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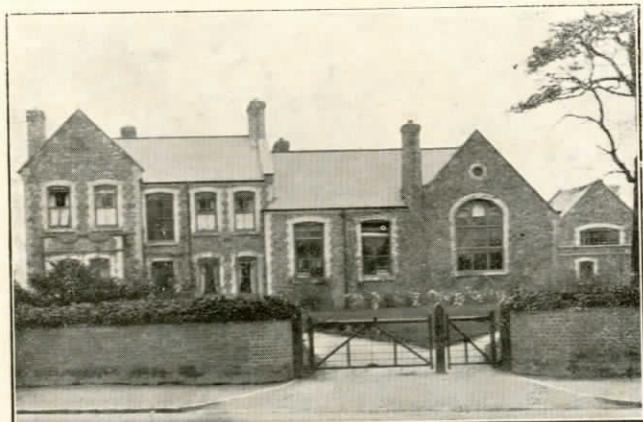
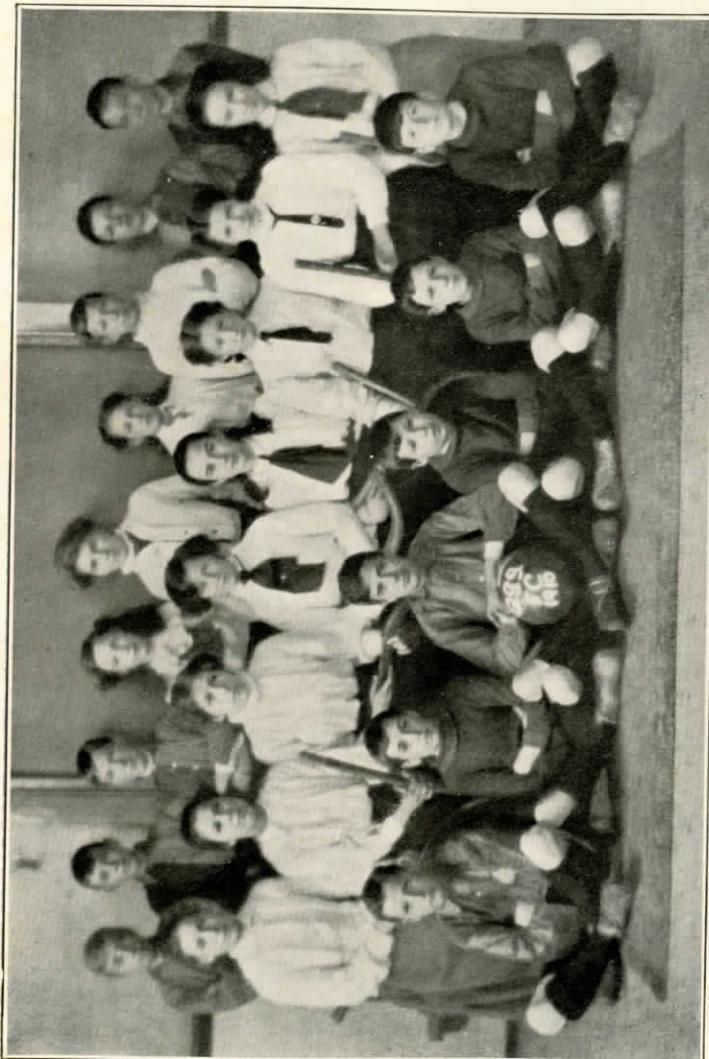


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Hockey and Football Teams, 1909-10.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

NOW that Spring is upon us, and the birds are nesting, it may not be out of place to caution boys against robbing them of their eggs and young. Observe them as much as you like, record your observations with camera and note book, and find out all you can about them from books and friends. Don't trespass, but if you want to work private fields and hedgerows, copses and ponds, first get permission of the owner or occupier. Don't annoy the birds more than is absolutely necessary. When you have found a nest, quickly examine it ; be gone as soon as possible ; don't visit it too often, certainly not more than twice a week ; move the grass or branches with which it is surrounded as little as possible, and replace them before leaving. If you can't identify its contents or its builder, jot down its position—on ground, in hedgerow, bush or tree—note how it is built, and what it is lined with, and consult an authority afterwards. Don't go in crowds—two or three are quite as many as should go together—for birds are shy, and a crowd always means noise, and sometimes mischief.

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Since our last number was issued, the fencing of the School field has been completed, the old hedge at the bottom of the old field has been grubbed up, and the ditch filled in. The Trustees have arranged for the laying out of an excellent cricket pitch, now nearly completed, and Mr. Warner has planted a row of trees

along the north east boundary. We now have a School playing field second to none in the county area for size and convenience, and not many schools in England of the size of ours, I imagine, can boast one as good.

