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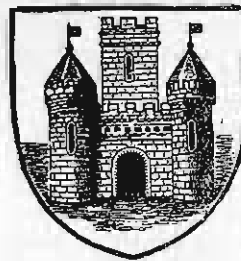
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Editorial.

Here we are at the end of another school year,—a year that has seen great changes in the school. Many of our readers have left the school, as a result of the closing of the Dockyard, and gone to secondary schools in Devonport, Portsmouth and Chatham. Another change of less importance is on the staff of the "Penvro." Young blood has been introduced in the shape of sub-editors; but whether the results will justify this procedure we cannot yet say. It is with great pleasure that we hear of the successes of some of the old pupils of the School. Many pupils will be leaving the School this year, and next term some of the 'old familiar faces' will be missed, but there will be a fresh host of cheerful second-formers taking their places. Such is the everyday life of the grand old School.

"For pupils come, and pupils go,
But the School goes on for ever."

Castles In The Air.

To what exalted height can our Imagination fly ?
 And whither doth Ambition seek for Glory's realm so high ?
 Further than the boundless seas that seem to meet the sky ;
 Further than the stormy peaks that past the grey clouds rise ;
 A fairyland of happiness,
 A sky so blue and bright,
 Where Sorrow never trod, they seek,
 Where all is Hope and Light.

Upon the wings of Fancy fair our souls are carried far
 Into the Future—mystic land ! where mocks Fame's silver star
 Bidding us like butterflies to crave its luring light,
 Calling us to reach it, though so distant in the night.
 So, on and on, we build and build,
 At every step we take
 Some mark we leave behind. All will
 A magic palace make.

These palaces we higher build, and crown them with Success ;
 We dream of them, enhance their charm, admire their loveliness,
 Marble piles of Future Deeds, fantastical, serene,
 Bright though some seclusion holds where Glory is not seen—
 They all depict a happy life,
 Though some are peaceful, too,
 And some are sparkling with the lights
 Of gaiety anew.

Oh, how we long to bring them down into our life on earth !
 Or rise to live among their walls, which unto Joy give birth !
 Dreams they are, and only dreams, so full of strange delights ;
 Strewed with windows from which peep Contentment's golden
 lights.

 Their walls like purple curtains hang
 Just quivering in the wind,
 Their spangles glittering with the Hopes
 That reign supreme behind.

Yet how unreal and fanciful are all their beauties spread !
 They cannot bear the heaviness of Sorrow's firmer tread ;
 Having not foundation strong—of Happiness the seat—
 Thus they fall and crumble down in ashes at her feet.

Oh ! say ! when grave Misfortune comes,
 Breathes o'er our buildings fair,
 Oh ! what is left, what can be left
 Of these castles in the air.

MAY NORRIS, Form VI.



St. David.

In a Cardiganshire village,
 Upon a pleasant summer morn,
 To Ceredig, a Welsh Chieftain,
 David, an infant son was born.

There he grew up, good and holy,
 Beloved, sweet, and full of grace.
 Till to study with Paulinus,
 He left for school, his native place.

And with grace and mien so humble,
 He studied there God's holy Word.
 Going forth, he preached the Gospel
 Where it had been but faintly heard.

And in Pembroke's Vale of Roses,
 He built a monastery so fair,
 Where long after monks and brethren
 Worked hard among the people there.

And his fame it went before him,
 The Kings and Princes bowed down
 To receive great David's blessing,
 And trembled to receive his frown.

In a little South Wales city,
 Upon a pleasant morn in Spring,
 David's soul was borne to Heaven,
 While Angel choirs did sweetly sing.

A. CUNNIFFE, Form III.

Quits.

The ward room on board a ship is often the scene of many interesting conversations; the ward room on H.M.S. Avid has been an interested listener to many thrilling tales.

One evening, when the ward room officers had settled down for a smoke before "turning in," the conversation—by one of those unaccountable turns which so often occur in conversation between friends—turned to the subject of murderers; not a very pleasant subject, you may say, but nevertheless one which proved to be very interesting.

The ship had quite recently been commissioned and so the officers had not been long acquainted with each other, consequently there was no lack of stories concerning other ships.

"Talking about murderers," said one of the officers suddenly, "reminds me of a very unusual and thrilling case which I heard of on the 'Watersprite'; perhaps you would like to hear it?"

The ward room nodded approval, so, lighting a cigarette Commander Enderson related without further ado the following remarkable events:—

"While I was on the 'Swallow' there was a chap there whom I knew very well but whose name I had better not mention. He was a very decent fellow and one I would have trusted with my life. We had been on a long voyage and he had not been at home for over two years. At last we reached England where he was met with the terrible news that his father, a well-known city man, had, by a cowardly trick, been financially ruined. The poor fellow went almost mad and swore that if ever he found the man who had thus ruined his father, that man would pay for it with his life.

