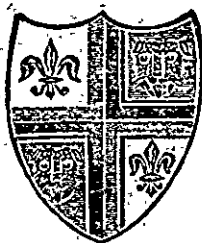


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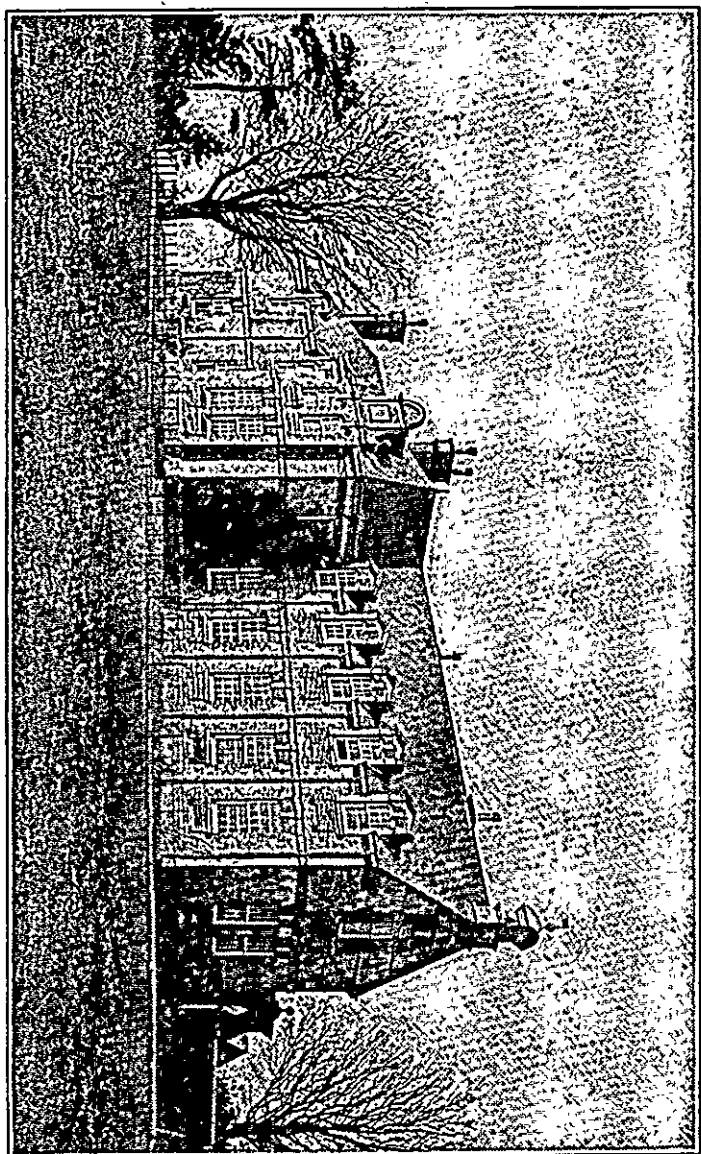
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V. W. N. BOWLES. Form VI. Entered September, 1908.
Passed Camb. Prelim. Local (2nd Class Honours),
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C. I. B. GIBBS. Form V. Entered September, 1909.

R. H. C. T. HOOPER. Form V. Entered January, 1908.
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W. JEFFERY. Form VI. Entered November, 1908.
Passed Camb. Prelim. Local, July, 1911; Camb.
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L. A. PARSONS. Form VI. Entered September, 1910.
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PREFECTS.

G. O. Genge (Head Prefect), L. G. Prideaux, F. C. Blucke,
V. G. Imber, H. G. Pratt, C. H. M. Platt.

HEAD BOYS.

J. H. Edwards, R. H. Baker, T. N. Langford, L. G. Pike,
J. H. Wescott, J. B. Walker, R. J. Mahon, V. C.
Prince, D. T. Sutton, J. J. O. McMahon.

FOOTBALL.

The final order of merit of the Football team for
1913 was as follows: G. O. Genge (Captain), W. Jeffery,
L. A. Parsons, L. G. Prideaux, L. G. Pike, C. H. M. Platt,
R. H. C. T. Hooper, F. C. Blucke, H. G. Pratt, R. H.
Baker, V. C. Prince.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The School Sports are fixed to take place on Wed-
nesday, March 25th; and the Shield Competition on the
School Ground, on Wednesday, April 1st.

SCHOOL BAZAAR.

A Bazaar will be held in the School Grounds on
Wednesday, June 10th, for the purpose of raising money
to pay off the debt on our new School Buildings. We
hope parents, old boys, and friends of the School will
make a note of this date. Full particulars will appear in
our next number.

We wish to extend a hearty welcome to the new
member of our staff, Mr. J. Hunter-Watts, B.A. (London
University).

Football.

THE team of 1913, at its best, was a very useful side, and quite up to the average of recent years, but the displays they gave were very uneven. It is only fair to state that they were rarely at full strength, and the absence of Hooper in the later matches made all the difference to the forwards. Their best displays were against Sexey's School (home) and Wimbörne Grammar School (home), while against Gillingham Grammar School (away) and Parkstone (away) they were probably at their worst. They were a very enthusiastic side, and most anxious to improve, and set a splendid example of keenness to the lower clubs; as a result, the football in the School is in a more flourishing condition than it has ever been before, and nearly a hundred boys played regularly in the practice games. It is hardly necessary to add that George Genge once more proved himself an admirable captain, and did everything he could to ensure success.

