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EDITORIAL.

MWO important events, the one of general interest and the other of interest to the School, have served to make the past term a noteworthy one in the history of the School. The first was the Coronation of King George V. An account of some of the celebrations in the town and the parts taken in them by some of our boys is included in this issue. The second event referred to is the holding of our first Sports Day, which, as expected, proved a great success. The suggestion that we should have a Sports Meeting this year was enthusiastically taken up by members of the different Houses. All the events, especially those which counted in the House Championship, were very keenly contested, though always in very good spirit. We owe our best thanks to Mr. Blackburn and Mr. Russell, to whose untiring efforts the success of the afternoon was due. We suggest that another time either the sports should commence a little earlier or else there should be a tea interval. Some of the visitors left before the conclusion and the remainder waited till nearly eight o'clock for tea.

Our cricket season has up to the present proved practically as successful as last. Some very good scores have been compiled, and only once has the batting broken down entirely. Until about a fortnight ago we had only lost one match. The batting, perhaps, has not been quite so consistent as it was last year, but the fielding has improved. We congratulate Matthews on his good form this season. The House matches have again produced some exciting games.

Unfortunately we shall be losing shortly some of our best cricketers and footballers, but we are glad to see that many of our juniors are taking an interest in games, so that we may have good Elevens next year.

We regret that so few essays were sent in for our "Prize Competition." Those of Clack and Miles are worthy of mention, but none were up to the standard of former competitions, and the prize will therefore not be awarded. We are glad to hear that Morse ii has obtained an Intermediate County Championship.

MEMORIES OF THE CORONATION.

BSERVING the ancient custom, the Poet Laureate wrote some verses on the Coronation of King George V. In the first verse he mentioned the word hail" about six times, and ended with the exhortation "All Hail!"—or words to that effect.

Now we know who is to blame for the delightful

weather experienced on Coronation Day!

The Eastbourne Corporation did all in its power to make the day a memorable one in the lives of the 7,000 boys and girls entrusted to its care, but nature evidently thought that a good drenching and a tramp home in the rain ought to have been substituted for "sports," and the Corporation were unable to prevent this change being carried out to the very letter.

In years to come we shall recall with interest and pleasure the happenings of that eventful Coronation Day. This is what it will be like: Garrard will say to

Lake, as they talk it over:

I say Lake, old chap, d'you remember Coronation

Day?"
"I should think I do Garrard, my boy. I can feel need now! Yes, there it the water trickling down my neck now! Yes, there it

goes."

"Funny thing, I've the same feeling myself. It all comes back to me as a stream-er, a dream, I should have said." Ah! and my horse! D'you remember him Lake? I was an Australian stockman, y' know. they look at me-eh, old boy? Ha! That reminds me of Knowles. My horse shied at his face, which was daubed over with yellow paint. The poor old horse went colour blind, he could hardly tell straw from grass!"

Ha, yes! And d'you remember how I sat on that bag of oats to prevent your horse eating them, sheared imaginary sheep, and helped to keep our old kangaroo from running away at the same time. Hard work that was I can tell you.

While I was looking at the oats once, I fancied the kangaroo moved his left ear. Just as I turned to obtain a better view I imagined I felt your horse was getting a good hold in the calf of one of my legs. Mistook it for oats, I suppose."

"He was colour blind, my dear Lake. Knowles was to blame for that, or rather his yellow paint was."

"Just so. We won't go into that any further though. My right leg starts itching every time you allude to it." Let's talk about something else—old Read for instance. He was St. George in the act of killing the dragon. There was one redeeming feature about him, he was minus all face paint. Ha! Ha! I can't help laughing at the togs he wore. He had a Roman helmet, 15th century armour, a red blanket, a Crusader's cross, and a wooden sword dipped in red ink.

"Ha! You're right. Lake, old chap, d'you remember they sang 'God save the King' in Devonshire Place?"

"Go on! Who did?"

"H'm! That's what I want to know!"

"Oh, and that tea Garrard, old man! Ugh!"