"I heard nothing more of him for three years—for he left the service, and I was on active service around Africa—then I was appointed to the 'Watersprite' where I was told his ultimate fate. After much weary searching he had found his man—and had carried out his threat.

"He was convicted and sentenced to death." Here Commander Enderson paused for a moment and then continued, "The rest of the story was also forthcoming, and from perfectly reliable authority. The day before that fixed for his execution, he escaped. It was a well arranged and well carried out plan, and he might have got away

"His plan was to go to a canal nearby, where boats were always kept moored. He intended to cut them all adrift and use

one to get to Castown, where he hoped to obtain a suit of clothes.

"When he got to the river—it was almost dark, as it was practically ten o'clock—he was about to cut the boats loose, when he heard a muffled cry and a splash. Then he saw indistinctly a boy's head bobbing about on the water close to an old landing stage on the opposite side of the canal. His first thought was to row over and save the boy, whom he could leave on the opposite bank, but suddenly he heard a police whistle shrill near-by—his escape had been detected. It meant the boy's life or his own. He hesitated a moment, then with a shrug of despair, he jumped into a boat, and rowing down-stream until the boy's head appeared on the surface of the water, pulled him into the boat No use thinking of escaping now, the police had tracked him, and two boats were putting off from the landing stage

"The next day he went bravely to meet his doom. His face, though sternly set, showed no sign of fear—he requested that he should not be blindfolded—and then, just before he died, he cried out—'O God! I know I deserve to die, but thank Heaven, I'm quits!'"

Commander Enderson sat back and lit another cigarette, throwing away the dead stub which had gone out during his impassioned reminiscence. "A strange case," he said.

"I suppose," said one of the other officers, "that he meant that he was glad he had murdered the other chap, although it caused his own death."

"Such was the general opinion," said Commander Enderson, "but I knew him well, and I honestly believe that this is what he meant by saying 'quits':—that he had taken one person's life, but had saved another at the expense of his own life!"

There was dead silence in the ward-room, then one of the officers said, "Enderson, I believe you're right; come, boys, we'll drink to his memory, for he took the life of a rascal, and sacrificed his own for a child's."

D. M. BOLTON.

A Cricket Nightmare.

I went up to bed that night feeling rather unwell. Why I felt unwell I could not say, but perhaps it was due to the fact that I had spent one blissful half-hour crunching green gooseberries. Nevertheless, I soon fell off to sleep. From the land of beautiful dreams, I must have passed to one of blood and terror, for I was

soon weltering in the depths of a hideous nightmare
 I was playing in a cricket match on the school pitch. That itself is no joke. But my opponents (for I was the only representative of the school), were not ordinary human beings. They reminded me of octopuses, or H. G. Well's conception of the inhabitants of Mars; they had great flabby bodies on enormous stilts of legs; their arms were in proportion to their legs, and their monstrous eyes were projecting several inches from their heads, being fastened thereto by very fine hairs.

In the toss-up, I cried 'heads'; it came tails. 'You've won,' I said. 'YOU'VE won,' came an answering growl above me. The animal ferocity of the voice cut short my expostulation. 'Alright,' I said, 'I'll field.' 'You'll bat,' he bellowed. While I was putting on my 'pads,' the horrors amused themselves by tossing the ball up out of sight, and catching it in their mouths, just as I had done, on a smaller scale, with gooseberries that very evening.

In the pavilion, I made up my mind to enjoy myself; show the visitors how to play cricket, and afterwards to give their captain a piece of my mind. Leaving cover, I strode vigorously towards the wicket, whistling 'See the Conquering Hero Comes': thinking that perhaps that sounded conceited, I switched off into a selection from Faust. But at that moment, a jangling brass band started to grind away in the Park; it ground away all my courage, and I sagged along the remaining distance like a wet bag of rags. I tried to whistle, but the only tunes I could remember were 'Lead Kindly Light,' and 'The Other Side of Jordan.' The Park musicians were playing, 'Down Among the Dead Men.'

Feeling unfairly handicapped, I took centre. The visitors were fielding a strong side, about twenty seven in all. Their eyes were twitching and dancing expectantly at the end of their sensitive feelers. At last the game started: the bowling was quite normal, except for the fact that the bowler kept time with the band, which was still playing, 'Down Among the Dead Men.' He so timed it as to get one bowl in each stanza: when it came to 'Down, down, down, down,' he would send the ball down, and he received it back just in time to start the next stanza. The band must have left their music at home, for it was hours before they changed it.

Meanwhile the fielders were annoying me. I noticed that each time I really hit a ball, they retreated a pace; if I just stopped it, they advanced a pace; when I missed it completely, they advanced two paces. I was tired, and the blaring band was not encouraging. Then at last the music changed, but it was a change for the worse: it was now the 'Dead March.' The bowler changed

his preliminary dance. He now came up to the wicket with a hop, a skip and a pause: the ball correspondingly hopped, skipped and paused—hopped over my head, skipped over the bat, or paused until I had hit, and then continued its flight.

