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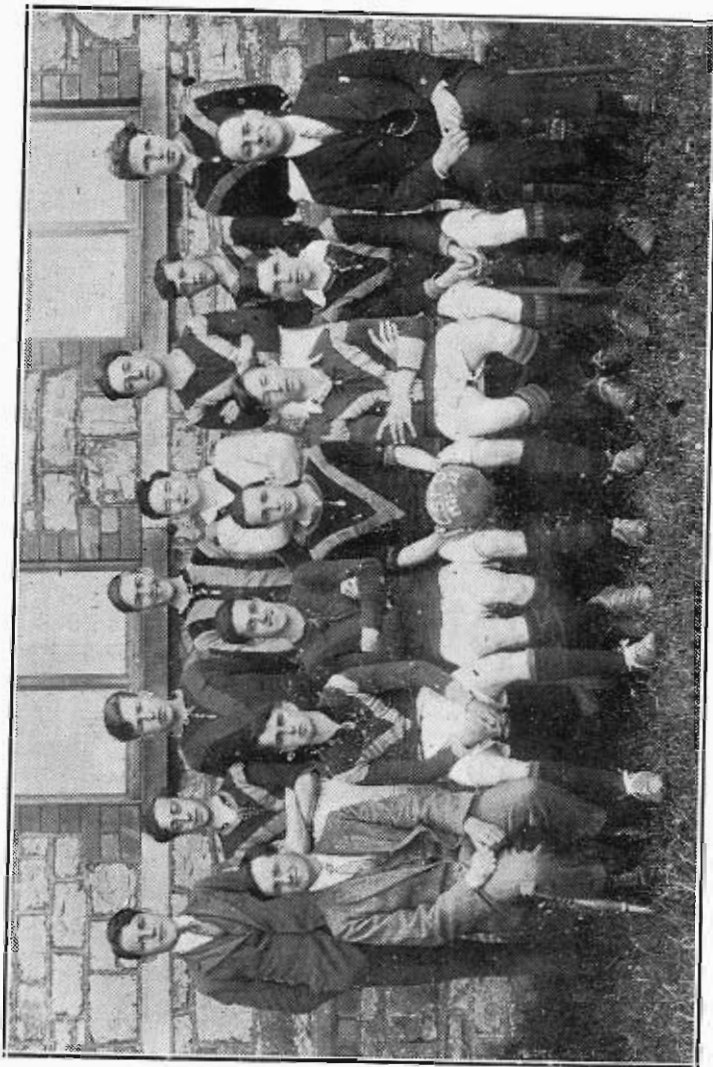
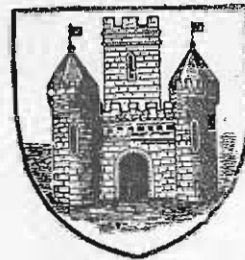


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Editorial.

We always find when we near the end of a School year that our feelings are very mixed. Especially for those who are leaving is this so. In their hearts are to be found sorrow and thankfulness mingled with joy and hope. Sorrow because they are about to leave the dear old School, and thankfulness for all it has done for and meant to them. Joy because they are about to take a great step out along the road of life, and hope that they may be able to follow in the footsteps of other Old Pupils, of whose successes we are continually hearing.

Each pupil and member of the staff has his or her own thoughts at this time, but as a School we feel that we are united by that contented feeling of "something attempted, something done." On the sports field or in the class-room; on the Bisteddfod platform or in the exam-room, we feel that every member of the school has done his or her little bit, and that thought makes us very optimistic for those whose fate is still in the hands of the C.W.B. Examiners.

Milford Haven.

If I said to the sun :—
 "Your work is done,
 Sink not to the sea
 But come with me
 To the dusky East,
 To the dark'ning East,
 And with your ray
 Chase night away,
 For there doth rest
 A Haven blest,
 That I would see,
 While life to me,
 Through day and night,
 Through shade and light,
 The good Lord doth accord."

And the sun said to me :—
 "I come with thee,
 To put to flight
 The shades of night
 From that Haven's face
 For a moment's space."
 The sun ne'er more
 Would from that shore
 Flee to the West
 For nightly rest,
 But for ever and aye
 Would there give day,
 Tangled in braid
 Of its beauties, made
 A willing prisoner.

H. G. L. CARDEW.

Jack Frost.

Jack Frost got up one morning,
 And he said to himself :
 "Now I must get to work at once,
 For I'm a busy elf."
 So he took paint and brushes,
 And on every window pane,
 He made such pretty pictures,
 Of hill and dale and plain.
 And on every bush and tree-top
 He hung jewels rich and rare,
 Sparkling and glittering diamonds
 Shone brightly everywhere.
 He made the children hurry,
 Or else he pinched their toes,
 And nipped their ears and fingers,
 And tipped with red each nose.
 He froze the lakes and rivers
 And bound them with his chain,
 But when the sun shone brightly
 They were set free again.

Meanwhile "Jack Frost" had vanished,
 Across the mountains steep,
 Until he reached his icy home,
 Where his secrets he doth keep.

WYNNE PARRY.

When Great-Grandfather Was Young.

