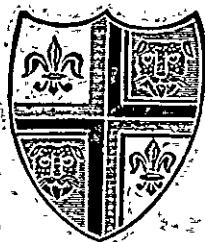


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Editorial.

THE Spring Term of the year is usually somewhat uneventful, and it is also the term when epidemics are most likely to occur. Schoolmasters are, therefore, relieved when it comes to an end. In Shaftesbury, we are, fortunately, little troubled with epidemics, and our absentees suffered from nothing more serious than colds.

The present number contains an account of the School's brilliant success in the Inter-School Sports. We heartily congratulate those who represented the School and won for us the honour of holding the shield for the third year in succession.

The Cricket Season has opened auspiciously; we are able to record two wins, which encourage us to hope for further successes.

On Thursday and Friday, May 11th and May 12th, the School was visited by three Inspectors of the Board of Education. They appeared satisfied with their inspection, and we are looking forward to a favourable report in the near future.

School News.

NEW BOYS.

V. C. O. Austice, H. G. Feltham, O. Ll. Williams.

VALETE.

- H. G. Bloom. Form IV. Entered Sept. 1908. Played several times for last season's football team and was unlucky in not getting his colours.
- A. R. Cox. Form V. Was at school from February, 1905, to Jan., 1906, and re-entered May, 1910, on his return from Australia. Cricket XI., 1910. Football XI. (goalkeeper), 1910. Won 100 yards and Mile in sports, 1911. Prefect, 1911.
- V. R. Cox. Form III. Entered May, 1910. Returned to Australia.
- A. W. Watts. Form V. Entered September, 1903. Cambridge Preliminary Locals, July, 1910. Football XI., 1910. Prefect, September, 1910.

SCHOOL PREFECTS.

R. B. Minchin (Head Prefect), L. L. Welman, A. D. Miles, H. Robins, C. E. Pearce, J. E. P. Strange, F. G. Minchin.

HEAD BOYS.

H. Jeffery, J. Riddey.

EXAMINATION SUCCESS.

R. B. Minchin has started to read for a University Degree, and has passed the Entrance Examination and First Junior Freshmen's Examination held at Dublin University in April last.

GAMES FUND.

We have to tender our very hearty thanks to the following gentlemen for their kind contributions to our Games Fund: Mr. G. Gordon (10/-), Mr. T. Hall (10/6), and Mr. J. A. Riddey (5/-). We have also to thank Mr. S. W. Digby for very kindly presenting us with a flag staff from which we hope to fly our School flag on match days.

CRICKET.

The following old colours remain :—R. B. Minchin (capt.),
L. L. Welman, C. E. Pearce, and F. G. Minchin.

The following matches have been arranged for this term :—

DATE.	OPPONENTS.	Where Played.
Wednesday May 17—	†Shaftesbury Town	Away
Saturday " 20—	†Gillingham Town.	Home
Saturday " 27—	Sexey's School, Bruton	Home
Wednesday " 31—	†Tisbury Town	Away
Saturday June 3—	†Old Shastonians	Home
Wednesday " 7—	Gillingham Grammar School	Home
Saturday " 10—	Sexey's School, Bruton	Away
Saturday " 10—	*Gillingham Grammar School	Away
Wednesday " 14—	County School, Blandford	Away
Wednesday " 14—	*Chorister School, Salisbury	Home
Saturday " 17—	†Stour Provost	Home
Wednesday " 21—	†Tisbury Town	Home
Thursday " 22—	†Shaftesbury Town	Home
Saturday " 24—	Wimborne Grammar School	Away
Wednesday " 28—	Foster's School, Sherborne	Away
Saturday July 1—	†Gillingham Town	Home
Wednesday " 5—	Foster's School, Sherborne	Home
Wednesday " 5—	*Chorister School, Salisbury	Away
Thursday " 6—	Gillingham Grammar School	Away
Saturday " 8—	County School, Blandford	Home
Wednesday " 12—	†Shaftesbury Town	Home
Thursday " 13—	*Gillingham Grammar School	Home
Saturday " 22—	†Stour Provost	Away
Wednesday " 26—	†Shroton	Home
Thursday " 27—	†Dr. Ensor's XI.	Home

* " Under Fourteen " Matches. † With Masters.

