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SCHOOL NOTES.

IT will of course be noticed that for the first time in the history of the "Quornian," there is no "illustration" or other frontispiece facing this first page. The reason is not far to seek. We cannot afford the expense. There seems to be a tendency on the part of some of our readers, both old and present pupils, to borrow someone else's copy, rather than to pay for one of their own. The practice may be commendable from the point of view of thrift, but it does not help a School Magazine to pay its way, and we venture to ask all our supporters to keep the second consideration in view, and to become subscribers as well as readers.

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Last July we had to bid farewell to Miss Newby and Miss Bowser ; to the former after four years of honourable work, and to the latter after two years of experience—and, we hope, useful experience—in a first school appointment. They were the recipients of quite a shower of presents on the "breaking-up" day, and the cheers heard in various class-rooms showed that both ladies had firmly established themselves in the affections of their pupils.

It is very unusual for two members of the School Staff to leave us at the same time ; and though a two-fold leave-taking means two-fold regret, yet, in this particular instance, some compensation has been found in the possibility opened up of rearranging the work between their successors so as to relieve Miss Butler of undue pressure in certain directions.

Miss M. L. Anderson, who is responsible for the French almost throughout the School, and for the English and Mathematics of certain Forms, comes here direct from a year's residence in France. She was for some years a distinguished pupil, and, for a time, at the top of Dame Alice Owen's Girls' School, Islington. This is a large Day School under the management of the "Brewers' Company," and I was for ten years an Assistant Master and, for a time, Sixth Form Master in the Boys' School of the same Foundation. What relation am I then, educationally, to Miss Anderson? Christmas is coming, so perhaps a riddle is pardonable.

Miss B. Reynolds takes the whole of the Singing, with Drawing and other Form subjects, so that her work partly overlaps that formerly undertaken by Miss Butler and Miss Newby. Both by training and by temperament Miss Reynolds is undoubtedly artistic, and evidence is already forthcoming that in the sister arts of Music and Drawing she will not only maintain but will raise the standard set by her predecessors.

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In our last number a reference was made to the "Regulations for School Scholarships and Maintenance Grants" prepared by the Trustees for the consideration of the Board of Education. These were not approved by the Board in the form in which they were then presented, but after a lengthy correspondence, special meetings of the Trustees, and an interview with H.M. Inspector, a revised draft has been made which seems likely to be satisfactory to all parties. These Rules have, however, not yet been returned to us with the sanction of the Board's official seal, so that they cannot be published in this number.

In this connection I may mention a matter of special interest to pupils of Quorn parentage, and which is also sub judice, viz., the draft scheme for the Quorn Town Lands Educational Foundation. As it stands at present

—and there are not likely to be any extensive alterations—it provides :—

(i.) That the Trustees of the Foundation shall consist of ten persons, five to be appointed by the Trustees of the Rawlins School, and five by the present Trustees of the Quorn Town Lands Charity ;

(ii.) That Junior Exhibitions of not more than £10 per annum, and tenable at the Rawlins Grammar School for the period of school life, shall be awarded to residents in the Quorn Urban District under certain restrictions as to age and previous education ; and

(iii.) That Senior Exhibitions, tenable at a University, Training College, or other place of higher education approved by the Trustees, and of a total value not exceeding £160, shall be awarded to candidates who are and have for not less than two years been in attendance at the Grammar School, and who at the time of the award have reached an age still to be fixed.

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The School Sports were held on July 7th. The weather for some time before had been very unsettled, and the prospect of a fine day for the looked-for contests seemed very doubtful. There was some rain even on the morning of the fateful 7th, and that no doubt accounted for the attendance in the afternoon being smaller than usual. Fortunately, however, for those who were present, the field dries very rapidly, and a pleasant breeze had made it quite comfortable under foot before noon. The competitions lacked none of their usual vigour, and the function was distinguished by two special features ; for C. W. Frisby, by clearing 4ft. 8½ins., established a School record for the high jump ; and, again, there was an unusually large entry for the Old Boys' Race, A. Brough winning the Cup a second time and taking it away for good. The detailed results will be found tabulated in another place.

There is now an opportunity for some good friend of the School to present another Cup for competition, the conditions for ownership of which should be much more

stringent than before. It should be taken at least three times, and possibly three times in succession, before becoming the absolute property of the winner.

The donations to the Sports Fund, and—owing to the weather—the profits from refreshments, did not amount to as large a total as usual; but it is satisfactory that there is a balance to hand over to the Library and Field Improvement Fund. We do not publish the accounts in this number, as some promised donations still remain unpaid. Will those who offered them kindly note this intimation and act upon it as early as possible?

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The Old Quornians' Association is at last definitely organised, and we print in this number an account of its activities, with the Rules under which it is to be conducted. It is unfortunate that there are not enough Old Quornians in this neighbourhood to form a Hockey or Football Club; but it is better to have no Old Quornians' Club at all, than to have one masquerading under the name but largely reinforced by outsiders. The Association, however, has been the means, indirectly, of forming an energetic Hockey Club for the village and neighbourhood. Its numbers, we hear, more than forty members, and we wish it every success.