F. C. Blucke, in goal, was hardly as reliable as last year; the full backs both played well, W. Jeffery being the safer, and L. A. Parsons the more brilliant but less reliable. L. G. Pike was the only old colour left among the "halves," and was excellent in defence, but he did not always give his forwards the help he ought to have done. H. G. Pratt was a great success for a new colour, he played good football, and was a demon for work. V. C. Prince always worked hard, and should make a good full-back another year. The forwards were variable and rather too light. L. G. Prideaux and G. O. Genge were splendid on the right wing; they combined beautifully, and were responsible for most of the goals scored. They were, however, rather apt to neglect the other forwards. R. H. Hooper, when playing, although a trifle too deliberate, was always reliable. R. H. Baker was very promising, and C. H. M. Platt worked very hard, and put in some beautiful centres; unfortunately he is rather clumsy, otherwise his dash would have been very valuable in a light line of forwards. M. G. Watts kept goal for the team very creditably in a few matches, and W. Doggrell played with success in one match.

The "Under 14" XI. won their two matches played very easily, and thanks to Mr. Minchin's coaching, developed into one of the best sides we have had. They

had two good backs in J. Digby and H. Hall, two promising halves in G. E. Bowley and R. S. Payne, and three capable forwards in C. W. J. Barnes, G. Parsons and D. C. Tayler. Their chief merit lay in the fact that they were a *team* and not merely eleven players; the forwards combined well, the halves, especially Bowley, gave them valuable help, and J. K. Digby kicked with the skill of a veteran. The following boys played in one or both of the matches: G. W. Clarke, goal; J. K. Digby (captain) and H. Hall, backs; G. E. Bowley, R. S. Payne, E. D. Drew and W. F. Willis, halves; G. Hemingway, E. G. H. Maidman, C. W. J. Barnes, H. G. Watts, G. Parsons and D. C. Tayler, forwards.

CHARACTERS OF THE SCHOOL ELEVEN.

- F. C. BLUCKE, *Goal*. Was not as safe or as keen as last year, and seemed to lose his nerve at times. Is not tall enough for the position.
- W. JEFFERY, *Left Back*. Played well in all matches, and shewed considerable improvement on last season's form. Is clever at anticipating and intercepting passes.
- L. A. PARSONS, *Right Back*. Tackled well, and is a good hard worker; but was not always as safe in his kicking as last season.
- V. C. PRINCE, *Right Half*. A genuine worker and fearless tackler, but rather too clumsy at present. Has the makings of a good full back.
- H. G. PRATT, *Centre Half*. The most improved player of the year. Tackles well, and feeds his forwards judiciously. Should be very good another season.
- L. G. PIKE, *Left Half*. Is a splendid defensive player, and many a time got his side out of difficulties. Is apt to kick too hard for his position, and is not fond enough of using his right foot.
- L. G. PRIDEAUX, *Outside Right*. Played very well in every match, and combined beautifully with Genge. Centres accurately, but is inclined to go too near the corner flag before doing so; is a good shot, and kicked some splendid corners.

- G. O. GENGE, *Inside Right* (Captain). A good clever forward, with an admirable control over the ball, and a splendid knowledge of the game. His combination with Prideaux was one of the features of the season. Much improved shot. Has made a very good captain.
- R. H. C. T. HOOPER, *Centre*. Played well in the few matches in which he took part. Is not a showy player, but knows how to keep a line of forwards together. Good shot.
- R. H. BAKER, *Inside Left*. Played very well for a first season. Is a good hard worker and passes well, but does not keep the ball close enough to his feet when dribbling. Improving shot.
- C. H. M. PLATT, *Outside Left*. Is a quick mover with splendid dash, but is rather clumsy. Centred beautifully with his left foot. Moderate shot.

SCHOOL ELEVEN.

Matches Played—8. Won—5. Drawn—1. Lost—2.

Goals for—49.

Goals against—26.

DATE.	OPPONENTS.	Where Played.	RESULT.
Oct. 15.....	Dr. Tovey's XI.	Home.....	Lost 5—7
Oct. 18.....	Foster's School, Sherborne	Home.....	Won 14—1
Oct. 25.....	Gillingham Grammar School ...	Away.....	Lost 3—6
Oct. 29.....	Old Shastonians	Home.....	Won 7—6
Nov. 1.....	Sexey's School, Bruton	Home.....	Won 5—0
Nov. 8.....	Parkstone School.....	Away.....	Won 5—3
Nov. 22.....	Wimborne Grammar School.....	Home.....	Won 9—2
Nov. 29.....	Sexey's School, Bruton	Away.....	Draw 1—1

SCHOOL ELEVEN (with MASTERS).

Matches Played—2.

Lost—2.

Nov. 26.....	Shaftesbury Wednesday F.C. ...	Home.....	Lost 3—6
Dec. 10.....	Shaftesbury Wednesday F.C. ...	Away.....	Lost 2—3

SCHOOL ("UNDER 14") ELEVEN.

Matches Played—2.

Won—2.

Oct. 22.....	Gillingham G.S. (Under 14)	Away.....	Won 7—2
Nov. 5.....	Choristers' School, Salisbury ...	Home.....	Won 14—0

PRINCIPAL SCORERS.