What do I know about Great-Grandfather, and his doings when he was a boy? This question troubled me greatly. Grandfather used to tell me that Great-Grandfather had an attic built where he used to study the stars through a telescope. This attic I pass daily on my way to school.

One night, as I lay in bed, gazing at the stars, I began to think about Great-Grandfather, and wonder what he did when he was a boy, and as I lay gazing at the stars, I fell asleep, and dreamt this dream.

Great-Grandfather came to me, and said, "Would you be interested to hear of my doings when I was a boy?"

"Oh, do tell me," I exclaimed, and he began :—

"I was born in the town of Milford in the year eighteen hundred. My father was employed in His Majesty's Dockyard, then situated in Milford, and he earned one pound a week. This was certainly not enough to keep us, for we were a large family, so mother had to work as well. Many and many a time, I remember seeing her stitch the long tucks in the magnificent gentlemen's shirts, worn in the days when I was a boy. You must not think I was always sitting down watching mother, for my delight was to steal a boat and row in the Haven. I could swim ever since I was five years of age, which was a lucky thing for me, because one day, I and three other boys stole a boat, when we had scarcely reached the age of five years, and went for a row in the harbour. We were quite safe for a time, but suddenly, about twenty porpoises' heads appeared above the water around us. We dropped the oars in terror, and our screams frightened the porpoises away. Our boat drifted into the current, and dashed into one of the many buoys in the harbour. It overturned, and we were struggling in the water when a boat passed by, and we were rescued.

"I shall never forget the time when I saw the Victory sailing up the harbour, full rigged, with Nelson's flag flying at the helm. That morning, I had climbed up Castle Hill, to watch for the fish-

ing boats. Bread was so dear—a four pound loaf costing one shilling and ten pence. I did feel hungry—one piece of bread I had for breakfast—so I sat down in the look-out. Suddenly I heard someone say, 'What do you want, little boy?'

"I looked up and saw a most beautiful lady. Her hair shone like the setting sun, and her eyes were the colour of St. Bride's Bay in summer. Her dress was of a beautiful green colour, and I shall never forget her beautiful voice.

"I said, 'Please, I am looking for the fishing boats, because I am hungry.'

"Go to Castle Hall,' she said, 'and ask the cook to give you a large loaf of bread to carry home, because Lady Hamilton has said so.'

"Not long after this, we heard news that the Dockyard was likely to be transferred from Milford to Pembroke, and afterwards we saw the news in the North Briton, a paper which cost fourpence per copy, and was lent from house to house. My parents were very grieved to hear this news, because there was no accommodation near the yard, for the town of Pembroke was two miles away. Bitter was the feeling of the people of Milford against the people of Pembroke, and many protests were made against the removal of the Yard. Lady Hamilton really made this suggestion to Lord Nelson, who conveyed it to the Lords of the Admiralty, but it was not until the year eighteen fourteen, that this suggestion was carried out.

"At this period of my life, when only eight years of age, I was forced to earn my living. I knew my 'Raidymydaisy' (reading made easy), quite well, and could write my name. I was hired to Pater Farm, which lay inside the present Dockyard, but was afterwards demolished. The farmer, Mr. White, paid me one shilling per week, and fed me on black barley bread. I had one cup of tea each week, for tea, being a luxury, was very dear at that time, costing ten shillings per pound.

"After twelve months, I soon tired of farm life, and decided to go down the mines, because it was a means of earning better wages. My grandmother lived on the Clyde coalfield. It was not so dangerous to go down the mines now, because the miner's safety lamp was invented by Davy, and used in all mines.

"I was nearly ten years of age, when I decided to travel to the Clyde coalfield, for my grandmother said that there was plenty of work near her home.

"I set out all in my best, and had to walk as far as Whitland to the 'turnpike gate,' afterwards made famous by Rebecca's daughters. It took me two weeks to reach Shrewsbury, and

another four to reach my destination in the stage coach. My last shilling went to pay for the carriage of a letter home, which arrived at Milford three weeks later.

"Grandmother had a little snug, comfortable home, and most of her time was spent in spinning, with the new invention of Hargreaves—The Spinning Jenny. About six months after my arrival there, the works had been given a holiday for the occasion of seeing the Comet, a steamship invented by Henry Bell, steam from Glasgow to Greenock. Little did we think when we gazed at this wonderful sight, that the steamship was to conquer all the oceans of the world.

"About this time I commenced to think what I was going to do. I had tried both farm and mine, and I liked neither. A friend of mine, who went to a night school, lent me a book on shipbuilding, and I read it. Out of my weekly salary I obtained enough money to pay for night school, and attended classes three times a week, and commenced to study in earnest. This continued for two years, and then I returned to Milford. My parents had built a cottage in Furzey Grove, now High street, Pembroke Dock. I still kept up my studies, and entered the examination for the Dockyard in the year eighteen fifteen, the year after the removal of the dockyard from Milford to Pembroke. Being successful, I entered the Dockyard, and enjoyed the better wages when better times came. I was no longer a boy when I entered the Yard, so you will please excuse me telling you any more of my doings when I was a boy."

"Didn't you ever go bird-nesting and 'trolling eggs and cake' at Easter time?" I ventured to ask, but a violent push in the side woke me up with a start, and I heard someone say sharply:—

"It's St. David's Day and the enthronement of Bishop Prosser, not Easter—so please allow me to sleep." but there was no sleep for me—I lay back thinking of the story of Great-Grandfather, and I have done my best to write it down as he told it to me in my dream.

