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Editorial.

LAST term will be chiefly memorable for a big dose of influenza, from which only a few boys escaped. However, it was of a mild type, and none of the cases were serious, so we have much to be thankful for.

We feel sure that all our readers will be sorry to hear that the School Governors have been reluctantly compelled, for financial reasons, to postpone the erection of our School Memorial Hall till next year. Much as we regret this decision, we feel that it is the only possible one to take. At present prices, more than another £1,000 is required for the Hall alone, and it is hoped that we shall be able to build another Class-room, and Sick-room accommodation as well. It only remains for all of us who have the welfare of the School at heart to work hard for the fund, so that next year, when we hope to have the benefit of falling prices, we may be in a position to make a start.

The Dorset Schools' Athletic Shield was won by Wimborne Grammar School; our representatives performed very creditably, but were beaten by a better team.

School News.

NEW BOYS.

R. B. Dashper	T. J. M. House	J. M. Jeffreys	R. E. J. Richards
J. A. B. Fisher	B. C. House	H. G. Kennedy	D. H. Tovey
C. W. Francis	J. I. Hughes	T. S. Law	

VALETE.

J. O. BAKER. Form Lower IV. Entered April, 1918.
C. BARNES. Form Lower IV. Entered September, 1917.
H. S. BROWN. Form Lower V. Entered September, 1918.
W. A. DREW. Form Lower V. Entered September, 1917.
V. E. DUFFETT. Form Lower V. Entered September, 1913.

C. F. FARRIS. Form Lower IV. Entered May, 1919.
 H. B. FORD. Form Lower V. Entered September, 1917.
 J. J. GARRETT. Form Upper IV. Entered September, 1918.
 J. E. ISGAR. Form Lower V. Entered September, 1917.
 R. H. KNAPTON. Form Lower IV. Entered September, 1919.
 E. J. PERRETT. Form Upper IV. Entered January, 1918.
 R. C. SMITH. Form Lower V. Entered September, 1915. Passed Camb.
 Prelim. Locals, July, 1918.
 F. R. SNOOK. Form Upper IV. Entered September, 1919.
 J. G. SWANTON. Form Lower V. Entered January, 1919. Cricket XI.,
 1920.

PREFECTS.

K. S. Law (Head Prefect).

R. W. Baker	W. A. D. Stimson	W. H. B. Windebank
D. L. Welman	E. H. Simpson	H. E. Mitchell
H. F. B. Brown	W. J. N. Bolitho	T. A. B. Webb

HEAD BOYS.

A. J. Baxter D. C. Hindley F. J. Hitch C. F. I. Phillips

CRICKET.

The following Old Colours remain from last season :—H. F. B. Brown (Captain for 1921), W. A. D. Stimson, F. J. Hitch, E. H. Simpson, H. E. Mitchell, J. E. R. Dean, R. W. Baker. H. E. Mitchell will be unable to play this season owing to illness.

WE deeply regret to record the death of Sergt.-Major Milner, on March 25th, from heart failure, and we beg to offer our very deepest sympathy to his widow and son in their great loss. The funeral took place in Mere Cemetery on Wednesday, March 30th, the School and Cadet Corps being represented by Dr. Tovey and Capt. Ramshaw respectively.

OUR very grateful thanks are due to Mr. C. R. Dickenson for presenting us with a set of parallel bars. We much appreciate his kind thought and generosity, and look forward to the time when we shall be able to use them regularly in our School Hall.

Mr. R. B. Minchin was married to Miss Jeffreys at Widdford Church, near Chelmsford, on April 14th; by the Rector of the parish, the Rev. F. R. Thurlow, himself an Old Shastonian. Mr. and Mrs. Minchin have now taken up their residence at "Vale View." We take this opportunity of extending a very hearty welcome to Mrs. Minchin, and we offer them both our very best wishes for the future.

The boys of the School marked the occasion by presenting them with an eight-day rosewood striking clock, suitably inscribed.