Casting an anxious look around me, I saw that the ring was closing in. Another few minutes and the fielders joined hands. Then with a whoop, they danced round me as if they were playing ring-a-ring-a-roses. I seemed to be the only one who was not enjoying himself. The music crashed more fiercely in the Park, the ring whirled faster and faster, closer and closer. The wicket-keeper's breath was singeing the hair on my neck. The fielders were now going at such a pace, that one could only see a ring of huge glassy eyes; they made a noise like a dozen threshing machines going at once. Sweat was running off me, and oozing out through my shoes, but still I kept on. But at last I gave it up. With my last effort I flung the bat at the wicket-keeper's head. Escape was impossible, and with a wild and blood-curdling shriek, they flung themselves upon me—one heaving mass of iron joints and rubbery limbs. About forty bands were buzzing in my ears; the loudest ones were playing "The Dead March" and "Down Among the Dead Men." I felt as if I were falling over a cliff, an infinitesimal speck hurtling through abysmal space.

. . . . With a faint scream I awoke. I was bathed in perspiration, and downstairs the gramophone was sweetly playing, "Down Among the Dead Men."

MELJAY.

Prize Day.

On December 16th, 1925, the annual prize giving of the school took place. At the beginning of the afternoon, bouquets and buttonholes were presented to Mr. Lowless, Mr. Smith, Miss Perman and Mr. Jones, by Sybil and Muriel Turner, J. Kane and Betty Jones respectively. After the Chairman's address, eight juniors rendered a unison song, "The Rainbow." Then came the Headmaster's Report, which, as usual, contained several such pleasing features as the success of old and present pupils. The Upper School Choir then gave a rendering of the "The Snow" (Elgar), and when this was concluded, Mr. Lowless, the Town Clerk, presented the prizes. A solo by Lucy Evans, "Like to a Linden Tree," concluded the music for the afternoon. It was, however, followed by a very interesting and impressive speech by Mr. Low-

less. This, after various votes of thanks, brought the afternoon to a close, an afternoon which was thoroughly enjoyed by both parents and scholars.

PRIZE DAY, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16th, 1925.

PRIZE LIST (1923-24).

IIc—1st, B. J. Garnett; 2nd, W. G. Cole.
 IIb—1st, O. C. May; 2nd, D. W. Jenkins.
 IIa—1st, N. F. Sutton; 2nd, W. G. Sargent.
 IIIc—1st, M. J. Lewis; 2nd, O. Whitehouse.
 IIIb—1st, W. H. Stephens; 2nd, L. M. T. Williams.
 IIIa—1st, R. G. Winters; 2nd, F. W. J. Mathias.
 IVc—1st, E. Lindsay.
 IVb—1st, R. E. Williams; 2nd, A. M. Bunsell.
 IVa—1st, A. Loyn; 2nd, A. T. Williams.
 Vb—1st, N. E. Taylor; 2nd, D. E. Morgan.
 C.W.B., Va—1st, J. A. Sabido, School Certificate in 7 subjects; 2nd, A. W. Thomas, School Certificate in 6 subjects (Distinction in Maths).
 VI—Second Year, M. H. Bull; First Year, M. E. Hall.
 Essay on the Wembley Exhibition, Senior—W. H. Pricke tt; Junior—R. Davies, D. Johnson.

PRIZE LIST (1924-25).

IIc—1st, M. H. Manning; 2nd, T. L. John.
 IIb—1st, B. R. Aveston; 2nd, A. M. Cunniffe.
 IIa—1st, L. H. Andrews; 2nd, H. D. Watterworth.
 IIIc—1st, E. F. E. Thomas, M. May.
 IIIb—1st, M. L. Robinson; 2nd, L. E. Perkins.
 IIIa—1st, N. F. Sutton; 2nd, B. J. Garnett.
 IVc—1st, S. J. Hobson.
 IVb—1st, A. M. Stonier; 2nd, D. Johnson.
 IVa—1st, J. M. Mullins; 2nd, E. M. Thomas.
 Dockyard Division—1st, R. G. Winters; 2nd, G. H. Weatherley.
 Lower Vth—J. M. Fraser.
 Vb—W. H. Prickett.
 Va—1st, C. E. Foreman; 2nd, M. P. Francis.
 VS—1st, A. Loyn; 2nd, A. T. Williams; 3rd, L. E. Nelson.
 VIth—1st, V. Thomas; 2nd, K. M. Cole; 3rd, M. R. O. Thomas; 4th, W. A. Edwards.

School Notes.

The number of pupils in school at the beginning of the summer term was 304. This number includes seven student teachers.

