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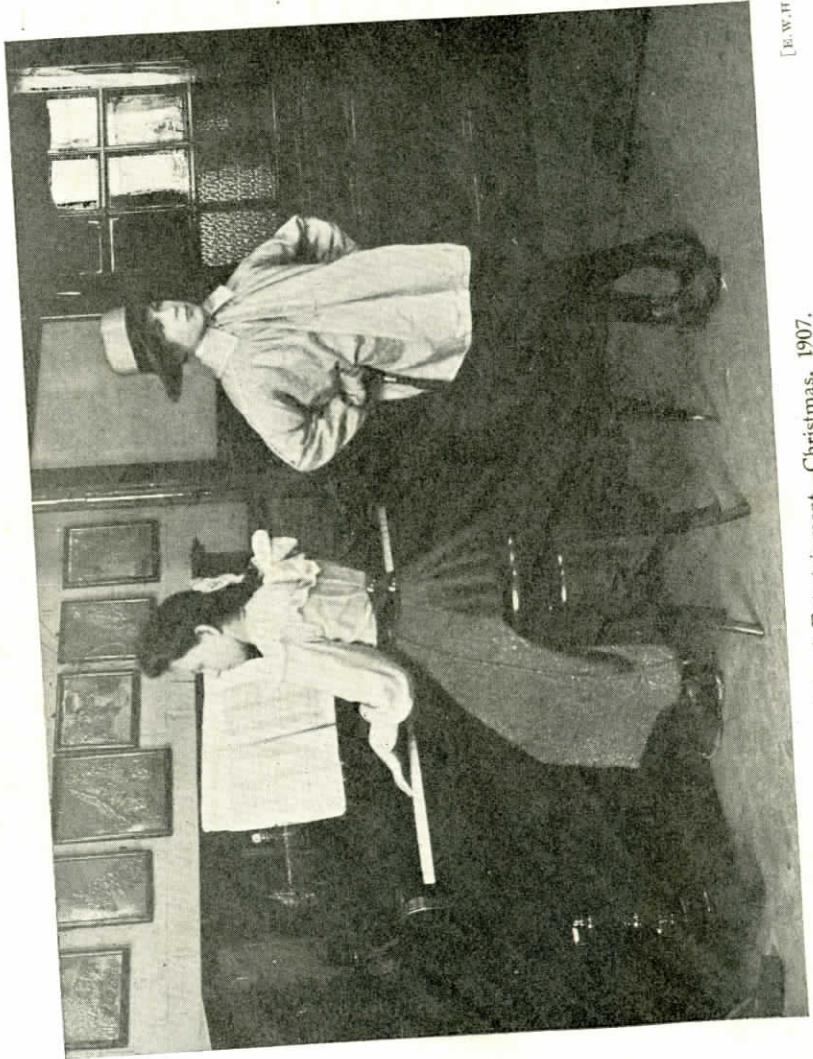
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School Entertainment—Christmas, 1907.  
Mabel Barrs at the Piano.  
S. G. Baker as "Varmer Giles."

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## School Notes.

A PROSPEROUS YEAR to Quornians past and present.  
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A word of explanation concerning the alteration of the time of publication will not be out of place here, at the outset. In sending copy to press on previous occasions we have found it very difficult to give the printers a reasonable time to do their work, as it was necessary to keep back matter to the last moment in order to make our reports as complete as possible.

For this and other reasons we have decided that it will be best to publish our numbers at the beginning of each term. We have deemed it advisable, moreover, to make the alteration at this stage, so that in future, annual subscriptions will be paid to cover one calendar year.

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It will be remembered that we announced in our last issue that we should in future ask all who desire to take the Magazine, but who are not pupils in the school, to subscribe 2/- annually on receipt of the first number of the year.

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May we at this point urge all who may see these words to give this Magazine their practical support. It will probably be said that we do not give value for money; but such criticism can be answered as easily as it can be made. To compare our publication with the ordinary present-day "magazine" is, of course, making comparison when comparison is impossible. The value of "The Quornian" does not lie only in the amount of reading matter we provide, but also in the purpose it is endeavouring to

serve. It is as absurd to grudge sixpence for a copy of "The Quornian" on the ground that it is not equal in bulk to "The Strand Magazine" as it would be to grudge the postage of a friendly letter on the ground that one can send "The Daily Telegraph" for less.