Football.

S.G.S. v. Shaftesbury Town Reserves, away, January 22nd, Drawn 2—2.—School kicked off on a very muddy ground; even play followed for some time, and Stimson opened our score by a good high shot. Good attacks were made by both sides alternately, but no further score was registered before half time. In the second half the Town were soon pressing, but found Baker at back, and Simpson in goal, very safe. School obtained a 'second goal through Jones, whose shot was deflected by the left back, giving Davitt no chance. The Town now kept up a continuous pressure and opened their account by a good shot from the right wing, and soon afterwards drew level with a fine flying shot from the left. The School shewed some slight improvement towards the end, but no further score resulted. It was a fast, even game, in which the School had the better of the first half, and the Town the second. A fine exhibition of "keeping," in spite of the mud, was given by E. H. Simpson, and Mr. Minchin, R. Baker and W. Stimson all did very good work throughout. H. E. Mitchell played a much improved game, showing much better form than at any other time during the season, and E. J. Perrett made a successful first appearance at half.

SCRATCH SIXES.

NEVER have the sixes been played in better weather than this year, and the competition in both Senior and Junior games proved keen, exciting, and pleasant to watch. The most pleasing feature was the form shewn by several of the Juniors, and it was abundantly proved that there are plenty of "embryo" footballers in the lower School.

In the Senior Division there were twelve sixes. In the first round there were four games, and all of them were well contested. E. H. Simpson just beat C. F. I. Phillips (2-1), and H. E. Mitchell beat E. J. Perrett (1-0), but in each case extra time had to be played before a decision was reached. D. L. Welman beat H. B. Ford (2-1), and S. M. Jones beat R. W. Baker (3-1). In the next round Simpson and W. A. D. Stimson had easy victories over S. M. Jones and W. H. B. Windebank respectively, but J. G. Swanton had hard work to beat Mitchell, and Welman only just beat D. C. Hindley's six. Unfortunately, Hindley was unable to play owing to illness, but Windebank was allowed to take his place. The two semi-finals were won by Stimson and Simpson, the former beating Swanton very easily, and the latter, Welman. In the final, Stimson started with the wind behind him, and the early play was chiefly noticeable for clever work by G. Simpson and a good shot by Dick Hitch which was well cleared by R. Wyatt.

Even play followed, in which the defence on both sides prevailed, and half time arrived with no score. Shortly after re-starting, Stimson got away and looked like scoring, but he was caught up and splendidly tackled by R. C. Smith. A nice combined run by A. R. Watts, Smith and F. J. Hitch, ended in E. P. Hindley conceding a corner, and shortly afterwards Stimson broke away and threaded his way past several opponents, but his shot missed by inches. In the last few minutes Simpson had much the better of the game, and F. J. Hitch had two chances of scoring. At the end of half-an-hour there was no score, but scarcely had extra time been started when Wyatt failed to clear properly, and the ball came out to Dick Hitch, who scored for Stimson. For the few remaining minutes Simpson's side pressed, and Watts ought to have scored. The game was a very fast one, and although there was not much combination, there were several good individual displays; probably the better team won, but on the run of the play Simpson was unlucky to lose. For the winners, Stimson was admirable, and George Simpson and Coaker both played well; the latter is quite a promising player. Dick Hitch was quite useful, and his goal won the game for his side. Of the losers, E. H. Simpson and Smith were the most prominent; the latter shewed unsuspected pace and twice saved what looked like certain goals. F. J. Hitch and A. R. Watts did a few good things, but were too slow, and their shooting was weak. Morgan kicked well at times.

The winning six was:—W. A. D. Stimson (capt.), G. F. Simpson, P. E. Coaker, R. H. Hitch, A. P. Walker, and E. P. Hindley.

