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## Out and About.

The not disinterested appeal of the railway companies to the public to take its holidays earlier this year, appears in the light of later events to smack of foreknowledge and prevision. Brenthamites, generally, having to take their holidays whenever they can get them, or go without, by the exigencies of the international complications, found their holidays curtailed, postponed, or, worse still, unnecessarily prolonged.

The holidays over, however, and our winter session close upon us, doubts exist as to the wisdom of pursuing our ordinary course of social life. There can be but one reply to those doubts. It will be only aggravating the strain of these stirring days, if we attempt to shut up our social shop; some relaxation from that strain is absolutely necessary. To those who find they are required to safeguard the means of civilisation by pursuing their ordinary work (a duty at this time only secondary to that of the men who are fighting to defend it), there is but one thing to do—"Carry on" in all departments. Our arrangements will need modification, for incongruity and inappropriateness may not be risked in these times. Our social life, gaining a new unselfishness, far from being a hindrance, will, rightly directed, be a real help. For a time, at least—a brief time, let us hope—we are a serious people, and our seriousness will gain nothing if we dissipate our energies in a futile "chewing of the wind of rumour"; a mere idleness is not more valuable because it is more hideous.

To Mr. F. W. Chambers, on his appointment to the Inspectorate of the Board of Education, all Brentham offers congratulations. Although a well-known Ealingite for many years, Mr. Chambers was hardly known in Brentham when, a very few years ago, he came to live on the estate. He seems to have come with a purpose, although he probably was unaware of it at the time, for it was a time of transition. The large part that Mr. Chambers took in guiding that transition in our social arrangements from comparative simplicity to its present highly organised state, was taken, as even those who lamented its progress



will be the first to agree, with a disinterestedness and joy of service for which Brentham must ever owe him a debt of gratitude. Dogged, without obstinacy, preferring to go round what he could not get over, he has made friends of us all, aye, even sometimes in spite of ourselves. When it is known that he will (as is almost certain) be leaving us, we shall have as difficult a task in imagining Brentham without F.W.C., as in picturing F.W.C. without Brentham. The fish out of water is at least as pathetic an object as the water it has left.

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The Ealing Education Committee has taken a census of the children of school age in North Ealing, with the object of estimating the need for accommodation in the neighbourhood. Thanks to the persistence of the collectors of the returns, and the householders' hidden fear of the law, the Committee is likely to get the statistics it seeks. But what it will not get is just what really matters: How many boys here attending private and secondary schools would be at elementary schools if a modern building were erected for the purpose in the neighbourhood? Meanwhile, those little boys who are at this time of the year "promoted" from the girls' and infants' department to the boys' school across the road, are at liberty to wish that they had a Peter Pan-like reticence of growing up.

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RHYME LODGE,  
BRENTHAM.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

The absence of my usual contribution of indigestible rhymes in the *B.M.*, last month, was as surprising to me as it was satisfactory to your readers.

I found myself in a strange foreign country (Cornwall), far from the madding crowd (the bottom of the Institute staircase), where only one postal delivery and collection took place per day, and where daily papers and decent literature (the *B.M.*) were unknown. In order that any concoction should reach headquarters (the top of the Editor's coal-box) in time, I walked the two miles (four hours' journey) to the station, and paid a huge premium (2d.) to have it sent on. My efforts (laziness), however, were ineffectual—who said, "Thank goodness"?—and hence the great British public (Ealing Tenants) had to put up with your clever article (drivel) instead of my inspiring poem (piffle).

Yours pierrotically,

THE PIERROT.



# The Unmethodical Holiday-maker.

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Behold the season of the year  
For holidays once more approaches.  
My goods are somewhat mixed I fear,  
And I must sort them out, its clear,  
    To save myself reproaches.  
I've box to find, likewise a bag,  
And one more poem for the Mag.

The clothes that we should need to take,  
At least, I knew would cause no worry.  
My wife would see, for her own sake,  
They were all safe, and should not make  
    A cause for undue hurry.  
Then, when the box was packed you see,  
I searched the house to find the key.

At last the box was sent away,  
And all my care I thought was banished,  
Until my nose proclaimed next day  
I'd caught a cold; to my dismay  
    My handkerchiefs had vanished.  
I'd packed the lot, so in a jiff  
To 'Lane' was speeding, sniff on sniff.

