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Once more the torch has been handed on and the Editor's clutch cannot fail to be rather faltering when for the first time he assumes a great responsibility. We pride ourselves upon the 'fair fame' of the School in the past, and incumbent upon us too is the duty of maintaining the high standard the Frestonian has reached. And so

the sense of beginning afresh which the Autumn Term always brings, when new faces appear at the door, is in our cases very keenly perceived. As we put out into the sea of opinion with a new crew we invoke the memory of Frestonians past to assist us to steer our little ship on the straight course to the harbour of success.

The Autumn Term brings also the aftermath of the examinations. The results of the public examinations—which may be seen on another page—show that the School has marched on from strength to strength. We spare speech because the deeds speak loud.

The School has representatives now at the Universities of Oxford, whither A. J. L. Durham has departed to join the select company, London, Durham, Leeds and Birmingham, and many familiar faces, among them that of our late Football Captain, W. Lamb, now grace the portals of the various training colleges. At Cambridge we have as yet no representative but we suspect sinister designs are afoot in that direction ! We extend a cordial invitation to Old Boys wherever they are to write to us letters, yarns, reminiscences, literary endeavours, the fruit that follows the first culture “upon the self-same hill.”

Congratulations to Frobisher House ! They have the proud honour of being the first to have their name inscribed upon the House Record Board. They captured all the Sports Shields and fully deserved their success by their all-round proficiency.

While basking in the genial warmth of success we congratulate the Second Eleven on their victory over Barnsley Grammar School for the third time in two seasons.

An unusual feature of this term's number is the report of an interesting excursion to Messrs. Bryant & May's factory at Leeds : there are plans on foot to promote more of these thoroughly instructive outings which are highly appreciated.

Now reverting to the ordinary school routine, we remark that there are such things as examinations which have the unfortunate habit of appearing just before the vacations that you may carry away pleasant memories—possibly our remark is unnecessary? The Head Boy this year is G. S. Green who has proved himself fully worthy of the appointment and the Prefects are Haslam, Laycock, Lindop, Blockley, Davis, Edmonds, Haines, with the following sub-prefects : Cook, Jenkins, Martin and Simpson.

This Editorial is very long but before we close we must appeal for your support as well as your criticism. In next term's number there will be ample space for literary articles—the Muse often retires indoors in foul weather : so why not cultivate her acquaintance before she slips away ? We shall not fail to appreciate your endeavours.

To all our readers everywhere, A Happy Christmas !

SALVETE.

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FORM IIA—Adams T. P.	Haigh G. S.	Payne R.
Armitage R.	Hanson G. A.	Richardson J.
Audsley W.	Ibbeson D. B.	Smith M. B.
Beaumont J.	Lister E. B.	Spencer S.
Burgess A.	Locker J.	Tate J.
Cole H.	Mason J. H.	Terry R. E.
Dunkley J.	Moorhouse S. O.	Turner R.
Flower L.	Oxley W. N.	Wombwell D.
Green E. G.	Parker J. S.	Wood H. E.
Guy W.	Partridge M. N.	
FORM IIB—Allerton K.	Gullick T. A.	Taylor P.
Burgess E. H.	Hollis G.	Taylor W. B.
Clarke W. S.	Mason P.	Teal M.
Cooper G.	Pattison E.	Townsend A.
Crawshaw J.	Senior H. W.	Wilby H.
Davis A.	Shepherd A.	Wood R. H.
Dunmore K.	Smith J.	
Fothergill E. R.	Spencer J.	

VALETE.

AUTUMN TERM, 1933.

UPPER VI Science—Hoyle R. H.	LOWER VI Science—Lawson R.
LOWER VI Arts—Hurford G.	FORM VA1—Blackburn R. R.
	FORM VB—Clarkson H.

DE OMNIBUS.

We beg to draw your attention to the fact that we have altered the title of this section from 'Memorabilia' to the less mysterious yet equally cultured one inscribed above. Speaking of changes recalls the fact that Durham A. J. L. has left for Oxford where we wish him every success. He was a worthy Head Boy and a conscientious and devoted Editor of the Frestonian. May his future in other spheres than this be as productive as his past.

SUMMER.

In retrospective mood we note that at the end of last term the following members of the School 1st Eleven received their cricket colours ; Haines, Haslam, Holmes and Mayes.

PRIZES.

Mr. Gimblett's Frestonian Prize for the School Year 1932-3 has been awarded to Haslam E. B. We offer Mr. Gimblett our thanks for his detailed criticism of the main items that appeared in last year's magazines. It is a great encouragement and benefit to know of his close interest in our endeavours.

The solution of the Crossword competition which appeared in last term's issue is given elsewhere. The prize of a 5/- book has been awarded to Davis F. (U.VI.Arts) who submitted an entirely correct solution. Lumb D. (VA1) submitted the next best solution.

GRAMOPHONE NOTES.

From an ever growing stock of gramophone records Mr. Whittlestone has provided the School each morning, in the short interval before prayers, with a varied and instructive programme from the works of the masters of music. This term also members of the School have attended two concerts at Wakefield. These concerts are very enjoyable and fully worthy of greater patronage.

We have much pleasure in acknowledging the gift of a complete recording of the Great Mass in B minor. This Mass is one of the choral masterpieces of the world, and is full of Bach's most mature and significant writing. Words and music, distinguished by nobility and sincerity, must convey to every hearer Bach's inmost religious beliefs. "Credo in Unum Deum" with its austere plainsong theme, written for five voice parts accompanied by a profoundly moving passage on the organ pedals and an exquisite violin obbligato, leaves no room for doubt.

In addition to the regular inclusion of some part of the Mass in our weekly programme of music in Assembly, the Mass has been played completely in special mid-day recitals, and for over a fortnight about thirty boys a day attended. We hope that repetition will bring to many of our boys some recognition of the great beauty of the Mass, and that some of them will learn to look to it as a source of inspiration for the future.

To our generous friend 'An Old Boy' we must take this opportunity of saying "Thank You."

ARMISTICE DAY.

As November 11th fell this year on a Saturday, a short ceremony was held in the School Hall at Morning Prayers on the Friday. The hymn "O valiant hearts who to your glory came" was sung and the lesson was taken from Micah IV "they shall beat their swords into ploughshares." Then followed the solemn moments when the names of the Old Frestonians who fell in the Great War were read out by the Head Boy. A wreath of Flanders' Poppies was then placed on the

Memorial. The short service was closed by the singing of the National Anthem.

The sum of £2.9.10. was realised this year by the sale of poppies in the School.

THE PLAYS.

The main item of interest in the latter half of this term is the production of four plays by the Literary and Dramatic Society. By the time we go to press the plays will be over, but we will give a detailed account and criticism of the plays in the Spring Term magazine.

PHOTOGRAPHS.

The photograph on the front page we reproduce through the kindness of Mr. Gott. The two on the back page were taken by Mr. Swallow and we reproduce them for two reasons. Firstly because they illustrate an article on Kirkthorpe which appeared in the Summer Term magazine 1933, and secondly because this Summer we hope to arrange a photographic competition in connection with certain well-known landmarks and places of particular interest to members of Normanton Grammar School.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt at the beginning of this term of the following magazines : Batley Grammar School Magazine, Normanton Girls' High School Magazine, The Savilian.

NOTICES.

