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Editorial.

FOR the first time in the School's history the Boarders outnumber the Day boys; of the 120 boys at present in the School, 63 are Boarders. The finishing touches to our new buildings were completed during the Easter holidays, and all the beds are full. We are holding a Bazaar in the School Grounds on Wednesday, June 10th, and we hope that old boys, parents and friends will support us in large numbers, and enable us to wipe off the debt hanging round our necks. Should any friends be unable to be present, we can assure them that any donation, large or small, will be gratefully welcomed. The Lady Stalbridge has very kindly consented to open the proceedings and to take a stall, and we feel sure that her generous support will be an additional inducement to us all to do our utmost to make the Bazaar a financial success. A great feature will be the presence of the renowned entertainer, Mr. Nelson Jackson, at three short concerts, and we advise all who have never heard him to take this opportunity of doing so.

During the holidays, thanks to the great kindness and generosity of the Mayor (Mr. G. H. Imber), we have been able to add seven yards to the width of our playing field. The railings dividing the two fields have been taken up and replaced in a line with the mound, and the mound has been included in our field. The result is a vast improvement to our Cricket field, and the mound has already proved its attractiveness on a warm Sunday afternoon.

We have started our Cricket season with a victory, and look like having a stronger team than we have had the last few seasons. L. G. Prideaux is the School captain, and he has seven other old colours who should form the nucleus of a good side.

We offer a hearty welcome to Mr. M. B. S. Spencer, who has joined the staff this term.

In our next number we hope to print a few photographs of our new buildings.

School News.

NEW BOYS.

B. R. P. Bukow	I. F. J. Coombs	V. S. Gardner
T. Hyatt	G. H. F. Johnson	H. T. Tayler
J. O. Woodford	G. H. C. Young.	

VALETE.

F. C. BLUCKE. Form VI. Entered September, 1908. Camb. Prelim. Locals (3rd Class Honours), July, 1910. Camb. Junior Locals, July, 1911 and 1912. Cricket XI., 1912 and 1913. Football XI., 1912 and 1913. Prefect, September, 1913.

J. COOMBS. Form III. Entered September, 1912.

L. DIGBY. Form VI. Entered September, 1908. Passed Camb. Prelim. Locals, July, 1911. Camb. Junior Locals, July, 1912.

J. K. DIGBY. Form IV. Entered May, 1909.

A. T. HARDY. Form IV. Entered June, 1912.

T. N. LANGFORD. Form VI. Entered May, 1908. Passed Camb. Prelim. Locals, July, 1912; Junior Locals, July, 1913.

F. C. LONG. Form IV. Entered May, 1913.

J. REBBECK. Form III. Entered September, 1913.

PREFECTS.

G. O. Genge (Head Prefect), L. G. Prideaux, V. G. Imber, H. G. Pratt, C. H. M. Platt, J. B. Walker, R. J. Walker, R. H. Baker, J. H. Edwards.

HEAD BOYS.

L. G. Pike, J. H. Wescott, V. C. Prince, D. T. Sutton, J. J. O. McMahon.

CRICKET.

The following old colours remain from last season:—
L. G. Prideaux (Captain), G. O. Genge, C. H. M. Platt, H. G. Pratt, J. B. Walker, G. Hemingway, R. J. Walker, W. Rowe.

Matches have been arranged for this term as follows:

