BISLEY.

On Thursday, July 16, the School VIII. shot in the competition at Bisley for the 'Ashburton Shield.' An exceptionally large number of Schools was represented, and the scoring was unusually high; in fact the four highest totals beat all previous records since the match has been fired with the present rifle.

Our team succeeded in obtaining 10th place out of the 42 Schools represented, with a total score of 458. Glenalmond also made 458 but was one point below us at the 500 yds.

The Shield was won by Tonbridge with a total of 500, Bradfield and Wellington being only 4 points behind.

The School score in detail was:-

200yd	s. 5	ooyd	s.	Total.
• 34		31		65
. 28	• • •	35		63
. 32		29		61
. 28		32	• • •	6о
. 31	• • •	28		59
. 28		25		53
. 25		26	• • •	51
26		20	• • •	46
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. 232		226		458
233		225		458
. 257		243		500
	· 34 · 28 · 32 · 28 · 31 · 28 · 25 · 26 · 232 · 233	. 34 . 28 . 32 . 28 . 31 . 28 . 25 . 26 . 232 . 233	. 34 31 . 28 35 . 32 29 . 28 32 . 31 28 . 28 25 . 25 26 26 20 232 226 233 225	. 28 35 . 32 29 . 28 32 . 31 28 . 28 25 . 25 26 26 20 232 232

Light, fair; wind, 5° to 6° left; weather, dull and rainy.

In 1901 also the School tied with Glenalmond for 4th place (out of 26) with a score of 444.

Cricket.

THE SEASON'S RESULTS.

Won, 3. Drawn, 4. Lost, 5.

Excepting that we won both school matches played we have had but a moderately successful season. Contrary to precedent our batting was the weak point. This was largely due to the fact that neither the captain nor Joyce 'came on' as was expected. Muirhead was the best and most consistent player on the side, and Alexander and Brander both did The averages shew that very fairly well. there was no tail to the team. Peel's bowling results are the best we have had for some years, and Joyce got through a good deal of work very creditably. The fielding—with two or three exceptions—was good, Alexander and Atkinson being much above the average.

THE AVERAGES (exclusive of O.Bs' match).

DATTING.									
			highest						
	Ins.	out.	runs.	score.	aver.				
T. S. Muirhead	13	. 3	256	. 44	25.6				
G. P. Alexander	9	. 1	177	. 79	22.4				
A. N. Barraud	3	. 1	45	. 34*	22.5				
J. G. Milton	12	. 1	184	. 36	16.7				
F. M. Joyce	14	. 2	1 91	. 39*	15.9				
M. S. Brander	14	. 2 .,	174	. 63	14.5				
J. E. N. Webb	8	. 2	. 83	. 28*	13.9				
C. B. Atkinson	9	. 1	. 97	. 38	12.1				
E. O. Mackwood	9	. 1	. 80	. 24	10				
D. H. Peel	9	. 0	66	. 15	7.3				
A. J. Weller	3	. 0	. 2 2	. 13	7:3				
*—not out.									

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Av.				
D. H. Peel	. 122	. 36	312	2 5	12.5				
J. E. N. Webb	. 57.4	. 4	209	1 2	17.4				
F. M. Joyce	. 200.1	. 38	548	24	22.8				
J. G. Milton	. 53	. 9	179	6	29.9				
G. C. B. Loos (5 f	or 117)	and G.	P. Alex	ander (2 for				
112) also bowled.									

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the Ousel.

Dear Sir,-Will you allow me through the medium of your colums to make enquiry concerning the fate of the School song 'Floreat Bedfordia,' officially styled 'Carmen Paneg vricum.' In 1900, my last year at the School, this song, to the great regret of many, was ousted both from programme and performance by a new song ('Bedford by the River'). In 1901 the old song reappeared in the programme but any hopes thus aroused were doomed to disappointment. In 1902 I was unable to attend the Speeches, but I am told that it was not sung. I need hardly remind you that it was again left unsung yesterday. There are, I know, many O.Bs who will join with me in calling upon you to exert all your influence to restore to us the old song in accordance with the ancient custom of the School.

Yours, etc., O.B.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Special Choir: No, there is no mis-spelling or misprint in the 3rd line of stanza 3 of Domus Pater. Many people would not agree with you that what you mention is 'celestial fare.'

Puzzled.—If you will refer to Lucan VI. 507—end, you will allow that Erichtho is a dull witch indeed. On the other points we congratulate you on your 'perspicacity in the imperspicuous.'

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