Football.

S.G.S. v. Blandford County School, February 18th (Home). Won, 11—0.—For this match—postponed from the previous term—School had several changes, principally in the half-back line, B. Ricketts and W. Jeffery taking the place of R. B. Minchin and A. Watts, who were on the injured list. Blandford started and School soon attacked—a good shot by Scammell striking the cross-bar. Good forward combination by Robins (acting captain), Scammell, and Genge enabled Welman to open the score, a second goal following almost immediately through Robins, who displayed a fine piece of individual dribbling. School kept up the pressure, and further goals fell to Welman and Scammell—the latter from a good centre

from the right wing. Before half-time arrived a fifth goal was obtained by Welman. This half was noticeable for the excellent forward play of the left wing, ably fed by Scammell in the centre position. The second half was again all in favour of School, and good passing by Scammell, Genge, and Robins enabled the latter to score. Shots still rained on the Blandford goalkeeper, and Genge and Scammell both scored from rebounds. Welman on the right wing scored, and the last two goals of the match fell to G. Genge from openings made by Robins. Throughout the game the School forwards gave an excellent combined display of footwork, and Shepard (centre-half), and Miles and Pearce (backs), kicked with great judgment.

SCRATCH SIXES.

Several circumstances combined to make the scratch sixes less interesting than usual, the chief one being that illness prevented a great many boys from competing.

In the first round E. J. Shepard beat A. D. Miles (1—0), H. Robins beat R. B. Minchin (3—1), and A. R. Cox beat G. O. Genge (3—2).

In the semi-final Shepard beat Robins in a hard fought, interesting game by the odd goal in five, and Cox created a surprise by beating Scammell (4—2).

In the final Shepard won the toss and played with a strong wind at his back. His forwards were, however, unable to take advantage of it, and at half-time the only goal obtained was from Cox accidentally kicking through his own goal. After change of ends Bloom soon made the scores equal, and shortly afterwards added another, so that Cox won by two goals to one. Bloom was a tower of strength to the winners, and their captain showed quite unexpected prowess as a full back; both he and Bloom were too fast for their opponents. Shepard's team played a very plucky game and did extremely well to get as far as the final; Shepard and Hall both played with any amount of dash, and they were ably supported by F. G. Minchin.

The winning six was as follows:—A. R. Cox (captain), H. G. Bloom, A. E. Atkinson, H. Palmer, L. Digby, and H. C. Watts.

The School Sports.

The Sports had been arranged for March 23rd, and we had hoped that Mrs. George Gordon would have distributed the prizes. Unfortunately a postponement was rendered necessary by the inclemency of the weather, and they took place on Friday, March 24th, when, Mrs. Gordon having an engagement, Mrs. Ehlers very kindly took her place and handed the prizes to the successful competitors. There was a somewhat small number of spectators, partly due, no doubt, to an unpleasantly cold wind, but those of our friends who braved the elements appeared to take the greatest interest in the various events, the majority of which were keenly contested. Owing to the generosity of our many kind friends in the town and neighbourhood there was a handsome display of prizes.

The Champion Cup fell to L. L. Welman, who was in excellent form, while A. R. Cox is also deserving of special mention. New School records were made by Welman in the Long Jump (18ft. 8ins.) and also in the Half-Mile (time, 2 mins. 25 4-5 secs.)

V. R. Cox secured the Junior Cup after a hard fight with Tollemache, the result being doubtful up to the last race.

Welman was expected by many to win the 100 Yards Open, A. R. Cox, however, came in a good first, closely followed by C. E. Pearce.

As usual a large number of competitors had entered for the 220 Yards Handicap, and some very fine running was seen, Robins, Filley, Pearce and Riddey all getting over the ground in fine style; Filley secured first place.

In Throwing the Cricket Ball R. B. Minchin's performance (84½ yds.) was distinctly good, while C. E. Pearce also gave a very satisfactory throw.

The Quarter-Mile Open was, as it usually is, a really good race and aroused keen interest. Welman and A. R. Cox were first and second. Time, 60 4-5 secs.

The Sack Race, always so popular with the smaller boys, and always exciting the interest and amusement of the spectators, had plenty of competitors, Barnes and Parsons seemed quite at home in their sacks.