Already the School has had some experience of the C.W.B.

examination for 1926. Miss Forsdyke visited the school to take the Cookery examination, and Mr. Williams came to examine the Woodwork students. The laboratories have also been scenes of activity, but the examination was held by means of printed questions, and not, as previously, under an examiner. This was due to the difficulties placed in the way of travellers by the great strike. Dr. Thomas also visited the school to conduct the examination in French conversation, an examination which was, for some, prolonged for a considerable time after usual school hours.

In the January examination, two boys, Nelson and Loyn, were successful in passing the London Matriculation in the 1st class. Seven candidates entered for the June examination, and are at present waiting anxiously for the result.

Four of this year's student teachers are proceeding to College in September: Winnie Edwards to Swansea, Lucy Nelson and Maud Mackeen to Bangor, and Kathleen Cole has been accepted at Aberystwyth University.

We must congratulate those responsible for the effective use of the school wireless set during the strike. The members of the school were kept informed as to all the latest movements, and a sigh of relief went up in the laboratory, when the news of the cessation of the general strike was announced.

Since the last issue of the Penvro, changes have been made in the staff, and the whole school extends a hearty welcome to Miss Loosemoore and Miss Laing, the two new members of the staff. But even in this welcome, there is some tinge of regret. Miss Norrie, during the short time she was with us, was liked by everyone. All deplore the loss of such a general favourite who has gone to make one happy at the expense of the happiness of many.

Once again the School was privileged in having the chance of seeing Mr. Roger Williams and his party perform extracts from the plays of Shakespeare. The first scene given was taken from Hamlet, and the impressiveness of the acting of Mr. Williams in his extremely difficult part was so evident that the School excelled its great reputation for attentiveness.

The next piece was in a rather lighter vein, two extracts from Henry V. The Company was altogether excellent in this portion, and the strange manner of the wooing of Henry and Kathleen evoked bursts of laughter from a ready audience. The performance ended with two extracts from the Merchant of Venice. First came the scene in which Antonio borrows money from Shylock to save Bassanio, and next the famous trial scene. For a worthy description of the acting in this selection, a pen of genius is necessary. Let it suffice to say that the trial scene was so well done, that the actors were able to obtain full sympathy from the audience and even the dastardly plot of Shylock became softened for us when we saw the sorrow and bitter despair of Shylock when he was defeated. Once again we must thank this talented company for presenting to us extracts from these plays in such a manner that the whole fabric of these plots of Will Shakespeare became so much clearer to us.

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On Thursday, June 24, the Staff and Prefects of Tudor House held an American tournament, when a very pleasant evening was passed. Miss Richardson and S. Evans were the winning couple.

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W. Owens has been successful in passing the Bank Examination and S. Mansfield in passing the Railway Examination.

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We congratulate Miss Pearce on her appointment to the Staff of the Llandyssil County School.

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Before Miss Norrie left, it was wisely decided that the School should purchase four of her etchings and in these we have a beautiful reminder of Miss Norrie who was so popular throughout the school. They are excellent examples of her favourite work. It would be difficult to describe them individually, but the one which probably appeals to us most is "Pembroke Castle by Moonlight," since it is an etching of our own district.

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The "Schoolgirl's Camp" Movement has been taken up in School, and girls have already been accepted at various camps. Three are going to Dolgelly, three to Llanberis, two to Towyn, and one to St. David's. They are all eagerly looking forward to August

5th, when the camps begin, and all are sure of a happy, healthy holiday. Miss Thomas and her sister Gladys, will be two of the camp officers at Llanberis. They have attended these camps many times, and judging by the "Camp Chronicles," they are very popular persons.

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The staff was also depleted last term by the loss of Miss Purser who, on April 10th, was married to the Rev. Roy Fraser, Pembroke Dock. We wish her every happiness. To take Miss Purser's place, Miss Griffiths, an old pupil of the school, was appointed temporarily. All extend a hearty welcome to her.

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The School Orchestra has, of late, had several additions to its strength. Miss Laing has joined it, whilst others in are Betty Jones, J. Pearce, K. Davies and G. Lewis. We also learn that there are several promising fiddlers strenuously practising to qualify for the Orchestra.

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We are glad to see that Miss Perman has completely recovered from her unfortunate accident, and we also thank her for gifts of books to the School Library.

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Squire and Davies of the IVth both qualified in the Dockyard Examination which was held in the School Gymnasium. This is the last Dockyard Examination, which will be held at Pembroke Dock.

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Four IVth Form pupils sat the Air Force Examination which was held at Haverfordwest Education Offices.