We give preliminary notice of the following interesting events in next term's calendar.

Thurs. January 25th—Open Lecture "The Wonderland of Photography" by Sec. of Kodak Fellowship.

Fri. February 2nd—Old Boys' Dinner.

Wed. February 14th—"English Drama before Shakespeare."
A Lecture, with illustrations, by Mr. T. H. Hewson.

Wed. March 14th—"Paris."
A Lecture, with illustrations, by Mr. J. H. Young.

Fri. March 16th—A Dramatic Costume Recital of Selections from Shakespeare and Molière, by Mr. Roy Newlands.

SPEECH DAY, 1933.



EVERYBODY who was present at the thirty-sixth annual Speech Day will agree that there was ample justification for the mood of optimism which prevailed there. For in all respects, as the Headmaster remarked, the year 1933 will be one to look back upon with longing eyes.

Audience and School joined in the singing of the opening hymn, "Great Lord of wisdom, life and light." Lawson R. and Spencer J. then rendered a pianoforte duet which, artistic though it undoubtedly was, proved none the less popular.

The Headmaster, in his report, indicated that but for the unusually large number of "School leavers" the number of pupils would have increased considerably. There were few changes to report in the curriculum, Art having been included in the Upper VI. Forms as a cultural subject, and Biology in the Lower VI. Forms. The House Trophy, awarded this year for the first time, had been won by Frobisher House. The Examination results were particularly gratifying, for both in School Certificate and Higher School Certificate examinations previous records had been broken. Turning now to so-called "out-of-school activities," Mr. Holden referred to the numerous excursions which had been made with definitely beneficial results. The customary School Camp was replaced this year by a hiking tour in North Wales. The performances presented by the revived Literary and Dramatic Society had been voted an unqualified success. He was particularly pleased at the increased interest now being taken in the Old Frestonians' Association. By the fostering of a good school spirit he was confident that the ideal set by our pious founder would be achieved—"Those in these parts born natively, the most fit in every way for learning and manners."

The Chairman, Mr. G. S. Butler, J.P., affirmed the desire of the Governors to assist the boys in every possible way.

Sir James Baillie, L.L.D., D.Phil., then distributed the prizes and gave his address to an expectant audience. The principal note of his speech was one of optimism for the future of the school. Let us not judge the school merely on examination results, for no school must be regarded simply and solely as an examination-machine. The school is primarily a fellowship, an institution for promoting true esprit de corps ; it is indeed an epitome of life in all its aspects. Those who won no prizes had, he suggested, this great advantage over the prize-winners—that they are in the majority. The time was perhaps not far distant when prizes won by the pupils would be conferred upon the masters ! Reverting to his main theme, Sir

James stressed the advantages of a general education. For though any education can be but imperfect, general knowledge enables us to see our own particular vocation in the setting of the whole, compels us to think far more for ourselves and to rely more upon our own efforts. When the helping hand of the school is withdrawn, it is upon individual capability that success depends. "The Card," by Arnold Bennett, was in his opinion, a particularly commendable book, because it portrayed the self reliance that was so necessary nowadays. We must each of us create a standard of conduct, refuse to be standardised and, though always ready to study and absorb the opinions of others, form and keep our own convictions. It is, indeed, impossible to classify individual human souls. "Be true to yourself," he urged "Don't wait upon Fortune, make Fortune wait upon you." The truly great man is he who respects himself while respecting others, who preserves a certain solitude while mingling with the crowd. In conclusion, Sir James expressed the belief that our great need to-day was for men who would willingly sacrifice their own interests to those of the country and the age to which they belonged.

After the whole school had joined in the song "Forty Years On" the choir once more gave proof of their ability. "Alexander" by A. Herbert Brewer, and "The Nightingale" by Tchaikovsky (repeated from last year's performance) proved especially popular. Wilkinson B. H. and Heald C. received well-merited applause for their interpretation of Moszkowski's "Spanish Bolero."

The School Song and the National Anthem brought to its close a day, in every respect, memorable.

E.B.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

SCHOLARSHIPS :

STATE SCHOLARSHIPS :

Green G. S., Haslam E. B., Blockley E.

W.R.C.C. MAJOR SCHOLARSHIPS :

Green G. S., Haslam E. B., Blockley E., Durham A. J. L.

GOVERNORS' EXHIBITION :

Green G. S., Durham A. J. L.

JOINT MATRICULATION BOARD :

(a) HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

(i) Mathematics and Science :

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Cook A. W. ; Davis F. ; Durham A. J. L. (Distinction in English and History) ; Haslam E. B. (Distinction in English and History) ; Head G. W. ; Houghton T. W.

(b) EXEMPTION FROM MATRICULATION (BY HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE SUBSIDIARY PAPERS) :

Haines L. W. ; Jackson F. W. ; Jenkins A. D.

(c) MATRICULATION :

Allen D. ; Bagshaw R. (Distinction in History) ; Banks C. V. ; Brunt G. A. (Distinction in Chemistry) ; Clarke S. ; Cunningham J. W. ; Ducker R. (Distinction in History) ; Durham W. ; Edmonds F. F. (Distinction in Chemistry) ; Evans B. E. ; Harrison A. W. ; Head S. (Distinction in Mathematics) ; Hurford G. ; Lawson R. (Distinction in Mathematics) ; Mayes F. C. ; Ratcliffe T. W. ; Richardson I. (Distinction in Physics, Chemistry) ; Royce A. ; Taylor R. ; Thorn J. D. (Distinction in Mathematics) ; Truelove L. (Distinction in Mathematics, Physics) ; Umpleby K. F.

(d) SCHOOL CERTIFICATE :

Askham J. ; Baldwin E. W. ; Barker A. ; Blackburn R. R. ; Braime G. G. (Distinction in History) ; Brooke K. S. ; Buckley G. D. ; Edmonds R. J. ; Elsworth D. ; Gill C. ; Morris W. ; Spencer J. ; Stones S. K. ; Storey E. ; Wagstaffe J. ; White W.

PRIZE LIST.

FORM IIb.—First Prize, Skidmore K. ; Second Prize, Turnbull J.

FORM IIa.—First Prize, Francis N. C. ; Second Prize, Smith R. S. ; Third Prize, Blacker H. W. ; Honourable Mention, Roberts H. ; Knowles J.

FORM IIIb.—First Prize, Lee B. ; Honourable Mention, Davies R. ; Baker F. ; Terry A. L. ; Barrell F.

FORM IIIa.—First Prize, Nuttall G., Swaby G. ; Third Prize, Evans D. E. ; Fourth Prize, Whittingham F. ; Honourable Mention, Green J. E. ; Barr R. H. H.

FORM IVb.—First Prize, Preston E. ; Honourable Mention, Butcher P. ; Pennington J. W. ; Poppleton G.

FORM IVa.—First Prize, Myers C. G. ; Second Prize, Hinchliffe N. ; Third Prize, Lumb D. S. W. ; Fourth Prize, Holmes R. ; Honourable Mention, Lindop R.

FORM Vb.—First Prize, Mitchell J. F. ; Honourable Mention, Poole C. A. ; Randle A. ; Wright W. ; Oliver J.

FORM Va2.—Matriculation Prizes (alphabetical order) Bagshaw R. ; Cunnington J. W. ; Ducker R. ; Royce A. ; Taylor R.