DATE.	OPPONENTS.	Where Played
Wednesday May 13—	†Shaftesbury Town ...	Away
Saturday " 16—	Sexey's School, Bruton ...	Home
Saturday " 23—	†Gillingham Town ...	Home
Wednesday " 27—	*Choristers' School, Salisbury ...	Home
Saturday " 30—	†Iwerne Minster ...	Home
Wednesday June 3—	Foster's School, Sherborne ...	Home
Wednesday " 3—	*Choristers' School, Salisbury ...	Away
Saturday " 6—	Gillingham Grammar School ...	Away
Saturday " 13—	Motcombe ...	Home
Wednesday " 17—	†Tisbury ...	Home
Saturday " 20—	Sexey's School, Bruton ...	Away
Saturday " 20—	*Gillingham G.S. (Under 14) ...	Home
Wednesday " 24—	Parkstone School ...	Home
Saturday " 27—	†Gillingham Town ...	Home
Monday " 29—	"Old Crocks" ...	Home
Wednesday July 1—	Old Shastonians ...	Home
Saturday " 4—	Wimborne Grammar School ...	Home
Wednesday " 8—	†Tisbury ...	Away
Thursday " 9—	†Mr. W. G. Tovey's XI. ...	Home
Saturday " 11—	Gillingham Grammar School ...	Home
Wednesday " 15—	†Shaftesbury Town ...	Home
Saturday " 18—	†Quidhampton Wanderers ...	Home
Saturday " 18—	*Gillingham G.S. (Under 14) ...	Away
Saturday " 25—	†Iwerne Minster ...	Away
Monday " 27—	†Rev. C. E. Donne's XI. ...	Home
Wednesday " 29—		
Thursday " 30—	†Dr. Ensor's XI. ...	Home

* "Under 14" Matches. † With Masters.

Football.

SCRATCH SIXES.

Several facts combined to make the Scratch Sixes of 1914 the most interesting we have so far had. The weather was ideal throughout, the teams with few exceptions were very evenly matched, and the final was only won after a hard fight by the odd goal in five. But the outstanding feature was the success of George Genge, who captained a winning six for the third year in succession, a record that will probably never be beaten. As usual, several promising players were seen; among the seniors (excluding "colours") D. T. Sutton and L. Digby were prominent, while J. B. Senior, G. E. Bowley, C. W. J. Barnes, R. G. Innocent, F. C. Innocent, D. C. Tayler, G. Hemingway and J. W. Miles all proved themselves worthy representatives of Clubs II. or III. Two boys in Club IV. also covered themselves with glory, R. L. Kelly and R. W. Baker; the latter gave a display of pluck and skill rarely seen from a boy of his age.

The best game in the first round was that between V. C. Prince and R. J. Walker, and in the second round F. C. Blucke's small team made a splendid fight against H. G. Pratt; in this round, too, Prince's six very nearly beat G. O. Genge, and would certainly have done so had their shooting been better. As it was, Genge just got home by two goals to one after playing extra time. In the semi-finals Genge easily beat R. H. Baker, but Pratt found more difficulty than was anticipated in defeating M. G. Watts's side—on paper a much inferior side.

In the final Genge won the toss and played down hill, facing the sun and a slight breeze. For the first few minutes the ball was in mid-field, and then Genge scored with a magnificent long shot of about thirty-five yards range. Shortly afterwards Sutton nearly scored, and then R. G. Innocent broke away and equalised with another long shot. The score remained unaltered till half-time. On resuming, R. G. Innocent nearly scored again after a good individual run; Sutton then broke away and shot straight at the goalkeeper, and Bowley, in trying to clear, unfortunately put the ball through his own goal. Genge's team now pressed continuously, and a good piece of play by J. W. Miles ended in his passing to Sutton, who easily scored. Nothing daunted, Pratt's

six took up the attack, and just before the whistle blew R. G. Innocent scored again. Genge was a tower of strength to the winners, for whom D. T. Sutton and J. W. Miles also played very well, while of the losers Pratt, Bowley, and the brothers Innocent did a lot of good work, "R.G." being especially prominent.

The winning team consisted of:—G. O. Genge (capt.), D. T. Sutton, J. W. Miles, J. M. Fuller, G. W. Clarke and W. G. Radway.

Detailed results were as follows:—

FIRST ROUND.

R. H. Baker	beat	L. G. Pike	...	...	...	3—0
F. C. Blucke	"	C. H. M. Platt	...	...	...	2—1
H. G. Pratt	"	L. G. Prideaux	...	...	...	2—0
V. C. Prince	"	R. J. Walker	...	...	...	2—1
G. O. Genge	"	W. Doggrell...	...	...	...	3—0

BYES:—

M. G. Watts, J. J. McMahon, C. P. Wookey.

SECOND ROUND.

