

Art and experience have done all they can,  
to finish ASPIN and present a man.  
What pity 'tis, such learning and such parts,  
as steal from books their weight, from men  
their hearts,  
should to necessity their force resign,  
and sink exertion as a means to—*dine!*

Others there are of an inferior note,  
whose sole unenvied merit is to—*vote.*  
Biggs, Anscomb, Johnson, Huxley, Arm-  
strong, Nodes,  
the tools of turnpikes and unmended roads ;  
who not by nature fashion'd to discern,  
from winks and signs their approbation learn ;  
and to the world by character unknown,  
*despise!* as BELL, *ridiculous* as BROWN.

Yet should some patriot, faithful to his trust,  
to truth impartial, and in judgment just,  
to hear attentive, to forgive inclin'd,  
firm to his country's cause, to interest blind,  
should B—F—D'S self at their demeanour  
laugh,  
they'd swear the Constitution was not safe.

O KENT, by thy command these tyrants  
grow ;  
to thee their pow'r and insolence they owe.  
But strip them once of their much-boasted  
*Peace,*  
bid their base views with their Commissions  
cease,  
e'en thee they'd curse and vilify ;—for pow'r  
is all things,—*friend,—King,—God,—* that  
they adore.

1. Late Sir Rowland Alston, Bart., of Odell, in the County of Bedford. 2. William Beecher, Esq., late of Reynold, in the same County. 3. Late Richard Orlebar, Esq., of Hinwick Hall, in the same County. 4. This gentleman, who succeeded the above, had a most amiable character, and was much beloved by all who knew him. 5. This gentleman lived at Elnstow, near Bedford. 6. Late of Kempston, near Bedford. 7. Late of Sharnbrook, in the County of Bedford. 8. All deceased, and quite forgotten in this Paper. 9. The Politics of this great House have varied strangely in the course of some few years only ; at one period Whigs, in a short time after flaming Tories ; then Whigs again, and now—I know not what. 10. His Grace the Duke of Kent, Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Bedford.

## SHOOTING.

The School VIII. opened their season on Friday, 18th May, with two simultaneous matches against Rugby and Marlborough, defeating the latter by two points, and losing to Rugby.

## THE SCHOOL.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	Total.
Corpl. Radice .....	30	32	62
Sapper Martyn ...	26	31	57
Corpl. Ritchie .....	28	29	57
Sergt. Gordon .....	27	29	56
Sergt. Miller .....	28	27	55
Corpl. Columbine..	25	29	54
Cadet Gordon .....	25	29	54
Cadet Pickett .....	25	27	52

Total...	214	233	447
Rugby .....	231	244	475
Marlborough .....	219	226	445
Wind : Changeable 3 — 7 o'clock. Light : Variable. Weather : Damp.			

## v. Haileybury and Berkhamsted, May 23rd.

### THE SCHOOL.

Sapper Martyn ...	29	30	59
Sergt. Miller .....	30	29	59
Corpl. Ritchie .....	30	29	59
Corpl. Columbine..	27	31	58
Cadet Pickett .....	27	29	56
Corpl. Radice .....	30	24	54
Cadet Gordon .....	25	27	52
Sergt. Gordon .....	28	24	52

	226	223	449
Berkhamsted .....	229	218	447
Haileybury .....	217	212	429

On May 26th the undermentioned shot at Chelmsford for Bedfordshire v. Essex, Surrey and Lincolnshire, making scores at 200, 500 and 600 yards below :—

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Corpl. Columbine ...	28	33	30	91
Sapper Ritchie .....	29	27	30	86
Sapper Radice .....	28	28	26	82

Major Columbine ... 31 32 31 94  
The two Sappers unfortunately diminished their scores by insufficient attention to hint (d) in the Notes on Rifle-Shooting that appear in the present number.

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