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Editorial.

Never in the history of the School have so many extra holidays occurred as in the present term, which might be called the Royal Term. The Central Welsh Board Examinations, however, have to take place as usual, and we hope that the work will not suffer in consequence of so many relaxations.

The School may congratulate itself on the excellent financial results of the effort made last term on behalf of the County Schools' Fund for the Welsh National Memorial to King Edward VII. We should like to thank all those who supported us on the occasion, and particularly those who helped us in getting up the concert.

The publication of the summer number of the "Penvro" marks the end of another school year, and we wish to all a pleasant summer holiday, and to those who will return to school no more we offer our best wishes for their future success.

A Tramp in Brittany.

Now that the holiday season is upon us, perhaps it will not be amiss to let our thoughts rest for a few moments on those delightful days when we forget our work and troubles, and enjoy, each after his own inclination, some of the pleasures which the world has to offer us. And to this end I do not believe I can do better than describe, as well as my memory will allow me, a somewhat novel holiday which a relative of mine spent one summer a year or two ago, and of which he gave me a full description when he came back.

Setting out with seven pounds to spend; he crossed from Southampton to St. Malo, travelling second class; for second class he considered to be better than the first in summer, when the nights are warm, because then, as he put it in his elegant phraseology, "one can listen to the wind whispers, and can watch the stars pale, as Dawn comes in her delicate beauty, leading by the hand her sister Day, clad in Glory."

It was to be a holiday indeed. He cared little for fashionable resorts, but desired only to wander at will along the quiet lanes, past whispering orchards, or to stray along rough cliff-paths and watch the sail-speckled sea. Rough walking clothes, heavy boots, a knap-sack containing the necessary change of linen, a tooth-brush and a comb, and in his pocket somewhere about 150 francs; such was his condition when he left St. Malo one August afternoon for his fortnight's tramp.

He had a railway map with him marking the main towns and villages, and he steered by that, little caring where he went, so long as he arrived back in St. Malo at the fortnight's end. It mattered little whether he arrived by nightfall or not. So generally he found some small hotel, poor-looking perhaps, but scrupulously clean, where he could put up for the night. If he arrived late and went straight to bed, pleasantly fatigued with a long day's tramp in the open air, and departed without breakfast in the morning, 1 franc 50 cents was about the usual charge. Sometimes, however, he would arrive towards sunset at some village which took his fancy. Maybe it was Lamballe, asleep in a fertile valley and guarded by the ancient church proud-set upon the hill; maybe it was St. Brieuc, with streets and ancient houses, gay cafés and crumbling churches. There he would stop and dine and stay for breakfast in the morning; then the charge might be 3f 50c., or even 4f 50c.—this last, however, was excessive and unusual.

But it happened once or twice that nightfall found him far away from town or village. N'importe. The moon was full, so he made his way along the white stretch of roadway, humming some snatch of a song, careless of all things, glad to be alive, to feel the fresh wind

play about his hair, to hear the distant barking of farm dogs. Then, when his limbs were wearied, he found a sheltered corn-field and crept between the sheaves and fell asleep dreaming of Diana and Endymion; or he discovered some open barn with cart rugs for bedding and shared shelter with a mongrel puppy too startled to bark, or with some sleepy fowls at roost among the rafters. The freshness of the morning hours—"The hours immaculate" as the Italians call them—wakened him, a neighbouring pump invited him to wash, and an open cottage door reminded him of breakfast, to be obtained for the asking within, and so a new day of joy began.

The way was never lonely. A simple curé, in cassock and broad hat, stepping along bravely, would stop to talk; some farmer, lumbering past in his heavy cart, would hail him and invite him to ride with him; some village innkeeper, more thoughtful than his class, would sit sipping cider with him at the porch and tell of all he knew of England, and of the English he had met.

So the days slipped by. He had made his way inland through Plancoet, Lamballe, and St. Brieuc, and thence to a little fishing village—I forget its name—scattered among the rocks. Here he stayed for a couple of days at the solitary hotel, with its verandah hanging out over the water. At night he sat there, smoking his pipe, a delicious languor in his limbs, the deep calm of joy and peace in his mind.

Then off again he started along the coast, by short stages or long, until the last day brought him again within a short distance of St. Malo. This last stage was done by train, and a chapter of accidents landed him on St. Malo Quay with five minutes to spare, sufficient French money to pay for his supper on board, and three-pence English left for car fare when he arrived home.

Such was his fortnight amid the kindly Bretons, their corn-fields and their Calvaries, their orchards and their quaint old inns. A rough and tumble holiday if you will, but one which, he said, left him with the blood coursing merrily in his veins, with a kindness of feeling thrilling in his heart, and with a fragrant memory of the gentle peasant folk who pass their sun-filled lives in the "grey-green land of dreams."