In the Junior Division there were eight sixes. In the first round, A. R. Watts, M. G. Jones, R. H. Hitch, and F. R. Snook won their games, the best one being between Snook and K. H. Tucker, in which the latter was only beaten after extra time. In the semi-finals, two good games were seen, Hitch beating Jones (after extra time) and Watts beating Snook. Two meetings were necessary to decide the final. In the first the play was excellent; shortly after starting, A. E. Perrett broke away in the centre and scored for Watts, but a few minutes later Cross ran down the wing and centred to Hitch who equalised with a very good shot. On crossing over, the ball travelled from end to end, the noticeable feature being a fine save by Gocher from a shot by Watts. Extra time was played without any addition to the score. In the re-play, the form shewn was not quite so good, both sides being bothered with a cross wind. Nothing was scored in the first-half, but mid-way through the second, Gocher failed to clear a shot from Andrews, who thus gave Watts the winning goal. Dick Hitch

made great efforts to equalise, but without success. The play in these two games (and particularly in the first) was of a higher standard than is usually seen in these sixes, and several of the players should some day make their mark in School football. For the winners, A. R. Watts, A. E. Perrett, Andrews and W. E. List did a lot of good work; R. H. Hitch and W. J. Knapton were the pick of the losers, but both Cross and Harding were very useful. Both goalkeepers shaped well; Gocher was excellent except for the unfortunate mistake which gave away the winning goal.

The names of the winners were:—A. R. Watts (capt.), A. E. Perrett, W. E. List, J. Powney, M. V. Andrews and R. W. Lambert.

Detailed results of the two competitions were as follows:—

SENIOR.

First Round—

E. H. Simpson	... beat C. F. I. Phillips		*2—1
S. M. Jones		R. W. Baker	 3—1
D. L. Welman		H. B. Ford	 2—1
H. E. Mitchell		E. J. Perrett	 *1—0

Second Round—

W. A. D. Stimson		W. H. B. Windebank	 2—0
J. G. Swanton		Mitchell	 3—2
Welman		D. C. Hindley	 1—0
Simpson		Jones	 5—0

Semi-Final Round—

Stimson		Swanton	 4—0
Simpson		Welman	 2—0

Final—

Stimson		Simpson	 *1—0
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**After extra time.*

JUNIOR.

First Round—

A. R. Watts		beat R. B. Brown	 1—0
M. G. Jones		M. C. W. Johnson	 5—1
F. R. Snook		R. H. Tucker	 *2—1
R. H. Hitch		A. J. Combes	 2—0

Semi-Final Round—

Hitch		Jones	 *1—0
Watts		Snook	 2—0

Final—

Watts		Hitch	 †1—0
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**After extra time. †After a draw 1—1.*

School Sports.

OUR Sports were held on Monday, April 4th, and were favoured with delightful weather. The track was firm and dry, and thanks to the absence of wind, some excellent performances were recorded. In the open events (some of them run before the day) the chief winners were W. A. D. Stimson and D. L. Welman, the former winning the Champion Cup, after a close fight, with 37 points to Welman's 33. He won the Mile, Half, Cricket Ball, and was second in the Steeplechase, Hundred, Quarter and Long Jump. Welman won the Hundred, Hurdles, Long Jump and Quarter, beating the School record in the last named and equalling it in the Hundred; he was also third in the Half. T. A. B. Webb was third with 17 points, winning the Steeplechase, getting second in the Hurdles and Half, and third in the Quarter and Hundred. A fresh system of marking was used for the first time, the number of marks awarded to the winner depending on the merit of his performance; the system proved a great success, and the difference in marks between Stimson and Welman just about represented their difference in merit. Under the old system the margin would have been considerably wider.