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Our hearty congratulations are due to Octavia Trautmann and F. Winifred Payne on having matriculated at London University, and to Doris Hayward on passing the Oxford Senior Local Examination. Ellen Frisby and Grace Wesley, moreover, are to be commended for obtaining the second and third places respectively in the County Intermediate Scholarships list. If they had each managed to gain a very few marks more, they would have won valuable scholarships; but considering that we were led to understand last year that these scholarships were to be discontinued, that we did not know that they were to be offered until a very few weeks before the Scholarships Examination, that candidates are only allowed the choice of two optional subjects, and that we, consequently,

with our broad and wholesome curriculum, are heavily handicapped against schools which take fewer subjects and possibly begin specialising with scholarship candidates at an early age, the result must, we think, be considered satisfactory evidence of the general soundness of the training given in the School.

The successes gained by Old Quornians (see pp. 19 and 20) are unusually numerous and brilliant, and it may be well to note that they have all been gained in twelve months.

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The cricket season this year, alas! was more disastrous even than the football of 1909—1910. Why? Are boys becoming more selfish, and are they as ready as they ought to be to give up the pleasures of a daily "pick-up" game for the grind of practice in fielding, and the proper instruction of budding batsmen at the nets? Again, are there too many loafers in the field during the mid-morning break, and at the dinner interval? It is quiet certain at any rate, that no boy can learn to bat by repeatedly going to the wicket and coming out in the first over, and that the poor bat should at least have as long an innings at the nets, once or twice a week, as will give him a fair chance of learning to defend his wicket, and to hit out with something like confidence and precision.

Footballers are recommended to take to heart the suggestions of our old friend Wainwright, quoted in "News from Old Quornians," p. 23.

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We have to thank the following pupils and friends for additions to our "Museum" specimens.

Mr. J. W. Burrows, for some cobs of maize, some useful and interesting specimens of gold, silver, and lead ores, and ornamental stones, as well as two very fine trapdoor spiders' nests.

Alec Shedden, for three interesting nests of South American insects, a bird's nest with two eggs, and some cotton pods, also from South America.

Mr. J. H. Smithard, for a segment of an elephant's tusk.

Mr. T. Firr, for a pod of cotton from Nyasaland, East Africa. Mr. Firr writes that the cultivation of cotton in Nyasaland has been attended with such success that the produce is beginning to oust American cotton from the English market. The sample sent to us is certainly beautiful, the fibre being long and having the appearance of silk, and contrasting very favourably with our American specimen.

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Will our readers kindly note that the subscriptions for Nos. 10, 11 and 12 of the "Quornian" are now due? As we are now issuing only two numbers in the year, and may continue the practice, this subscription will probably cover all issues till December, 1911.

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The Rawlins Memorial is at last finished, and the white letters have made the inscription really legible for the first time since it was cut in the slate nearly two hundred years ago. It is impossible in type to reproduce the fluent curves and beautiful flourishes that the eighteenth century craftsman managed by patient skill to trace on the intractable stone; but we can reproduce the words that he has transcribed, and as we feel sure that many old Quornians have often vainly tried to read them we will satisfy their curiosity by printing them below.

E.W.H.

INSCRIPTION ON THE RAWLINS MONUMENT.

IN the Chappel of Woodhouse lie deposited ye

Remaines of *THOMAS RAWLINS* Son of *THO.*

RAWLINS of Woodhouse in the County of Leicester

who dy'd on ye 30th of Sept : in ye 70th Year of His Age

This generous GENT. to display a singular Charity did even in his lifetime and out of a small estate found a FREE SCHOOL in the Town of Woodhouse Endowing it wth. four and twenty Pounds by the Year for Ever, for the

Instructing in English Latin writing and Arethmetick two and twenty poor Boyes born and living in Woodhouse and Woodhouse Eaves, as likewise six poor Boyes of Barrow upon Soar, and six of Quarndon. He also gave fourty shillings by the year to buy books and paper for the use of the poor Boyes of that School. Besides, He gave twenty shillings yearly to raise a fund for placing a poor Boy an Apprentice living in the town of Woodhouse, wch. is a suitable addition to the same sum left by his Father for ye same Charitable purpose. Moreover, he gave fourty shillings yearly to be employ'd in raising a Stock to put out a poor Boy an Apprentice living in the Town of Quarndon. He gave also the residue of the profits of his Estate in Woodhouse to the poor of Woodhouse & Woodhouse Eaves.

THIS Renowned Benefactor had the peculiar pleasure of seeing the Management of these Charities under his own eye thro' a long course of years, and being full bent on good designs, He did by his last will bestow ye following Charities and donations yearly for Ever. (Viz.)

50s. to poor old people belonging to the Presbyterian society of Protestant dissenters at Mountsorrel.
20s. to four of the poorest housekeepers in Barrow.
3pds. to the poor of Woodhouse & Woodhouse Eaves.
2pds. to the poor of Quarndon.
2pds. after Mrs. Morrels death a Legatee to the poor of Woodhouse, Woodhouse Eaves & Quarndon.
2pds. to each of the two Eldest Trustees of the aforementioned Free School.
1pd. for the repair of ye high wayes in Woodhouse.

And as to the overplus Money of his Estate and effects remaining upon the discharge of debts and legacy's, he gave it to be equally divided betwixt the two Eldest Trustees and the poor of Woodhouse, Woodhouse Eaves and Quarndon.