G. O. Genge	24 goals	R. H. Hooper.....	5 goals
R. H. Baker	13 "	C. H. Platt.....	3 "
L. G. Prideaux ...	5 "		

DETAILS OF MATCHES.

School v. Dr. Tovey's XI., October 15th, Home, *Lost 5—7*.—This again formed our opening match. In addition to Masters, Dr. Tovey also included the following Old Boys: F. Buckland, J. Hall, A. Bealing, E. Shepard, A. Miles. The first half ruled very even, and when half time came the score stood 2 to 1 in favour of Dr. Tovey's side. In the second half play swung in turn continuously from end to end, and further goals were scored by both sides. The School, however, were never able to draw level. G. Genge and L. Prideaux played well in the forward line for School, especially in the second half. The School full backs kicked very well, and the halves put up a fairly good defence in spite of the very strong attack of Dr. Tovey and the other forwards.

School v. Foster's School, Sherborne, October 18th, Home, *Won 14—1*.—School kicked off and almost immediately began to attack, a good shot by Prince from the left being cleared. Platt next made an opening from which G. Genge scored. Baker almost immediately added the next, and keeping up the pressure, a further score was disallowed for off-side. A good run and centre by Prideaux was converted by Genge, and the same player again scored after a shot from Prideaux had been only partially cleared. Sherborne now paid a brief visit to the other end, but the backs soon forced play into the Foster's quarters, and a fruitless corner resulted. Individual runs through by Prideaux and by Hooper both secured goals, and then the Sherborne custodian saved splendidly from a corner. Just before half time Genge secured our seventh point from Prince's centre. The second half again found the Sherborne defence very weak, and seven more goals were added by Parsons (long dropping shot), Platt (2), Baker (2), and Genge (2). All the School side played well, but especially may be mentioned Prideaux, Hooper and Genge. However, the side was not tested very thoroughly, for Foster's defence, with the exception of one of the full backs, was very weak.

School v. Gillingham Grammar School, October 25th, Away, *Lost 3—6*.—School kicked off against the sun, and even play followed for a while. A good attack by the Gillingham forwards saw the ball for some time hanging round the School goal-mouth, Gillingham still had the

best of matters, and a good centre from the right wing being missed by Blucke, Gillingham had no difficulty in scoring. Gillingham still remained dangerous, and the right wing, Trippe, again put in a good centre which was converted. School next visited the other end, and Baker kicked behind when he had the goal at his mercy. Prideaux shot well, but the Gillingham keeper brought off a very fine "save." School soon afterwards obtained their first point through a good shot by Prideaux after Platt had hit the upright. Half time came with Gillingham "one up." The second half opened well for School, C. Platt scoring with a good ground shot after good work by G. Genge. Gillingham almost immediately took the lead again through their centre-forward. Genge next essayed a shot which missed, and Gillingham secured another goal through Farthing, who was playing a fine game. R. Baker next headed in well for School, but the ball was safely cleared. The same player ran through the defence just afterwards, but missed. Gillingham now scored twice in quick succession by high shots, which Blucke was not tall enough to fully stop. The score now stood 6—2 in favour of Gillingham. L. Prideaux ran down the wing well, and from a good centre V. Prince sent in a hard shot, but missed. Prideaux again centred well, but Genge shot over. The last score of the match fell to R. Baker, who sent in a shot which completely beat the goalkeeper. Gillingham were undoubtedly the better team, especially in the forward line, which was faster than our own, and showed good combination. Their full backs also put up a vigorous defence. For School, L. Prideaux stood out a long way above everybody else, and though the score does not indicate it, F. Blucke gave a very good and plucky display in goal. L. Parsons kicked well at full back, especially in the first half. School forwards improved in the second half, but their opportunities of scoring went begging. Pike was the best of the halves.

School v. Old Shastonians, October 29th, Home, Won 7—6.—The Old Boys' team was as follows: G. Atkinson, goal; B. Ricketts and F. Buckland, backs; J. T. Hall, R. Hall and H. Palmer, halves; L. Spinney, S. Burrow, R. B. Minchin, B. Morgan, G. Bealing, forwards. School kicked off, and Atkinson was soon tested by G. Genge, but saved well. Old Boys then attacked, and J. Hall shot past; Spinney received from Minchin,

and shot well, but Blucke was safe. School opened the scoring through Genge—a long high shot. O.B.'s drew level almost immediately through Minchin, after Spinney and Burrow had both hit the upright. Almost immediately afterwards Blucke saved well from Burrow. The next goal fell to the O.B.'s, Bealing making a nice run down the left wing and scoring with a splendid cross-shot. Baker and Burrow missed at each end, and then Hall gave to Morgan, and the latter scored after a good dribble. Before half time the score against School was still further increased by a very hard shot from Minchin, which Blucke could only partly stop. Half time score: 4 to 1 in O.B.'s favour. The Old Shastonians showed decidedly the better football in this half, the combination and shooting among the forwards being very good. In the second half School quickly got into their stride, and G. Genge secured two goals in quick succession, in the second case beating Atkinson by a high shot after a good dribble. The Old Boys retaliated, and Burrow scored. Then a hot bombardment at close range was with difficulty cleared by Blucke, but the attack was eventually successful, Spinney scoring easily after Parsons had mis-kicked. The play now reverted to the other end, and Genge scored after a good run by Prideaux, and the former player also added another after good combination among the School forwards. School drew level amidst great excitement, Genge making a good opening for Baker. School still continued to show the better form, and a pass from Hooper saw Genge eluding the defence, and the move terminated in School taking the lead for the first time during the match. This proved the final point of the match. Throughout the second half the School were the better team, but on the whole the honours were very evenly divided. Hooper stood out the most conspicuous in the School defence, and Genge in the forward line.