But now we're off, so I don't care,  
Although my room looks sick, and I own,  
With things strewn here, there, everywhere,  
You'd think it was, I do declare,  
    The centre of a cyclone.  
But that will never worry us,  
We're not the sort that make a fuss.

THE PIERROT.

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The "old soldier," by his voluntary offer to "do his bit" again for his country has gone, as all others from Brentham, with a "Good luck" from us all. Amongst others who are keen for the call is a valued contributor to the B.M.

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A careful study of the official announcements on pages 8 and 9 will repay you. Keep them handy for reference.



# Horticultural Show.

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The Horticultural Society held its annual General Show on August Bank Holiday. A high standard of exhibits was maintained, and the following were the judge's awards:—

- Roses (eight blooms).—1, A. Watts ; 2, W. R. Sutton ; 3, G. F. Royce.
- Roses (four blooms).—1, A. G. Cann ; 2, J. F. Hawtin ; 3, G. F. Royce.
- Sweet Peas (one bunch, twenty stems).—1, W. Thompson ; 2, T. Bowles ; 3, H. O. Davies.
- Cut Flowers (one vase).—1, A. G. Cann ; 2, Mrs. McCarthy ; 3, F. W. Green.
- Annuals (three vases).—1, J. G. Phillips ; 2, J. T. Harmer ; 3, W. R. Sutton.
- Carnations and Picotees (six blooms).—1, A. G. Cann ; 2, J. T. Harmer ; 3, G. S. Hill.
- Carnations (six blooms).—Special prize, 1, J. A. Sadler. One entry.
- Lady's Spray and Gent.'s Buttonhole.—1, Mrs. J. Sadler. One entry.
- Bouquet.—2, Mrs. J. Sadler. One entry.
- Table Decoration.—1, Mrs. J. Sadler ; 2, Mrs. Whitmore. Two entries.
- Dish of Potatoes (boiled).—1, Mrs. J. C. Russell ; 2, Mrs. J. Walsom ; 3, Mrs. J. G. Phillips.
- Home Baking (one loaf, white bread).—1, Mrs. Cann ; 2, Mrs. J. Sadler ; 3, Mrs. W. L. Sadler.
- Home-made Jam.—1, Mrs. Preston ; 2, Mrs. J. Walsom ; 3, Mrs. A. G. Cann ; highly commended, Mrs. F. W. Green and Mrs. A. J. Bray.
- Aspidistra (one pot).—1, T. Bowles ; 2, Mrs. J. Sadler ; 3, Mrs. Ephgrave.
- Annuals (three pots).—1, J. G. Phillips ; 2, J. T. Harmer. Two entries.
- Children's Classes (one bunch wild flowers).—1, Gladys Holifield ; 2, Pearl Sutton.
- Wild Flowers (one bunch, nine varieties).—1, Doris Cummings ; 2, Stanley Cummings.
- Nasturtium (one pot).—1, Mary Cavan ; 2, Ethel Cavan.
- Candytuft (one pot).—1, Fred Hull ; 2, Bert Bray.
- Collection of Vegetables (four kinds).—1, J. Walsom ; 2, J. G. Phillips ; 3, W. H. Morris.
- Dish of Nine Potatoes.—1, F. J. Turner ; 2, W. R. Sutton ; 3, A. J. Bray.
- French Beans (twelve pods).—1, J. A. Sadler ; 2, J. G. Phillips ; 3, J. Walsom.
- Runner Beans (twelve pods).—1, J. Walsom ; 2, J. F. Hawtin ; 3, J. A. Sadler.
- Carrots (six, one variety).—1, A. J. Bray ; 2, J. A. Sadler ; 3, J. Walsom.
- Beet (four, turnip rooted).—1, E. J. Ephgrave ; 2, G. F. Royce ; 3, A. J. Bray.
- Three Cabbages.—1, A. Preston ; 2, J. G. Phillips ; 3, J. T. Hawtin.
- Peas (twelve pods).—1, G. S. Hill ; 2, E. J. Ephgrave ; 3, J. H. Sadler.



Peas (twenty pods).—Special Class, 1, J. A. Sadler.  
 Shallots (dish of 25).—1, J. W. Small; 2, J. G. Phillips; 3, W. Thompson.  
 Marrows (two).—1, H. O. Davies; 2, J. Walsom; 3, A. J. Bray.  
 Onions (six).—1, A. J. Bray; 2, J. G. Phillips; 3, W. R. Sutton.  
 Saladings.—1, A. E. Senhenn. One entry.  
 Hardy Fruit (two dishes).—1, F. V. Edwards; 2, A. J. Bray.