Pratt	beat	Blucke...	...	...	...	2—0
Genge	"	Prince...	...	...	...	*2—1
Baker	"	McMahon	...	...	...	1—0
Watts	"	Wookey	...	...	...	3—0

* After extra time.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND.

Genge	beat	Baker...	...	...	...	5—0
Pratt	"	Watts	...	...	...	2—0

FINAL.

Genge	beat	Pratt	...	...	...	3—2
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School Sports.

OUR School Sports were originally fixed for Wednesday, March 25th, but owing to rain, had to be postponed to the next day. This enforced change was very disappointing to all concerned, especially as several people took advantage of a fine morning to come long distances to see their boys perform. The Thursday was fine and very warm for the time of year, but the track was too heavy for fast times to be recorded. V. C. Prince eventually proved to be Champion Athlete for 1914 with 34 marks, L. G. Prideaux being second with 28, and L. G. Pike third with 24.

In the open events several creditable wins were recorded, the best, considering the heavy track, being V. C. Prince's "Hundred" in 11 1-5secs. H. G. Pratt also ran splendidly in the Steeplechase, and L. G. Prideaux surprised everybody, including himself, by winning the High Jump. L. G. Pike won the Hurdles and Long Jump without much difficulty, and the same remark applies to L. G. Prideaux in the Mile. Prince, in addition to the "Hundred," won the Quarter, Half, and Throwing the Cricket Ball; he has the right build for a runner and is without doubt a very promising athlete; if he improves next year he should be good enough to compete in the Public School Sports at Stamford Bridge.

The "Under 14" Championship provided an easy win for F. C. Innocent, who proved himself a very promising hurdler and jumper. G. W. Clarke ran very well in the Steeplechase, and J. B. Senior won the Quarter in very creditable time. The Handicaps, as usual, attracted large entries and provided good sport, while a Relay Race proved a very popular addition to the programme.

At the conclusion of the sports, the Mayoress (Mrs. G. H. Imber) very kindly distributed the prizes. Dr. Tovey proposed a vote of thanks to her for doing so, and spoke of the great interest Mr. and Mrs. Imber had always taken in the School, and of the many ways they had shewn their practical sympathy with it. Mr. Imber, in reply, said how pleased he and his wife were to be present, and how delighted he was to see the School in such a flourishing condition. He considered it a great asset to the town and neighbourhood, and merited their strong support. After the usual cheers the visitors adjourned to the dining hall, where they were entertained to tea by Dr. and Mrs. Tovey.

The following were the officials:—Judges, Mr. Ramshaw and Mr. Watmough; Referee, Mr. Rich; Starter, Sergt. Milner; Timekeepers, Dr. Tovey and Mr. Watts; Handicapper, Mr. Minchin.

The detailed results of the various events were as follows:—

STEEPLECHASE (Open)—1, presented by Rev. W. Goodchild, H. G. Pratt; 2, presented by Dr. Tovey, L. G. Prideaux; 3, L. H. Hendon.

STEEPLECHASE (Under 14)—1, presented by Mr. F. Dunston, G. W. Clarke; 2, presented by Mr. T. W. Clarke, S. Burrow; 3, R. W. Smith.