J.W.G.



A Marine Trip to Haverfordwest.

During the last summer holidays it was my good fortune to visit the ancient town of Haverfordwest by boat. We started from Hobbs Point at 2.15 p.m. in glorious weather and in high spirits, and were soon out in mid stream. Aided by the tide we passed the gorse-clad Burton Mountain and the wooded Lawrenny in swift succession, and soon arrived at Castle Reach, perhaps the most beautiful part of the river Cleddau. On both sides the land was thickly wooded almost to the water's edge, while over the gently swaying branches a few wood pigeons were flying. Near the shore two graceful swans were floating motionless, as if carved in marble, while over all stretched the blue sky, flecked here and there with soft fleecy clouds. It was indeed a scene to entrance an artist and make a poet go into ecstasies.

Gradually the woods became thinner until the fishing village of Llangwm was reached, where the women share the toil of husbands and brothers. Proceeding on our way we left Picton Point on our right, and soon passed the small colliery at Hook on the western bank. At this point the river narrows considerably, and as we approached Haverfordwest, it becomes very marshy, and large numbers of aquatic birds are observed, notably the cormorant or black dipper. On landing at the quay, a striking view of the old castle, perched high up above the town is obtained, and the town can also be seen, built round the castle to which it looked for protection.

The original name of the old town was Haverford, but it was altered to its present form to avoid confusion with Hereford. It is apparent even to the casual observer that the town is ancient, for the streets are narrow, and the pavements only wide enough to allow two to walk abreast. It is interesting to learn that the Grammar School is one of the schools founded in the reign of Edward VI. On hearing that the old castle is accessible to visitors, we obtained permission and were conducted through what was once a feudal stronghold.

It is supposed that the castle was built in the reign of Henry I about 1120 by Gilbert de Clare, and after Pembroke, it became the most important in Pembrokeshire. At different times, it was held by many noted personages among whom were King John, William Marshal, Isabel, wife of Richard II, Humphrey, Duke of Gloucester, Richard III, and Henry, Duke of York, afterwards Henry VIII. Henry II passed a night there on his return from Ireland in 1153, and Prince Llewellyn burned the town up to the castle walls in 1220. In 1405 the French allies of Owain Glyndwr marched against Haverfordwest, but failing to take the castle, they sacked and burned the town. In 1644, it was garrisoned for the king, but

was soon captured, and in 1648 Cromwell gave orders for its demolition. It appears however, that the only success achieved was the destruction of the interior, for the shell still remains. In more recent times it was used as the County Gaol, but of late years the prisoners have been sent to Carmarthen, and it now serves as the headquarters of the County Constabulary. A relic of more turbulent times which still remains is the entrance to what is supposed to have been a secret underground passage to the ancient priory. Among other places of interest in the town which we visited was the spot where witches used to be burnt. An old lady, seeing that we lingered at the spot, related an amusing anecdote. She told us that she could remember a witch being burnt there, and afterwards being thrown from the Old Bridge into the river, "notwithstanding which," the old lady remarked, "she did not recover." Upon which she laughed heartily! The boat having returned long ere this, we determined to go back by train, arriving home about 8.30 p.m., after having spent a most enjoyable and at the same time interesting and instructive day.

R. E. A. SINNETT.

Prize Day.

Our annual prize-giving was held on July 14th, when Mrs. Godfrey Wolfe, of Lamphey, was good enough to come and distribute the prizes. The assembly hall had been prettily decorated with flowers and ferns, and although the weather was very warm a large number of guests assembled by 3 o'clock.

The meeting opened with the presentation of a bouquet to Mrs. Wolfe by Mildred Dunn, on behalf of the girls, and after this the Chairman delivered an address, in which he compared the efficient education of the Intermediate Schools of the present day with that of the "dame schools" of a century ago. Then the Chairman called upon the Head Master to read his report for the year. Needless to say this was very satisfactory, and showed that the school was progressing rapidly. Mr. Wolfe then asked Priscilla Williams to sing "My Ain Folk," which was received with a great deal of applause. Then Mrs. Wolfe distributed the Certificates to the successful candidates in the C.W.B. examinations, and prizes to those who were lucky enough to win them. After all the prizes had been distributed Ivy Bonnell sang "To welcome you," which delighted both visitors and pupils.

Votes of thanks were then proposed to Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe for their kindness in being present, and also for the valuable assistance they had given to the proceedings. After a vote of thanks to the

staff, the singing of the National Anthem brought a very successful and enjoyable afternoon to a close.