The present Trustees of this Free School being *Thomas Hartopp Esq. Sam^l. Smalley & Joseph Chapman* have erected this Monument to perpetuate the Memory of their Charitable Founder in 1726.

THE SCHOOL AND ITS FOUNDER.

Since writing my last paper on this subject I have had an opportunity of further investigation, the result of which has been to substantiate the general accuracy of my contentions as conveyed in the concluding paragraph. There is, however, one omission of some importance. I forgot to note that under the Founder's will of 1710 he added to his benefactions the income from his Paternoster Row property, which is now the principal contributor to the funds of the Foundation.

The Deed of Assignment of 17 and 18 September, 1690, conveys the Woodhouse property to Wm. Rawlins, jnr., Christopher Smalley, and Thos. Chapman, in trust for the following purposes.

(1) Out of the rents and profits of the property they are to pay to Thomas Rawlins forty shillings a year in two instalments, on 16 Dec. and 4 June respectively, "so as he shall demand the same by writeing under his hand." But if he does not demand it they are to raise £4 "by the way of 20s. per an. for 4 years (To comence from 12 Nov. 1690) and employ the same towards repairing and makeing a Foot Cause from Pepper Street in Woodhouse aforesaid unto the further end of the said Towne, so as the same be done in 4 years."

(2) In addition to the 20s. a year bequeathed by Thomas Rawlins the elder, they are to employ another 20s. a year for the same purpose, viz. for apprenticing poor boys in Woodhouse.

(3) They are to "employ and pay £5 per an. to put to school 6 poor boys born in Woodhouse and Woodhouse Eaves, or one of them, to the poor School of Barrow upon Soare or what other school the sd. Trustees shall think fitt to learne English, Lattin, etc., and if so many poor boys cant be found in the said places Then their number to be supplied out of the Town of Quarndon. The said £5 to be paid yearly on 4 June and 16 December."

(4) They are to raise £4 per an. out "of the profits of ye Upper Closes", and to employ half of this sum towards putting to school two poor boys born in Barrow on Soar, and half to raise stock for apprenticing a poor boy of the same town.

(5) They are also to spend £4 a year in educating 5 poor boys of Quarndon, forty shillings in apprenticing a poor boy of Quarndon, and a similar amount in apprenticing a poor boy of Loughborough.

(6) The residue of the rents and profits of the estate, after deductions for taxes, repairs, and so forth, "are to be paid for ever, on 4 June and 16 December, to and amongst such poor ancient decayed people in Woodhouse and Woodhouse Eaves who are in want (and receive alms of the said Town) for their better releife and maintenance, So as the said Towne alms be not lessened in respect of ye same"; but the Trustees have the option of applying the money or any part of it "to some ancient poor people who dwell in Woodhouse and Woodhouse Eaves aforesaid, and doe not receive alms of the said Town."

(7) As the "old building of the said message" is decayed and ruinous, the Trustees are empowered to repair it, add to it, or pull it down and rebuild it, "taking down some of the orchard walls for the necessary use of building it and makeing it more convenient."

(8) Thomas Rawlins, the Donor, is to keep possession and receive the rents and profits until 12 November, at which time the Trustees are to take possession "The first payments of all the aforesaid payments to begin" six months afterwards, i.e. on 4 June 1691.

(9) This settlement is made subject to a power of revocation by Thomas Rawlins by "writeing indented and signed sealed and executed in the presence of 3 or more witnesses" or by any other deed to "limit any uses of the sd. premises" etc.

(10) The Trustees are ordered "before 4 June 1691 to buy a book wherein this settlement or the substance of it is to be written before 16 Dec. 1691" and in which the accounts of the Foundation are to be kept.

This book was duly bought, and now lies before me. It is a small thick folio, bound in sheepskin, and contains abstracts of the accounts of the Foundation down to the year 1860. It does not contain any abstract of the deed of Sept. 1690, for that deed appears to have been revoked by an indenture dated 18 December 1690. The original of this document I have as yet been unable to find, there is, however, a reference to it at the head of a rough draft of the provisions to be made in the final deed of settlement, and a copy of a portion of it also exists. But whatever the exact provisions of the indenture may have been, they did not waive the provisions of the first deed, as may be seen from the first page of the Account Book above referred to. Probably, indeed, the revocation was only

a formal matter, intended to place the disposal of the property once more in the hands of the Founder, preparatory to its resettlement. The Account shows for instance that the first instalment of Thomas Rawlins's annuity of forty shillings was duly paid on June 4th, 1691, that the Trustees at once took advantage of the right to repair or to rebuild the old decayed house, and that they decided to establish a school in Woodhouse rather than to send the boys elsewhere. On April 6th, 1691, accordingly, occurs the entry "Spent treating with a Schoolmaster, 6d." He was no doubt Abraham Chambers of Wymeswold, who had already become a tenant of the Trustees, who received his first payment "for half a years teaching the Boys" on Nov. 7th, and who remained in office until the end of July 1693. The original agreement as to his tenancy of the premises is reproduced below, but I have not been able to find the agreement relating to his Mastership, though it may, and probably does exist.