FORM Va1.—Matriculation Prizes (alphabetical order) Allen D. ; Banks C. V. ; Brunt G. A. ; Clarke S. ; Durham W. ; Edmonds F. F. ; Evans B. E. ; Harrison A. W. ; Head S. ; Hurford G. ; Lawson R. ; Mayes F. C. ; Ratcliffe T. W. ; Richardson I. ; Thorn J. D. ; Truelove L. ; Uempleby K. F.

FORM LOWER VI. (ARTS)—First Prize, Edmonds E. L. ; Second Prize, Batty W.

FORM LOWER VI. (SCIENCE)—First Prize, Hoyle R. E. ; Second Prize, Martin A.

FORM UPPER VI. (ARTS)—First Prize, Haslam E. B. ; Second Prize, Blockley E. ; Third Prize, Durham A. J. L.

FORM UPPER VI. (SCIENCE)—First Prize, Green G. S. ; Second Prize, Richardson A.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

STATE SCHOLARSHIPS—

Blockley E.
Green G. S.
Haslam E. B.

W.R.C.C. MAJOR SCHOLARSHIPS—

Blockley E.
Durham A. J. L.
Green G. S.
Haslam E. B.

PRIZES FOR DISTINCTION.

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE—

French, History	Blockley E.
English, History	Durham A. J. L.
Chemistry, Mathematics	Green G. S.
English, History	Haslam E. B.
Mathematics	Richardson A.

SCHOOL CERTIFICATE AND MATRICULATION—

History	Bagshaw R.
History	Braime G. G.
Chemistry	Brunt G. A.
History	Ducker R.
Chemistry	Edmonds F. F.
Mathematics	Head S.
Mathematics	Lawson R.
Chemistry, Physics	Richardson I.
Mathematics	Thorn J. D.
Mathematics, Physics	Truelove L.

J. E. GIMBLETT PRIZE (for best contribution to School Magazine)	Haslam E. B.
FORSTER PRIZE FOR PHYSICS	Truelove L.
MATHEMATICS MEDAL	Richardson A.
E. H. DIXON MEMORIAL PRIZE	Blockley E.
C. E. BRITAIN MEMORIAL PRIZE	{ Green G. S. Haslam E. B.
THOMAS W. FRESTON MEMORIAL PRIZE	Green G. S.
SCHOOL MEDALLISTS	{ Green G. S. Haslam E. B.
HOUSE TROPHY	Frobisher House

RECOGNISED STUDENTSHIPS IN TRAINING :

(a) UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS	Richardson A.
(b) UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM, BEDE COLLEGE	Houghton T. W.
(c) TRINITY COLLEGE, CARMARTHEN	Albrighton C.
(d) ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE, CHELTENHAM	West R. S.
(e) THE TRAINING COLLEGE, DUDLEY	Dixon R.
(f) ST. LUKE'S COLLEGE, EXETER	White W.
(g) THE TRAINING COLLEGE, SALTLEY	Fletcher A. E.
(h) ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, YORK	Lamb W. Roberts C. P.

SWIMMING RESULTS.

SENIOR.

	1st	2nd
Six Lengths, Free Style	White W.	White H.
Two Lengths, Free Style	Holt G.	White W.
One Length, Free Style	Kenyon C.	Holt G.
One Length, Back Stroke	White W.	Davis F.
One Length, Breast Stroke	Jones J. E.	White W.
Plunge	Davis F.	Royce A.
Dive	Holt G.	Mills (Tie)
Senior Medal	Lindop R. Royce A.	

JUNIORS.

Two Lengths, Free Style	Cooper E.	Royce D.
One Length, Free Style	Wood F.	Cooper E.
One Length, Back Stroke	Dunn J.	Cooper E.
One Length, Breast Stroke	Wood F.	Barr R. H. H.
Plunge	Royce D.	Barr R. H. H.
Dive	Cooper E.	Royce D.
Picking up Weights	Cooper E.	Barr R. H. H.
Novices Race	Pickles D.	Dey E. J. R.

Senior Champion, C. E. Brittain Cup : WHITE W.

Junior Champion, Walley Cup : COOPER E.

'FOR SALE'

Your mortar soon will crumble, quiet house ;
 Already paint peels on the door.
 The grey dust thickens on the floor,
 Bare playground of a scuttering mouse.

But in each dingy, faded room
 With the dismal papers at the panes,
 That rattle and shake in wintry rains,
 Lingers a spirit silent in its tomb.

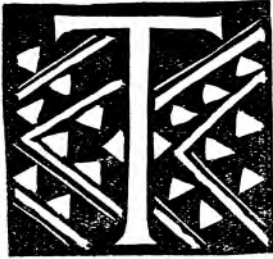
Though the body rots, the soul lives on :
 And, spirit of this lone house, you keep
 A part of me, that fain would weep
 For happy moments long ago.

For Christmas revels, joy and mirth
 Lamps at twilight, cosy chairs in drowsy heat
 Of winter fires, noises in the street,
 And happy gatherings round the family hearth.

So take and keep the better part of me
 Old house, and oft when chilly winds
 Shriek in new crannies and stir the blinds
 I'll come in spirit once again to thee—
 And we'll live o'er the days that used to be.

E.B.H.

THE ZEEBRUGGE RAID.



THE first of the series of Winter Lectures took place in the hall of the Grammar School on Thursday, October 26th, in the presence of a very large audience. The title of the lecture was the Zeebrugge Raid, and it was delivered by Commander B. W. H. Youlten, R.N., who actually took part in the great naval action. As a preamble to the actual subject the lecturer briefly described the espionage systems of Germany and Great Britain in the period just before the outbreak of war.

Germany had achieved an almost perfect system of spies he remarked, yet England was by no means blind to the activities of the German Intelligence Department. By painstaking yet brilliant methods the name and address of every 'official' German spy was discovered before war was declared. What is more the Secret Service discovered that a German cable had been laid from the East Coast via Holland to Germany—a fact known to only a few people today! In Germany not one of the English 'agents' was arrested. On the other hand, one actually was in the employment of the German government as a Diesel engine expert!

As the war progressed the German submarine campaign against our shipping took very heavy toll, as the loss of ships and men showed only too clearly. Such deadly work had to be countered as our very existence was at stake, and though our navy and the gallant volunteer Merchant ships performed miracles the menace steadily grew. Moreover, there was a lack of destroyers, the natural enemies of submarines, for they were more or less concentrated in the North Sea. Thus the submarines were able to slip out from their main bases at Zeebrugge and Ostend and operate along those arteries of commerce, the trade routes across the Oceans. The submarines must be silenced, rendered useless—the outcome of this urgent necessity was the famous Zeebrugge Raid.

At this stage the Hall was plunged into darkness, and with the aid of a lantern and slides Commander Youlten began to enlighten the attentive audience upon the vital points of the great episode. The plan was to drive the German submarines out of the harbour at Zeebrugge up the canal as far as Bruges and block the entrance, thus penning them there for the rest of the war. Elaborate preparations were made, and the harbour with its famous Mole and the hinterland were carefully photographed by our intrepid airmen. The submarines were driven up the canal by carefully directed gunfire which took place regularly every night at the same time.