LOUISA EVANS.

School Notes.

The number of pupils in School at present is 258 and there are 4 student teachers.

We should like to thank the Town Cricket Club for their generous help. They have lent us their ground when they are

away. As our own pitch is temporarily out of order for serious cricket this has been a valuable help. We appreciate their kindness and hope to be able to send along some stuff to help them gain additional laurels in the sporting world. They are certainly doing their best to foster interest in the grand old British game of Cricket.

We should like to associate the Committee of the St. John's Tennis Club with the above remarks, as they very kindly lent us their ground on July 2nd for the girls' match against Tenby County School.

This match, by the way, is the first Tennis Match played for many years. We hope that it will become an annual event and that other matches will be arranged for the Summer Term, so that the girls may have an equivalent for the cricket matches of the boys.

Two devoted friends and governors of the School have met with misfortune recently: Alderman S. B. Sketch sustained a heavy fall and Alderman J. Lawrence has had a serious illness. We are glad that both have made splendid recoveries and we trust that they may both live long to continue to serve our School, Town and County.

We congratulate J. Morgan of the IVth Form on passing the Artificers' Examination: also A. Campodonic, G. Lewis, P. Hannigan and G. Barratt on qualifying in the recent Dockyard Examination.

Staff and Pupils join in extending a hearty welcome to Miss L. Hemmings. We sincerely hope that she will be very happy among us.

Winnie Bull left for Germany on February 21st. She is now student teaching at Königstein.

We were all very sorry to lose Miss P. Thomas last February. We wish her every success in her future career.

On February 15th, the Senior School spent a very enjoyable evening together. Amateur theatricals will make the evening memorable to all who were present (also the supper!!!). The handsome Count Rhubarb Vaselino, immaculately attired in the latest Lido garb (shorts, Rugby socks, kid gloves and a fig basket)

caused a flutter in all feminine hearts.

In an historic rendering of "Lord Ullin's Daughter," the intrepid Highland boatman set sail in the clothes basket over a raging sea of squirming females (under the ironing sheet). In the midst of the tumult the hero, a stalwart Highlander, unfortunately (?) lost his kilt, and was forced to gang awa amidst loud applause. We think it was rather hard on the waves, however, that he should choose the surf as a temporary protection from the northern blast. (We may also state that this incident caused a flutter.)

Unfortunately time did not cease to be, and it was with many sighs of regret that we had to break up such a happy gathering with "Auld Lang Syne."

We were glad to hear that Reynolds and Road had passed the Air Force Examination.

The Cookery Examination was conducted by Miss Forsdyke on March 14th. The practical Geography Examination was held on June 6th, when Professor Fleure visited the school. On June 7th, Mrs. G. J. Griffiths examined C.W.B. candidates in Needlework and on June 16th, Dr. Albert Thomas conducted the French Oral Examination. The Woodwork Examination was held on June 27.

We are glad to see that Edna Brown has recovered from her cycling accident.

Mildred Thomas is leaving us this term to take up residence at Stockwell Training College. A. Loyn and L. Nelson are going to Cardiff to pursue degree courses, while H. Cardew, H. Macken and H. Mathias are going to Carmarthen Training College.

Lawford J. V. Siddall left us at Easter to go to Shoreditch Technical College, where he is taking a special course in woodwork.

We extend our heartiest congratulations to Ivor Williams, who passed the London County Council Examination for clerks. He was one of thirty out of two hundred candidates. He is now in the L.C.C. Education Office. We wish him every success in his new sphere of life.

The practical examinations in Physics and Chemistry were held at Llanelly County School on June 17th and 24th.

We were all very sorry to learn of Mrs. Jones' illness, and we are glad to know that she is now well on the road to recovery.

We all join in congratulating Bernard Garnett, who was 9th on the scholarship list for the Leys' School, Cambridge, and was awarded an exhibition of £25. His work in Chemistry and French was excellent.

Form 2C obtained the prize once again for the best kept room in the school. While congratulating them on their achievement, we (VIth) feel sure that the caretaker must have missed Room 2, that model den of intellectuals.

Major Evan Davis paid his last visit to the school before leaving for Sussex, when he interviewed prospective student teachers on April 25th.

The school is proud of those girls who distinguished themselves at the recent Neyland Bistoddfod.

We were very sorry to learn of the death, after a long and painful illness, of Mrs. Roblin, the wife of our woodwork master. The whole School offers Tom and Mr. Roblin its deepest sympathy.

On June 25th Miss Perman took the VIth form girls for a picnic. They left Pembroke Dock at 10 a.m. by charabanc, and visited St. Govan's, Newquay and Bosherton Lakes. Despite the inclemency of the elements, they managed to enjoy themselves thoroughly, and a few hardy mermaids braved the roaring foam in order to enjoy (???) a bathe. After visiting the lakes, which are very beautiful at this time of the year, they left for home. Lively snatches of song entertained them on their homeward journey, and they arrived home tired but thoroughly happy. Many thanks are due to Miss Perman for her kindness in giving such pleasure to the girls.