No one will be more in agreement with us than parents and old pupils when we say that it is absolutely essential that there should be, in our school system, interests which are outside the class-room and its routine. These we are striving to arouse in various ways. Our Magazine is one means, and mention of others will be found in the following pages. That we have not yet achieved our end we are fully aware; but we, nevertheless, believe that, with reasonable support from parents and friends, we shall be able so to improve and extend our publication that before many numbers have been issued the reading of "The Quornian" will become a vital part of our school life.

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We are very pleased to announce that the Governors of the School have shown their appreciation of "The Quornian," and have in a practical way expressed their desire for its prosperity by voting a donation of £1 per number towards the expenses of this year's issue. We are very grateful for this very timely assistance, which, of course, is in addition to their individual subscriptions.

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A right good time we had on Friday, December 20th, and the Committee who organised our "School Entertainment" are to be congratulated for two reasons. In the first place a splendid entertainment was provided, and in the second—and this appeals to the writer—the Chairman of the Committee was able to hand over 17s. 3d. to "The Quornian" funds.

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Mabel Gamble will lecture to Forms V. and VIb. after morning school on Tuesdays and Fridays. Subjects, probably connected with French literature, to be announced later! No charge for admission!! Attendance not compulsory!!!

Last term, during a French lesson, F. C. White unfortunately found "une grive dans le boisson." He has now gone to Denstone College, where, we trust, he may fare better.

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One morning recently an enemy appeared during our "manceuvres," and made sad work with the lines. A "company" had to be told off to engage the foe before order could be restored. Henry Hickling and Farquhar Shedd rose to the occasion, and succeeded in occupying the attention of the "lamb" while the main body proceeded with their work.

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During the term we have had the pleasure of welcoming amongst us one—Antonio—who hails from Spain. He is to be congratulated upon the readiness with which he has come into line with our school customs. We hope, before long, to see him one of our foremost footballers.

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Several faces will be missed when we re-assemble. In every case our feelings will be those of regret. Of one we can almost hear Form III. saying—

"Only to see thy face again."

We wish Frank White success at Denstone. When we think of him, we are reminded of Herrick's lines:

"Call me no more,  
As heretofore,  
The musick of a Feast."

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November 21st and 22nd were "grand field days," for were we not put through our paces in vigorous fashion by His Majesty's Inspectors? We were struck by the thoroughness with which they pried into every hole and corner of our buildings, our organisation, and our class-work; and if the questions put by the District Inspector, Mr. Bridge, tended to puzzle rather than to draw out knowledge; if, too, Miss Degani was rather hard on one poor girl who had a bad cold, and couldn't use her handkerchief in the most refined fashion, we yet believe that they intended to

be fair, and we have pleasant recollections of Mr. Westaway's humour and urbanity, and of the breezy character of Mr. Bruce's flying visit.

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It is too soon to say anything definite about the Inspectors' report, for "the case is still *sub judice*," as the newspapers say, and the written document has not yet been presented by the Board of Education. Criticism there will certainly be, for it is the duty of Inspectors to take an ideal standpoint, and to point out where we fall short of it; moreover, they cannot on a two days' visit take fully into consideration the reasons, satisfactory or otherwise, that make us fall short of perfection. On some important points, however, they have spoken informally with no uncertain voice, namely, of their pleasure at the frankness and straightforwardness of the work, of the general good discipline of the School, and the pleasant spirit pervading it. Miss Degani, again, spoke with the highest appreciation of the tasteful singing of the French songs, and of the accent of the singers; she enjoyed the songs so much that she wished there had been more of them.

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Don't forget to study the "Successes gained by former pupils," and "News from Old Quornians." It is pleasant to hear from old friends who are busily occupied in doing the "world's work," and highly gratifying to know that the School is turning out intelligent womanly girls, and manly boys, ready to fight life's battle with courage, determination, and enjoyment, and capable of doing it with success.

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Will someone with the gift of verse, turn his hand to the writing of a School song, and will someone volunteer to put it to music when it is forthcoming?

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It will be noticed that we have devoted no space to Puzzles in this number. We have taken this step as only one set of solutions to the last batch was sent in, and we feel that we can make better use of the space if our readers do not desire "A

Puzzle Page." If at any future time we find there is a demand for the re-introduction of this feature, we shall be prepared to meet it.