In the "Under 14" events the fight for the Junior Championship was very close, and eventually R. H. M. Stirling and F. N. Windebank tied with 24 marks each. Unfortunately, M. C. Perrett was unable to run on Sports' day, but his performances in preliminary heats suggested that, had he been able to compete, he would have run the winners very close. Undoubtedly the best performance in this competition was the High Jump of J. W. Isgar, which was only two inches short of that accomplished in the open event. Have we at last found a promising High Jumper? In the "Under 12" events, R. H. Hitch won the Hundred and Sack Race, and W. E. List the High Jump. The entry for the two open handicaps was disappointing, but they produced good finishes, W. H. B. Windebank winning the 220 Yards, and A. C. Roberts the Half Mile. The 220 Yards (Under 12) was won by E. H. Stickland, who ran in very promising form. The Relay Race resulted in a comfortable win for the School House, Mr. Ramshaw's being second; the Sack Tournament, which, as usual, created lots of fun, was won by F. J. Hitch, and J. Icke and E. B. Brice came in first in the Three-Legged race. We were glad to see several competitors for the Old Boys' race (220 Yards), R. C. Wyatt coming in first after a close finish with H. J. Hughes.

Before closing this brief account, we feel reference should be made to the poorness of the entries for several events, and

particularly for the Open Handicaps. It has always been our pride that nearly every boy competes in *some* events, but this year a great many boys did not enter for anything; this must be altered next year or the School will soon lose its name for keenness and good sportsmanship. Last year we had three big preliminary heats for the Open Quarter, this year there were only seven runners! The entries for the "Under 12" handicap were larger than for the open handicaps; this fact speaks for itself, and further comment is superfluous. The Open High Jumping was again poor, and no boy reached the second standard marks.

At the conclusion of the Sports, the Mayoress (Mrs. A. R. Gower) very kindly presented the prizes to the winners. Dr. Tovey afterwards proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Mayor and Mayoress for their kindness, and also to the donors of the various prizes; after the Mayor had replied in a very happy speech, three hearty cheers were given them, called for by the Champion Athlete.

The following are the names of the ladies and gentlemen who very kindly gave us prizes:—The Mayor and Mayoress, Mrs. Manton, Mrs. Tovey, Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Rockett, Rev. N. S. Lawrie, Dr. Blucke, Messrs. A. J. Bealing, H. P. Barnitt, E. J. Baker, C. A. Brickell, H. J. Clarke, T. W. Clarke, C. R. Dickenson, J. W. Drake, H. Gatehouse, Hine & Parsons, E. J. Holloway, E. Johnson, H. B. Lambert, J. Ley, E. J. McCormick, F. A. H. Matthews, N. Morgan, J. W. Pearson, J. T. Peach, Pryce & Barribal, F. Richards, H. J. Sharp, A. H. Simpson, B. J. Strange, A. Webb, F. W. Windebank, F. Woodcock.

The winners of the various events were as follows:—

HUNDRED YARDS (Open).—1st, D. L. Welman; 2nd, W. A. D. Stimson.
Time, 10 4-5 secs.

HUNDRED YARDS (Under 14).—1st, R. H. M. Stirling; 2nd, F. N. Windebank. Time, 12 4-5 secs.

HUNDRED YARDS (Under 12).—1st, R. H. Hitch; 2nd, W. E. List.
Time, 14 1-5 secs.

HIGH JUMP (Under 14).—1st, J. W. Isgar; 2nd, R. H. M. Stirling.
Height, 4ft. 3ins.

HIGH JUMP (Under 12).—1st, W. E. List; 2nd, R. H. Hitch. Height, 3ft. 4½ins.

HURDLE RACE (Under 14).—1st, F. N. Windebank; 2nd, J. W. Isgar.
Time, 24 secs.

HURDLE RACE (Under 15).—1st, J. Icke; 2nd, O. R. G. Phillipson.
Time, 21 secs.

HURDLE RACE (Open).—1st, D. L. Welman; 2nd, T. A. B. Webb.
Time, 19 4-5 secs.

LONG JUMP (Open).—1st, D. L. Welman; 2nd, W. A. D. Stimson.
Distance, 18ft. 8ins.