School v. Sexey's School, Bruton, Nov. 1st, Home, Won 5—0.—School started well and Sexey's goalkeeper brought off a magnificent "save." A good bit of work by Prideaux and Genge saw the latter open the score for School. Sexey's forced a corner, but it was cleared, and very even play followed in which H. G. Pratt was conspicuous at centre-half for School. Prideaux got away down the right wing and centred well, enabling Hooper to score our second goal. School were now

having the best of the exchanges, and Hooper shot well, but found Sexey's keeper very safe. An unproductive corner followed. Play swung into the home quarters and our opponents looked very dangerous, when Prince brought off a fine save after the backs had been beaten. Half time came with School 2 up. The second half opened evenly for a time, and then a shot by Prideaux cannoned into the net off one of Sexey's full-backs. Hooper, who throughout had been doing splendid work at centre forward, made a good opening for Genge, who scored our fourth goal. Then two corners were forced but came to nothing. Sexey's now made a determined attack, but shooting was weak, and they were forced back, but Prideaux missed. Sexey's again rushed down and a corner followed, but was not productive. School now pressed very determinedly, and although the Sexey's backs defended well, Baker scored as the outcome of a corner kick. Genge put in some good runs, but the game closed without any further addition to the score. All the School forwards played well, and the defence was quite safe, Pratt, though new to centre-half, doing some excellent work. A word of praise is due to the fine exhibition of goal-keeping that Sexey's custodian gave.

School v. Parkstone School, Nov. 8th, Away, Won 5—3.—This was our first visit to Parkstone, and although we won we cannot commend our display. The ground was uneven, the forwards and halves found it difficult to combine, and the game was a very ragged one. Although Parkstone scored first, we never looked like being beaten, and at half time the score was 1—1. During the second half our forwards tried longer passing, and soon put on four more goals; then in the last few minutes Parkstone scored twice, making the final score 5—3 in our favour. M. Watts was good in goal, and both backs defended well. Pike was the pick of the halves, and Prideaux and Baker of the forwards.

School v. Wimborne Grammar School, Nov. 22, Home, Won 9—2.—School kicked off, and immediately attacked. A good bit of foot work by Genge produced a goal two minutes after the start. The same player, Hooper and Baker, all shot well. C. Platt centred well from the left and Baker converted. Pressure was still maintained, and Genge snapped up a partial clearance by the Wimborne custodian. The fourth goal fell to Genge

after a scramble. As before, Baker again converted a good centre from Platt. Wimborne now took up the attack, but found Blucke safe. A partly cleared shot from Baker was converted by Prideaux. Wimborne got away on the right, and Blucke was charged through the goal while handling. A series of corners for School followed, but were unproductive. The Wimborne forwards were not very strong, and our backs did not have a great difficulty in holding them. Half-time score 6—1. The second half saw Baker obtain a good goal, and then a spell of attacking followed from Wimborne. Ford, their centre, and also the right wing, shot well. The former player put in a good dribble and scored with a high shot. An attack by School resulted in Hooper sending the ball through the visiting keeper's legs. Shortly afterwards the Wimborne keeper saved splendidly, but his clearance was spoilt by one of his own backs, and Hooper scored. The Wimborne backs worked hard, but the forwards were weak in shooting. Hooper and Genge played splendidly for School, and they were very ably supported by the rest of the forwards.

School v. Shaftesbury Wednesday, Nov. 26th, Home, Lost 3—6.—School kicked off and a score very quickly resulted through an infringement of the law by one of the Shaftesbury backs, within the penalty area. After some even exchanges a strong attack by Shaftesbury pierced the defence, and the score stood "one all." Our opponents shortly after this added a second goal, and then practically for the rest of the first half alternate attacks were made on each goal. The School forwards got through some excellent work in spite of a vigorous defence, but found Yates very safe in goal, and his tremendous kicking generally removed the play to the other end. At half time the Wednesday team led by 3 to 2. The second half again saw a hot attack on each goal in turn, but whereas the School shooting was very weak, the Wednesday forwards—who were quite fast—obtained 3 more goals, one as the outcome of a corner, and another from a good right-wing centre. School only added one more, and the game closed with the above result. Dr. Tovey, Mr. Minchin and G. Genge played very well in the forward line, and L. Parsons occasionally showed us some fine back play.

School v. Sexey's School, Bruton, Nov. 29th, Away, Drawn 1—1.—Sexey's kicked off, and a good shot from their right wing was well cleared by M. Watts. G. Genge and L. Prideaux next combined well, but the shot went wide. After even play, Sexey's attacked strongly for quite a long time, forcing three corners, which were all unproductive. Genge and Baker took the ball away, and a corner resulted for School. The School forwards were next conspicuous for some good combined passing, and a fine centre from Prideaux on the right was converted by Baker. Sexey's again had a sustained attack, and another corner fell to them without result. School showed some good footwork, but Genge shot by. This "half" closed with School "one up." The second half saw School attacking, and two corners were of no use to them then. Sexey's got a corner, but Watts saved well. They made strong efforts to draw level, and eventually did so through the centre-forward, who converted a good right-wing centre in the last ten minutes of the game. School again forced the play, and two corners fell to them—no good. All the School team played well, but Prideaux was starved in the second half. For Sexey's, the left back and the goal-keeper were the best. Sexey's throughout pressed more than School did, but their shooting was very weak, otherwise they would have won the game.