### Michaelmas Term—Final Order.

	Term's Marks.	Examination.	Aggregate.
VIA.	1 Richardson, C. G.	1 Richardson, C. G.	1 Richardson, C. G.
VIB.	1 Perkins, F. H.	1 Perkins, F. H.	1 Perkins, F. H.
	2 Bailey, Margaret	2 Bailey, Margaret	2 Bailey, Margaret
	3 Trautmann,	3 Trautmann,	3 Trautmann,
		Octavia	Octavia
V.	1 Payne, Winifred	1 Perkins, Ruth	1 Perkins, Ruth
	2 White, F. C.	2 Canning, T.	2 Payne, Winifred
	3 Perkins, Ruth	3 Payne, Winifred	3 Canning, T.
IV.	1 Frisby, Ellen	1 Frisby, Ellen	1 Frisby, Ellen
	2 Sturgess, Sarah	2 Spence, J. H.	2 Spence, J. H.
III.	1 Bradshaw, R.	1 Shuttlewood, Ivy	1 Barrs, Mabel
	2 Barrs, Mabel	2 Gamble, Gertrude	2 Frisby, C. W.
II.	1 Stonehouse, May	1 Stonehouse, May	1 Stonehouse, May
	2 Gamble, C. E.	2 Gamble, C. E.	2 Gamble, C. E.
	3 Hack, Ruth	3 Hack, Ruth	3 Hack, Ruth
I.	1 Hack, D. G.	1 Cart, A. A.	1 Hack, D. G.
	2 Cart, A. A.	2 Hack, D. G.	2 Cart, A. A.

The following have neither been absent, late, nor put down for punishment detention during the Term. Those whose names are starred have gained full marks for conduct:—

VIA.	*Disney, Maude	III.	Gamble, Gertrude
VIB.	Perkins, F. H.		Shuttlewood, Ivy
	*Bailey, Margaret		Oliver, V.
	*Trautmann, Octavia		Moore, H.
V.	Perkins, Ruth		Baker, S.
	Payne, F. Winifred		Mills, Nellie
	White, F. C.		Hickling, R. V.
	*Backhouse, S. C.		II.
IV.	Sturgess, Sarah	Gamble, C. E.	
	Smith, A.		

## School Examination Results.

**The London Matriculation** results were too late for publication last Summer. Our only Candidates—Martha Hack and Frank Harriman—were placed in the Second Class.

### London Institute of Plain Needlework.

GRADE III.—Sarah E. Sturgess.

GRADE II.—Sarah W. Shuttlewood, May Stonehouse, and Mabel Barrs.

GRADE I.—Ivy M. Heggs, Gertrude H. Gamble, Bessie Dakin, S. Elizabeth Cotton, and Ella Walley.

### Successes Gained by Former Pupils.

**Mr. R. W. Annison.**—Honours in Anatomy and Practical Anatomy at Middlesex Hospital; passed the Intermediate Examination for the M.B. Degree, London University, July, 1907.

**Miss Dora E. Fewkes.**—National Competition for Art Students, 1907; £1 Book Prize for finished study of the figure in black and white (4th candidate in the All-England List); two other studies "commended"; Senior Class Certificate for Advanced Still-Life Painting in Oils.

**Mr. H. H. Proudfoot.**—University of Edinburgh, Faculty of Medicine, Winter Session, 1906—7; First Class Honours in Theoretical Chemistry and Physics; Second Class Honours in Practical Chemistry; passed the First Part of the First Professional Examination for the Medical Degree, July, 1907.

**Mr. F. Sault.**—Examination for Junior Clerkships in the Superintending Engineer's Office (Postal Service), April, 1907 (33rd out of 174 Candidates).

**Mr. T. F. Saunders.**—Final Examination for Associates of the Institute of Bankers, 1907; passed in Political Economy, Book-Keeping, Commercial History, and Practical Banking, Geography.