- 220 YARDS HANDICAP (Under 12).—1st, E. H. Stickland; 2nd, R. B. Brown. Time, 30 2-5 secs.
- 220 YARDS HANDICAP (Open).—1st, W. H. B. Windebank; 2nd, R. W. Baker. Time, 24 1-5 secs.
- OLD BOYS' RACE (220 Yards).—1st, R. C. Wyatt; 2nd, H. J. Hughes.
- SACK RACE (Under 12).—1st, R. H. Hitch.
- QUARTER MILE (Open).—1st, D. L. Welman; 2nd, W. A. D. Stimson. Time, 54 2-5 secs.
- THREE-LEGGED RACE.—1st, J. Icke and E. B. Brice.
- QUARTER MILE (Under 14).—1st, R. H. M. Stirling; 2nd, F. N. Windebank. Time, 67 2-5 secs.
- CRICKET BALL (Open).—1st, W. A. D. Stimson; 2nd, H. F. B. Brown. Distance, 92yds. 8ins.
- RELAY RACE.—1st, School House.
- SACK TOURNAMENT.—1st, F. J. Hitch.
- HALF MILE HANDICAP.—1st, A. C. Roberts; 2nd, K. S. Law. Time, 2 mins. 26 secs.
- STEEPLECHASE (Open).—1st, T. A. B. Webb; 2nd, W. A. D. Stimson.
- STEEPLECHASE (Under 14).—1st, A. E. Perrett; 2nd, M. C. Perrett.
- MILE (Open).—1st, W. A. D. Stimson; 2nd, A. C. Roberts. Time, 5 mins. 24 3-5 secs.
- HALF MILE (Open).—1st, W. A. D. Stimson; 2nd, T. A. B. Webb. Time, 2 min. 19 3-5 secs.
- HIGH JUMP (Open).—1st, W. A. D. Stimson, D. L. Welman and W. H. B. Windebank. Height, 4ft. 5½ins.
- LONG JUMP (Under 14).—1st, M. C. Perrett; 2nd, M. G. Jones and J. W. Isgar. Distance, 14ft. 1½ins.
- CRICKET BALL (Under 14).—1st, F. N. Windebank; 2nd, R. H. M. Stirling. Distance, 62yds. 1ft.
- CHAMPION ATHLETE (Under 14).—R. H. M. Stirling and F. B. Windebank.
- CHAMPION ATHLETE (Open).—W. A. D. Stimson.

Cadet Corps.

Cadets J. G. Swanton, H. Mitchell, H. Ford, H. S. Brown, E. J. Perrett, W. Drew and G. Ryall left the Corps at the end of March, and H. B. Brown has been re-enrolled.

PROMOTIONS.—To be *Sergeants*, Cpls. D. Welman and K. S. Law; to be *Corporal*, L.-Cpl. C. Phillips; to be *Lance-Corporal*, Cadet H. B. Brown.

Under the enthusiastic leadership of Sgt. K. Law, a Corps Bugle Band has been formed, and has made splendid progress under the excellent instruction of Mr. A. Inkpen, who has composed for them several stirring marches. At present we have one bass drum, two side drums and six bugles.

All Old Shastonians will regret to hear that Sgt.-Instructor R. G. Milner died on Good Friday last. Dr. Tovey and Capt. Ramshaw attended the funeral to represent the School and the Corps.

We have been very fortunate in securing the services of Sergt. Draper as Instructor. He is attached to the local Territorial Company.

W. RAMSHAW (Capt.), O.C.

Dorset Inter-School Sports.

THE 17th Annual Meeting of the Dorset Schools was held on our ground, on Wednesday, April 6th; the weather was delightful, and the track in excellent condition.