All the guests were invited to take tea on the tennis lawn by Mrs Jones and Miss Perman, and the change from the hot room to the coolness of the lawn was a welcome one.

Prize Distribution.

The following is the Prize List :—

Form V. Prizes awarded on the results of the Central Welsh Board Examination. 1—J. W. Griffiths, Senior Certificate, equivalent to Matriculation, with six distinctions, London University Matriculation, First Division. 2—V. Pick, Senior Certificate, equivalent to Matriculation. 3—C. J. Thomas, Senior Certificate, equivalent to Matriculation, with one distinction, Preliminary Certificate examination.

Form VA. Prize awarded on the result of the Preliminary Certificate Examination. 1—W. H. Howell, Preliminary Certificate Examination, with two distinctions.

Form VB. Prizes awarded on the result of the Central Welsh Board Senior Examination. 1—R. Smith, Senior Certificate, qualifying for entrance to a Training College, Preliminary Certificate. 2—M. Thomas, Senior Certificate, qualifying for entrance to a Training College, Preliminary Certificate.

Form IV. Prizes awarded on the results of the C.W.B. Junior Certificate Examination. 1—V. Kerrison, Junior Certificate, with eight distinctions. 2—T. Smith, Junior Certificate.

Form IIIA.—1, D. Johns; 2, F. Roblyn.

Form IIIB.—1, G. Davies; 2, Lilian Brooks.

Form IIA.—1, O. T. Williams; 2, L. F. Masson.

Form IIB.—1, S. Gullon; 2, F. Morris.

Special Prizes :—

Cookery: Form IV.—G. Henry; Form IIIA.—D. Johns;
Form IIIB.—M. Rees.

Woodwork: Form IV.—T. Smith; Form III.—J. C. Blencowe;
Forms IIA. and IIB.—B. T. Thomas and H. R. Phillips.

Prize for keeping the weather records: G. T. I. Leonard.

Prize for best collection of wild flowers—T. Smith.

Attendance prizes: V. Kerrison, R. Sennett, G. T. I. Leonard,
B. S. B. Thomas, T. Smith, F. Cainan, Alice Morris, Gladys
George, Mabel Petty, Dorothy Johns, Lilian Brooks, S. John,
Gladys Edwards, Florence Morris, R. Luly, Rose Smith, T. Voyle.

Bat, kindly presented by Dr. E. A. Saunders—L. F. McKeon.

The School Concert.

On Thursday, March 29th, an entertainment was given by the pupils in aid of the Welsh National Memorial to King Edward VII. There had been no school performance for several years, so this one naturally caused great excitement, and everyone did his best to make the concert a success, by selling tickets, arranging the room, making the scenery, attending the rehearsals, etc. In the end the effort proved to be one of the most successful in the history of the school. On Wednesday, a full dress rehearsal was held, to which all pupils, with their younger brothers and sisters were invited. On Thursday night excitement ran high, and in the Assembly Hall every seat was filled before the concert began. The School Choir under the leadership of the Head Master, first rendered a pretty cantata entitled 'Vogelweid the Minnesinger,' which was well received by the audience. This was followed by a scene taken from Nicholas Nickleby in which Mrs. Nickleby has a proposal. The parts were very well played by Laura Collins (Mrs. Nickleby), Lilian Masson (Kate Nickleby), R. E. Sennett (The Gentleman Next Door), and the Keeper (F. L. McKeon). Sennett was the discovery of the evening, and his realistic acting will not soon be forgotten by the younger members of the audience. A short musical programme followed, which included a song, "Husheen," by Priscilla Williams, and a song by Ivy Bonnell, which was encored. Mrs. T. H. Jones kindly gave us a pianoforte solo, "Impromptu" (Hugo Reinhold), which was much appreciated.

The curtain was then rung up once more, and we found ourselves transported to Fairyland. The play, "The Magic Whistle," which was acted by pupils of the lower forms, delighted everyone. The characters were all well sustained, and the costumes were charming, those of the ladies being especially so. The cast was as follows :—King, A. W. Griffiths; Jesper, a fisherman's son, W. G. Evans; John Alltrades, H. R. Phillips; Queen, Olga George; Rosabel, the Princess, Doris Edwards; Dame Margery, the Princess's Nurse, Edith Jenkins; Fairy Godmother, Dorothy Hore; Hares—Grace Boby, Gwyneth Davies, Mildred Dunn, Nora Finch, Gladys Jenkins, Gwen McCarthy, Loris Merriman, Enid James, F. Davies, T. Elford, J. Inder, W. McCloghrie.