"That what?"

"That tea-t-e-a-tea."

"Oh, yes! And those buns, Lake. They had to put them in bags to prevent the currants falling out. There wern't many to fall out, but it's best to be on the right side in cases like that you see. Then no one can complain. I tell you what, Lake; it's my firm belief that the quality of cake increases with its age. It's the case with wines, anyhow. I was just thinking how well this would look on a menu card:—Gateau de Genoa (excuse French) 1811 bake; gateau sultana, 1835 bake, etcetera, etcetera."

"Yes. It's a ripping idea of yours, but you're wandering from the subject under discussion. I think it was the buns supplied at the Coronation Tea, wasn't it?"

"Yes, it was, but I think we've said enough about them, don't you. Lake?"

"Rather! The taste of those buns shrinks into insignificance when compared with the memory of that drenching rain that came on just at bedtime. Ah! it did rain, did'nt it, eh?"

"Yes, and to make matters worse, the band played

Swanee River when it started."

"They blew the rain all over us, and the pathetic notes of that old song reminded me of home so much that I cried, the hot tears streaming down my cheeks and making lines in my face paint. When I was asked whether I had been crying I replied that the rain was the cause of it all. So it was, too, Lake my boy."

And with that Garrard and Lake sink back into their chairs buried deep in thought, but jump up simul-

taneously.

"I declare I felt your horse's teeth in my leg!" cries

Lake.

"And I could have sworn the rain had reached the small of my back!" roars Garrard.

The sayings of Garrard and Lake must not be taken to represent the literal truth. They do not! I take this opportunity, however, of thanking them for allowing me to use their names for purposes of illustration.

I. L. READ.

SEASONABLE HINTS.

How to keep hot.

How to keep nicely grilled.

Keep thinking.

Keep imagining that you are on your back, beneath a shady palm, sucking delicious lime juice, and dreaming of—and then

Keep reflecting that next lesson may be "De Via

Latina,"

Keep imagining what father would say if you obtained first place in your form, and then

Keep reflecting on what papa said when you were

No. X. in the class.

Keep wondering how many hours "knowledge" must "swat" per night.

Keep thinking, and so

Keep hot.

Keep imagining the "Victor Ludorum" coming to school with his walking-stick,

Keep imagining Garlic's look of envy.

Keen reflecting on the "Victor's" umpiring.

Keep in mind that "he wasn't there."

Keep picturing to yourself a certain "Marcus" doing the 100 yards in 11 1-5th secs.

Keep thinking of Ollett coming ten minutes early.

Keep asking silly questions every other minute like G—r—d.

Keep thinking, and so

Keep hot.

Keep wondering what your average is.

Keep working it out to six places of decimals in the scales of 7, 8, & 9, &c.

Keep wondering how many runs you will make in the next match.

Keep hoping for 50.

Keep thinking of Waddington, and-

Keep fearing a "duck."

Keep thinking of Pussy hitting a six.

Keep imagining you're in with Mr. Kingham, and 20 runs to make.

Keep thinking, and so

Keep hot.

Keep thinking of certain Old Boys and

Keep wondering how many we shall see on July 26 or at the Christmas Concert.

Keep wondering if Jolly will "reach that top note" again next term.

Keep wondering when we shall have an opportunity of seeing Freddie.

Keep reflecting that he has given us some chants (chance).

Keep making rotten puns and you will

Keep hot.

Keep looking at the thermometer, but if you want to

Keep cool

Keep remembering that you'll be all right if you

Keep your heads.

Keep in mind the eight weeks to come. Keep away from all thirst relievers, but

Keep in mind that Dickie leaves this term, and you will

Keep cool.

DICKIE.

SPORTS DAY.

[By C. E. RUSSELL.]

THE performances at the First Annual School Sports were quite up to the standard as shown by other schools of the same class. The 100 yards and the long jump were exceptional, and should stand as records for a year or so.