V. R. Cox won the Quarter-Mile (under 14) in fine style, while Tollemache was second in what was really an admirable race.

J. Tayler secured a very popular win in an unusually big field, which turned out for the Half-Mile Handicap.

The Open Mile, a punishing race, after a severe struggle with Welman, was won by A. R. Cox, while the places were reversed in the Half-Mile Open, which was won by Welman, Cox following, a good second. The First Prize in the Mile was presented by Mr. W. Burrow, two of whose sons had won the race on previous occasions.

The Steeplechase, over about six miles of country, was well contested, E. Scammell was first in the Open Event and G. O. Genge in the "Under 14."

At the conclusion of the Sports Mrs. Ehlvers, in her usual kindly manner, distributed the prizes to those fortunate enough to have won such handsome trophies. Dr. Tovey expressed the sincere thanks of the School to the many generous donors of prizes and money, and spoke of the rosy prospects of the School with regard to the Inter-School Shield. Dr. and Mrs. Tovey afterwards welcomed our visitors to tea, which was greatly appreciated.

The Programme, with the names of the Prize Winners, is as follows:—

STEEPLECHASE (open).—1, presented by Major H. L. Welman, E. Scammell; 2, H. M. Ricketts.

STEEPLECHASE (under 14).—1, presented by Mr. F. Woodcock, G. O. Genge; 2, R. H. Hooper.

MILE (open).—1, presented by Mr. W. Burrow, A. R. Cox; 2, L. L. Welman. Time, 5 mins. 48 secs.

HIGH JUMP (open).—1, presented by Mrs. Hemingway, L. L. Welman; 2, C. E. Pearce. Height, 4-ft. 6-ins.

HIGH JUMP (under 12).—1, presented by Mr. B. Brickell, C. H. Barnes; 2, presented by Mr. H. Hacker, G. Parsons. Height, 3-ft. 7-ins.

LONG JUMP (under 14).—1, presented by Mr. F. Dunston, J. E. Tollemache; 2, V. R. Cox. Distance, 13-ft. 8-ins.

THROWING CRICKET BALL (under 14).—1, presented by Mr. J. W. Pearson, V. R. Cox; 2, R. H. Baker. Distance, 55-yds. 1-ft. 5-ins.

HALF-MILE (open).—1, presented by Rev. W. Goodchild, L. L. Welman; 2, A. R. Cox. Time, 2 mins. 24 4-5 secs.

HUNDRED YARDS (open).—1, presented by Mr. C. A. Cox, A. R. Cox; 2, L. L. Welman. Time, 11 4-5 secs.

HUNDRED YARDS (under 14).—1, presented by Mrs. BurrIDGE, V. R. Cox; 2, J. E. Tollemache. Time, 13 secs.

HUNDRED YARDS (under 12).—1, presented by Sir R. Glyn, L. H. Hendon; 2, G. Hemingway. Time, 14 secs.

LONG JUMP (open).—1, presented by Messrs. Pryce & Barribal, L. L. Welman; 2, A. R. Cox. Distance, 18-ft. 8-ins.

THROWING CRICKET BALL (open).—1, presented by Mr. H. C. Forrester, R. B. Minchin; 2, C. E. Pearce. Distance, 84-yds. 1-ft. 6-ins.

HURDLE RACE (under 13).—R. H. Baker. Time, 26 secs.

HURDLE RACE (under 14).—1, presented by Mr. J. Burbidge, R. H. Hooper; 2, J. E. Tollemache. Time, 23 3-5 secs.

HURDLE RACE (open).—1, presented by Dr. Blucke, L. L. Welman; 2, C. E. Pearce. Time, 19 1-5 secs.

HIGH JUMP (under 14).—J. E. Tollemache and R. H. Hooper. Height, 3-ft. 11-ins.

QUARTER-MILE (open).—1, presented by Rev. N. S. Lawrie, L. L. Welman; 2, A. R. Cox. Time, 60 4-5 secs.

SACK RACE (under 12).—1, presented by Mr. F. Richards, C. H. Barnes; 2, G. Parsons.

220 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, presented by Mr. M. Beaufoy, A. L. Filley; 2, C. E. Pearce. Time, 28 1-5 secs.

