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## EDITORIAL.

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We, as a School community, share the national problem of re-construction. During the last four years many of our School activities were thrust into the background by the exigencies of war. The present issue of the School Magazine marks another advance in the resumption of our normal school life.

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It is impossible to record all the events of the long period since last we saw publication. With the exception of Mr. Swallow, whose loss we shall always deeply regret, all the Masters are back with us again. We are also glad to see Miss House again with us, and to welcome back Miss Barham. We hope to see Miss Aldridge and Miss Chaney soon restored to health.

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We are not the first wave in the tide of re-construction. Already the Old Boys' Association has re-started with gratifying enthusiasm. We welcome this re-forging of the link between Past and Present. The last year also saw the inauguration of the "Parents and Staff Association."

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The School Memorial to the Master and Old Boys who fell in the War was unveiled on April 29th. We are proud of the beautiful Memorial; we are even more proud of those whose names appear on it.

## THE SCHOOL WAR MEMORIAL.

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At an impressive service on 29th April the Memorial was unveiled in the presence of the School and of those parents who had lost their sons.

The following names appear on the Roll of Honour :—

Ainsley, Leonard C. ...	... 4th Batt. London Regiment.
Allan, James K. ...	... 7th Batt. London Regiment.
Archibald, J. Duncan ...	... 10th Batt. Essex Regiment.
Baker, Clifford E. ...	... Queen's Westminster Rifles.
Bartle, George ...	... 9th Batt. Royal Welsh Fusiliers.
Bidgood, Frank ...	... Queen's Westminster Rifles.
Bolton, Wallace ...	... Queen's Westminster Rifles.
Boswood, Leslie J. ...	... Royal Air Force.
Burden, Cyril A. ...	... 4th Batt. Middlesex Regiment.
Burgess, J. Reginald H. ...	... 9th Batt. Royal Scots (Highlanders).
Campbell, J. Colin ...	... 5th Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers.
Carrott, Albert G. ...	... 3rd Batt. King's Own Royal Lancs. Regiment.
Clark, William A. ...	... East Surrey Regiment.
Cole, Charles H. ...	... London Rifle Brigade
Cole, Leonard W. ...	... 1st Batt. Suffolk Regiment.
Cooper, Sidney T. ...	... Royal Horse Guards.
Day, Norman L. ...	... 14th Batt. The King's (Liverpool Regiment).
Duckworth, Cecil ...	... 11th Batt. London Regiment.
Dutch, Walter S. ...	... London Scottish.
Finlayson, Bernard S. ...	... 4th Batt. Seaforth Highlanders.
Finlayson, Denis D. ...	... Royal Engineers.
Fraser, Horace D. ...	... Queen's Westminster Rifles.
Green, Walter J. ...	... 26th Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
Gribbell, S. Reginald G. ...	... London Rifle Brigade.
Guy, Percy J. ...	... London Scottish.
Hambling, Kenneth B. ...	... 4th Batt. Norfolk Regiment.
Heard, Reginald C. ...	... Queen's Westminster Rifles.
Heyl, Tobie J. M. ...	... 6th Batt. London Regiment.
Higgins, Leonard ...	... London Rifle Brigade.
Holliday, A. Rowland ...	... London Rifle Brigade.
Johnson, Eric R. ...	... 2nd Batt. Honourable Artillery Company.
Kerry, Harry E. A. ...	... London Rifle Brigade.

Knight, Geoffrey	...	...	2nd Batt. The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regt.)
Latham, James	...	...	10th Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
Laycock, William	...	...	15th Batt. London Regiment.
Leaver, Stanley H.	...	...	Artists Rifles.
Lowe, W. Eric	...	...	Machine Gun Corps.
Marshall, Archibald J.	...	...	5th Batt. Loyal North Lancs. Regiment.
Mowbray, Leslie C.	...	...	10th Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
Pearce, Bernard S.	...	...	22nd Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
Smith, Victor W.	...	...	Army Service Corps.
Smith, Wilfrid G.	...	...	2nd Batt. Royal Fusiliers.
Souster, Albert E.	...	...	Machine Gun Corps.
Swallow, John R.	(B.A. Cantab.)	...	1st Batt. The King's (Liverpool Regiment).
Thomas, Donald J.	...	...	7th Batt. Middlesex Regiment.
Townsend, Alfred G. C.	...	...	20th Batt. London Regiment.
Trenchard, Jack	...	...	2nd Batt. London Regiment.
Wadsworth, Norman A.	...	...	7th Batt. The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regt.).
Wale, Alan E.	...	...	Royal Air Force.
Wall, Oliver C.	...	...	12th Batt. Tank Corps.
Wilson, Rowland	...	...	London Scottish.
Wood, Norman C.	...	...	11th Hussars.

