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Sunderland Bede Collegiate School.

FIRST DRAFT, Rough and Incomplete, Made Dec. 15th, 1914,

OF AN

OLD BEDANS' ROLL OF HONOUR,

In the FINAL FORM of which Roll it is hoped to place

The NAMES of all OLD BOYS of BEDE SCHOOL (1890-1914)

Who were in any Branch of His Majesty's Military or Naval Forces

During the Great War which began in 1914.

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

A. An attempt has been made—partly by advertising in *The Times*, *Sunderland Daily Echo*, *Newcastle Daily Chronicle*, *Newcastle Evening Chronicle*, *Newcastle Daily Journal*, *North Mail*, and *Evening Mail*; partly by personal inquiries directed to Boys, Old Boys, Parents, and various other people—to procure information as to the (1) Name, (2) Rank, (3) Regiment, Ship, or other Section of the Army or Navy, and (4) Present Station, of EVERY OLD BOY now on military or naval service.

The particulars obtained have been in some cases full and exact; in others, copious but obscure or contradictory; in others, again, extremely scanty—perhaps a name, and nothing more. And there is good reason for believing that there are dozens of Old Bedan soldiers and sailors whose bare *names*, even, have not been supplied.

B. The Roll here given is based upon the materials at present available. It is obviously incomplete, and is perhaps incorrect in several places. But, having been compiled with some amount of care in an honest endeavour to represent the facts as far as they are known, it is more likely to be unsatisfactory on account of omissions than by reason of important mistakes.

C. The figures placed after each Old Boy's Name in the Roll show the year of his leaving the School.

D. The Roll will be augmented and amended from time to time as additional information is received, and will *finally*, it is hoped, be both comprehensive and well-arranged. With a view to this desirable consummation I shall be glad to receive particulars or suggestions from any quarter.

The whole School is most grateful to Old Boys who are now supporting in arms the cause of King and Country, and also to their parents and friends. We are wishful and eager, as has already been indicated, to have a *full* list of those Old Boys' names; and we shall watch their careers with pride, interest, sympathy, and affection.

G. T. FERGUSON, Headmaster.

- Allison, Edwin, '02. Priv., 7th Royal Sussex Regt., Sandling, Kent
 Allison, Robt. Stafford, '07. Trooper, 7th Div., Northumberland Hussars, British Exp. Force
 Allison, Geo. Fred., '95. Private, Lord Durham's County Batt., Hartlepool
 Alder, Percy, '10. Driver, Army Service Corps, Clerical Dept., Gateshead
 Atlay, Thos. Abt., '01. Sergt., A Co., 7th Batt., Durham Light Infantry, Gateshead
 Barron, Arthur, '10. Royal Garrison Artillery, Heavy Battery
 Bell, Arthur Osborne, '12. Private, D Co., 18th D.L.I., Fence Houses
 Bell, David Ernest, '02. Trooper, Maxim Gun Section, Queen's Own Yorks. Dragoons, Bridlington
 Beardall, Wilfrid, '12.
 Blenkinsop, John Henry, '97. Quarter-Master-Sergt., 7th D.L.I., Newcastle
 Bray, Ernest C. W., '08. Corpl., Royal Engineers, Motor Cycle Despatch Riders, Aldershot
 Briarley, Harold Holland, B.Sc. (Durham), '07
 Brown, Vernon, B.Sc. (Durham), '10. Sec.-Lieut., Officers Training Corps, Durham Univ., Newcastle
 Brown, William, '96. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Brown, Wm. Cuthbert, '99. 4th Co., Honourable Artillery Company, No. 2 Batt.
 Bubb, Thos. B. L., '09. Priv., City of London Territorials, Watford
 Bundred, James Wm., '00. Navigating Officer, H.M.A.S. "Aorangi", At sea
 Byers, Arthur Kenneth, '09. Corpl., Royal Engineers, Motor Cycle Despatch Riders, Aldershot
 Cairns, Thos., '12. Priv., R.G.A., Durham H.B. Reserves, Cleadon
 Canney, Ernest E., '13. Priv., B Co., 8th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Canney, Jos. Robson, '11. Priv., 14th County of London Batt., London Scottish, Brit. Exp. Force
 Carr, John Frazier, '10. Priv., Machine Gunner, D. Co., 7th Service Batt., D.L.I., Gateshead
 Carter, Frank, '02. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Carter, George, '12. Trooper, B Squadron, Northumberland Hussars Yeomanry, Newcastle
 Carter, Victor, '12. Priv., A Co., D.L.I. Reserves, Newcastle
 Carter, Wm. Keenlyside, '06. Private, A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Candlish, Leslie Singleton, '12. Private, 3rd Northumberland Batt., Royal Field Artillery
 Candlish, Wm. Chas., '11. Royal Navy
 Chrisop, Wm. Ernest, '09. Bombardier, 30th Reserve Batt., 5th Brigade, R.F.A.
 Chick, Harry Thomas, '04. Gunner, Heavy Battery, R.G.A., Cleadon
 Cory, Sydney Stansford, '06. Trooper, B Squadron, Northum'd Hussars, 7th Div., Brit. Exp. Force
 Coupland, George. Private, 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Crawford, Reginald D., '09.
 Dale, Theophilus Alfred, '09. Sapper, 91st Field Co., R.E., Brighton
 Davison, William, '10. Sec.-Lieut., 3rd D.L.I., South Shields
 Dickson, Arthur, '13. Private, 7th D.L.I.
 Dixon, Harold Norman, '06. Private, B Co., 8th D.L.I., Durham
 Dobson, George D. R., '97. Private, A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Dobson, Wm. Allison, '11. Private, Quayside Co., 9th Batt., Northum'd Fusiliers, Wool, Dorset
 Dobson, Wm. Graham, '06. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Dodd, Wm. D., '92. Bombardier, 8th Batt., 3rd Brigade, Canadian F.A., Can. Exp. Force, Salisbury Plain
 Donovan, Fred., '01. Sub-Lieut., Royal Naval Reserve, H.M.S. "Fiona", At sea
 Dowley, Charles, '07. Driver, 3rd Army Service Corps, Bradford
 Dunning, Alfred, '07. Engine Room Artificer, H.M.S. "Prince of Wales", 5th Battle Squadron,
 At sea
 Dunning, George C., '02. Priv. 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Edwards, Osmond, '12. Driver, R.F.A., Heavy Battery
 Edward, Jas. Stanley, '09. Trooper, Northumberland Hussars Yeomanry
 Eggleston, Alexr., '12. Priv., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Fearon, Chas. Alf., '09. A.S.C.
 Ferguson, Andrew J., '14. O.T.C.
 Findlay, Frank, '11. Sapper, R.E., Shorncliffe
 Finney, Norman G., '07. Priv., 7th D.L.I., Sunderland
 Forster, Harry, '06. Trooper, B Squadron, Northumberland Hussars Imperial Yeomanry, 7th Div.,
 Brit. Exp. Force
 Foulkes, George Boyd, M.A. (Edin.), '09. Lieut., 6th Royal Scots Fusiliers
 Gains, Christopher, '01. Private, Comrades' Batt., 7th D.L.I., Hartlepool
 Goodrick, Walter R., '08. Sergt., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Graham, James Hamilton, '01. Q.M. Sergt., No. 3 Co., A.S.C., Northumbrian Divisional Train,
 Newcastle
 Grayston, Edward Templeton, '01. Sub-Lieut., R.N.