"Artickles of Agreement maid the 24th. of March 1690 and Agreed upon and betweene William Rawlins Junior Esq. of Burley in the County of Leicester and Christopher Smalley of Woodhouse Eaves in ye County of Leicester yeoman and Thomas Chapman of Woodhouse in ye County of Leicester Afforesaid yeoman of the one parte and Abraham Chambers of Wimeswold in the County of Leicester Schoolmaster of the other parte as ffolloweth Viz.

It is Agreed upon by and betwene the fower parties Abovesaid that the said William Rawlins Christopher Smalley and Thomas Chapman hath let and set unto the abovesaid Abraham Chambers one Messuage or Tenement together with fower little Closses their unto belonging for the Tearme of one yeare begininge at the Twenty ffifth day of March next inshevinge the date heareof for the yearly value or rent of Eight pownds four shillings par Annm to be paid by two even and equall portions that is to say Michallmas day and lady day.

It is Agreed betwene the parties that the said William Rawlins Christopher Smalley and Thomas Chapman shall pay all Taxes which shall be due to be paid to the King and queen but the said Abraham Chambers shall pay all other dues Taxes Assesments whatsoever and the parsons wages dureing the said tearme.

It is Agreed further betwene the parties that the said Abraham Chambers shall not plow up any more

ground in any of the fower Closses no more than what is all ready in tillage which for every Acre of ground that shall be soe plowed up he shall pay fower pounds more over and above the said yearly rent.

It is Agreed more betwene the parties that the said Abraham Chambers shall not lope nor crope or fell any manor of wood Except for nesenary fensing or hedginge.

It is Agreed Alsoe betwene the parties that the said Abraham Chambers is not to have any use of the new bay that is built and Joyns to the ould house nor any off the rooms in it nor to have any use or benefit of that bay of barninge that Joyns to the stable untill the said William Rawlins and Christopher Smalley have sould their hay that is in it and to have free liberty to come one the ground with Egras and regras untill their hay be all disposed of.

It is Agreed more betwene the parties that the said Abraham Chambers shall pay his rent at the times Appointed as is Afforesaid unto the said William Rawlins Christopher Smalley and Thomas Chapman or sume one of them wheareunto the parties have all agreed unto theise Artickls and set to their hands and seals the day and yeare ffirst Above written.

Sealed and delivered in
ye pns of Edward Whitworth.

Abraham Chambers."

The consideration of the final Deed of Settlement and of its relation to the foregoing must be reserved until our next issue.

E.W.H.

SPORTS RESULTS.

BOYS.

- Half-mile Handicap (open) :—1st, Moore, H., 24yds. start, 2min. 35secs. ; 2nd, Kirchin, A. ; 3rd, Disney, W. S.
- 220 Yds. Handicap (over 13) :—1st, Kirchin, A., 21yds. start, 27-1/5secs. ; 2nd, Moore, H. ; 3rd, Frisby, C. T.
- 220 Yds. Handicap (under 13) :—1st, Disney, W. S., 3yds.start, 36-2/5secs. ; 2nd, North, L. ; 3rd, Storer, B.
- 100 Yds. Handicap (over 13) :—1st, Kirchin, A., 7yds. start, 11-2/5secs. ; 2nd, Moore, H. ; 3rd, Frisby, C. T.
- 100 Yds. Handicap (under 13) :—1st, North, S. T., scratch, 13-1/5secs. ; 2nd, Disney, W.S. ; 3rd, North, L.

- High Jump (over 13) :—1st, Frisby, C. W., 4ft. 8½in. (record) ; 2nd, Perkins, F. H. ; 3rd, Tunnecliffe, P. W.
 High Jump (under 13) :—1st, Shedden, A., 4ft. ; 2nd, Baum, E. E. ; 3rd, North, S. T.
 Long Jump (over 13) :—1st, Frisby, C. W., 14ft. 2in. ; 2nd, Baker, S. G. ; 3rd, Moore, H.
 Long Jump (under 13) :—1st North, S. T., 12ft. 4in. ; 2nd, Baum, E. E. ; 3rd, Storer, B.
 Throwing the Cricket Ball (over 13) :—1st, Frisby, C. T., 58yds. 2ft. ; 2nd, Perkins, F. H. ; 3rd, Moore, H.
 Throwing the Cricket Ball (under 13) :—1st, Shedden, A., 47yds. ; 2nd, Wykes, L. ; 3rd, Branson, A.
 Potato Race (over 13) :—1st, Perkins, F. H. ; 2nd, Kirchin, A. ; 3rd, Oliver, A. V.
 Potato Race (under 13) :—1st, North, S. T. ; 2nd, Disney, W. S. ; 3rd, Cart, A. A.
 Tug-of-War (senior) :—F. H. Perkins's Team beat C. W. Frisby's.
 Tug-of-War (junior) :—S. T. North's Team beat A. Shedden's.
 100 Yds. Egg and Spoon Race (under 11½) :—1st, Peberdy, G. ; 2nd, North, L. ; 3rd, Payne, R.
 220 Yds. Consolation Race (handicap) :—1st, Flewitt, J. ; 2nd, Baker, S. G.

GIRLS.

