

SPORTING RECORDS OF ST. JIM'S

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CRICKET.

IT has been a most exciting cricket season, and our two matches with Greyfriars, home and away, provided enough thrills to satisfy the most fastidious cricket enthusiast. The first match, at Greyfriars, we lost by the narrow margin of 2 runs, after leading on the first innings. The second match, on our own ground, resulted in a tie! It was a breathlessly exciting finish. When our last man went in, we needed 12 runs to win. Eleven of the runs were obtained by dogged, resolute batting, and then a magnificent catch by Wingate, of Greyfriars, prevented the winning run being scored. A great finish to a great game!

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GEORGE DARRELL, one of our most improved players, scored over a thousand runs in the course of the season, and also took over a hundred wickets. His highest score was 177, not out.

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THE juniors also enjoyed a good season, the most prominent features of their play being the vigorous batting of Tom Merry, and the fine bowling of "Fatty" Wynn. Arthur Augustus D'Arcy was also well in the limelight, having scored two centuries.

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A CERTAIN Satur-

day in July was set apart for a special match between St. Jim's First Eleven and a Masters' Eleven, under the captaincy of Mr. Railton. The masters made a brave show, despite the fact that some of them are well past their prime. But, notwithstanding a hard-hit 55 by Mr. Railton, the Staff was ultimately beaten by a wide margin. The "underhand" bowling of Mr. Lathom caused great amusement. Mr. Linton kept wicket in capital style.

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THE M.C.C. did us the high honour of sending a team down to St. Jim's, to play a two-day match with our senior eleven. We were defeated, but not disgraced. Darrell and Langton made an heroic effort to save the game, in the second innings—an effort which

was only frustrated by some extraordinary bowling on the part of the M.C.C.

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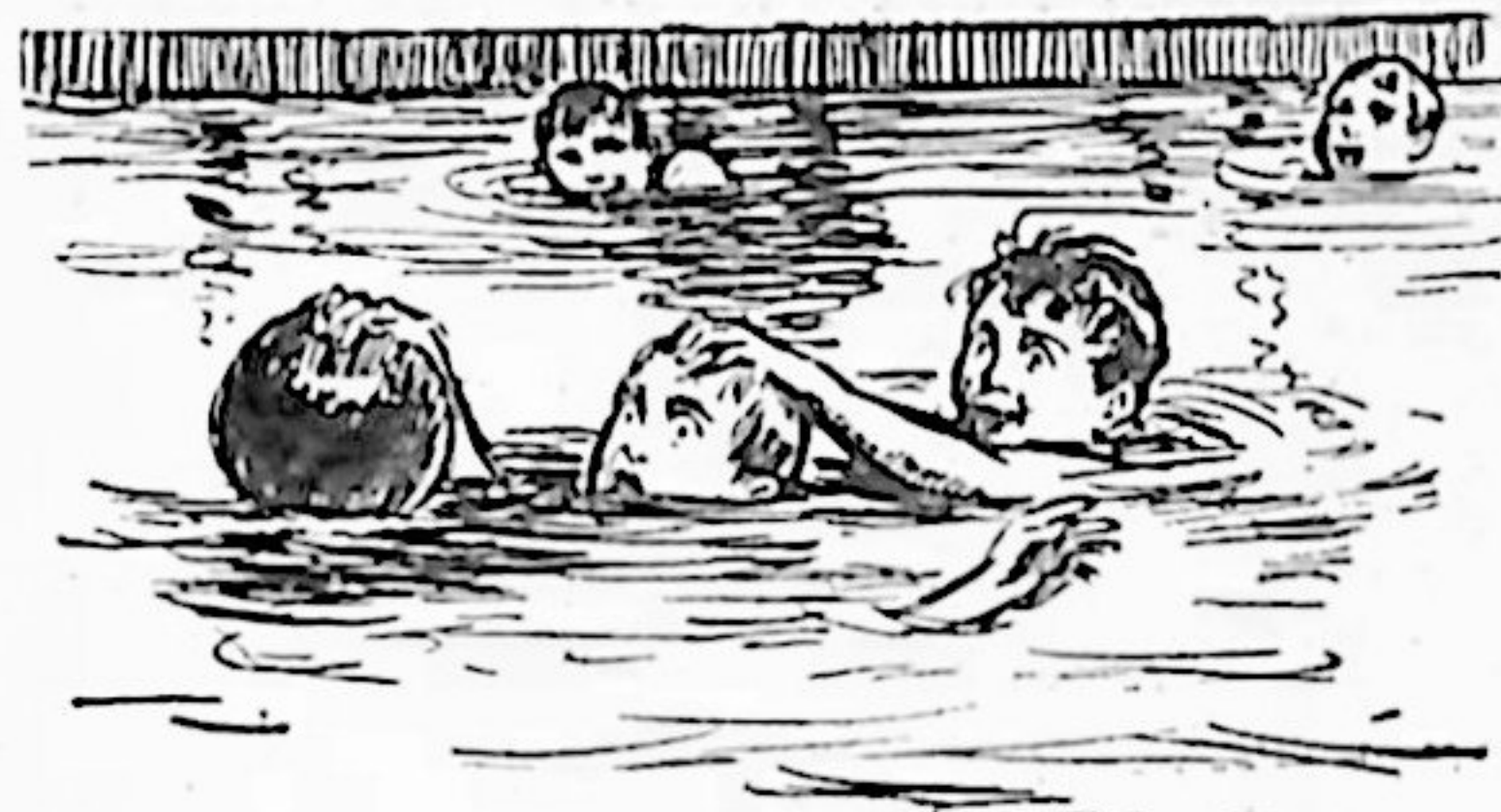
FOOTBALL.