On the whole one and all will, I think, agree with me when I say that the sports were a decided success in every way. Now that they are on a sound basis it is only natural to wish the School every success in the future, and I hope that every boy will make it his duty to carry this out. Results:

House Championship Events.

100 Yards.—1, Waymark, Town House; 2, Bradford; 3, Ade. Time, 11 1-5th secs.

440 Yards.—1, Bradford, Town House; 2, Youl; 3,

Lake. Time, 61 1-5th secs.

High Jump.—1, Oliver, School House; 2, Ade; 3, Waymark. Winner, 4-ft. 6-in.

Long Jump.—1, Waymark, Town House; 2, Youl; 3,

Garrard. Winner, 16-ft. 11-in.

Tug of War.—Semi-final: Town beat Sussex, 2 pulls

to 0; final, School beat Town, 2 pulls to 0.

Relay Race.—1, Town House (Bradford, Youl, and Waymark); 2, School House (Pocock, Ade, and Newman).

Total Points.—1, Town, 5 points; 2, School, 3 points; 3, Sussex, 0 points.

SENIOR EVENTS.

220 Yards Handicap.—1, Pocock, 15-yds.; 2, Youl, 10-yds.; 3, Waymark, scratch. Time, 25 3-5th secs.

Half-Mile Handicap.—1, Lake, 30-yds.; 2, Newman,

scratch; 3, Martin, 15-yds. Time, 2 mins. 23 secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—1, Matthews; 2, Waymark; 3, Ade. Winner, 78 yards.

JUNIOR EVENTS.

220 Yards Handicap.—1, Pascoe, scratch; 2, Collins, 20-yds.; 3, Bondolfi, 25-yds. Time, 29 secs.

440 Yards Handicap.—1, Pascoe, scratch; 2, Newman ii., 20-yds.; 3, Medhurst, scratch. Time, 65 secs.

Throwing Cricket Ball.—1, Pascoe; 2, Medhurst; 3, Bondolfi. Winner, 79 yards.

OPEN EVENTS.

Obstacle Race.—1, Garrard; 2, Read; 3, Marley. Bicycle Race.—1, Lake ii.; 2, Easton; 3, Oliver.

"VICTOR LUDORUM" SHIELD: 1, Waymark, 10 points; 2, Youl, 6 points; 3, Bradford, 5 points.

COMMENTS.

100 Yards Scratch.—Waymark was the smartest off the mark, and led throughout to win in the splendid time of 11 1-5th secs.

220 Yards Handicap.—After winning his last heat Pocock showed greater pace than before and won the final in grand style from Youl and Waymark.

440 Yards Scratch.—In this race, after cutting out his own pace, Bradford won somewhat easily in 61 1-5th secs.

Half-Mile Handicap.—The winner of this event, although on the limit mark, won a most plucky race from his bigger opponents, Newman from scratch failing to overhaul him. This was quite the most exciting contest of the afternoon.

High Jump.—Oliver won this event with the greatest of ease, his jumping being far and away superior to that of the other contestants.

Long Jump.—Taking into consideration that none of the boys had any practice for this event, Waymark's leap of 16-ft. 11-in. was by far the best performance of the afternoon. This, together with his 100 yards, will require a lot of beating, unless, of course, he eclipses them himself next year.

Of the juniors, Pascoe proved to be a triton among the minnows, and was the only individual to secure triple honours. His throwing of the cricket ball was even better than that of Matthews, who won the senior event. In the junior handicaps he won with the greatest of ease from scratch. Next year we hope to see him do as well as a senior, although his task will indeed be greater.

Obstacle Race.—In the final Garrard won by a substantial margin, his quickness through the sacks winning him the race.

Slow Bicycle Race.—This event took longer than was expected, as the entry was large and the track small, necessitating four heats. It was an excellent fight in the final between Lake ii. and Easton, the former being the last to cross the line.

Tug-of-War.—The final was a tough one. In the earlier stages the Town had the advantage, but the stamina of the School soon began to tell, and after the longest pull of the contest the School turned out victors.