In England Sir Roger Keyes was placed in charge of the whole action and four thousand volunteers were taken to Chatham for special and rigorous training on a full sized model of the Mole. The ships engaged were the *Vindictive* which was to attack the Mole, draw gunfire and thus distract attention enabling the three block-ships to break into the canal and sink themselves there, thus blocking the path of any submarine. These ships were specially lightened to clear the German mines—the amount of clearance being only three inches—and carried cylinders of cement to prevent refloating. A steam launch was to pick up the chosen crew of the block-ships. Four motor launches were to force their way into the harbour before the block-ships actually entered, and were to torpedo anything they came across. An old submarine laden with the deadliest of explosives was to blow up the viaduct connecting the Mole with the mainland. The whole action was to be shrouded in an artificial mist released from special preparations made by Brocks.

Two attempts were made before the requisite conditions—a pitch-black night, a high tide and a north-east wind—were obtained. At three minutes to mid-night before St. George's Day, April 23rd, 1918, the motor launches started the terrible enterprise. At midnight the *Vindictive* towed into position by the gallant *Iris* and *Daffodil* drew alongside the Mole. In the terrible havoc that ensued a German destroyer's guns were silenced by a party of fourteen, five of the six guns commanding the entrance to the canal were captured and many, many men were killed. Two of the block-ships got in, blew themselves up and blocked the canal. The signal for retreat was blown on the whistle of the little ferry steamer *Iris*—and the gallant little band limped home-wards.

In the grey light of dawn, the Germans saw the pennant of one of the blockships waving serenely, on a special steel mast, above the recently disturbed waters. It took fourteen months to get the ships to the surface—by that time the war was over. The submarines had been locked in and rendered ineffective. And later an attack on Ostend Harbour where the old *Vindictive* sank to her resting place succeeded in shutting up the submarines there.

Such a recital of daring heroism and endurance gave us pride in our race, yet in the hearts and minds of all present was the feeling that such things must not happen again, and we must work for peace with the stern resolve that "neither shall there be war any more".

THE OSIRIS PLAYERS IN MACBETH.

The Osiris Players from London gave a performance of Macbeth in the School Hall on Wednesday, November 15th. There was a very good attendance which was an especially gratifying feature since Macbeth is one of the plays prescribed for the School Certificate Examination this year. The play was given in an abridged version but was fully appreciated by all present. The Osiris Players are all ladies and it was natural that the main female character, namely Lady Macbeth, should stand out above all the others. Macbeth's voice was not manly enough but the clever acting and gestures of the actor amply remedied that deficiency. Banquo was an impressive figure too. The Witches were excellent and at once, when they appeared, sounded that note of supernatural horror and fear which is echoed throughout the play.

Considering the fact that the actors had been playing at Hemsworth during the afternoon and that they had to make the best of rather cramping stage conditions, the performance was excellent. Thanks are due also to Mr. Trustram and his assistants, Haines and Martin, for the capable manner in which they handled the lighting and stage effects.

THANK YOU.

This is to say Thank You to all who have in any way helped in the making of the stage or the production of the plays.

Haines, Martin, Simpson L., Jenkins, Skidmore and Simpson G. for the hours of work given in the making of scenery and lighting.

Hinchliffe, Banks, Clarke S. and Allen for acting as prompters.

All those who lent us properties and helped in the making of costumes.

Mr. Whittlestone for his work in organising the selling of tickets.

Mr. and Mrs. Tryon, and those who helped them in the 'making-up' of the performers.

Mr. Rainbow for the sketches for the scenery.

All those who by selling tickets and programmes, or in any way advertising this event have helped to make it a success.

T.H.H.
S.F.T.



A POSTER—by Head, U.VI.Arts.

AFOOT IN NORTH WALES—

THE CHRONICLE OF A TOUR.

A small party of seven boys, headed by four masters set out from Conway Bridge for Llanrywst. From the very first we experienced typical Welsh scenery—rapidly rising ground, thickly wooded on our left, hills covered with heather on our right. And four out of every five trees were girt with an ivy girdle. After thirteen miles' walking we reached the hostel situated on a hillside, which enjoys strong breezes continually.

Next day we set out for Miner's Bridge, leaving our packs at the hostel—a welcome relief. Much of the way was uphill and raspberries and blackberries grew in great profusion on either hand. From the Bridge we pushed on through wooded country to Swallow Falls. Here one member crossed the stream, fell in, and could not get back, and so made his way home like a young William Hazlitt, leaving the rest of the party to return in no quiet frame of mind.

Early monday morning we shouldered our packs and set out for Idwal. By circuitous paths we climbed to a height of 1200 feet—and then ran into bad weather. A terrific gale drove drizzling rain into our faces whilst the shifting mists made visibility very poor. We were glad to have dinner at a little farm, with a roof over our heads. The fact that two gallons of tea were consumed showed how numbed we were inside as well as outside. The remaining eight miles were a repetition of the morning's walk : Lake Colwyd, alongside of which we had to pass seemed like a stormy sea, clouds of spray rising its whole length. We were all soaked through to the skin by the time we reached the hostel

. tired of bog and road

And the crying wind and the lonesome hush.

The weather cleared up next day and we reached Bethesda in blazing sunshine. Here is one of the largest slate mines in Europe, employing about two thousand men. We were informed that there are 52 miles of railway, and slag heaps $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles long. The mine is like a great amphitheatre to look at and from where we stood the men seemed like ants, especially when, on the signal for blasting being sounded, they all disappeared into little stone huts. We returned home early, bathed in the lake and after dinner climbed to a great fissure in the cliffs called the "Devil's Kitchen." As we did not get back until very late, and had walked sixteen miles that day we were all thoroughly tired.

Wednesday dawned dull and misty, but as the wind seemed likely to blow the clouds over, we set out for Snowden. Unfortunately we had only got to some old copper mines (about two miles up the mountain side) when the mists came down. So we lit a huge fire and bivouacked. Thus although we had failed to achieve our immediate purpose we were quite compensated by the happy moments round the fire.

Early next morning we set out back to Llanrywst under conditions

the very opposite of those under which we had come. Again the little cottage supplied us with tea. On reaching the hostel we bathed, and after dinner, had a good hearty sing-song, the music being supplied by two Germans with their mandolines.

The weather for our last day was excellent and in sweltering heat we reached Bettswcoyd. After dinner we bathed just above Swallow Falls. In the vicinity was a magnificent ant's nest, the insects being found for a hundred yards all round the nest. The weather was far too hot to do any strenuous walking, so we ambled home at a leisurely pace reaching the hostel just in time for dinner. This was our last day's walking for Saturday morning we left for home. In all we had covered approximately a hundred miles (vide Mr. Trustram's pedometer) and, as we were fortunate enough to have six fine days out of eight, had obtained a healthy tan sufficient to last us for the rest of our holidays. It is to be hoped that a good many more will join the tour next year.

E. L. Edmonds (U.V1.A.).

INGLETON.

"The sounding cataract haunted me like a passion."

Here we were in the midst of scenes that were the delight of the school of poets which Wordsworth represented—beautiful glens, roaring waterfalls, majestic gorges—all were here. We, too, might have become haunted by a passion, but that, in prosaic fact, we were merely the 1st Normanton Parish Church Scouts who, being in camp at Clapham, had availed ourselves of the opportunity of visiting neighbouring Ingleton. But our joy had not been immediately inherited. Having heard much of its charm we were not a little disconcerted at our view of the place as we approached it in the train. Coming from the gorgeous mountain scenery of our camp site we had been suddenly plunged, so it seemed, into a dirty, squat little town similar to those which, scarce a week ago, we had left behind us. For alongside the railway track loomed several pitheads—things we had forgotten were existent while at Clapham.