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At a "Special Meeting," held on November 30th, the Trustees considered the Scholarships Clauses in the new Amending Scheme and gave their assent to a series of regulations for awarding scholarships, exhibitions, and maintenance grants out of the funds of the Foundation. These are of so comprehensive a nature that no pupil of ability and industry need, for lack of means, be debarred from continuing his or her education at the School up to the age of 16, which ought to be the minimum leaving age at a school of this kind. These regulations are of such general interest that we print them in full in this number.

Some provision is made, moreover, for assisting further education after leaving the School. This reminds me that Universities and other educational agencies are rapidly adding to the facilities for higher education, and are yearly offering valuable scholarships in increasing numbers, so that the door of higher education is being thrown open more widely than ever for clever boys and girls. For instance, during the past month or two I have been bombarded with Scholarship announcements by the Universities of Manchester and Birmingham, the London Inter-Collegiate Scholarships Board, the Surveyors' Institute, Faraday House Electrical Institution and so forth ; whilst the County Borough of Leeds offers a course of training for Elementary and Secondary Teachers at its great new college, for the sum of £20 a year inclusive of board and rooms. Our own County Authority, moreover, offers Senior Scholarships of £40 a year tenable at a University or place of Higher Education, two Engineering Scholarships of £60 a year, and five Art Scholarships of £20 a year.

Again, it is interesting to note that such important firms as the Daimler Motor Company, and Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., give special opportunities of learning electrical and general engineering to boys who have a satisfactory secondary school record.

Three general qualifications, however, are necessary for all who aspire to take advantage of these chances of advancement, viz., brains, industry, and a sufficiently long attendance at School.

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The School Christmas Entertainment and the Hobbies Exhibition were both thoroughly successful functions. Accounts of them, written by members of the committees and others, appear elsewhere ; but two special features of the Hobbies Exhibition may here be noted, viz., the addition this year of a well-filled Old Quornians' section, and the unusually interesting collection of artistic and curious objects lent by parents and other friends of the School. I must also express my gratification at the fact that the arrangement of the programme, the collection, labelling and display of the exhibits, with other details of management, were carried out almost entirely by a committee of the pupils, who showed not only the energy and enthusiasm that we might expect, but considerable organising skill.

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After long and careful consideration the Trustees have decided to erect the Rawlins memorial slab in the large schoolroom. In the old Woodhouse times it was placed on the outside wall of one of the houses facing the old school yard. When the present buildings were completed, it was removed and fixed on the wall of the corridor in the dark corner near the door of the large schoolroom, where the lettering was illegible ; and instead of the original Queen Anne plaster frame, with its scrolls and cherubs, which was unfortunately destroyed by the workmen who took it down, it was bordered by a mean moulding of painted wood.

Now the stone is not only interesting as a memorial of the Founder, set up shortly after his death in 1712, but it is a good example of the incised slate slabs for which this neighbourhood is remarkable and which reached their highest perfection towards the end of the 17th or the beginning of the 18th century. The Rawlins memorial stone, it is true, shows none of that delicate tracery and artistic imagination which place some of the tombstones in Quorn Churchyard in the foremost rank of out-door British sepulchral monuments, but the lettering is finely designed, clear cut and well preserved. No wonder, therefore, that time and thought have been given to the consideration of the best way of setting it, and the best position in which to place it.

Fortunately for us, through the mediation of Mr. Warner, the Trustees have secured the advice and assistance of Mr. S. P. Pick, F.R.I.B.A. Mr. Pick is not only an architect and antiquarian of distinction, but he has made a special study of the slate monuments of Leicestershire, and he has recently done much to secure their preservation from mutilation or destruction at the hands of the careless or ignorant. Without making any charge for doing so, Mr. Pick has prepared a design for framing the Rawlins stone in fibrous plaster, and it is to be set up, during the coming holidays, at the end of the large class-room, in the space now occupied by the central panel of the honours board. This necessitates, of course, certain alterations, the effect of which cannot yet be judged; but we hope that the result will not be incongruous, and there can be no doubt that in any event, the decision to give the place of honour in the School to the Founder is a right one, even if it entails the removal or obliteration of some feature of the building to which we have become accustomed.

Our thanks are due to Miss Lynes for the return of a copy of No. 1 of the Quornian. Will anyone else follow the lead?

E.W.H.

THE SCHOOL AND ITS FOUNDER.