- Grayston, John W., M.A. (Edin.), '03. Lieut., R.G.A., Sheerness
 Hardy, George Railton, '07. Sergt., B Co., 10th Batt., 4th Brigade, Canadian Exp. Force, Salisbury
 Plain
 Hart, George Manson, '09. Private, A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Haswell, Gordon, B.A. (Durham), '10. Lieut., 9th King's Own Yorkshire L.I., Maidenhead
 Haswell, Frederick, '11. Sec.-Lieut., 3rd East Yorkshire Regiment, Hedon, Hull
 Haward, John, '03. Royal Engineers
 Hay, William Henry, '10. Private, A Cycle Corps, Hounslow
 Hay, Norman, '10. Border Regiment
 Hetherington, Thomas William, B.A. (Cambridge), '11. Sec.-Lieut., 12th D.L.I., Bulswater Camp,
 Brookwood
 Hodson, George P., '10. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Hogg, Robert, '11. 4th D.L.I.
 Hodge, Tom Searle, '00. Lieut., R.N.R., H.M.S. "Vulcan", Leith
 Holroyd, Haviland Charlton, '11. Wireless Operator, H.M.S. "Centurion", At sea
 Holmes, Newby, '07. Priv., 18th (Lord Durham's) Batt., D.L.I., Fence Houses
 Hudson, Stephen Lister, '08. Lord Durham's Batt., D.L.I.
 Hudson, Wm. Allison, '12. Corpl., Army Veterinary Corps, Lowland Division, Stirling
 Hunter, Reginald, '11. Cadet, O.T.C., Durham Univ., Newcastle
 Howe, Wm. Wigham, '06. Priv., City Batt., Royal Warwick Regiment, Sutton Coldfield
 Hutchinson, Joseph A., '11. Priv., 33rd Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps, Sheffield
 Jackson, Joshua, '00
 Jackson, Israel, '09. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Jacoby, Harry, '01. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Jordan, Harold George, '03. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Laidler, Robt., '09. Priv., D Co., 6th Batt., East Yorks Regt., Grantham
 Lattimer, Fred. Havelock, '08. Priv., 18th Batt., D.L.I., Fence Houses
 Lee, Lionel James, '02. Lance-Corpl., C Co., 16th Batt., King's Royal Rifles, Denham, Bucks
 Linton, Thos. Ernest, '07. Priv., H Co., 6th Royal Highlanders (Black Watch), Dundee
 Lish, Wilfrid, '11. 7th D.L.I.
 Lister, Matthew, '00. Sergt., 1st Northern General Hospital, R.A.M.C., Newcastle
 Logan, William, B.A. (Oxford), '02. Lieut., 4th Batt., Devonshire Regt., India
 Lynn, Stanley, '07. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Macnair, David, M.D. (Edin.), '03. Captain, R.A.M.C., 25th Field Ambulance, 8th Div., Brit. Exp.
 Force
 Macnair, James, '08. Sergt., Northumberland Hussars Yeomanry, 7th Div., Brit. Exp. Force
 Macnair, Thos. Dunlop, '08. Sergt., Northumberland Hussars Yeomanry, 7th Div., Brit. Exp.
 Force
 McDonald, Hugh Cameron, '95. Priv., Newcastle Batt., Northumberland Fusiliers, Alnwick
 McMillan, Wm. Forster, B.Sc. (Lond.), '10. Corpl., Gordon Highlanders, Aldershot
 Mahaffy, Thos. Norman, '09. Priv., 13th Batt., 7th Yorks. Regt., Wareham
 Mackay, Malcolm John, '12. Kitchener's Army
 Matthew, Charles, '05. Corpl., C Co., 7th Batt., Rifle Brigade
 Melvin, Ralph T., B.Sc. (Lond.), '09. Sapper, Royal Engineers, Upper Parkstone, Dorset
 Meadows, John, '07. Priv., 7th D.L.I.
 Mitchell, Wm. M., '01. Lieut., A.V.C., 1st Guards' Brigade, 1st Div., British Expeditionary Force
 Mitchell, Geo. Oliver, '06. Lieut., O.C. 114 Co., 11th Divisional Train, A.S.C., Lichfield
 Mitchell, Thos. Marshall, '10. Corpl., Asst.-Vet. to Army Director of Vet. Supplies, Lowland
 Terr. Div., Stirling
 Mitchell, Victor C., '00. Corpl., 2nd Northumberland Field Ambulance, R.A.M.C.T., Bensham
 Miller, Wm. W., '09. Border Regiment
 Moffitt, James Prior, B.A. (Cambridge), '11.
 Moffitt, Robert, '10. Sapper, R.E., Beaumaris, Anglesey
 Monro, Duncan, '13. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Moor, Wm. Jos., '95. Sec.-Lieut., Cyclists' Corps, Marsden
 Neasham, Arch., '96. Staff Sergt., 2nd Eastern General Hospital, R.A.M.C.T., Brighton
 Newby, Wm. Allan, '09. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Nicholson, Stanley, '07. R.G.A., Heavy Batt.
 Noall, Alexander, '07. Sergt., 7th D.L.I.
 Ord, Gilbert, '09. Driver, 291 Battery, 93rd Brigade, R.F.A., Minden, Hants.
 Pattison, Charles Lilburn, '08. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead

- Pearson, Alfred, '11. 7th D.L.I.
 Figg, Norman Baty, '11.
 Pollock, Chas. Wm., B.A. (Durham), '11. Sec.-Lieut., 3rd D.L.I., South Shields
 Porteous, George, Junr., '93. Captain, Corps of Guides, Canadian Exp. Force, Salisbury Plain
 Pope, Wm. Stanley, '99. Lance-Corpl., 3rd Co., 1st Newcastle Batt., Northum'd Fusiliers, Alnwick
 Proud, William J., '07. Sec.-Lieut., 3rd D.L.I., South Shields
 Richardson, William Harold, '09. Private, R.G.A., Heavy Battery, Cleadon
 Richardson, Albert, '05.
 Richardson, Hugh Booth, '13.
 Risdon, Harold, '07. Colour-Sergt., 2nd City of London Regiment, Valetta, Malta
 Robson, Robert Kirkley, B.A. (Durham), '11. Sec.-Lieut., 3rd D.L.I., South Shields
 Robson, William, '03. Lance-Corpl., D.L.I., Clerical Staff, Newcastle
 Robinson, Edgar, '07. Private, G Co., 4th Queen's Regiment, Secundarabad
 Robinson, J. Charles, '98. Private, A Co., 5th West Yorks. Regt. (Prince of Wales' Own), York
 Rothfield, Abraham, B.A. (Durham), '06. Private, Civil Service Rifles, 4th London Infantry Brigade,
 St. Albans
 Sands, George Thompson, '07. Private, 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Scott, Thomas, B.A., (Durham), '10. Army Service Corps
 Sedgwick, William, '05. 2nd Royal Engineers, Westmeath
 Shields, Edwin B., '05. Trooper, Royal Horse Guards Blue, B Squadron, London
 Shields, Fred. Trevor, '07. Trooper, Royal Horse Guards Blue, B Squadron, London
 Shiells, James Randolph, '10. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Simpson, Henry Stanley, '10. Driver, A.S.C.
 Sladden, Harry Eversley, B.A. (Durham), '10. Sec.-Lieut., King's Own Yorks. L.I.
 Smith, Geo. Crosby, '13. 10th Middlesex
 Smith, Sydney J. C., '14. Cadet, O.T.C., Durham University, Newcastle
 Spain, Albert, '04. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Spain, Isaac, '05. Sec.-Lieut., Tyneside Irish Batt., Northumberland Fusiliers
 Speight, Arthur, '11. Scout, 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Stephenson, Thomas Norman, '13. Priv., 11th Batt., Queen Alexandra's Own (Yorkshire) Regi-
 ment, Hartlepool
 Stokoe, William, '07. Priv., Lord Durham's County Batt., D.L.I.
 Sutcliffe, Ronald, '13. Priv., Lord Durham's County Batt., D.L.I., Cocken Hall
 Taylor, Arthur, '02. Engine Room Artificer, H.M.S. "Caroline", At Sea
 Taylor, Alexander, '03. Engine Room Artificer, H.M.S. "Devonshire", At Sea
 Thornton, John, '96. Engine Room Artificer, H.M.S. "Loyal", At Sea
 Thompson, C. Herbert, '02. Lance-Sergt., 7th D.L.I. Scouts, Gateshead
 Tilley, Arthur B., '07. Corpl., Canadian Expeditionary Force, Salisbury Plain
 Todd, Alexander, '10. Priv., 14th D.L.I., High Wycombe
 Todd, Charles Adolphus, '06. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Topel, Oscar, '12. R.G.A., Heavy Battery Reserves
 Turner, Charles, '07. R.G.A., Heavy Battery
 Turpin, Ernest, '06. Northern Cyclists' Battalion
 Tweedie, Douglas, '10. Northern Cyclists' Battalion
 Wade, Charles Herbert, '03. Priv., "Pals" Battalion, D.L.I., Gateshead
 Wade, W. Claude O., '07. Priv., Tyneside Commercial Battalion
 Walker, William Edward, '12. Priv., Lord Durham's County Battalion, D.L.I., Cocken Hall
 Walker, Wm. Ewart, '12. Priv., 7th D.L.I., Sunderland
 Walker, Wm. Pitt, '09. Priv., Orderly Clerk, 7th D.L.I., Newcastle
 Wanless, Chas. E. O., '11.
 Warren, William, '09. Gunner, R.G.A., Newhaven
 Watson, George Carr, M.A. (Cambridge), '03. Captain, 6th Service Batt. Devonshire Regt., Amritsar,
 Lahore.
 Watson, Edward Lord, '07. Lieut., 6th Reserve Batt., Devonshire Regt., Bombay
 Watt, William, '12. Cook's Mate, Royal Naval Barracks, Portsmouth
 White, Wm. J., '03. Sergt. 16th Batt., King's Royal Rifles, Denham, Bucks
 Whitehouse, George A., '08. Cyclist, Northern Cyclists' Batt.
 Williams, Walter B., '09. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Wilson, Roger Errington, '10. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Wilson, Chas. Watson, '13. Priv., A Co., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 Wilson, Wm. Worthington, '08. Priv., Lord Durham's County Batt., D.L.I., West Hartlepool