The last item, which proved very popular, was a scene from "Pickwick Papers," concerning Mr. Pickwick's untimely visit to a young ladies' seminary. All those taking the chief parts acquitted themselves with credit; Kerrison looked well as Mr. Pickwick, Davies made a good Job Trotter, and Thomas, as Sam Weller, was excellent—he kept the audience in roars of laughter by his funny remarks and comical acting. The following took part.—A. V. Kerrison (Mr. Pickwick), B. S. B. Thomas (Sam Weller), W. G. Davies (Job Trotter),

Phyllis Davies (Miss Tomkins, lady principal), Nellie Perkins (cook), Morwyth Rees (housemaid), May Mimmack (Miss Smithers, a boarder), May James, Mary Blencowe, Gladys Roberts (teachers). Boarders were Beatrice Davies, Gwen Davies, Grace Bunday, Gwen Lile, May Jones, Gertrude Edwards, Sybil Gullon, Doris Hitchings, Rosa Luly. During the interval Mrs. Jones kindly played for us. We have to thank all those who supported us on this occasion, and particularly those who helped us in getting up the concert—Mr. W. Evans, who made much of the scenery; Mr. Nicholls, who helped with the painting; Mr. Allen, for lending us properties; Mr H. A. Jones-Lloyd, who obtained our stage license; and Mr. J. Y. Phillips, who kindly made up the players.

The performance was repeated on Friday evening for the benefit of the King Edward VII. Memorial Operating Theatre, when there was a fairly good audience, and everything again went off well.

School Concert, March 29th, 30th, 31st, 1911.

Welsh National Memorial to King Edward VII.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Sale of tickets, Thursday	16 3 0	Scenery, etc.	0 16 3
Cash taken at doors	9 3	Hire of costumes, 19/1	0 7 1
Sale of tickets on Wednesday	1 18 6	Less 12/ paid by pupils	
Cash taken at doors	10 0	Carriage on same	0 5 0
Sale of programmes	17 3	Music	0 11 9
		Printing programmes	0 14 6
		" tickets	0 5 6
		Hire of Piano	0 12 6
		License	0 5 0
		Putting up stage	0 7 6
		Powder, etc. for making up	0 2 0
		Hire of Chairs	0 15 0
		Balance	£14 15 11
	£19 18 0		£19 18 0

King Edward VII. Memorial Operating Theatre.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENSES.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Sale of Tickets (Friday)	4 17 3	Printing Tickets	0 3 0
Cash taken at doors	0 10 0	Hire of Costumes	0 4 6
Sale of programmes	0 3 2	Balance	5 2 11
	£5 10 5		£5 10 5

The Hoisting of the Flag.

A new flagstaff has been erected by the Governors in the school grounds on the site of the old one, and on Tuesday afternoon, June 20th, the flag was run up for the first time. At 3.30 work ceased, and we proceeded to the grounds in order to take our places round the staff. We arranged ourselves in a circle, with the pole in the middle, the girls occupying the southern side, the boys the northern, and the staff and representatives of the governing body the west side. The silence which is nearly always to be recognised before a ceremony was broken by our Head Master, who explained the object of the gathering, and then called on Mr. William Evans, under whose supervision the staff had been erected, to perform the ceremony of breaking the flag. Mr. Evans then stepped forward, and amidst loud cheers pulled a cord, which released the flag, and the Union Jack floated in the breeze. We then sang "God Save the King," after which three cheers were given for the King, three for the flag, three more for Mr. Evans, and more cheers for the staff ended the ceremony.

Old Pupil's Column.

We congratulate Dilys R. Davies and Elsie C. Stephens on taking their B.A. degrees with Second Class Honours in French in the University of Wales.

The following old pupils of the school passed Part II of the Preliminary Certificate Examination:— E. E. Williams with distinction in Geography; K. E. Williams; W. V. Davies.

C. E. Sketch has been appointed to the Aberdare Branch of Lloyd's Bank.

J. Martin has been successful in obtaining admission to Bristol Theological College, where he will study for the ministry.

Mr. Colin Henry, who has a large farm near Ladysmith, had the misfortune recently to have his house—a new stone building—burnt down. We are glad to know that the greater part of the loss was covered by the insurance and we hope that he will soon be comfortably settled in a new house. Except for this calamity he has had a very prosperous career in South Africa, where he specialises in the rearing of thoroughbred horses.

We hear that E. C. Elford is doing well in Canada. It is now nearly three years since he went out and his old school fellows will be glad to know that he is quite content and happy in his life in the Far West. He is evidently of the stuff needed in our colonies.