From 1670, the date of the lawsuit mentioned in my last article, almost up to the time of the foundation of the School in 1691, there is a gap in the history of the Founder which can only be filled in by more or less probable conjecture. This may therefore be a convenient place in which to deal with one or two matters relating to the Rawlins pedigree which have come to light since I last touched on the subject in 1908.

They arise out of the will of Robert Tarlton, of Woodhouse, now at the Leicester Probate Registry, to which my attention was kindly drawn by Mr. Geo. Farnham. It runs as follows:—

"Nov. 7, 1679.

In the name of God amen: I Robert Tarlton off Woodhouse in the Parish off Barrow upon Soare in the County off Leicester yeoman, being weake in body but perfect in minde and memory blessed be God I doe ordaine and make this my Last will and Testament in the One and Thirteith yeare off the reigne off our soveraigne Lord Charles the second by the Grace of God Prince off England, Scotland and Ireland, defender off the ffaith and soe fforth. ffirst I bequeath my soule to God that gave itt and unto Jesus Christ whoe redeemed itt and unto the holy Ghost that sanctifyed mee and all the elect people off God, and my body to be Laid in Woodhouse Chappell yeard, and as ffor my worldly goods as ffolloweth, ffirst I give unto my two sonns Robert Tarlton and Thomas Tarlton cittizens and now dwelling in London, and Robert Tarlton junior that was sonn off my sonn Will. Tarlton one house standing in the said towne as afforesaid, one Orchard ajoyning theire unto with two little Croafts belonging their unto with all the ffences trees or hedges to the said appurtenance, I say to them and theire heires the said Robert and

Thomas Tarlton, and Robert Tarlton junior sonne off my sonn Will Tarlton, iff I or my wiffe be not fforced to sell it, with all my goods and cattell to be equally devided amongst them after me and my wifes decease. Likewise I doe make my wiffe Mary Tarlton my full executour, alsoe I doe make Mr. Thomas Wood and Will Page full overseeres off this my last will and Testament. Witness my hand and seale.

Will Page, witness

The marke off Will Weslye, witness. Robert Tarlton."

The testator appears to have had a long illness, for in the Woodhouse Parish Register there is the following entry :

" 1679/80 Robert Tarlton was buried on Sunday the 18th day of January."

It will be noticed that this will not only adds two new names to the pedigree, but the description of the sons Robert and Thomas as "cittizens" practically confirms my previous conjecture that the Robert Tarlton who held office under the Pewterers' Company, from 1663 to 1684, and possibly till 1720, (see Quornian No. 3) was the son of Robert Tarlton of Woodhouse and Mary Rawlins.

It is hardly worth while perhaps, at this juncture, to reprint the pedigree; but if any reader cares to take the trouble to add the names of Thomas and Robert Tarlton junior to the family tree given with No. 5 of the magazine, attaching to them the numbers 30 and 31 respectively, he will, by so doing, facilitate any future reference that may be made to them.

To return to the history of the Founder, there is no evidence to show where he lived during the twenty years from 1670—1690, and it is doubtful if he had any settled home for the greater part of this time. The only definite evidence indeed that I can find of his

whereabouts for any considerable time during this period is contained in the following receipt.

March ye 31st 1678
 Recd then of Couz. Tho: Rawlins all }
 due until yt. time for his table }
 and his Mayre's keeping, being }
 I say rcd by mee

Fran : Chaveney.

In 1675 he appears to have been engaged in some sort of litigation, probably with his uncle Wm. Rawlins, about the unpaid balance of the £100 from his father's estate, due under the agreement of 1671. (See Quornian No. 7.) At any rate he was seeking legal advice, as the following letter shows.

"Cozen Rawlins

My urgent occasions calling me suddenly out of T[own] I leave these to recommend you to Mr. Hayes who is my verry good ffriend and corespondent in yr business, to perfect the same, I am sure he will doe his utmost for you therein, I am

Pewterer's Hall,
 This 4th 8ber
 1675.

Yor Loving Cozen
 Robt. Tarlton.

I think Mr. [Raman] a verry good man
 to advise with.

I writt the enclosed [for you to give] Mr. Hayes." This letter is crumpled, slightly torn and scrawled all over in another hand, but it is quite legible with the exception of the slightly doubtful words enclosed in brackets. The sheet was folded and addressed

"These
 For Mr. Thomas Rawlins
 present."

It is plain therefore that our Founder was at Pewterers' Hall at this time.