We heartily congratulate Mr. H. Rees on gaining his M.A. degree. His thesis dealt with "Pembroke, its Borough and Castle." We all feel that his success is a great honour to the School, and we assure Mr. Rees that we are eagerly looking forward to reading his thesis when it is published.

It is very unfortunate that Mr. Lewis should have met with an accident just at the end of term. We are glad to hear that he is much better, and hope to see him among us again before long.

The present School Prefects are as follows: Glyndwr House—W. H. Prickett (senior), M. Pierce, E. L. Thomas, J. H. A. Macken (senior), H. G. L. Cardew, A. F. Evans. Tudor House—M. P. Francis, E. M. Thomas, D. R. Johns, C. O. Thomas, L. E. Nelson. Picton House—E. F. Rogers, M. M. Thomas, J. M. Fraser, M. L. Jones, A. Brown.

The Entrance Scholarship Examination was held on Saturday, May 28th, at the Coronation School, when 98 candidates sat. The list reveals that 81 pupils have qualified, 66 in Class I and 15 in Class 2. It is noteworthy that the top girl, Joan Tucker of Albion Square School, has full marks.

The Art Room.

Eureka! Eureka! As everyone knows, the School has recently acquired a valued possession, the Art Room. Those who spend much time there have become familiar with its general aspect. Its details, however, change, thus infusing a fresh interest into everyday surroundings. Some of the staff, whose curiosity has been piqued by sundry murmurings, have visited the room. They have expressed approval in their several ways and some have dared to insinuate that life must be easy now. So it is, as everyone will agree, when they compare it with the makeshift efforts of previous years, but—do these critics realise that windows, blinds, and even desks can make life hard and painful for the unwary? Some of the future Hercules use the drawing boards to show their prowess. Unfortunately they often prove the adage:—

"Twixt cup and lip
There's many a slip."

The school extends its heartiest thanks to Mr. Jones and the Governors for providing the Art Room, and not a little gratitude is due to Mr. Roblin, who has expended so much time and energy in beautifying the room. The quality of the drawings has shown an improvement which should be steadily maintained until a small

exhibition can be held. This would be the best way of repaying Mr. Jones for his interest in the Art Room and its work.

B. L.

The School Eisteddfod.

The Annual School Eisteddfod was held on March 9th in the Temperance Hall. The attendance at both performances was very gratifying, proving that visitors as well as scholars thoroughly enjoy this school event. Competition was keen throughout the whole day, and we were kept in a state of excitement for several hours.

The adjudicators worked hard, deserving and getting the real praise of the school.

The adjudicators were as follows:—Literature, Miss Morfydd Rees, Mr. T. Owen and Rev. E. T. George; French, Miss Bowen; Music, Mr. John Thomas; Art, Mrs. Meurig Thomas; Cookery, Mrs. King; Needlework, Mrs. T. Rees; Woodwork, Mr. J. C. Blencowe; Motor Drawings, Mr. H. A. Jones-Lloyd.

As a result of the Eisteddfod £13 6s. 0½d. was handed over to the School Funds.

MUSIC.

Piano (Junior)—1st, S. P. Polhill (G); 2nd, L. Evans (P).
 Piano (Senior)—1st, A. Evans (G); 2nd, M. Merriman (P).
 Violin (Open)—1st, J. Pearce (T); 2nd, J. Humber (G).
 Solo (Junior Girls)—1st, M. Parnell (P); 2nd, M. Mathias (T).
 Solo (Junior Boys)—1st, P. Beesley (G); 2nd, S. Sutton (T).
 Solo (Senior Girls)—1st, L. Evans (P); 2nd, L. Cardew (G).
 Solo (Senior Boys)—1st, A. James (P); 2nd, W. Williams (G) and C. Thomas (T).
 Unison Song (Boys)—1st, Glyndwr Party; 2nd, Picton Party.
 Unison Song (Girls)—1st, Picton Party; 2nd, Glyndwr and Tudor Parties.
 Duet (Senior Girls)—1st, L. Cardew and M. Stonier (G); 2nd, M. Travers and M. Davies (P).
 Melody—1st, M. Thomas (T); 2nd, M. Thomas (P).
 Choral—1st, R. Johns and choir (T); 2nd, L. Siddall and choir (P).

RECITATIONS.

Junior Boys—1st, J. Tucker (P); 2nd, A. Davies (T).
 Junior Girls—1st, L. Evans (P); 2nd, G. Rea (T).
 Senior Girls—1st, J. Fraser (P); 2nd, M. Taylor (G).
 Senior Boys—1st, L. Siddall (P); 2nd, C. Thomas (T).
 French Junior—1st, B. Davies (P); 2nd, V. Thomas (T).
 French Senior—1st, W. Francis (T); 2nd, C. Morgans (P).

POEMS.

Junior—1st, S. Rees and W. Parry (G); 2nd, M. Jones (P).
 Senior—1st, H. Cardew (G); 2nd, H. Mathias (P).

ESSAYS.

Form II—1st, R. Jones (P); 2nd, G. Lawrence (T).
 Form III—1st, L. Evans (P); 2nd, S. Rees (G).
 Form IV—1st, P. Hannigan (T); 2nd, L. Andrews (P).
 Form V and VI.—1st, C. Morgans (P).
 French Essay—1st, L. Jones (G); 2nd, M. Thomas (T).