A thoroughly interesting afternoon's sport ended in a victory for Wimborne with $13\frac{1}{2}$ points, Shaftesbury being second with 8, and Poole third with $5\frac{1}{2}$. There were some excellent performances, and the all-round form shewn, marked this competition as the best ever held by these Schools as far as *quality* was concerned. Wimborne lowered the record for these sports in the 220 Yards, Hurdles and Long Jump, while Poole did so in the Quarter and Half Mile. We shall probably have to wait a great many years before five records are again lowered in an afternoon! Our own team won two events, Welman winning the Hundred, and Hugh Brown, Throwing the Cricket Ball; while Welman was second in the 220 Yards and the Quarter, T. A. B. Webb in the Hurdles, and A. C. Roberts in the Mile. The Wimborne team was a very fine one and thoroughly deserved their success; we offer them our hearty congratulations, and look forward to meeting them on their ground next year.

The following are a few details of the various events:—

HALF MILE.—The Poole representative went away with the lead, maintained it throughout, and won comfortably in capital time. Wimborne were second about six yards behind, and T. Webb, our first string, third. A. C. Roberts, our other representative, was unplaced. Time, 2 mins. 10 4-5 secs.

HUNDRED YARDS.—A very close race, Welman just gaining the judges' verdict on the tape, with Wimborne second. As there were only ten runners no heats were necessary. Our second string was R. W. Baker. Time, 11 secs.

HIGH JUMP.—This event was won by Wimborne, and their second string tied with Poole for second place. All three jumped splendidly, and incidentally shewed up the poorness of our own jumping. W. H. B. Windebank was our only representative, and he fell out early. Height, 4ft. 10ins.

220 YARDS.—A good race between a Wimborne boy and Welman, the former winning by a yard in 23 secs., and so beating record. Our second string was R. W. Baker.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—A very interesting competition. In the first round Hugh Brown led for us, in the second Wimborne went in front, and in the last Brown regained the lead and won with a throw of 83yds. 2ft. W. H. B. Windebank, our second string, was fifth.

QUARTER MILE.—For the greater part of the distance Welman led, but was caught up and passed by a Poole boy 20 yards from home. An excellent race and most exciting finish. Our other runner was T. A. B. Webb. Time, 54 2-5 secs.

LONG JUMP.—Wimborne won first and second places with good jumps, and the winning effort was a record for the meeting. Welman was

exhausted by his efforts in the Quarter, and unable to do himself justice. R. W. Baker was our second string. Distance, 18ft. 4ins.

MILE.—Started very slowly, and several competitors were obviously feeling the effect of previous races. W. H. B. Windebank, our second string, led for the first round, but afterwards a Wimborne boy went in front and won easily. A. C. Roberts won second place marks for us, and although he was unwell, ran in a most plucky fashion. Time, 5 mins. 20 secs.

HURDLES.—The three heats were won by Blandford, Shaftesbury (T. Webb) and Wimborne respectively. The final was a splendid race, the Wimborne boy beating Webb by about two yards. Webb ran most pluckily, and did much better time than he has ever previously accomplished. Our other representative was R. W. Baker. Time, 18 4-5 secs.

At the conclusion of the Sports, the Rev. N. S. Lawrie, Rector of Cann, presented the Shield to the Wimborne boys. In a delightful little speech he congratulated them on their splendid performance, and pointed out the great value of an athletic training, remarking that the losers, who had done their utmost, were also entitled to congratulations. After a vote of thanks to the Rev. Lawrie had been proposed by the Rev. A. D. H. Allan, the staffs of the various Schools and the competitors were entertained to tea by Dr. and Mrs. Tovey.

Our team was as follows:—D. L. Welman (Capt.), H. F. B. Brown, T. A. B. Webb, A. C. Roberts, R. W. Baker and W. H. B. Windebank.

Library.

Our grateful thanks are due to the donors of books mentioned below, and especially to Mrs. Forrester for a large number of reference books and novels.

NEW BOOKS.