Now from a short time after the Act of Uniformity until 1715 [see Wilson's "History of Dissenting Churches"] Pewterers' Hall was one of the city halls appropriated to the use of Nonconformists, and as we have seen in the "Quornian," No. 6, amongst the Founder's papers there is a complete copy of a sermon of a type common amongst the puritan divines of the day, fragments and notes of sermons, and a large collection of moral reflections, some of them in shorthand, such as the

members of Puritan congregations (for whose use indeed systems of short hand were specially devised) were wont to take down on paper and preserve. There are so many of these, and they are written in such different styles that we must conclude that they extend over a long period of time. I imagine therefore that the Founder either lived for a long time with his relatives at Pewterers' Hall, or that he paid them frequent visits.

The five notes and receipts below, which I have for convenience lettered A, B, C, D, E, relate to the time immediately preceding the final foundation of the School by Deed of Gift in August 1691.

A. Recd. ye 8 of Novembr
1689 of Mr. Smalley the sume of
one pound two shillings in full for }
a Copper and all other accounts }
to this day } £ s. d.
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I say Recd.
by mee Tho. Rawlins.

B. June the 8th 1690
Then I acknowledge to owe unto my Cozen Robert }
Tarlton for Dyt and Chamber Rent from }
Lady Day last until this day the sum of }
two pounds and ten shill I say. }

C. Recd. the 25th day of Novembr 1690
of Coz Tho: Rawlins ye above sum of Fifty shill
and also ten shill more for service done in all }
three pounds } li
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Ro. Tarlton.

D. Aprill the 3d 1691.
Recd then of my Cozen Thomas Rawlins }
the sume of Five pounds being in full for }
& Chamber Rent } li.
five monthes Board & ending at Lady day last }
past I say Recd. 5

Ro. Tarlton.

Wm.

E. Pd. to my Cozen & Rawlins in money and house
hold goods for 9 mountns time boarding
at Burley nine Pounds due and ending
Septbr 1691. My Coz Tarlton by when I pd ye last money.

The sale of the copper mentioned in A and the payment of household goods mentioned in E show that at some time before these dates the Founder had occupied a settled tenement in this neighbourhood.

Papers B and C cover the period from March 25th 1690 to June 8th, D covers that from Oct. 25th 1690 to March 25th 1691, and E roughly accounts both for the time between the two visits to London, and for the interval between the last visit and Sept. 6th, 1691.

Now two different transactions took place before the School was definitely established; the first a temporary assignment of the Founder's property to Trustees in September 1690, and the second the Deed of Gift of August 1691.

From these papers, from the verses dated 1671, written in the elaborate signature reproduced in the "Quornian" No. 6, and from other considerations too complicated to specify in detail, I draw the following conclusions. That in order to satisfy his own aspirations, and probably encouraged by the Nonconformist divines who during the troublesome times of Charles II. and James II. were debarred from keeping school, Thomas Rawlins himself taught at Woodhouse for some years prior to the accession of William III., but that after the passing of the Toleration Act of 1689, he determined to hand over his School to a properly constituted body of Trustees. In March 1690, therefore, he went to London to consult Robert Tarlton on the matter, and, as there is evidence to show, to make enquiries as to other established school foundations, and probably also to take legal advice. He then returned to Leicestershire, and when at Burleigh, with his cousin William Rawlins, he executed the deed of assignment of Sept. 1690. A further visit to London in 1690 and 1691 enabled him to elaborate his plans, and during his second visit to William Rawlins at Burleigh, he finally conveyed his property to Trustees for educational and charitable uses, in the form which survived until a new scheme was drawn up by the Charity Commissioners in 1892.

E.W.H.

REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AND MAINTENANCE GRANTS.

I.—Free places, upon the result of examination, shall be offered each year under conditions already settled, to the number of not less than 25% of the admissions of the previous year. The first candidate on the list (i.e. the one who gains the highest percentage of marks) shall receive free tuition and a maintenance grant not exceeding £5 per annum, provided that (a) his or her parents are in need of such maintenance grant, (b) his or her parents bind themselves by agreement to maintain him or her at the School for not less than three years. Such Free Scholar shall be called a Woodhouse Scholar, the rest being called Foundation Scholars.

II.—Maintenance grants of not more than £5 shall be made to Foundation Scholars who have been not less than two years in the School provided that (a) their parents consent to keep them at School until the end of the year in which they shall have attained the age of 15, (b) the Scholars are reported by the Headmaster as satisfactory in regard to conduct, attendance and attainment, and (c) their parents can satisfy the Trustees that they are in need of such maintenance.—Maintenance grants so awarded may be continued so long as the scholar remains in the School, and shall be renewable from year to year.