- 100 Yds. Handicap :—1st, Pepper, G., 5yds. start, 15secs. ; 2nd, Wesley, G. ; 3rd, Payne, L.
 220 Yds. Hockey Ball Race :—1st, Wesley, G., scratch ; 2nd, Bamber, O. ; 3rd, Payne, L.
 Hotel Bill Race :—1st, Pepper, G. (clerk), and Sanders, N. (messenger).
 Driving Competition :—1st, Payne, L. (driver), Pepper, G. (driven) ; 2nd, Wesley, G. (driver), Sanders, N. (driven) ; 3rd, Veasey, I. (driven), Clutsom, F. (driven)
 100 Yds. Egg and Spoon Race :—1st, Hollingsworth, E. ; 2nd, Wesley, G. ; 3rd, Bamber, O.
 220 Yds. Hoop Race :—1st, Hollingsworth, E. ; 2nd, Thornton, M. ; 3rd, Payne, L.

- 220 Yds. Old Boys' Scratch Race :—1st, Brough, A., 26-4/5secs. ; 2nd, Wainwright, W. E. ; 3rd, Moore, D.

CHAMPIONSHIPS.

- Senior :—Kirchin, A., 10pts. ; 2nd, Moore, H., 9pts. ; 3rd, Perkins, F. H., 7pts.
 Junior :—North, S. T., 10pts. ; Disney, W. S., 8pts. ; Shedden, A., 6pts.

GIRLS' GAMES.

The girls played Cricket with their usual vigour, their enthusiasm being maintained throughout the season without the excitement of matches.

Seven girls entered for a Tennis Tournament, from which Winifred Payne emerged champion. The second place was taken by Dorothy Payne, who is reliable in any game. Annie Bailey, Constance Burrows, and Lucy Payne are also very promising players.

E.B.

BOYS' CRICKET.

The less said about the past cricket season the better. It has throughout been most disastrous, for, despite good bowling, we have lost every match on account of our very weak batting.

S. G. Baker, C. W. Frisby, and F. H. Perkins, all bowled well. A. Kirchin stood out head and shoulders above the rest of the team in batting, and he was the only boy who showed in matches the same form as at practice. Baker also batted well occasionally, notably in the "away" game with Barrow G.S., when with Kirchin he helped to put on 58 runs for the first wicket. Kirchin also kept wicket remarkably well.

The following are the only averages worth recording :—

BATTING.

| | | | Runs. | Inns. | Average. |
|----|--------------|-----|-------|-------|----------|
| 1. | Kirchin, A. | ... | 107 | 8 | 13.4 |
| 2. | Baker, S. G. | ... | 68 | 10 | 6.8 |

BOWLING.

| | | | Wkts. | Runs. | Average. |
|----|----------------|-----|-------|-------|----------|
| 1. | Baum, E. E. | ... | 6 | 21 | 3.5 |
| 2. | Baker, S. G. | ... | 21 | 89 | 4.2 |
| 3. | Frisby, C. W. | ... | 23 | 115 | 5.0 |
| 4. | Perkins, F. H. | ... | 23 | 124 | 5.4 |

H.W.H.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Twelve boys took part in the Shooting during the Summer Term. Several of these were beginners, and one or two were so small that they found considerable difficulty in holding the rifle. Consequently their scores suffered, but no doubt another year, when their arms are longer, they will have better results to show.

H. Moore, S. G. Baker, and C. E. Gamble shot very consistently throughout the term.

A handicap competition was arranged at the beginning of this term, when four rounds each were fired at 200 yards, 500 yards, and 600 yards respectively. The winner was C. E. Gamble, who made the top score, even without reckoning his handicap points.

Below are some of the scores:—

PRACTICE SCORES.

| | | No. of Shoots. | Total Points. | Ave. |
|----|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|------|
| 1. | Moore, H. ... | 11 | 217 | 19.7 |
| 2. | Perkins, F. H. ... | 5 | 97 | 19.4 |
| 3. | Baker, S. G. ... | 11 | 209 | 19.0 |
| 4. | Gamble, C. E. ... | 10 | 185 | 18.5 |

HANDICAP COMPETITION, 12 ROUNDS.

| | | H'cap. | Pts. | Total. |
|----|--------------------|--------|------|--------|
| 1. | Gamble, C. E. ... | 2 | 45 | 47 |
| | Perkins, F. H. ... | 0 | 43 | 43 |
| 3. | Baker, S. G. ... | 0 | 41 | 41 |

F.H.W.

FINAL ORDER.

Half-year ending Midsummer.

| | | | |
|-----|-----------------------|-------|-------------------|
| VI. | Trautmann, Octavia F. | IIIA. | Payne, Dorothy A. |
| | Payne, F. Winifred | | Barrs, C. H. |
| V. | Frisby, Ellen | IIIB. | Peberdy, G. M. |
| | Wesley, Grace | | Payne, L. E. A. |
| IV. | Oliver, A. V. | II. | Cart, A. A. |
| | Bailey, Annie | | Sanders, M. |

The following were neither absent, late, nor put down for punishment detention. Those whose names are starred did not lose a conduct mark.