Relay Race.—The Town certainly had their revenge in this event, and won easily from the School. Sussex

were unable to turn out a team.

OLD BOYS' NOTES.

WE were delighted to see so many Old Boys at our Sports meeting on July 13th. The success of the meeting was largely due to the splendid assistance given by two Old Boys—Russell and D. Lodder, in arranging

the programme and marking out the track.

We congratulate R. V. Bristow upon gaining an exhibition, value £50 per annum, for three years at Selwyn College, Cambridge, Bristow was always most thorough and hardworking, both in the class-room and on the sports field; and we are delighted to find he has followed up his brilliant success in Cambridge Senior "Local" by earning a University Scholarship.

H. H. Williams has been appointed to a post in the Borough Accountant's office—vacated by Cain, another Old Boy. Quite a number of Municipal School boys are now engaged in the various departments in the Town

Hall, and are doing excellent work there.

At the London Inter-College Sports this year C. E. Russell won the quarter-mile in 52\frac{2}{3}\secs., lowering the previous record for this meeting by 1\frac{3}{5}\secs. We look forward to even better performances by Russell in the near future.

Congratulations to Brewer on the excellent cricket season he has experienced. It is a great honour for so young a player to be chosen to represent the Eastbourne League. We hope that Brewer will practice assiduously and develop that talent for sound batting which he certainly possesses.

The Past v. Present cricket match will take place at Hampden Park on July 29th. A strong team has been got together and we are anticipating as pleasant a game as

in previous years.

CRICKET.

Played, 12; won, 6; lost, 3; drawn, 3.

JTHE above figures testify that this has been the most successful season in the history of the School. In spite of the loss of such batsmen as Terry, Brewer, and Pascoe, we have more than held our own against our older and more experienced opponents.

The batting has not been so strong as last year. As the averages show, only three boys are likely to total 100 runs in the season, whereas five did so last year. Garrard, Ade, and Bradford have not done so well as one expected, whilst the form of Martin, Oliver, and Pascoe at the nets has not been borne out in matches. The absence of Mr. Jenner from so many matches—owing to Territorial duties—is regrettable.

The bowling has been stronger than in past years, and although it has been "collared" on one or two occasions—by the Police and at Hailsham—we have usually managed to dismiss our opponents for a small total. Except on one or two occasions Mr. Kingham has bowled with all his old accuracy and speed, his best figures being 5 for 15 v. College II., 5 for 13 v. Hellingly, and 7 for 15 v. College II. (second match). Mr. Blackburn's best performance was at Hellingly (8 wickets for 14). Matthews and Bradford have bowled exceedingly well in School games, and the former has almost invariably been successful when given a trial. His best performance was, undoubtedly, taking 5 for 48 v. Police, though his figures for School games (viz., 6 for 22 v. Hastings Grammar School and 5 for 10 v. Brighton Secondary School) are more flattering. Bradford's best figures are 6 for 27 v. Gas Co.

The chief cause of success this season has been the excellent fielding. We do not remember a season when the ground work has been so smart and clean or the catching so sure. Youl, Ade, and Oliver have excelled in catching, whilst Garrard has kept wicket splendidly. Our victory in the second game at Hellingly is attributable to excellent fielding, three of our opponents being run out, combined with Mr. Kingham's steady bowling. In a season which has been entirely satisfactory the most pleasing feature has been the keenness and enthusiasm of the whole team in the field.

The outstanding feature of the season has been the excellent all-round form of Matthews. Matthews has been in the team for several seasons, but this year he has learnt the necessity of restraint at the commencement of an innings, with the result that he bids fair to exceed the highest total of runs obtained previously by any boy in the school, as well as to win the bat for best average. The season's success has been an excellent finish to Matthews' school career, and we heartily wish him success at Cheltenham College.

The Second XI. has played and won several matches, the most promising form being shewn by Bennett, Hastings, and Edmonds. We shall look to these boys developing next season, so as to fill the places in the first team left vacant by Matthews, Ade, and Bradford.

AVERAGES.

BATTING.