## News from Old Quornians.

### Noel D. Smith.

"I am back in England again, after having a splendid time at Lenk. It is a small village eight miles from any railway, and about five from Adelboden. I did not go to Adelboden, as there were too many mountains in the way, and we could not get there and back in one day. However, I did some mountain-climbing with my brother. We started at two o'clock in the afternoon, and reached a refuge hut at seven o'clock. Here we slept, or rather tried to do so, for a thunderstorm, accompanied by the guide's snoring, effectually prevented sleep. At five o'clock next morning we started, and when we were about half-an-hour's climb from the top, a snowstorm came on, and when we were about ten yards from the top, it was struck by lightning. The guide did not seem at all anxious to go on; but as he spoke nothing but German, we pretended that we could not understand him, and we went on to the top. He gave us just time to write our names in his book, and then started racing down, evidently being more frightened at the lightning than at the crevasses. As I happened to have the rope pretty well wound round my legs and arms, I came down head over heels for the first fifty yards. We reached Lenk at four o'clock in the afternoon. The mountain is the Wildhorn, 11,000 feet high.

### R. J. Backhouse.

"I am ranching right out here in the Wild West. It is a fine, hilly country; we are only about twenty-five miles from the Rocky Mountains. Our house (we call it a shack) is built of rough logs. It is situated in a valley bounded on three sides by hills; on the other the prairie stretches out level for about fifty miles. The stock consists of both horses and cattle. I like the life very well; I always did like riding, if you remember. Of course it is rough, and we are out in all weathers, sometimes for many hours at a stretch. My longest day in the saddle was from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., but that does not often occur. We do our own

housework, and I can assure you that I am getting quite domesticated. Our nearest town is High River, which is twenty-five miles away; but we have a post-office at Bar-U-Ranch called Pekisko. I have not been to town for nearly three months, but shall have to go soon as my hair is so long that it gets in the way.

Everything is frightfully expensive. Just imagine having to pay six shillings for a pair of working-gloves and thirty shillings for riding-boots!

I am the only man on the Ranch to-night, and have been alone for three days. It makes a fellow feel awfully lonely at night when he hears the coyotes howling round. On such occasions I spend the time in thinking of old times. It is beginning to feel cold in the shack, so I guess the fire is getting low and that it is snowing fast. I cannot say that I care for the winters out here; they are rather too cold. Of course, we have not much to do; only just to feed stock and ride round to see if things are all right."

**J. W. Burrows.**

Box 37, Ocean Park, California, U.S.A.—“I was pleased to receive your letter, and the copy of “The Quornian.” We are all well and enjoying this fine climate. We had our first rain this week, after eight months of dry. The beach is not very busy now, but the visitors will soon be here for the winter from the cold east. We often go fishing, and we catch bass, yellow tail, halibut, barracuda, and sharks. These are from one to four feet long, except sharks, which run up to twelve feet. I often go to Los Angeles and see ships straight from Newcastle. They bring coke, pig-iron and rum, and are mostly sailing vessels. I had an accident a month ago. We were building a tower; we put up a length of timber; a strong gust of wind blew it over. I fell 38ft., and escaped with a few bruises, being able to get up and walk home. I lost about ten days' work before all the stiffness had gone. Two weeks ago we had another piece of bad luck. The furniture mill, where father works, took fire, burning every-

thing, including all the tools he brought from England, which he cannot replace here. I enclose one dollar for “The Quornian.”

**A. D. Clare.**

Lidlington, Nr. Ampthill, Beds.—“On Friday we went and saw the Borough Surveyor, whose office I am to join on Monday. A month is the trial time, and if the work proves interesting, as I know it will—or, I ought to say, if the Surveyor is pleased with me—the time for my staying will be indefinite. So much for the day-time. As regards the evening, there are some excellent Technical Classes, three of which I have joined, for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights, taking Mathematics, Building Construction, and Carpentry each respective night. I am much looking forward to the work, and as all plans for all buildings of any description pass through this office before being sanctioned, I shall have plenty to see. ” . . . “ My work is delightful; parts of it would cause J—— L—— exquisite enjoyment, for last week some of us were busy in thick clay, and got in a terrible state. Levelling is most interesting work.”

**Robert Hensman.**

“I am again in Damascus making the same tour I made there three weeks ago. This is a wonderful old city—the oldest in the world—and so very Oriental. It has a population of about 200,000, and very few Europeans. It is a centre for Oriental silks, carpets, brasswork, inlaid woodwork, native saddlery, and dress. A river, which is supposed to be the ancient Abana, runs right through the city, and its waters are distributed over a large area round the city by a number of small canals, with the result that the city is surrounded by trees and gardens, which give a most pleasing appearance from the distance, because outside the area supplied with water the country is very bare and arid. The Mohamedans have a tradition that their prophet was once on his way to Damascus—approaching from the east by way of the desert—and when he came in sight of it he refused to enter it, saying that Man was allowed to enter but one paradise, and he wished to enter the heavenly one. It seems to be rather strange

to be sitting on the balcony of this hotel overlooking the river Abana, the river referred to by Naaman, for at the same time electric cars are running alongside the river. Out to the southwest can be seen the snow-covered range of the mighty Hermon.