School v. Shaftesbury Wednesday, Dec. 10th, Away, Lost 2—3.—School entered the field with a weakened team, being without Mr. Minchin, L. Parsons and R. Hooper. School attacked for a while, but the Wednesday defence prevailed, and a good attack by our opponents saw Blucke fumble badly, and B. Morgan had no difficulty in converting. Almost immediately School equalised, a good opening by Dr. Tovey enabling G. Genge to score. Even play followed, and towards the end of the first half the Town team scored again. Half time came with the score 2—1 against us. In the second half School still had the better of the exchanges, but were unable to beat Yates, who was putting up a magnificent defence. A sharp attack by the Wednesday forwards saw the centre-forward put in a good shot which completely beat Blucke. Time was going on very quickly, and School made strenuous efforts to draw level. A long-sustained attack resulted in Baker scoring after good work by C. Platt on the left wing. When time was called School had lost by the odd goal in five. For School, the halves played a

splendid game, especially G. Pratt and V. Prince, whose robbing tactics and feeding of the forwards were very well executed indeed. Dr. Tovey and G. Genge played a fine forcing game in the forward line, and they were very well backed up by the rest, especially the left wing. C. Platt (as in the case of the "halves" mentioned) played his best game of the season. W. Jeffery, at full back, did some useful work, but Blucke, in goal, was inclined to be somewhat slow at clearing. Yates stood out very prominently for the Wednesday team, his clearances and huge kicks being a very great factor in the winning of the match. School shooting, as in the previous encounter with the Town, was not as good as it might have been.

SCHOOL ("UNDER 14") MATCHES.

School v. Gillingham Grammar School (Under 14), Away, October 22nd, *Won 7—2.*—Having won the toss, School decided to play down the slope, and soon looked like giving their opponents some trouble. Although this was their first match of the season, the forwards combined very well, and were well supported by the halves. Watts opened the scoring for us, and soon after two more goals were added, one by the same player and the other by Parsons. Half-time arrived with the score 3—0. In the second half Gillingham managed to score twice, but our forwards were constantly pressing, and four more goals were added—Watts 2, Parsons 1, and Barnes 1. The whole team gave a good display, and Digby, Barnes, Watts, Bowley and Payne, all played good football in their respective positions.

School v. Choristers' School, Salisbury, November 5th, Home, Won 11—0.—School kicked off, and play ruled even for a while. However, School soon began to pierce the defence, and goals came rapidly. C. Barnes opened the score, and H. Watts obtained the second after good work by Barnes and Hemingway. Barnes, with the help of G. Parsons, obtained the next two goals. In spite of hard work by the Choristers' backs, School continued to have things their own way, and Watts secured two more goals before half-time. For School, G. Hemingway centred well from the right wing, and Watts, Parsons and Barnes played well in the forward line. Sankey I. was easily the best of the Choristers, and time after time saved well. The second half was a repetition of the first. Hortic, the Choristers' goalkeeper, saved well from

Watts. Then School obtained an unproductive corner. Watts scored, and soon afterwards two goals fell to the foot of G. Parsons—one after Watts had dribbled well, and the other as the result of good work by Payne. Bowley shot well, but did not score. Barnes scored from an opening made by Parsons, and then D. Tayler sent in some brilliant shots, one of which—a “screw”—obtained the final goal of the match. School kept up pressure to the end, and the Choristers’ keeper saved well from Bowley. School backs—J. Digby and Hall—were seldom called upon, and G. Clarke, in goal, never handled once throughout the game.

Christmas Entertainment.

THE Christmas Entertainment took place on Dec. 17th, 18th and 19th, and the weather being propitious, a very large number of parents and friends honoured us with their presence, our accommodation being taxed to the utmost. The audience, on each occasion, proved most appreciative, and the entertainment went with a swing from start to finish. As usual the Entertainment consisted of two parts, a series of concert items and a humorous farce entitled “Poor Pillicoddy.”

Our hearty thanks are given to Dr. Tovey for providing us with the best concert we have yet had. Of those who participated in the concert and made it the success which it undoubtedly was, we may especially mention Sutton, whose fine, well trained voice, was heard with the greatest pleasure on all the occasions when he appeared. Maidman, Smith and Holloway also gave evidence of careful training, and never sang better. They all obtained well deserved encores. The humorous items took tremendously, and were greeted with hearty laughter, most of them being enthusiastically encored. A marked characteristic of the concert was its liveliness and humour, and the interest was well sustained throughout. A pleasing feature of the School entertainments is the evident pleasure and enjoyment evinced by all the boys who take part in them. In the pleasure of the entertainment we must not forget that it could not be produced without a great deal of hard work, and the smoothness with which both Concert and Farce ran their pleasant course indicated most careful preparation.