G. Mc' lghrie was third in the examination of fourth year Apprentices in all H.M. Dockyards. After heading the lists in the First, Second and Third years, we had been looking forward to seeing him at the top in his last year. However we hope he will be successful again in the near future

In our last issue, in referring to the long continued illness of Dorothy Eardley, we expressed the sincere hope that the slight improvement then apparent in her condition would be maintained. This hope was not to be fulfilled, and we now have the sad duty of recording her death on May 10th, two days before her twenty-second birthday, after a long and painful illness borne with great patience and resignation. Her untimely death has cut off a life full of promise for a useful and happy career in the work to which she had been eagerly looking forward and for which she seemed in every respect so well fitted.

On May 27th another old pupil, Daisy Elford, passed away, at the age of seventeen, after an illness of little more than a week. Circumstances of special sadness are connected with each of these melancholy events, and we offer to the parents of both our heartfelt sympathy.

Many of our old pupils will be interested to hear that two former members of the staff have left England to work in distant colonies. Miss Troughton has accepted a post at Pietermaritzburg, and Miss Cole has this month left for Canada. An old pupil, also, Phyllis Collins, has gone to Canada, where we understand that, after a further course of study, she hopes to find work in a government school. We wish all three every success.

By a strange coincidence, two old pupils, Vivien Thomas and May Bowling, took up work as nurses at the Haslar Naval Hospital within a few days of each other. There is great competition for these posts, and we congratulate both on their appointment. We also congratulate Dr. Tom Cock on his appointment to the medical staff of the hospital.

Our readers will be interested to hear that M. Daniel Bourrette, who kindly contributed an article on French Schools to our last number, has returned to his home among the Cevennes, after a long stay in England. His journey was by no means an uneventful one,

for in the neighbourhood of St. Etienne an accident occurred to the train in which he was travelling, which though resulting in no loss of life, led to very serious injuries to several passengers. It may not be generally known that the department of Haute Loire, in which M. Bourrette's home is situated, is almost entirely Protestant, the two Catholics in Le Mazet, his native village, having to go ten miles to reach a Catholic Church, since the withdrawal of state help has made it impossible for any but congregations of a fair size to maintain their services.

W. J. A. Davies distinguished himself at the Royal Naval College sports on May 13th last by winning several of the most important events and carrying off the Challenge Cup held by the winner of the greatest number of points. He was 1st in the 100yds. flat race, winning the cup awarded by the Director of Naval Education; 1st in the 220yds. flat race; 1st in 120yds. hurdle race, prize a cup; 1st in the quarter-mile flat race; 2nd in the long jump; and with two others was first in the four-legged race.

Our congratulations to Ethel M. Young, who has obtained her B.A. degree in the University of Wales, with 2nd class Honours in English.

We congratulate Edith Harries on taking her B.A. degree in the University of Wales.

School Notes.

The Central Welsh Board Examinations began this year on Friday July 7th. It was found impossible to hold the examinations during the latter part of the following week, on account of the Investiture of the Prince of Wales at Carnarvon on Thursday, July 13th, so that papers were only set for Monday and Tuesday of that week.

The woodwork examination took place on Wednesday, July 5th, when the examiner was Mr. J. Kay, of London. The model given for construction was a fish reel, consisting of two strips of wood fastened together by two octagonal pillars pinned into them by pegs. This was a slightly more difficult exercise than is usually given.

The School was visited on June 2nd by W. Hammond Robinson, Esq., M.A., Inspector of the Central Welsh Board.

B. B. Skirrow, Esq., M.A., H.M. Inspector of Secondary Schools, visited us on Thursday, June 29th.

The examination for entrance scholarships to the School took place on Saturday, June 17th, when there were 92 candidates.

Candidates for the Senior Certificate of the Central Welsh Board may be interested to know that they will obtain the Certificate if they satisfy any of the three following conditions:—(1) Pass in at least five subjects, of which one at least must be an English subject, one at least must be a Mathematical subject, and one at least must be a language other than English; (2) Pass in at least five subjects, and obtain a certain high aggregate of marks on those subjects; (3) Pass in any six subjects. Drawing is not counted under any of these headings.

Candidates for the Junior Certificate will be successful if they fulfil either of the conditions 1 or 2 mentioned in the last paragraph. Woodwork, cookery, drawing, and hygiene are not reckoned for this purpose.

As everyone knows, King George V. has made himself popular with the school children of the country by expressing a wish that all schools should have a week's holiday in celebration of his Coronation. It was found very inconvenient on account of the nearness of the C.W.B. examinations for us to have the whole week at the time of the Coronation, so the School was only closed for two days, the Head Master stating that he proposed to add the remaining days on to the summer holidays.