Wilson, Roy, '10. Priv., A Co., 4th United Public Schools Batt. Royal Fusiliers, Epsom
 Wilson, Henry, '14. Bugler, Army Service Corps, Gateshead
 Wilson, Henry, '99. Private, 8th D.L.I.
 Witten, Charlton P., '93. Bombardier, R.F.A., Deep Cut, Hants
 Wrightson, Edgar, '94.
 Young, George Robert, '13.

BEDE SCHOOL MASTERS ON MILITARY SERVICE.

Back, Nicholas, B.A. (Cambridge). Gunner, 1st Service Norfolk Battery R.F.A., Spixworth, Norwich
 Joseph, Henry Harold, B.A. (Cambridge). Sec.-Lieut., 7th D.L.I., Gateshead
 White, Stewart Alexander, M.A. (Oxford). Sec.-Lieut., 2nd Batt. Tyneside Scottish, Newcastle

EDITORIAL NOTES AND SCHOOL NEWS.

The School, like everything else, has been affected by the War. The weather during the Midsummer Vacation this year was particularly beautiful, and many of the Masters and Boys made plans to spend their holidays in places remote from the mouth of the Wear. But the great international cloud which formed and grew black towards the end of July, and the tremendous international storm which burst upon Europe early in August, put holiday-making of the ordinary type out of most people's minds, and caused a noticeable unwillingness, on the part of the generality of folks, to go very far away from home.

Indeed, even in our own country, facilities for travelling were greatly curtailed, numerous trains being wanted for the transport of real British and Irish soldiers (to say nothing of imaginary Russian ones!); and, on the Continent, touring became either difficult or impossible.

We have heard of a good many Bedans who, by various happy chances, just *failed* to be abroad at the time when the War began, and were thereby saved much inconvenience; but, so far as we know, the number of those who were actually *in* foreign countries upon the outbreak of hostilities was very small.

The three brothers Strother (David, Fleming, and Lindsay) were delayed a few days at Genoa in the "Clydesdale". Mr. W. N. Bartram (brother of the late Chairman of the Governors of Bede School, and uncle of Hilton Bartram) and Mr. W. Milburn (joint-author of the pre-mated plans for the new Bede Boys' School to be built on the Low Barnes Estate) were "held up" in Switzerland for a short time. A well-known Old Bedan, Mr. Edward Bowden, M.Sc., was remarkably fortunate: he completed a Four Years' Engineering Course at the Karlsruhe Technical High School, and gained his Diploma, just a single day before it was necessary for him, as a young Englishman, to quit Germany immediately! Nobody knows how long it may be before Englishmen can again become ordinary students

in that country: but it seems pretty certain that those whose courses of study there were interrupted by the proclamation for aliens to quit the Kaiser's dominions will, if they ever resume their pursuit of German "Kultur" in its native land, be older, by more than a year, than they were last August. We may mention incidentally that Norman Richardson, an Old Bedan who took his degree at Durham last June, would now, if circumstances were normal, be studying German in the Rhine Province. We hope that, before the War is over, *numerous* Old Bedans and Britishers of other descriptions may pick up a certain amount of German in BERLIN itself!

It was thought during the Midsummer Holidays that the War would perhaps have an adverse effect upon the School in respect of the number of pupils for the Autumn Term. However, on September 16th, the Re-assembling Day, we had considerably more boys than in the previous year: the difficulty was to provide them with accommodation.

The Term has been very busy and eventful. Mr J. A. Dodd, M.A., A.K.C., a new master, entered (as expected) upon his duties; but Mr Joseph, who has for two or three years held a commission in the "Territorials", and Mr Back, who in August enlisted as a gunner in Kitchener's Army, have throughout the Term been absent from school on military service. Since November 16th Mr White, too, has been away: he then became an officer in the Tyneside Scottish. Last Easter, after having had more than eight years' experience as a "Territorial", Mr White retired. Early in the Midsummer Holidays he was married.

Military duties have compelled our excellent Drill Master, Ex-Sergeant-Major Liebrecht, to be away from the school gymnasium on certain days. Then, too, Mr J. H. Smithwhite, who had to give evidence with regard to the translation into English of many German documents produced in the Ahlers case, was bound to be in Durham throughout all parts of the trial.

It will be seen, therefore, that there have in the past Term been more absences on the part of regular members of the staff than we usually get in three or four years. But Mr Walter Bailey, B.A., formerly of Queens' College, Cambridge,

who has an honours degree in mathematics and natural science, was appointed a Master about the middle of the Term. And, towards the end of November, Mr A. H. Dobbing, B.A., entered upon a temporary engagement. Mr Dobbing is an Old Bedan whom many Old Boys will remember, particularly as being prominent in the School Orchestral Society. After leaving Bede School he spent two years at St. Mark's College, Chelsea, and a year at the Ecole Normale, Rouen. Last month he took his degree at London University, with honours in French and English.

Mr G. S. Harrison, last year's Senior Prefect, has rendered us some most useful assistance as a Junior Master. His services were made available for us only by the kindness of Mr George Wilkinson, of Redby School, to whom we are very much obliged. Mr J. A. Pinchen, another recent Bedan, also gave us a few days' help. He was kindly lent by Mr Pain, of Cowan Terrace School.

On November 16th we had to give up our premises, these being required for the accommodation of the military. All the boys' desks were hurriedly carried out into the play-ground, and left there—as no place else could be found for them. The soldiers (the Manchester Regiment) assigned to Bede School, though expected on the 16th, did not arrive from Portsmouth until half-past five on the morning of the 18th, and (unexpectedly, it would seem) they got orders on the 19th to leave for Low Fell, and left in the evening. They therefore were in actual occupation of the school for only some thirty-six hours. But, even when it was known that this regiment would not be succeeded by another, the premises could not be immediately re-opened for scholastic purposes. Every place required a thorough cleansing and fumigating, and the desks having got very wet could not be quickly dried. More than a week of valuable school time, right in the middle of the Term, was consequently lost. But nothing in the world pleases boys more than an absolutely unexpected holiday, and, when the Headmaster announced the "break" of indefinite length, due to the coming of the soldiers, there went up such a cheer as might have meant that the millennium had really arrived.

And, even if the boys' ordinary lessons *did* suffer, their general education was undoubtedly enlarged by what they saw during the week in question. One thing alone may be particularly mentioned: the great lines of horses tethered in the West Park, the trains of baggage carts and ammunition waggons to be seen there, the batteries of guns, and the big masses of soldiers, made an impressive spectacle, especially when viewed from the foot of the Havelock Monument.

Besides, the officers, non-commissioned officers, and men quartered at Bede School were most courteous and most reasonable. So far, there-

fore, were we from resenting any inconvenience which their occupation of the premises entailed, that we felt towards them not only gratitude due to all brave fellows who risk their lives for their country, but also the liking and goodwill which courtesy and consideration nearly always induce.