NAME.	Name. No. of Innings.		Times			Total Score.	Highest in the Innings.			Associate
Matthews, R. C		12	***	1		188	LIII	31	ıgs.	Average. 17'1
Garrard, W. J.	C.	10	***	2		78		28		9.8
Blackburn Mr.		8		1	***	67		26		9.6
Ade, P. W.		12		1		91	***	33		8.3
Oliver, J		9		1	***	51		16		6.2
Martin, J		12		0		64		22		5.3
Kingham, Mr.		6		2		21		13		5.3
Youl, A		9		2		32		10		4.6
Jenner, Mr.		4	• • •	1		11	4	4		3.7
Pascoe, L.		10		1		29		8	***	3.2
Read, S		10		1	"	28	***	9		3.1
Bradford, T. R.		11		1	•••	31		9		3.1

BOWLING.

	Overs.		Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.	Average.
Bradford, T. R.	62		19	 129	 19	 6.8
Matthews, R. C.	86		16	 236	 34	 6.9
Kingham, Mr			13	 178	 23	 7.7
Blackburn, Mr.	73		11	 232	 22	 10.2
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HOUSE NOTES.

THE House Shield has once more been won by School, after an excellent struggle with Town. The former have to thank Sussex for twice defeating Town at cricket and thus sealing the fate of any aspirations the Townsmen had to the Championship. Town made an excellent start during the Christmas term, establishing a strong lead by their superiority at football and swimming, but the loss of

Brewer and Moran at Christmas was very serious. School was overpoweringly strong at cricket, and though Town gained the most points at the sports it was impossible for them to regain the lead they had lost. As in former years Sussex made a good fight during the cricket season but were weak at football. If only they can get together a good football XI they ought to be first favourites for the next year.

SCHOOL HOUSE.

After a most successful cricket season the School House retains the shield for another year. Both the senior and junior teams have unbeaten records this term. Owing to the sports practices our seniors have at present played only two out of the four matches. These they won easily, defeating Town House by 146 for 9 to 71 and Sussex by 141 for 6 to 39. Ade, Matthews, Garrard, Martin, Winterbottom, and Lake have all made valuable scores, and Matthews and Martin have been most successful with the ball.

The juniors have completed their fixtures. The first match with Town House proved the easiest victory, our juniors scoring 139 for 5. Boult and Pocock dismissed our opponents for 17. The other three matches were fairly evenly contested. Winterbottom, Boult, Pocock, and Lake i. have all made some good scores.

In the sports Oliver easily won the high jump, and in the tug-of-war our team, consisting of Matthews, Oliver, Ade, Winterbottom, Garrard, and Newman, after a prolonged struggle at the second pull, defeated Town by 2—0. Compared with the Town House boys we were rather weak in the sprints, but we held our own in the longer distances.

We congratulate Waymark on winning the "Victor Ludorum" Shield.

A. D. LAKE.

TOWN HOUSE.

The Town House have had this term their most unfortunate cricket season. In not a single senior match have we been the winners, though on two occasions victory has been snatched out of our grasp by Sussex House by a very narrow margin indeed. The result of the first match against Sussex was a win for the latter by four runs, and at the second meeting our opponents were again victorious, but this time they had increased their lead by two runs. It is against School House that Town House has suffered the heaviest defeat in the senior games. Batting first, our opponents declared after having compiled a total of 142 for 9 wickets. We could only reply with little more than half their total. Although one more match with School House remains to be played, the result of the first was convincing enough to dispel any but a faint hope of beating them when we play them again; but we live in hope, and mean to give them as hard a fight as we can. Captained by Youl, our senior team has usually been composed of: Bradford, Youl, Read i., Peerless, Waymark, Brewer, Hamblyn, Knowles, Aldridge,

Edmonds, and Miles.