The following pupils will enter at the various training colleges next term: Ivy Bonnell, Day Training College, Nottingham; Ethel Rose Smith, Amelia Morris, Alice M. Morris, Fishponds College, Bristol; Mary Thomas, Hereford College; Maggie Griffiths, Bangor Normal College; Mary Thomas, Hereford College; J. W. Griffiths, University College, Aberystwyth; W. Llewellyn, J. B. O. George, and C. Thomas, Carmarthen Training College.

T. S. Griffiths, in IIIA, narrowly escaped a serious accident one afternoon recently, on his way home to Neyland. Being in too great a hurry to get ashore, he jumped off the steamer before it came to rest, and fell into the water between the boat and the pontoon. Luckily he is a good swimmer, and was able to swim out of the way quickly, or he might easily have been crushed against the pier. We hope that those who cross from Neyland will take warning from this incident, and be careful during their crossings of the Haven.

"How pleasant it is to sit on the rocks and watch the sea for a whole month," sighs an essayist in the upper part of the school. We suppose that he must be looking forward to a quiet time in the holidays, after the excitement of the term—Coronation, Investiture, Prize Day, C.W.B. Examinations, etc.

The following are taken from some lower form essays on the *Advantages and disadvantages of living in town or country*:—

"In the town we seldom hear of people living to an old age, as they do in the country. In the large towns we generally hear of persons dying at the age of forty."

"In the country we see beautiful fields of corn and sheep and lambs frisking about."

"If we ask our friends have they ever seen one of the things familiar to the country people, we are astonished at their ignorance, but we must remember that they have seen things that we have never seen or heard of."

"We have advantages in town which they do not have in the country, and of course the other way round the same." Of course!

In another set of compositions we are told:—

"Red Indians are not unlike Black Indians."

"In Red Indians' heads are feathers, which are put in by themselves."

"There are three different kinds of sea—one is the Red Sea, the other Black, and then the White Sea."

"On the sea-side some go with a butterfly net, paddling along, catching shrimps."

We are told by the etymologist that laziness, and a natural inclination to slur things over, have had much to do with the gradual alteration in the spelling of many words in the English language. We recommend the following as a good example of the process—*clynder*.

In a History examination paper we are informed that "the attempts made by James II. and his family to regain the throne were the Battle of the Boyne and the Bill of Rights." Also, "The Toleration Act decided that all Protestant Catholics should worship as they thought right."

Rev. R. Jackett, of St. Ishmaels, who kindly judged the books of pressed wild flowers collected last summer, awarded the prize to T. Smith.

The School was indirectly represented at the Coronation, for

his Worship the Mayor (Ald. W. Smith), who is one of the Governors of the School, was present in Westminster Abbey, having been commanded by his Majesty the King to attend the ceremony as Mayor of the ancient Borough of Pembroke.

A whole holiday was given on Thursday, July 13th, on the occasion of the Investiture of the Prince of Wales at Carnarvon Castle.

The pupils of the Lower Forms continue to provide us with an exhibition of their productions in the Art Classes. Some of the work done is very interesting, and the Picture Galleries at the top of the staircases are well patronised.

On Tuesday, July 18th, Leonard completed four years as our weather expert. During the whole of this time, except on two or three holidays, when he has found a substitute, he has regularly kept the meteorological records at the school, taking the readings at 9 o'clock every morning.

We have to thank Dr. E. A. Saunders for again kindly presenting a cricket bat on Prize Day. L. McKeon, who won the bat, had an average of 5.0, but in bowling he took over 100 wickets at an average cost of 2.8 runs.

The boys have been doing well with the bat this season. Kerrison, Leonard, and John have all made over 30 runs in an innings, and several have made over 20.

A SCHOOL FLAG.

It has been suggested that the school should have a flag of its own to fly on the new flag-staff when "the house is sitting." As many of us are interested in drawing, Mr. Jones thought this a good opportunity for a competition, and kindly offered a prize for the best design. Nineteen flags were sent in, the best of which make a brilliant show outside Room 2. Many of the designs are good, and carefully carried out, showing good workmanship and thought. The competitors have worked in practically all the ideas that have a Welsh meaning, there are leeks and daffodils and red dragons. Some were more liberal minded and have included thistles and roses and shamrock. No doubt the designs will help us considerably in choosing a school flag.



Meteorological Report, 1911.

RAINFALL.			
January	... 2.80 ins.	April	... 1.97 ins.
February	... 2.59 ins.	May	... 1.53 ins.
March	... 3.43 ins.	June	... 2.32 ins.
Total—14.64 ins.			
Average for the last ten years:—			
January	... 3.48 ins.	April	... 2.50 ins.
February	... 2.85 ins.	May	... 2.25 ins.
March	... 3.49 ins.	June	... 2.32 ins.
Total—16.89 ins.			