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### SCHOOL SUCCESSES

The following successes have been gained in London University Examinations since our last issue:—

1917.—Eighteen Senior School Certificates were gained, all qualifying for Matriculation. No failures. Inter. B.A. : Ina Girdwood, Isobel McIntosh, Marion Whatley. Inter. B.Sc. : E. R. Colliger, R. Eldridge, A. Herber, F. King.

1918.—Thirty-four entries were made for the General School Examination. Twenty-nine Certificates were obtained, of which twenty-four qualified for Matriculation. Inter. B.Sc. : V. E. S. Tyler.

1919.—Thirty-seven entered for the General School Examination. Thirty-six gained Certificates, of which twenty-eight qualified for Matriculation. Inter. B. Sc. : E. S. Buckley, Jessie Butterworth, B. D. Edwards.

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### THE SCHOOL LIBRARIES,

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Many additions have been made to the Libraries during the year. Among these we have to acknowledge the gift of 26/- in the form of War Savings Stamps given to us by the Local Committee for the Peace Day Celebrations, and also six books from Margery Hill, which she presented on leaving School last July.

Owing to the increased numbers in the School, and the fact that the price of books in the Everyman Edition is nearly three times the original cost, the difficulty of supplying enough books to satisfy our readers is constantly growing. We, therefore, make an urgent appeal to our members, especially to those leaving School, to help us as much as they can by giving a donation or by presenting books, suitable for School reading, which are in good condition and are no longer wanted by their owners.

Our best thanks are due to those girls who have given much time and energy to their work as Librarians, especially to Alice Thompson and Kathleen Rice, who, during Miss Aldridge's absence, have managed the Senior Library themselves.

We most gratefully acknowledge a gift of a number of books from Mr. Hanman, which we hope will form the nucleus of an Historical Library.

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### SPORTS.

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The Annual Athletic Sports were held on June 5th, with the results given below. Only one new record was made, R. L. Stevens exceeding the record high jump of 1918 by three inches.

At the conclusion of the Sports the prizes were presented by Mrs. William Aikman.

## EVENTS.

- Inter-House Cross Country Run*, 4 miles (decided March 31st).—1, Pike; 2, Stubbs; 3, Whitaker. Winning House, Reds.
- Long Jump* (under 15).—1, E. Hutchinson (Reds); 2, E. Parker (Reds); 3, S. Dawton (Blues). Distance, 13ft. 8½in.
- Throwing the Cricket Ball*.—1, B. Pocock (Blacks); 2, B. Gardner (Blues); 3, S. Watson (Reds). Distance, 70yds. 2½in.
- Long Jump* (Girls).—Under 13: 1, D. Wickham; 2, E. McLean; 3, N. Williamson. Distance, 12ft. 2in. Under 15: 1, E. Le Plastrier; 2, E. Angel; 3, D. Jennings and P. Wyllie. Distance, 13ft. 4in. Over 15: 1, D. Howes; 2, N. White; 3, G. Stone. Distance, 14ft. 3in.
- Netball Shooting* (Girls).—Under 13: 1, P. Short; 2, D. Bradford; 3, O. Pike and V. Jones. Under 15: 1, J. Gunn; 2, H. Peckett; 3, M. Broom. Over 15: 1, G. Stone; 2, W. Lofting; 3, M. Booth.
- 100 Yards* (Girls).—Under 13: 1, S. Lauder; 2, P. Wyllie; 3, D. Ellinger. Under 15: 1, E. Le Plastrier; 2, P. Matthews; 3, M. Gorringer. Over 15: 1, M. Booth; 2, M. James; 3, M. Whyte and N. White.
- High Jump* (Girls).—Under 13: 1, V. Jones and V. Cannon; 3, N. Loach. Height, 3ft. 5in. Under 15: 1, M. Gorringer and P. Town; 3, E. Le Plastrier. Height, 3ft. 8in. Over 15: 1, W. Lofting; 2, M. Booth; 3, M. Whyte. Height, 4ft.
- Long Jump* (open).—1, Bigg; 2, Stevens; 3, Ferguson. Distance, 16ft. 6in.
- High Jump* (under 15).—1, Tyrrell; 2, Sansom; 3, Dawton and Hutchinson. Height, 4ft.
- Inter-House Team Race* (Girls).—Winning House, Greens.
- 220 Yards Handicap* (open).—1, Whitaker; 2, Pocock; 3, Hayward.
- 100 Yards* (under 13).—1, Warren; 2, Muers; 3, Kirk.
- Potato Race* (Girls).—Under 13: 1, A. Hawksworth; 2, D. Ellinger; 3, V. Jones. Under 15: 1, E. Le Plastrier; 2, P. Matthew; 3, F. Hayward. Over 15: 1, I. Eades; 2, M. James; 3, W. Lofting.
- Half-mile* (open).—1, Wyllie; 2, Ridley; 3, Stubbs. Time, 2 min. 29 2-5 sec.
- Inter-House Team Race* (Boys).—1, Blacks; 2, Whites; 3, Reds.