The record of our junior team is little better than that of the seniors. Against School House we fared more disastrously than the seniors had done, being dismissed for the very poor total of 17, whereas School Juniors responded with 139 for 5. However, we are inclined to believe that this result did not represent the true relative merit of the teams, for when they met for a second encounter Town Juniors were only beaten by 5 runs. Our score of 56 was mainly due to Peerless, who compiled the praiseworthy total of 32. Yet our juniors have one victory to their credit. This was gained against Sussex, when our opponents obtained 48 runs to our 63. In the next match against Sussex, however, our juniors could not maintain their supremacy, and they were defeated by 65 runs. The following usually composed the junior team: Read i., Brewer, Peerless (captain), Knowles, Hamblyn, Aldridge, Miles, Edmonds, Medhurst, Marlay, Waymark.

W. WAYMARK.

SUSSEX HOUSE NOTES (SENIOR).

Will the reader kindly open this year's Easter edition of our School Magazine to its last page and read the last sentence on that page? Perhaps he does not happen to have the book by him and so I will tell him to what sentence I refer. It is: "But wait until the cricket season!" This injunction concludes the Sussex House football notes for last Easter, a term in which we had, as usual, been rather unsuccessful. The Sussex House has always depended on cricket for revenge for defeats at foot-

ball; nor had we been disappointed prior to the time that this optimistic challenge was written. However, when it became known that Pascoe i. was leaving before the advent of 1911 cricket season, things did not look particularly bright for us; in fact we felt rather sorry, for once, that we had been so audacious. A few members of the other Houses also remembered the exhortation to "wait," and when we lost our first senior match, viz., that against the School House, they were rather inclined to laugh at us.

However, the unexpected has happened, and the two other senior matches—the fourth match has yet to be decided-have resulted in victories for us. Both these matches were against Town House, who knocked up 37 runs in reply to 43 in the first game, and 44 as against 48 in the second. It will be noticed that neither of these The fact that our seniors have games was one-sided. done better than our juniors is rather curious, as we have an exceptionally strong junior team, but a comparatively weak senior team. The only senior batsman who has accomplished a great feat is Mansfield, who in our last match against the Town House went in first and carried out his bat for 29 runs. The bowling honours have been shared by Knight, Hastings, and Pascoe. It cannot be said that anyone distinguished himself in fielding, which is, perhaps, our weakest point. We might have fared even better had the fielding been sound.

It is rather a pity that the first eleven boys should be so unevenly divided between the houses. The School House possesses seven boys who have played for the eleven on some occasion and the Town four, while we only have two. Under these circumstances we can hardly be expected to hold our own, especially against School House. It is to be hoped that before long a redistribution of players may take place. I am sure that this would not only give each house an equal chance of obtaining the shield, but would impart much more vigour and enthusiasm into the games. When boys go on the field believing they have no chance, they will not put half so much into the

game as if they were playing to win.

L. PASCOE.

SUSSEX HOUSE (Juniors).

The Junior Team has not experienced such a successful cricket season as last year. Of the three matches which have been played up to the present, we

have suffered defeat twice, but won the remaining games fairly easily. The reverses with which we have met, however, were by no means severe ones, and had our batting been more consistent, we should in all probability have turned the tables on our opponents in both cases.

The first match, against the Town, was lost by a margin of 15 runs, the scores being 48—63. Morse ii. batted very well for 21, but otherwise the team failed to do itself justice, at any rate in batting. The second match, against the School, was also lost, our team compiling 40 to our opponents' 62. In this game the Sussex batsmen collapsed in a surprising fashion, no fewer than seven of the eleven failing to score. The third game resulted in a fairly easy win over the Town, who had defeated us earlier in the season. After disposing of the Town, who were two short, for 28, we knocked up 93, passing their total with only three wickets down.

The batting of the side, though not consistent, has been fairly good all round. Morse ii., Mansfield, Hastings, Huddart, and Parish, have each made one or two good scores. The brunt of the bowling has been borne by Hastings, Knight, and Bennett, and on the whole, has been extremely good. Mansfield, at coverpoint, has proved himself one of the smartest fielders we have ever had in the House.

Parish has been elected Junior captain for the present term.

J. T. PARISH.