

IN MEMORIAM.

WALTER B. DAVIES : School House, 1901—08. Walter Davies was a remarkable boy. From an early age he revealed exceptional gifts and earned the nickname of "Genii" for his equal facility in Classics and Mathematics. It was soon realised that nothing but ill-health could prevent him winning high honours in Scholarship. His career of School successes was unbroken, and in due course he entered for the "Balliol," and only just failed to win it, and a few days later carried off the Senior Open Scholarship at Trinity, Oxford. His Oxford career was less consistently brilliant, but his health to some extent failed him, and no one doubted that his great gifts would eventually re-assert themselves. When the war broke out, he was in Germany learning the language, and suffered much from the ensuing harsh internment. He managed to find his way home in 1917, and at once joined the Army as a private. He took a Commission a little later ; but his health was uncertain, and it was perhaps scarcely a surprise, when news came that an influenza attack had proved fatal on a return journey from India. So a career of great possibilities has been cut short. Davies was no athlete by nature, but he played games with zeal to the limits of his physical abilities. He was a School Prefect and deservedly popular in the School. He is the second of two Breconian brothers to have given his life in the War, while the third has been severely wounded. Our sincerest sympathies go out towards his sorrowing relatives.