In the Farce which succeeded the Concert the "ladies" had been carefully trained by Mr. Ramshaw. They had all appeared before the footlights on a previous occasion, which proved of great advantage to them, and they performed their parts naturally and gracefully, with a complete absence of self-consciousness. The male characters were impersonated by Mr. Ramshaw and Mr. Watmough. Both of these gentlemen have appeared before Shaftesbury audiences on numerous occasions, and have always been accorded a hearty reception.

The stage presented an attractive appearance, and the scenery was everything that could be desired. Mr. Watmough bestowed a great deal of hard work in fitting up the stage, an additional feature this year being a new proscenium tastefully designed and executed in white and gold. We offer him our best thanks, and also his willing and able assistants, foremost of whom were H. G. Pratt and J. Fuller.

The Concert opened with a very pretty trio, "From Oberon in Fairy-land," nicely rendered by D. H. Smith, D. T. Sutton and S. H. Holloway. Their voices harmonised well, and the result was very pleasing. A dainty little song which followed was entitled "Mister Bear." It was sung by E. G. H. Maidman, and was rendered more effective by being addressed to a "Teddy Bear" which appeared on the stage. It was heartily appreciated, and as an encore Maidman sang "A Fat Li'l Feller wid his Mammy's Eyes." Next came a humorous glee, "The Goslings," in which D. T. Sutton, S. H. Holloway, Mr. Ramshaw and Dr. Tovey took part. This excited a great deal of merriment, and on an encore being demanded, they gave "A Catastrophe," which was also well received. A Banjo Solo, "The Hesketh March," played by L. A. Parsons, was a popular item, and went well. D. T. Sutton then gave a beautiful rendering of "Bird of Love Divine," which received hearty applause, and, as an encore, he sang "Little Grey Home in the West." Dr. Tovey delighted the audience with the humorous and pathetic song of *Corney Grain*, "De Ole Umbrella;" this is certainly one of Dr. Tovey's best, and was thoroughly enjoyed, and vociferously encored, when he sang "Little Mary Fawcett." Mr. Rich then gave us a recitation, "A Night's Adventure," which was very well received. The concerted item, "Muddled Riddles," followed, and proved

very funny. The riddles were first propounded by Dr. Tovey to Mr. Ramshaw, and retailed by the latter to Maidman, who acted his part well. The puzzled expression on Mr. Ramshaw's face when Maidman failed to see the "point" was very funny. In the Round "Would you know my Celia's charms?" D. T. Sutton, D. H. Smith, E. G. H. Maidman and G. Hemingway took part, and the altercations that ensued over Celia's charms caused great amusement, as did also the humorous part-song "Call John," in which Dr. Tovey as "John" vainly endeavoured to instruct Sutton, Holloway, Prince and Mr. Ramshaw in the correct way to sing the "Swanee River." An action-song, "The Musical Farmer," was very well received. Those who took part were Maidman, Doggrell, Prince, Holloway, Borley, Taylor and Hemingway, and their imitations of various musical instruments were quite clever. The Concert ended with "Joy Bells," sung by Dr. Tovey, and to which some clever verses were added by Mr. Watmough, who has proved a bard on various other occasions. This item received a hearty round of applause.

The farce, "Poor Pillicoddy," is well known, and always proves amusing. It is a farce in one act, and the scene is laid in the Office of Pillicoddy's Nursery. Sarah Blunt, a servant, who is in charge of the office, is seen adding up figures on a slate—not very successfully. She complains of her master, Pillicoddy's neglect of business now that he has married a young widow. Pillicoddy appears in happy mood, carrying a watering-pot, and an amusing conversation takes place between master and maid, in which Sarah urges Pillicoddy to give more attention to his business. Mrs. Pillicoddy's first husband had been drowned, and Sarah mentions that her brother Tom had married a widow whose first husband turned up again. This rouses Pillicoddy's fears that the same thing might happen in his case. At this moment the charming Mrs. Pillicoddy enters, carrying a hat which her indulgent husband has bought her. Sarah brings her a letter, which announces a visit from her friend, Mrs. O'Scuttle, who had married her first husband's brother. This lady is broken-hearted and has left her husband because she suspects him of love for another. Mrs. Pillicoddy sympathises, and they go off to find a room for the night. Meanwhile Capt. O'Scuttle comes to seek his wife and is taken by Pillicoddy for the deceased O'Scuttle, his wife's

"first." Some very amusing situations occur, but finally Capt. O'Scuttle meets his wife, explanations ensue, and harmony is restored.

Mrs. Pillicoddy (F. C. Blucke) was quite a charming and fascinating young lady, especially in the scene in which she persuades her husband to buy her another hat, which cost "just a leetle more money." Blucke's voice suited his part, and the manner in which he carried it through was admirable.

Mrs. O'Scuttle (R. H. Baker) was an excellent contrast to Mrs. Pillicoddy. Her manner was very natural and graceful, and she acted her part remarkably well.

G. O. Genge's impersonation of Sarah, the servant, was a great success. He certainly got every ounce of fun possible out of his part.

Mr. Ramshaw, in the title rôle, had a part to tax his memory as well as his versatility. He however, acquitted himself remarkably well, and has never played to better advantage. His scene with Capt. O'Scuttle was cleverly done.

Capt. O'Scuttle (Mr. F. L. Watmough) had a difficult part, but he played the bold mariner to perfection, and obtained many a laugh by his nautical terms and mannerisms. His make-up was excellent.