*Balance Race (Girls).*—Under 13: 1, V. Jones; 2, H. Richards; 3, M. Harrison.  
Under 15: 1, E. Le Plastrier and E. Atkins; 3, E. Avey. Over 15: 1, G. Stone; 2, G. Humphrey; 3, D. Cove and D. Makins.

*Tug-of-War.*—1, Whites; 2, Reds.

*100 Yards Handicap (open).*—1, Ferguson; 2, Pocock; 3, Whitaker.

*Quarter-mile (open).*—1, Whitaker; 2, Wyllie; 3, Stubbs.

*Netball Team Race (Girls).*—Winning Form, VIth Form.

*Obstacle Race (Girls).*—Under 13: 1, M. McKie; 2, M. Hutchinson; 3, G. Holland. Under 15: 1, D. Elston; 2, J. Gunn; 3, J. Neate. Over 15: 1, W. Lofting; 2, G. Humphrey; 3, C. Forbes.

*100 Yards (under 15).*—1, Styles; 2, Wass; 3, Watts. Time, 13 1-5th sec.

*Old Girls' Race (100 yards).*—1, Eileen Day.

*100 Yards Open (Girls).*—1, Marjorie Booth.

*Old Boys' Half-mile (open).*—1, Ward; 2, Collis; 3, Davey. Time, 2 min. 23 3-5th secs.

*100 Yards (open).*—1, Ferguson; 2, Whitaker; 3, Bigg. Time, 11 2-5th secs.

*High Jump (open).*—1, Stevens; 2, Bigg; 3, Keeble. Height, 5ft.

*Hurdles (open).*—1, Bigg; 2, Ferguson; 3, Ridley.

#### PRIZE LIST.

*The "Eddie Newman" Challenge Cup* to the House (Boys) gaining the greatest number of points in the Cross Country Run. Won by Reds.

*The "Vivian" Challenge Cup* to the House (Boys) gaining the greatest number of points. Won by Blacks.

*The Challenge Shield* to the House (Girls) gaining the greatest number of points. Won by Greens.

*The "Old Boys'" Challenge Cup* to the winner of the Quarter-mile open. Won by G. Whitaker.

*The "Geere" Challenge Cup* to the winner of the Half-mile open. Won by Wyllie.

*The "Marjorie Kinson" Challenge Cup* to the winner of the Flat Race (Girls). Won by Marjorie Booth.

The "Broomfield" Challenge Cup to the winner of the Old Boys' Half-mile open.  
Won by Ward.

The "Hurdles" Challenge Cup to the winner of the Hurdles. Won by P. Bigg.

The "Finlayson" Challenge Cup to the winner of the Boys' Team Race. Won by Blacks.

The "Norman Leslie Day" Challenge Cup to the winner of the 100 Yards open.  
Won by Ferguson.

The "Victor Ludorum" Cup to the boy gaining the greatest number of points in the open events. Won by P. Bigg.

The "Junior" Cup to the boy (under 15) gaining the greatest number of points.  
Won by Hutchinson.

Special Prizes to the Girls gaining the greatest number of points. V. Jones, W. Lofting, E. Le Plastrier.

