

SHOOTING.
BISLEY, JULY 16th, 1908.

The Competitions for the **Ashburton Shield** and other Public School Trophies took place this year under the most miserable conditions since Bisley became the 'Mecca' of the rifle-shot. A cold driving rain, interspersed with squally winds, continued throughout the day. In spite of the elements, Harrow came to the front with a fine shoot of 498. On the previous day our VIII had compiled an aggregate of 497—a record score for the School—but failed to maintain this form at 500 yards, as will be seen from the following details:—

	200 Yds.	500 Yds.	Tl.
Cdt. Braddell	5 5 4 5 5 4 5—33	5 4 4 5 5 4 5—32	65
„ Woodyer	5 4 5 4 5 5 5—33	4 4 4 4 3 5 5—29	62
Cpl. Gordon	4 5 5 5 3 4 5—31	5 3 4 5 4 4 3—28	59
„ Hogben	4 3 5 4 4 4 4—28	3 3 4 5 5 5 4—29	57
Sap. Shippey	5 3 3 5 5 5 4—30	5 5 3 4 0 4 5—26	56
Cdt. Rowan	4 4 5 4 4 4 3—28	5 3 4 2 5 3 4—24	52
„ Fuller	4 5 4 4 5 4 4—30	3 2 3 3 4 3 4—22	52
„ Shadforth	4 5 3 5 5 4 5—31	0 0 3 5 3 2 4—17	48

244 207 451

Braddell and Woodyer deserve especial praise for their consistent shooting after others of the team had failed. The School gained 33rd place out of the 57 schools that shot.

At practice on Wednesday in the 'Fry' Competition, Gordon made 68 (including 8 bulls at 500 yards), and Braddell 68 (34, 34), each taking a prize, value £1. Hogben made 66 (32, 34), but was counted out of the prize list.

Cadets' Trophy.

Cadet Reynolds30	30—60
Cadet Mesnard26	15—41

Our pair thereby gained 29th place out of 37 Schools.

Spencer Cup.

Corpl. Gordon 29 points.

The **Public Schools' Veterans' Trophy** was shot for after the Spencer Cup ties had been decided. The weather became even worse, making shooting both extremely uncomfortable and difficult, the gusty wind causing many erratic shots. Two of last year's team were available, but unfortunately H. F. E. MacMahon, who shot so well then, is away in India. The duties of Captain were undertaken by Capt. McVittie, R.A., who coached his team well. Scores —

	(10 Shots at 500 Yds.)	Total.
S. B. Columbine	... 5/ 5 4 5 5 4 5 4 5 3 5—45	
Capt. R. H. McVittie	5/ 5 5 3 5 4 4 3 5 4 3—41	
D. G. Cherrington	0/ 0 2 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4—40	
F. R. Radice	3/ 4 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 4—40	
G. L. Ritchie	0/ 0 2 4 5 5 2 3 5 4 2—32	

198

This gained 18th place out of 26 teams.

An innovation on Saturday, July 18th, in the shape of a competition for the **Astor Cup**, open to Miniature Rifle Clubs of the County, took place on the School Miniature Range and the School representatives retrieved, in a small way, their lost laurels by winning the Cup and four Medals:—

(10 Shots at 25 Yds. N.R.A. targets) Total.

B. G. S.	Woodyer.....	46	} 168
	Hogben	43	
	Gordon	40	
	Braddell	39	

Luton Christ Church R.C.....162

B.G.S.S.C. SWIMMING SPORTS.

JULY 20 and 21.

The weather was anything but satisfactory, but on the whole some rather good racing was witnessed. The first event was the **60 Yds under 16**, which in the end Clements won rather easily. The **60 Yds over 16** was closely contested, and Reid's time was excellent. Woods's diving was exceptionally good.

60 Yds. under 16—1 W. F. Clements, 2 C. E. Long.

60 Yds over 16—1 H. A. Reid, 2 M. E. M. Blackburn.

Polo Ball Over 16.—1 H. R. Hanmer, 2 G. H. Chambers,

Polo Ball under 16.—1 N. S. Maltby, 2 C. S. Shippey.

110 Yds Handicap.—1 H. A. Reid (scr), 2 Hanmer, 3 P. M. Maxwell.

High Dive.—1 W. G. Woods, 2 H. A. Reid.

Running Dive.—1 W. G. Woods, 2 E. J. Humberstone.

Swimming under Water.—Blackburn.

Greasy Pole.—1 M. H. B. Scott, 2 W. T. Nisbet, 3 G. T. Meldrum.

Blindfold Race.—1 Hanmer, 2 W. E. Woolley.

Answers to Problems.

Ousel No. 337. 2d. per mile [Kirkman & Field's Arithmetic, Misc. Examples No. 646 p. 404.]

Ousel No. 340. 15s. 9d. [K. and F. Misc. Exam. P. ix. ii.]

Ousel No. 343. £3 17s. 0d. [K. and F. xii b, 23.]

Ousel No. 348. 4 miles per hour, 14 miles [K. and F. xix b, 30].