Boys who know "As you like it" will remember that Shakespeare puts into the mouth of Old Adam—a character which the great dramatist himself as an actor was fond of impersonating—certain words indicating the Creator's care of one of the commonest and least exalted of birds:—
"He . . . providently caters for the sparrow".

We have thought of this very often lately. For, nearly every day since the soldiers' horses had their rather short sojourn in the West Park, we have noticed there great flocks of sparrows which evidently find that the corn and chaff placed on the grass for the horses on November 16th and 17th have not even yet totally disappeared, and can still afford pickings to little beaks that are industrious and not too proud.

Soon after Antwerp was captured, Marie Lievin Govaerts, a Belgian boy about fourteen years of age, who belonged to that city, but had been educated at a college near Namur, came to Sunderland to live with Mr G. D. Weir, of the Elms. He was admitted to Bede School as a pupil, and has made remarkable progress. At first he knew Flemish and French, but hardly a word of English. But his spirit, intelligence, nationality, and fine disposition soon made him a general favourite, and the amount of English which he has learnt in a few weeks is very surprising. He supplies one more instance of the bravery and resourcefulness of the Belgians.

Mr. G. O. Wight, J.P., the Belgian Consul in Sunderland, who recently lectured at Hylton on "Belgium", is much obliged to Arthur H. Jones for specially drawing a very large-scale map of Belgium which was of much use in the lecture.

The present Term has been so much broken up that we have determined not to celebrate Speech Day, as usual, shortly before Christmas; but to hold it next Term.

In December, John Henry White gained an Exhibition of £30 a year for three years, tenable at Emmanuel College, Cambridge. White's previous successes at school include First Class Honours in the Oxford Local Junior and Senior Examinations and a First Class in the London Matriculation.

The number of academical successes obtained in the months of June and July, 1914, by Old Bedans, was larger than the number ever obtained before in a similar period, and included

six degrees at Oxford or Cambridge, eight at Durham, one at Edinburgh, and four at London University; an Exhibition at Oxford; two Scholarships at Durham; a Whitworth Scholarship and a Royal Scholarship tenable at the Royal College of Science and Technology, London; and an Engineering Diploma at Karlsruhe.

Particulars of most of the foregoing appeared in the last Number of *The Bedan*. The successes the details of which were not given in that Number were the following:—

B.Sc., London, Engineering, 1st Class Honours, William Forster McMillan, Sunderland Technical College.

B.Sc., London, Engineering, 2nd Class Honours, T. E. Dodds, Sunderland Technical College.

B.Sc., London, Engineering, Pass: J. S. McEwen, R. T. Melvin, Sunderland Technical College.

Whitworth Scholarship, £125 a year for three years: T. E. Dodds, Sunderland Tech. Coll.

Royal Scholarship, £60 a year and free tuition for three years at the Imperial College of Science and Technology: W. F. McMillan, Sunderland Technical College.

Diplom Ingenieur, Badische Technische Hochschule zu Karlsruhe: Edward Bowden, M.Sc. (Durham), late Royal Exhibition (1851) Scholar.

Of all the Old Bedans who, as stated in the previous paragraph, gained academical successes in June or July, 1914, the following are now soldiering:—T. W. Hetherington, J. P. Moffitt, R. Sutcliffe, H. E. Sladden, C. W. Pollock, R. K. Robson, G. B. Foulkes, W. F. McMillan, and R. T. Melvin.

Contributions to *The Bedan* from Old Boys now "at the front" would be particularly welcome.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to ALL Bedans, whether young or old, whether Present or Past!

On January 12th, 1915, the Opening Day of next Term, the School will welcome Mr. E. Maccoby, B.A. (Cantab.), B.Sc. (Lond.), late Foundation Scholar, St. John's College, Cambridge, a new Master who has exceptionally brilliant credentials. In the Mathematical Tripos he got a First Class in Part 1, and a First Class and Distinction in Part 2. He took his London University degree with First Class Honours in Pure and Applied Mathematics. He is described by a Cambridge "don" as "probably the best chess player in the University": he got his half "Blue" for Chess at Cambridge, and beat his Oxford opponent. In the Cambridge Junior Local Examination in 1907 he was No. 1 in First Class Honours, with SEVEN Distinctions. He was Captain of the School, Captain of the School Cricket Eleven, and a member of the School

Football team, at the Central Foundation School, London, where there are 600 boys. He plays tennis well, and is a good debater.



ARTS AND CRAFTS SOCIETY.

THIS term the Society has continued to maintain its usual standard of efficiency. Just before the last Midsummer holidays a large Exhibition of all the best work done by the School during the year took place in the Chemical Laboratory. It was well attended and indeed well worth seeing, as no less than five hundred drawings were exhibited. On October 28th, Mr. L. F. Maingard very kindly delivered a fine lecture on the War, which turned out a great success, about forty members being present. This is the first time that Mr. Maingard has lectured to the Society, and we earnestly hope that he will be able to do so again.

At 7 p.m. on every available Monday night the keener members of the Society meet to form a Drawing Class, held in Room 4, for the purpose of drawing from plaster casts. These classes are made possible by the kindness of the President, Mr. J. W. Hawkins, who willingly gives up his spare time to superintend the class and to give advice. These classes are quite free of charge, and anybody who is willing to give an hour per week to earnest drawing is cordially invited, but—no slackers required.

After the Christmas holidays a treat is in store for the Arts and Crafts Society. Mr. L. A. Sayce, who is now an assistant analytical chemist at a gasworks, has kindly promised to give a lecture early next term, probably on January 28th, 1915, on "Soap Bubbles and the Forces which act on them". It is to be hoped that the members of the Society will welcome such a popular lecturer as Mr. Sayce by turning up in crowds on the occasion, especially as a first rate lecture is guaranteed.

A.J.

A small Exhibition of work done this term will be held in Room 4 on December 18th.

The Society takes this opportunity to congratulate W. Davies, one of its most prominent members, on obtaining Distinction in Drawing at the recent Oxford Local Examinations. He is the sixth boy who has taken a first place in the list of Distinctions in Drawing at these Examinations.



THE SCHOOL LIBRARY.

DEBATING SOCIETY.

THE School wishes to express its thanks for books given to the Library by Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. Willis, Mr. M. Huntley (an Old Bedan), and the following boys:—N. Anderson, W. L. Milburn, R. Hemingway, H. Dunning, A. Parker, J. B. Lamb, J. Simpson, T. Cummins, G. Bell, L. Mörck.

Number of Volumes received this term:—

12	from Mrs. Ferguson.
21	„ Boys.
42	„ Forms (by subscription).
5	„ The School.

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Number of Books now in the Library, 567.

Number of Books issued during the months of October and November, 1914:— Form I, 22; II, 106; III (1), 107; III (2), 71; L. IV (1), 80; L. IV (2), 36; L. IV (3), 70; L. IV (4), 14; U. IV (1), 59; U. IV (2), 71; U. IV (3), 15; L. V (1), 79; L. V (2), 63; U. V, 134; VI, 59. Total, 986.