III.—Fee-free grants for one year (called School Exhibitions) shall be awarded to pupils who come first (and in special cases second) in certain Forms to be decided upon each year by the Trustees as the result of the whole year's marks, provided that the candidates have been not less than three years in the School.

IV.—Free-tuition and a maintenance allowance not exceeding £5 shall be awarded to a limited number of scholars (a) who shall have completed their 15th year, (b) who shall have been in the School for not less than three years, (c) and who shall have reached the Fifth Form. Such scholars shall be selected by competitive examination, or shall be nominated by the Headmaster for election after passing some Public Examination to be decided upon by the Trustees. Such scholars shall be called Quorn Scholars.

V.—Leaving Scholarships, to be called Thomas Rawlins Scholarships, not exceeding in value £10 per an., shall be awarded for one year to pupils who leave the School for some place of higher education, provided that they have been not less than three years in the School, and have passed either the Oxford Senior Local Examination in Honours, or the London Matriculation Examination, or their equivalent. Such Scholarships may be continued for a further period at the discretion of the Trustees.

VI.—Apart from the above regulations free-tuition with or without maintenance, or grants for higher education, may be awarded at the discretion of the Trustees in cases of urgent necessity to any pupil who is or has been in the School.

VII.—The sum to be expended in such scholarships and maintenance grants shall not for the present exceed £50 in any one year, and the Trustees shall not necessarily award scholarships and maintenance grants under all of these heads in any one year.

VIII.—Such scholarships and maintenance grants may or may not, as the Trustees think fit in each case, be tenable by a pupil holding any other scholarship or maintenance grant.

THE CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual Christmas Entertainment took place on Friday evening, December 17th, 1909. Tea was provided at four o'clock in the Sloyd Room, and the members of Forms V. and VI., having had theirs earlier, were able to wait upon the others. As soon as the meal was over the Entertainment Committee prepared the big room for the concert, while most of the others amused themselves by playing draughts or cards in the class-rooms.

At six o'clock, all the necessary preparations being completed, the concert began, the chair being taken by F. H. Perkins.

The programme consisted of a great many items, of which all were appreciated by the audience, and many received encores. Mr. Hale, in response to a unanimous

encore to a song entitled "Glorious Devon," gave "The Village Pump," in the chorus of which everyone joined with great vigour. The dialogue, "Doctor Diaculum," was especially good, the jokes of Mr. Wright, as the apprentice, Joshua, causing a great deal of laughter. The last item on the programme was Mr. Hensman's song, "Widdecombe Fair," which was keenly appreciated, all joining in the chorus.

The full programme was as follows:—

1. Pianoforte Duet "Pearl of the Sea" D. Hayward and E. Walley
2. Recitation "The Twins" ... F. G. McVinish
3. Song "They were singing Home, Sweet Home" L. Baker
4. Dialogue ... "Quiet Apartments"
 - Mrs. Letitia Prim ... O. F. Trautmann
 - Sally Lunn ... F. W. Payne
 - Kitty Prim ... E. Tunnecliffe
 - Peter Prim ... P. W. Tunnecliffe
 - Midrif ... A. Kirchin
 - Captain Slash ... Mr. Hale
 - Mr. Scrape ... F. H. Perkins
 - Fitzgammon Montmorency ... H. Moore
 - Professor Jinks, M.D., LL.D., etc, ... Mr. Wright
5. Pianoforte Solo ... G. Peberdy
6. Song "Glorious Devon" ... Mr. Hale
7. Recitation "The Village Pump" ... G. Pepper
8. Dialogue ... "The Quarrel" ... G. Pepper
9. Song "The Village Gossip" ... C. E. Burrows
10. Dialogue ... "You'd better ask me" ... L. Facer
11. Song "Casabianca" ... L. Cotton
12. Recitation "You'd better ask me" ... L. Wykes
13. Dialogue ... "Casabianca" ... O. Bamber
14. Trio "Oh! who will o'er the Downs" ... C. E. Burrows
15. Pianoforte Duet "Qui Vive" F. W. Payne and O. F. Trautmann
16. Dialogue ... "Dr. Diaculum"
 - Dr. Diaculum ... Mr. Hale
 - Joshua ... Mr. Wright
 - Mr. Simpson ... F. H. Perkins
 - Policeman XX. ... C. Frisby
17. Song "Widdecombe Fair" ... Mr. Hensman

The entertainment was closed at half past seven with "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem, sung by both performers and audience, after which we returned home, feeling that we had spent a very pleasant evening.

