

that civilisation has decreased bigotry, and dwell on the various benefits, physical and mental, conferred by it—with one remarkable and uncharacteristic omission.

**Mr. A. V. Askwith** gave a humorous and ideal picture of his conception of a day in the life of a savage. Its most prominent characteristics were absence of work and an unrestrained carnivoracity. He contrasted with this the *desagrément*s of modern school life (sympathetic applause). His peroration was as eloquent as usual and no less irrelevant; this time it was on the Empire.

**Miss Westaway** thought nobly of modern schools and schoolmasters (hear, hear from the Chairman). She agreed with a hero of her early youth (sensation), Robinson Crusoe (disappointment), who was rejoiced to return from barbarism to civilisation. Civilisation had raised the status of women (cheers).

**Mr. O. Sanderson**, who was speaking against time, argued that contact with civilisation had increased the happiness of barbarians by introducing to Ireland potatoes and to the higher type of savage beads, top-hats, fire-water, and the toothsome missionary.

**Mr. Harvey**, having briefly replied, the motion was put to the vote, and on an hon. member demanding a division, was found to be lost by 16 votes to 34

[Our reporter has come in rather late with the above account of a debate upon which we have already touched. As, however, the occasion was memorable, we thought it well that the details should be recorded.—Ed. *Ousel*].

## SHOOTING.

### Match v. Cheltenham, Clifton, Wellington.

(May 28th).

B.G.S	200 yds.	300 yds.	T tal.
Corpl. Sanderson..	32	28	60
Corpl. Bird .....	28	30	58
Corpl. Shadforth..	31	26	57
Corpl. Ritchie ...	26	30	56
Sapr. Columbine..	27	28	55
Sapr. Richards ...	29	26	55
Sapr. Tanner .....	28	26	54
Sapr. Elderton ...	28	22	50
	229	216	445
Cheltenham .....	218	217	435
Clifton .....	214	225	439
Wellington .....	230	224	454

For this match an improvised target under the new (service) conditions was used at 500 yards. The innovation had its effect upon the scores at that range, owing no doubt to the difficulty of obtaining a well-defined aim

at the variegated object. After a little practice, and implicit obedience in carrying out instructions this obstacle will probably prove to be more apparent than real. That we are not alone in this respect is shown by the scores of the other schools competing against us on this occasion.

Simultaneous practice for any number is at present out of the question owing to the unsatisfactory condition of the range. We hope some steps will be taken to remedy this serious defect without delay.

Corrigendum: The side by side match with Oundle should be June 4th, instead of 18th, as stated in shooting card and *Ousel* calendar.

## FIVES.

SEASON 1910.

Owing to several causes the fives season was very short this year. Four matches were played of which the School won one and lost three. Following the annual rout by St. Paul's came a welcome victory over Felsted. In this match the IV. showed great form, but failed to reproduce it on subsequent occasions.

### CHARACTERS.

- P. H. Lawless**—Has played very little this season owing to illness; a good player, but does not always rise to the occasion.
- N. S. Maltby**—Though suffering from a 'knee' has been far and away the best of the IV. Always reliable, possesses a repertory of excellent shots and revels in singles.
- D. S. O'Brien**—Plays brilliantly at his best and shockingly at other times. Hits hard and erratically with a cheerful disregard for his opponents' heads.
- R. E. Weigall**—Was very promising at first, but fell off considerably.
- R. T. Peel**—Plays a good steady game but lacks the staying power for a long match.
- A. J. Reeves**—Useful at times but apt to be erratic.

### HOUSE MATCHES.

The House Matches were played on March 31st and April 17th, before larger gatherings than usual. The standard of play was better than last year and some good games were witnessed. On the first day St. Cuthbert's, despite the brilliant efforts of Maltby, went under rather easily to St. Peter's. Crescent beat Ashburnham, and