Books added to the Library this term:—

By Rock and Pool	The Deerslayer
The Ruby Sword	For the Admiral
Me and Mya	Stories of France
The Face of Clay	Belgium
The War in the Air	Peeps at the Royal Navy
History of a Conscript of 1813, Waterloo	The Green Flag
Vice Versâ	The Grey Ghost
The Cruise of the Cachalot	Arsène Lupin
Lorna Doone	The Man from Downing Street
Whitefriars	The Lost Island
Story of Dr. Livingstone	Adventures in the Bush
Cutlass and Cudgel	The Three Scouts
In Times of Peril	The Log of a Sea Waif
Swift and Sure	Black Beauty
The Young Francis tireurs	How it Works
A Pirate of Caribbea	Plutarch's Lives
Roger Willoughby	Fairy Tales
The Motor Scout	Fairy Fancies
The Woman in White	Giant Land
No Name	Sindbad the Sailor
The Toilers of the Sea	Nature Myths
Barchester Towers	A Credit to the Colours
Spanish Gold	King of the Golden River
Merry Moments	From Many Lands
Kipps	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
Charles O'Malley	The Eternal City
The Young Fur Traders	With Kitchener to Khartum
The Lances of Lynwood	The Witch's Head
Danton	Ben-Hur
Island of Dr. Moreau	Ivory Gate
Under the Red Robe	From a College Window
The Call of the Wild	The Upton Letters
The Isle of Unrest	Count of Monte-Cristo
The Refugees	Makers of Florence
A Gentleman of France	Makers of Venice
Jackanapes	'Pip'
The New Arabian Nights	The Deemster
Roskery Treasure	The Stolen White Elephant
Dog-Watch Yarns	The Pools of Silence

IN spite of the absence of Mr Joseph the Society has had a most successful term. Nearly all the debates have been excellent, and several very promising maiden speeches have been heard, which augurs well for the future of the society. The earnestness of the speakers has been a feature of the debates, and the debate on the playing of professional football was one of the most heated and exciting we have heard; it was, in fact, rather too much so. The Budget debate was also excellent, in spite of the great preponderance of "Pro-Budgetists." The speakers, however, wandered away from the subject rather too much, and the debate became one between lovers of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity (who numbered four), and the aristocracy of the society, who were ably led by Mr Dodd. The House, remembering, no doubt, its ancient traditions, decided in favour of the aristocracy.

It was a great triumph for the society that it was able to hold a meeting on the day following the temporary closing of the school, and the President, Vice-President, and some Boy Scouts, must take what honour the success presents. The Park Hall proved a very acceptable room to debate in, and the cold did not seem to affect the warmth of the debate. However, the "method of mixture" failed, for heat did not flow from the warm debates to the cold room.

The Cup Debate, in spite of adverse conditions, was an excellent one, and certainly supported the theory of Bacon's: "Adversity doth best discover virtue"; for all the speeches were good, and great credit is due to the winners of the cup and the "Freshers' prize", that they should have been able to surpass such a number of excellent speakers. Mr Scorer won the Cup, and Mr Hornsby the "Freshers'" prize. Mr Witter, who has been acting as master-in-charge, in the place of Mr Joseph, kindly offered an entertainment to the Society, and, needless to say, his offer was seized upon with alacrity. A very enjoyable evening is promised for those who are present on the 17th December.

We would like to remind the members, particularly the younger ones, that the success of the Society depends on the way in which it is supported. The seniors make great efforts to ensure successful meetings, but they would be greatly encouraged to see more of the younger members taking active part in the debates. The only time when some of the junior members overcome their nervousness is when they interrupt those who take a delight in speaking.

We were glad to see so many masters attending the meetings this term, and would like to state how genuinely pleased we are to see them with us.

DEMOSTHENES.

The Officers and Committee were:—

President : V. H. Finney.

Vice-President : J. W. Engvall.

Secretary : Geo. Wilkinson, E. L. Everatt.

Committee : E. L. Everatt.

J. Petch.

E. Haswell.

G. H. Huntley.

L. Smith (ex-officio).

The following is a list of the meetings held this term:—

Open debate on "The War".

"That this House considers Trades Unions, on the whole, mischievous". Defeated.

"That League Association Football ought not to be played during the Present Crisis". Defeated. At a subsequent meeting this same motion was carried.

"That Compulsory Military Service would be desirable". Defeated.

Mock Trial of a German Spy. (A Collection for the Belgian Relief Fund realised 9/-).

"This House expresses dissatisfaction at the way in which the Government has acted during the War". Carried.

"In the event of an invasion every Englishman should consider himself a combatant". Carried.

Impromptu debate.

'Cup' debate. "Revenge is a kind of wild justice". Carried.

Debate on the Budget, of which the Society expressed its approval.



SOME NOTES ON CHESS PROBLEMS FOR BEGINNERS.

IN the last issue this article dealt in a brief way with the waiting move problem. In dealing with threat problems (or attacking problems) the first part of the process is the same: to examine the position of the black king and his relation to the white pieces, and then to give Black the first move. In the waiting move problem a mate can be given in one after every move of Black's and the trouble is to find a move which will not destroy the position. In the threat problem one or more of Black's moves has no answering mate, and a more powerful move has to be used as the key in order to provide the mate. As soon as we have found the troublesome moves that Black can make, we must take *one* of them, and concentrate on it. This system has the advantage of showing the difficulties of that move, and possibly three or four keys will be found to suit it. We next take another move, and so on till we

find the key common to all the defences Black can make. We may of course easily overlook a key and find that none of them fits a certain defence. On investigating this defence we shall find others and by applying the keys we shall at length find the true one. In all probability we shall discover earlier in our investigations the great stumbling block in the problem and that discovery will open out the whole plan. It may even happen that many of the one move mates become useless in the final position, as we have to abandon them to find a key against the defences.

Considering the following example we find many of the difficulties mentioned above.

From the "Chess Amateur".

|| 3 K 2 b 1 | p 6 B | 2 p 2 B 2 | 3 k 4 | 2 Kt Kt 4 | Q 4 P 2 | 2 r 5 | 6 q 1 ||

The black king has only one move K x Kt (B 4).

This Kt can check on K 3 and Kt 6 and this check would be mate but for Q x Kt or P x Kt.

On examining Black's other moves we see that he must keep a guard on both these squares. And if R x Kt; B-K 4 mate.

The other moves in general have no mate after them.

But let us take Q-Kt 4. We are assuming that this move will be Black's reply.

thus 1. B-Q 3 Q-Kt 4 2. Q-Q 6 mate.

1. Q-Kt 4 " 2. B-K 4 mate.

1. Q-R 6 " 2. Q x P mate.

At this stage in all probability we may have overlooked some moves anticipating the particular reply Q-Kt 4. Later we may find a defence for which none of them is any use and we shall be compelled to begin a deeper investigation, helped by the knowledge we have already gained.

We may notice at once that certain moves alone preserve the position, for the other moves made by the queen allow K-B 4. Again, B-Q 3 will not suit the reply P-B 4, and if we play Q-Kt 4 the reply B x B leaves the position hopeless.

One point is essential, and that is to prevent two moves of the king, viz.: K-B 4 and K-Q 3. We noticed before a mate by Q-Q 6 where the queen was supported by the Kt, and if we had something to guard Q 6 beyond the Kt it might be helpful.

B-K 7 abandons the Kt at Q 4, but if K x Kt (Q 4), we have a mate at once by Q-B 5. So also we can mate if K x Kt at (B 4) or R x Kt. This move, on investigation, will be found to fit all the replies and is the key move. It may be noticed that most of the original mates are useless, but they have helped us.

1. to find out the type of problem ;

2. to see what was useless in White's moves.

It is not suggested that the system of working

is the perfect one, but it is given merely to show a definite plan for dealing with this type of problem.

The following is rather different in style, for the trouble is not Black's defences but the fact that White, in moving to mate, blocks the commands of necessary pieces.

|| 8 | 1 kt b 4 B | 1 p 5 Kt | 1 r 4 p 1 | 2 R 3 K p | 1 kt 2 k 3 | p 3 p 2 R | 4 B 3 ||. White to mate in two.

The key is B-Q B 2, for, without that move, the mating moves, R-K 4 and kt-B 5, block the bishop's command of Q 3.

The following positions are added for the practice of the reader. They are taken from the "*Chess Amateur*".

|| 1 b 5 r | 3 Kt 1 kt 2 | 1 p 4 p 1 | 2 p 1 p 1 R 1 | 2 R 4 p | 3 k 4 | B 2 P 4 | kt 2 K 4 ||.

|| 7 Q | 5 p 2 | 4 P | r Kt B | 2 P 2 k 2 | 3 P 4 | 5 B 2 | 3 K 4 | 5 R 2 ||.

White to mate in two.

J.M.H.



SWIMMING.

As was remarked in the last issue, the commencement of the swimming season last term was very promising, especially as regards the attendances at the Club practices. This term the club has also been successful, but the inclement weather at the end of the season accounted for decreased attendances. But during the summer holidays, the number of boys who turned up at the club practices was in some cases as few as six. There are various reasons for this; but I think the principal one is that most of the regular swimmers went, at one time or another during the holidays, to Mr. Witter's Camp at Daddy Shield. I paid two short visits myself, and thought it no wonder the swimmers went there; it was for them, probably, that the camp had the greatest attraction and I should think all of them will remember "Bathing in the sunny little pool."

