

## ROWING NOTES.

(By *Water-Cricket*).

The 2nd VIII have done regular practice, the chief test being the stretch from the Town Bridge to the Suspension Bridge. This has been done under varying conditions of wind and weather, and with some variation of crew, as Maltby cannot row regularly. In the last three attempts the time (2 min. 22 sec) has not varied, but the last attempt (June 11th) was in reality a faster time than the previous ones, as a very wide course had to be taken, owing to the obstruction caused by the unskilful management of their crafts by occupants of certain punts. (Query? Why does the gentle sex invariably choose a very breezy day to make its first essay with a punt and a paddle?)

As a whole the crew row a good length and are steady over the stretchers. The sliding is very fair and there is a very fair swing, all having grasped clearly the fact that the former is not a substitute for the latter. There is room for a firmer finish; and all should remember how important a part the leg support at the end of the stroke must play in this respect. On the whole the crew is a much better one than last year's. Individually, Carrington, with a much improved and smarter recovery, has got rid of a slight tendency to bucket forward, and now that he has learnt not to hurry the stroke unduly, sets his crew a good length stroke and is very promising. Cleveland at seven, having now got rid of his fault of pulling in his arms too soon, has come on well. He is sometimes however late with his shoulder-swing, and needs to let himself go more in this respect at the beginning of the strike. Askwith at six has now a steady swing and is steady forward, but he *must* avoid allowing his back to give way at the commencement of stroke—(a fatal habit): it must be at least rigid if not straight. He has a tendency too to fall on his oar at the end of the stroke. If he can cure himself of this, he is very promising. Hutton, who came into the boat later, now rows a good length and swings well. He should get his arms away from the chest somewhat quicker. Maltby has a great tendency to shortness of length and finish. Bird at two has much improved, but must cure himself of overreaching with his outside shoulder and letting go his outside hand, and of a certain unnecessary twist of body, which accompanies those faults. Clair-Smith at bow must cure himself of a hang forward and a tendency to row the first part

of the stroke in the air. Taylor and Tisdall have also rowed, the latter being the more promising; the former, owing to examination necessities, missing some necessary practice. G. A. Thompson as cox has shown that he possesses the very great asset of sound judgment when possible obstructions are in the way. The crew may now be allowed a greater length of slide; when perhaps some seconds may possibly be taken off their time for the stretch.

## SHOOTING.

Results of matches week ending June 3rd:—

B.G.S	200 yds.	500 yds.	Total.
Cadet Fuller .....	32	33	65
Cadet Woodyer.....	29	31	60
Cadet Braddell .....	31	29	60
Corpl. Gordon .....	32	28	60
Sapper Shippey.....	24	33	57
Sapper Shadforth .....	28	28	56
Cadet Corban-Lucas.....	31	24	55
Corpl. Hogben .....	25	22	47
	232	228	460
Glenalmond .....	243	220	463
Whitgift.....	216	243	459
Brighton.....	235	208	443
Marlboro' College ... ..	238	234	472

At the Annual Prize Meeting, held at Millbrook on June 8th, the following scores and prizes were achieved:—

	200	500	600	Total	£	s.
Mr. S. B. Columbine...32	29	28	89	2	0	
Maj. B. F. Columbine, E 31	33	24	88	1	10	
Sapper Shippey, E.....30	29	26	85	1	0	
Sapper Braddell, E ...32	33	14	79		10	
Class B.						
Sapper Gordon, E.....32	26	27	85	1	10	
Cadet Woodyer.....29	27	25	81	1	0	
Mr. R. H. Columbine ...33	30	18	81		15	
Corpl. Hogben, E.....29	23	27	79		15	
Cadet Fuller .....	27	29	78		10	

In the Competition for the Bronze Medals offered by the Beds. Rifle and Miniature Rifle Association Major Columbine (East Anglian R. E.) secured first place with scores of 93, 94, 88—275, thus winning the \*bar, and ticket of Membership of the N.R.A. Prizes were also won by:—

Sapper Shippey, E., £1 and Medal (96,87,85)	[268.
Mr. S. B. Columbine, £1 and ticket (84,79,89)	[252.
Sapper Gordon, E., 10/- (82, 81, 85)	248
Sapper Braddell, E., 10/- (82,87,89)	248

\* Given in lieu of Medal to a winner if he is already a holder of the B.R.A's Bronze Medal.