TITLE.	AUTHOR.	DONOR.
"The Desert of Wheat" ...	Zane Grey ...	R. W. Baker
"Peter Jackson, Cigar Merchant" ...	Gilbert Frankau ...	Dr. C. H. Tovey
"The Testament of John Hastings" ...	Fox-Davies ...	Sgt. Milner
"Fighting with French" ...	Strang ...	E. J. H. Baker
"Chums at Last" ...	Grant ...	J. S. Foley
"Alf's Button" ...	Darlington ...	F. W. Clarke
"Emperor of the World" ...	Cutcliffe Hyne ...	F. A. H. Matthews
"Sheriff of Dyke Hole" ...	Cullum ...	C. F. I. Phillips
"The Book of the Great Musicians" ...	Scholes ...	Dr. C. H. Tovey
"The Border Legion" ...	Zane Grey ...	W. A. Drew
"The Waverley Novels" (25 Vols.) ...	Scott ...	Mrs. Forrester
"Expansion of England" ...	Seeley ...	
"Jungle Tales of Tarzan" ...	Burroughs ...	H. S. Brown
"She and Allan" ...	Haggard ...	J. N. Wescott
"Gentlemen of the Sea" ...	Trent ...	G. W. West

In addition to this list we have received a large number of reference works from Mr. and Mrs. A. Norton, for which we offer them our very best thanks; they will form a most useful addition to our shelves.

Old Shastonian News.

May we remind all Old Shastonians that the Past v. Present Cricket Matches will be played on Wednesday, July 27th. Dr. and Mrs. Tovey will be delighted to see any old boys who can visit the School on that day.

The three matches which have been fixed for the O.S.C. tour are as follows:—

Thursday, July 28th, v. Old Choristers, at Shaftesbury.

Friday, July 29th, v. Basingstoke, at Basingstoke.

Saturday, July 30th, v. Ryde and District, at Ryde.

The Selection Committee will send out invitations in due course, but we should be glad if any Old Shastonians, who would care to accompany the team, would let the Hon. Sec. know as soon as possible, so that accommodation can be booked.

We have heard from I. C. Eaton, who is now fruit farming at Los Angeles, in California. Our congratulations to him on his marriage, and our best wishes for his future happiness.

D. C. D. Ellerton left Blundell's School last Christmas, and is now in the bank at Frome. We were delighted to welcome him back on to the cricket ground on Whit Monday, and he showed his appreciation of the fact by scoring 52 (not out) against us.

A. G. Ensor has started the season well. Playing for Wiltshire against Surrey 2nd XI. on May 16th and 17th, at the Oval, he made 54, not out. Congratulations!

Bob Tayler is shortly going in for a six months' Agricultural Course at Reading University College.

Dr. Tovey has received very interesting letters from L. E. B. Johnson and J. F. C. Westerman. The former has moved from Carcavellos, in Portugal, to Cape Town, while the latter has been enjoying a voyage up the east coast of Africa.

E. C. Pars is now at Carcavellos.

V. R. Cox visited the School last term. We were delighted to see him looking so well, and also to hear news of his two brothers.

Will all Members of the Old Shastonian Club remember that Wednesday, November 16th, has been fixed as the date for our first Club Dinner. This will be preceded by the Past v. Present Football Matches and Annual General Meeting. We are having our first dinner in Shaftesbury, but succeeding ones will be held in different parts of the country. Further details will be sent to all members in due course.

A new list of members will be published at the end of this term. May we take this opportunity of extending a hearty invitation to all Old Boys, who have not yet joined the Club, to do so. Our membership nearly totals 200, and we hope we shall pass that number by the time the next list is published.

The following Old Shastonians have joined the Club since our last issue:—J. E. Melsome, W. A. Bourne, H. S. Brown, J. O. Woodford, C. R. M. Cox, A. R. Cox, V. R. Cox.

Correspondence.

Vale View,
Shaftesbury,
26th May, 1921.

TO THE EDITOR.

Dear Sir,

Will you allow me, in this number, to express my sincere thanks to all members of the Old Shastonian Club who so kindly contributed to the handsome present which they gave me on the occasion of my wedding. I very much appreciate their kind thoughts and good wishes, and I only wish it were possible for me to thank every one personally.

The pictures are a great ornament to my new home, and are very much admired.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

R. B. MINCHIN.

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