And so it was with mixed feelings that we stepped on to the station at our destination. The aspect of the town itself eased our doubts very little and we were relieved to come to a limestone bridge upon which was inscribed "Scenery Entrance." Here then, was the real Ingleton. At any rate a substantial fee was paid for the privilege of finding out. But we were not disappointed; that fee proved to be the passport to a fairyland. We soon found ourselves in a long gorge with the rocks towering over two hundred feet above us overlooking the swiftly flowing river Doe, roaring over rock and boulder. We proceeded up a precipitous path until we came to Pecca Glen where from a bridge spanning the stream we obtained a magnificent view of Pecca Falls. After pausing

a while to drink in their beauty, we passed on to an even more enchanting spot, Thornton Force, the finest waterfall in the district, descending from an overhanging rock into a deep pool girt about with huge stones. Here we were able to climb behind the very fall itself and to stand within a foot of the torrent of water. Now we left the river and passed from the awfulness into the serenity of Nature, walking along a grassy Roman road in full view of the beautiful surroundings of Ingleborough. From one of the lesser peaks we obtained a fine view of Morecambe Bay. Our descent to the path proved rather perilous and we gaped in wonder at the nimbleness of the mountain sheep as they bounded as if in sheer mockery over the rocks on which we foundered. However we managed to reach Twistleton Hall farm in safety and partook of some welcome refreshment while witnessing the frantic attempts of an old shepherd to saddle a vivacious thoroughbred horse.

After proceeding a little further over the moors we rejoined the river which plunged madly through gorge after gorge. Here and there the water fell perpendicularly from the course of the stream, fountains spurted from corners remote and dark, and the spume of the struggling stream splashed our faces. In contrast to our earlier walk the pathway ever led us to lower levels, and there was hardly a single yard of the course of the stream without a tumbling rapid or a water leap. Now passing along precipitous, narrow paths, now over rustic bridges we made our way to yet another waterfall—the Black Hole Falls—where, we were told, the water was eighty feet deep. A little further on was the beautiful Yew Tree Gorge, so called because a magnificent yew tree spans the gorge from side to side. Walking down slabs of slate we got an extended view of Beazley Glen and reached Cat Leap Falls, the last of so many.

Inebriated with the beauty of what we had seen during this enchanting four miles walk, our eyes received a rude shock to behold an ugly brick building, part of a huge limestone quarry. But this, like the pitheads, played a useful part in helping us to realise more the glory of the country through which we had just passed.

A. Laycock (U. VI. Arts)

THE OLDEST INHABITANT.

I had been tramping through Yorkshire, staying here and there at small, old-world villages, when I happened upon a tiny hamlet lying like a pearl in a beautiful setting of golden corn. A few cottages straggled down one side of what was little more than a cart track, while an arm of the sea into which the road disappeared, showed what was the principal occupation.

I found, seated on a bench outside the "Pig and Whistle," a venerable ancient, his long white beard flowing over his fisherman's dress, his skin hanging like leather over his sunken bones. He held a crooked stick

in his hand, with which he was tracing patterns on the ground.

On hearing my footsteps he slowly glanced up, scrutinised me carefully, and let his head sink back again.

"It's been a hot day" I said. He gave a deep grunt which I took to be amiable so I sat down. "An' turrble dry," he ventured. Accordingly I ordered two pints. He took an appreciative sip, found it satisfactory and said "Name o' Amos Pentwistle."

"You must be very old" said I rather awed. "I be t'oldest in't place, leastwise I baint, 'cos me bruvver Garge be t'oldest, but he be dead. My Maggie be t'oldest of 'er kind, and she be't' best an' most 'ansome." "Have you any children?" I asked. "Lordy, no," said he, "Maggie's my pig!" I relapsed into silence, and looked up a few moments later to see him playing with his tankard, upside down. Taking the broad hint, I ordered another two pints, whereupon he gave me an innocent, surprised look.

Having asked the way to the next village, I asked him how far it was, and received the astonishing answer, "Well it seem farther than it be, like, but it baint."

As I was about to get up to go he began telling me about his home life and the privations he underwent at the hands of an unsympathetic world, so that I felt constrained out of sheer pity to give Amos a little donation.

As I swung down the road I heard the barmaid's voice saying, "How much did you get out of him, Amos?" and the reply, full of triumph "Five bob an' two pints."

D. E. Evans (IVA.)

NEWS FROM DURHAM.

Bede College,

Durham,

November 29th,

The Editor of the "Frestonian"

Dear Sir,

I have been honoured by an invitation to write you a Durham letter and since my correspondent asked for news of Old Frestonians up here I might as well begin by supplying the desired information. I will at the same time try to make my letter interesting because as a rule College letters fail in this respect.

At present there are four Old Frestonians in residence at Bede. The stentorian voice of one of them can be heard daily on the river bank, loudly exhorting a very fatigued Bede crew to "Liven up all round there!" He is the captain of the Bede College Boating Club and in his charge are the three crews representing Bede in the forthcoming races. He is also a Graduate.

Another can be seen at times on the rugger field and also in the boxing ring. Quite recently he represented Bede against Armstrong

College, Newcastle and, I am very pleased to record, gained a victory. He too, is a Graduate

The third member of the group is often seen in the Fives Courts, doing a bit of practice to keep himself fit, no doubt for the College Sports. He is also a Graduate.

The last of the band is, alas, a mere Freshman, but an Old Frestonian, so he must be mentioned too. He has been seen once or twice on the rugger field and also in the boxing ring. This to him is quite a new experience, so you can imagine what his feelings were when, 'midst a terrific din of people clamouring for blood, he entered into mortal combat with an opponent from Armstong College. However the honour of Normanton Grammar School was sustained.

Now I suppose I ought to give you my impressions of Durham, as they were when I first arrived here and as they have developed with my term's experience.

Viewed from the window of a railway carriage the Castle and Cathedral of Durham make a very impressive sight, but as they are both situated very close to the 'Varsity lecture rooms, one gradually becomes so accustomed to them that they lose their interest. The chimings of the Cathedral clock, however, are of more importance, for with each chime the lecture draws nearer its end and a few moments before the hour is struck the lecturer dismisses his school. Then one quickly gathers up one's books and dashes for the newspapers and the seat near the fire at the 'Varsity Union.

The 'Varsity library is a very interesting place, which students occasionally visit to work. It contains many ancient relics of books, the odour of which is not too pleasant, and which in some cases are almost falling to pieces. One assumes however that they must have been of some importance to somebody at some time or other.

To live in Durham one must possess the very necessary qualification of a good pair of legs, I do not of course refer to shape, but to strength ; for no matter which direction one takes when leaving Bede, one has always a hill to climb and I distinctly remember being tired out after my first week's explorations.

The river here is a very peculiar one, for instead of flowing in a comparatively straight line, it meanders round and round and one is never able to say with any confidence which direction it takes round the next bend.

Taken on the whole, however, Durham is a fine place, and although I do not wish to introduce into this letter Bede College "propaganda," Bede is the best of the Colleges, and as our Principal once said, "Any person you meet in the street will tell you so."