As will be seen from the appended balance sheet, the entertainment was also a success from a financial

point of view, a balance of seven shillings being paid to the "Football Club."

RECEIPTS.			PAYMENTS.				
	£	s.	£	s.	d.		
Sale of Tea Tickets	0	14	9	North & Sons	0	6	11
Sale of Concert Tickets	0	15	4	W. Webster	0	7	6
Sale of Milk	0	0	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	G. A. Waddington	0	1	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bal, paid to Football Club	0	7	0	Service	0	2	0
				Dialogues, etc.	0	2	4
				Printing Concert Tickets	0	1	6
				Milk	0	1	6
			£1 3 7 $\frac{1}{2}$				£1 3 7 $\frac{1}{2}$

A word of praise must be given to F. H. Perkins who made an unusually efficient chairman, and our thanks are due to Miss Butler and Miss Newby who assisted with the tea.

M.D.H.

AUTUMN TERM—FINAL ORDER.

- VI. Trautmann, Octavia Kirchin, A.
- Payne, F. Winifred Oliver, A. V.
- Perkins, F. H. IIIA. Pepper, Gertrude
- Perkins, Ruth A. Barrs, C. H.
- V. Frisby, Ellen Payne, Dorothy
- Wesley, Grace IIIB. Disney, W. S.
- Hayward, Doris Peberdy, Gladys N.
- Facer, Lucy Collins, Edith M.
- IV. Bailey, Annie II. Cart, A.
- Burrows, Cecilia E. Emerson, W. R.

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

- VI. *Trautmann, Octavia Payne, Dorothy
- *Payne, F. Winifred Benskin, A.
- *Perkins, F. H. Dakin, Dorothy
- V. Wesley, Grace IIIB. *Disney, W. S.
- Hayward, Doris *Collins, Edith M.
- Facer, Lucy Pike, H.
- IV. *Bailey, Annie Heggs, Ivy
- Hickling, R. V. II. *Cart, A. A.
- Burrows, Constance M. Storer, B.
- Mee, W. G. Hollingsworth, Edith
- III. *Pepper, Gertrude Burrows, A.
- *Barrs, C. H. Peberdy, H. V.

THE HOBBIES EXHIBITION.

The Hobbies Exhibition was held on Wednesday, March 23rd, from 2.30-5, and 6.30-8 p.m., the arrangements being in the hands of a committee elected by the pupils, viz. : Form VI., F. H. Perkins (Chairman), Octavia Trautmann, F. Winifred Payne, Ruth A. Perkins ; Form V., H. Moore, Doris Hayward, Ellen Frisby ; IV., Annie Bailey, A. Kirchin ; IIIa., Dorothy Payne, R. Bancroft ; IIIb., Christine Denman, J. H. Lester ; II., Ella Walley, F. Drew.

Both afternoon and evening the rooms were thronged to the last moment with interested visitors, amongst them being the Rev. H. H. Rumsey, Mrs. Hayward, Miss M. Harris, and a considerable number of parents and Old Quornians.

The exhibits and competitions were arranged in seven classes, four for present pupils, one for Old Quornians, and one for articles kindly lent by friends of the School. The awards for classes A, D, and E were made upon the votes cast by the pupils, whilst classes B and C were judged by a small committee of the school staff.

Notes on the various classes are given below.

Class A. Things Made—The exhibits were all so good that it was difficult to decide which was the best. Painting, drawing, clay-modelling, photographs, and fretwork were shown.

The prize presented by Mr. Hensman was awarded to Frank Drew for his fretwork bracket and handkerchief box ; Sidney North's frame was placed second, and Ella Walley's painting third.

As a whole, the exhibits showed good taste and great care.

F.W.P.

Class B. Cookery.—The exhibits in this class showed care and skill on the part of those who had made them. The prize presented by Mr. Hale was awarded to Annie Bailey for a large iced cake made of chocolate, white and pink sponge-cake. A similar cake by Grace Wesley was highly commended.

Two boxes of sweets were entered and both were highly commended by the judges, especially that labelled "Made by a boy" (Mr. Hale).

Quality in this class was very much in advance of quantity, and it seems a pity that some of the girls

were prevented at the last moment from preparing their entries for this exhibition.

E.M.B.

Class C. Needlework.—There were ten exhibits in this section. The prize presented by Miss Butler was awarded to Freda Clutsom, whose exhibit, a trimmed underbodice, needed the greatest skill and was extremely well worked—though it did not show up so strikingly as some of the other articles. Ella Walley's cushion was placed second for its good workmanship and artistic colour scheme. Some of the exhibits, though quite pleasing at first sight, were very untidy on the wrong side. This fault, however, was conspicuously absent from Ida Veasey's and Gladys Peberdy's exhibits, which were highly commended. A linen doyley with knitted border by Mr. Wright showed more patience and skill than the work of many of the girls.