ART.

Junior (Lampshade)—1st, S. Polhill (G); 2nd, C. Mathias (T).
 Senior (Frieze)—1st, J. Fraser (P); 2nd, P. Saunders (G).
 Senior (Daffodils)—1st, L. Paybody (P); 2nd, P. Watkins (T).
 Open (Illustrate poem "Berries")—1st, O. Pankhurst (P); L. Jones (G).
 Open series of sketches to illustrate how a motor car moves—1st, D. Hitchings (P); 2nd, J. Pearce (T).

WOODWORK.

Form II (Model of Log Cabin)—1st, R. Powis (T); 2nd, J. Williams (G).
 Form III (Model of Waggon)—1st, B. Rake (P); 2nd, C. Phillips (T).
 Forms IV, V and VI (Model of Corner Bracket)—1st, A. Evans (G); 2nd, L. Siddall (P).

COOKERY.

Junior (Jam Buns)—1st, B. Davies (G); 2nd, N. Richards (P).
 Junior (Scones)—1st, K. Rouse (T); 2nd, P. Restall (G).
 Jam Puffs (Senior)—1st, D. Brown (P); 2nd, G. Berry (T).
 Cake (Senior)—1st, L. Evans (P); 2nd, M. Robinson (G).
 Peppermint Creams (Open)—1st, E. Rogers and O. Pankhurst (P); 2nd, D. Powis (T).
 Sandwich (Open)—1st, L. Gibby (P); 2nd, J. Hinchliffe (T).

NEEDLEWORK.

Tea Cosy (Junior)—1st, B. Thomas (P); 2nd, P. Prickett (G).
 Frock (Senior)—1st, M. Travers (P); 2nd, L. Rees (G).
 Slippers (Open)—1st, O. Pankhurst and G. Roblin (P); 2nd, M. Francis (T).
 Pullover (Open)—1st, I. McTaggart and D. Brown (P); 2nd, O. May (T).

MISCELLANEOUS.

Dance—1st, M. Wells and J. Hinchliffe (T); M. Travers and E. Rogers (P).
 Prepared Speech—1st, C. Thomas (T); 2nd, H. Cardew (G).
 Dramatics—1st, Tudor and Glyndwr.
 The final result showed the points as follows:—Picton House 65, Tudor House 46, Glyndwr House 39.

The Staff Concert.

During the Winter term we had a novel experience in the way of entertainment, viz, a concert given by the Staff of the County School, assisted by a few friends outside. Mr. Jones sprang a surprise on the school a few days before the date by announcing that the concert would be held on December 16th. It transpired, however, that the artistes had been practising their parts for some weeks previously, and with great ingenuity had

succeeded in keeping the concert quite a secret. The consequence of this secrecy was to rouse all the scholars to a high pitch of curiosity, with the result that on the evening of the concert the Assembly Hall, long before the time for starting, was filled with scholars, their parents and friends. It would naturally be thought that the time spent in waiting for the proceedings to commence would appear long to the audience, but such was far from being the case, as Mr. Roblin came to the rescue by both entertaining and amusing them with his inimitable jokes, for which he generously refrained from making any extra charge, being apparently well satisfied with the rapturous applause he received. The proceeds amounted to £7 8s., half of which were devoted to the School wireless.

The programme was as follows :—

Gavotte (Volti), School Orchestra; solo, "The Blackbird," Mrs. Blencowe; part songs, "O who will o'er the downs so free?" (De Pearsal), "O Peaceful Night" (G. P. German), Staff Choir; violin solo, Cavatina (Raff), Miss Laing; recitations, School Shanty, British Born, The 1,000th Man (Kipling), Mr. Roblin; Dutch dance, Miss Laing and Miss Williams; piano solo, Impromptu (Chopin), Mrs. T. Jones; trio (humorous), "3 Old Maids of Lee," Miss Ballaster, Miss Laing and Miss Williams; duet, "Patience" (Opera), Mrs. Blencowe and Mr. Rees; sketch, "References," Miss Thomas, Miss Ballaster and Miss Williams; topical verses, Rev. Iestyn Jenkins; minuet, Miss Williams and Miss Laing; solo (humorous), "Nicodemus," Mr. Rees; chorus, "Full fathom five" (Wood), Staff Choir; suite for 2 violins, cello and piano, 4 pieces (composed by Mr. S. A. Evans, B.Sc.), School Orchestra; plantation song, "Good Night," soloist, Rev. E. T. George and Staff Choir. "God Save the King."

The space allowed me in "The Penvro" will not permit of making comments on each of the items, so I will content myself by saying that the programme was carried out in an excellent manner and the audience showed its appreciation by encoring each item vociferously.

The Concert proved so popular that it was decided to have a repeat performance in aid of the Poor Relief. It was held on February 23rd, and it realised the splendid total of £6 10s. 9d.

Though this concert may be said to be a novelty, I hope that it will by no means be the last of its kind, but that it will become an annual event; at any rate the way in which it was received was such as to give the Staff every encouragement to make it so.

Old Pupils' Column.