ST. JIM'S experienced a fluctuating football season, the form displayed being somewhat erratic. We opened our campaign with a handsome win over Abbotsford; then we journeyed to Greyfriars and were severely trounced. We sprang to life again the following Saturday, and defeated Wayland Wanderers in hollow



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style by 7—0. But this "in-and-out" sort of form was hardly satisfactory, and a big improvement will be looked for next season.



Water Polo has caught on at St. Jim's; both senior and junior teams have scored many successes.

GEORGE DARRELL was again successful in winning the Senior Boxing Championship.

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HAD we been able to field the same eleven right through the season, we should have come out with a better record. But an epidemic of influenza caused a good deal of chopping and changing in the team, and the new men found it difficult to adapt themselves. This partly explains why we won handsomely one week, and were badly beaten the next.

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I HAVE been speaking of senior football only. The Junior Eleven enjoyed a splendid season. Tom Merry found the net on 50 occasions, and Talbot was close behind him with 47 goals. The sterling goalkeeping of "Fatty" Wynn won him numerous ovations.

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I HAVE been trying to get some particulars of how the fags fared during the football season, but their Secretary has got their records so muddled and confused that I cannot make head or tail of them. D'Arcy Minor tells me that a good many matches were played without an official referee. The rival teams kept their own tally of the goals scored, and, needless to say, each tally differed widely from the other! Thus, according to D'Arcy Minor, St. Jim's Fags defeated Greyfriars Fags by 4 goals to 3. But according to the Greyfriars Fags, the boot was on the other foot!

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GENERAL NOTES.

THE Annual Boat Race between St. Jim's and Greyfriars, rowed on the River Rhyl, resulted in an exciting win for the St. Jim's Crew by a quarter of a length.

with Harry Noble, the Australian.

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WATER POLO is a sport which has "caught on" at St. Jim's, and both senior and junior teams have scored many successes.

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SPORTS Day was a great success. Over one hundred and thirty fellows faced the starter for the School "Mile," which is, of course, a handicap race. I was lucky enough to finish first, just managing to overhaul young Bernard Glyn on the post. Darrell was third, and Tom Merry ran into fourth place.

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CUTTS of the Fifth won the Senior Obstacle Race in very good time, while Bob Cherry was first home in the junior. "Fatty" Wynn, who was persuaded to enter for this race, got stuck in the pig-net, which had to be taken up before he could be released—an incident which caused great amusement to the visitors.

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FIGGINS of the New House won two of the junior events—throwing the Cricket Ball and the Half-Mile.

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THE Medal for the Best Athlete in the School was presented this year to Darrell. The winner thoroughly deserved his award, which was heartily endorsed by the whole school.