The thanks of the society are due to Mr. Leopold de Rothschild for the splendid group of stove plants; also to Mr. Arthur Scott for the splendid exhibit of "gardenalities"; and to the golf section for holding a freak golf competition for the benefit of the society.

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## Hockey Notes.

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The Hockey Section has decided (subject to national calls for men or grounds) to proceed with their published programme for the coming season, 1914-15.

The motto, "Business as usual," acted on within well defined limits, is the only reasonable course the committee could have taken through the present crisis.

No single person can cavil at the participation in amateur sport by men and women who are not likely on any occasion to shirk their duty to country or kindred.

A deal of criticism has, yet early, been levelled at the action of the section in endeavouring to carry out, if possible, the completion of fixture arrangements. The strictures are of an unfair character, based on an entirely ignorant view of the facts, and with more than a suspicion of pardonable jealousy. In conclusion, one cannot quote a better injunction—now famous in a more serious sense—to carry on.

It is proposed to start the season with a series of trial matches in September, the invitation to participate therein being extended to any member of the Brentham Club and Institute who cares to state his or her intention of so doing.

Space is valuable this month, but "Circle" has been asked to contradict the rumour, started by interested parties, to the effect that there will be no hockey played at Brentham this coming session. The diligent circulation of this canard is surely worthy of a better cause, and is, in more senses than one, not cricket.

CIRCLE.

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# Brentham Protection Association.

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Brentham is organising against the need that may press heavily upon its residents before many weeks. If the right spirit, which certainly exists, is backed by right giving, the time of need should find the reserves of neighbourly love mobilised.

Two meetings have been held, and, as a result, the Brentham Protection Association has been formed. Its objects are :—

1. To bring cases of necessity arising from the effects of the war before the Ealing Central Executive.
2. To give, if necessary, temporary assistance during consideration of cases by the Central Executive.
3. To give assistance, where desirable, in cases that the Central Executive is unable to help.
4. To watch food prices, and to deal with reports as to supposed overcharge.
5. To take any other steps that may from time to time appear desirable in the interests of the residents and of the estate generally.

Membership of the Association is open to all those residents who :—

1. Undertake to subscribe weekly, according to their means, or
2. Are, at the commencement of the fund :—
  - (a) Out of employment owing to the war.
  - (b) On reduced wages owing to the war.
  - (c) Wives or dependents of men serving with the Colours.

The funds will be administered at the absolute discretion of a committee composed as follows :—

Five elected by the meeting held on August 24th.

Two nominated by the House Committee.

One nominated by the Finance Committee.

One nominated by the Central Executive.

Endeavours will be made to link on this Association as an integral part of the Ealing Executive of the National Emergency work, and for this purpose a proportion, to be determined from time to time by our local committee, of the funds will be paid to the Ealing Executive.



Such is the bare scheme; readers must wait a few days for the committee's circular, list of officers, arrangements for collection, and methods of dealing with cases. In the meantime, let us determine that, whether the scheme is perfect in our eyes or not, we will give it whole-hearted support.

## Golf.

The replica of the Cup presented by the Mayor for the championship of the club has been received, and arrangements are being made for suitably engraving both Cup and replica.

In the July Stroke Competition, 350 cards were sold. As an experiment, the committee decided that there should be two divisions for the purposes of the Monthly Stroke Competitions, a Senior Division to consist of members having handicaps of 6 and under, and a Junior of members whose handicaps were 7 and over. Two silver spoons will be awarded to those returning the lowest scores in each division. For July, the winners were:

SENIOR.		Gross.		H'cap.		Net.
Mr. F. J. Lewis	...	54	...	4	...	50
Mr. L. Parrington	...	56	...	4	...	52
JUNIOR.						
Mrs. Everitt	...	58	...	8	...	50
Mr. Best	...	60	...	8	...	52
Mr. Edwards	...	62	...	10	...	52

In spite of the European crisis, interest in the club is well maintained, and the membership is still increasing.

Attention has been given to Colonel "Bogey," and he now stands at three for every hole, except the fourth, which is two; total, 26; same as before.