- MILE (Open)—1, presented by Mr. M. H. Beaufoy, L. G. Prideaux; 2, presented by Mr. E. Johnson, L. H. Hendon. Time, 5m. 30s.
- HIGH JUMP (Open)—1, presented by Mr. H. J. Sharp, L. G. Prideaux; 2, L. G. Pike. Height, 4ft. 7½ins.
- HALF MILE (Open)—1, presented by Mrs. Hemingway, V. C. Prince; 2, L. G. Prideaux. Time 2m. 25 3-5s.
- THROWING CRICKET BALL (Under 14)—1, presented by Mrs. Sciville, D. C. Tayler; 2, W. J. Hitch. Distance, 63yds. 7½ins.
- LONG JUMP (Under 14)—1, presented by Dr. Blucke, F. C. Innocent; 2, presented by Messrs. Hine & Parsons, D. W. James. Distance, 13ft. 7½ins.
- FOOTBALL SCRATCH SIXES (Medals presented by Sir Randolph Baker, M.P.)—Winning Six: G. O. Genge (capt.), D. T. Sutton, J. W. Miles, J. M. Fuller, G. W. Clarke, W. G. Radway.
- HUNDRED YARDS (Open)—1, presented by Messrs. Pryce & Barribal, V. C. Prince; 2, presented by Mr. J. T. Peach, R. H. Baker. Time, 11 1-5s.
- HUNDRED YARDS (Under 12)—1, presented by Miss Macdonell, H. Jeffery; 2, H. J. Hughes. Time, 14 1-5s.
- HUNDRED YARDS (Under 14)—1, presented by Mr. Gatehouse, F. C. Innocent; 2, J. B. Senior. Time, 13s.
- LONG JUMP (Open)—1, presented by Mr. J. Burbidge, L. G. Pike; 2, L. H. Hendon. Distance, 16ft. 7ins.
- HIGH JUMP (Under 14)—1, presented by Mrs. Burrige, F. C. Innocent; 2, presented by Mr. Hacker, J. W. Hitch. Height, 3ft. 8ins.
- HIGH JUMP (Under 12)—1, presented by Captain Holford, W. J. F. Kelly; 2, H. Jeffery. Height, 3ft. 4ins.
- THROWING CRICKET BALL (Open)—1, presented by Mr. F. Richards, V. C. Prince; 2, R. H. Baker. Distance, 80yds. 2ft. 8ins.
- HURDLE RACE (Under 14)—1, presented by Mr. G. Gordon, F. C. Innocent; 2, G. W. Clarke. Time, 24s.
- HURDLE RACE (Open)—1, presented by Mr. H. C. Forrester, L. G. Pike; 2, L. H. Hendon. Time, 20 1-5s.
- HURDLE RACE (Under 13)—1, presented by Mr. E. J. Baker, J. W. Miles; 2, J. W. Hitch. Time, 25 1-5s.
- 220 YARDS HANDICAP—1, presented by Mr. F. Woodcock, R. G. Innocent; 2, R. H. Baker; 3, J. J. McMahon. Time, 29s.
- SACK RACE (Under 12)—1, presented by Mr. B. Brickell, H. J. Hughes; 2, R. L. Kelly.
- QUARTER MILE (Open)—1, presented by Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Westerman, V. C. Prince; 2, L. G. Pike. Time, 61s.
- OLD BOYS' RACE, 220yds—1, presented by Sir Richard Glyn, F. L. Davitt; 2, F. H. Buckland. Time, 29s.
- HALF MILE HANDICAP—1, presented by Mr. Rupert Williams, L. H. Hendon; 2, presented by Messrs. F. W. Young & Son, R. J. Walker; 3, J. B. Walker. Time, 2m. 28 4-5s.
- QUARTER MILE (Under 14)—1, presented by Rev. N. S. Lawrie, J. B. Senior; 2, G. W. Clarke. Time, 73 1-5s.

220 YARDS HANDICAP (Under 12)—1, H. F. B. Brown; 2, presented by Mr. J. W. Pearson, C. L. Hirst; 3, J. A. Rossiter. Time, 34 2-5s.

RELAY RACE 1040yds.—Winning Team, L. G. Prideaux.

JUNIOR CHAMPION CUP—presented by the Mayoress, F. C. Innocent.

SENIOR CHAMPION CUP—presented by the Mayor, V. C. Prince.

Dorset Inter-School Sports.