A Picture (given by the Mistresses) to the House (Girls) winning the Team Race.  
Won by Greens.

A Prize to the winner of the Old Girls' Race. Won by E. Day.

A Picture given by the Girls to the Form winning the Netball Team Race. Won by VIth Form.

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### FOOTBALL, 1919—20.

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The general standard of play greatly improved during the course of the past season, the understanding between the players being really sound at the end of the season. Some excellent football was produced by the Inter-House matches, and the results in points were very close.

Generally speaking, the forwards of both the 1st and 2nd Elevens lacked the ability to convert their opportunities in front of their opponents' goal.

*Whayman, H. W.*—A hard-working Captain and one of the best forwards the School has produced.

*Bigg, P.*—Able supported his Captain; played a sound game as centre-half.



*Wyllie, G. L.*—Began the season by keeping goal, but developed into a good inside-right.

*Pike, S. O.*—A sound hard-working half-back.

*Stevens, R.*—A player with the ability to make an excellent full-back.

*Brown, N.*—A full-back who tackles well but must improve his kicking.

*Ferguson, D. J.*—One of the outstanding players of the 1st Eleven; his thirst for hard work often leads him to desert his position as outside-left.

*Watson, S.*—An inside-left whose understanding with his wing and centre improved.

*Burdge, R. H.*—A steady half-back who plays a hard game.

*Payne, F. V.*—A fast outside-right who centres well.

*Atkinson, J. W.*—An inside-right who has continued to improve in form, but lacks shooting ability.

*Huckstepp, F. S.*—A sound goal-keeper.

*Wiggins, A.*—Made a good Captain of the 2nd Eleven.

#### RESULTS OF SCHOOL MATCHES.

1st XI.—Played 18, won 5, lost 12, drew 1. Goals 34—69.

2nd XI.—Played 16, won 8, lost, 6, drew 2. Goals 44—24.

#### RESULTS OF HOUSE MATCHES.

(1) Whites, 5 points; (2) Blacks, 3 points; (3) Blues and Reds (equal), 2 points.

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#### HOCKEY.

In spite of some handicaps, Hockey was played enthusiastically during the winter 1919—1920. All twelve House matches were played, and aroused much interest and excitement. The Whites were the leading House, the Blues and Reds tied for the second place.

Of the nine matches played against other Schools by the 1st Eleven, seven were lost and two won.

The 2nd Eleven won three, lost three, and drew one. This looks more promising for next year.

*Captains.*—1st XI. : Jessie Butterworth.

2nd XI. : Winifred Holding.

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### NETBALL.

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The Netball season suffered from the weather as well as from illness among the teams. We must thank Miss Ghys for her kind support in helping us to carry on.

A new feature was introduced in a match, Sixth v. School, which resulted in a win for the latter by one goal.

In matches against other Schools, the First Team won two and lost five; the Second Team won five and lost two.

The Greens are the leading House, followed by Reds, Whites and Blues.

WINIFRED LOFTING, *Captain.*

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### TENNIS.

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The Teams for this year are as follows:—

*First Couple* : Winifred Lofting, Gertrude Stone.

*Second Couple* : Jessie Butterworth, Irene Eades.

*Third Couple* : Winifred Coulden, Marjorie Booth.

The team needed little alteration from that of last year, and we are hoping for a more successful season. So far we have won two matches (against Hornsey

County School and Latymer School, Edmonton), and lost one (against Finchley County School).

JESSIE BUTTERWORTH, *Captain*.

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### SWIMMING.

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The Inter-School Championship was decided at the Wood Green Baths, on October 20th, 1919. Our Boys' team won the Southgate Schools' Challenge Shield, the competing members being :—E. Honey, J. Brunton, J. Platt, P. Woodman, F. Parker, H. Day.

The Bath Attendant at the Barrowell Green Baths has been engaged to give lessons in swimming to all beginners. These lessons are given to Girls on Mondays and to Boys on Tuesdays. It is hoped that a regular attendance will be maintained throughout the summer months, that we may win the Challenge Shields this year. Our thanks are due to Miss Burr and to Mr. Cleverly for the interest which they are taking in the Swimming.

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### THE PARENTS AND STAFF ASSOCIATION.

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The newly-formed Parents and Staff Association held its first meeting on December 4th, 1919. The meeting consisted of an informal conference between the Parents and Staff, with musical items interspersed.