However, on the whole we have had a successful season, and on Thursday evening, October 22nd, 1914, the annual gala took place. There was a good attendance, including several masters, and Mr. Geo. E. Watson, with his usual kindness, acted as judge.

The following are the results of the races:—

Event 1. Junior Championship:

Open to boys in Forms I to IV.

Three lengths of the Bath.

1, M. Brown; 2, A. Turner; 3, L. Thompson. Won by a touch, three yards between 2nd and 3rd.

Event 2. School Championship:

Forms V and VI.

Six lengths of the Bath.

1, F. H. MacKay; 2, W. Milburn; 3, F. R. M. Lee.

Event 3. Junior Forms Squadron for the Junior Swimming Shield.

Teams of three, each swimmer swims one length of the Bath.

Heat 1. 1, Lower IV (2);

2, Upper IV (1).

Heat 2. 1, Lower IV (4);

2, Upper IV (3).

Final. 1, Lower IV (2)—Robbie, Featherstone and Hopps.

2, Upper IV (1)—Borlace, Morton and Clough.

Event 4. Senior Forms' Squadron.

Teams of three. Two lengths each.

1, Sixth Form—F. H. MacKay, F. Wayman and F. R. M. Lee.

2, Upper Fifth—Milburn, Hindmarch and Taylor.

At an examination held in November the following Bedans gained the Royal Life-Saving Society's Proficiency Certificate and a free pass to the Baths during next season:—James Walker, U. V.; J. Everdell, III; R. Catchpole, T. Rudd, A. Phillipson, A. Stewart, G. Smith, A. Turner, L. V.; A. Harford, R. Hopps, J. Prior, J. Nicholson, J. Elliott, E. Watson and H. Robbie, L. IV.

The following boys have gained the School's Silver Medal for proficiency in Swimming and Life-Saving with clothes on. This is the highest swimming award that the School confers. R. Hopps, L. IV (2); A. Harford, L. IV (4); J. C. Race, III (2); and H. Hindmarch, U.V. During the past season also 12 Elementary, 15 Life-Saving and 4 Speed Certificates have been earned.

The most notable feature in the gaining of these awards is the large number of juniors who have won them. And in every branch of swimming in the school it is plainly seen that the juniors are not only the keenest but the best swimmers. They do not hesitate over difficult strokes, for some can do the "crawl" stroke really well. By next season we should have not only a goodly number of boys who can swim, but also many good, fast swimmers.

At the beginning of this term the officers for next season were elected: Captain, F. H. MacKay; Secretary, T. Richardson.

F.H.M.



BOXING.

At the beginning of term, the Senior Forms' Boxing Club, which has been so successful for several years, held a meeting at the usual rendezvous—Room 4—for the election of officers.

The following were elected:—

Captain: F. H. MacKay.

Vice-Captain: G. Bell.

Committee: V. Finney, J. Robson, W. Scorer.

It was also arranged that meetings should be held in Room 4 on Friday afternoons at 4.30 p.m., as in former years. There was no need to buy new equipment, as two sets of gloves, which were used last year, were again available and still in good condition.

So every week a number of "pairs" meet to engage in friendly combat. The bouts are always interesting, but sometimes bloodthirsty. Indeed, on one occasion, a handkerchief was pinned up as a souvenir, because it was soaked with the blood of at least four combatants. Happily, however, these effusions are somewhat rare, and the meetings go very harmoniously. Although the club is popular among those who attend, there are not so many members as last year. But probably this is due to the fact that our two best boxers have now left the school, and the club has thus lost their alluring influence. However, those who remain enjoy themselves as much as ever, apart from any benefit they may derive.

The club thanks Mr. Smithwhite very heartily for taking charge of the proceedings, and supporting all our efforts so enthusiastically.

F. H. M.



FOOTBALL.

THE chances of a successful season did not seem particularly bright when the School began in September. The two famous wing-forwards were missing, players who were responsible for invaluable work last season. Almost as bad as this was the fact that the goalkeeper, the 'last hope of his side', had left the school. The inside-left forward, the right half-back, and the left back were also gone.

With such places as these to be filled, the Games Prefects have not had a particularly easy task. In the first match our selection was not at all successful, and for the second match radical changes had to be made. So far we have only played two matches. The record of them is:—

Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Goals for.	Goals against.
2	0	1	1	6	7

SCHOOL v.

WEST HARTLEPOOL SECONDARY SCHOOL.

Played at home on November 7th.

This proved a fast and exciting game. The school had most of the play in the early stages, G. Lee, after some fine footwork, opening the score with a fast shot. Hartlepool soon equal-

ised, and immediately afterwards scored a second. Walker, for Bede, converted a centre from Thompson, which made the score at half-time:—

Hartlepool 2, Bede 2.

The opening of the second half was all in favour of the School, for G. Lee, after some brilliant individual football, scored 2 successive goals. After this, there was a decided effort on the part of the visiting forwards, who were rewarded for their hard work by the scoring of three more goals for the Technical. The match was characterised by some poor shooting on the part of the school forwards, some of whom missed open goals. There was also a lack of combination. The final score was:—

Hartlepool Technical 5 goals.

Bede School 4 goals.

SCHOOL v.

RYHOPE SECONDARY SCHOOL.

This match was played on the School playing-field on Saturday, November 28th. The match has more than ordinary interest, for there are still some players in the Ryhope School team who used to attend Bede School 4 or 5 years ago.

The ground was in a very bad condition, a week's rain having converted it into something like a bog. In this the players wallowed, trying, sometimes in vain, to keep their feet and the ball at the same time. The first half was rather eventful, Ryhope scoring 2 goals in quick succession. Laycock, for Bede, came to the rescue and reduced the lead with a hard drive. Soon afterwards, G. Lee scored an easy goal from a centre. The half closed with the scores:—

Ryhope 2, Bede 2.

After the re-start, the game was not particularly exciting, although both sides made determined efforts to score. The only event worthy of note was a brilliant save by Jackson, who was making his debut in School football as a custodian. The final scores were:—

Ryhope 2 goals.

Bede 2 goals.

There was a good attendance of boys and masters at the match.

Games Prefects. W. Scorer, F. H. MacKay, R. M. Easton, T. Richardson, W. Hutchinson, W. G. C. Lee, J. H. Robson, A. H. Jones, G. Stephenson, E. Taylor, E. Haswell, J. Laycock, G. Bell (Football Captain), F. R. M. Lee (Football Secretary).

F.R.M.L.



LA PATRIE EN DANGER.—I.

ON July 11th, 1792, the French Assembly passed a decree declaring that the fatherland was in peril, and the black flag of danger flapped in

the wind over the cathedral of Notre Dame. France was at war with Austria and Prussia, and was soon to add to these formidable enemies, Tuscany, the Papal States, Sardinia, Naples, Spain, Portugal, Holland, and England.

Why did the French Revolution result in this mighty conflagration? Many causes worked together to produce it, but these are some of the most important.

1. The King was suspected of disloyalty to the new constitution; he was thought to be conspiring with foreign powers to upset it (which was true), and hence many Frenchmen desired war in order to reveal the King in his true colours.

2. The nobles, instead of remaining at home during the early days of the Revolution, when they might have done much to moderate the movement (for the custom of guillotining aristocrats had not yet begun), had selfishly and unpatriotically fled from France to the corrupt courts of the petty princes on the Rhine. Here they were a menace to France, for they were endeavouring to get the European powers to invade France.

3. But war in any case was probably inevitable, for the doctrines of equality and the sovereignty of the people (the root ideas of the French Revolution) were capable of application in other countries besides France. Belgium had already adopted them, and had declared herself independent of Austria. This alarmed the European powers, for such ideas, preached by a great nation like the French, were bound to have a far-reaching influence.