OLD BOYS' RACE, 220 Yards.—1, presented by Mr. S. W. Digby, G. Cheater; 2, E. C. Mozley. Time, 28 4-5 secs.

220 YARDS HANDICAP (under 12).—1, G. Hemingway; 2, P. G. Hiscock. Time, 35 3-5 secs.

QUARTER-MILE (under 14).—1, presented by Mrs. Carpenter, V. R. Cox; 2, J. E. Tollemache. Time, 71 secs.

HALF-MILE HANDICAP.—1, presented by Mr. G. Imber, J. A. Tayler; 2, H. M. Ricketts. Time, 2 mins. 33 3-5 secs.

220 YARDS CONSOLATION RACE (under 14).—1, presented by Messrs. F. W. Young & Son, L. G. Prideaux. Time, 35 secs.

220 YARDS CONSOLATION RACE (open).—H. Robins. Time, 30 secs.

JUNIOR CHAMPION CUP—presented by Mr. G. Gordon, V. R. Cox.

SENIOR CHAMPION CUP—presented by Dr. Tovey, L. L. Welman.

FOOTBALL SCRATCH SIXES.—Medals presented by Mr. J. Hastings. Winning Six:—A. R. Cox (capt.), H. G. Bloom, A. E. Atkinson, L. Digby, H. C. Watts, and H. Palmer.



Inter-School Sports.

THE Seventh Annual Athletic Meeting between the Secondary Schools of Dorset took place on Wednesday, March 29th, on the School ground.

This is the first occasion on which Shaftesbury has been honoured in this way, and it was very gratifying to find that a record number of schools put in an appearance, Beaminster G.S., Blandford S.S., Gillingham G.S., Parkstone S.S., Poole S.S., Shaftesbury G.S., Foster's School, Sherborne, and Wimborne G.S., all being represented.

The course was a very good one, although on the soft side owing to recent rains, and a straight 220 yards proved a welcome innovation. All the arrangements went off without a hitch, and everybody concerned is to be congratulated on the promptness with which the various events were got through; there were no long waits or dreary intervals. The weather, perhaps a trifle cold for spectators, was all that could be desired for competitors, and, as a result, the performances were considerably better than those of last year. We must not forget to state that the inhabitants of Shaftesbury and district turned up in large numbers to see the sports, and all the schools were delighted at the splendid support they received; it is a great pity that the same interest cannot be aroused in some other parts of Dorset.

As we had won the shield on the two previous occasions we were naturally anxious to do the "hat trick," and the programme had not been very far advanced before it was seen that, bar accidents, we were the probable winners. At the conclusion it was found that we had gained 13 points to the 6 of our nearest opponent (Parkstone). L. L. Welman was our star performer, out of nine events he won four in splendid fashion, and was easily the best athlete competing; C. E. Pearce, A. R. Cox, and E. Scammell also rendered valuable assistance.

The nine events were as follows:—

- 1.—HALF MILE.—In this race we were represented by Cox and Scammell, but the winner came from Foster's School, Sherborne (time, 2 min. 11 4-5 secs.) Scammell ran very pluckily and obtained second place.
- 2.—HUNDRED YARDS.—A splendid start was seen in this race and the competitors kept in a line till more than half the distance was covered. Then Welman drew out and won by a yard in 11 2-5 secs.; Pearce was second, with several others close up.

- 3.—HIGH JUMP.—In this event Parkstone followed the lead set by Wimborne last year and annexed all three points. Both their competitors could have jumped higher than 4-ft. 8½-ins. had it been necessary for them to do so. Pearce and Jones were our representatives.
- 4.—220 YARDS.—History repeated itself in this event and for the second year in succession we obtained first and second places, thanks to Welman and Cox. Welman's time (25 seconds) constitutes a record for these sports.
- 5.—THROWING CRICKET BALL.—This event fell to Gillingham (distance, 84-yds. 0-ft. 6-ins.), with Parkstone second. The throwing, although better than it was last year, was hardly up to the standard of most of the other events. Pearce and F. Minchin threw for us.
- 6.—QUARTER MILE.—A good race won by Sherborne (time, 60 1-5secs.), with Parkstone second. Cox and Filley represented us, but the pace was too warm for them.
- 7.—LONG JUMP.—Won very easily for us by Welman, who only had one jump (18-ft. 3-ins.) and then rested himself for the "hurdles." Parkstone was second, a position held by Cox until the last jump.
- 8.—HURDLES.—As last year, we won first and second places in this event. Welman was never pressed and could have knocked a second off his time if he had been extended. Pearce was also an easy second. We hope to see an improvement in the standard of hurdling another year.
- 9.—MILE.—This event, as last year, went to Poole (time, 5 min. 32 secs.) The winner was a good athlete with a long easy stride and was capable of much better time. Scammell and Tayler were our representatives, the former ran a very plucky race and obtained second place for us.