As may be seen from the above table, the rainfall for the first six months of this year is slightly below the average. The highest fall recorded this year up to the present is 0.94 ins. on the 5th of January and 10th of March.

It is for the dry spells, however, and not for wet weather, that this year will be remembered. For 15 days in April, from 2nd to 16th inclusive, no rain fell, the temperature during that time keeping at about 45°F. The prevailing winds during this period were of a northerly type. Again, from May 15th to June 14th inclusive, a period of 31 days, no rain fell. The wind blew from all quarters, while the thermometer kept at about 70°F. The lowest temperature recorded this year so far is 26°F on the 1st of February, while the highest, 84°F was recorded on the 13th of July. On two occasions the mean temperature has risen to 73°F: On July 5th, when the maximum temperature was 81°F, and minimum 65°F; and on July 13th, when the maximum temperature was 84°F, and minimum 62°F. Perhaps it would be interesting to give a table of temperatures for the hot spells we have experienced lately:—

May 26	72°F	June 4	75°F	July 8	81°F
" 27	72	" 5	72	" 9	77
" 28	74	" 6	72	" 10	70
" 29	75	" 7	73	" 11	76
" 30	75	" 8	76	" 12	82
" 31	75	July 4	68	" 13	84
June 1	77	" 5	72	" 14	81
" 2	74	" 6	74	" 15	69
" 3	72	" 7	80	" 16	71

Note.—All the above temperatures were registered in the shade.

G. LEONARD.



Recreation Club Notes.

"Every man shift for all the rest, and let no man take care for himself."—THE TEMPEST.

GIRLS:—

Many new members have joined the club this term and we have altogether about 60 members. Tennis, Cricket and Rounders are played, but the girls are most enthusiastic over Tennis, and as the weather has been so favourable the courts have scarcely ever been vacant, in fact there were only two days when play was impossible. The grounds are kept well cut and marked by the girls, who are divided into sets of four each week. We should like to thank the Mistresses who have shown their usual interest in our club by going out to the field regularly to organize the cricket games.

BOYS—CRICKET—

Election of Officers:—Captain, V. Kerrison; Vice Captain, G. Leonard. Committee:—C. Lawrence, H. Brown, W. John,

The team has had a very successful season so far. We have played 7 matches and won 5. The batting averages this year are much higher than usual. Our bowlers were Williams, Brown and McKeon, who have all done extremely well. The following are the results of the matches played:—

v. Rosemarket:—We scored 38 (Leonard 14, Brown 9 not out) and 79, (Brown 15, John 14), while our opponents made 20 and 52 for 5 wickets, time then putting an end to the match.

v. Dockyard United 2nd XI:—We made 76 (Kerrison 20, McKeon 15) and 53 for 5 wickets (Kerrison 25 not out), while our opponents' wickets fell for 20.

v. Williamston:—We made 98 to our opponents' 50. Of this 98, 35 were made by Mr. Jones.

v. Rosemarket:—We made 79 (Kerrison 31 not out, John 10), but our opponents just managed to beat us, their score being 82.

v. Williamston (away):—We made 40 (Mr Jones 13) against 66. This match was played in a continual downpour of rain, which made the fielding poorer than usual.

The next match was the annual one with Haverfordwest Grammar School, when our school won easily by an innings and 33 runs. We had beautiful weather for the match, which commenced shortly before 2 p.m. We batted first, and our first two wickets fell for two runs, and the outlook was gloomy indeed till Leonard began to hit up a score. We were all out for 56. Then came the surprise of the day. All our opponents were dismissed for three runs. (Brown took four wickets for one run, Williams five wickets for two runs). We put them in again and had them out for 20 (Brown and Williams each took four wickets for nice runs. Scores:—

COUNTY SCHOOL.

W. John, b Tamlyn	1
V. Kerrison, b Phillips	1
H. Brown, c George, b Tamlyn	13
G. Leonard, b Tamlyn	34
S. Thomas, c Raynes, b Tamlyn	1
H. Lewis, c Raynes, b Tamlyn	0
N. Davies, c Thomas, b Tamlyn	6
C. Lawrence, b Tamlyn	0
C. Lewis, c Thomas, b Tamlyn	0
G. Williams, b Phillips	0
T. Smith, not out	0
Total	56

GRAMMAR SCHOOL. (1st Innings).