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|-------|-------------------|-------|---------------------|
| VI. | *Perkins, F. H. | IIIB. | Peberdy, Grace M. |
| IV. | *Oliver, A. V. | | Disney, W. S. |
| | Bailey, Annie | | Whatnall, R. Doris |
| | Kirchin, A. | | Veasey, Ida S. |
| | Hickling, R. V. | | Baum, E. E. |
| IIIA. | Payne, Dorothy A. | | Barrs, Constance L. |
| | Canning, A. | II. | *Cart, A. A. |

THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The eighteenth annual Prize Distribution was held on Thursday, November 10th, when the awards were presented by Mrs. J. German, late Head Mistress of the Girls' Grammar School, Ashby-de-la-Zouch.

Although it seems more appropriate that a function of this character should be held in the School itself, yet this

year it was thought advisable that it should take place in the Village Hall. The Schoolroom is not very large, and of late years it has been rather overcrowded, and many parents and friends have undoubtedly absented themselves for that reason. The success of this new departure was shown by the fact that it was this year rather difficult to find seating room for everyone present in the Village Hall.

Owing to a regrettable misunderstanding, Mr. E. H. Warner, the Chairman of the Trustees, was unable to occupy his usual place in the chair.

In his absence Mr. James Wright kindly consented to act, and in his introductory remarks referred to the increasing demand for Secondary Education in the district. This, he said, was an encouraging sign of the times, for if we were to hold our own in the international race we must keep abreast with the rest of the civilized world. He also alluded to the demand for a Preparatory Department in connection with the School. This, however, could only be provided if it could be made self-supporting, as the Board of Education and County Council did not make grants for the purpose.

The reports of the Examiners were then read by Mr. W. F. Beardsley, but unfortunately they were not heard distinctly throughout the room. They indicated that the Examiners were fully satisfied with the work that had been done in the School during the past year.

Mr. Hensman then gave his report, in which he called attention to the successes gained by pupils of the School, and also by Old Quornians during the past year. The number of examination successes was not large, but they never were, as he did not believe in preparing for examinations simply to gain certificates. The number of pupils in the School was exactly the same as last year.

Mr. Hensman also touched on certain remarks he made last year to parents, and said he was glad to notice that more attention was being paid to the points mentioned.

Mrs. German, in what she refused to allow to be called a speech, said she had noticed with pleasure the rapid development of the School during recent years. She knew from her own experience that it was no easy matter to satisfy the present requirements of the education authorities, especially when they bore in mind the delicate material entrusted to teachers. Also, she thought, it was

hardly realised what an enormous difference was made in the School life of a child by a sympathetic attitude in the home. If the work of the School was to be a success, parents must co-operate as far as was within their power with the staff of the School.

The prizes were then distributed, and a vote of thanks to Mrs. German was proposed by the Rev. A. J. W. Hiley, seconded by the Rev. H. H. Rumsey, and carried by acclamation. A similar vote to the Chairman was proposed by Mr. Goodacre, who, in a forceful speech, urged upon parents the necessity of keeping their children at School as long as possible. This was seconded by Mr. Kirk.

The second part of the programme consisted of songs and recitations. The songs were excellently rendered and well received. Special mention might be made of the unison song by Form II.

The first recitation was by R. Bancroft, who gave "The Death of de Boune." Unfortunately, during this recital, one of the gas jets made itself rather a nuisance, and seemed determined to drown Bancroft's voice. However, with commendable pluck Bancroft stuck to his guns, and before the end of the recitation the gas jet was brought into submission.

The second item was a French recitation by Grace M. Wesley, entitled, "Le Meunier de Sans Souci." This was very well received.

Winifred Payne gave a humorous recitation, entitled, "Me Photo," in her usual capable manner, and in response to tumultuous applause gave "Abou Ben Adhem." This, though well rendered, was not so well received by the audience, who were evidently expecting another humorous item.

The proceedings terminated with the singing of the National Anthem and cheers for Mrs. German, the Headmaster, and members of the staff.

Specimens of writing, drawing, needlework, and woodwork were on view in the hall and were inspected by many of the visitors.

F.H.W.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION RESULTS.

LONDON UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION.

F. Winifred Payne.
Octavia F. Trautmann.

OXFORD LOCAL SENIOR EXAMINATION.

M. Doris Hayward.

JOINT BOARD INTERMEDIATE SCHOLARSHIPS

F. H. Perkins and Octavia F. Trautmann have been accepted as Ellen Frisby. 2nd on County List. Proxime accessit for Scholarship. Grace Wesley. 3rd on County List.

Student Teachers, and F. Winifred Payne and Ruth A. Perkins as Bursars, by the Board of Education. M. Doris Hayward has been awarded a special Bursary by the Leicestershire County Council.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS.

Philip Wright Scholarship ... M. Doris Hayward.

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS.

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| Baum, Ivy ... | Mountsorrel, St. Peter's. |
| Palmer, Doris ... | Woodhouse Eaves. |
| Cotton, Clarise ... | Woodhouse Eaves. |
| Gamble, Gertrude M.... | Quorn. |
| Smithard, Mabel E. ... | Quorn. |
| Atkin, Frances I. ... | Mountsorrel, St. Peter's. |
| Glover, Olive P. ... | Mountsorrel, Christ Church. |

SUCCESSSES GAINED BY FORMER PUPILS.

October 1909—October 1910.

Mr. C. V. Smith:—B.Sc. London University.

Mr. C. G. Richardson:—Manchester Technological Institute, Sessional Examination, 1910; First on List. Prize of 3 guineas. Percentage of marks on the whole examination, 89.2.