With best wishes for the School and for the "Frestonian."

I am, yours sincerely,

O. F. 'Durham'.

THE NAVY V. THE SCHOOL.

The life of a schoolboy is very easy but it is an idle and uninteresting life compared with the life of a boy in the Navy. The schoolboy rises at a moderately late hour, washes, dresses, eats a breakfast that is ready served for him and then "creeps unwillingly" to school. He has ample time for dinner; he goes to school again till four o'clock and then he is free. On Saturday and Sunday he may do as he pleases.

Whereas the boy-seaman rises at 5-45, makes up his bed, washes and dresses in sports rig, has a mug-ful of cocoa and two ships biscuits and then falls in on the quarter deck. There the officer of the day details boys for special duties and the rest of the boys return to their messes to "scrub out." At 7-30 they change into white duck suits and six boys from each mess go down to the galley for the food for their respective messes. Six boys lay the tables and serve out the food for the rest of the mess. After breakfast the same boys clear the tables and the cooks wash the "gear" that has been used. Another party of boys sweeps the mess out and makes it tidy. At nine o'clock the boys fall in on the parade deck where they are inspected by their divisional officers. The Commander then goes up on to the bridge and the boys close in round the mast. Morning prayers are read, everybody stands to attention and the white ensign is hoisted while the band plays the National Anthem.

From 9 o'clock to 12-45 the boys are under instruction, the morning being divided into two periods during one of which they attend school and during the other they receive technical instruction. When instructions are finished the boys return to their messes, the mail is given out and dinner is served by the same boys who served breakfast. After dinner a change is made again into sports rig. At 2 o'clock the parade is re-assembled and after this there are organised games and voluntary boat pulling and boat sailing.

When the games are finished the boys must change into blue serge suits and then at 4 o'clock they have tea. At 5 o'clock the parade is assembled on the quarter deck. The parade is dismissed and the boys proceed to school or to the gymnasium until 6-15. Supper is served at 7-30 and then the boys turn in.

This routine is carried out exactly as it is written down here on every day except Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. On these days the assemblies are the same but there are no instructions on Saturday and the boys scrub out the mess as thoroughly as a house on shore is spring-cleaned. On Sunday there are no classes of instruction but attendance at Church is compulsory in the morning. Wednesday is 'pay-day' and the boys muster kit or attend school on alternate Wednesday mornings until 11-30 when they fall in to receive their pay. At night there is a special Cinema routine, the pictures being shown from 5 o'clock to 7-30.

From this account perhaps the schoolboy's life seems easier but there

are few sailor boys who would change places with a schoolboy or return to civilian life.

S. Head.

'IT WAS A DARK AND STORMY NIGHT'

A pitch black night ; a thick fog covers the whole of the city. A dark figure, wrapped in a long, thick cloak and with a large cap pulled over the eyes, creeps down the dark, shadowy, narrow passage. A gun in one hand and a knife in the other, it still crawls along the passage. The figure stops and draws itself up to its full height. It pulls the trigger of the gun. A piercing cry, like the squeal of a rat cuts the air, a groan, low and ghastly, and then, and then, and only then, the cameraman switches off.

R. L. Linford (IIIA.)

CRIES OF NORMANTON.

Crash ! the potman has just thrown a faulty piece of crockery onto the ground, and is causing a sensation of "Why did'nt he give it to us?" to go round the crowd, gathered round his stall. "Ripe tomatoes" comes to the ears of the buyers from the fruit stall. "Fish aliveo" and "Fresh plaice" and "Herring, mackerel and haddock" comes from the smelly fish stall. "English snared rabbits and hares" shouts the fruit man, "Fresh caught this morning." "Genuine china cups, saucers and plates" —bang, bang, bang—shouts the potman as he bangs a battered plate on a battered tea chest. "Lovely blackberries a bob a basket" shouts the husky-voiced fruiterer. "Rich cod-steaks, a tanner a pound" shouts the 'fed-up' fishman. "Best boiled sweets only twopence a quarter!" shouts the sweetman, "Bonfire toffee only 1½d. a quarter." These are some of the sounds heard in Normanton Market on a Saturday night when the market is at its height.

G. H. Haigh (IIA.)

THE BEST PICTURE I HAVE SEEN.

The best picture I have seen is 'King Kong.' The story is of the fascinating adventures of a film producer out to give the people a thrill, and he gave them one by producing 'King Kong' from one of the islands in the Pacific Ocean. The monster was brought to the city of New York. The film holds you spellbound from beginning to end. We know that half of the picture could not possibly have happened, but I think a picture is best by the number of thrills it has. 'King Kong' is a thrill-a-minute picture and I like it. A close-up of the monster's face is enough to hold you amazed, for the teeth, eyes, nose, are made so realistic.

J. Locker (IIA.)

A VISIT TO A MATCH FACTORY.



THROUGH the influence of Mr. Bellamy a party of about thirty boys were fortunate enough to be taken on a conducted visit round the works of Messrs. Bryant and May at Leeds.. Below we venture to give a rather lengthy account of that visit and for our justification we take the time honoured dictum "Nam Scientia est potestas." For everyone benefited intellectually from the novel experience, and later we fear, through the great kindness of our hosts, materially. But of that anon.

One can divide the actual process of making the matches—the finished article of everyday life—into three stages. First the preparation of the boxes. Long rolls of cardboard are cut into the required shape and machines then receive them, cut them, crease them, add a thin layer of glue where required and finally stick them up and the container is produced. Speed, efficiency and unflinching exactitude were the keynotes of the process. From this time onward the stages in the manufacturing process were marked by laudatory expletives which eventually gave way to an awed admiring silence when astonishment rendered adequate speech incapable. The 'slides,' at present brought from Liverpool, are made by machines which fold them, glue them on one side and then add a surface of sand and finely powdered glass. Thus the container is complete and so we pass on to the second stage—the preparation of the 'head' of the matches.

The ingredients used are mixed in two halves. They consist of zinc oxide, flour glass, two varieties of glue, magenta dye, asbestos and water along with potassium chlorate and phosphorous sesquisulphide.. The two halves are warmed at a temperature not exceeding 110° F and then are mixed well together. A particularly pleasing feature was the care which was taken with the recording of the temperature, and the care exercised in this department was not neglected elsewhere—neither do the interests of the employees pass unregarded. Our experience proved to be a happy antidote to the darkness and bitterness of "Devil Take the Hindmost."

The wooden splints which form the body of the match come from Canada ready cut (the wood is either yellow pine or more commonly aspen). These splints are pressed into a long movable belt in which holes of uniform size, correct to $\frac{1}{1000}$ of an inch, are arranged row upon row the whole length of the belt. Any splint which does not fit properly is rejected. Slowly the belt moves along and the bare splints are slightly warmed. Then they are immersed, as the belt passes round, in paraffin wax which serves to keep the damp out of the wood and enables the

flame to travel the whole length of the match. The splints are dipped into the mixture or solution, already described, four rows at a time. The body has now received a 'head.' The belt moves along and the matches are dried as they pass along. At one end of the belt the boxes which are made beforehand are waiting for the matches. At this end too sits a girl whose sole task is to watch the belt of matches and take care that none burst into flame, for one can clearly see how rapidly the fire would spread. Notwithstanding the seriousness of her position however, the Gorgon eye unwaveringly fixed gave rise to considerable amusement.