On February 11th a very successful Whist Drive took place, about 140 members taking part.

The meeting on March 9th was in the form of a debate, opened by a paper on "Homework," read by the Headmaster. An interesting discussion ensued.

Thanks are due to those who provided the musical entertainment on December 4th and March 9th.

The refreshments, in the hands of Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Maidens and Mrs. Coulden, gave every satisfaction, and we are glad of this opportunity of offering our cordial thanks to these ladies for the trouble they took.

We look forward to further pleasant gatherings of this nature.

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### OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION.

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*President* : Miss D. E. Barham.

*Vice-President* : Miss E. P. House.

*Secretary* : Irene Hume, 104 Caversham Avenue, N. 13.

*Committee* : Ina Girdwood, Kathleen Ringwood, Elsie Robertson, Marion Whatley.

The ninth meeting of the Association took place on May 29th, 1920, when 56 Old Girls, all the six Girl Prefects, and eight members of the Staff were present. After tea a business meeting was held, at which the officers for the coming year were elected. It was decided that the subscription should not be raised this year, as it was still uncertain how much would be needed for the Magazines. Notices will not be sent to members whose subscriptions are more than a year overdue. Subscriptions for 1920 (1/6) are now payable to the Secretary.

The evening closed with an enjoyable Tennis Tournament, in which the winning couples were :—1, Marion Whatley and Ina Girdwood; 2, Mrs. Roberts (Muriel Hammond) and Eva Tyler.

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### OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

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After an interval of five years, an effort has been made to resuscitate the Association, which had so successful a career before the War.

The formality of a General Meeting had first to be arranged, and this took place at the School on January 31st. A Committee, consisting of Messrs. H. A. Paull, A. E. Hendry, R. G. Allan, F. Marsh, A. E. Davey, A. A. Thomson, and R. B. Oram, was formed, and Mr. Warren was asked to resume the office of President of the Association.

With the assistance of several members of the Old Girls' Association the first affair, which took the form of a dance, was held on February 14th. The initial effort had the support of Sir William and Lady Glyn-Jones and Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Gott. Although the War has taken a heavy toll of Old Boys, there were several of the original members of the School present, and, apart from the dancing, a great deal of time was spent in the exchange of reminiscences. After supper, Mr. Warren made a brief announcement, explaining the objects of the Association. The evening closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

The second affair—a Whist Drive, for which the new Association was responsible—took place on March 26th. To this the "Old Girls" were invited. Supper, which this time had been arranged with the help of Mrs. Stone—a member of the Parents and Staff Association Committee—proved an opportunity for many reminiscences, until the man with the bell set things moving again. The first ladies' prize went to Beatrice Girdwood, and the first gentlemen's to E. J. Briscoe.

It was encouraging to note that several Old Boys came some distance in order to be present; among others, R. C. T. Petty and E. B. Addison came down from Cambridge.

During the Easter Holidays the Memorial to the Old Boys who had fallen in the War was placed in the School Hall. Out of respect to their memory the Committee decided that affairs of the Association during the Summer Term must be limited to the School ground.

A Tennis Tournament is being arranged for June 12th, in which members of both the Old Boys' and Old Girls' Associations will take part.

In the Autumn, the Committee will endeavour to make up for the late start last season, and a full programme of social events will be arranged. The experience which has been gained will ensure that the coming season will make the Association a part of the lives of those who have already joined, and an inducement to others to join their one-time School-fellows. The Committee, with the help of the President, have done much, but without the co-operation of all Old Boys it is impossible to make the Association the great success which it deserves to be. The subscription of 2/6 covers a free copy of each issue of the School Magazine, and a guarantee that each member shall be kept in touch with the affairs of the Association and informed of coming events.

The Committee expect that all Old Boys, by joining the Association, will make it possible for them to extend its activities and become the centre of interest and comradeship to the members. A great deal may be accomplished if those who receive a copy of this Magazine will inform old scholars of this Association, and of the object for which it has been formed.

Any member of the Committee, or the Joint Hon. Secretaries (Mr. H. A. Paull, at the School, or R. B. Oram, 1 Goldsmith Road, Friern Barnet, N. 11), will be pleased to receive applications for membership.