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Towards the end of last term, a Model Assembly of the League was held. The subject was the question of extension of the League Council by incorporating Spain, Brazil and Poland. These three countries were represented by Sabido, G. Thomas and Marion Thomas, who made effective appeals to the body of the League. Various delegates now spoke for and against the resolution. Wells, Thomas and Mr. Rees spoke against the motion, whilst the Canadian delegate, K. Cole, made a speech in French, which was translated by Mr. Davies, in support of these three

speakers. Preece for France supported the motion, but on a vote being taken it was clear that extension was not desirable. All who spoke went down below the surface of the question and showed that they had prepared their speeches carefully. The attendance was not all that could be desired, but an interesting and instructive hour passed very quickly for those present.

The Eisteddfod.

The annual Eisteddfod was held in the Temperance Hall on March 3rd, when, for practically seven hours, the School was kept enthralled and excited. The competitions were keen, and worthy of the best traditions of our Eisteddfod. The winners were accorded applause impartially, and thus the whole day went off in the smoothest manner imaginable. Perhaps the gem of the day's entertainment was the Dramatic Scene—the ring scene from "The Merchant of Venice." Each house in turn performed the piece well, but it was clearly evident that Tudor would gain first place, when the cleverness and ingenuity infused into his part by C. Thomas, was apparent to the audience.

The Arts and Crafts section of the Eisteddfod was held during Education Week, when the scores obtained by the various houses were as follows:—Tudor 14, Picton 17, Glyndwr 24.

The adjudicators during the day performed their part willingly and well, and we feel very grateful. The smooth working of the machinery was undoubtedly due to the efficient conductorship of Mr. Jones and Miss Perman.

The adjudicators were:—

Music—Mrs. Jones, Mr. John Thomas, and Mr. J. C. MacClean of Aberystwyth.

Literature—Miss Simon, Manorbier; Miss Morwyth Rees, Mr. T. Davies (Assistant Director of Education), Rev. E. T. George and Miss Shirley, H.M. Dockyard.

French—Miss Hartrop, Tenby.

RESULTS.

MUSIC.

Original Melody—1st, D. Brown (P); 2nd, P. Watkins (T).
 Junior Boys' Solo—1st, E. Twigg (G); 2nd, J. Lowless (T).
 Junior Girls' Solo—1st, D. Jones (T); 2nd, L. Evans (P) and L. Cardew (G).
 Senior Boys' Solo—1st, C. Wells (T); 2nd, A. James (P).
 Senior Girls' Solo—1st, M. Davies (P); 2nd, M. Wells (T).
 Pianoforte Solo (Jun.)—1st, Betty Hier (T); 2nd, N. Dew (P).
 Pianoforte Solo (Sen.)—1st, M. Thomas (T); 2nd, A. Evans (G).
 Duett—1st, C. Morgans and M. Mackeen (P); 2nd, E. Thomas and M. Wells (T).

Violin Solo—1st, J. Pearce (T); 2nd, G. Lewis (P).
 Unison Song (Jun. Boys) 1st, Hooper and party (P); 2nd, Francis and party (T).
 Unison Song—(Jun. Girls)—1st, L. Cardew and party (G); 2nd, L. Evans and party (P).
 Choral Competition—1st, Glyndwr (Leader, L. Cardew; Accompanist, A. Evans); 2nd, Picton (Leader, C. Morgans; Accompanist, M. Thomas), Tudor (Leader, Marion Thomas; Accompanist, M. Francis).
 Dramatic Scene (Ring scene from "Merchant of Venice.")—1st Tudor; 2nd Glyndwr.
 Original Dance—1st, D. Johnson and P. Saunders (G); 2nd, Molly Wells and P. Watkins (T).
 Prepared Speech—1st, C. Preece (G); 2nd, C. Wells (T).

ESSAYS.

IInd Form—1st, B. Esmoud (G); 2nd, G. Smythe (P).
 IIIrd Form—1st, N. Dew (P); 2nd, A. Cuniffe (G).
 IVth Form—1st, N. Sutton (T); 2nd, M. Travers (P).
 Vth and VIth Forms—1st, C. Morgans (P); 2nd, Lloyd Jones (G).
 French Essay—1st, C. Morgans (P); 2nd, M. Thomas (T).

POEMS (ORIGINAL).

Junior 1st, A. Cuniffe (G); 2nd, N. Sutton (T).
 Senior—1st, M. Norris (T); 2nd, H. Mathias (P).

RECITATIONS.

Junior Boys—1st, W. Francis (T); 2nd, Reynolds (P), Beesley (G).
 Junior Girls—1st, G. Jenkins (T); 2nd, N. Dew (P).
 Senior Girls—1st, M. Wells (T); 2nd, J. Fraser (P).
 French (Junior)—1st, S. Turner (G); 2nd, Francis (T).
 French (Senior)—1st, K. Cole (G); 2nd, D. Brown (P).

FINAL RESULT.

Glyndwr 55, Tudor 54, Picton 48.

Old Pupils' Column.