It has been a pleasure to meet and to hear about the achievements of Old Pupils (always modestly put). A greater number than usual have visited the School during the past term. We look upon this as a good omen.

We have heard from all the pupils who went to the other Dockyard Towns and it gives us keen satisfaction to know that the majority are in good educational centres, or have secured appointments in various businesses. We wish them success.

It is with sorrow that we learn of the protracted illness of Denis Jenkins. All sympathise with him and his people and wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

We were pleased to note the names of several old boys in the recent Dockyard List—Brimm, Stephens, and especially J. C. Lowless, who was high up on the Portsmouth entry.

School was deeply sorry to hear of the double bereavement which befell Sidney Evans and his sisters, Gwen and Florence. Their Father and Mother passed away within a few hours of each other and they were buried at the same time.

We heartily congratulate Captain Cyril Sketch, who has qualified for the rank of Major as a result of his success in Army Examinations. On one paper, Military Law, Capt. Sketch secured 93%.

The following academic honours have been won by Penvroites and we sincerely congratulate these bringers of fresh laurels to our School.

Enid West has been placed in Class II Part II Modern and Mediaeval Languages Tripos. She has been at Girton, Cambridge, and now proceeds to London for a course of secretarial training.

Raymond Thomas has completed his B.Sc. (Wales) with 1st class honours in Geography. He returns to his College next year to take training in Education.

Madge Bevan, B.A., has taken a Certificate in Education, Theory Class I, Practice Class II.

C. W. Wells has completed his Inter B.Sc. London, at Kings' College. He has also won the Diving Championship of his College.

Vera Thomas will be taking Honours English in her 3rd year at Aberystwyth. She has just been awarded a Travelling Exhibition and hopes to spend part of the vacation in Paris.

Elnith Griffiths has taken the degree of M.A. (Hist.) in the University of Wales, for a dissertation on a subject connected with the history of Pembrokeshire. As the first old pupil to take this degree we offer her our hearty congratulations.

Gwenda Powell, Marjorie Thomas, Gwen Evans, Bertha McCloghrie and Edith Nash have secured their Teaching Certificates. Gwen Evans is teaching at Ross, Marjorie Thomas at Daventry, Edith Nash at Becontree, near Ilford, and B. McCloghrie at Wolverhampton.

We are expecting a visit from Dorothy Baker this summer and we are looking forward to some more interesting accounts of life in the far north of Canada.

We also expect to see Winnie Bull and get some first-hand news of the Army of Occupation in Germany. We note that old pupils get a return of the Eisteddfod fever which is so virulent when at School. We congratulate Marie and Winnie Bull and the Albutts on their successes in the Army Eisteddfod in Germany.

Leslie Shear has been appointed to a Bank in Southampton.

Denis Bolton and Wynford Owens have been placed on the permanent staff of Barclay's Bank and are stationed in London.

F. H. Fallick has also received a bank appointment.

Ivor Brock has entered the Metropolitan Police, having found out how to add an inch to his stature and a few to his breadth.

Kathleen Knight has been placed on the permanent staff of the Babies' Hotel, Clapham.

Charles Brown and Harry Baker are going to Carmarthen Training College, Mary Cumiffe to the Portsmouth Training College, Cecile Morgan and Flo Paybody to Swansea and Marion Thomas to Aberystwyth. May Norris goes to the Slade School of Art.

Henrietta Hughes was unfortunately prevented by illness from taking the examination at the end of her three years' training at the Parkside Hospital, Macclesfield. She visited the School after a holiday and was looking much improved in health.

We are glad to hear that Miss Thomas is enjoying her six

months in France. She is now in Paris, working at the Sorbonne, and hopes to meet various old pupils and members of staff during the holidays.

We regret that Edith Francis has had to have a long leave from her duties at Middlesex Hospital, on account of ill health. She is much better and hopes to resume soon.

Eric Webb has obtained his University Cap for Soccer and Cricket at Aberystwyth.

Gladys Thomas has a temporary post at the Secondary School, Mountain Ash.

Prize Day.

The annual prize distribution took place in the Temperance Hall on December 15th, 1926. The Hall was packed by the members of the School and their friends, and the afternoon was a thoroughly enjoyable one from beginning to end. The chair was filled in a very able manner by Mr. Rees Phillips.

During the afternoon several members of the School entertained us. Lily Cardew sang "Lullaby," and Muriel Parnell, "Under the Cherry Tree." The School choir also delighted us with "Cornelius March," by Mendelssohn, while Morwyth Pierce recited the "Ballad of Glyndwr's Rising."

Everyone was delighted with the Headmaster's report, as it showed quite clearly that the Good Old School is still "going strong."

The chief visitors for the day were Major and Mrs. Davis of Haverfordwest, and after Mr. Jones had finished his report the chairman called upon Mrs. Davis to present the prizes. Mrs. Davis performed this pleasant duty in a very splendid manner, to the accompaniment of hearty clapping and cheering from the school, but soon

"The tumult and the shouting dies,

The winners and the prize depart,"

and everyone sat back to enjoy the feast of oratory, which was to be provided by Major Davis, M.A., the Director of Education for Pembrokeshire. He spoke in a very optimistic way of the modern methods of education, contrasting them with the "harder"

methods of the "good old days." But like all educationalists, he was not satisfied, and had all kinds of schemes for making our education still more bright and effective.

