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"I won't lick you now," he said loftily. "Counter of the Sixth will lam you for all he's worth, if Treloarney doesn't, and you'll have enough licks for the first day of the term."

And Kendall strode on with his chum. "That's right enough," Fisher remarked thoughtfully. "Treloarney, our captain, is a splendid sort, and he may take the thing as a joke, but there's some of the Sixth will be wild about it, and I'm afraid you're booked for a high old time, Lawrence."

"I dare say I shall be able to stand it," said Clive carelessly. "Now, do you happen to know Mr. Neill's room? I've got to speak to him."

"Well, as he's our Form-master, I expect we do," grinned Fisher. "Come along, kids. We'll ask him about the study. We want to get the same one as we had last term. It's the biggest of all in the Fourth Form lot, and has a sunny window. A word from the Form-master is enough."

The three juniors entered the School House. Fisher tapped at a door, and a pleasant voice bade him come in. The boys went in, and found a handsome, athletic-looking fellow in his shirt sleeves in the midst of bundles of books and other property, evidently up to his eyes in work.

"Ah, Fisher and Locke!" exclaimed Mr. Neill, the master of the Fourth Form at St. Winifred's. "I am glad to see you back again, and I hope you have turned over a new leaf."

"Ye-es, sir," I hope so," said Fisher. "We—we are going to work awfully hard this term, sir, and—so if we can't get into the Shell, sir. That's why we've come."

"To tell me your good resolutions? That's kind of you, Fisher."

Fisher coloured. "Not exactly, sir; but—but we shall be able to work ever so much harder if we have the same study as last term, sir—No. 7. Can we—"

Mr. Neill laughed heartily.

"Yes, certainly. I will make a note of it. You can put your traps in the same study. I will see later who is to have it with you."

"Milsom had it with us last term, sir. He left at the end of the term, and so we—we—"

"Well, what, Fisher?"

"We hoped we might have it to ourselves this term, sir."

The Form-master shook his head decidedly.

"Certainly not. There are several new boys this term, Fisher, and it is quite possible that you will have four in No. 7."

Fisher's face fell, and so did Locke's.

"Four? Oh, sir!"

"Well, three, at least," said the Form-master. "Let me see—who is this? A new boy?"

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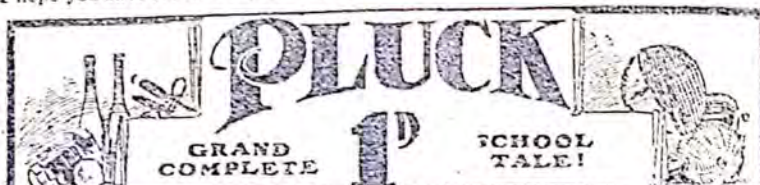
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