Many old pupils and former members of the staff will be interested to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Dawes, with their daughter Marjorie, and Mr. Hallam, the predecessor of Mr. West as Science Master, paid a flying visit to Pembroke Dock during the Whitsun-tide week-end in the course of a motoring tour from Yorkshire. All were looking well, and although their stay was a very short one, they managed to visit the School, where they were especially interested in the many additions to the building and in the various photographic groups which brought back lively memories of the past.

Gladys Thomas has obtained, at Aberystwyth, a travelling

scholarship to attend the Summer School of International Politics at Geneva; she has also been awarded her Diploma of Education.

We heartily congratulate Annie Nuttall, who has obtained her B.Sc. at Victoria, Manchester, and Ethel Foreman who passed the B.A. examination at Bangor; also Madge Bevan who passed the B.A. examination with honours in English, at Cardiff University College.

Amongst the old boys whom it is our pleasant duty to congratulate, is W. F. Grimes, who has been successful in passing the B.A. examination with 1st class honours in Latin at Cardiff University College; whilst Raymond Thomas has obtained passes in Final Geography, Geology and Mathematics at Aberystwyth. He was also granted a travelling scholarship to France by that University. Next year he is taking Honours in Geography.

E. V. Webb, another old boy has so far been very successful in another sphere and has already knocked up several good scores for Aberystwyth in the summer game. He has been awarded his cricket colours.

Elsie Sheppard has been made a sister at Romford Hospital. We congratulate her on her success. Gladys Andrews has just gone to the Warwick and Coventry County Hospital as a probationer.

Christine Davies has passed her final examination at the Westminster College of Dispensing and is now awaiting a post as a qualified dispenser.

Dorothy Edwards has obtained a post at Sheffield, and Nellie Llewellyn at Edgbaston, Birmingham. Marie Bull, who has completed her two years course at Stockwell College, is taking up a post as Army Schoolmistress at Aldershot on July 6th. She played for the Chelsea Polytechnic against the N.P. Banks. These are two of the foremost Hockey Elevens in the country.

Ellen Griffiths has won a prize of £5 for good work, at Swansea Training College.

Kathleen Knight is now in London, training as a children's nurse at Clapham "Babies' Hotel."

Edwin Chubb has been successful in passing the London Matriculation in the 2nd division.

Other old pupils will be grieved to hear of the untimely death of Mrs. Cyril Lewis, (nee Miss Vera Thomas). Her husband, one of the best cricketers the school ever had, is also seriously ill.

We congratulate Sidney Saunders, of Pembroke, who has been successful in obtaining his A.T.C.L.

We congratulate Enid West who has obtained a 1st Class in Part I of the Modern Language Tripos at Cambridge University, with distinction in German.

We also congratulate Doris Merriman, M. Sc., on completing her Bachelor of Commerce degree at Manchester.

Another old pupil, Huber Angel has completed the B.Sc. degree Wales, with 2nd Class Honours in Chemistry. We heartily congratulate him.

School Socials.

The Senior social held at the end of the Spring Term proved a very great success. The evening passed rapidly and enjoyably. A few whist enthusiasts enjoyed a few friendly games, but owing to lack of general enthusiasm, a whist drive was not practicable. Supper, a scene of great festivity, was enjoyed by everyone.

During the latter portion of the evening, some boys displayed their adaptability by imitating a ten year old girl reciting nursery rhymes; afterwards a male voice choir rendered "Cwm Rhondda" under the able leadership of one of the fourth form musicians. The girl's potato race was very interesting and it proved exasperating to some competitors when the potato refused to be spooned.

The gathering broke up about half past ten and the whole senior school would like to express its appreciation of all those who were responsible for the great enjoyment afforded by the evening's entertainment.

A Junior Social was held last term when nearly one hundred people arrived to enjoy what the fates (in the guise of Staff and Prefects) had in store for them. A full programme of games and concert items had been arranged, but unfortunately some of these had to be cancelled, owing to the swiftness of time. It was evident from the shrieks of laughter which were heard from time to time, that all were enjoying the fun. Supper—the most important event in the evening's programme—for the boys—was served in the Dining Hut. Afterwards all trooped back to the Hall to take part in more games. A few vocal and instrumental items were given by junior artistes and were much appreciated by the very critical audience.

The Trio Concert.

On Tuesday, the 23rd March, the Trio party paid its annual and eagerly awaited visit to the school. We all anticipated the visit with pleasure and delight, for we knew from past experience that a treat was in store for us. We were not in any way disappointed, indeed many of us enjoyed the concert far more than we have ever done, which fact was due partly to the delightful lecturing of Dr. Vaughan Thomas, which enabled us to understand what we heard and to listen appreciatively.

The party consisted of—Dr. Vaughan Thomas, lecturer and pianist; Miss Evelyn Cook, violinist; Mr. Harding, 'cellist.