Girls should take notice that articles need not be specially made for the Hobbies Exhibition ; work done at any time may be entered. If all would remember this, we might have a large number of exhibits in this section.

E.B.

Class D. Collections.—The entries in this section were not very numerous, there being only five exhibits, consisting of three albums of postcards, one of cards from cigarette packets (Oh ! shocking !), and a small collection of old coins. The prize presented by Mr. Wright was awarded to F. McVINISH, whose collection of cards from cigarette packets gained 94 votes. Louie Baker's postcard album was placed second with 51 votes.

F.H.P.

Class E. Music.—Shyness accounted for the small number of entries in this section, and also for the fact that Leslie North, who won the prize presented by Mr. A. E. Wykes, acquitted himself in his pianoforte selection with far less confidence than usual. Gladys Peberdy played a rather showy piece of programme music which rather overtaxed her powers, whilst Louie Baker and Ida Veasey showed that they possess sweet if not powerful voices.

E.W.H.

Class F. Old Quornians' Section.—Besides the classes for present pupils, we had one for Old Quornians, and some very interesting exhibits were brought forward

for competition. Among these were drawings, needle and wool work, photographs, a model engine and a sailing vessel. It was difficult to decide which of these was the best, for all showed that no time and trouble had been spared upon them.

Mr. L. H. Facer was found to be the successful competitor and was awarded the 1st place for his drawings. We heartily thank those Old Quornians who exhibited and we hope that next year more may be induced to come forward and help us. R.A.P.

Class G. Loan Exhibition.—The open class contained many old and instructive exhibits. A number of ancient and modern weapons, collections of foreign coins, old English and Eastern clothing, and curios from almost all parts of the world were on view and were moreover greatly admired. Amongst the most interesting of the weapons were a Flint-lock Musket used at Loughborough during the Luddite Riots in 1812, a staff used by a constable of the "Court of Pie Powder" at the time of Mountsorrel Fair, a French bayonet, and some stone weapons. An old drum used in the late Boer War and taken by our soldiers in 1902, and some sacred writings on reeds, taken from the body of an Afridi warrior in the last Afghan War of 1880, were also of great interest.

The clothing, early Victorian, Chinese and Japanese, was as interesting as it was mysterious and—by no means omitting the Chinese pigtail—created infinite amusement. The many other interesting exhibits must pass unmentioned, though they will not, we hope, be forgotten.

O.T.

HOCKEY.

The Hockey season has been very successful, four out of the five matches played resulting in victories for the school. The one defeat may be partly due to the fact that our opponents' team consisted of 7 boys and 4 girls, whilst we played 3 boys and 8 girls.

The matches have not been exciting, as the opposing teams were, in every match, obviously overmatched; and we have missed the thrill given by "one all and five minutes to play!"

The play throughout the season has been marked by alertness, quickness and clean hitting, but systematic

combination is lacking. Several of the players still have the idea that quick running and hard hitting (both excellent points) constitute the game of hockey.

Of the individual players we must congratulate W. Payne on her play as centre-forward, and her inspiring influence as captain; D. Payne on the absolute "unselfishness" of her play, and the judgment she shows; O. Bamber on her excellent goal-keeping, and G. Wesley and E. Palmer on their improvement—both are now reliable and quick players.

The second XI. contains some promising players, particularly L. Baker and E. Hollingsworth. They began a match with Barrow 2nd XI., which was stopped soon after half-time by a hailstorm, when the score stood at 6-1 against us. Our defeat would have been much greater but for the remarkable play of L. Baker, who was sent into goal when the score stood at 4-0.

Several enjoyable Saturday afternoons have been spent by some of our players in games with the Old Quornians' Hockey Team.

MATCHES.

	Goals for.	Goals agst.
Barrow G.S.	7	0
Loughborough H.S.	6	0
Hinckley G.S. (mixed)	0	11
Barrow G.S.	8	1
Hinckley G.S. (girls only)	8	0
Barrow G.S. (2nd XI.)	1	6
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In looking back at the last ten years' matches we can recall only seven defeats. This is a stimulating record which the girls should strive to maintain.

E.B.

FOOTBALL.