I have to record with regret, the prospective loss of Mr. F. W. Chambers from the club. Mr. Chambers has always taken great interest in the club, and the best wishes of the club will follow him in the new position to which he has been promoted.

The Brentham Charity Cup has now been received, but owing to the present conditions, it is feared that the competition for its possession will be unavoidably postponed.

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# Cricket Notes.

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Cricket during the past month has been somewhat eclipsed by the war, and has been interfered with by the weather.

On August 1st, Westbourne Park Wanderers paid us a visit, and a drawn game resulted. The visitors made 113, and at the call of time we made 76 for 5 wickets. Millard made 22.

## CRICKET WEEK.

Norwood Green beat us on Monday (154—87). Millard bowled well, taking 5 for 32. On Tuesday, we defeated the Welcome Club from Deptford (180—65). Leveroni made 64 for us, and Askew 44. Here the week came to an abrupt conclusion, as on Wednesday rain made play impossible, whilst on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday our opponents could not send teams owing to the disturbance caused by the war. A successful concert was held at the pavilion on Monday.

Two games were played with the Ladies on Tuesday and Thursday, one of which was won by them, and the other stopped by a storm. (Was Nemesis a lady?—Ed. B.M.).

On the 15th, Twickenham were unable to send a team, but Hampstead Nomads paid us a visit, and were defeated (159 for 7 to 105). Royce made 46, and Askew 45. The 2nd XI., with a weak team, made an inglorious show against Ealing Dean 2nd XI. Figures will not be mentioned.

The 1st XI. visited Harrow on the 22nd. The wicket was very much "on the Hill," and numerous casualties resulted. Billy Carr had his forehead cut open, and had to receive medical attention. All interest in the game disappeared after this, and we lost (71—121). Royce took 8 wickets for 49. The 2nd XI. lost a close and enjoyable game with West Drayton 2nd, at home. Luke made 29 for us in vigorous style.

One of the features of the month has been the indefatigable practice by the senior boys. Wickets were usually pitched about 9 a.m., and drawn about 6 p.m., with intervals for meals. Several of the boys show considerable promise, and should make useful recruits next year.

## CRICKET FIXTURES (1st Team's Fixture First).

- Sept. 5th.—Steinway (away); *Daily Citizen* (home).  
,, 12th.—North Kensington (home); G.W.R. 2nd (away).  
,, 19th.—2nd Team v. Rivercourt (home).  
,, 26th.—Club Game.
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Welcome to Mr. G. Morriss, the Secretary to Co-Partnership Tenants, Limited, who has come, all unannounced, to live in Brentham. The fact that he is to be seen joining in our recreations with the rest gives a heartiness to the welcome.



# Dramatic Society.

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No doubt the many admirers of the Dramatic Society will be pleased to hear that the committee have decided to run the programme as outlined during the summer, and that readings will be given on alternate Wednesdays, at 8 p.m., commencing on October 7th, with G. B. Shaw's "Fanny's First Play."

Owing to the many calls which, at the present time, are being made upon our purses, it was decided that for the first half of the programme no fee should be charged at all, and every member of the Institute will be able to avail himself, or herself, of this form of entertainment.

We have been invited to perform the opening of the Winter Session of the Institute on Friday and Saturday, September 25th and 26th, with the performance of Robertson's well-known comedy, "Caste," and this is now in active rehearsal, with practically the old cast.

As we shall soon be on the job, as it were, there is the question of scenery, which requires re-painting, and we appeal to any resident who has an hour to spare in the evening, and who would like to help in this direction, to look up Mr. Fairchild, of 48, Meadvale Road, who has the matter in hand; he will be pleased with any help you may give him. Thanks.

The usual social programme arranged has had to be reluctantly cancelled, owing to the present state of affairs, and believing that, in the interest of the estate generally, we should proceed to give some sort of recreation on Saturday evenings, an Entertainment Committee has been formed, consisting of two members each of the Dramatic Society, the Choral Society, and the House Committee, to cater for the estate's wants in these directions, at popular prices; and on behalf of that Committee we appeal to all artistes on the estate, and any friends of theirs, who would offer to come forward and make a variety in the concerts, please to get into communication with Mr. F. W. Chambers at the Institute, and let him know what Saturday they could help.