The school listened to the programme very attentively, and the prolonged applause at the end of each item testified to our enjoyment of it, and the unanimous opinion of the school was that of all the lecturers who have visited us from Aberyswyth, Dr. Vaughan Thomas is the most entertaining and enlightening. It is interesting to notice that the School did not accept all his statements blindly, but several counter-criticisms were expounded. Indeed, "Alone on a Raft," criticized by Dr. Thomas, became immensely popular, and the Sixth form suffered to such an extent, that after a while the title alone was sufficient to produce a fusillade of books, rulers, etc.

The evening concert was held in the School Hall. The attendance was not so good as usual, but those who attended were amply repaid by the splendid music of the Trio, who surpassed themselves.

Sports.

"Let every man shift for all the rest, and let no man take care for himself."—Tempest.

HOCKEY.

We can congratulate ourselves on having had a very successful hockey season. In the inter school matches we were unbeaten, winning five matches and drawing one.

The following matches were played last term:—

March 6th—1st XI v. Tenby (home). 4—0.

March 13th—1st XI v. Taskers (away). 4—0.

March 30th—1st XI v. Milford (home). 3—0.

Senior house matches were played as usual. These matches have by this time become a regular feature of the winter term. Picton were again the victors.

January 29th—Tudor v. Glyndwr. 2—1 for Tudor.

March 22nd—Picton v. Tudor. 2—1 for Picton.

TENNIS.

Tennis is now in full swing. The weather has been exceptionally fine, and the courts have been in continual use.

The three tournaments, senior singles and junior doubles have begun, and exciting finals are anticipated.

The standard of play in the IIInds this year is exceedingly high and this augurs well for future school tournaments.

The preparation of a third court in the school field has been started and hopes are high for extra tennis.

Cricket is very popular among the girls this term, and many form matches have been played.

Netball has been taken up with great enthusiasm and inter-form matches have caused great excitement.

FOOTBALL.

After the publication of the last Penvro, 6 matches were played, 4 of which were won and 2 lost. The season 1925-6 was undoubtedly one of the most successful ones in the history of the school, for, of the 16 teams which met us, only two proved our victors, Milford Athletic 1st XI beating us twice and the 2nd XI of the same team winning at Milford after losing to us at home.

Following are the results of the last 6 matches:—

Jan. 16—Hundleton A.F.C. (home). Won 6—1.

Feb. 6—Llanstadwell Church A.F.C. (home). Won 4—0.

Feb. 13—St. Andrew's Church A.F.C. (home). Won 3—0.

Feb. 27—Haverfordwest Grammar School (away). Won 5—1.
 Mar. 13—Milford Athletic 1st XI (away). Lost 1—4.
 Mar. 20—Milford Athletic 2nd XI (away). Lost 1—2.

Altogether the school played 16 matches, won 11, drew 2 and lost 3, and Scored 72 goals (an average of 9 goals every 2 matches), to their opponents 22 goals.

CRICKET.

At a meeting of the senior boys held at the end of last term, the following officials were elected for the season :—Captain, H. Baker ; Vice-captain, I. Sabido ; Secretary, C. Wells ; Committee, the aforementioned with H. Macken and A. Evans.

Up to the time of going to Press, 8 matches have been played, 6 won and 2 lost. The Williamston match was the most thrilling one, when we ran out victors by a single run.

The results of the matches played with the best performances of each game are appended :—

May 8th, P.D.C.S. v. Hundleton. Played at Pembroke Dock, the visitors winning by 14 runs (50-64). Batting—Morgans, 15 ; Preece, 13.

May 15th, P.D.C.S. v. Manorbier. Played at Pembroke Dock, the school winning by 41 runs (74-33). Batting—Morgans, 34 ; Evans (S), 18. Bowling—Preece, 5 for 6.

May 22nd, P.D.C.S. v. Williamston. Played at Williamston, the school winning by 1 run (34-33). Batting—Morgans, 7 (not out) ; Baker, 7. Bowling—Baker, 4 for 6.

June 4th, P.D.C.S. v. Fishguard County School. Played at Fishguard, the school winning by 16 runs (57-41). Batting—Bevan, 22. Bowling—Baker, 3 for 0.

June 11th, P.D.C.S. v. Manorbier. Played at Manorbier, the school winning by 5 runs (49-44). Batting—Baker 15. Bowling—Baker, 4 for 0 ; Preece, 4 for 10.

June 19th, P.D.C.S. v. Rangers. Played at Pembroke Dock, the school winning by 49 runs (72 and 19-8 and 34). Batting—Macken, 8 ; Preece, 30 ; Baker, 15 (not out). Bowling—(1st inns.), Baker, 4 for 4 ; Morgans, 6 for 2. (2nd inns.), Sabido, 6 for 15 ; Preece, 3 for 8.

