins, for the same side was especially noticeable.

SCHOOL NEWS.

The Athletic Sports are fixed for Wednesday and Thursday, the 3rd and 4th of April. The only alteration in last year's programme is that a Handicap of 150 yards has been substituted for the 200 yards Hurdle Race, and a Flat Race of a quarter of a mile for the old 400 yards Handicap.

W. B. Broadmead has matriculated at Trinity College, and P. A. Ashworth at New College, Oxford.

The School has again the honour of being represented in the Oxford University Eight by E. C. Malan, of Worcester College. The following Old Shirburnians' names appear as rowing in the Torpids at Oxford :

L. E. Upcott, 4, Corpus.	J. H. N. Barton, stroke, Keble.
F. E. Bennett, 3, New.	R. Woodman, bow, Worcester.

The Concert at the end of last half-year was a decided success, and we may hope it will be followed by one at the end of every term. The first part consisted of selections from Handel's *Judas Maccabæus* the most noticeable of which was the Bass solo "Arm, arm ye brave," splendidly sung by T. Price, Esq., who was kindly assisting the choir on the occasion. The second part comprised Mendelssohn's *Lauda Sion* which was well sung throughout, especially the choruses. The good treble singing of A. W. Upcott, and J. C. McCaul was especially noticeable.

The Past *v.* Present Football match which was fixed for Wednesday, the 20th of December, unfortunately could not be played, the incessant rain which fell during the whole day rendering play absolutely impossible.

The following left the School last term :

A. A. Carrè	F. Beckley	Wilson	Goodden
W. B. Broadmead	W. K. Weir	Martyn, ma.	Scott, ma.
C. E. Whiteley	Moore	Pothecary	Cory
A. W. May	Liddell	Vachell	Eastlake
G. S. Eastment	Bellew	Samler	

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The following are the names of the new fellows who have come this term, and their respective forms :

Merriman,	V B.	Benson	} II B.
Briggs, ma.	} III A.	Dunning, mi.	
Briggs, mi.		Harding	
Hunter		Rigden, tert.	
May, ma.		Venn, mi.	
Petgrave			
Boucher	} III B.	Hands	} I A.
Galpin, ma.		Lacey, tert.	
Lucas		Ley, ma.	
Retallack		Parsons, mi.	
		Smith, tert.	
		Tanner, quart.	
Donne	} II A.	Canning	} I B.
Galpin, mi.		Gerrish	
Kennard		Hughes, mi.	
Strachey		Jackson	
		Ley, mi.	
		May, mi.	
		Phelps	

The School at present numbers 279, of which the School-House contains 100, Mr. Curteis' house 33, Mr. Clifton's 33, Mr. Tancock's 16, Mr. Wood's 30, Mr. Hetherington's 9, Day-Boarders 37, Preparatory School 21.

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W. H. GAME.		

February 13th.—Proposed, M. S. Crawford...“That the amalgamation of railways in the hands of Government would be a beneficial measure.”

<i>Ayes.</i>	}	<i>Noes.</i>
*Crawford		*H. Whitehead
*deWinton		*Venn
*Tamplin		*C. S. Whitehead
*Pulling		*Game
*Raymond	*Patey	Warry
		Hancock

March 4th.—Proposed, E. M. Venn...“That capital punishment ought not to be abolished.”

<i>Ayes.</i>	<i>Noes.</i>
*Venn	*Crawford
*Pulling	*deWinton
*H. Whitehead	*Raymond
*C. S. Whitehead	
*Hancock	
*Tamplin	
Patey	

March 11th.—Proposed, C. S. Whitehead...“That it is in some cases allowable to tell a falsehood.”

<i>Ayes.</i>	<i>Noes.</i>
*C. S. Whitehead	*H. Whitehead
*Game	*deWinton
*Pulling	*Crawford
*Raymond	*Tamplin
	Venn
	Fletcher

March 19th.—Proposed, W. D. Pulling...“That the claimant in the Tichborne case is worthy of our admiration and condolence.”

<i>Ayes.</i>	<i>Noes.</i>
*Pulling	*deWinton
*Tamplin	*H. Whitehead
*Game	*Raymond
*Fletcher	*Crawford
	Venn
	Hancock
	Patey

At this meeting, Messrs. J. P. deWinton, Wilmot, Holland, Adams, Newmarch, ma., and Smith, were duly elected members.

A rule was also passed that the balloting for the election of new members should take place after instead of before the Debate itself.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Comet. Your letter is too severe.

P. S. O. P. V. Declined with thanks.

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