Mr. H. H. Proudfoot:—Edinburgh University Medical School. Sessional Examinations: Junior Medal for Medicine; Second Class Honours in Midwifery, Public Health and Forensic Medicine; Materia Medica, First Class for Theory and Medal for Practical.—Professional Examination, First Stage, Part I.

Mr. J. W. Sault:—Great Central Railway, Higher Grade Examination. First on List. Selected for a four years' course of training in eight departments of the Railway, with a view to qualifying for a "position of responsibility in the future."

Mr. A. Ball:—Preliminary Certificate of the Institute of Bankers.

Master Frank White:—Oxford and Cambridge Higher Local Certificate.

Miss Dora E. Fewkes:—South Kensington. Silver Medal for Still Life Painting in oils. Bronze Medal for Miniature Painting.

Miss M. Bailey:—Training College Scholarship, tenable at Cheltenham College. Awarded by the Leicestershire County Council.

BOARD OF EDUCATION EXAMINATIONS.

- Mr. A. D. Clare:—First Class Certificates for Architecture, Model Drawing, and Freehand Drawing. Second Class Certificate for Building Construction, Stage III.
- Mr. F. Harriman:—First Class Certificates for Freehand, Model, Geometrical, and Perspective Drawing. Second Class Certificate for Light and Shade.
- Mr. G. Lester:—Second Class Certificates for Freehand and Model Drawing, and Light and Shade.
- Mr. H. Mee:—Practical Plane and Solid Geometry, Stage I.
- Mr. W. E. Mee:—Building Construction, Stage III.
- Mr. S. O. Needham:—First Class Certificates for Machine Construction and Drawing, Stage II., Applied Mechanics, Stage II., and Heat Engines, Stage II. Second Class Certificate for Practical Mathematics, Stage II. (Mr. Needham has also taken a First Class in Part I. and a Second Class in Part II. of the City and Guilds of London Examination in Mechanical Engineering.)
- Mr. T. Shenton:—Pass Certificates in French, Stage I., and Book-keeping, Stage I.
- Mr. F. Sault:—First Class Certificate for Theoretical Mechanics, Stage I., Second Class Certificate for Practical Mathematics, Stage II. (Also a Pass Certificate for Elementary Electrical Engineering, awarded by the City and Guilds of London Institute.)

OLD QUORNIANS' ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting held at the School on May 6th, 1910, it was decided to form an Old Quornians' Association, there being present Mr. Hensman, Mr. Hale, Mr. Wright, Misses D. Fewkes, A. Mee, C. Callis, C. Priestley, A. Webster, R. Hack, L. Facer, C. M. Hickling, M. White, M. Disney, M. Gamble, M. Bailey, M. Hack, Messrs. R. F. Facer, L. H. Facer, W. E. Mee, A. H. Mee, W. Heap, H. Wiseshall, E. Gadd, L. B. Payne, and H. T. Hack.

Letters of apology were read from Miss Dodson, Miss Brooks, Miss MacVinish, Miss Backhouse, and Mr. Haynes.

The following rules were adopted:—

- 1.—That the Association be called "The Old Quornians' Association."
- 2.—That former pupils of the School, and anyone who is or has been connected with its management, be eligible for membership subject to the approval of the Committee.
- 3.—That the object of the Association be to promote social intercourse amongst its members, to form Sectional Clubs of various kinds, and to further the welfare of the School generally.

- 4.—That the management be vested in a Committee consisting of a President, Treasurer, Secretary, and five elected members, with one member from each Sectional Club, to be elected hereafter when the Club is formed; five to form a quorum, and the Committee to have power to fill up any vacancy when necessary. The Committee shall include at least three members of each sex.
 - 5.—That Vice-presidents shall be elected at a general meeting by the members present.
 - 6.—That two Auditors, not being members of the Committee, shall be elected annually, who, with the Officers and Committee, shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.
 - 7.—That the Annual General Meeting shall be held on the last Wednesday in September, when the Secretary's annual report and balance sheet shall be presented.
 - 8.—That the Annual Subscription, payable on October 1st in each year, be 1s. without the School Magazine, or 2s. 6d. with it.
 - 9.—That any member who fails to send in his resignation to the Secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting, shall be taken as continuing his membership and shall be liable for the next year's subscription.
 - 10.—That notice of the Annual General Meeting and Agenda of the business to be transacted shall be sent by the Secretary to each member at least seven days before the meeting.
 - 11.—That no alteration or addition be made to the rules except at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special meeting called for that purpose.
- The Officers elected were:—
- President: E. W. Hensman, Esq., M.A.
 Treasurer: Mr. D. Moore.
 Secretary: Miss M. Hack.
- Committee: Miss E. Butler, Miss M. White; Messrs. H. W. Hale, F. W. Wright, and L. B. Payne.

It was arranged that the first meeting of the Association should take the form of a Cricket Match (Old Boys v. Girls), followed by a Tea and Concert in the evening. Tennis, Shooting and Putting were also to be provided. Unfortunately rain prevented the carrying out of most of the outdoor items of the programme; otherwise it was a great success—particularly the concert.