FINAL RESULT.

Shaftesbury	13 points.	Gillingham	2 points.
Parkstone	6 "	Beaminster	0 "
Foster's (Sherborne)	4 "	Blandford	0 "
Poole	2 "	Wimborne	0 "

Our team consisted of L. L. Welman (capt.), A. R. Cox, C. E. Pearce, E. Scammell, F. G. Minchin, J. A. Tayler, T. L. Jones, and A. L. Filley.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mark Beaufoy, Esq. (introduced by the Rev. A. D. H. Allan) presented the shield to Welman and Cox. He expressed the great pleasure it gave him to be present that afternoon, a pleasure which he frankly owned was increased by the fact that the winning school was one in which he naturally took a deep and abiding interest. He congratulated the promoters of the sports on the genuine sporting instincts of the competition and on the entire absence of any

"pot-hunting," so often the curse of modern sport. He concluded by expressing the hope that the patriotism of the competitors, so strongly in evidence that afternoon, might hereafter blossom into a stronger and more strenuous patriotism for King and Country.

Mr. Beaufoy was heartily thanked by Dr. Tovey for so kindly coming to present the shield, and the masters and friends of the various schools were then entertained at tea by Dr. and Mrs. Tovey.

Before concluding this account we must not omit to tender our hearty congratulations to those boys who so successfully steered us to victory, and also to all who in many ways contributed to make the sports such a success; to Mr. Watmough for the many things he made for us in the workshop, and to Mr. G. Imber for his great kindness in allowing us to extend our track into his field. Without it we could not have held the sports in Shaftesbury as our own track is too narrow for a large number of competitors.

School Library.

The following books have been added to the School Library; our best thanks are given to those who kindly presented them.

<i>Book.</i>	<i>Author.</i>	<i>Donor.</i>
"Official Year Book of the Commonwealth of Australia"		Mr. C. A. Cox.
"England in the XIX. Century"	C. W. Oman	... Dr. Tovey.
"In the Days of Nelson"	... Capt. Shaw	... A. W. Watts.
"Peter Simple" ...	... Capt. Marryat	... J. C. Eaton.
"Masterman Ready" ...	... "	... "
"Peter the Whaler" ...	... "	... "
"Mr. Midshipman Easy" ...	... "	... "
"Westward Ho!" ...	... Chas. Kingsley	... "
"Parliament" ...	... Sir C. P. Ibbert	... Dr. Tovey.
"On Our Selection" ...	... Steele Rudd	... A. R. Cox.
"Our New Selection" ...	... "	... V. R. Cox.

Old Shastonians.

W. F. WOODROW, who captained the Cricket XI. when at school, and was also a most useful member of the Football XI., has gone to New South Wales, Australia, where, we have no doubt, he will do well.

FRANK MILES has been for some months in Colombo. We have seen some beautiful views sent home by him of Ceylon, and envy him living in such a delightful place.

N. J. TUNNINGTON has been working hard in Liverpool at accountancy, and his efforts have been crowned with success. He has passed, with distinction, an examination in accountancy, company law, and administration. May he continue to prosper!

W. H. BENJAFIELD, who was contemporary with Tunnington, and went through a successful course at Bristol University, is now teaching at Ely.

B. KEAST has secured a post in London. The Shaftesbury C.C. will miss him on the Cricket ground this season, since last year he was top of both batting and bowling averages.

ALEC TAYLER has shown his patriotism by joining the Royal Gloucester Hussars Yeomanry. Other Old Shastonians who are, or have been yeomen, are Bernard Ricketts, J. Burrow, F. C. Atkinson, and George Young.

E. W. CUFF, who has been moved to the Wiveliscombe branch of the Wilts and Dorset Bank, has been spending a holiday in Shaftesbury, and visited the school.