We left Jerusalem on Saturday morning about six o'clock and drove N., passing Gibeah of Saul, Mizpeh, Bethel, and Shiloh. We lunched at Lubban, beyond which the carriage-road is not yet made. After lunch we proceeded on horseback to Nablous, the journey taking about five hours. On the way we visited Jacob's Well near Schechem. On Monday we had a nine hours' ride to Jenin, passing Samaria and Dothan. Samaria has some fine Roman buildings, but nothing is left of Ahab's ivory palaces. We rode on *via* Jezreel, Shunem, and Nain, arriving at Nazareth after riding about seven hours. We stayed here until mid-day Thursday, when we left by carriage for Tiberias, passing Cana of Galilee.

We spent Friday on the Sea of Galilee, visiting the sites of Capernaum and Bethsaida. The Roman Catholics are excavating the ruins of an ancient synagogue at Capernaum, supposed to be the one built by the Centurion for the Jews. Yesterday we left Tiberias at 6 a.m., and sailed across the lake and took train for Damascus. We stay here until Wednesday—visiting the sights—and then take train to Baalbek to visit the immense ruins of the old Roman temples, covering about nine acres. Three of the stones used are over 60 feet in length, and one which is still in the quarry is over 70 feet long and 14 feet wide. On Thursday we go by train to Beirut, where we visit the Dog River to see the inscriptions near the pass where the different armies passing through have cut records in the rock. Among the records, there are Assyrian from the time of Nebuchadnezzar, Egyptian from the time of Pharaoh, Roman, and, last of all, one made by the French Army under Napoleon. The party will break up here, and I shall go by steamer to Jaffa and drive up to Jerusalem."

### The School and its Founder.

In this article, according to a promise made in our last Summer number, I must address myself to the suggested connection of certain members of the Rawlins family—the Thomas and William numbered (3) and (6) in the pedigree—with the local events of the Great Civil War.

It is known with certainty that a Rawlins served in this neighbourhood under Cromwell, and that another served with the Royalist forces at Ashby. There is, however, no definite proof of any kind that either of them is identical with the above-mentioned members of our Founder's family. On the other hand, what is known about them is consistent with the possibility of such a connection. I therefore give the facts below, partly for their intrinsic interest, partly as a basis for future research, and on the possibility that they may be used at a later time definitely to prove or disprove my theory, should further light be forthcoming

When Carlyle published "Oliver Cromwell's Letters and Speeches," in 1845, he was inundated with correspondence from many quarters, much of it useless, but some of it accompanied with authentic information which he incorporated in later editions of the work. Among the writers was a certain obscure person who professed to have in his possession a stock of strange old papers relating to Cromwell, including (1) the "Journal" of an Ironside, one Cornet Squire, who served with the Eastern Association from the very beginning of the war, (2) thirty-five letters written to the said Squire by Cromwell, and (3) some odd scraps of paper containing lists of names of officers and men in Cromwell's force. The unknown correspondent was anxious to be of assistance to Carlyle; yet, for fear of re-awakening family animosities that had been allowed to slumber, he hesitated to divulge all he knew. After an interchange of letters, however, he was at last induced to send copies of Cromwell's letters, and a transcript of the lists of names, with annotations taken from the "Journal." But he burned the originals, and thus perished a document of the greatest living interest, the history of an Ironside,

written by himself, day by day, as the events in which he took part occurred. The letters and scraps, with an account of the controversy that raged around them, are printed under the title of the "Squire Papers," as an appendix to the second volume of the third edition of Carlyle's *Cromwell*.

In the nine lists of soldiers therein included occur the names of Rawlins, Rawlings, Rawlen, and Rawlings, all of which, with one exception, appear to refer to the same person. There are also two letters, Nos. XXX. and XXXI., referring to an operation in this neighbourhood, which I will quote verbatim, with Carlyle's comments.