The past football season has in many respects been a most disastrous one, for of the matches played only one has ended in a victory for the school eleven. This has been undoubtedly due to the youthfulness of our boys. Thus on a number of occasions we have had to put into the field an eleven whose average age worked out at

under 13 years, whilst as a general rule the average age of our opponents has been about 16 years. However, notwithstanding the heavy defeats inflicted upon them, our boys have continually shown great pluck in continuing to fight right up to the end of the game. This pertinacity was well demonstrated in both games against Ratcliffe College, when, although we were heavily beaten, the final whistle sounded with our boys shooting at the College goal.

By far the best game was that against the Middle School at Leicester. It was really the first time that the boys showed anything like the form they usually show at practice. On this occasion, too, the forwards for the first time realised that they were not mere individuals, but part of an attacking line.

H. MOORE.—Undoubtedly the outstanding feature of the season has been the continued brilliance of our captain. He has had to play in many positions, both in defence and attack, and I think I may safely say that in all the teams we have met there has not been a more clever and brainy footballer. Furthermore, he has set a fine example to the rest of the boys by his keenness and enthusiasm, despite the lack of support of a number of the other boys.

A. KIRCHIN.—The vice-captain, like his leader, has been forced to play in many positions. Undoubtedly he has served the eleven best at back, despite a slight tendency to wander.

A. V. OLIVER.—After trying a number of goalkeepers we were induced to play Oliver in goal against Hinckley. Since then he has kept his place and has proved himself, despite his lack of inches, a capable custodian.

Of the rest of the team Baum and North should develop into really good defenders. Baker and Smithard have worked most wholeheartedly for the eleven, and on a number of occasions have played really fine games. Barrs has made great improvement during the latter part of the season.

H.W.H.

NEWS OF OLD QUORNIANS.

Mr. C. V. Smith in October last took his degree at London University as Bachelor of Science. In writing

to announce the fact he kindly says: "I attribute my success in no small measure to the very sound grounding in general subjects received in the old days at Quorn."

Mr. F. Harriman, who completed his year of Student Teachership in August last, has obtained a Mastership in the Sycamore Road Council School, Nottingham; and Miss M. Hack has accepted a temporary post as Assistant Mistress in the Church School, Broughton Astley.

Mr. F. Harriman, W. E. Wainwright and G. F. Lester are attending the Art Classes, and Mr. W. H. Mee is studying Building Construction at the Loughborough Technical Institute.

Antonio Merladet has at last drawn aside the veil which has hidden him since he left us. He was never fond of letter writing, and his communication is limited to a picture postcard and some views of Monte Video, where he is now installed at "Calle Buenos Aires, 235." He sends remembrances to members of the staff, together with "Charlie, Okey, Parkinson, Facer, Richardson, Baker, etc."

Mr. J. W. Burrows is a regular correspondent, and in an interesting letter to Miss Butler he announces the despatch of some specimens of gold and other ores, moonstones and so forth, for the School Museum. His elder brother he tells us is a "station agent" at Wilmar on the Covina Line of the Pacific Electric Railway, and he himself has been selected from nearly 200 candidates for the post of "foreman of interior finish" under the large Los Angeles building firm by whom he is employed. I will not mention the salary he receives for fear of making his old school-fellows envious.

Miss M. Hack has kindly sent me, at the moment of going to press, the following Report on the season's doings of the Old Quornians' Hockey Club:—

"On October 8th, 1909, a meeting was held at the School at which it was decided to form an Old Quornians' Hockey Club. M. Hack was appointed secretary and D. Moore treasurer, G. Sleath being subsequently elected captain and M. White vice-captain. It was also agreed that the members' subscription for the season should be one-and-sixpence.

Games were arranged for every Saturday afternoon, and, before Christmas, we had some very good ones. Since that time, however, the attendance has fallen off,

and the average number present has been about six, which is, of course, useless for practice. One or two members have been very enthusiastic, and have attended nearly every week.

The Club was started too late in the season for many matches to be arranged. It is also difficult to find mixed teams to challenge. Two matches, however, were played with Hinckley Old Boys and Girls, one on January 8th and the other on April 2nd, 1910. Both of these were won by the Quornians—the first by six goals to one, and the second by four goals to none. Two matches were also played against the School, the latter losing in both. The scores were 5-3 in the first, and 6-2 in the second. On March 19th a third match was to have taken place between Old and Present Quornians, but the School was unable to get an eleven, so a combined game was played instead.

We number at present fifteen members, and unless more Old Quornians join next season it is probable that the Club will have to be discontinued, or outsiders must be admitted—a measure which, though there is something to be said in its favour, is open to certain obvious objections."