The audience showed their appreciation of the performance by repeated applause, and the universal verdict seemed to be that the entertainment had been thoroughly enjoyable in every way. We offer our sincere thanks to all those who took part in it.

The following is the programme:—

CONCERT.

- 1 TRIO ... "From Oberon, in Fairy land" *R. J. S. Stevens.*
D. H. Smith, D. T. Sutton, S. H. Holloway.
- 2 SONG ... "Mister Bear" ... *N. Blaney.*
E. G. H. Maidman.
- 3 GLEE ... "The Goslings" *Sir F. Bridge, C.V.O.*
D. T. Sutton, S. H. Holloway, Mr. Ramshaw, Dr. Tovey.
- 4 BANJO SOLO ... "The Hesketh March" ... *D. Keeley.*
L. A. Parsons.
- 5 SONG ... "Bird of Love Divine" ... *Haydn Wood.*
D. T. Sutton.

- 6 SONG ... "De Ole Umbrella" ... *Corney Grain.*
Dr. Tovey.
- 7 RECITATION ... "A Night's Adventure"
Mr. Rich.
- 8 CONCERTED ITEM "Muddled Riddles" ... *S. Goddard.*
- 9 ROUND "Would you know my Celia's charms?" ... *Webb.*
D. T. Sutton, D. H. Smith, E. G. H. Maidman, G. Hemingway.
"Would you know my Celia's charms, which now excite my fierce alarms?
I'm sure she's fortitude and truth, to gain the heart of every youth,
She's only thirty lovers now, the rest are gone I can't tell how.
No longer Celia ought to strive, for certainly she's fifty-five."
- 10 HUMOROUS PART-SONG... "Call John!" ... *W. W. Pearson.*
D. T. Sutton, S. H. Holloway, Mr. Ramshaw, V. C. Prince, Dr. Tovey.
- 11 ACTION SONG ... "The Musical Farmer" ... *P. B. Fletcher.*
E. G. H. Maidman, W. Doggrell, V. C. Prince, S. H. Holloway,
R. Borley, R. N. Tayler, G. Hemingway.
- 12 SONG "Joy Bells" ... *Lionel Monckton.*
Dr. Tovey.

THEATRICALS.

"POOR PILLYCODDY" (A Farce in One Act),

By J. M. Morton.

CHARACTERS:

MR. PILLYCODDY	...	...	...	...	MR. RAMSHAW.
CAPTAIN O'SCUTTLE	...	...	...	...	MR. WATMOUGH.
MRS. PILLYCODDY	...	...	...	...	F. C. BLUCKE.
MRS. O'SCUTTLE	...	...	...	...	R. H. BAKER.
SARAH BLUNT	...	...	...	...	G. O. GENGÉ.

Scene: Office of Pillycuddy's Nursery.



Prize Distribution.

ON November 22nd, a large number of relations and friends assembled at the School on the occasion of the distribution of prizes and certificates. Lady Pender kindly performed the ceremony in her usual pleasing and graceful manner. The Rector (The Rev. F. Ehlvers) took the chair, and was supported by the majority of the Governors of the School.

The Rector, in welcoming Lady Pender, referred to the record number of boys, and the general efficiency of the School, and remarked that Lady Pender took the greatest interest in the School, and was handing over a considerable sum to the Building Fund from the proceeds of the Shakesperian performance recently held in the Market House.

The Chairman then proceeded to read the Head Master's report. It stated the interesting fact that 122 boys were attending the School, of whom 54 were boarders. There were 29 more boys than last year, and for the first time in the School's history the century had been passed. It was impossible to overestimate the value of the new buildings, and the work of the School could now be carried on under conditions never before possible. The School was deeply grateful to those whose generosity had brought about such an improvement. The results of the Cambridge Local Examinations were very satisfactory, 10 more boys passing than last year. The games had also been very successful, and the School had won the Dorset Secondary Schools Athletic Shield—it had now held it four years out of the last five. The Head Master thanked the staff for their hard work ungrudgingly given at all times on behalf of the School.

Dr. Tovey then read the detailed report received from Mr. R. W. Shackle, M.A. (Cantab.), which was followed with the greatest interest.

Lady Pender next distributed the prizes, a list of which is given below. Her Ladyship said it gave her great pleasure to think how well the School was going, and to realise the wonderful grip the boys had of all the subjects they had to deal with. They should be fired with an ambition to get on and do honour to their School, and they would then start out in life with an honour

which should be impregnable. She wished all the boys success in life, and above all hoped that each one would choose the path that fitted him best.

Mr. Burbidge proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Lady Pender for her kindness in distributing the prizes. He said there still remained a heavy debt on the School Buildings; he had personally collected a fairly good sum during the last twelve months, and £1,000 had been altogether subscribed; but he hoped others who had not yet subscribed would come forward.

Dr. Harris seconded the motion, and Lady Pender suitably replied.

Mr. B. J. Strange thanked the Head Master and Staff on behalf of the Governors for their work during the past year. Mr. Norton seconded this motion, and trusted the debt on the School would soon be reduced.

Dr. Tovey, in his reply, mentioned that 93 distinctions were given in English Language and Literature, and Bowles was the 2nd boy on the list for the whole of England, Edwards was 10th, Jesse 30th, and Wescott 45th, a record to be proud of. He spoke of the difficulties of schoolmasters owing to the tendency to shorten school life. Boys came later and left earlier, with the result that they could not hope to get the amount of good they should do out of school life. In conclusion the Head Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which was seconded by Mr. Pinney. The proceedings then terminated with the National Anthem.