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XXX.—*To Mr. S. Squire, at his Quarters.*  
This day, Friday, noon—Nov., 1643.

SIR,

Your letter is more in the Lord General's business than mine; but to serve you am well pleased at all times. I have writ to the Captain at Loughborough to mind what he is about; at the same time, if your kinsmen are Papists, I do not know well how I dare go against the Law of Parliament to serve them. I have, to oblige you, done so far: Take a Pass and go over and see to this matter, if you are inclined. But I think they, if prudent, will get no farther ill.

I shall want the Blue Parcel of Papers you know of; send them by your Music.—Sir, I am your Friend,

OLIVER CROMWELL.

(Squire endorses: "My Cousin would not leave the Nunnery, so left her.")

XXXI.—*To Mr. S. Squire, at his Quarters, Fotheringay.*  
Peterborough, this day, 2nd Dec., 1643.

DEAR FRIEND,

I think I have heard you say that you had a relation in the Nunnery at Loughborough. Pray, if you love her, remove her speedily; and I send you a Pass, as we have orders to demolish it, and I must not dispute orders: There is one of the Andrews' in it; take her away. Nay, give them heed to go, if they value

themselves. I had rather they did. I like no war on women. Pray prevail on all to go, if you can. I shall be with you at Oundle in time.—From your Friend,

OLIVER CROMWELL.

(Squire has written on the other side: "Got my Cousin Mary and Miss Andrews out, and left them at our house at Thrapstone, with my Aunt, same night; and the Troops rode over and wrecked the Nunnery by order of Parliament.")

Yet another reference to Carlyle's *magnum opus* claims our attention, viz., a letter written by Cromwell to Fairfax a few days before the Battle of Naseby, and dated "Huntingdon, 4th June, 1645." Herein is the following request:

"I am bold to present this as my humble suit: That you would be pleased to make Captain Rawlins, this Bearer, a Captain of Horse. He has been so before; was nominated to the Model; is a most honest man. Colonel Sidney leaving his regiment, if it please you to bestow his Troop on him, I am confident he will serve you faithfully."

This request was granted, for Sprigge's "Army List" shows that Rawlins secured a Company of Horse under Colonel Sir Robert Pye, one of the late defenders of Leicester during the siege.

In 1647, squabbles broke out amongst the Army officers, partly on account of serious differences as to what should be done with the captive King, partly through a religious schism—for the Independents were beginning to look askance on the Presbyterians—and to some extent, no doubt, owing to personal jealousies and animosities. Many soldiers, through lack of pay, returned to their ordinary civil occupations; and many of the moderate Presbyterians, having reduced the King to impotence, laid down their arms, thinking that Parliament and the Scots would restore him to the throne with restricted powers and limited prerogative. Now I may remind you that I was unable to find any entry in the Bakers' Company's books relating to our Thomas Rawlins, prior to January 1647/8, when he was admitted as a "Housekeeper," *i.e.* as a Master Baker, without apparently

having to go through the preliminary stages of apprentice and journeyman. This seems a significant fact; and, coupled with the other fact established by frequent allusions in the School Papers, viz., that Thomas Rawlins was a Presbyterian, it ensures at least the possibility that he may have been identical with the Ironside who served under Cromwell, possibly took part in "wrecking" Loughborough Nunnery, and almost certainly fought at Naseby.

We must now turn to the case of the Royalist Rawlins.

Early in 1644, when the Scotch were marching to join the English, and the Roundheads were flocking to take the Covenant, Colonel Hastings,—as we learn from Whitelock and elsewhere—with four hundred of the King's Horse, roamed about the country, took prisoners about a hundred persons going into Leicester to subscribe their names, and drove others home again. Lieut.-Colonel Henry Grey, upon hearing the news, marched from Leicester with 300 horse and fifty dragoons. Coming up with the enemy in Hinckley market place, he fell upon them, drove them out into the fields, and fought with them so manfully, that he routed the Royalists, released two ministers and sixty countrymen who had been captured by Hastings, slew Captain Mainwaring and twelve common soldiers, secured 80 head of cattle, and 130 horses, and took 44 common soldiers and three officers prisoners, including Lieutenant Grey, a relative of his own, and a Lieutenant Rawlins.