Here the matches are punched out of the holes of the belt and are conveyed in the boxes to the packers. The slides are then fitted on—with amazing dexterity—and the boxes are collected, packed in the required quantity, and the package sealed and stamped with the date on which they were made. Again a careful check is kept so that no faulty goods may be dispatched. A new machine is actually being completed which will perform all the preparation of the slides, receive the boxes, and push the slides into place thus turning out the finished article complete.

The visit was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. While the more scientific members of the party debated learnedly upon the origin of sesquisulphide, the more artistic admired the various beauties of the works—"De Gustibus non est disputandum." The whole party was entertained to tea for which, and for the great kindness and courtesy shown to us, Mr. Holden voiced the warm appreciation and thanks of all. Finally everyone received, as a parting gift, a packet of twelve boxes of matches.

"Wonderful"! That was the final decision, and yet strange enough one's feelings were very mixed at the end of the visit. An autumn night was descending when we emerged into the streets of factory-land, and a declining sun shot blood-red streaks through the pall of smoke that hung over the city. That smoke was the work of man, that sun is the work of a greater Power. The wonderful forces that man has harnessed we had seen in action that afternoon. One could not help thinking who made those forces. Before we reached home, the moon came out and as it sailed majestically between the sprawling clouds it seemed to be laughing with a serene mocking triumph.

E.B.H.
L.S.

A VISIT TO A BREWERY.



N marched twenty budding brewers—but perhaps we had better give this account in sober prose after all. On Thursday afternoon, November 30th, a party of masters and boys from the VI Science forms was taken on a conducted visit round Bentley's Brewery at Woodlesford. Mr. Tate, in the absence of Mr. Thompson the Head Brewer, undertook the task of explaining the various steps in making that well known beverage "beer."

The process starts with the grinding of the malt (germinated barley). The ground malt is now steeped in water at a temperature of about 65°C. in large copper vessels called "Mash Tuns." The diastase in the malt now hydrolises the starch to dextrin and maltose. The resulting liquor known as the "wort" is separated from the solid matter, which is left behind in the mash-tun and later used as food for cattle.

The wort is now conveyed to another large copper vessel and boiled with hops, which give flavour to the beer, and also act as a preservative. The resulting liquor passes on to a refrigerator, where it is cooled rapidly out of contact with air. The machine cools about 40,000 gallons in an hour and a quarter. The next stage is the addition of the yeast to produce fermentation. This takes place in large aluminium vats—the old type were made of slate. The temperature is carefully controlled and a thorough mixing is ensured; the "wort" may stay in the vat several days for fermentation to be complete. The yeast is filtered off after fermentation by vacuum filters. The beer is now prepared and is run into barrels where it is stored before bottling.

The bottles are automatically washed and dried in a patent cleaning machine, and conveyed by an endless belt to the filling machine. Here the bottles are filled and metal caps securely fitted. The old type of screw cork is being displaced by the metal cap, which, we were told is much cleaner and cheaper.

L. W. Haines (U.VI. Science).

HOUSE NOTES.

BENNETT HOUSE.

House Master — MR. HEWSON.

House Captain — HASLAM E. B.

Games Captain — JENKINS A. D.

This year the House is fairly strong and we hope to be more successful than last year when we were the runners-up in the

Football, Cricket, Athletic and Swimming Shields. In the competition for the House Trophy we were placed third, which was due possibly to the low standard of school work.

This term the House Football teams are very strong, especially the Juniors. The latter have played three and won three matches, and have scored sixteen goals against nil. With some good results in the school work there is no reason why we should not equal the record set up by the Frobisher House.

FREESTON HOUSE.

House Master — MR. WHITTLESTONE.

House Captain — E. BLOCKLEY.

Games Captain — A. E. LINDOP.

The House must congratulate its House Captain E. Blockley for obtaining a W.R.C.C. Major Scholarship and a State Scholarship. Several others obtained successful results in public examinations, and these, together with good results by the rest of the House from Journals, enabled us to gain second place for the School Trophy, being only eighty four points behind the Frobisher House.

In the Swimming Sports we were unable to gain more than third place but we have had a more successful season at football, the Seniors winning both their matches whilst the Juniors have won two matches out of three. Several Juniors have made their appearance in the School (under 14) XI, so that there seems to be promise of future success in this direction. The House Captain of last year, C. Albrighton, has entered Carmarthen Training College and we take this opportunity of wishing him every success.

FROBISHER HOUSE.

House Master—MR. PARKER.

House Captain—GREEN G. S.

Games Captain—HOLMES J. W. E.

Last term Frobisher House was successful in gaining the Cricket, Swimming and Athletic Shields. These successes enabled us to obtain all four of the C. E. Brittain Memorial Shields. These games victories, along with the academic successes of Green and Durham enabled the House to gain the Shield which is presented to the best House of the year. This unbeatable record is one of which we are rightly proud.

This term both the Senior and Junior football teams have been disappointing, but next term we hope to do better and regain the path to victory.

HANSON HOUSE.

House Master—MR. SWALLOW.

House Captain }
Games Captain } Edmonds E. L.

The House, although 'wooden spoonists' this year in the House Trophy, has every reason to look with great hopes to the future, for very few members sat for the external examinations (success in which added greatly to the chances of the House), whilst we headed the list in the inter-school examinations—a very gratifying feature indeed. In the Swimming, we finished third, and possess a set of juniors who promise to do great things in the future.

The Football team which acquitted itself so well last year, is weakened by the departure of Gill, the buttress in our defence, so that this year we put one of the smallest defences among the Houses in the field. One pleasing feature is the presence of three players in the School 1st XI, a feat unequalled since 1931.

CRICKET.

SCHOOL v. METHLEY (away) July 25th.

Each side batted 30 overs. The distinctive feature of the match was Brooke's excellent innings of 82.

School 156 for 8 ; Methley 127 for 8.

BOYS v. STAFF, July 27th.

Our memories of this match are a grilling hot day, some excellent and some mediocre cricket. The boys batted first and 3 wickets were down for 3 runs. The Masters, especially Mr. Swallow, were bowling splendidly. Then Laycock turned the tide with a patient and clever innings of 54. He received valuable help from Mayes. Later Harrison and Jackson hit the tired bowling. The boys kept the Masters in the field for a three hours torture. Left with only a little time the Masters batted safely and at the close had scored 75 for the loss of two wickets. Mr. Gott's 42 was a very bright innings. For the Masters Mr. Swallow had 5 wickets for 60.

BOYS.		
Brooke lbw b Mr. Law	...	1
Gill b Mr. Swallow	...	1
Laycock b Mr. Swallow	...	54
Haslam b Mr. Swallow	...	0
Haines lbw b Mr. Hughes	...	13
Mayes lbw b Mr. Law	...	23
Holmes c Mr. Hewson b Mr. Parker	...	19
Harrison not out	...	43
Lamb c Mr. Bellamy b Mr. Swallow	...	10
Coward c & b Mr. Swallow	...	1
Jackson b Mr. Hughes	...	30
Extras		26
		221

STAFF.		
Mr. Law c Holmes b Gill	...	1
Mr. Benson not out	...	17
Mr. Gott b Gill	...	42
Mr. Parker not out	...	12
		75 for 2

FOOTBALL.