June 26th, P.D.C.S. v. Haverfordwest Grammar School. Played at Pembroke Dock, the school winning by 37 runs (58-21). Batting—Preece, 24 ; Brown, 17. Bowling—Baker, 4 for 8 ; Preece, 3 for 2.

July 3rd, P.D.C.S. v. Williamston. Played at Pembroke Dock, the visitors winning by 20 runs (38-18). Batting—Preece, 6. Bowling—Baker, 4 for 1 ; Preece, 5 for 17.

Form Notes.

VI.—The advance of civilization has been marked in the VI Form by the advent of Tootles and Timothy and at least two members have received much benefit from them. The male contingent in Room II has been increased by one—one more sorrow for us, one more grey hair for each ! Whatever is wrong with the Lab ? It

has been called the Rest room by the boys, but those two members have evidently found the rest there of so unsatisfactory a nature, that they have migrated to Room II. Thus is the peaceful working of the hive of intellectuals disturbed by buzzing drones. Our new prefect bears her duties well and looks none the worse for them.

Great interest is displayed among us for one Winnie A to Z. Four of our members look more and more pale and wan as Higher approaches. We wonder if there will be anything left of them by the time it has passed. On the whole, our numbers are looking and working well (VIth Form girls.)

The Lab. is the "Bachelor's Rest" and we take this opportunity of reminding young ladies that (in fine weather at least) walking round the school is more pleasant than through our club room. Our chemists, and the rest of the school are living in jeopardy. It is no solace to know that two irresponsible youths have the contents of the Lab. to play with. They are unsafe : one has a bad attack of spring fever : the other has lost his sense of smell, and cannot tell H₂S from the natural atmosphere. But the boys bear their pranks with great fortitude, although two of them, believing life sweet, have escaped to the safer, if less congenial and and more noisy atmosphere of Room 2.

VA.—We are looking forward to our trip to Bosherton on Saturday, July 17th. We are all exceedingly busy, working for the C.W.B. exam, and since we have worked hard all the term, our form notes are naturally very short.

VB.—We heartily welcome Morwyth Pearce, but we were very sorry to lose two of our members, Lily Jenkins and May Clarke. We sincerely hope that they will have a very successful future. VB. having made more dresses for the C.W.B. needlework examination, all planned to wear them to school on the same day. It was proposed to hold a parade in the Hall before the whole school but this was outvoted by the form's more modest members. Nevertheless VB. created quite a sensation at prayers and many people, on seeing the bright array, decided that summer had really come at last.

Lower Vth—Once more we are near to the end of our school year, but it is only to find that our numbers have been somewhat reduced. Our form room has, unfortunately, been changed and we few, have received few 'ups,' but many 'downs.' Our new room (8) is now a hive of industry, and very different from what it was when occupied by our predecessors. Although we are few, we shall hope and endeavour to do great things in the future.

IVb.—We have been sorry to say good-bye to a good many of IVb, schoolfellows, owing to their departure to Portsmouth,

Devonport, etc. The most important event of the year was held towards the end of last term in Room II at break. It was a farewell party for Mary Thomas, who has since departed to take up her apprenticeship at farming. I am sure we all wish her luck in the milking of cows at six o'clock in the morning.

No cricket matches have been held owing to the inability of IVa. to get a team together.

The Tournament is well advanced and IVb. are doing well; we all hope they will excel in the final. We wish all who are leaving us the best of luck in the future and hope that everybody will have a happy holiday.

A noted feature was our visit to the Gas Works. Permission was kindly given by Mr. Nuttall the manager, who also conducted us around, and gave us a very interesting description of the distillation of coal.

Some of the scholars were not too attentive owing to their fear of dropping into the furnace at short notice.

We also hope that the manager did not miss the coal dust that we accidentally brought away with us.

IIIc.—Owing to the fact that some of our comrades have left the town, our form has decreased in number. We miss those who have left and wish them every success in their new schools.

The girls have done well in cricket. In a match with IIIa. we were beaten 27-24, but we were very proud of ourselves when we defeated IIIb. 35-31.

We hope that two girls from IIIc will be the victors in the School Tennis Tournament now proceeding.

All are now exceedingly busy 'swotting' for the terminals which will be soon upon us.

IIc.—We are very glad to say we have a few more notes to say this term than last. We were very sorry to lose some of our pupils.

Form IIc are still very proud of their form room, we are trying our best to keep our room decorated with flowers. Every week we have fresh flowers. We bring flowers and our form mistress arranges them neatly in flower pots for us.

In Room 3 we are sorry to say, there is a mouse, it comes out during lessons, and runs across the floor. Some of the girls and boys are afraid of it, so they scream.

Form IIc girls are not very good cricketers, because we have played two matches and have lost both. We hope to become better players next term.

At present we are working for the terminals which start very shortly. We all wish good luck to next year's IIc and hope they will have flowers in their room.