Our William Rawlins, as I have already mentioned, assumed coat armour in the reign of Charles II., probably on the ground of some military service rendered to the Royalist cause. He seems to have been on friendly terms with the Hastings family; he bought Burleigh House from Ferdinando Hastings, Earl of Huntingdon; and he acted as go-between for his brother Thomas and Henry Hastings, in the early part of Charles II.'s reign, about a loan of money and the purchase of land. It is not unlikely, therefore, that he may have been identical with the Lieutenant Rawlins who fought on the Royalist side.

E.W.H.

NOTE.—Since writing the above, I have discovered in the Journal of the House of Lords, under the date of August 11th, 1642, an order for the issue of writs of Habeas Corpus for the production of John Bastwicke, Robert Ludlow, and Lieutenant Rawlins, confined at York, "for performing the orders of the two Houses of Parliament." The John Bastwicke here mentioned was the celebrated Dr. Bastwicke who, with Prynne and Burton, had been cruelly maltreated by order of the Star Chamber for their protests against Laud's attempts to enforce the royal supremacy in matters of religious observance. Just before the outbreak of the Civil War he was in the service of the Earl of Stamford, and attempted to escape from Leicester with him when the King came to arrest Stamford as a traitor. The Earl and most of his household got clear off to Northampton, but the three unfortunates above-mentioned were not so successful. It is highly probable that a Rawlins in the service of the local parliamentary leader at the outbreak of hostilities would be a local man, and there is nothing improbable in the supposition that the Lieutenant captured with Bastwicke was the same as the Captain of Cromwell's letter, for prisoners of war were often exchanged and "lived to fight another day." At any rate, the incident does not conflict with the theory propounded in my article, but is rather an additional piece of circumstantial evidence in its favour.

E.W.H.

### Prize Distribution.

THE Fifteenth Annual Prize Distribution was held on October 23rd, 1907. The Large Hall was well filled with parents and friends. Our visitor was Mr. W. A. Brockington, M.A., who gave a stirring address and presented the prizes. Thirty-three pupils took forty-four prizes for School Work, and eight took prizes for Tennis, Cricket, and Rifle Shooting.

After the speeches the following programme was given :—

1. UNISON SONG, "How should I your True Love know"  
(*Traditional Air*)
2. UNISON SONG, "The Keel Row," Northumbrian Air, 18th Century
3. ENGLISH RECITATION, "The Duel" (*Eugene Field*)—  
P. TUNNECLIFFE
4. LATIN SONG, "Decor integer aevi" (*Old German Air*)
5. FRENCH RECITATION, "Le Villageois et le Serpent"  
(*La Fontaine*)—C. G. RICHARDSON
6. UNISON SONG, "John Peel" (*Cumbrian Hunting Song*)
7. ENGLISH RECITATION, "Drawing the Long Bow"  
(*Mark Twain*)—F. WINIFRED PAYNE
8. FRENCH SONGS } "Noël aux Champs" (*Christmas Carol*)  
} "La Belle aux Bois Dormant" (*18th Century*)  
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

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### School Entertainment.

AS mentioned in our "School Notes," we had a splendid time on Friday, December 20th. It is doubtful whether the provisions were sufficient at tea-time. In future, it will be necessary for the Committee to refuse to supply all who do not purchase tickets before the specified time. The fact that some 20 people require tea but do not buy tickets, naturally suggests that someone goes short. A *very, very* successful concert was arranged. We cannot give details of the programme, but the fact that a photograph of two of the performers appears in this number singles out Sidney Baker's song, "Varmer Giles," as the "star" item. We all enjoyed Baker's very clever rendering of that old song. We are very grateful to Mr. Hensman for the photograph, which was taken under very difficult conditions. C. Richardson was a very able Chairman, and he, in common with all contributors, showed less signs of "nerves" than on former occasions.

### Girls' Games.

#### Tennis Tournament.

SENIORS—(Six Sets each).

White, Muriel ...	36 games	Drew, Dorothy ...	22 games
Hack, Martha ...	32 ,,	Atkins, Irene ...	17 ,,
Payne, Winifred 30	,,	Bradshaw, Winifred 16	,"
		Bailey, Margaret ...	10 games.

JUNIORS (Three Sets each).