A vote of thanks to Major and Mrs. Davis was proposed by the Rev. Lewis Jones, Burton, and seconded by the Rev. Rice Thomas, Llanstadwell.

The meeting was closed by the singing of God Save the King.

PRIZE LIST, 1925-26.

- Form IIc—1st, B. M. A. Jones; 2nd, A. O'Keefe.
 Form IIb—1st, G. E. Hooper; 2nd, H. M. Thomson.
 Form IIa—1st, L. A. Evans; 2nd, W. S. Rees.
 Form IIIc—1st, C. W. Brinn; 2nd, D. Jones.
 Form IIIb—1st, W. G. Barrett; 2nd, T. H. Albury.
 Form IIIa—1st, L. A. Andrews; 2nd, A. Thomas.
 Form IVb—M. May.
 Form IVa—1st, N. F. Sutton; 2nd, B. J. Garnett.
 Lower Vth—R. Campbell.
 Form Vb—Form Prize, E. F. Rogers; Central Welsh Board School Certificate with credit in five subjects.
 Form Va—Form Prize, J. M. Fraser, School Certificate with credit in eight subjects and distinction in Cookery, Matriculation equivalent.
 Form VS.—Form Prizes, 1st, H. G. L. Cardew, C.W.B. School Certificate, credit in 8 subjects, with distinction in English, French, Mathematics and Mechanics (Matriculation & equivalent).
 2nd, F. T. Hedden, C.W.B. School Certificate, credit in 8 subjects, distinction in Mathematics and Mechanics (Matriculation Equivalent).
 Special Prize for Woodwork given by Chairman of Governors, L. J. V. Siddall, C.W.B. School Certificate with credit in 7 subjects, distinction in Woodwork, Matriculation Equivalent.
 Form VI—London Matric. prizes, L. E. Nelson, A. Loyn, I. J. Sabido, 1st division; M. P. Francis (also C.W.B. supplementary cert in Latin), W. D. Bowen, H. Mathias, S. Evans.
 Form VI—1st, M. R. O. Thomas, Higher Certificate in English, Latin and French (with conversational power). 2nd, A. C. Morgan, Higher Certificate in English and French (with conversational power).

Sport.

"Let each shift for all the rest and none take thought for himself."—*The Tempest*.

HOCKEY NOTES.

Five matches were arranged last term, but owing to the inclemency of the weather the match that was to be played on the last day of term against Taskers did not take place. The school hockey team has just cause to be proud of itself, having achieved what is surely a record. The team won all matches without a single goal being scored against it. It has been a very successful season, hockey colours being awarded for the first time, and fixtures

have been arranged with Fishguard, which also is a new departure. The members of the team have been greatly encouraged by this interest shown in them. An outstanding feature and probable cause of success is the good team work and good team spirit shown. Members of the team were the following (those starred won their hockey colours):—Phyllis Watkins, Flo Paybody, Lily Paybody, Ivy Davies*, Miriam Travers*, Rose Towl*, Betty Hier*, Doris Johnson*, Eileen Rogers*, Lily Thomas*, Louie Rees.

The matches:—

Old Girls. Won 3—0.

Taskers High School. Won 4—0.

P. D. Town Team. Won 2—0.

Tenby County School. Won 7—0.

Milford County School. Won 2—0.

Fishguard County School (home). Won 3—0.

Fishguard County School (away). Won 1—0.

Tenby County School (away). Won 7—0.

Tenby County School (away). Won 6—0.

TENNIS.

Weather this term has not been conducive to tennis. Two courts are in use. On July 2nd, Tenby played our girls on St. John's grounds, kindly lent for the occasion, for which we express our thanks. Our girls were the victors, winning by eight events to one. The weather was fine and after the match lunch was provided for the visitors at the school.

FOOTBALL.

We ended the football season in a right royal manner by defeating the unbeaten Whitland County School by 1—0 after a hard, clean game, on the Tenby ground. Not only were we delighted with the game and the result, but also with the reception and the preparations which were made for us by Tenby.

Many of our games were played under adverse conditions, and in many matches, especially that at Fishguard, many of the players had the greatest difficulty to keep their heads above water.

Our undefeated record of the first term was broken during the second, but in spite of that we are still very proud of the season's results. We played 21 matches, won 15, lost 3 and drew 3, with 75 goals for and 18 against.

It is a tribute to the clean play of our backs and halves, that for the last three years, there has only been awarded 2 penalty kicks against the school team.

The team was composed of the following:—C. O. Thomas, A. Brown (Vice-Capt.), A. James, G. Macken, H. Macken (Capt.),

W. Bevan, J. Morgans, I. Howells, A. Evans, L. Williams and H. Cardew, while the following played on several occasions :—E. Huxtable, I. Williams, W. Owens, G. Lewis, I. Ferrier and C. Roads.

CRICKET NOTES.

Up to the time of going to press we have had a fairly successful season. The players are unable to have any serious practice owing to the dangerous condition of the school "pitch."

Through the kindness of the Town Cricket Club, in allowing us to use their ground, we have only had to play one match on our own field.