In addition to the two Tennis Tournaments and the two Cricket Matches against the School, two Cricket Matches have been arranged against the Southgate Cricket Club Second XI.

The Old Boys played two Football Matches against the School. The teams were :—

*First Match* (won 9—1).—Collis; Gubbins, Imbrey; A. Forrow, Honey, G. Forrow; Watts, Wield, Daniels, Stapleton, Ward.

*Second Match* (lost 6—1).—Collis; Gubbins, Hawes; Bradford, G. Forrow, Starling; Watts, Wield, Daniels, A. Forrow, E. Marsh.

The first Cricket Match against the School, played on 22nd May, resulted as below :—

SCHOOL.		OLD BOYS.	
Mr. Adams, lbw, b. Roberts .....	5	Walker, c. Bigg, b. White .....	17
Mr. Cleverly, b. Roberts .....	1	Marsh, c. Mayne, b. White .....	18
White, b. Evans .....	2	Roberts, b. White .....	17
Wyllie, b. Roberts .....	0	Evans, b. Knowles .....	35
Ochiltree, run out .....	3	Allan, lbw, b. Mayne .....	2
Mr. Knowles, b. Evans .....	3	Daniels, b. White .....	1
Mr. Mayne, not out .....	24	G. Forrow, not out .....	19
Ridley, lbw, b. Evans .....	7	A. Forrow, not out .....	7
Bigg, c. Daniels, b. Evans .....	0	Extras .....	8
Stevens, b. Kindon .....	11		
Brown, b. Walker .....	0		
Stubbs, b. Walker .....	1		
Extras .....	11		
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>68</b>	<b>Total (6 wickets)</b> .....	<b>124</b>

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*Old Pupils who went to the Universities during 1919 include :—*

- E. B. Addison : Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.
- S. J. Broome : King's College, London.
- Alice Darley : University College, London.

Ina Girdwood : University College, London.  
 Olive Hughes : Homerton College, Cambridge.  
 R. C. T. Petty : Peterhouse, Cambridge.  
 Dora Punchard : Homerton College, Cambridge.  
 Alex. Thomson : Leeds University.  
 Agnes Thompson : Homerton College, Cambridge.

*The following Successes were gained by Old Pupils :—*

Mary Chambers : University of London Inter. B.A. Examination.  
 R. L. Faint : University of London Inter. B.A. Examination.  
 Elsie Goldstone : Second-Class Honours in the Mathematical Tripos, Cambridge.  
 Kathleen Ringwood : "Lois Hatton Memorial" Prize for Mathematics at East London College.  
 Eleanor Sauer : University of London B.A. Examination (First-Class Honours).  
 W. C. J. Ward : University of London B.Sc. Examination (Third-Class Honours in Chemistry).  
 W. R. Watson : University of London Inter B.Sc. Examination (Senior County Scholarship).

Old Boys who were at the School when it was at Broomfield House will be interested to hear of the recent appointment of Mr. C. M. Stanley as Headmaster of the Grammar School, Warminster.

We were glad to hear from W. Cable, who is now in Vancouver, British Columbia, and is hoping to take up fruit farming.

News has recently come to hand that Ernest Marsh and Mrs. Marsh (Gwen Greenin) have arrived at Auckland, N.Z., where they will probably settle.

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**IN MEMORIAM.**

The sympathy of all old students will be with the parents of Stanley Wiggins, who left in July, 1918. He was studying at the Royal College of Science, but was compelled to relinquish a most promising career owing to persistent bad health.

PHANTASMAGORIA.

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Sliding down shafts of moonlight, stealing from room to room,  
Shadows of pale dream-faces flutter athwart the gloom;  
Wraiths of silvery star-dust, children of sleep are they,  
Born of those fragile dreams that find scant home by day.

Nor all the toil and care of earthly labouring  
Can give them shelter then. But when the Vespers ring  
And high above a quiet sea the full moon climbs the sky,  
Straight come they forth in the silence, live for an hour, then die.

They are ghosts of what might have been, and of what there is yet to be,  
That thrill across the sea of years, and with faint imagery  
Haunt man and maid and child for a brief hour each night,  
Until the Dawn wind comes to put them all to flight.

Then once again does man to temporal bondage bow,  
Since that their magic spell is no more potent now;  
But ever and around him, like a cobweb, clings  
The presence and the power of all these phantom things.

*Dorothy Bassett.*