We were glad to see STANLEY BURROW amongst us once more. He took part in a match on the school ground on Saturday, May 20th, and we trust he will soon be quite well again.

A. R. Cox and V. R. Cox have returned to Australia. They bear with them our heartiest good wishes for their future welfare. Mr. Cox has given yet another proof of his interest in the school by promising a bat to the best fielder of the season.

We hear that F. C. ATKINSON, who has been with an engineering firm at Walton-on-Naze, has been in hospital; we wish him a speedy recovery.

PERCY RICKETTS has been for a year in Quirindi, New South Wales.

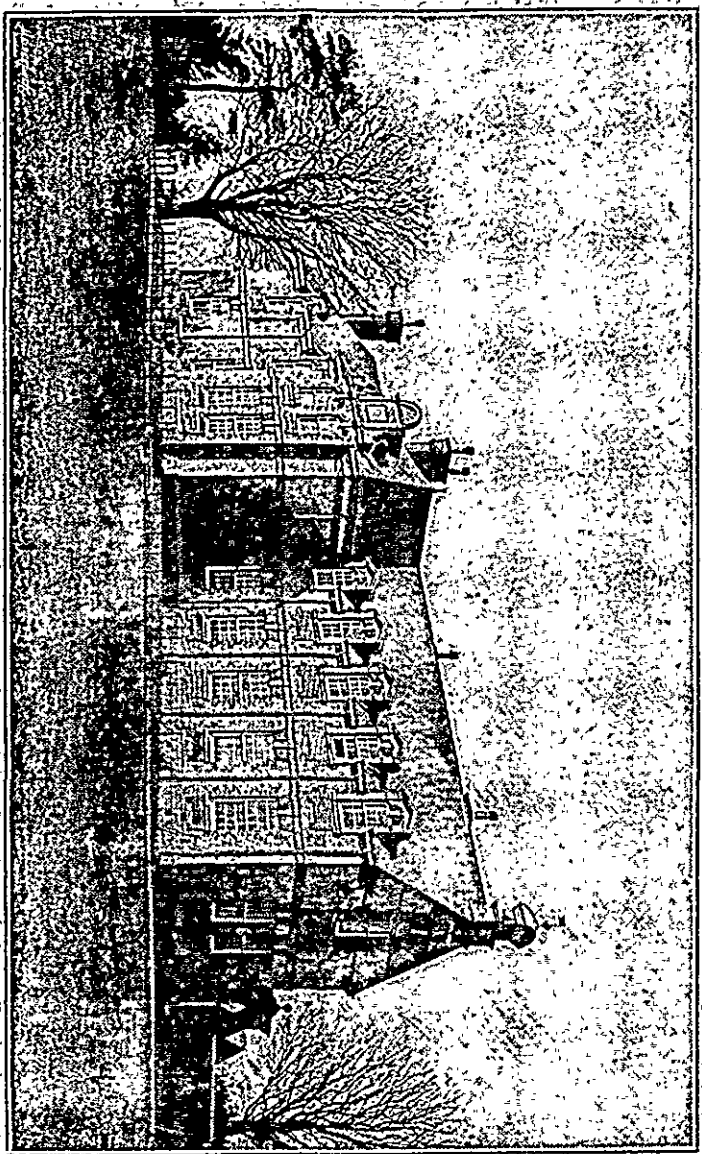
Dr. Tovey has received a postcard from E. J. FIRTH, bearing the postmark Victoria, but no address; we shall be glad to hear news of him, and, wherever he may have settled, we wish him success.

On May 27th, T. H. BURROW, of the Wilts and Dorset Bank (Portland Branch), was married to Miss E. M. Head, of Marlborough.

Obituary.

We regretfully record the death of Mr. James Wescott, which occurred on May 7th, at his residence in Salisbury Street. The deceased gentleman was long a governor of the school and was always sincerely interested in its welfare. Mr. Wescott was also a member of the Town Council for a long period, and was elected Alderman, in which position he always did his utmost to promote the interests of the town of which for so many years he was a highly respected citizen. We offer our sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Wescott, to Mr. A. J. Wescott (who is an Old Shastonian), and the other members of the family in their bereavement.





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