The match against Fishguard could not be played owing to the rain, but we were able to defeat the Grammar School by 64 runs to 27.

So far we have played 6 matches, won 3 and lost 3.

The following officials were elected at the beginning of the term :—A. Evans, Capt.; A. Brown, Vice-Capt.; C. O. Thomas, Secretary; W. Bevan and H. Cardew, Committee.

The teams have been chosen out of the following players :—A. Evans, A. Brown, W. Bevan, E. Nelson, L. Jones, G. Lewis, H. Macken, G. Macken, R. Luffman, V. Sabido, E. Huxtable, L. Andrews.

Oddments.

A concrete example of the power of the press—the new setting of the rain gauge.

Another feminist achievement, "The common pump was invented by Torricellia Vacuum."

Some girls are still puzzling how to obey the command, "Stretch your backs well in the front." Vb. have the additional task of visualising microbes going to school in charabancs.

The School will be interested to hear that an enterprising pupil has discovered a new planet—Cupid.

An excellent description of an unknown female :—She had a gentile appearance, and went near knowone in the family.

"Surplus" is what one wears over a cassock.

Peter said to Dorcas : "Arise!" and behold, she came to life smilingly and went on with her sewing.

The great lake steamers do not go into the ocean because it is salt.

It is harder to be glad at another's success than at your own failure.

When the sun shines there, it shines so hard that it breaks the rocks up into powder.

He lived with his wife and was also accused of stealing.

Her sails were waving in the wind, as the poem says.

Reasons for wanting to be a teacher :—

1. It is a nice life teaching quiet girls.
2. You can speak grammatically (inestimable privilege—a prize keenly sought!).

3. You have long holidays and can go abroad.

4. It is a healthy life going back and fore to school.

5. It is amusing for the teachers in one house fighting against the teachers of another house in the Eisteddfod.

Axsparrowgus, glouches (=galoshes), lecgage (=leakage), addentent (=attendant).

"He went to Paris and through worrying how beautiful it was, he died."

VIth (Arts). We wish those who have been busy preparing for Higher every success.

We compliment our cricket captain on his punctuality in ringing bells, especially on Monday mornings. Since the departure of one august member of our loyal tribe, silence has been more marked and the noise of "popping corks" has been conspicuous by its absence. The moral tone of the VIth is considerably improved due to the presence of an earnest theologian. But in spite of this we are perplexed by the conundrum, "Why do short men like tall girls?"

Form Notes.

Vs.—Although we are only 13 in the form, this does not seem to be our unlucky number. We have played three football matches, two with the 1Vth form and one with the Coronation school. The first we lost, the other two we won.

We have only had time to play one cricket match this term, owing to our "serious devotion to study" for the C. W. B., but this one we won.

All the form offer their heartiest congratulations to Mr. Rees on his recent success.

And now we are in the midst of the C. W. B. "Brethren we live in 'ope."

Va.—We are far too busy for form notes at present, and what is more, these wretched exams. have knocked all the inspirations on other subjects out of our heads.

We are looking forward eagerly to our trip to Bosherton on July 16th.

We are very glad that Rose has honoured Va. by gaining a

place in the Tennis Team.

Vb.—This term Vb too busily preparing for their "Waterloo," played only one cricket match. This was against Va., and Vb. much to their own surprise proved Victorious.

Vb., were forced recently to leave their haven of peace and "Hamlet" for a world of unrest. The claim staking proved both exciting and eventful, the lucky ones gaining the much sought after sites, near the windows. The next morning Vb. discovered, with tears and smiles, that Hamlet had refused to be parted from their delightful company and had left peaceful security to follow them, in their adversities—what faithfulness!

IVa.—Although most of our form rose at an unusually early hour on the 29th, it had no effect on our usual brightness (?)

Owing to the weather being bad we have not had so many lessons in the open air as we should have had otherwise.

We welcome Doris Barr and we hope she likes it in IVa.

We were pleased that one of our members, Dorothy Williams, played in the tennis match against Tenby in which the school was successful.

IVa.—The important time has arrived for the IVth Form when the Exams will decide which of us is to go up. French is the horrid nightmare. We are determined to do our uttermost to lay this dread ghost and this to prove it but a phantom to stout souls.

We have done fairly well at Cricket. Our start was very shaky but we managed to settle down. We defeated the Coronation by 6 wickets. J. Morgans and G. Lewis play for the School and several others have had trials.

IVb.—Form IVb. is feeling quite proud since the last Bisteddfod having had the 1st and 2nd in the Senior Girl's Solo, 1st in Senior French recitation, and two firsts in Senior Cookery. We are a happy form although we are told we gossip too much on which subject, let us remind you, that laws were passed against it, even in Caesar's time. We also have some stars in the tennis world and hope soon to see them playing on the centre court at Wimbledon. We hope that everyone will have a good time during the holidays as we ourselves intend to do.

IIIa.—The IIIrds have been doing well at cricket this term.

We have played the IVths, twice, beating them in the first match and drawing with them in the second. We have also played two matches with the Coronation, winning both.

The exams will very soon eclipse our pleasures, but after a short totality we shall be repaid with the summer holidays.

IIIa. have been very busy this year making a nature chart. With the help of our form master, we managed this very successfully. We are now very well up in botany.