Bamber, Olive ...	18 games	Walley, Ella ...	15 games
Baker, Louisa ...	16 ,,	Facer, Lucy ...	10 ,,

#### Hockey Matches—Michaelmas Term.

	Result—	For.	Against.
Barrow Grammar School	Tied ...	1 ...	1
Hinckley Grammar School (mixed)	Won ...	8 ...	2

There is nothing much to say about the Hockey during the Michaelmas Term, except to express regret that so few girls played. The First Eleven is not strong, for we have no efficient substitutes for Martha Hack and Muriel White, though some of the younger players are very promising. This Term we shall miss our exceedingly good forward, Mary MacVinish.

The mixed team which played against Hinckley was decidedly good, though our opponents were too weak to call for our best play.

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### Football Notes.

Matches.			GOALS FOR AGAINST	
Oct. 30—v. Ratcliffe College	2nd	...	Away	1 9
Nov. 9—v. Loughborough Intermediate			Away	6 1
," 13—v. Barrow G.S.	...	...	Home	3 5
," 16—v. Loughborough P.T. Centre			Home	8 3
," 27—v. Kibworth G.S.	...	...	Away	8 0
Dec. 4—v. Barrow G.S.	...	...	Away	5 7
," 7—v. Loughborough Intermediate			Home	10 1

Played, 7. Won 4, lost 3. Goals—for, 41; against, 26.

WE have lost more matches than usual during this part of the season, but very good football has been played. To be defeated twice by our friends from Barrow may be somewhat distasteful, but these were probably the most satisfactory matches. To see our boys fight manfully against wind and rain and a better eleven on a foreign ground did one good. These lost games have proved beyond doubt that our boys are sportsmen and know how to play a losing game. The match which caused most excitement was the one against the Loughborough Pupil Teachers. Our opponents were much bigger and heavier, but the boys were easily the leaders in a very clean and enjoyable game. Our visitors thoroughly enjoyed their beating, and appreciated the precise combination of our eleven.

The following were the most regular players :—

- F. BUNNEY.—He keeps a good goal, but is not safe against low shots. He has frequently had to struggle in a veritable swamp.
- L. PAYNE (Captain) has had a full share of "off-days," but has been a good Captain. He plays better back than forward.
- H. HICKLING *can* play, but sometimes forgets there are ten other players on his side. When playing full back, Henry, don't try to dribble the whole length of the field too often! It is sometimes fatal.
- H. MOORE.—A good little player, who has improved wonderfully since his first experience of a "real" match. He has learned how to tackle a big opponent.
- W. HAYES.—Makes a good centre-half when he is keen. At other times he is too fond of keeping the full backs company.
- W. PARKINSON.—Has played consistently well, though he has missed goals occasionally. He can play well at back as well as forward.
- W. PILGRIM.—A real worker, who frequently overtook a fast forward. We are sorry to lose such a keen and improving "half."
- C. RICHARDSON plays a good hard game when the ball goes his way. He has been forgotten by the halves very frequently.

- C. BACKHOUSE has wonderfully improved. He always was a clever individual player; but he has learned to centre quickly and well.
- W. WAINWRIGHT should aim at controlling his feet as well as he does his head. His head-work in front of goal is good. He had hard luck on many occasions.
- J. COTTON.—He has been the leader in many straight rushes for the goal. The last five minutes of one match were occupied by a series of dashes from the centre to the goal, and three were successful. Would that we had a few more "Cottons"!

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The above remarks only attempt just to touch points which may prove serviceable to our players. No pretence has been made to say the "good things"; for were we to do this our Magazine would have to be at least double its present size.

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### Hobbies Exhibition.

IT is hoped that an Exhibition will be held during the present term. Lack of space forbids us to give details now.

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### Rifle Shooting.

SHOOTING has been suspended during the Winter. We shall commence again in the Spring, and we hope to arrange a good list of matches for the Summer Term.

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**Calendar.**

*(Subject to alteration).*

JAN. 21 ... Lent Term begins.  
 MARCH 2 ... Half-Term Holiday.  
 APRIL 15 ... Lent Term ends.  
 „ 30 ... Trinity Term begins.  
 JUNE 8, 9, 10 Whitsun Holiday.  
 „ 24 ... Sports Day.  
 „ 30 ... College of Preceptors' Examination begins.  
 JULY 29 ... Trinity Term ends.  
 SEPT. 14 ... Michaelmas Term begins.  
 OCT. 21 ... Prize Distribution.  
 NOV. 9 ... Half-Term Holiday.  
 DEC. 22 ... Michaelmas Term ends.