B. Raynes, b Brown	1
A. Tamlyn, b Brown	0
W. Phillips, c Thomas, b Williams	1
C. Llewellyn, c Kerrison, b Williams	0
L. Evans, b Williams	0
G. Thomas, run out	0
A. Cook, b Brown	1
H. Jones, b Williams	0
R. Morgan, stumped	0
S. Jones, not out	0
W. George, c Kerrison, b Williams	0
Total	3

2nd Innings.

B. Raynes, run out	3
A. Tamlyn, b Williams	3
W. Phillips, c Kerrison, b Williams	3
G. Llewellyn, c Lawrence, b Brown	0
L. Evans, run out	0
G. Thomas, c Williams, b Brown	4
A. Cook, c Leonard, b Williams	0
H. Jones, b Brown	1
R. Morgan, c Kerrison, b Williams	0
S. Jones, not out	3
W. George, c Lewis, b Brown	1
Extras	2
Total	20

The last match of the season was played against Johnston on July 15th. In this match we made 129 and they made 35. John hit up the highest score of the season, viz: 38 runs. Mr. Sketch kindly entertained the team to tea after the match.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	Total No. of Runs	Total No. of Innings	Times not out.	Highest Score in an Innings.	Average No. of Runs in an Innings.
Kerrison	125	9	2	31*	17.9
Mr. Jones	50	3	0	35	16.7
Brown	60	7	1	20	10.
John	70	2	1	38	10.
Leonard	81	9	0	34	9.
McKeon	49	8	0	15	6.1
S. Thomas	44	8	0	15	5.5

* Not out.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	No. of Overs.	No. of maiden Overs.	Total No. of wickets.	Total No. of Runs.	Aver. No. of runs per wkt.
O. Williams	30	12	18	29	1.6
H. Brown	49	10	22	96	4.4
L. McKeon	...	10	29	144	4.9

We should like to thank the Head Master and the Staff for kindly providing tea for the visiting teams.

Results of Examinations.

PRELIMINARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION PART II.

The following pupils were successful:—

A. M. Morris with distinction in History, T. E. Smith with distinction in Mathematics and Science, H. Brown with distinction in Science, W. G. John with distinction in Science G. T. I. Leonard, S. R. Ogleby, G. E. James, I. G. Phillips, F. M. Lloyd, M. G. Howells, A. S. Road, L. George, W. A. Llewellyn.



"The Penvro."

"The Penvro" is published twice a year and aims at giving a record of school events as well as reproducing the efforts of the pupils in the form of original articles. The Editor will be glad to receive contributions from present and past pupils; the Magazine can be a credit to the school only so long as the pupils co-operate in sending in matter for publication.

We beg to acknowledge the following:—"Retfordian"; Swansea Grammar School; Bablake School, Coventry; "The Dragon," Legiolium.

We have received a somewhat disturbing communication from the Keeper of Printed Books, informing us that under the Copyright Act (5 and 6 Victoria, cap. 45) the Editor has been liable to various dreadful penalties for not having forwarded to the British Museum copies of the "Penvro" as they appeared. We had no idea our little publication was held of such great importance. However let all future contributors know that their writings will be open to the whole world to read and on that account the Editor may be more stringent in the use of his blue pencil.

We have at the School copies of all back numbers of the Magazine, except No. 7 for the Spring Term of 1899. If any old pupil should happen to have a copy of this number and would be good enough to present it to the School we should be much obliged. We wish to bind a complete set of the Magazines.

Old pupils may obtain copies of the "Penvro" from Mr. West at the School price 3d., or by post 3½d

SCHOOL PROSPECTUS.

The School was opened in January, 1895, under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, and is intended to provide a good secondary education for boys and girls remaining at School to the age of 16 or 17. Separate entrances, cloak rooms, etc., are provided for boys and girls. The large grant from the County Council funds enables a sound education by a competent staff to be provided at very low fees, and by means of Scholarships, boys and girls of good ability from the elementary schools receive their education free, and many receive scholarships enabling them to proceed to University Colleges.

Fees £4 per annum, payable in three instalments of £1 6s. 8d. at the beginning of each term. Instrumental music, £1 1s. per term.

Scholarships—Entrance County Scholarships, each of the value of £5 per annum, are offered yearly, and these may be renewed. Entrance Scholarships are confined to pupils who are and have been for the last three years at an Elementary School.

Scholarships tenable at University Colleges and Universities are given in connection with the School.

A number of Bursaries, each of the value of £3, are awarded each term to pupils whose parents are in pecuniary need of them.

Conditions of Admission—Candidates must pass an entrance examination, unless they have reached Standard V., in an elementary school. Pupils are admitted at the age of ten, but may enter earlier with special permission from the Governors.

Withdrawal—Half a Term's notice (in writing) is required on a withdrawal of a pupil, otherwise the Half Term's fees must be paid.