Moreover, the French people were already feeling the impulse of the missionary spirit. They wished other nations to share their newfound liberty, and they dreamed dreams of the world as one vast brotherhood of men who would find no use for ambassadors and scheming diplomats, for armies and navies. Hence, later, they declared themselves ready to help any nation desirous of gaining liberty; they instructed their generals to set up governments like their own in conquered territory, and, in the early days of the war, declared that they would not annex territory. "All governments are our enemies: all peoples are our friends."

Hence it came about that, in April, 1792, war broke out with Austria and Prussia. But the French were soon to learn that, in military affairs, enthusiasm is no substitute for training. They thought their ideas would spread like wildfire; that peoples, everywhere, would follow their example. But the frontier fortresses were out of repair, the army and navy disorganised; 80,000 Austrians and Prussians were marching towards the frontier, while France had only 40,000 soldiers, and half of these were raw levies.

Such was the position in the early summer of 1792, when the Assembly, frankly taking the

nation into its confidence, passed the decree referred to above, and called for volunteers to hurl back the invader. From this day (July 11) to the end of the year, the history of France is one of the most interesting and dramatic pages in all history. It is a period full of the strangest contrasts. It reverberates with the tramp of the volunteers, marching from every quarter of France, through Paris, and on to the front; but it also witnesses the horrors of the September massacres. It shows us France as one vast arsenal, for, while the young men were marching to the frontier, singing that greatest of war songs which the volunteers from Marseilles had lately taught them, the older men were busy making the munitions of war. It shows us, at the same time, a nation in the turmoil of a general election, discussing all the details of a new constitution to replace that which fell to pieces on the deposition of the King.

Let us look at these events a little more closely.

On August 3rd there arrived in Paris one of the stupidest manifestoes ever issued by an invader. The leader of the allied forces threatened to level Paris to the ground, if the King should be harmed. The reply of Paris was to march on the Royal Palace, and, on Louis taking refuge with the Assembly, to follow him and demand his deposition. The frightened Assembly could only obey. A general election followed, and it seems incredible that while titanic efforts were being made to cope with the invasion, all France should also be debating the abstract question of the new form of government. Never in the history of the world has a nation, fighting for bare existence, shown such many-sided activity. Frenchmen were working with the sword in one hand and the trowel in the other. Every question which has since formed a political battleground, such as universal suffrage, free compulsory education, and the referendum, was being discussed as though Austria and Prussia did not exist. It was a time of noble ideals and high enthusiasms. The Assembly bestowed the privilege of French citizenship on many foreigners whose work had benefited humanity, including Wilberforce, Washington, and the Polish patriot Kosciuszko. One indeed, although a republican, was also an "alien enemy."

What a contrast it is to turn from this picture to that presented by the September massacres. The prisons of Paris at this time were full of persons suspected of treason, and during the excitement of the recruiting and the elections, they were invaded by gangs of bloodthirsty ruffians who murdered the wretched prisoners. The responsibility for this ghastly business has never been definitely fixed. It was certainly not the work of the Government, but was made possible by the fact that all law and order had

disappeared; a fact which helps to explain why the Revolution, so moderate at the outset, became so extreme and fantastic. Yet even this fiendish massacre shows the strange contrasts, so characteristic of the Revolution. We are told of an aristocrat whose life was spared by some whim or another, and who was escorted home to his overjoyed family by a guard of workmen. He wished to give them money; they refused it, and thanked the aristocrat for the sight of so much happiness.

What caused the massacres? Chiefly panic. The people of Paris were afraid these "traitors" might break out of the prisons and join hands with the invader. "We will go to the frontier," they said, "but we will leave no enemy behind." The September massacres are a blot on the fair name of the Revolution, and they are an example of the useless suffering that panic may cause in times of national danger. How France, to-day, regrets them!

But while this ghoulish work was going on, another scene was being enacted. Recruiting offices had been opened at almost every street corner, the tocsin or alarm bell was being continually rung, and thousands of men streamed towards the great open space, known as the Champ de Mars, where the "altar of the nation" had been set up.

Here, a great recruiting meeting was going on, and at the very time when the panic-mongers were murdering the prisoners, the rugged eloquence of Danton was appealing powerfully for recruits. Danton was one of the greatest orators of the Revolution, and this was his greatest speech. To this day, much of it is taught in the schools to French children. "The bells that ring", he cried, "are no signal of alarm. They sound the charge upon our country's enemies." Then follows this untranslatable sentence: "De l'audace, encore de l'audace, toujours de l'audace, et la France est sauvée."

This was the spirit, not only of Danton, but of the whole French nation, and Europe saw, for the first time, a nation in arms. With the armies so gained, the invader was swept back, and, by November, he was being pursued into his own territory.

J. W. F.



THE SCHOOL CAMP.

I WAS rather sceptical when I left Middleton for Daddry Shield. During the last ten days or so I had covered over 600 miles of the loveliest country roads in England. My bicycle, though ancient, had carried me through industrial towns, cathedral cities, the two great University towns

of England, past churches and castles, through villages and hamlets, over hill and over dale. I was full of what I had seen, and now I was going to Daddry Shield! It had been raining, and I had been delayed a couple of hours, and was wet; it was getting dark, and I did not know the road (I discovered afterwards that there wasn't one). I had written to say I would arrive at 8:30 p.m.—that time was fast approaching, and high fells were still between the camp and me. However, I kept on, and after a very exciting ride in the dark, reached Daddry Shield at last. If I had known the kind of ground I was cycling on, I should not have arrived. "Where ignorance—", etc.

The campers had gone to bed, but Mr Witter, and, under his care, some hot tea, were waiting for me; and, after enjoying that tea more than I had ever before enjoyed any tea, I went to bed. The next thing I knew was that three youngsters were saying, "So you've woke up at last?"

A few minutes later I was outside, admiring the scenery. No better spot could have been chosen for the camp, and the more I saw the more convinced of this I became. Mr Witter is to be most heartily congratulated.

It was delightful to sit down to breakfast with a company of Bedans representing nearly every Form in the school. I was assigned a position of honour at the head of the table, and could not help noticing how much happier the boys were when taking in food than when taking in knowledge.

I had intended to depart during the morning, but did not go till the afternoon. I had intended to stay at the camp only one night, but I came back again as soon as I could. The critic was dumbfounded: the sceptic was convinced. I decided that Daddry Shield should be my holiday home for the remainder of the holidays.

I am sure the other boys enjoyed the camp as much as I did—the difficulty they had in keeping their tongues still after 'lights out' convinced me of that. The villagers also enjoyed the camp. It was something new for them to see so many healthy, sprightly young Bedans romping about; and really they were more pleasing than when they dodge about one's legs in the school yard. Several villagers told me how they loved to hear the boys' voices singing "grace before meat". Standing out on the hills or down in the dale, in the very midst of loveliest nature, hearing the words of the old Thanksgiving: "Be here and everywhere adored . . ." coming out from the open doors and windows of the cottage, one could not help remembering the old saying: "God made the country and man made the town."

There was nothing much to do during the day, and we generally succeeded in doing it.

The playing field was excellent, and some remarkable cricket was seen. The bowlers gen-

erally seemed to aim at terrific speed and to bowl for the leg. I can still show a bruise on my left shin inflicted by a ball from a reckless bowler, now in the Upper Fifth. The batsmen went in for hard hitting—to make the fielders run; and the fielders seemed to be in competition as to who could take the longest time in fetching a ball.

There were a couple of matches played against a village team, the results of which we will not mention. Suffice it to say that one Featherstone, of the village, had a reputation as a bowler which scared the rabbits.

The bathing pool, though small, was excellent and extremely popular. At almost every hour of the day there were some campers in the water.

I heard tales of dead cats in the water and consequent foulness, but no official confirmation is to hand. Almost every day there was a party of pedestrians, who made their way from the camp, loaded with sandwiches, and returned with sore feet and stories of their adventures.

The Vicar of St. John's took active and practical interest in the camp, and in return a choir of the campers used to sing in the church in the evenings. The afternoon services for the campers were greatly appreciated.

Although Mr Witter was not always in the best of health he managed everything excellently; and though the help of the ladies was very highly appreciated, I believe we, or rather Mr Witter, could have managed alone.

This article is beginning to seem long, and I have no desire to see it attacked with scissors as though I were an ordinary war correspondent.