In the matches played this term, the School first XI. despite the departure of the two 'giants' Lamb and Gill, has acquitted itself well, having won 4 matches, drawn 2 and lost 0, the goal average being 15—4. The second XI. play soundly as a team, and indeed, have not lost a match since 1931. Out of the four matches played this term, they have won four, with the magnificent goal average 25—5. The 'under fourteen' XI. gives promise of future talent in the School, and have won their three matches this term.

The School loses the services of Brooke at the end of this term. The veteran of the first XI.—he has played for four successive seasons—he exhibits the finest ball control in the team, and his position will be hard to fill.

N.G.S. v. ACKWORTH (away) September 23rd.

The School started shakily, and Ackworth unexpectedly scored, maintaining this advantage until half-time. On resuming play, the School forwards pulled together and Jenkins netted twice, but a stubborn Ackworth defence thwarted further scoring. In the closing stages a mis-kick by a School defender enabled Ackworth to force a corner and score.

Result—School 2 ; Ackworth 2.

N.G.S. v. BARNSELEY (home) October 7th.

Playing down the slope, School were soon on the attack, and only poor finishing prevented them from gaining a substantial lead. Half-time : no score. Barnsley now attacked but made little impression on the School defence ; whilst our forwards, especially the left wing pair were repeatedly dangerous. A draw 0—0 was a fair reflection of the play.

N.G.S. v. OSSETT (away) October 21st.

Under ideal conditions, School kicked off down the slope. Combining excellently our forwards attacked continually, goals being scored by Jenkins, Edmonds and Brooke. Half-time : N.G.S. 3, Ossett 0. Ossett made some attempt to decrease this lead, but the School defence was not seriously extended, whilst Edmonds, Jenkins (2) and Brooke added goals for the School. A scramble in our goal-mouth enabled Ossett to score their only goal.

Result—N.G.S. 7 ; Ossett 1.

N.G.S. v. BATLEY (away) October 28th.

Playing without Jenkins and Lindop, School attacked vigorously, aided by a strong wind. Brooke and Barker scored for the School, the latter by a well directed header. Half-time : N.G.S. 2, Batley 0. Rain fell heavily for a large portion of the second half, and play became of a very scrappy nature. Both defences were frequently in action, the final score being :— N.G.S. 2 ; Batley 0.

N.G.S. v. THORNES (home) November 25th.

The kick-and-rush methods of the Thornes' players momentarily put the School off their balance, but we, quickly settling down, attacked strongly, and fast shots by Edmonds and Haines rebounded into play off the upright. Half-time : no score. On resuming play, School took command of the game, and a long shot by Edmonds gave them a well deserved lead. Final score : N.G.S. 1 ; Thornes 0.

N.G.S. v. PONTEFRACT K.S. (away) December 2nd.

Weak kicking by the School defence almost gave Pontefract the lead ; but settling down rapidly our forwards combined well together. Edmonds gave School the lead with a good shot, but Pontefract soon equalised. Just before half-time, under a strong School attack, a Pontefract defender put through his own goal. Half-time : N.G.S. 2, Pontefract 1. On the resumption, Pontefract had little of the play, and Brooke increased our lead after a great solo effort.

Result—N.G.S. 3 ; Pontefract 1.

SECOND XI.

SCHOOL 2nd XI. v. ACKWORTH, Sept. 23rd. Home.

The Ackworth defence was in difficulties from the start, and at half time were three goals down, these having been scored by Haines, Poyner and Haslam. On the resumption of play the School kept the ball in the Ackworth half, who were fortunate in keeping the score down to two more goals scored by Haslam and Haines.

Result : School 5 ; Ackworth 0.

SCHOOL 2nd XI. v. BARNESLEY. Away.

This match, the hardest and most keenly contested which the School had played for some time, was played under adverse weather conditions, making play scrappy at times. At half time the score was 2 all, the School's goals having been scored by Haines and Poyner. On resuming play, Barnsley quickly scored, and missed a penalty. School retaliated and after good work by Oliver on the left wing, Haines scored twice, whilst Holmes increased the lead with a dropping shot.

Result : School 5 ; Barnsley 3.

SCHOOL 2nd XI v. THORNES. Away.

School were soon on the attack, and Poyner scored from a corner taken by himself, whilst a Thornes defender put the ball through his own goal. Half-time School 2, Thornes 0. Thornes now assumed the offensive for a short time, but the School defence was not greatly extended. Poyner, Haslam, Jackson and Holmes all added goals for the School, Result : School 6 ; Thornes 0.

THE UNDER 14 XI.

again have had a very successful season. These talented young players will provide the School with athletic giants in the future and there is no fear at all that there will ever be a dearth of fine footballers in the School.

Results :—N.G.S. 4 ; Ackworth 1.
N.G.S. 4 ; Thornes 1.
N.G.S. 8 ; Pontefract K.S. 1.

E.L.E.

HOUSE MATCHES—SENIOR.

	BENNETT	FREESTON	FROBISHER	HANSON	Total Points.
BENNETT (Blue)	_____	WON 2—1	WON 3—0	WON 5—1	6
FREESTON (Buff)	LOST 1—2	_____	WON 2—1	WON 2—0	4
FROBISHER (Red)	LOST 0—3	LOST 1—2	_____	WON 2—1	2
HANSON (White)	LOST 1—5	LOST 0—2	LOST 1—2	_____	0

HOUSE MATCHES—JUNIOR.

Bennett 4, Freeston 0. Bennett 7, Hanson 0.
Hanson 5, Frobisher 3. Freeston 1, Hanson 0.
Bennett 5, Frobisher 0. Freeston 3, Frobisher 1.
Points :— Bennett 6. Freeston 4. Frobisher 0. Hanson 2.

OLD FRESTONIAN NOTES.

We again draw swiftly to the end of another year and looking back it is very gratifying to see how the Old School is keeping up its traditions. It would not therefore be out of place in these notes to offer the hearty congratulations of the O.F.A. to the Headmaster and Staff on the excellent list of examination successes which appear in another part of this issue.

The activities of the Association have not been numerous during the Winter, the only event up to the present, being the Whist Drive & Dance held in the School on November 3rd. Unfortunately there was only a small attendance at the Whist Drive, except for a few of the usual supporters, but in spite of this the Dance proved a most enjoyable affair. Only by these events being adequately supported can we make them take the place they should in the social life of the town.

During the last few weeks much thought and time have been given to the compilation of a list of the names to be inscribed on the O.F. Honours Board. The great difficulty with this has been, and always will be, the fixing of comparable standards of attainment, and the Committee has given much time and anxious thought to the subject. However a start has been made and time will show, we believe, that the choice has been well made.

The next event of note is the Re-union and Dinner on February 2nd with which is incorporated the Annual General Meeting. A prominent Old Frestonian is to be invited as the Guest of the Evening and we hope to see a record attendance to meet him.

In conclusion may we wish all Old Boys a truly Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

W. D. Cartwright.

APPOINTMENTS :

P. G. MASON : Headship at Normanton Church School.

F. W. MOODY : Headship at Crosby Garrett C. of E. School,
Westmorland.

S. BARNETT : Headship at Normanton Dodsworth School.

J. H. STRINGER : Junior Tutor at Cliff College, Sheffield.

MARRIAGES :

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