THE Tenth Annual Athletic Meeting of the Dorset Secondary Schools took place this year on Wednesday, April 1st, and Shaftesbury, as last year's victors, having the choice of ground, naturally elected to defend the shield at home. There was an excellent entry, eight Schools competing as against six at Poole last year. The schools sending representatives were Blandford, Gillingham, Parkstone, Poole, Foster's School (Sherborne), Weymouth, Wimborne and Shaftesbury. Of these, Blandford returned to the contest after three years absence, while Weymouth entered for the first time. In point of fact neither was successful in securing points in any of the events, but we trust that this will prove a stimulant rather than a deterrent to compete at next year's meeting.

The course was everything that assiduous attention and care could make it, and in spite of almost continuous rains for some weeks previously, was in excellent condition, though the turf lacked some of the springiness that makes for record-breaking. However, "Juppiter Pluvius" withdrew his unwelcome attentions in time, and ideal sports weather added immensely to the comfort of competitors and officials, and attracted a crowd of some five hundred spectators to the ground.

Training had been seriously handicapped by rain and the condition of the grounds throughout the county, but despite this fact the records for the Half-mile and the 220 were lowered, the first by Poole in 2 mins. 15 4-5th secs. (previous best 2 mins. 18 3-5th secs. by Gillingham in 1905), and the latter by Shaftesbury in 24 4-5th secs. (previous best 25 secs. by Sherborne in 1906, equalled by ourselves in 1911).

We entered the field with a team whose merits we ourselves scarcely realised, and the "all-round" excellence with which our representatives acquitted themselves was a matter on which they deserve the heartiest congratulations. We were very fortunate in discovering in Prince a runner of quite exceptional brilliance, and his performances in the 100 Yards, the 220, and the Quarter-mile, all of which he won with ease, somewhat dwarfed the achievements of the other members of our team, excellently as they acquitted themselves.

As was the case last year, the meeting soon resolved itself into a struggle between Poole and ourselves, and the points were keenly contested from start to finish. The first race, the Half-mile, went to our rivals, who won from Parkstone with considerable ease. In the second event, the Hundred Yards, Prince and Pike by securing respectively first and second place put us a point to the good, from which time we maintained a lead throughout. The High Jump followed, and though the contest did not produce any great form, it was noteworthy for Prideaux's excellent achievement in making a tie with Poole at 4ft. 9in. It was Prideaux's first appearance as a high jumper, and he literally "rose" to the occasion, adding a quite unexpected $1\frac{1}{2}$ points to our total. Prince sent us well to the front by winning the 220, with Wimborne second. We were represented by Baker in the "Throwing the Cricket Ball," Prince (who won the event in the School Sports) withdrawing to save himself for the Quarter. Poole won, with Sherborne a good second, and the score stood at—Poole $5\frac{1}{2}$, Shaftesbury $6\frac{1}{2}$. We increased the lead by one point in the Quarter-mile, Prince winning from the Poole representative with consummate ease, while Pike put the issue practically beyond doubt by gaining a first in the Long Jump. Poole retaliated by taking the Mile, and the Parkstone representative just beat Pike in the Hurdles. The latter event is perhaps the best event in any sports meeting from the spectators point of view, and it provided on this occasion a very exciting finish. In point of style both Pike and Hendon completely outclassed the rest of the field, including the eventual winner, though we have no desire to detract from the merit of his achievement.

The final event left us the winners of the shield by a margin of three points, Poole again taking second place. This makes our fifth success during the ten years that

these Inter-School Sports have taken place, and this year's team is to be heartily congratulated on repeating last year's victory. It would be invidious to select any particular member of the team for special mention, but by no means least worthy of praise are those whose names did not actually figure as winners. Hendon, in particular, ran throughout with style and judgment, and young as he is, gave an excellent display.