The prize list was as follows:—

CAMBRIDGE LOCAL CERTIFICATES.

SENIOR: W. Jeffery.

JUNIOR: V. W. N. Bowles (2nd Class Honours, distinguished in Religious Knowledge and English), H. T. Hall, J. H. Edwards (3rd Class Honours, distinguished in English), T. A. Sims, J. Pearson, G. O. Genge, J. H. Wescott (distinguished in English), C. Jesse (distinguished in English), L. Digby, R. H. Baker, C. H. M. Platt, L. G. Prideaux, V. G. Imber, L. A. Parsons, M. G. Watts, T. N. Langford.

PRELIMINARY: C. J. Trowbridge (2nd Class Honours), R. A. S. Wyatt, G. Hemingway (3rd Class Honours), W. Doggrell, C. P. Wookey, G. E. Bowley, G. F. Pike, C. W. J. Barnes, C. F. Scott, R. W. Smith, J. Seymour, L. G. Pike, G. W. Clarke, W. C. Duffett, R. J. Walker, J. B. Walker, G. Parsons, A. G. Dunn.

FORM PRIZES.

- VI. FORM—1, V. W. N. Bowles (presented by R. F. Glyn, Esq.);
2, H. T. Hall (presented by Dr. Tovey).
V. FORM—1, T. A. Sims (presented by Rupert Williams, Esq.);
2, J. H. Wescott.
IV. FORM—1, C. J. Trowbridge; 2, R. A. S. Wyatt.
III. FORM—1, E. W. Peckham; 2, J. S. Arnold.
II. FORM—1, R. N. Tayler; 2, W. H. Green.
I. FORM—1, R. W. Baker.

SUBJECT PRIZES.

Macklin Prizes—

SENIOR ENGLISH—V. W. N. Bowles.

SENIOR WRITING—W. Doggrell.

JUNIOR ENGLISH—C. J. Trowbridge.

JUNIOR WRITING—R. S. Payne.

DIVINITY (Presented by The Misses Brown)—J. H. Edwards.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY (Presented by J. Hastings, Esq.)—
G. O. Genge.

MATHEMATICS (Presented by Dr. Harris)—J. Pearson.

SCIENCE (Presented by J. Burbidge, Esq.)—H. T. Hall.

LANGUAGES (Presented by R. W. Borley, Esq.)—C. Jesse.

DRAWING (Presented by G. H. Imber, Esq.)—W. Jeffery.

JUNIOR LANGUAGES (Presented by Miss Dunn)—G. Hemingway.

„ SCIENCE—C. W. J. Barnes.

„ MATHEMATICS—C. P. Wookey.

MARKS PRIZES—R. H. Baker, J. Seymour, J. N. Wescott, S.
Johnson.GOOD EXAMINATION WORK—G. E. Bowley, C. F. Scott, R. W.
Smith, E. G. H. Maidman, H. Gatehouse.

OUT-DOOR PRIZES.

BATTING AND FIELDING (Presented by H. Tovey, Esq.)—H. T.
Hall.

BOWLING (Presented by Mrs. Tovey)—W. Jeffery.

SHOOTING (Presented by Mrs. Burridge)—T. A. Sims.



The School Library.

THE Library has been temporarily housed in the Laboratory, but next term it is intended to find more suitable quarters for it, and we hope to have some new cupboards. We shall be glad if those who borrow books will take the greatest care of them, and assist the librarians in every way they can to preserve the books and keep them in an orderly manner. We shall be grateful for any books suitable for the lowest Forms, as we hope at some future time that the little boys may have a library of their own.

Our best thanks are given to those who have recently presented books. The following books have been added since our last issue:—

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Author.</i>	<i>Donor.</i>
"Harry Escombe" ...	... H. Collingwood	... Dr. C. H. Tovey
"52 Stories for Boys" ...	... A. H. Miles	... Dr. C. H. Tovey
"The Young Llanero" ...	... W. H. Kingston	... L. A. Parsons
"Wonders of Transport" ...	... Cyril Hall	... Dr. C. H. Tovey
"The Lost Exile" ...	... Gertrude Hollis	... J. M. Fuller
"Monte Christo" ...	... Alexandre Dumas	... J. M. Fuller

Old Shastonians.

In November last, Mr. G. H. Imber was unanimously elected Mayor of the ancient Borough of Shaftesbury. Never has the town had a more popular mayor, and we offer our hearty congratulations to Mr. Imber as being the first Old Shastonian to hold the office.

We are pleased to hear that T. A. Sims, who is articled to Mr. E. Plummer Davies, Engineer, Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector to the Tisbury Rural District Council, has passed the Preliminary examination of the Surveyors' Institute.

Roy Cox has been distinguishing himself once again at cricket. In the Scotch College v. Melbourne Grammar School match, to decide the supremacy for the year in Public School Cricket, we are told Cox played masterly cricket with scarcely a feeble or indecisive stroke. He was finally caught at leg, after an innings of 128, when he was cheered and chaired by enthusiastic school supporters.

N. J. Tunnington spent a few days in Shaftesbury last term, and paid a visit to the School. He is working for his final examination for Chartered Accountant. This is a very difficult examination, but we feel sure that Tunnington will soon get through with flying colours.