Now, Brentham, we are doing our little utmost to amuse you, you all do your share; come and be entertained. Full arrangements will be announced here next month.

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## Tennis Notes.

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The record of anything in the line of sports and pastimes must necessarily be of a very meagre sort. Under the existing circumstances, no one will be inclined to take much notice of past doings, so I must condense my small account as much as possible.

The finals for the Gents' Singles resulted in the victory of Mr. H. F. Garrett over Mr. Ward, and the Ladies' similar competition was won by Mrs. Macfarlane, the runner-up being Miss Ayres.

A fairly well attended Tennis Drive, on August Bank Holiday morning, was brought off, and the first prizes went to Mrs. Ephgrave and Mr. Goodridge.

L.O.B.

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## Bowls.

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The Bowling Club's Bank Holiday Tournament was most successful, the finalists being the worthy Vice-Captain, Mr. John Hearn (scratch) and Mr. Mogg (rec. 8). The former won, and so earns the distinction of being "Brentham's best bowler." It was a great pity that the Captain was not able to enter. He was, however, on the green, and we were thankful for that. Mr. Sanders, too, would, no doubt, have proved a tough competitor had he been available.

The District Railway Bowling Club did not turn up in full force, but despite that fact, and the rain, we made a game of it, and the railwaymen were successful. The Ealing Conservative Club are our last and most formidable opponents of the season.

The enjoyable nature of the Bank Holiday "knock-out" certainly ensures a tournament policy for the club in future seasons; our members appear to be tired of inter-club matches, for which the present green is hardly suitable. The new one seems a long way off!

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Of large stores of foodstuffs got in against the time of high prices, there are probably few in Brentham. But an insistent rumour exists of a side of bacon having been offered for sale owing to the storer having "gone off" bacon for a time. The cannibal! Is it true that a certain crop of fast-ripening tomatoes is intended for free distribution?



# Choral Society.

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The fourth season of the Choral Society will commence on October 1st next, and the first rehearsal will be preceded at 8 o'clock *prompt* by THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. It is hoped that all members, and many prospective members, will attend, the agenda being an important one, including suggested alteration of the subscription.

Efforts are being made to provide Saturday entertainments at a minimum charge during the coming winter, and it is proposed that the society should combine with the Dramatic Society for these occasions.

The Choral Society will give a patriotic concert in December, and will be pleased to welcome new members for the tenor and bass parts.

All information can be had from the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Patten, 44, Denison Road.

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## The Brentham Institute Working Party

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The spirited efforts of a quartette of children (the Misses Marion Smith, Nolan, and Sansom) in the form of a drawing-room variety entertainment, on a recent Friday, have shown what can be done to swell the funds of the above. As a result, the sum of 5/2 was handed to the Treasurer.

Over 120 articles have been made by the members for the V.A.D Hospital of Ealing, and we hope when local needs are satisfied that we may be able to take up those of the destitute Belgian refugees.

What offers from the Garden Suburb? We are confident that one entertainment has not exhausted all the talent.

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Our sportsmen went to Hampstead on Bank Holiday, and competed in the local sports, taking prizes in several events. The calling to the Colours of many of our men at the Hampstead and Ealing Suburbs has made it necessary to postpone *sine die* the arrangements for the Thornton Cup Competition, but when all the lads return, as we hope, safe and well, they hope to renew old acquaintances.



## On Dit.

That the Editor's prose is nearly as bad as the Pierrot's poetry.

That neither the Editor nor the Pierrot think so.

That the Pierrot would never have tried to combine Scotch with French—he prefers soda.

That the Cricket Secretary is glad he headed his last month's announcement of Cricket Week Arrangements with a "Weather permitting" note.

That the 1st XI. are quite satisfied with the Harrow C.C. ground.

That the writer of the hint in last month's Magazine, as to a promenade for the Brentham Players when learning their lines, has been reminded that many of them *don't*.

That the Hockey Club is wondering where the new football section (if formed) will play.

That the football enthusiasts feel sorry that the Hockey Section may have to lose its ground.

That each is telling the other to go to the other side of the Styx.

The Balcony is not "a place" within the meaning of the Horticultural Act.

ANON.

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The September *Good Health* to hand is a Garden City number, and contains typical views to be met with in garden suburbs up and down the country. Co-partnership estates naturally come in for much attention, and Brentham deserves, and has reason, to be proud of the special mention it receives.

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