The first Annual General Meeting of the Association was held on Wednesday, September 28th. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :—

President : E. W. Hensman, Esq., M.A.

Vice-presidents : The Rev. H. H. Rumsey, M.A.,
E. H. Warner, Esq., J. Wright, Esq.

Treasurer : Mr. C. Hickling.

Secretary : Miss M. Hack.

Committee : Misses E. Butler, M. White and E. Frisby, Messrs. F. Bunney and H. W. Hale.

The first meeting of the year was held on November 22nd, and took the form of a Public Lecture by the President on "Leicestershire during the Great Civil War." Considering the inclemency of the weather the audience was good, and those who braved the elements were well rewarded for their courage. The thanks of the Society are due to the President for his kindness in giving this lecture, the proceeds of which are to be divided between the Association and the School Library and Field Improvement Fund.

H.W.H.

NEWS OF OLD QUORNIANS.

Mr. J. W. Sault, writing to announce his success at the Great Central Co.'s "Higher Grade" Examination, kindly adds : "I must take this opportunity of saying how much, during my studies, the sound groundwork I received at the Rawlins School has stood me in good stead, especially in learning the languages. I have been amazed to see the difficulty some of the other students have had when beginning to learn another tongue, owing to their slight knowledge of English Grammar."

Mr. F. Sault, of 20, All Saints' Road, Peterborough, has our hearty good wishes for his success in the coming competition for appointments in the Post Office Engineering Department.

Miss Margaret Bailey, who is now at Cheltenham Training College, appears to be enjoying the life there, although, in addition to the lectures and class work, the girl students have to engage in somewhat exacting domestic occupations.

Mrs. Robert Squire is now in England with her son and heir—who is a remarkably fine fellow. In a letter written last July she says that she finds the climate of Manitoba rather trying, for in winter the

temperature often falls to 40 deg. below zero., and in spite of extra storm windows and doors and heating by hot air, it is not an uncommon thing to find in the morning that bread, milk, and other articles of food are frozen solid. In summer, on the other hand, the temperature reaches 95 deg. in the shade, and the flies are a constant nuisance in spite of the screens on the windows and doorways intended to keep them out. The frogs make a peculiar noise that can be heard a long way off, "but the Canadians like it." Large numbers of wild canaries are to be seen, besides many other birds of beautiful plumage, but none of them sing like the English ones. Curling, hockey, and skating are the favourite winter sports, and Canadians go nearly wild over baseball and lacrosse. There are very few Indians in Neepawa, but a good many "Galicians, who seem a very ignorant race." The Canadians themselves are a very go-ahead people in every way ; nearly every small house has its telephone and electric light, and the children go to school until they are eighteen or older.

Mr. R. J. Backhouse is married and is now living in Victoria, British Columbia.

Mr. W. E. Wainwright, who has been appointed assistant Master at the Broughton Church of England School, Chester, is domiciled at 77 Tarvin Road in that city. In a letter recently received from him he remarks "I sincerely hope that the football team is a little stronger than it was last year. Being a football enthusiast I naturally don't like to hear of the wearers of the "yellow and green" getting beaten in nearly every match. Of course I'll allow that the boys are not so big as they were once—more's the pity." He is very sorry, too, to see that "Woodhouse and Woodhouse Eaves don't supply many legs to the team, as was once the case." Returning to the subject later, he adds "I hope that a good following is present at every home match, and that at away matches the School is represented by more than just the actual players ; for although it may seem a silly idea, I firmly believe, and I say this from experience, that many a match is won by the spectators."

Mr. E. W. Parkinson, of Sileby, has been articled for a term of three years to Mr. Cecil Ogden, Architect and Surveyor, of Welford Place, Leicester.

Ivy Heggs is now at 34 Dundurn St., W., Hamilton, Ontario. Leaving England on April 8th she reached St. John's, Nova Scotia, a week later, and thence had a railway journey of two days and nights to Hamilton. She likes the country very much. This is natural, for Hamilton has "a very nice mountain overlooking the town" and is on the shore of the great Lake of Ontario. The town, moreover, has fine buildings, and "a great many parks which are open to all."

E.W.H.

CALENDAR.

(Subject to alteration).

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| 1910 | Sept. | 13 | Michaelmas Term began. |
| | Oct. | 31 | Half-Term Holiday. |
| | Nov. | 10 | Prize Distribution. |
| | Dec. | 20 | School Entertainment. |
| | Dec. | 21 | Michaelmas Term ends. |
| 1911 | Jan. | 9 | London Matriculation Examination begins. |
| | Jan. | 17 | Lent Term begins. |
| | Mar. | 6 | Half-Term Holiday. |
| | Mar. | 24 | Hobbies Exhibition. |
| | April | 11 | Lent Term ends. |
| | May | 2 | Trinity Term begins. |
| | June 5 & 6 | | Whitsuntide Holiday. |
| | June | 12 | London Matriculation Examination begins. |
| | June | 29 | Sports Day. |
| | July | 17 | Oxford Local Examination begins. |
| | Aug. | 1 | Trinity Term ends. |
| | Sept. | 19 | Michaelmas Term begins. |
| | Oct. | 25 | Prize Distribution. |
| | Nov. | 6 | Half-Term Holiday. |
| | Dec. | 20 | Michaelmas Term ends. |