The following are a few details of the various events :

- 1.—**HALF MILE.**—Prideaux and Hendon represented us in this event. Prideaux dropped out before the finish and the race went to Poole in record time. Parkstone finished second. Time, 2 mins. 15 4-5 secs.
- 2.—**HUNDRED YARDS.**—Both the Shaftesbury representatives survived their heats, and in the final, Prince leading throughout, won in fine style, beating the School record. Pike ran well for second place. Time, 11secs.
- 3.—**HIGH JUMP.**—The turf was somewhat heavy and the performances for the most part mediocre. Prideaux jumped extremely well to tie with Poole at 4ft. 9ins. for first place. Pike, our other representative, jumped in a style very attractive to watch but betokening the hurdler rather than the high jumper.
- 4.—**220 YARDS.**—Prince went away from the start, and running grandly won in record time. Wimborne were placed second. Pratt was unfortunate in the draw for places and ran well for fourth place. Time, 24 4-5 secs.
- 5.—**THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.**—Baker threw for us in this event, Prince withdrawing to reserve his energies for the Quarter. Baker did well but failed to secure points, Poole winning with a throw of 88 yds. 10 ins., with Sherborne second.
- 6.—**QUARTER MILE.**—Prince was our only representative in this event, and coming away from the start beat the Poole man by yards in only $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. over record time. Time, 58 secs.
- 7.—**LONG JUMP.**—This event did not produce any striking performances, Baker, an eleventh hour entrant, showing lack of practice and failing to equal his previous best by 2 or 3 feet. Pike, however, jumped well for us and won with 17ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins, Wimborne securing second place.
- 8.—**THE MILE.**—The mile produced one of the most exciting finishes of the day, and the last two laps were fought out neck and neck between Poole and Wimborne. Coming up the straight Wimborne fell, and Poole won a fine race by some 20 yards. The Wimborne representative found his feet again and finished second. Prideaux, who would do very well indeed over longer distances, put up a good show for third place. Pratt following out his instructions, cut out a hot pace in the early stages of the race. Time, 5 mins. 14 secs.
- 9.—**HURDLES.**—Both Pike and Hendon survived their heats, and in the final it would be difficult to say which ran in prettier style. Their methods formed a marked contrast with those of the Wimborne representative, who nevertheless won the event. Pike finished second. Time, 20 secs.

FINAL RESULT:

Shaftesbury ...	11½ points.	Blandford ...	0 points.
Poole ...	8½ "	Gillingham ...	0 "
Parkstone ...	} 3 "	Sherborne ...	0 "
Wimborne ...		Weymouth ...	0 "

Our team consisted of V. C. Prince (captain), L. G. Pike, H. G. Pratt, L. G. Prideaux, R. H. Baker, L. H. Hendon.

At the conclusion of the meeting the Challenge Shield was presented by Rupert Williams, Esq., who, in a short speech, emphasised the value of athletics in the development of character no less than in the acquisition of physical well-being. More particularly he called attention to the value of contests in which boys competed not for prizes, but collectively and for the honour of the school they represented. He congratulated the winners on their success, and on the possession of a ground as excellent as its position was healthy. Dr. Tovey replied, briefly thanking Mr. Williams for his good offices and his complimentary remarks with reference to the team.

The visitors were then entertained to tea by Dr. and Mrs. Tovey.

The Public School Cricket Year Book.

THERE is undoubtedly room for an Annual dealing with School Cricket, and we hasten to offer our hearty congratulations to the Editor of *The Public School Cricket Year Book* on his plucky venture, and to wish his publication every success. He has evidently gone to the fountain head in each case for his facts, and the result is a genuine criticism of each school team by those who know most about them. In addition, there is an admirable article on coaching young cricketers, by Capt. Wynyard, which every school coach and every boy should read and re-read. The photographs are excellent, and will doubtless prove a very attractive feature.

We would venture to suggest that, in future issues, the Schools should be arranged alphabetically, or that an index should be added; it is rather difficult at present to find quickly the record of a particular school. We regret there is no record of Shaftesbury cricket, due to the apparent miscarriage of a letter, and trust that this omission will be rectified in the next issue.

Library.

The following books have been presented to the Library since our last issue:—

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Author.</i>	<i>Donor.</i>
"Dumaresq's Daughter"	... Grant Allen	... J. C. Eaton
"Wood, and what we make of it"	... C. Hall	... R. H. C. T. Hooper