The camp was a great success, and I should like to suggest that, if Mr Witter is willing, there be one on a larger scale next year; and I certainly recommend everybody to book a place as soon as any arrangements are made.

J. W. E.



MODERN EDITORS.

AN EXTRACT FROM A SCHOOL POETRY BOOK.

"Ben ^bBattle ^cwas a ^dsoldier ^ebold,

And ^fused to war's alarms,

^gBut a ^hcannon ⁱball ^jtook ^koff his legs.

^lSo he ^mlaid down his ⁿarms."

(a) Probably a shortened form of Benjamin, possibly of Reuben. A suggested rendering is that it is a prefix [Heb.] signifying 'son of'. Cf Ben-Hadad.

(b) A very interesting point is raised here by Prof. Noing. He surmises that probably one of Battle's ancestors, being a fighter, had been designated 'Battler', shortened to 'Battle', and that

his spirit shows itself, after many centuries, in Ben, who still bears the name Battle. See note 'd'.

(c) Evidently is not now. We may argue that either

(1) Battle is now dead; or,

(2) Battle has retired from his profession.

In the light of other circumstances mentioned in the poem (see note 'j'), we strongly incline to the former view.

(d) *i.e.* a bold soldier (see note 'b'). We presume he was English, but on name see note 'a'.

(e) From this we may infer that Battle had either seen service before, or, being used to war's alarms, he may have been a special constable during an invasion scare. Dr. Yones (Oxen.) vigorously supports the latter view. Prof. Titus Saucekritt, his great opponent, however, points out that if Battle had been a special constable he would have been over 35 years of age, and so could not have been a soldier afterwards, the maximum age limit for enlisting being 35. As all the great thinkers of the age are at variance over the matter, we will not pursue the question here. For further reference the student should consult Yones, 'Thoughts on the Ben Battle crisis,' published in four vols., and Saucekritt, 'Criticisms on the "Thoughts" of Dr. Yones'. These will serve as good introductory mediums to the subject.

(f) Generally the precursor of bad news, as in this instance.

(g) Possibly a Krupp. As we are not told who the enemy are, however, it is difficult to ascertain.

(h) Evidently the incident took place somewhere between the 14th and 20th centuries, when cannon-balls were in vogue.

(j) Possibly a clean cut. This would require a 12 inch shot or thereabouts.

(k) We cannot pretend to know why Battle laid down his arms—perhaps from discomfort caused by his wound. Many possible but very improbable reasons have been given from time to time by experts on the subject, but we shall probably never know the exact reason.

(l) Here we are given insight into Battle's character. Possibly he had been taught in his youth to be tidy. At all events, he did not fling his arms (see 'm') into a corner in a fit of rage at finding himself deprived of his legs, but laid them carefully down. We can picture him doing this with the admirable coolness inherent in the British Army.

(m) His rifle, bayonet, clasp knife, and possibly his entrenching tool. See 'l'.

Questions for revision. Who was a bold soldier? Of what nationality was he? (giving reasons for your answer). How long have there been soldiers? (give dates). What was Battle used to? Why was he used to it? (limit your answer to

five pages). How was he injured? and by what? What did he do? What would you have done under like circumstances? Was he justified in doing what he did?

Discuss Modern Projectiles, and write a short essay on Amputation. E. L. E.



TO THE PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALLER.

FROM the field of bloody battle,
From the field where Britons fight,
From the field where rifles rattle,
Comes the call of God and right.

Men are fighting for their nation,
Men are fighting for their king,
Men of every trade and station
Meeting Death's revolting sting.

Soldiers tell of Prussian horrors,
Soldiers tell of Prussian brutes,
Soldiers tell of Belgian sorrows;
How the Prussian kills and loots.

O'er the horrid noise of battle,
O'er the Prussian war-dogs' yelp,
O'er the gun and rifle rattle,
Sounds the Belgian cry for help.

Is it naught that they should suffer?
Is it naught that they should die?
Heathen could not treat them rougher!
Will you never hear their cry?

And those men of General French's—
Is their fight to be in vain?
When through death they've left the trenches,
Who will take their place again?

Football player, are you heedless?
Football player, you are strong.
Do you think your country needless?
Do you think its cause is wrong?

Leave the field of football fooling!
Leave the field which has but shame!
For the field where honour's ruling:
Go! and play the greater game.

J.W.E.



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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE PAPER.

In answering a question, write down nothing but the NUMBER of the question and your ANSWER, shortly and clearly. Handicap : U. VI. ser., L. VI. plus 4, U. V. plus 8, L. V. plus 16, U. IV. plus 24, L. IV. plus 32, III. plus 40, II. plus 45, I. plus 50.

Write down the name of

1. The Premier of United South Africa.
2. The late German Ambassador in London.
3. The Burgomaster of Brussels.
4. The General in command of the Right Wing of the German Army at the Marne.
5. { The Three great Belgian fortresses.
6. }
7. }
8. The Captain of the Emden.
9. The Captain of the Sydney.
10. The leader of the S. African rebels.
11. The German Chancellor.
12. The German Submarine that sank the three Cruisers in the N. Sea.
23. The German General commanding in the East.
14. The Turco-German Battleship disabled by the Russians.
15. The famous French Cathedral bombarded by the Germans.
16. The Defender of Liège.
17. The best-known German Aeroplanes.
18. The best-known German Airships.
19. The British Foreign Secretary.
20. The First Lord of the Admiralty.
21. The Bishop of Bristol.
22. The Pacific liner sunk in the St. Lawrence.
23. The Pope (official name).
24. The Inventor of the Steam Turbine.

In what books do the following characters occur P

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 25. Bill Sykes. | 31. Ben Gunn. |
| 26. Rawdon Crawley. | 32. Uncle Pumblechook. |
| 27. Skyresh Bolgolam. | 33. Achilles. |
| 28. The Frog Footman. | 34. Brer Fox. |
| 29. Jean Valjean. | 35. Cavor. |
| 30. Paul Bultitude. | 36. Cassim Baba. |

Complete these quotations :

37. Allons, enfants de
38. Some Cromwell guiltless of his
39. They also serve who only
40. But we left him alone with
41. She is the darling of my heart, and she lives
42. The evil that men do lives
43. Be good, sweet maid, and let who will
44. I am monarch of all

Who wrote P

45. The Blazed Trail.
46. Peter Pan.
47. Coral Island.

48. The Strenuous Life.
49. Idylls of the King.
50. Germany and the Next War.
51. Catriona.
52. The music to Rule Britannia.

State in Figures

53. Normal temperature of the human body (Fahrenheit).
54. " " " " (Centigrade).
55. In which Century Henry Purcell lived.
56. Number of feet in a Fathom.
57. Number of Kilometres in Five Miles.

Give the missing word :

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|--------|---------------|--------|---------------|
| 58. As | as a Church | 63. As | as a Nut. |
| | Mouse. | 64. As | as a Fiddle. |
| 59. As | as my hat. | 65. As | as a Lord. |
| 60. As | as a whistle. | 66. As | as Erebus. |
| 61. As | as Thieves. | 67. As | as a Dog with |
| 62. As | as a Trivet. | | two tails. |

What flag is flown by P

68. The King.
69. The Admiral of the Fleet.
70. Ships of the Navy.
71. " Royal Naval Reserve.
72. " Mercantile Marine

Who said P

73. Is it peace?
74. Just for a scrap of paper.
75. Et tu, Brute.
76. All is lost, save honour.
77. My heart bleeds for Louvain.

Give the names of the following metrical feet :

78. —
79. — —
80. — — —
81. — — — —
82. — — — — —

What names are prominently connected with P

83. The expedition to the South Pole.
84. Discovery of a great river in South America.
85. Kandahar.
86. Khartoum.

Give the 'learned' names for :

87. A stuffer of animals.
88. A student of plant-life.
89. A two-footed animal.
90. A "hundred-footed" creature.

For what do these abbreviations stand P

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| 91. N.C.O. | 95. D.S.O. | 98. R.N.R. |
| 92. R.A.M.C. | 96. R.H.A. | 99. Pte. |
| 93. A.D.C. | 97. H.M.S. | 100. R.I.P. |
| 94. K.G. | | |

